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Dear Marc -

I, too, remember Thailand and
the Kaddish -

Thank you so much for
your way -

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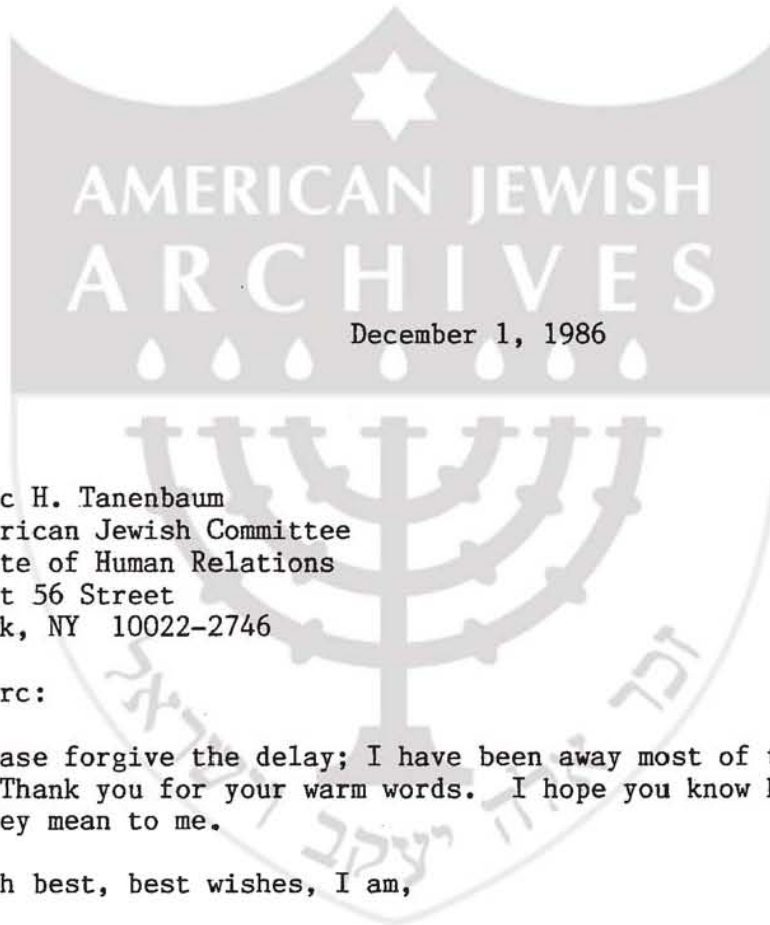
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Mr. Marc H. Tanenbaum
The American Jewish Committee
Institute of Human Relations
165 East 56 Street
New York, NY 10022-2746

Dear Marc:

Please forgive the delay; I have been away most of the time. Thank you for your warm words. I hope you know how much they mean to me.

With best, best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Elie Wiesel
Elie Wiesel

EW/mlh

12/9/86
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***Nobel Prize Winners**

Dr. Henry A. Singer
Executive Officer

October 16, 1986

Dr. Marc H. Tanenbaum
American Jewish Committee
165 East 56th St.
New York, N.Y. 10022

Dear Dr. Tanenbaum,

I have the honor to invite you to give the invocation at the 90th Anniversary Nobel Dinner at the New York Hilton on December 9th. It will be the largest gathering of Nobel Laureates in history, some forty. Although we are uncertain at this time, we hope President Reagan will be the principal speaker. Almost all the others on the preliminary program have accepted. In addition, Liv Ullman, representing UNICEF, the 1963 Nobel Peace Prize winner will bring a message for children of the world. Dr. Linus Pauling, the double Nobel Prize winner, will also speak briefly.

