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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ATLANTA...A cooperative programming effort between the Archdiocese of Atlanta and the Atlanta Chapter of the American Jewish Committee was announced jointly today by Miles J. Alexander, AJC Chairman, and Mrs. Robert Schellman, Chairman of the Archdiocesan Religious Unity Commission.

The program will commemorate the tenth anniversary of Nostra Aetate, the decree from Vatican II which stated the relationship of the Catholic Church to non-Christian religions.

After several weeks of preparation, the program plans were finalized on July 1st, with a meeting between Archbishop Thomas A. Donnellan and Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, AJC National Interreligious Affairs Director.

"Vatican II: Ten Years Later" will be the topic of Archbishop Donnellan's special address to the AJC Atlanta Chapter on October 2. Archbishop Donnellan was a participant in that meeting which included among its proceedings a redefinition of church position on Jews and Judaism.

A public workshop on Nostra Aetate is the second event in the Catholic-Jewish exchange. Scheduled for October 22 and 23, the workshop will open with evening addresses by the Archbishop and an AJC official. On the 23rd, Catholic and Jewish participants from throughout the Southeast will engage in discussions on issues and problems confronting the two groups. The public workshop will

take place at the Cathedral. The session will culminate in an interreligious prayer service at a Jewish house of worship. A group of priests and rabbis will work together to provide the service.

A volunteer textbook review project is the third effort of the cooperative program. In the initial stage, this project will involve clergy and lay persons, who will view selected teaching texts used by Catholics and Jews in Atlanta. If the findings warrant, step two will be to convey the findings, and recommendations for change, to concerned educators.

Joint meetings of the Interreligious Affairs Committee and the Unity Commission of the Archdiocese will form the continuing aspect of the Jewish-Catholic project. These two lay bodies hope to discuss areas of mutual concern, and work together on joint projects related to these issues. They hope to set up procedures to assure their continued cooperation.

The programs, generated and organized by lay persons, will be given staff assistance by William A. Gralnick, AJC's Southeast Area Director, and Rev. Robert L. Kinast, priest-secretary of the Archdiocesan Unity Commission.

The American Jewish Committee, founded in 1906, is the pioneer human relations agency in the United States. It protects the civil and religious rights of Jews here and abroad, and advances the cause of improved human relations for all people.

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 25, 1975

TO: Marc Tanenbaum

FROM: William A.

SUBJECT: Catholic-Jewish Dialogue

Bob Kinast and I met today. We agreed on the text of the press release. Your changes were included. Sister Ann Frances, Chancellery media consultant, wrote the final draft. Pending an okay by the Archbishop, it will appear throughout his province and the Southeast area (AJC) in Catholic, Jewish, and daily papers. In addition, we agreed on a special mailing to rabbis, bishops, and academics as an advance invitation. Copies will be forwarded.

Bob and I will meet on August 15th to: a)finalize a target audience; and b)begin work on an agenda. This will enable us to develop a mailing list and figure out speaking assignments. I would appreciate the following:

- 1. Your ideas on an agenda.
- 2. Knowing your thoughts on speakers. Do you have contact with Paulikowsky?
- 3. Copies of similar efforts elsewhere.

I'll need this prior to the 15th. We will have lay persons work with us.

By the end of August, we will choose three rabbis and three priests to draft the interfaith service. We'll brief them, and then get periodic progress reports.

The Program Committee will ask the Elsons to host the Archbishop's talk on the 2nd. Miles will ask them shortly.

The momentum is there, and everything is coming up rosaries...

Best regards.

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cc: James Rudin Will Katz SAME LETTER SENT TO:

Rabbi Juda H. Mintz Camp Barney Medintz Greveland, Ga. 30528 Rabbi Richard Lehrman Temple Sinai 5645 Dupree Dr., N.W. Atlanta, Ga. 30327

August 1, 1975

Rabbi Edward P. Cohn
The Temple
1589 Peachtree St.
Atlanta, Ga. 30309

Dear Rabbi Cohn:

On behalf of the Atlanta Chapter of AJC, I am inviting you to be one of three rabbis to participate in what I believe you will find an unusual and exciting endeavor. Part of the Catholic-Jewish dialogue program described in the attached press release will be a special interfaith service on Thursday evening, October 23rd. Six clergymen, three rabbis and three priests, will be asked to write that special service. AJC would like you to be one of those three rabbis.

Please call Bill Gralnick at the office (352-2340) with your answer. Bill will give you any additional information you need, and will work with you in arranging a convenient meeting schedule.

Sincerely,

Miles J. Alexander Chapter Chairman

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bcc: Mart Tanenbaum Samuel Katz Will Katz

August 1, 1975

Father Robert L. Kinast
Office of Religious Education
Catholic Center-Archdiocese of Atlanta
756 W. Peachtree, N.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30308

Dear Bob:

Marc suggested you contact Father Paulikowsky pronto. He's leaving for Russia this month. He and Marc are friends and were recently together. Feel free to mention Marc's name. He says Father Paulikowsky is an excellent choice and, if at all possible, will attend.

Cordially,

William A. Gralnick Director/Southeast Area

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cc: Miles J. Alexander

bcc: Marc Tanenbaum Will Katz

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To Marc Tanenbaum

DATE 9/23

I neglected to add that there would be no sermon. We'll be printing a prayer booklet. It will contain a dedicatory statement by the service writing committee that will serve the purpose. We felt the conference and the service were in essence the sermon.

