

LETTERS TO THE INSTITUTE

The tragic news of the death of Basil Laourdas, director of our Institute shocked and grieved his colleagues and friends in Greece and abroad. We could hardly believe that this man so full of energy and palpitating with ideas and projects ceased to be among us. We feel that he is irreplaceable as he combined scholarship, administrative qualities and a great ability for contacts and collaboration. His loss was profoundly felt in the scholarly world. The younger generation of scholars lost an inspirator, a guide and helper in their work. His own generation lost an excellent scholar, a collaborator, a faithful friend and a gentle colleague. We should like to present an echo of the repercussion the sad news had in this broad scholarly family and for this reason we offer some excerpts from the condolence letters sent to the Institute. They speak more than anything else about our much regretted late Director Basil Laourdas.

The Board of the Institute

I wish to convey my deepest regrets for this irreparable loss to the Institute itself and the international community of scholarship. I should be grateful to you for conveying this message to the members of the Institute and to his beloved widow.

JOHN P. ANTON

Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia

I received your card announcing the demise of Mr. Basil Laourdas and I am much grieved to know my friend is no more. Although I never had the good luck to meet him in person, I had come to know him well enough through his letters to me. I can never forget all the help and encouragement he gave me in my study of Greek life and thought. He spared no effort to get me publications of your Institute which were out of print if I expressed any desire to read them. He would even send me your publications in French until I had to confess to him that I know little French.

BALACHANDRAN

Madras, India

Prof. Milan Bartoš et Madame expriment leur condoléances à cause du décès du grand savant Monsieur Basil Laourdas et prient Madame Laourdas et le Comité de l'Institut d'Études Balkaniques de croire qu'ils étaient très touchés par cette triste nouvelle.

M. BARTOŠ

Académie Serbe des Sciences, Belgrade

Avec vous je déplore profondément la disparition de ce grand savant et habile organisateur scientifique auquel j'étais lié depuis notre première rencontre par une sincère amitié.

Je vous prie de vouloir bien transmettre à Madame Laourdas l'expression de mes sincères condoléances.

HENRYK BATOWSKI

Université de Cracovie

Empfangen Sie den Ausdruck meiner aufrichtigen Teilnahme an dem schweren Verluste, den Ihr Institut durch das Hinscheiden seines hochverehrten Direktors, Herrn Basil Laourdas, erlitten hat. Ich bitte Sie, überzeugt zu sein, dass ich ihm stets ein ehrendes Andenken bewahren werde.

V. BEŠEVLIEV

Sophia

Toute troublée par la triste nouvelle concernant la mort du monsieur Basil Laourdas, je vous prie de me considérer près de vous dans ces difficiles moments en vous assurant de mes sentiments d'amitié et d'admiration pour la Grèce et la culture grecque pour laquelle Monsieur Basil Laourdas a travaillé toute sa vie.

ILEANA BERLOGEA

Institut d'Art Dramatique, Bucarest

Μετὰ πολλῆς λύπης ἐπληροφορήθην τὴν παρελθοῦσαν ἄνοιξιν τὸν αἰφνίδιον θάνατον τοῦ ἀγαπητοῦ φίλου καὶ ἐξαιρετικοῦ ἐπιστήμονος ἀειμνήστου Βασιλείου Λαοῦρδα. Λόγοι πέραν τῆς θελήσεώς μου δὲν μοῦ ἐπέτρεψαν νὰ ἐκφράσω ἐνωρίτερον τὰ συλλυπητήριά μου καὶ τὴν συμμετοχὴν τοῦ πένθους μου πρὸς τὸ Ἰδρυμά σας καὶ τὴν οἰκογένειαν τοῦ ἀλησμονήτου Βασιλείου Λαοῦρδα. Τὸ πράττω τοῦτο σήμερον, ἔστω καὶ καθυστερημένως.

