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### An Afternoon of Orchestra Performance

Yesterday, we had a fantastic performance by the China Philharmonic Youth Orchestra as we hosted them at ADU. It was an amazing afternoon featuring young and talented musicians. In my welcoming speech, I emphasized how nations can be bridged through the power of culture and music.

The orchestra's performance was a testament to the shared values of innovation, cultural exchange, and global collaboration that define both our institutions.

The event was attended by the wife of the ambassador of the People's Republic of China to the United Arab Emirates, two goodwill ambassadors, Dr. **Lolowa AlMarzooqi** and Dr. Seema Khan, the founding president of the China Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, as well as many dignitaries from the Chinese Embassy in the UAE, invited guests, faculty, staff, and students.

Many thanks to Ms. **Selina Meng**, Mr. **Erwin Verschueren**, Mr. **Bassam Mura, MBA**, and Ms **Sana Mbayed**, and other colleagues for all their help and support.

The two young MCs, Alex and Bashayer, from two schools in the UAE, were amazing.

We are honored to facilitate such a meaningful dialogue between cultures and to showcase how education and the arts unite us in pursuit of a harmonious future.

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