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## Subject: Permit to film at Gullfoss

The Environment Agency of Iceland has received a request, dated 7th and the 10th of August 2015, from Philipp Walz, to film at Gullfoss on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August 2015.

Gullfoss has been protected as a natural reserve since 1979. It is prohibited to harm vegetation, disturb wildlife and damage geological formations.

## Description of the project:

The plan is to film, using a drone, at Gullfoss on the 11th of August, from 6am until 8am. The crew consists of seven people. There will be no need to go off paths and no props or chemicals are involved. There will be no movement of stones, minerals or soil changing.

## Evaluation:

The Environment Agency concludes that filming in Gullfoss, as described above, will neither disturb fragile geological formation and fauna, nor cause significant disturbance to other guests in the area if the conditions set by the Environment Agency will be met.

The Environment Agency, for its part, hereby grants Philipp Walz permission to film with at Gullfoss according to his application. The permit is subjected to the following conditions:

- This permit is granted from 6am until 8am on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August.
- Every measure should be taken to avoid damage to the site and unnecessary disturbance to other guests in the area.
- Please keep the signed permit with you.
- Off-road driving is strictly prohibited and is punishable by fines or imprisonment.

## The Environment Agency emphasises due to filming with drones:

- An unmanned aircraft should never be flown near people. Please take precaution not to disturb people's experience, their safety or personal privacy nor the general peace of the protected areas filmed.
- An unmanned aircraft should never be flown near animals or birds, neither in nesting areas nor
  during nesting season or any other seasonal time when animals or bird habitats are considered
  vulnerable.
- The conductor of the unmanned aircraft is responsible for the aircraft within the protected area. This includes responsibility so that people, fauna and nature is unharmed because of the aircraft's use and that no permanent mark be left on the site in question. Should the aircraft crash, all components from it must be collected and removed from the area.
- A special permission from the Transport Authority is needed if the unmanned aircraft is over 5 kg. The Environment Agency expects the licensee to comply to rules that apply to unmanned aircrafts
- Liability for the use of unmanned airplains goes by Act no. 60/1998.

The Environment Agency of Iceland stresses that applicants should apply 15 days before filming in protected areas in Iceland.

Sincerely

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