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Dear Pan-African Australasian Diaspora Network members,

We wanted to send a letter to express our deep gratitude for our last visit in November. Thank you for allowing us the wonderful opportunity to meet with you and engage in very intimate and stimulating discussions. I am aware of the valuable qualities you must possess that allow you to deal so effectively with the diverse African diaspora in Australasia.

Over the past year we have witnessed the growth and solidarity displayed by the African Australian Diaspora and we are amazed by the development we are seeing from month to the next.

We would also like to thank you for inviting us to attend the Celebrate African Awards and for the award you've presented to CIDO. The gesture meant so much to the delegation and the office in Addis.

Please continue doing what you do best, bringing people together with the shared goal of a better Africa.

Respectfully,

  
**Ahmed El Basheer**  
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