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c/c: I. Terman W. Katz

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9/23 DATE:

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Marc Tanenbaum

FROM:

William A. Gralnick

SUBJECT:

Vatican two--Inter-faith service

The meeting today to plan the sergice was as stimulating, rewarding, and productive as I had hoped. Te participants were Fr. Mark Geary and Fr. Larry Hein, S.J. and Rabbi Ed Cohn(reform) and Rabbi Juda Mintz(Orthodox). There were some very realistic discussions over the New Testament pieces to be used in terms of striking a balance between what the Catholics feel is representative and what the Jews are sensitive to. The following will give you an idea of what we've produced:

> Opening: A symbolic processional carrying the Torah and the New Testament down opposite sides of the Temple and coming together at the Ark. Appropriate music.

Call to Worship: Biblical passages relating to "sound the horn..." from Exodus and Leviticus. Sounding of the Shofar.

- Body of Service: a) Readings from Exodus 2:23-25, 3:13-15 Shema and choral response
 - b)Psalm 136--joint reading w/ congregation
 - c)Luke 10:25-37, Parable of Good Samaritan
 - d)Litany:ofhPee areas--forgiveness, thanksgiving, and petition. To be written this week by Cohn and Geary. Will include Holocaust reference.
 - e) Silent Prayer w/Choral follow-up. " May the words of my mouth..." prayer.

· Closin . Closing:

- a) Choir Anthem
- b) Respontsive reading -- Rabbi Mintz to supply a reading related to the Shofar
- c) Blowing of Shofar
- d) Recessional

We wilk have one more meeting on Oct. 9 to go over the entire service and make assignments for the readings. Everyone is pleased and satisfied.

I book forward to your comments.

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AJCommittee, Archdiocese Plan

Interfaith Workshop

workshop on October 22 and 23, discussion leaders are: designated "Vatican II: Ten "Israel and Zionism can Jewish Committee and the Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta. Events will take place at the Temple and at Christ the King Cathedral.

Opening the seminar will be a program at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, at the Temple. Keynote addresses will be given by Archbishop Thomas Donnellan and by Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, national director of interreligious affairs of the AJC.

The day-long conference on 4:30 p.m. will be held at the Hyland Center, Christ the King Cathedral. Featured speakers during the morning session will be Father John Pawlikowsky, author of "Catechetics and Prejudice," and Rabbi Alvin Sugarman, spiritual leader of the House; Father Mark Geary O.P. Temple. They will explore com- of Holy Cross Church, Rabbi mon bonds of the two religions. A group discussion will follow.

During that afternoon, there will be four simultaneous round public at no charge.

two-day interfaith table discussions. The topics and

"Israel and Zionism: Their Years Later", is being sponsored Meaning to the World Com-by the Atlanta Chapter, Amerimunity," with Father Dan MacCormick of Holy Trinity Church, and Rabbi Martin Lawson, the Temple.

"Teachings of the Old and New Testaments," Father Pawlikowsky and Rabbi Richard Lehrman, Temple Sinai.

"Social Action: To Whom Do We Owe Our First Allegiance?" Sister Francis Ann Cook, Office of Religious Education. Archdiocese of Atlanta, and Rabbi Sugarman.

"Religion in the Public October 23, from 9:30 a.m. until Schools," Father Terry Young, principal, St. Joseph High School, and Rabbi Edward Cohn, the Temple.

An interfaith service will be held that evening at the Temple and is being planned by Father: Larry Heine, S. J. of Ignatius Juda Mintz of Atlanta Hillel and Rabbi Edward Cohn.

All events are open to the

The American Jewish Committee

invites you to attend FOR YOUR INFORMATION Vatican u: to peare later a special address by The Most Reverend Thomas A. Donnellan

Archbishop of Atlanta on Thursday, October 2, 1975 at 8:00 p.m.

> at The Standard Club in The Crystal Room

This program will commemorate the tenth anniversary of "Nostra Aetate" the decree from Vatican II which stated the relationship of the Catholic Church to non-Christian religions. Archbishop Donnellan was a participant in Vatican II which included among its proceedings a redefinition of Church position on Jews and Judaism.

R.s.v.p.

bcc: Marc Tanenbaum Will Katz

September 29, 1975

Archbishop Thomas A. Donnellan Catholic Center-Archdiocese of Atlanta 756 W. Peachtree, N.W. Atlanta, Ga. 30308

Dear Archbishop Donnellan:

I wanted to share with you the arrangements, and some other information of possible interest to you, relative to your October 2nd address. We have chosen a setting that will be comfortable, a smaller room at the Standard Club. Our intent was not to "display" you, so the audience will be small by design (50-75 persons). Sprinkled among them will be selected guests from the Jewish professional and Christian communities. The audience is expecting an address, but there will be an informal question and answer period. I will introduce you and moderate the question and answer period. Coffee and cake will be served.

The American Jewish Committee, founded in 1906, is the pioneer human relations agency in the United States. It protects the civil and religious rights of Jews here and abroad, and advances the cause of improved human relations for all people. The little brochure will outline some milestones in our history. The Chapter has long been active in interreligious activity, sponsoring the first textbook review over ten years ago. Our conference is the first of eleven Vatican II observances involving at least two Cardinals and two Archbishops. A list is enclosed, as is a conference flyer. Bob can brief you on the beautiful service we've developed for the concluding evening.

