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Maestro Daniel Barenboim, President of the Barenboim-Said Akademie: „I have benefited for many decades from the Henle Urtext piano and chamber music editions. It was an edifying experience and I am now profoundly grateful to the Günter Henle Foundation and its G. Henle publishing house for their generous gift, which will ensure a very high editorial collection for all the students at the Barenboim-Said Akademie.”

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