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Dear Mr and Mrs Gustin

Thank you most sincerely for sending me a copy of your book 70 Anni di Ricordi in Due Mondi and the personal dedication you enclosed.

It is pleasing to see the reproduction of a fascinating wealth of documentary and pictorial material in your volume, making up virtually a social history of the Italian Australian community over the past thirty years. That this material is in reality a record of your own work, Mamma Lena, is a testimony to the importance of your role in the lives of Italian Australians and so many others.

The valuable contributions of the hundreds of thousands of Australians of Italian background to the development of Australia are now becoming better known and appreciated. Your book will help this process. May I congratulate you both and wish you all the best in the future.

Yours sincerely

R J L Hawke