Ὅντως ὁ αἰφνίδιος θάνατος τοῦ προσφιλοῦς Βασιλείου Λαοῦρδα ὑπῆρξεν ἄκρως ὀδυνηρὸς διὰ τοὺς ἐν Ἀμερικῇ φίλους του. Τὸν ἐνθυμούμεθα διὰ τὴν

ἐπιστημονικὴν ἐμβρίθειαν καὶ ἀκεραιότητά του, τὴν προσεκτικὴν του σοβαρὰν ἐρευνητικὴν του διάθεσιν, τὰ ἐπιμελημένα συγγραφικὰ του ἐπιτεύγματα. Ἀλλὰ πέραν τούτων ὁ Βασίλειος Λαούρδας ὑπῆρξεν ἀκέραιος χαρακτήρ, μελίχιος, εὐγενής, μία ἡρεμος καὶ ἡμερος ψυχὴ, μία καρδιά πάλλουσα ἀπὸ ἀγάπην καὶ καλωσύνην. Ταπεινός, εὐγενής, γλυκὺς συνεδύαζε τὰ προσόντα τοῦ λαμπροῦ ἐπιστήμονος καὶ τοῦ ἀνθρώπου τοῦ καλοῦ τε καὶ ἀγαθοῦ. Ἦτο ὁλοκληρωμένος ἄνθρωπος ὁ Βασίλειος Λαούρδας. Ἡ φλόγα τοῦ ἁγίου ἐνθουσιασμοῦ, ἥτις ἤστραπτε εἰς τοὺς ἄγνους ὀφθαλμούς του ἅς εἶναι πάντοτε πηγὴ ζωῆς καὶ ἐνθουσιασμοῦ διὰ τὸ ἔργον τοῦ Ἰδρύματός σας.

Παρακαλῶ διαβιβάσετε εἰς τὴν οἰκογένειαν τοῦ ἀειμνήστου Βασιλείου Λαούρδα τὴν ἔκφρασιν τῆς βαθυτάτης μου λύπης, ὁμοῦ μὲ τὴν ἀκράδαντον πεποίθησιν ὅτι οὗτος ἤδη προγεύεται τῆς χαρᾶς καὶ τῆς δόξης τῆς οὐρανοῦ Βασιλείας τοῦ Ἁγίου Θεοῦ.

ΓΕΩΡΓΙΟΣ Σ. ΜΠΕΜΠΗΣ

Associate Professor of Patrology, Holy Cross, Brookline, Mass.

Mes condoléances profondes et sincères.

ALEXANDRE V. BOLDUR

Bucarest

Please accept this expression of my deepest sympathy.

FRANK BUNDY

Omaha, Nebraska

A la douloureuse nouvelle de la disparition du distingué directeur de l'Institut Basil Laourdas adressons en cette triste circonstance au nom de l'AIESSEE sincères condoléances.

E. CONDURACHI

Bucarest

En vous exprimant mes profonds regrets pour la perte prématurée de celui qui fut l'éminent professeur Basil Laourdas, directeur de l'Institut d'Études Balkaniques, je vous prie de transmettre mes sincères condoléances à la famille endeuillée de l'illustre disparu.

MICHAÏL CARATAȘU

Bucarest

Profondément ému par la disparition si inattendue de notre éminent collègue et ami, le Directeur Basil Laourdas de l'Institut d'Études Balkaniques de Thessaloniki, veuillez agréer chers amis mes sentiments de regrets les plus sincères.

Que le Bon Dieu lui fasse part de la félicité éternelle.

ALEXANDRE CIUREA
Bucarest

I was very sorry to receive the notice of Dr. Basil Laourdas's death. I never met him, but he was very kind and helpful over the publication of my documents about Capodistrias.

G. W. CRAWLEY
Cambridge, England

His premature death is an irreparable loss to Macedonian Studies and a great grief to his many friends throughout the world of scholarship, to so many of whom he endeared himself during the memorable First Symposium on Ancient Macedonia to the success of which he himself contributed in such an outstanding manner.

J. M. R. CORMACK
University of Aberdeen Old Aberdeen

L'Institut des Études Balkaniques de l'Académie Serbe des Sciences et des Arts, exprime sa condoléance au sujet de la mort de Basil Laourdas Directeur de votre Institut.

VASSA ČUBRILOVIĆ
Institut des Études Balkaniques, Beograd

Encore sous le coup du décès inattendu du Professeur Laourdas exprimons condoléances sincères à Mme Laourdas et au collectif scientifique pour la perte douloureuse qui les frappe.

