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Monsieur Philippe Bélaval  
Directeur général des patrimoines  
182, rue Saint-Honoré  
75001 Paris, France

Dear Monsieur Bélaval:

Louvre Amarna Princess No. E 27215

M. Stéphane L'HOST informed me that His Excellency, Monsieur Mitterand, has asked you to review the matter of the above captioned statuette and I want to assure you that you will have our full cooperation in this matter.

Our interest in this matter is simply to honor the memory of the late Chanoine Etienne Drioton, a giant of Egyptology and long time family friend. Madame Noblecourt, one of the greatest Egyptologists of all times, who had been familiar with the Amarna artifacts, since her excavation days in Egypt, had suggested the gift to the Louvre. As is the policy of the Louvre, she had the authenticity of the artifact confirmed by the laboratoires des Musées Nationaux.

My letter to His Excellency Monsieur Mitterand, contained most, if not all, of the relevant information pertaining to this matter. However, should additional information be needed, I would be delighted to forward it to you, or I invite you to visit our web site: <http://www.mansooramarnacollection.com>

It is our sincere desire to see the artifact returned to exhibit so that the memory of the late Chanoine Drioton is restored.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Alfred Mansoor, for the family of  
The late M.A. Mansoor

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