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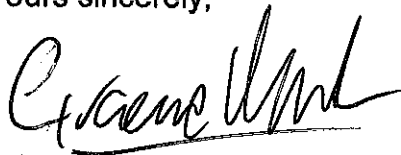
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Dear Harry,

On behalf of my colleagues in the Centre for Scottish Studies at the University of Guelph in Canada I am writing to confirm our support for the proposed dotScot scheme. In this age of increasingly fragmented international and economic relations, the need for a clear and recognisable Scottish presence on the web is strong.

The Centre for Scottish Studies is one of only two such centres in North America. My colleagues and I are committed to supporting the Scottish presence around the world. As historians we are aware of how visible the Scots have been within so many different nations since their first migrations, participating in the creation of new institutions and the development of new economies and societies. As participants in the Scottish diaspora today, we know this legacy is too easily overlooked; that the continued vitality of each and every Scots' endeavour is too easily stymied. For all these reasons we believe that Scotland can only gain from a clear web identity.

Yours sincerely,



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