Comité National Bulgare et Institut d'Études Balkaniques

Je viens de recevoir votre triste nouvelle du décès de Basil Laourdas, Directeur de votre honorable Institut. Recevez l'expression de mes condoléan-

ces les plus sincères de la perte que non seulement votre Institut mais toute notre science a soufferte. Je le tiendrai toujours dans ma mémoire.

ANT. DOSTAL

Brown University

I was greatly shocked to hear of the death of Basil Laourdas. Would you please convey to the Committee of the Institute my deepest sympathy on their loss of such an outstanding scholar and administrator. All foreign scholars like myself who have profited so much from his friendship and advice will deeply mourn his passing.

DOUGLAS DAKIN

Birkbeck College London, England

It is with the deepest pain that I acknowledge the tragic event of the death of my very dear friend Basil Laourdas. There are no words in which I could express all my feelings in this moment. I enjoyed his friendship during the happiest days my wife and myself have had in Thessaloniki so many times. I had the opportunity to admire his capacities and capabilities in leading the Institute. His name is closely attached to the successes and achievements of the Institute. Through him I learned to love Greece and your beautiful city. If I try now to express all my sympathies to you it would be too little to transmit all my feelings. I wish best further achievements for the Institute, which —I am proud to say— is in my heart too, and I am fully aware that these achievements would be the best monument for the memory of our dear friend Basil.

DIMITRIJE DJORDJEVIĆ

Santa Barbara, California

The decease of Basil Laourdas is a great loss to our academic community, but he will live forever in my heart.

DEMETRIUS DVOICHENKO-MARKOV

Monmouth College, New Jersey

Ἐγκάρδια συλλυπητήρια ἐπὶ θανάτῳ ἐξαιρετοῦ ἐπιστήμονος Βασιλείου Λαούρδα.

ΕΤΑΙΡΕΙΑ ΚΥΠΡΙΑΚΩΝ ΣΠΟΥΔΩΝ

With the deepest sympathy for the grievous loss of the high personality and admired work of your late Director Basil Laourdas.

GIORGIO E. FERRARI

Da Venezia e dalla sua Bibliotheca Marciana

Die Gestalt des Entschlafenen wird in meinem Gedanken ewig leben! Wenn ein Ehrenband herausgegeben wird, so möchte ich darin seinem Andenken einen Artikel widmen —wenn es möglich wäre—. Bitte wollen Sie Frau Louisa Laourdas meinen beiliegenden Brief übergeben.

ÖDÖN FÜVES

Budapest

It was with great regret that I received the news of the death of your Director, Mr. Basil Laourdas. I am very sorry I had no opportunity to get acquainted with him; however, I got to know his noble character and his brilliant mind from his works and from our correspondence. Would you please, convey my deepest sympathy to the members of his family and my sincere condolences to his co-workers.

I do hope your Institute and your Review will further the late Director's endeavours to establish closer contacts with our nations and to become better acquainted with their cultures.

KAJETAN GANTAR

Ljubljana

Basil was a very close friend of mine and I can't tell you how much he will be missed by me and, of course, by the scholarly world of Greek studies.

DENO GEANAKOPLOS

Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

Avec un profond regret, nous avons pris connaissance du décès du professeur Basil Laourdas, éminent philologue et personnalité remarquable de la vie spirituelle de votre pays.

La disparition du professeur Laourdas, ami sincère de la Roumanie et partisan du développement des relations culturelles entre nos deux peuples, nous a ému profondément.

En partageant votre douleur, au nom de l'Ambassade Roumaine à Athènes

nes, je vous exprime notre profonde compassion et je vous prie de transmettre à la famille du professeur Laourdas nos condoléances les plus sincères.

GEORGHE AUREL
Ambassade de la R. S. R., Athènes

Deplore la perte de l'éminent Directeur de l'Institut d'Études Balkaniques Basil Laourdas.

CONSTANTIN C. GIURESCU
Université de Bucarest

Please receive the expression of my deep regrets.

