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His Excellency Christian Buchmann
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Federal State of Styria Department for Economics, Innovation and Finances
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Dear Minister Buchmann,

It was terrific to spend time with you yesterday and I appreciate your coming so far for our meeting. Since I've been able to go to Austria far too seldom lately, it's great when Austria comes to me!

I am impressed by the strong trade partnerships Styria and California already enjoy. It is clear that we can make these remarkable bonds even stronger in the years ahead. I want to build that "bridge to Styria" and I look forward to working with you to foster stronger partnerships with respect to student exchanges, tourism and, in particular, renewable energy development. I understand that David Crane has been in touch with you and I look forward to an update on the next steps.

Thank you again for visiting yesterday. I look forward to seeing you again very soon - whether in Styria or California. Thank you also for the amazing array of gifts. The etching, the books, the schnapps - I appreciate them all.

With warm regards,

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