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**Dear Mrs Rósa Guðbjartsdóttir
Mayor of Hafnarfjörður**

As Mayor of Namysłów, I am taking liberty to offer you the opportunity to begin cooperation between our towns. Such a cooperation might cover various areas such as industry, culture, sport, student exchange programs and, in the future, lead to a partnership between our towns.

From many Icelandic towns we decided to choose Hafnarfjörður because, despite the distance between us, it is not difficult to find certain common features in our towns. What we have in common is a similar number of inhabitants, openness, willingness to develop, focus on youth, support for cultural and sports initiatives.

Namysłów, like Hafnarfjörður, is located in a region which is very attractive in terms of nature and tourism. Our town is also a thriving industrial centre. Companies like Velux (roof windows), Froneri (ice cream) and Dieh Controls (microcomponents, electronic control systems) operate on the outskirts of Namysłów and, what is worth mentioning, the beer produced in the local brewery is one of the most famous in Poland.

An important factor that influenced our decision to offer you cooperation is the presence in Hafnarfjörður many Polish immigrants as well as the fact that for many years there has been a Polish Monastery of Discalced Carmelites in your town.

Namysłów Commune is located in south-western Poland, in Opolskie Voivodeship, within the boundaries of the historic Lower Silesia. It is located east of Wrocław and north of Opole and the township consists of 32 villages. The region is attractive for tourists, rich in architectural and historical monuments as well as numerous attractions.

The most valuable places in Namysłów are: The Town Hall which was built in the 16th century, the Kraków Gate, St. Francis of Assisi and St. Peter of Alcantara Church and St. Peter and Paul Church, the Castle, the Namysłów Brewery (one of the oldest in Poland) and the market square with beautiful tenement houses. In the vicinity of the town there is the so-called Wooden Churches Trail, which includes sacral buildings from the 15th to 18th century.

Namysłów also offers a very convenient location in terms of communication. You can get to our town taking A8 Wrocław-Warsaw and A4 Wrocław-Opole-Katowice expressways.

There is also a convenient railway connection on the Wrocław-Kluczbork line and a bus connection on the Opole-Namysłów line.

Please find enclosed publications on our town and region in English. While looking forward to your reply, I would like to inform you that in case of your interest, we are able to prepare a letter of intent and all necessary documents in English and to take further steps so the authorities of Namysłów and Hafnarfjörður might get to know better.

**Yours faithfully,
Mayor of Namysłów
Bartłomiej Stawiarski**

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