MARIA GOLESCU
Eastbourne, Sussex

Professor N. G. L. Hammond begs to express his deep sorrow and condolence with the members of the Institute of Balkan Studies on the untimely death of its famous and courteous Director Basil Laourdas, and with Mrs Laourdas and the members of the family. His conduct of the 1968 Conference will be remembered always with affection and gratitude by all who were fortunate enough to participate in it.

N. G. L. HAMMOND
University of Bristol

I remember vividly the visits and stimulating lectures which he made here at the University in recent years. I also remember especially the pleasant conversations with him at the meeting which we attended together in Los Angeles only eighteen months ago. And of course the opportunities for conversation with him at the Congress in Athens last spring were an especially memorable aspect of that important event.

There can be no doubt that the Institute which Basil Laourdas was instrumental in placing on such firm ground and in directing constitutes one of the most important intellectual features of life in Greece during recent decades. It is obvious that life at the Institute will not be the same without him, but I hope very much that the work which he projected may go forward as a living tribute to his memory. Greece has great need of intellectual endeavors of such high quality and sincere scholarship.

ERIC P. HAMP
The University of Chicago

I was grieved beyond expression to read your announcement of the decease of professor Basil Laourdas, the esteemed Director of the Institute for Balkan Studies. The passing of Professor Laourdas is not only a great loss to Greece but to the international community of scholars in the field of Balkan studies.

Professor Laourdas was a concerned editor and very much interested in the contributors to BALKAN STUDIES, for which he had secured an international reputation. I therefore very much regret that my relations with Professor Laourdas had been entirely through correspondence. But his letters to me displayed deep warmth and cordiality, and he always encouraged me to contribute to BALKAN STUDIES. My greatest disappointment will remain my missing to meet with Professor Laourdas during his visit to New York in November 1969, when he called me up at the Hotel while I was away.

ARTHUR LEON HORNIKER
Brooklyn, New York

Nous apprenons avec douleur le décès de M. Laourdas. Sincères condoléances.

Institut d'Études Balkaniques de B.A.N. Sophia

Nous apprenons avec douleur de décès de M. Laourdas, sincères condoléances.

Institut d'Études Balkaniques, Belgrade

J'ai connu personnellement Mr. Laourdas à Bucarest et j'eus le plaisir de le revoir à l'occasion du Symposium de Salonique l'automne dernier. J'ai admiré sa science, sa distinction et sa finesse d'esprit. Par sa disparition votre Institut perd une personnalité marquante et nous autre un ami dévoué.

TRAIAN IONESCU-NIȘCOV
Bucarest

J'ai été désolé d'apprendre la triste nouvelle de deuil qui vous a frappés par la perte cruelle du regretté Directeur B. Laourdas, et je vous présente mes très sincères condoléances.

ION IONAȘCU
Bucarest

Gestatten Sie mir, dass ich Ihnen zu dem schweren Verlust, den dadurch

Ihre Einrichtung im besonderen, aber weit darüber hinaus die internationale Balkanistik und Byzantinistik erlitt, mein aufrichtiges Beileid ausspreche.

Ich wurde mit Professor Laourdas bereits zu jener Zeit, als er noch ausserhalb Griechenlands wirkte, durch Professor Browning zusammengebracht und wusste ihn bereits damals als hochverdienten Fachgenossen —erinnert sei nur an seine Ausgabe der Photioshomilien— zu schätzen. Weithin aber hat er sich nicht nur als Forscher, sondern als beständiger Inspirator und weltweit anerkannter Organisator wissenschaftlicher Arbeit neue Verdienste erworben, bis ihn ein vorzeitiger Tod aus unserer Mitte riss. Ich bitte Sie, versichert sein zu wollen, dass ich dem Dahingegangenen, der in seinem Werk weiterlebt, ein ehrendes Andenken zu bewahren weiss.

S. IRMSCHER

Deutsche Akademie der Wissenschaften zu Berlin

Θὰ ἤθελα νὰ ἐκφράσω κ' ἐγὼ τὴ βαθεῖα μου λύπη γιὰ τὸ χαμὸ τοῦ συναδέλφου καὶ φίλου μας Βασίλη Λαοῦρδα.

