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Professor Hernan Chaimovich Guralnik
Presidente, CNPq

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Dear President Chaimovich Guralnik,

On behalf of the Executive Committee of IUAES, the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, we are writing about the prospect of the termination of *Vibrant*, a journal the Brazilian Association of Anthropology (ABA) publishes.

Vibrant is a highly respected journal, and it would be an immense loss for both the global intellectual community and Brazilian social science if it is ended. *Vibrant* has provided an important resource for international anthropologists to learn about Brazilian anthropologists' activities and achievements, which are known throughout the world to be outstanding. In the light of Brazilian anthropology's respected international stature, the ABA is going to host the 18th World Congress of the IUAES in Brazil in 2018. This is a most important event in international anthropology and is likely to attract at least two thousand scholars from seventy countries. As a result of this prestigious gathering, *Vibrant* should become even more important as a channel for connecting international and Brazilian scholarship, particularly because all of its contents are translated into English.

We understand, however, that the continuation of *Vibrant* will become impossible if the essential financial support for the journal from the Brazilian National Council for

Scientific and Technological Development is no longer available. We sincerely hope that CNPq will consider the significance of the journal as a vehicle for bridging Brazilian science and the wider world. The termination of this journal means that Brazilian anthropological production will become unreachable beyond the boundaries of the Portuguese language, and that will be an irretrievable loss both nationally and internationally.

Sincerely,

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Prof. Faye V. Harrison, President, IUAES

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Junji Koizumi', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Prof. Junji Koizumi, Secretary-General, IUAES

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the IUAES