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University Group visiting Fjallabak Reserve

The Environment Agency of Iceland has received your letter dated June the 27th 2014 where you request an approval for the activities of a group of 17 students and yourself, which include a visit to Fjallabak Nature Reserve, and a request to examine rocks within the reserve as described.

The Environment Agency would like to point out that:

- According to article 37 of the Nature Conservation Act. No. 44/1999 all lava fields enjoy special protection and their disturbance shall be avoided if at all possible.
- According to the Act on the Icelandic Institute of Natural History and Nature Research Centres No. 60/1992 the export of natural history specimens is prohibited except with the permission of the Icelandic Institute of Natural History.
- Fjallabak is a nature reserve and therefore it is prohibited to disturb vegetation, animal life, geological formations or other natural features within the reserve. It is also prohibited to bury or leave waste in the reserve.

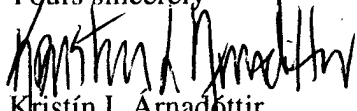
The Environment Agency grants you a research permit within Fjallabak nature reserve according to your application. The permit is subjected to the following conditions:

- Contact Ingibjörg Eiríksdóttir, the head ranger of Fjallabak Nature Reserve before your arrival (tel. +354 8224034).
- The project leader must ensure that all members follow the rules of the Fjallabak Nature Reserve and the rangers instructions.
- Signs of your research should be as inconspicuous as possible.
- Camping outside designated campsites is not allowed.
- Off-road driving, as well as off-road parking or U-turns off road, are prohibited at all

times.

The Agency wishes you a pleasant and successful trip to the Fjallabak Nature Reserve area.

Yours sincerely


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