ΚΩΣΤΑΣ ΚΑΖΑΖΗΣ

The University of Chicago

In this way I want to express my sincere feelings of sympathy by the decease of Mr. Basil Laourdas. I felt the news of his depart as a great shock, as I did hold him in the highest esteem.

I sincerely hope that my future cooperation with his successors may be as excellent as it was with the deceased.

M. KIEL

Byzantinoloog, Holland

Douloureusement affectés par la mort de Basil Laourdas prient le comité de l'Institut d'Études Balkaniques d'accepter leurs sincères condoléances.

Mr et Mme DIMITRI KITSIKIS

Canada

For many years we friends and well-wishers of the Institute have associated in our minds the great progress of the Institute with Dr. Laourdas personally.

CARL MAX KORTEPETER

New York University

Ἡ εἶδηση τοῦ θανάτου τοῦ κ. Βασιλείου Λαούρδα βαθύτατα μ' ἐλύπησε. Τὸ περισπούδαστο Ἰδρυμα ἔχασε ἓνα πολύτιμο ἀγωνιστὴ καὶ ἀκούραστο ἐργάτη, ὁ ὁποῖος ἀφιέρωσε τῇ ζωῇ του εἰς τὸν ἀγῶνα τοῦ καλοῦ καὶ τοῦ ωραίου, καὶ εἰς ἱεροὺς σκοποὺς, καὶ ὑψηλὰ ἰδανικά.

Μὲ τὸ θάνατο τοῦ κ. Β. Λαούρδα τὰ Ἑλληνικὰ γράμματα ἔχασαν ἓνα θαυμάσιο μελετητὴ καὶ ἄξιον συνήγορόν τους.

ΒΑΣΙΛΕΙΟΣ Α. ΚΟΥΚΟΠΙΝΗΣ

Salt Lake City, Utah

Offering deepest sympathy to you in your loss.

JOHN T. A. KOUMOULIDES

Ball State University

Attristé par la mort de Monsieur Laourdas, présente au Comité de l'Institut Balkanique mes sincères condoléances.

JERZY LUKASZEWSKI

*Professeur au Collège d'Europe et à la
Faculté de Droit de Namur*

J'apprends avec une grande tristesse la nouvelle de décès de votre Directeur et notre collègue, Basil Laourdas. Je vous exprime à vous-mêmes, et je vous demande de bien vouloir exprimer à Madame Laourdas, l'émotion que ressent le Comité français des Études byzantines, et mes très sincères condoléances personnelles. Nous sommes très conscients de la grave perte que subissent votre Institut, la science hellénique, et nos études.

PAUL LEMERLE

Collège de France

Der Unterzeichnete erlaubt sich, Ihrem Institut das aufrichtigste Beileid zu dem Hinscheiden des verdienten und von uns allen hochgeschätzten Direktors Basil Laourdas zu übermitteln.

JOSEF MATL

Graz

Zum Tode Ihres verehrten Direktors Basil Laourdas spreche ich dem Comité de l'Institut d'Études Balkaniques mein herzliches Beileid aus.

BERNARD MARTIN

Marburg Germany

J'ai appris avec une grande douleur le décès de Mr. Laourdas que nous avons quitté dans les meilleurs dispositions d'esprit, prêt à resserrer les liens de collaboration entre les historiens grecques et roumains.

Je vous prie de transmettre à Mme Laourdas mes sincères condoléances pour la perte de son mari, que nous avons considéré comme l'un des plus précieux collaborateurs dans nos efforts pour établir des recherches communes destinées à resoudre dans un esprit amical les problèmes qui nous touchent également.

A. OȚETEĂ

Académie de Bucarest

Veuillez recevoir l'expression de mes sentiments de profonde compassion pour la perte du grand savant Basil Laourdas, directeur de l'Institut d'Études Balkaniques.

ION PATRUȚ

Cluj, Roumanie

Affligé par la nouvelle du décès de Monsieur Basil Laourdas, prie le Comité de l'Institut d'accepter mes condoléances.

