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## Visit of Antoine van den Koornhuysse

On April 15 we were delighted to receive a visit from Antoine van den Koornhuysse, the authorised representative of Alexandre Giuntini-Malaspina II, who lives in Luxembourg.

Pictured here with AMRC Director John Black, Antoine was on a fact-finding mission, seeking information about Malaspina University College in general and the Centre in particular.

In the course of a very busy day, Antoine met with President Rich Johnston, Dean of International Education Bronwyn Jenkins and other notables.

We hope that he enjoyed his visit as much as we enjoyed his amiable company, friendly discourse and thoughtful observations on economics and international affairs.



## AMRC Location on Track for Autumn

Work has been under way for some time on the expansion of the Library at the University College, the projected completion date being sometime in the autumn.

As the result of the success of MUC's application for funds from the province, AMRC has learned it will be assigned a base of operations on the new fifth floor.

The research space will complement the new Special Collections Room, which will house rare materials of special interest to AMRC and other research units.

This is a welcome forward move in the evolution of AMRC. A settled physical location will facilitate the work of the Centre and act as a prime focus for greater campus interest.

It is hoped, also, that the proximity of other research groups and a facility for online course development will create a synergy which makes it easy to relate the work of the Centre to the teaching activities of its members.

Student research assistants are an essential part of the picture, and the suite will provide physical amenities for their involvement.

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