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Dear Sir,

May I ask you to be so kind as to accept the accompanying copy of one of my books. I venture to believe that an Englishman's thoughts on Patriotism will not be uninteresting to those who in Ottoman lands are creating a new Patriotism.

It will be observed that in certain places I have given my thoughts a theological expression. You, who are a philosopher, will however recognise that the foundation of my political thoughts is not in this or that theological scheme, but in the essential facts of human nature & human society. I have tried to explain the fundamental nature of the social organism, the relation of Patriotism to social life, & the governing ideals of policy to which those facts point. I have written with especial reference to English problems but I venture to hope that my thoughts will be found useful wherever men are trying to base reform upon freedom. You will notice that my general conception of the social organism is not unlike Herbert Spencer's.

Permit me, in conclusion, to express my most

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sincere conviction that a reformed & regenerated
Ottoman Empire will be one of the best safeguards
of the peace of Europe

I beg leave to remain,

Yours faithfully,

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