During the question and answer period, I would anticipate some questions about Israel. I have included my article on the Sinai agreement, an AJC pamphlet on the subject of Israel and American national interest, and a position paper on the UN expulsion situation. The whole Arab Economic Warfare issue, the use of petrodollar power as leverage to discriminate against Jews, is an issue of great general concern.

I know you are used to digesting large amounts of information. Hopefully, I have presented this material to you in a manner easy for you to handle. October 2nd, 22nd, and 23rd, will be professional highlights I will ever remember, and I thank you for making them possible.

Sincerely yours,

William A. Gralnick Director/Southeast Area

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Enc.

cc: Father Robert L. Kinast Miles J. Alexander THENRAUN TANENBOUN

September 30, 1975

Rabbi Marc Wilson
Congregation Shearith Israel
1180 University Dr., N.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30306

Dear Rabbi Wilson:

On behalf of the Atlanta Chapter of the American Jewish Committee, I want to congratulate you on your up and coming installation at Shearith Israel. I have already heard several complimentary remarks about you. You must have made a positive initial impact on your congregation.

I look forward to working with you in areas of mutual interest. Please do not hesitate to call on me if I can be of any help.

Sincerely yours,

William A. Gralnick Director/Southeast Area

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bcc: Miles J. Alexander

bcc: Will Katz

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Dr. Jack Boozer Department of Religion Emory University 1364 Clifton Rd., M.E. Atlanta, Ga. 30322

Dear Dr. Boozer:

Per our conversation, I have enclosed several flyers on our "Vatican II —
Ten Years Later" conference. Father Kinest and I feel that if the ideals of
Vatican II are to be carried forth, students must be aware of them, and involved
in disseminating them. Thus, we are uniquely interested in student participation. While the evenings of the 22nd and 23rd will be interesting and important,
the meat of the session will be the 9:30 to 4:30 slot on the 23rd.

The "Working Celebration," as that segment is entitled, is designed for participation and interaction. Attendees will have a chance to dialogue with the morning speakers, Father Pavlikowski and Rabbi Sugarman. The afternoon workshops were designed to have lay participants. The topics chosen were chosen because they are important in the scheme of Atlanta's interreligious workings. Finally, gorkshop recommendations will form the basis of future Catholic-Jewish cooperative efforts.

The conference will provide students with a unique educational experience. It could also serve as the basis for some academic work. My office and Father Kinest's are available to provide access to resource materials relevant to such a student endeavor. Your cooperation in urging your colleagues to assign students the conference as a project is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

William A. Gralnick Director/Southeast Area

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cc: Father Rebert L. Kinast Miles J. Alexander

bcc: William W. Epstein Ted V. Fisher

bcc: Marc Tanenbaum Will Katz

October 6, 1975

Interfaith Service Planning Committee

William A. Gralnick

Rabbi Mintz's Shofer Service

As you recall, one of the two parts of the service to be developed outside our meeting was the above. I am pleased to enclose said service to you for your comment.

I look forward to seeing you in my office at 9:30 A.M., October 9th.

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cc: Rabbi Juda H. Mintz Father Robert L. Kinast Miles J. Alexander

bcc: Marc Tanenbaum Will Katz

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October 10, 1975

Rabbi Richard Lehrman Temple Sinai 5645 Dupree Dr., N.W. Atlanta, Ga. 30327

Dear Dick:

AMERICAN JEWISH

Just a quick note to remind you of your workshop participation the afternoon of October 23rd. You will be co-leading a discussion group on the teachings of the Old and New Testament with Father John Pawlikowski. I will shortly provide you with a Sio on Father John. He is speaking the morning of the 23rd, and it is my hope you will spend the day with us.

Dick, I would really appreciate a pulpit announcement on Friday. All three sessions are free and open to everyone. The evening sessions are geared to the general public, with the interfaith service to be an event I promise not soon forgotten. The day-long workshop session is geared toward cleggy, academics, and appropriate lay leaders. I truly hope Temple Sinai's congregation is represented.

Cordially,

William A. Gralnick Director/Southeast Area

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cc: Miles J. Alexander

bcc: Father Robert L. Kinast

bcc: Marc Tanenbaum Will Katz Isaiah Terman bcc: Marc Tanenbaum Will Katz Isaiah Terman



October 13, 1975

Interfaith Service Committee

William A. Gralnick

Completed Product

What follows is a final form of our service. I look forward to seeing you at rehearsal Wednesday, October 22nd, 2:00 to 3:30 P.M., in The Temple sanctuary. Don't forget your pulpit announcements and personal persuadings!

Processional to Ark - separate aisles coming together at Ark, appropriate music.

Call to Worship -- "Sound the Horn" passage read by Father Hein. Sounding of the Shofar, Rabbi Hintz.

Readings

- a. Exodus 2:23 (abbreviated)-25, Exodus 3:13-15, Rabbi Cohn. Shema response with chorus.
- b. Psalm 136 (135 Jeleno) -- Joint reading led by Father Kinast. Luke 10:25-37, Father Kinast

Litany of Forgiveness, Thanksgiving and Patition led by Father Geary and Rabbi Cohm, congregational response.

Silent prayer followed by choral "May the words of my mouth..."

