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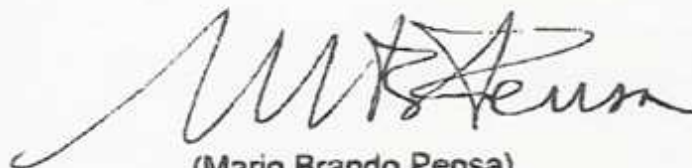
Dear Messrs Tausens and Hendriks

I would like to thank you for the kind welcome we received and the courtesy you showed on the occasion of my stay at Hotel Botticelli on the night of April 1.

I avail myself of this opportunity to compliment you on the beautiful room reserved for us and for the cosy and pleasant atmosphere of the premises.

I really appreciated the various marks of Italian character and the enthusiasm for my country which so clearly transpires in the Hotel.

Sincerely yours



(Mario Brando Pensa)

(Ambassador)

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