

PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR
A. E. MORGAN

MCGILL UNIVERSITY
MONTREAL

August 12th, 1937.

My dear Consul,

Your letter of July 8th was acknowledged by my Secretary in my absence from the city.

First of all permit me to thank you for your continued interest in the matter of the appointment of a Professor of Italian Language and Literature in this University. I entirely share your sentiments with respect to the desirability of closer cultural relations between our respective countries, and would welcome most sincerely the creation of such a Chair, suitably endowed.

I may explain that in the creation of such a Chair, the matter would have to be approved by the governing body. Following this, a statutory Board of Selection would have to be appointed consisting of representatives of Senate and of the Board of Governors. As a final step, the recommendation would have to be approved by the bodies concerned.

Unfortunately, at present the financial situation of the University entirely precludes the possibility of creating any new Chairs or undertaking any other projects involving questions of additional expenditure. I must therefore inform you very regretfully that any proposal to establish such a Chair will have to await more favourable conditions.

Yours sincerely,

Acting Principal.

The Royal Italian Consul,
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Montreal.