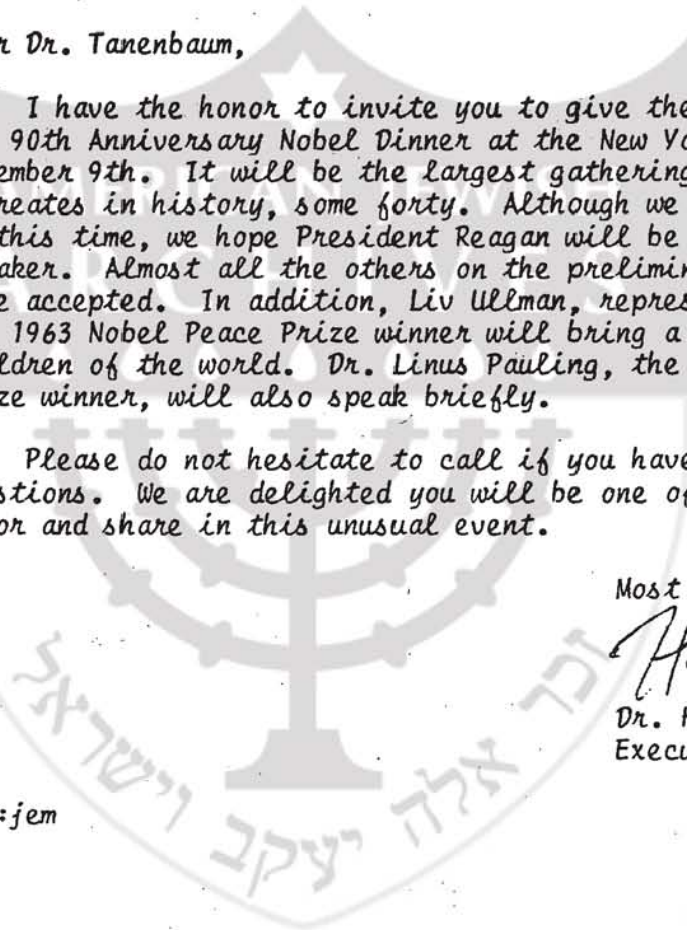
Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions. We are delighted you will be one of our Guests of Honor and share in this unusual event.

Most cordially,



Dr. Henry A. Singer
Executive Officer

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Nobel Laureates.
Guests of Honor
Past Programs

BACKGROUND

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*Sir Norman Angell
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*Dr. John Bardeen
Amb. Hubert de Besche
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Edgar Bronfman
*Dr. Arthur H. Compton
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*Nobel Prize Winners

The American Nobel Anniversary Committee (ANAC), has been holding commemorative dinners honoring Alfred Nobel and the American Nobel Laureates for the past 45 years. On January 9, 1961, the N.Y. Times reported, "The first Nobel dinner-forum in this country was held three days after Pearl Harbor, since the usual ceremony could not be held in Oslo and Stockholm. As a result of the first dinner, it was decided to form an American Nobel Anniversary Committee and invite all living Nobel Prize Laureates to participate in the annual forum." The Times also reported on the addresses by Gov. Averell Harriman and Admiral Rickover at the 1961 dinner. Both passed away this year within a few days of each other.

Albert Einstein was active on the Committee in the early years and spoke at the 1945 Dinner. "...we feel the duty to speak up and remind those responsible that there is no escape into easy comforts. The situation calls for a courageous effort for radical changes in our whole attitude towards making war obsolete as a means for problem solving. May the spirit that prompted Alfred Nobel to create his great institution, the spirit of trust and confidence, of generosity and brotherhood among men, prevail in the minds of those upon whose decision our destiny rests".

At the 1946 Dinner, Gustav Nobel concluded his remarks, "Permit me to say how happy and grateful I am to be able to be present here today to thank you personally and on behalf of all now living members of the Nobel family for the honor you here bestow on the memory of my uncle—Alfred Nobel."

The last Nobel Dinner was held in 1965. Ambassador Sol Linowitz, at that time was Chairman of the Xerox Corporation. He served as Co-Chairman of the Dinner with Dr. Walter Brattain, of Bell Labs, Nobel Prize winner for co-invention of the transistor. At that Dinner, Fredric March, the distinguished actor, read the William Faulkner, Nobel Prize acceptance speech. Since this year marks the 90th Anniversary of the death of Alfred Nobel, a special Dinner-forum has been organized at the N.Y. Hilton Grand Ballroom on December 9, 1986. As in the past, the Dinner Co-Chairmen will be two outstanding American leaders. One is Warren Anderson, Chairman of Union Carbide Corporation and the other Dr. Henry A. Kissinger, Nobel Prize winner for Peace.

