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Dear Professor Mucha,

Thank you very much for your kind reception at the time of  
WWF's visit to Gabčíkovo on June 3.

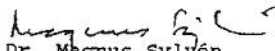
I apologize for not having written earlier but,  
unfortunately, I have been away from my office more or less  
ever since then. However, this delay has enabled me to have  
the opportunity to carefully read your study entitled  
"Gabčíkovo - WWF". I would like to tell you how impressed I  
am by your work and knowledge on this subject, and how  
embarrassed I personally feel about WWF's past involvement.

As I promised you when we met, I have asked the team who put  
the report together for a response, which will be carefully  
scrutinized by WWF-International. Hopefully something  
positive can come out of such an effort.

I have today had an opportunity to assess the case with the  
Director General of WWF-International, Dr. Claude Martin. We  
have both agreed to immediately stop all further involvement  
from WWF-Austria. Dr. Martin will be sending a personal  
letter to Ing. Dominik Kocinger assuring him that there will  
be no future involvement from WWF unless a formal request is  
received from the Slovak side which, of course, we do not  
expect.

I wish you every success in your future endeavours. Perhaps  
we will meet sometime in the future under more positive  
circumstances.

Yours sincerely,

  
Dr. Magnus Sylvén  
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