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Dear Ms MacGregor

Thank you for your letter of 26 December regarding “Stories from Abroad” and the Senate Inquiry into Australians living overseas.

I wish to thank you for providing the Embassy with a copy of the book, “Australian Expats: Stories from Abroad”, as well as the report on Australia’s Diaspora by Professor Hugo. I will share these with colleagues in the mission.

Regarding the Senate Inquiry into Australian Expatriates, as you may know, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade will be making a submission to the Inquiry and Embassies have been asked to make contributions to this.

We have provided your flyers about the Inquiry and the book to two societies in Vienna which together cover a large percentage of Australians here. They are the Australian Connection and the Austrian – Australian Society. From our perspective, this presents the most practical way of conveying the SCG information.

Thank you for informing us about the work of the Southern Cross Group.

Yours sincerely

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