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Mr. HIKMAT ABDALLA AL BAZZAZ
Under Secretary for Technical
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I R A K

Excellency,

The image of the farewell you and your wonderful wife have had the kindness to afford to me and to my compatriot Mrs. Gomes, is still vivid in my mind. This is one of the many gestures which you and the other authorities in your country have so abundantly displayed during my unforgettable visit.

I was particularly impressed by the high esteem you have shown for my country and my people favouring me and Mrs. Gomes with so many occasions to see and to understand your own people.

The efficiency and warmth of your services and very especially of all the bodies connected with the National Commission of UNESCO deserve the appreciation of all those who have had the opportunity to contact them. I congratulate you for the spirit of all involved and whom I had the pleasure to meet.

Hoping that a more systematic collaboration between Irak and Portugal will be one of the fruits of my visit to your country, I remain,

Yours Sincerely,

Maria de Lourdes Pintasilgo
Permanent Delegate of Portugal
to UNESCO

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