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The Rt. Hon Mr John So  
The Lord Mayor  
City of Melbourne  
Town Hall  
90-120 Swanston Street  
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Dear John,

As the Council's Future Melbourne project approaches its conclusion, I wanted to indicate how pleased the University of Melbourne is with the direction the planning has taken.

My representatives on the Future Melbourne Reference Group, first Professor Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis and now Professor Warren Bebbington, have kept me apprised of how the plan is developing. In particular, the proposed targets to make the City of Melbourne one of the world's top 5 university cities and top 10 research centres by 2020, are of great interest to the University of Melbourne, and will I am sure be welcomed by all universities in the City.

We were pleased to be a principal partner in this venture, and to produce reports in three areas of the City's core interests. I look forward now to release of the final document, and to discussions about ways the University might partner with the City over the coming years.

Yours,



**Glyn Davis**  
**Vice-Chancellor**

cc Warren Bebbington, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Global Relations)

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