June 16, 1980

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum
National Director
Interreligious Affairs
The American Jewish Committee
165 East 56 Street
New York, N. Y. 10022

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

Many thanks for your letter of June 13th, and the enclosures.

I am afraid that as long as the "Passion plays" at Oberammergau are so profitable to that town, it will be an uphill battle to achieve the reforms we would all like to see. However, the Time article should go a long way to making people realize what a "nightmare" this whole thing is. Your work with the American Jewish Committee in lobbying the villagers, and the public at large through the publicity you receive, should eventually arouse worldwide indignation. As always, it is a slow process.

Congratulations on your delivering the Baccalaureate Address at Stanford University! The international conference of Christians and Jews in Sweden sounds like an exciting one, which I wish I had the opportunity to attend. I am sure that your talk on the "Moral Challenges Facing Jews and Christians in the 1980's" will be very well received. If you could send me a copy of it, I would be very interested in reading it.

I look forward with pleasure to our getting together for lunch or a drink on your return so that we can have that chat.

With warmest personal regards,

Cordially yours,

E. Donald Shapiro
Dean

EDS:k
June 13, 1980

Dean E. Donald Shapiro
New York Law School
57 Worth Street
New York, New York 10013

My dear Dean Shapiro,

Thank you very much for your warm and thoughtful recent letters. It was a genuine privilege to be able to take part in the commencement exercises which I found most impressive.

I am also grateful to you for your thoughtful remarks regarding the stance we took on the PLO.

I leave this weekend to deliver the Baccalaureate Address at Stanford University and then go on to Sweden where I will be presenting a paper at an international conference of Christians and Jews.

Perhaps on my return we can find a few moments together to have a drink or luncheon to chat over common interests.

With warmest personal good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum
National Director
Interreligious Affairs

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June 4, 1980

Rabbi Marc H. Tannenbaum
American Jewish Committee
165 East 56 Street
New York, N. Y. 10022

Dear Rabbi Tannenbaum:

This is just a brief note to express my own gratitude, as well as that of the entire New York Law School community, for your sharing the Eighty-Eighth Commencement Exercises with us. Your participation in the program meant a great deal to all of us.

I was especially pleased that you could be with us since I had long followed the magnificent work which you have done for interfaith understanding.

Looking forward to having the pleasure of spending time with you in the future, I remain,

Cordially yours,

E. Donald Shapiro
Dean

EDS:k
June 9, 1980

Rabbi Marc H. Tannenbaum
American Jewish Committee
165 E. 56 Street
New York, N. Y. 10022

Dear Rabbi Tannenbaum:

Congratulations on that very firm stand which you have taken as head of the Interreligious Department of the American Jewish Congress against the statement by the National Council of Churches.

It is unbelievable that any responsible group could characterize the Palestine Liberation Organization as "innocent victims." Considering the antihumanism history of this organization and its avowed goals of genocide, it is beyond me how Dr. Turnipseed could take the position that he did.

Again, you are to be highly commended for the firm response which you made.

With warmest personal regards,

Cordially yours,

E. Donald Shapiro
Dean

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March 11, 1980

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

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

At the request of Acting Dean Margaret S. Bearn, I am writing to you to share information regarding the upcoming Eighty-eighth Commencement scheduled for Sunday, June first.

The schedule for Sunday, June first will run "roughly" as follows:

11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.  Cocktail Reception, Adagio Cafe, Lobby of Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center, Corner of Broadway and West 66th Street.
12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.  Luncheon, Adagio Cafe, Lobby of Avery Fisher Hall.
1:30 p.m. to 1:50 p.m.  Robing of Trustees and dignitaries in the Green Room of Avery Fisher Hall. Families and other VIP guests will be escorted to the Dean's section of reserved seats in the audience.
1:50 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.  Trustees and dignitaries will be escorted from the green Room to the area from which the processional will begin.
2:00 p.m.  Commencement commences.
2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.  Commencement program.
I would be most appreciative if you could provide us with your hat size and height in order that we may have your academic regalia ready and waiting for you.

June first promises to be a most delightful and exciting day. If I may be of any assistance to you, I do hope you will not hesitate to call upon me. I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Cordially,

Lucille M. Hillman
Assistant Dean For Development

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cc: Acting Dean Margaret S. Bearn
May 7, 1980

Rabbi & Mrs. Marc H. Tanenbaum
American Jewish Committee
165 E. 56th Street
New York, NY 10022

Dear Rabbi & Mrs. Tanenbaum:

The entire New York Law School community joins me in extending to you our most sincere wish that you share in the excitement and pageantry of our Eighty-eighth Commencement on Sunday, June first at two o'clock in Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center.

Prior to the ceremony at 11:45 a.m., there will be a Reception and Luncheon in the Adagio Cafe located in the Grand Foyer of Avery Fisher Hall honoring our honorary degree recipients who are the Honorable Richard N. Gardner, the American Ambassador to Italy and our Commencement speaker; the Honorable Richard R. Baxter, Judge of the International Court of Justice; His Eminence Terence Cardinal Cooke, Archbishop of New York; the Honorable Lewis F. Powell, Jr., Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and the Honorable Edward Allen Tamm, Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals.

Please confirm your attendance by calling Assistant Dean Lucille M. Hillman at 966-3500.

My warmest personal regards and best wishes.

Cordially yours,

Margaret S. Bearn
Acting Dean

cc: Assistant Dean Lucille M. Hillman

P.S. REMEMBER, the Salute to Israel Parade is scheduled to begin at noon and will march up Fifth Avenue from 54th Street to 86th Street. I urge you to avoid the East side because of serious potential traffic jams.
June 23, 1980

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum
American Jewish Committee
165 E. 56th Street
New York, NY 10022

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

I have enclosed a number of photographs which I hope will serve as happy mementos of the Law School's 88th Commencement. Thank you so much for your willingness to be with us on that very special day, and my very real gratitude to you for your splendid benediction. Your prayer brought great meaning to all who were assembled that afternoon in Avery Fisher Hall.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Margaret S. Bearn
Acting Dean

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cc: Assistant Dean Lucille M. Hillman

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