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Dear Professor Koch,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation for participating in the meeting held with the Dean of the Faculty of English, Prof Katarzyna Dziubalska-Kołaczyk at the Adam Mickiewicz University on 23 April 2015. The discussions gave me a broader perspective on the courses offered within the Faculty, as well as a good understanding of the South African Studies Department curriculum. In this regard, I am of the considered view that the curriculum provides the students with good knowledge, not only of South Africa, but the immense wealth of opportunities that the African Continent offers. I am well aware that these students are the future CEO's of Poland and they will influence the political and economic decision making processes within Poland in the future.

I have been informed that you played a pivotal role with the introduction of South African Studies at the Adam Mickiewicz University, a fact that I would like to commend you for. I am of the view that your students' exposure to South African Studies will place not only South Africa, but the African Agenda firmly in focus in Poland, which, in turn will lead to a better understanding between our peoples and our countries.

Our informal interaction and the briefing on Poland you provided to me during the Friends of South Africa meeting hosted by Honorary Consul Fiedler laid the foundation for future cooperation, which I am convinced will develop and grow in the future.

Last but not least, I would like to congratulate you and thank you for your tireless efforts promoting South African history and culture at the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan. I hope that the cooperation between the South African Embassy and the South African and Dutch Studies Department will be strengthened during my term of duty in Poland.

Warm regards

  
Simon Ntombela  
Ambassador