STEVAN K. PAVLOWITCH

The University of Southampton, England

Au nom de l'Institut d'archéologie et en mon nom personnel je vous prie d'accepter l'expression de notre profonde sympathie pour la perte de Basil Laourdas qui nous afflige profondément et dont nous conserverons un souvenir ému.

D. M. PIPPIDI

*Directeur de l'Institut d'Archéologie
Bucarest*

My collaborators and myself will always remember a great historian and a good man — Basil Laourdas.

N. R. PRIBIĆ

The Florida State University

With great shock and deep grief I read your hardly believable news of the much premature death of the great and objective scholar, humane person,

and my friend, who helped me so much during my journeys in Greece — Basil Laourdas.

STOYAN PRIBICHEVICH
Flushing, New York

Die traurige Nachricht vom Tode des Direktors Prof. Basil Laourdas hat mich schmerzlich überrascht.

IVAN PUDIĆ
Beograd

Θερμά συλλυπητήρια ἐπὶ τῷ θλιβερῷ ἀγγέλματι τῆς ἀπωλείας τοῦ Διευθυντοῦ τοῦ Ἰδρύματος, Βασιλείου Λαοῦρδα.

K. P. PRODROMIDES
Carleton University

Mes sincères condoléances à cause de la mort de notre regretté collègue Basil Laourdas.

JAN REYCHMAN
Université de Varsovie

Με μεγάλη λύπη ἔμαθα τὸν πρόωρο θάνατο τοῦ κ. Βασίλη Λαοῦρδα, Διευθυντοῦ τοῦ Ἰνστιτούτου Βαλκανικῶν Σπουδῶν, ποὺ γνώριζα προσωπικὰ καὶ ποὺ ἐκτιμῶ βαθύτατα τὴ δράση του.

VINCENZO ROTOLO
Palermo, Italia

Profondamente commosso alla notizia della morte del compianto Basil Laourdas prego codesto Istituto di accogliere le espressioni di viva solidarietà da parte mia e di questo Istituto e di esprimere alla famiglia del compianto le piu vive condoglierenze.

GIUSEPPE SCHIRO
Istituto di Studi Bizantini e Neoellenici
Università di Roma

Ὑπῆρξε συνετὸς ἀνὴρ, βαθὺς μελετητὴς καὶ ἀγνὸς πατριώτης. Τὸ Μακεδονικὸ χῶμα ποὺ μὲ τόση θέρμη τὸν φιλοξενεῖ θάναι πάντοτε τὸ κέντρο πηγαιοῦ πατριωτισμοῦ.

ΑΡΙΣΤΟΤΕΛΗΣ ΣΙΕΜΑΝΙΔΗΣ
Washington D. C.

Professor T. J. B. SPENCER and the Fellows of the Shakespeare Institute send their condolences to the Committee of the Institute for Balkan Studies on the death of their Director Basil Laourdas.

SPENCER
Birmingham, England

Je suis tout à vous, Monsieur le Président, et je regrette profondément la disparition du distingué et valeureux Directeur de l'Institut, Basil Laourdas.

VICTOR STANCOU
Bucarest

I have just been informed that Professor Laourdas passed away and I hasten to write this note to express my sympathies and, above all, to communicate to you the sense of loss that American scholars interested in the Balkan peninsula experienced with the announcement of this sad news. Mr. Laourdas made a whole generation of young American scholars feel at home when they visited Greece and he also contributed enormously to the promotion of Balkan studies by the encouragement he gave to young scholars.

Personally, I remember with great satisfaction my association with him and with the Institute, and I know that my own interests in this area developed largely as a result of his encouragement to devote more and more time in modern Greek studies as contrasted to my original determination to specialize exclusively in Slavic studies. As a matter of fact, I was about to write to Mr. Laourdas and announce to him that beginning next year, I will be teaching a course on the "Intellectual and Cultural History of Modern Greece" at the University of Minnesota; a course which owes its inspiration to an extensive conversation I had with him in the summer of 1966 when I visited Greece. I wish to announce that this course will be offered as a special memorial to Mr. Laourdas.

THEOFANIS STAVROU
University of Minnesota

I wish to express my profound grief for the untimely death of Basil Laourdas, Director of the Institute and respected scholar.

