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## RECOMMENDATION

Re: Mr. Richard de Meij

To whom it may concern:

Rarely. if ever, in my teaching career have I been called upon to write a recommendation for a student and teacher as superlative as Mr. de Meij.

In every aspect he shines: in his meticulous attention to detail when planning his classes, his sincere desire to convey the course material and share his enthusiasm for languages, his uplifting personality, and his thorough knowledge of English, Dutch, Papiamento, Spanish, German, French, Portuguese, and recently Greek.

As a fellow polyglot who frequently speaks with Mr. de Meij in six of the above languages I can attest to his great knowledge of them. but also as his friend of four years I can say he will be missed by many, as his warmth and charm have long served to brighten the lives of those around him.

I give him my highest personal and professional recommendation.

Sincerely,

Matt\_Whitney Lecturer

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