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Responsive Shofer Service - Rabbi Mintz.

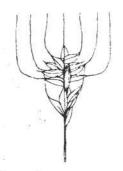
Sounding of the Shofar - Rabbi Mintz

Recessional

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cc: Mailes J. Alexander Father Robert L. Kinast Wallace Zimmerman



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Rabbi Juda H. Mintz, Director

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THE SOUND OF THE SHOFAR

May the sound of the Shofar shatter our complacency And make us conscious of the corruptions in our lives.

May the sound of the Shofar penetrate our souls, And cause us to turn back to our Father in Heaven.

May the sound of the Shofar break the bonds of the evil impulse within us, And enable us to serve the Lord with a whole heart.

May the sound of the Shofar renew our loyalty to the one true King And strengthen our determination to defy the false gods.

May the sound of the Shofar awaken us to the enormity of our sins,
And the vastness of God's mercy for those who truly repent.

May the sound of the Shofar summon us to service And stir us to respond, as did Abraham, "Here am I."

May the sound of the Shofar awaken us to the flight of time,

And summon us to spend our days with purpose. ...

May the sound of the Shofar become our jubilant shout of joy One the day of the promised, long-awaited redemption.

May the sound of the Shofar remind us that it is time to "proclaim liberty throughout the land To all the inhabitants thereof.

May the sound of the Shofar enter our hearts; For blessed is the people that hearkens to its call.

A Prayer for the Entire Community

Almighty and merciful God, you have brought us together to receive your mercy and forgiveness in our time of need. Open our eyes to see the evil we have done. Touch our hearts and inspire us to follow in your ways.

Forgiveness

We have been indifferent to the poverty of our prayer life and worship; we have been unconcerned about growing in faith and love. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.

We have failed to listen to our modern prophets; we have been unconcerned about those who are starving to death while we hoard so much of the world's goods. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.

We have failed in speaking out against the inhumanity and cruelty of our fellow human beings which brought about the holocaust and slaughter of over six million Jews during World War II. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.

We have been comfortable with our attitudes toward war, our acceptance of revenge, our inhumanity toward those in prisons. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.

We think about all the ways our society organizes crime, how it supports in so many ways the cheating and exploitation of the poor. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.

We know how much petty crime there is in our community, how popular are shoplifting, tax evasion, the violation of traffic laws and other legal ordinances. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED,

Thanksgiving

Father we now again express our gratitude for choosing us as you chose Abraham. You have called us to a holy life, not because we deserved the call but because of your surpassing love. Let us pray:

WE THANK YOU LORD.

We thank you that your glory has been revealed! Through Abraham God called all the communities of the earth to share his blessing. Let us pray:

WE THANK YOU LORD.

For this opportunity which you have provided for all of us this evening to worship jointly together as your children. Let us pray:

WE THANK YOU LORD.

For the many blessings that you have granted us both in material and spiritual gifts and that we use them rightly. Let us pray:

WE THANK YOU LORD.

For the times you have forgiven our past sins, and your guidance towards us in the ways of goodness and love, so that you might bring us the reward of everlasting peace. Let us pray:

WE THANK YOU LORD.

Petition

Lord, give us the will to change our lives, and the lives of others, by charity, good example, and prayer. Let us pray:

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Make us a living sign of your love for all to see: people reconciled with you and with each other. Let us pray:

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

In your mercy free us from our past, its devisiveness and its shallowness, and enable us to begin a new life of holiness. Let us pray

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Heal us O Lord and we shall be healed; save us and we shall be saved. Remember all of your children who lie on beds of sickness and despair. Let us pray:

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Lord help us in our own city of Atlanta to rid ourselves of complacency that we might seek justice for all individuals and groups in our society. Let us pray:

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Lord give us the insight and the courage to work for a renewal of peace and warmth in our families that the hearts of the parents may be turned to their children and the hearts of the children turned once again to their parents. Let us pray:

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.



Mr. Bill Tush, News Dir. WTCG-TV 1018 W. Peachtree St., N.W. Atlanta, Ga. 30309

Dear Mr. Tueh: AMERICAN IEWISH

The attached PSA and conference flyer are self explanatory. The uniqueness of this event I believe makes it news worthy. It is my express desire that the keynote addresses can be filmed for the evening news, and that the interfaith service can be filmed for a religious filler on the weekend news report.

If there are any questions, do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely yours,

William A. Gralnick Director/Southeast Area

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Enc.

ec: Mr. Sid Pika

bcc: Father Robert L. Kinsst Miles J. Alexander

bcc: Marc Tanenbaum Will Katz Isaiah Terman Mort Yarmon Mr. Skip Haley, News Dir. WSB-TV 1601 W. Peachtree St., W.E. Atlanta, Ga. 30309

Dear Mr. Maley:

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October 14, 1975

Mr. Marc Doyle, News Dir. WAGA-TV 1551 Briarcliff Rd., H.E. Atlanta, Ga. 30302

Dear Mr. Doyle:

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Sincerely yours,

William A. Gralnick Director/Southeast Area

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Enc.

cc: Mr. Paul Raymond

bcc: Father Robert L. Kinast Miles J. Alexander

bcc: Marc Tanenbaum Will Katz

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

A public workshop co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of Atlanta and the Atlanta Chapter of the American Jewish Committee will be held on October 22nd and 23rd at The Temple and Christ the King Cathedral. The ecumenical program will commemorate the spirit and work of Vatican II, and is a part of a continuing program of cooperation between the two groups. For more information, call the American Jewish Committee at 352-2340.

