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Dear Friends, Coworkers and Colleagues in Craiova,

First of all, I want to congratulate all of you for the yearly celebrations between 12-14 November, 2020, of the Faculty of Sciences and in particular, of the Department of Applied Mathematics with whom I have been in collaboration for some years. I believe that no scientific result can be produced without the fundamental sciences and wish the academical and social impact of your faculty continues increasingly.

The year of 2020 has been the most different and difficult year for all of us because of this man-made virus called Covid-19. I am one of those who already experienced this virus in August. I am perfectly fine after a ten-day treatment and a total of 28 days quarantine at home thanks to the doctors and love and prays of my family and friends. In all these hard days, I tried to read novels, watch movies, etc. without success. The only thing I could concentrate on was strangely my papers. I felt how much Mathematics means in my life and how lucky I am being a mathematician.

The online scientific meetings that I have been a part of this summer have also helped me return back to my normal life. One of those meetings was ICAMNM 2020. I had the change of being a speaker in the first two meetings in the series and was planning to visit Craiova for the third time in 2020 to meet my friends in the department which could not happen due to obvious reasons. But even being online was so nice. I had the chance to talk with many of my friends there in Craiova. Many of the members of the Department of Applied Mathematics have also visited my city Bursa and Uludag University and I believe and hope that our collaboration will be increasingly continue for many years.

When I visit Craiova, I feel like at home. I sincerely thank to all the members of the Department for their continuous friendship and hospitality.

I want to finish my words by remembering Prof. Dr. Romulus Militaru with respect whose untimely departure was one of the sad reasons to start ICAMNM meetings. Let him rest in peace.

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