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Re : American Friends of the Chateau de Saint-Cloud

Dear Mr. Bouvet:

Further to our several telephone conversations, please accept this letter as an update as to my actions in connection with the launch and development of the American Friends of the Chateau de Saint-Cloud.

As you may recall, I first contacted you after reading in the January 28, 2009 issue of Point de Vue about your organization dedicated to reconstructing the Chateau de Saint-Cloud. Since that time, we have spoken on numerous occasions and I have taken several affirmative steps towards launching a sister organization to yours in the United States, which will be known as the American Friends of the Chateau de Saint-Cloud.

The American Friends of the Chateau de Saint-Cloud will be filed as not-for-profit corporation pursuant to New York law and Federal tax exempt status requested. I anticipate doing so shortly. The goal of the American not-for-profit corporation will be to develop interest in the reconstructing the Chateau on the part of Americans, raise awareness of the work of your organization, provide an international framework for your organization, and, hopefully, raise funds for the reconstruction of the Chateau. To that effect I had dinner on September 15, 2009 with Pierre-Andre Lablaude, Chief Architect of the Monuments Historiques in France to assure him that there was strong support in the United States for reconstructing the Chateau and that a sister American organization to the one already formed in France would be created shortly. My meeting with M. Lablaude was extremely cordial and positive.

My next step is to file the papers to create the American Friends of the Chateau de Saint-Cloud with the attorney general of the State of New York, to contact the cultural authorities of the two American cities named after the town of Saint-Cloud, which are Saint Cloud, Florida and Saint Cloud, Minnesota, to enlist them in support of the American group, and to promote the reconstruction of the Chateau in the American media. Needless to say, I will be working pro bono, which means, without compensation.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Warmly,


Mitchell Cantor