AUGUSTUS SORDINAS
Memphis State University

Je vous exprime mes condoléances avec l'occasion du décès d'un homme

excellent, ami des chercheurs aussi étrangers, ami de tous qui ont d'intérêt au développement de l'ancien héritage du peuple grec.

Je serai bien reconnaissant à vous si la publication de mon étude intitulée "250 jours du prince Alexandre Ypsilanti" sera possible en 1973 d'être consacrée à l'hommage du Prof. Basil Laourdas.

ARPAD SOMOGYI
Musée des Arts Décoratifs
Budapest

Δεχθῆτε παρακαλῶ τὰ θερμά μου συλλυπητήρια ἐπὶ τῷ θανάτῳ τοῦ Διευθυντοῦ τοῦ ὑμετέρου Ἰνστιτούτου καὶ διακεκριμένου ἐπιστήμονος Βασιλείου Λαοῦρδα.

ΚΩΝΣΤΑΝΤΙΝΟΣ ΣΠΥΡΙΔΑΚΗΣ
Λευκωσία, Κύπρος

Son décès est un grand deuil pour la science du monde entier.

Je désire de participer de tout mon cœur à ce grand acte de deuil en dédiant à sa mémoire mon article "L'application du droit romain-byzantin chez les Roumains."

N. P. SMOCHINA
Bucarest

It was with great sorrow that I heard of Professor Basil Laourdas' death. As secretary of the British Committee of AIESEE I shall inform the members of the committee of this sad event.

E. D. TAPPE
University of London, England

I was most distressed to learn of the death of Basil Laourdas.

RICHARD TOMLINSON
University of Birmingham

Please accept my deep sympathy on the loss of your Director, a great scholar and a fine man.

HOMER A. THOMPSON
The Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton
New Jersey

Δεχθήτε, παρακαλῶ, τὰ βαθύτατα συλλυπητήριά μου διὰ τὸν λυπηρὸν καὶ ἀτυχὴ θάνατο τοῦ κ. Βασιλείου Λαούρδα. Τὸν κ. Λαούρδα τὸν ἐγνώρισα ὅταν ἦμουν φοιτητῆς τὸ 1948 ἐδῶ εἰς τὴν Ἀμερικὴν. Ἀπὸ τότε τὸν θεωροῦσα φίλον, καθηγητὴν, καὶ ἓνα ἀπὸ τοὺς πιὸ λαμπροὺς ἐπιστήμονες τῆς Ἑλλάδος. Ἡ ἀπώλεια διὰ τὸ Ἔθνος, τὸ Ἴδρυμα, τὴν ἐπιστῆμην εἶναι μεγάλη. Ὁ Θεὸς ᾧ ἀναπαύσῃ τὴν ψυχὴν του.

Πρεσβ. ΜΙΧΑΗΛ Ν. ΒΑΠΟΡΗΣ
Hellenic College Brookline, Massachusetts

Με μεγάλη λύπη πληροφορήθηκα τὴν ἀπώλεια τοῦ Βασιλείου Λαούρδα καὶ ἐκφράζω στὸ Ἴδρυμα τὰ βαθύτερά μου συλλυπητήρια.

MARIO VITTI
Roma

It was with deep sorrow that my wife and I heard of the untimely death of your Director, Basil Laourdas, and we should like to convey our condolences to both you and your Committee and to the administrative staff in the Institute. We shall also be writing to Mrs Laourdas to express our sympathy to her.

Those of us who were fortunate enough to attend the Symposium on Ancient Macedonia know how much hard work and devoted effort Mr. Laourdas put into its organisation.

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Νομίζω ὅτι ἐχάσαμε ἓνα πολύτιμο πρόσωπο ποὺ εἰσέφερε πολλὰ εἰδικῶς εἰς τὴν σύνταξιν καὶ δημοσίευσιν τοῦ περιοδικοῦ Βαλκανικῆς Σπουδῆς τὸ ὁποῖον κατέστη διεθνοῦς φήμης.

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Zum Ableben Ihres Direktors, Herrn Prof. Dr. Basil Laourdas, erlaube ich mir Ihnen meine aufrichtige Teilnahme zu übermitteln.

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