

Receive, M.: P.: Gr.: Commander and Illustrious Brethren, the expression of our kindest sentiments and accept our fraternal salutations.

ALEXANDRE DE MILBITZ, 33°,

*M.: P.: S.: G.: Commander.*

DAVID LEVI, 33°,

*Minister of State H.: E.:*

MAURIZIO ZACCARIA, 33°,

*Gr.: Sec.: General.*

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[TRANSLATION.]

LETTER FROM THE SUPREME COUNCIL OF BELGIUM.

SUPREME COUNCIL OF THE ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE FOR BELGIUM, AND THE OTHER COUNTRIES UNDER ITS OBEDIENCE.

From the East of the Supreme Council, the 26th day of the second month, 5875.

VERY DEAR AND ILLUSTRIOUS BROTHER,

The Supreme Council of Belgium, at its sitting of the 9th April, took into its consideration the letter which you addressed it, under date of 1st January last. Our Illustrious Brother ALBERT PIKE had already informed us of the request that your were about to make, and had fraternally sustained it. Thus, coming before us with the recommendation of a Mason for whom we have great esteem and a very warm affection, it was with the greatest alacrity that we acceded to your fraternal demand, and recognized as perfectly regular the Supreme Council formed at Ottawa, Canada, and which was duly and legally instituted by the Supreme Council of England and Wales.

In the interest of our good relations we have acceded with pleasure to your proposition for the reciprocal appointment of Guarantors of Amity; we have, then, the honor to propose for your suffrages, as your Representative near the Supreme Council of Belgium, our Ill.: Brother EDWARD CLUYDTS, 33°, President of the Chamber of Commerce. We are satisfied that you will find in him a Brother who will use all his efforts to give to our relations with each other the highest possible development.

You will confer a favor upon us by transmitting the name of a Brother, charged to represent our Supreme Council near the Supreme Council of Canada. The Brother that you select is certain to be accepted by us, and we shall at once forward him the necessary letters patent.

Accept, dear and Most Illustrious Brother, the assurance of our warm devotion, and receive our hearty fraternal salutations.

L. RICHE, 33°,

*Grand Secretary.*

To the Ill.: Bro.:

THOS. DOUGLAS HARINGTON, 33°,

*Sov.: Gr.: Commander of the*

*Supreme Council of Canada, at Ottawa:*

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