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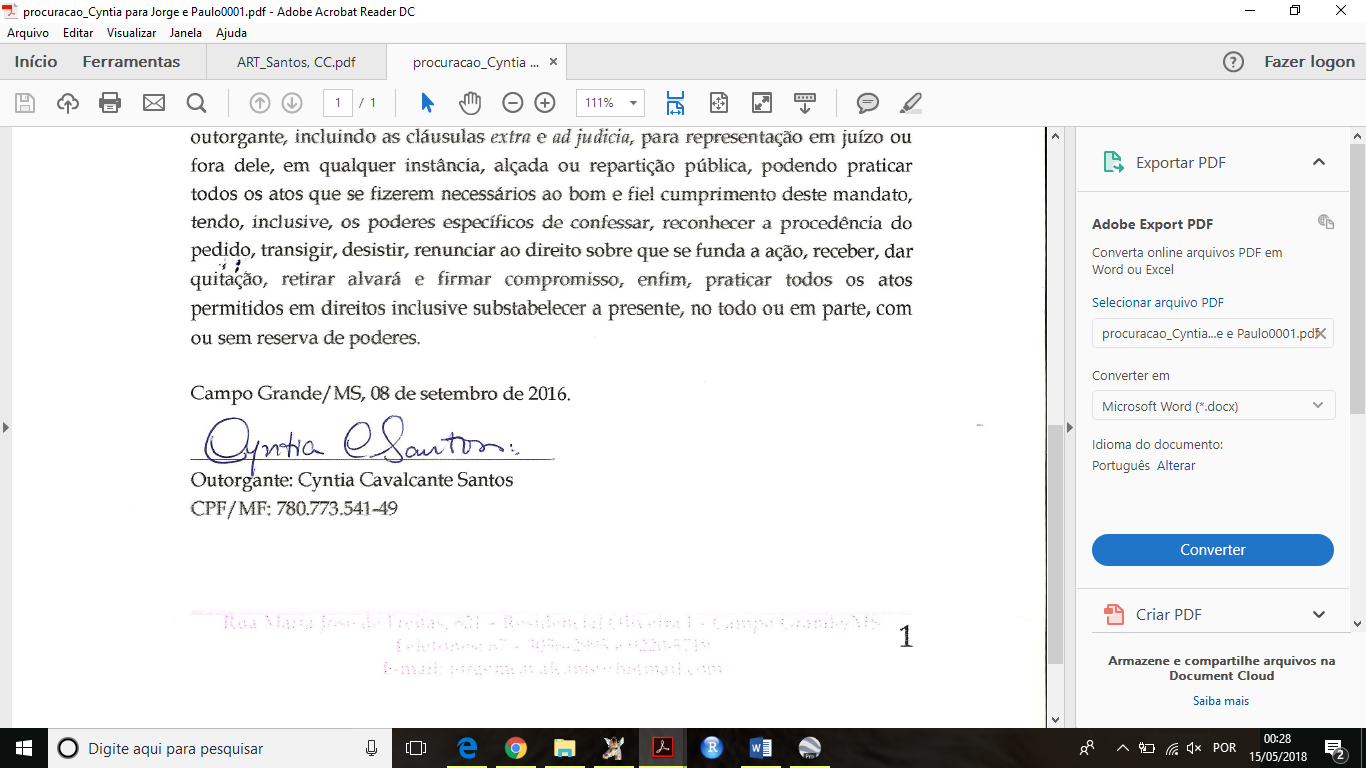
In this manuscript we provide an update to the knowledge regarding anurans from Porto Murtinho, Mato Grosso do Sul state, Brazil. This municipality is characterized by a mosaic of Cerrado, Pantanal and Chaco dry forest. We registered 31 species in a 20,000-ha area of Chaco and Cerrado. These records add four new species to registers, totaling 49 species in Porto Murtinho. These 49 species recorded to date is more than the numbers found in other municipalities of central-southern Brazil.

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Thus, considering that Porto Murtinho has received recurring attention in conservations scientific journals because the high rates of conversion of natural areas to pastures, we believe that you, the editorial board and the reviewers, will find this inventory a strong and novel contribution to the field and more specifically to *Oecologia Australis*.

Sincerely yours,

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