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Dear W. Macmillan,

In reference to your letter

of yesterday, if Professor Ramsay
wishes for leave to excavate, various
formalities have to be gone through.

Permission is often refused by the

Turkish authorities and is always

difficult to obtain.

If



If however, as I gather, the
object of the Professor's expedition
is only to examine monuments and
ancient sites, Sir E. Whitton would
probably be able to procure facilities
for him.

We shall of course be very happy
to do all we can to assist in
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the matter, but it will be desirable
that you should give us full
particulars as to the Professor's intentions
and as to what localities he proposes
to visit.

Yours very truly

Philip Smith