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Dear Prof. Alexander,

I have received the fax that you have sent to Miss Thomas dating February 14. I hope with my present letter I will clear up any misunderstanding while giving you all necessary information concerning the conference. So let me answer all your points one by one.

- Your invitation has been sent to you and an official letter from the minister's part will follow.
- The subject of the conference being "The economic history of Thessaloniki Its role as a regional center of S.E. Europe", let me give you some ideas about the topic, it will be preferable for you, to develop. First I would like to mention that the session of the conference in which your presentation is being scheduled has the title "Urban Design and Planning". Your talk could deal with problems relevant to the transformation of the urban fabric in order to promote and conserve the historic character of the city while incorporating new functions coming from its possible new role. You could focus either on Thessaloniki or alternatively, present a more general point of view of the problem. The length of your talk will be 20 minutes, which can be prolonged if you find it necessary. As far as the general program of the conference is concerned this will be forwarded to you by fax or email as soon as it will be concluded.
- Finally in terms of practical conditions you are asking me about, the conference will cover all travel, hotel and living expenses while you are here.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for any further questions. Hoping to see you here in Thessaloniki in March,

Yours very sincerely,

Nikos Kalogirou