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Prof. Jerzy Koch Adam Mickiewicz University Al. Niepodleglosci 4 61-874 Poznan

Dear Professor Koch,

I wish to thank you and your team at the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan for the kind cooperation with the South African Embassy during my posting as the Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa to Poland. My term of duty comes to an end on 15 December 2014 after which I will retire from the diplomatic service.

The South African Embassy appreciates the support from you and the team at the South African Studies Department at the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan. Your initiatives and passion for the Republic of South Africa created the opportunity for this unique South African Studies course to be introduced in the Faculty of English at the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan. The syllabus that you and the team crafted provides students with a good foundation of South African history and culture. I was pleasantly surprised by your students' knowledge on South Africa when I visited the University. I believe that Polish students can benefit from doing a course in South African Studies and it will provide them with opportunities not only in Poland, but also in South Africa, the African Continent and the rest of the world. In this regard, I hope that they will keep South Africa and the African Continent in mind when they take decisions as future Polish CEO's working at their respective companies and businesses.

I am confident that the good trilateral cooperation established between the South African Embassy, Honorary Consulate and the Adam Mickiewicz University will reap long term benefits for all role players involved and contribute to strengthen the bonds between South Africa and Poland.

My family and I leave Poland with fond memories of the time spent in this beautiful country of yours with its rich culture and history. It was a great honour and privilege to represent the government and people of the Republic of South Africa in Poland.

I hope that you will continue the good mutual cooperation with my successor once he arrives in Poland.

Once again, a big thank you!

Warm regards

Dr. LST Pekane Ambassador