Several unusual features will mark the conference. The conference will be keynoted jointly by Archbishop Thomas A. Donnellan, and Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, National Director of the Interreligious Affairs Department of AJC. Both men were at Vatican II — Donnellan was ordained an Archbishop at the convention, and Tanenbaum was an invited non-Catholic perticipant, and the only rabbi at Vatican II, therefore being quite influential in the documents pertaining to non-Christians (Nostra Astate). Keynote addresses: 8:00 P.M., The Temple, Friendship Hall, 1589 Peachtree Rd., N.E.

The "Working Celebration" on October 23rd, at Christ the King Cathedral, Byland Center, will feature Father John Pawlikowski, internationally renowned author of "Catechetics and Prejudice," a study on anti-Semitism in the world's religious texts. All workshop sessions will be geared toward public, lay participation.

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The conference will close Thursday evening, at 8:15 P.M., at The Temple, with the first Catholic-Jewish interfaith service ever held in Atlanta. This service was written by a committee of priests and rabbis just for this event.



October 17, 1975

Rev. Robert L. Kinast Priest Secretary Religious Unity Commission Archdiocese of Atlanta 756 West Peachtree Street, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Bob,

Many thanks for your recent thoughtful letter and the good enclosures which I appreciate receiving.

Bill Gralnick has given me a good report on the excellent impression that Archbishop Donnellan made on the American Jewish Committee group meeting, October 2nd. I am very gratified by that. It sets the stage for even more successful possiblities for our October 22nd and 23rd meetings.

Both professionally and personally, I am particularly grateful to you for your personal interest as well as your strong leadership in helping bring about this growth and understandin and friendship between Catholics and Jews in your community.

God bless you.

Cordially,

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum National Director Interreligious Affairs

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CC: Bill Gralnick

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September 22, 1975

Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum The American Jewish Committee 165 East 56th Street New York, New York 10022

Dear Marc.

Thank you for the several articles and items of information which your office has forwarded to me. I am reciprocating by enclosing a copy of some publicity which we have just sent to the priests and religious education coordinators of the Archdiocese. Other publicity items which Bill Gralnick and I have collaborated on, I assume he will forward to you.

I'm looking forward to a good meeting, and as word gets around about the nature of these events, there seems to be a reasonable amount of interest being generated. Your presence will certainly add to the appeal, and I am very hopeful that October 22-23 will be the beginning of more extensive and valuable sharing between our two communities in Atlanta.

If I can be of any help to you in providing other kinds of information or background that you would want to have before your coming to Atlanta, please let me know, and I will do everything that I can to meet your requests. I hope everything is going well for you and look forward to sharing October 22 with you.

Peacefully,

(Rev.) Robert L. Kinast

Priest-Secretary

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Enclosure

Copy to: Mr. Bill Gralnick

CATHOLIC-JEWISH COMMEMORATION

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It has been ten years since the second Vatican Council's Decree on non-Christian religions, NOSTRA AETATE. This statement opened new avenues of dialogue and cooperation, especially between Catholics and Jews.

To commemorate this event and to continue its impetus, a special program has been planned for Oct. 22-23. Details will be announced in a forthcoming brochure. This notice comes as a short preview.

On Wednesday night, Oct. 22, Archbishop Donnellan and Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum will deliver keynote talks about the background, significance, and subsequent developments of Nostra Aetate. This session will be held at the Temple and is open to the public.

On Thursday, Oct. 23, there will be a day-long conference at the Hyland Center, Christ the King Cathedral parish. In the morning, two papers will be delivered. Rabbi Alvin Sugarman of the Temple will present a Jewish conception of Jesus. Fr. John Pawlikowski, member of the Secretariat for Catholic-Jewish Relations, will share his research into the image of the Jews in catechetical materials.

Following lunch, there will be an opportunity for participants to discuss one of four topic areas:

religion in public education uses of the Old Testament and New Testament religious and political significance of Israel primary social responsibilities, one's own or others.

Thursday evening, beginning at 8:15 at the Temple, there will be a joint worship service, to which all persons are invited.

I hope you will mark your calendar now and plan to participate fully in these events. Brochures and bulletin announcements will be sent shortly to facilitate your publicizing this commemoration program among your parishioners. If you have any questions, please call me at 881-6131.

-- (Rev.) Robert L. Kinast

FATLANTA MIG October 17, 1975 Archbishop Thomas A. Donnellan Catholic Center-Archdiocese of Atlanta 756 W. Peachtree N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30308 My dear archbishop Donnellan, I have just had an opportunity to read the newspaper account of your address before the October 2nd meeting of the

American Jewish Committee in Atlanta.

I simply wanted you to know of my deep appreciation for the very positive and constructive positions that you expressed.

This makes me feel all the more eager and enthusiastic about our forthcoming conference on October 22nd and 23rd.

In the meantime, my warmest good wishes and my prayers for God's continued blessingspover you and all the work of your handa.

