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 The president of the Republic of Albania

 Mr. Ilir Meta

Your Excellency, the President of the Republic of Albania, Mr. Ilir Meta,

On behalf of our entire group, I wish to express wholeheartedly how grateful we are for your receiving us and organizing the trip for us in order that we may be given the opportunity to grow more familiar with your country and that we can get to know your country better. Most of us were in Albania for the first time and this is a great honour for us all, children and adults alike. We admire the achievements and the development of your country. The organization of the whole trip was on the most highest of levels, from its very beginning to its very end, to say the least. Not to mention the outstanding accomodation throughout the trip, excellent food, the beautiful places ~~that~~ we have visited ( Berat, Kruja, Durres, Tirana), the cordialities of all Your officials and representatives) the hospitality we encountered everywhere we went, the warm and friendly atmosphere Your people rendered to us. None of us has ever experienced such an approach and treatment. We were all positively shocked and amazed at the same time. This is an experience that one can experience only once in his/her lifetime. It was like the most beautiful movie in the world of magic. We all are overwhelmed with the most beautiful feelings and experiences which we will all remember for the rest of our lives. And, which we will undoubtedly retell many times over and over again to many people in our country. In addition to all of the above already mentioned, I would also like to point out that for all Albanians in our group, as well as for us who have origins/roots in Albania, this trip was a very emotional event, indeed. We could see and feel the land of our ancestors. Inspite of the fact that our great-grand fathers came to Croatia about 300 years ago, it was very touching to walk upon Your land and tread across the same land our ancestors once walked upon. You are all very kind and warm people and your country should be an example to all other countries in Europe.

Once again, thank you for visiting our school last fall, that was an event we will all remember. I would like to point out that you are the first Albanian President who has ever visited Arbanasi and this will be recorded in the first monograph of our school which will be published on the occasion of the 150-th year anniversary of the foundation of our school in Arbanasi. The promotion of the monograph will be held under the programme of Zadar City Day Festivities on 24th November 2019. Your visit to our school and our visit to your beautiful country will go down in the annals, i.e. will be recorded in our history and as such will be read by many generations to follow.

Furthermore, I am delighted that apart from learning the Albanian language at our school, we can promote and also develop other forms of cooperation between our countries, such as was our visit.

We all wish you success in the further development of your country, not to mention good health to you, your family and all your associates. Long live the mutual, wonderful friendship between our countries!

Yours sincerelly,

 Director of the school

 Jasmina Matešić