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Dear Mr Grbovic

Thank you for your letter of 8 November 2005 to the Prime Minister, the Hon John Howard, on your proposal for the International Nikola Tesla Day. Mr Howard has asked me to respond on his behalf.

The Australian Government commends your initiative in seeking recognition for the achievements of Nikola Tesla, whose important contributions to science and technology make him one of the significant figures of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

There are presently no General Assembly mandated international days in honour of individuals. United Nations days are generally thematic. You may, however, wish to discuss proposals for recognition of Nikola Tesla with the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jon Merrill', written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

Jon Merrill
A/g Assistant Secretary
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