Cordially yours,

Robbi Marc W. Tanenhaum Natoonal Director Interreligious Affairs

MHT: RPR

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October 10, 1975

Archbishop Thomas A. Donnellen Catholic Center-Archdiocese of Atlants 756 W. Peachtree, N.W. Atlanta, Gs. 30308

Dear Archbishop Donnellans

On behalf of the Atlanta Chapter of the American Javish Cosmittee, I went to express our sincerest thanks for the evening you spent with us on October 2nd. The time and effort that went into your talk was well evident in the product. Your candor in the question and enswer period was refreshing, and was appreciated.

Let me take but a moment to remind you of your appearance with Rabbi Tanenbaum on Wednesday night, October 22nd. At this point in time, you can assume a larger audience, an audience that is religiously well mixed, and an event with TV coverage as well as the press. Within the bounds of diplomacy and reality, it is our hope that your talk that evening could be a message to be heard throughout your province. Let the light shine from Atlanta, as it were.

If there is any way that I can be of service, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours.

William A. Greinick Director/Southeast Area

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cc: Miles J. Alexander

bcc: Father Robert L. Kinast William W. Epstein Ted V. Fisher

bcc: Marc Tanenbaum Will Katz Isaiah Terman

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CATHOLIC-JEWISH COMMEMORATION

Thursday, Oct. 22 - opening welcome The ruple

Archbishop Donnellan: Nostra Aetate, its background and significance

Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum: Jewish reactions and development since Vatican II

social hour

Thursday, Oct. 23 - 9:00 registration Culledial

9:30 Paper on the historical background and importance of Jesus as seen by a Jewish scholar Rabb. Aloca Sogatum

Paper on the catechetical and liturgical application of Jesus' message to Jews

Fr. John Pawlikowski

lunch (ACCW)

1:30 small group discussion in the four areas recommended by the recent Vatican guidelines

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significance of Israel

primary social responsibilities, to one's own or others?

3:30 reports and wrap-up

Thursday, Oct. 23 8:00 Worship service The Temple
9:00 social hour

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VATICAN II: TEN YEARS LATER

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OPENING CEREMONIES

Most Rev. Thomas A. Donnellan, Archbishop of Atlanta Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, National Director Inter-Religious Affairs, American Jewish Committee

THE TEMPLE Friendship Hall 1589 Peachtree Street, N.E. WEDNESDAY October 22, 1975 8:00 P.M.

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October 23, 8:15 P.M.

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THURSDAY,

Interfaith Service

This unique event specially written by a committee of Priests and Rabbis is the first such event to be celebrated in Atlanta.

Please demonstrate your affirmation of the spirit of VATICAN II by participating in these activities with our Catholic friends.

CONTACT: Mr. William A. Gralnick

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ATLANTA...His Excellency the Most Reverend Thomas A. Donnellan, Archbishop of Atlanta, denounced the United Nations committee resolution equating Zionism and racism. The Archbishop, keynoting with Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum a two-day Vatican II Commemorative Conference sponsored by the American Jewish Committee and the Archdiocese of Atlanta, said the following

"I would like to take this occasion to give public expression to my regret at the recent action of a United Nations full membership committee in recommending to the General Assembly that it determine that Zionism is a form of racism and social discrimination. Such a recommendation is not in accord with the facts, and is productive of much harm. I am proud that the United States delegation denounced this as an anti-Semitic and obscene action, and warned that the resolution places the work of the United Nations in jeopardy.

"Anti-Semitism is evil, and should be denounced and repudiated wherever it rears its head."

Sharing the Vatican Council observance with Archbishop Donnellan, Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, National Director of the Interreligious Affairs Department of the American Jewish Committee, declared that "The United Nations has become the single greatest purveyor of verbal violence not only against Israel, but against the Jewish religion and the Jewish people as well. Unless seriously challenged and contained, such verbal rejection threatens to lay the foundation for actual physical destruction."

Rabbi Tanenbaum, who was the only rabbi invited as an observer during the Vatican Council deliberations, called on Christian leadership not to stand by silently, but to identify actively and publicly with the Jewish people and Israel in order to turn back this Nazi-like assault on the dignity and security of world Jewry. He said that it was especially important for Christian clergy to sensitize business leaders, particularly bankers, investment brokers, and corporate executives to their moral obligations to combat actual and potential discrimination against Jews that is emerging from the Arab economic warfare against the Jewish people and Israel.

Founded in 1906, the American Jewish Committee is this country's pioneer human relations organization. It combats bigotry, protects the civil and religious rights of people at home and abroad, and seeks improved human relations for all men everywhere.

NC NEWS SERVICE -18- Friday, October 24, 1975

ARCHBISHOP DONNELLAN DENOUNCES UN RESOLUTION (300)

ATLANTA (NC) -- In a strongly worded statement, Archdishop

Thomas A. Donnallan of Atlanta denounced a resolution of a committee

of the United Nations which linked Zionism with racism.

In a keynote address at a two-day conference here commemorating vatican Council II, sponsored by the American Jewish Committee and the Atlanta archdiocese, Archdishop Donnellan said:

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The Arab-inspired resolution was adopted Oct. 17 by the UN's

Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee. Passed by a 70 to

29 vote with 27 abstentions, it would have the General Assembly

declare "that Zionism is a form of racism and racial discrimination."

In another address at the Atlanta conference, Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum,

national director of the inter-religious affairs department of

the American Jewish Committee, joined with other Jewish leaders

throughout the world in conjumning the committee's action.