The Executive Officer, Dr. Henry A. Singer, who also heads the Human Resources Institute, has reorganized the Nobel Dinners. He has been associated with the Committee since 1947, when he first met Albert Einstein and Jacques Ferrand, the founding Dinner Chairman. He has been Vice-Chairman since 1961.

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The American Nobel Anniversary Committee

invites you to attend the

90th Anniversary Dinner

in honor of

Alfred Nobel

and the

American Nobel Laureates

Tuesday, December 9th, 1986

Hilton Hotel Grand Ballroom

New York City, New York

Reception: 6 P.M.

Dinner: 7 p.m.

R.S.V.P.

Semi-Formal

The 90th American Nobel Anniversary Dinner

"The picture of our postwar world is not bright. As far as we, the physicists, are concerned, we are no politicians and it has never been our wish to meddle in politics. But we know a few things that the politicians do not know. And we feel the duty to speak up and to remind those responsible that there is no escape into easy comforts. The situation calls for a courageous effort, for radical changes in our whole attitude toward making war obsolete as a means for problem solving. May the spirit that prompted Alfred Nobel to create his great institution, the spirit of trust and confidence, of generosity and brotherhood among men, prevail in the minds of those upon whose decision our destiny rests."

ALBERT EINSTEIN

at The American Nobel Anniversary Dinner, 1945

"It is exceedingly fitting, it seems to me, that this day is commemorated, not only in Sweden—Alfred Nobel's native country—but also here in America, the new world of freedom—and of many peoples. His aims were universal and went far beyond the borders of his own country. In this sense you have made him your own—and I am sure he would have no objections. Permit me to say how happy and grateful I am to be able to be present here today to thank you personally and on behalf of all now living members of the Nobel family for the honor you here bestow on the memory of my uncle—Alfred Nobel!"

GUSTAV NOBEL

at The American Nobel Anniversary Dinner, 1946

"As an inventor, Nobel was primarily interested in constructive inventions—not destructive ones. More than 90% of his wealth derived from the utilization of his inventions for civilian uses. Inventions which revolutionized mining, road building, tunnel blasting; all were done before laboriously were now done by harnessing the power he had discovered. And the vast income brought to Nobel as a result of the popularity of his inventions enabled him through his legacy to play a pioneering role as the forward looking idealist having the well being of mankind as his enlightened destiny!"

HUBERT DE BESCHE

Swedish Ambassador

at The American Nobel Anniversary Dinner, 1964

Program

Theme: *Peace In A Nuclear Age*

Star Spangled Banner

Invocation

Dinner

Introductions

Warren M. Anderson, Dinner Co-Chairman

Welcome

Governor Mario Cuomo, New York State

Laureate Introductions and Opening Remarks

Dr. Henry A. Kissinger, Co-Chairman

Statement by Norwegian Ambassador

Kjell Eliassen

Statement by Swedish Ambassador

Wilhelm Wachtmeister

Reading of William Faulkner's Nobel Acceptance Speech

Gregory Peck

Remarks

Speaker to be Announced

International Songs

Prayer for Peace

His Eminence, John Cardinal O'Connor

Remarks

Hon. Javier Perez de Cuellar

Secretary-General, United Nations

Address

Chairman, Mikhail S. Gorbachev,

Central Committee, Communist Party, USSR

Address

President Ronald Reagan, USA

Benediction

Closing

Warren M. Anderson

* Some final confirmations pending as of October 1st.

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January 7, 1987

Rabbi Marc Tannenbaum
AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE
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Dear Rabbi Tannenbaum:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your warm and gracious welcome. We appreciate your giving of your valuable time and your advice regarding the Elie Wiesel Collection.

We hope that the sponsorship we discussed in our meeting will be considered favorably.

We will be in touch with you again soon.

Sincerely,


Erno B. Klein

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P. S. We hope you enjoy the enclosed books.