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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR NIELS CHRISTIAN HVIDT

I am delighted to write this letter of recommendation for Niels Hvidt who has spent the past year with us as a visiting scholar. He will leave us this year for a new post as associate professor at the University of Southern Denmark. During his sojourn here at our university, I have come to know him quite well as both a friend and as a valued professional colleague. Niels has been the beneficiary of a superb education both in Denmark and Italy. He is already published both in his native country and soon in this country as his book on prophecy will appear from Oxford University Press. He has shown himself to be an assiduous researcher and a very creative thinker. While his interests are many what most impresses me is his capacity to think "across borders" where he is able to make fecund connections between, for example, theology and issues of health and well being.

By academic standards, Niels is a young scholar but both by training and accomplishment he shows every sign of becoming a major figure in the field of theology. I anticipate a brilliant academic career for him and have every confidence that his name will soon be well known on both sides of the Atlantic.

A person of great charm and culture, I can think of no higher compliment than to admit freely that his leaving is a grievous loss for us as a community and myself as an individual but he will prove to be a great gift to his native Denmark so that, in some way, we can bask in the light of his future career as a professor of the highest promise.

Should anyone require further details about Niels Hvidt please feel free to contact me. For now let me say I recommend him highly, without reservation, and with the greatest enthusiasm.

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