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Pappli Tananbaum, who was the only rabbi invited to observe Vatican II deliberations, encouraged Christian leaders to identify actively and publicly with the Jewish people in Israel and turn back what he called a Nazi-like assault on the dignity and security of world Jewry.

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SOUTHEAST AREA OFFICE THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE THE HARTFORD BUILDING SUITE 526 EDGEWOOD AVENUE. N. E. WEMORANDUM DATE: October 27, 1975

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TO: \/Marc Tanenbaum

William A.O

Afternoon and Evening Conference Sessions

The afternoon sessions were attended by over 100 people bolstered by a contingent of Jewish students who arrived after lunch. The workshops were so stimulating and so productive, that Bob and I have decided to put out a conference proceedings booklet. The only drawback I saw was that the vast majority of questioning and probing was from Catholics to Jews, rather than vice versa.

The interfaith service was attended by in excess of 400 people (some say closer to 500). It was universally praised. In fact, Father John said he's never seen anything to compare. Even our orthodox members felt it was "worth doing." Several of our most prominent reform members were there, one of whom said she was brought to tears by the beauty and meaning.

Much to my dismay, the tape recorder didn't work, so I don't have that for you. However, the enclosed booklet, which includes the opening Shofar reading by Father Hein, should adequately enable you to get a feeling for was was done.

I don't want the following to go without being said. Your advice, support, and encouragement, as well as your physical presence (which had a dramatic effect on all Christians and Jews who sought me out), were instrumental in my being able to handle this type of event on the first go round.

Regards.

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Enc.

cc: Will Katz Isaiah Terman

P.S. Mrs. Helen Shellman, the co-chairman of the Unity Commission, is a leader in the Atlanta Christian Council. She will be contacting you, and inviting you to be a paid participant in a major interreligious colloquium being planned for fifteen months from now.

The great Jewish Rabbi Maimonides tells us that, aside from scriptural ordinance, the Shofar has a deeper meaning. It says to us that "The stirring sound of the Shofar proclaimed the covenant at Mount Sinai which bound Israel to God as a kingdom of priests and a holy people. Ever since that distant day, the voice of the Shofar has resounded through the habitations of Israel awakeninh high allegiance to God and His commandments. At the new moon, on joyous festivals as well as on solemn days of fasting and repentance, and in the Jubilee year when liberty was proclaimed throughout the land, our fathers hearkened to the tones of the ram's horn and recalled their obligation to serve the Lord with all their heart and with all their strength. Thus do we, their children, prepare to hearken now to the solemn sound of the Shofar. May it summon us to struggle against the forces of evil within our hearts and in the world. Let it arouse within us the will to righteousness and strengthen our trust in God's justice and love. May it direct our thoughts to the day when the Shofar will sound for the redemption of all mankind."

cc Marc Janenbaum

Ignatius House

6700 Riverside Drive, N. W. Atlanta, Georgia 30328

Nov. 3, 1975

Mr. William A. Gralnick
Director / Southeast Area
The American Jewsih Committee
I800 Peachtree St. N.W. Suite 411
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Bill,

Thanks much for your note of thanks.

The whole event of the Catholic-Jewish Conference and especially the Inter-Faith Service was great. I enjoyed it immensely.

You know where I am, if I can be of any assistance to you or yours.

Sincerely,

Larry Hean, S. J.

Director

Ignatius House

A COMMEMORATIVE
PRAYER

SERVICE

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional Service

Carrying Torah Scrolls and New Testament to Ark

Processional "Oh God Our Help in Ages Past"-Croft See Union Prayer Book #1 back cover--Song #7

Main Service

Opening Prayer -- Shofar Service Readings on the Shofar - Father Larry Hein,SJ Sounding of the Shofar - Rabbi Juda H. Mintz

Choir Response

Readings: Exodus 2:23-25, 3:13-15-Rabbi Edward Cohn Shema Response - Temple/Cathedral Choir

Congregational Reading-Psalm 136 (see insert)
Father Robert Kinast and Congregation

Readings Continued-Luke 10:25-37-Father Robert Kinast

Litany of Forgiveness, Thanksgiving & Petition Rabbi Edward P. Cohn, Father Mark Geary Congregational Response (see insert)

Silent Prayer
Choral Response-"May The Words..."-Sidney Sukoenig

Closing Service

Choir Anthem - Psalm 150 by Cesar Franck Temple/Cathedral Choir

Shofar Service (see insert)
Rabbi Juda H. Mintz and Congregation

Sounding of Shofar - Rabbi Juda H. Mintz

Recessional - "We praise the Living God" - Bender See Union Prayer Book #1 back cover - Song #1

All are cordially invited to Friendship Hall for an "oneg" -- coffee, cake and camaraderie.

