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Mr Nikolaos Mertzos  
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Dear Mr Mertzos

I write to extend my personal thanks for meeting me during my official study trip to Greece in May.

It was an honour to meet you in Thessaloniki and I am pleased that you were able to meet me during your busy schedule. I am very impressed with Greece, its beauty, diversity, culture and productivity.

The Society for Macedonian Studies is performing a crucial role in protecting the heritage of Greece and preserving Macedonia. I was shocked by the information you were able to give me about the activities of other Balkan countries in encroaching upon the Greek identity. I will ensure that the message you gave me is disseminated widely here in South Australia.

You work with a wonderful group of people, please keep that good work up and let me know if I can be of assistance to you at any time.

I very much look forward to welcoming you to Adelaide and South Australia in future.

Once again, your generosity and thoughtfulness are most appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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