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Dear Jacques MAES,

Please accept my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for the choir's outstanding performance in English. I realize that putting on an event of this scope and magnitude year after year is a significant undertaking, so please know that your efforts are truly appreciated.

This year's celebration was absolutely incredible and I was proud and delighted to be able to attend and meet the fine citizens of Grasse. Our countries have enjoyed a long and formidable alliance that symbolizes liberté, égalité, and fraternité.

I look forward to having another opportunity to Grasse again soon.

Respectfully,

C. S. O'CONNOR

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