SHEMA

Shema Yisroal Adonai elohanew Adonai echod Hear, oh Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one Boruch shame ekuod malhooso layolom vo-ed Praised be his name whose glorious kingdom is forever and ever

PSALM 136

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his kindness is eternal; Give thanks to the God of gods, for his kindness is eternal: Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his kindness is eternal; To him who alone works great wonders, for his kindness is eternal; To him who with Understanding made the heavens, for his kindness is eternal; To him who spread out the earth upon the waters, for his kindness is eternal; To him who made the great lights, for his kindness is eternal; The sun as ruler over the day, for his kindness is eternal; The moon and stars as rulers over the night, for his kindness is eternal; To him who smote the first-born of Egypt, for his kindness is eternal; And brought out Israel from their midst, for his kindness is eternal; With a strong hand and arm outstretched, for his kindness is eternal; To him who divided the Reed Sea in half, for his kindness is eternal; And showed Israel through the middle of it, for his kindness is eternal;

But shook off Pharaoh and his host into the Reed Sea, for his kindness is eternal; To him who marched his people across the desert, for his kindness is eternal; To him who smote great kingdoms, for his kindness is eternal; And slew famous kings, for his kindness is eternal; Even Sihon, king of the Amorites, for his kindness is eternal; And Og himself, king of Bashan, for his kindness is eternal; And he gave their land as patrimony, for his kindness is eternal: Patrimony for Israel his servant, for his kindness is eternal; Who remembered us in our low estate, for his kindness is eternal; And snatched us from our adversaries, for his kindness is eternal; Who gives food to all flesh, for his kindness is eternal; Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his kindness is eternal.

LITANY

Almighty and merciful God, you have brought us together to receive your mercy and for-giveness in our time of need. Open our eyes to see the evil we have done. Touch our hearts and inspire us to follow in your ways.

Forgiveness

We have been indifferent to the poverty of our prayer life and worship; we have been unconcerned about growing in faith and love. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.

We have failed to listen to our modern prophets; we have been unconcerned about those who are starving to death while we hoard so much of the world's goods. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED. We have failed in speaking out against the inhumanity and cruelty of our fellow human beings which brought about the holocaust and slaughter of over six million Jews during World War II. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED. We have been comfortable with our attitudes toward war, our acceptance of revenge, our inhumanity toward those in prisons. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED. We think about all the ways our society organizes crime, how it supports in so many ways the cheating and exploitation of the poor. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED. We know how much petty crime there is in our community, how popular are shoplifting, tax evasion, the violation of traffic laws and other legal ordinances. We pray to the Lord:

BE MERCIFUL, O LORD, FOR WE HAVE SINNED.

Thanksgiving

Father we now again express our gratitude for choosing us as you chose Abraham. You have called us to a holy life, not because we deserved the call but because of your surpassing love.

WE THANK YOU LORD.

We thank you that your glory has been revealed! Through Abraham God called all the communities of the earth to share his

blessing.

WE THANK YOU LORD.

For this opportunity which you have provided for all of us this evening to worship jointly together as your children.

WE THANK YOU LORD.

For the many blessings that you have granted us both in material and spiritual gifts and that we use them rightly.

WE THANK YOU LORD.

For the times you have forgiven our past sins, and your guidance towards us in the ways of goodness and love, so that you might bring us the reward of everlasting peace.

WE THANK YOU LORD.

Petition

Lord, give us the will to change our lives, and the lives of others by charity, good example, and prayer.

LCRD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Make us a living sign of your love for all to see; people reconciled with you and with each other.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

In your mercy free us from our past, its devisiveness and its shallowness, and enable us to begin a new life of holiness.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Heal us O Lord and we shall be healed; save us and we shall be saved. Remember all of your children who lie on beds of sickness and despair.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Lord help us in our own city of Atlanta to rid ourselves of complacency that we might seak justice for all individuals and groups in our society.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

Lord give us the insight and the courage to work for a renewal of peace and warmth in our families that the hearts of the parents may be turned to their children and the hearts of the children turned once again to their parents.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER.

SHOFAR RESPONSIVE READING

May the sound of the Shofar shatter our complacency And make us conscious of the corruptions in our lives.

May the sound of the Shofar penetrate our souls,

And cause us to turn back to our Father in heaven. May the sound of the Shofar break the bonds of the evil impulse within us,

And enable us to serve the Lord with a whole heart.

May the sound of the Shofar renew our loyalty to
the one true King

And strengthen our determination to defy the false gods.

May the sound of the Shofar awaken us to the enormity of our sins,

And the vastness of God's mercy for those who truly repent.

May the sound of the Shofar summon us to service And stir us to response, as did Abraham, "Here am I."

May the sound of the Shofar awaken us to the flight of time,

And summon us to spend our days with purpose.

May the sound of the Shofar become our jubilant shout

On the day of the promised, long-awaited redemption.

May the sound of the Shofar remind us that it is
time to "proclaim liberty throughout the land
To all the inhabitants thereof."

May the sound of the Shofar enter our hearts; For blessed is the people that hearkens to its call.

A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE

It is fitting that this two-day conference end with an interfaith service, for such was the way Pope Paul ended Vatican II. In our service, we have struck the theme "God remembers His covenant" and are celebrating His presence among His people. There is no sermon. The service, we felt, was message enough.

Planning this service was a heartwarming experience. We have blended the old and the new without compromising either. For those of other faiths who follow in our footsteps, we say it isn't the service that brings brotherhood, but the joint effort in writing and planning it that does.

We would be remiss if we failed to thank the American Jewish Committee, The Temple, The Cathedral of Christ the King, the Unity Commission of the Archdiocese, and you who have allowed us, your servitors, to carry this effort forward.

Rabbi Edward P. Cohn
Father Mark Geary, O.P.
William A. Gralnick
Father Larry Hein, S.J.
Father Robert L. Kinast
Rabbi Juda H. Mintz

This is your personal prayer service copy.