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DR. DOV BIEGUN

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February 24, 1975

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
World Education Center for Progressive Judaism
13, King David Street
Jerusalem

Dear Rabbi Friedman,

I am indebted to you for your letter of January 19th 1975 and do apologize for the delay in my reply.

I have meanwhile received reactions to my Israel Report from many quarters in Israel, Europe and the USA; virtually all of them in the same vein as your kind remarks.

Although Sam Rothberg and others went out of their way to praise the report in extremely generous terms, I had no direct approach from the Bonds or the UJA organizations for copies for their leadership. I am reluctant to make a direct offer to them.

Could you possibly see your way to aid me in initiating talks with those organizations? A possible sale of a total of some 5,000 copies to them would help to assure the continuation of the Report.

I shall, of course, keep you on my mailing list. Thanks again.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,


Dr. D. Biegun

March 11, 1975

Dr. Dov Beigun
56 Weizmann Street
Tel Aviv

Dear Dr. Beigun:

I have just returned from a trip abroad to find your letter of February 24.

I do not understand one sentence in your letter. You said that you had received no direct approach from the Bonds or the UJA, and "you are reluctant to make a direct offer to them". This is not clear to me.

You have something very worthwhile to offer, and I simply think you should bring it to their attention very directly, in the form of a specific proposal. You should write to the directors of the two organisations, enclose an example, quote some testimonial opinions (Sam Rothberg and others), and ask for a specific amount of money for a specific number of copies.

You ask if I would be willing to help you in initiating the talks with the two organisations. You do not need me with Bonds if you already have a quotable opinion from Sam Rothberg. You need simply write a direct letter to Mr. Michael Arnon, who is the Chief Executive Officer, at:

Development Corporation for Israel
215 Park Avenue South
New York, N.Y. 10003
USA

As for the UJA, I am sure you realise that I am no longer with them, and they don't take very kindly to any suggestions that I make. As a matter of fact, a recommendation from me might do you more harm than good. Again, all I think you need do is write directly to Mr. Irving Bernstein, Executive Vice Chairman:

United Jewish Appeal
1290 Avenue of the Americas
New York
N.Y. 10019
USA

and put it to him directly. I am not trying to avoid helping you, but if you have a supporter in Sam Rothberg you do not need me for the Bonds, and I can't do you any good with the UJA. However, please let me know what happens with your direct approach.

Regards,

Sincerely,

Herbert A. Friedman



Handwritten signature in blue ink.



Handwritten address in Hebrew:
ר"ר הרב ה"ר אהרן רובין
התלמיד הרב הרב אהרן
וראשית
מ' ה'תש"ל ע"ג 48

BY AIR MAIL



כבוד הרב ר' אהרן אהרן זצ"ל
ועד קהלת ישראל

אנו מקשר סניף מרכזי של אגודת ישראל
אלו אפי' שלא קמו מכתב מנהל קהלת ישראל
דאברהם רבן פוזנא. אנו שכל נשוא האגודה
אין משהו אלא כהנהנה

דן צ'צ'נו ציבורי למחבר פועל שלום אברהם
אכל ולקני משפחה

פנינו אין מחבר על אהי הנשוא דברים אהרן
כי ופירש כמה צאלה הנדבחה כל

נצונו אהרן עם כל האלק אהרן. אהרן
מחילה משפחה למחבר כי אהרן אהרן דחה

דברשי הלקרה אהרן

י. פינקלשטיין

שמו אהרן:
אברהם פינקלשטיין
(אהרן אהרן)
אחארה, שנת 15

דברי פרוצמן הנכבד,

ואני פארה אבה הקב"ה שישאלו לפרוץ
 חברה שלמה לפרוץ
 בתור 1946 דעמאן יעמאנה נפגש אהב קן-צאנא
 זר לאלו הרשעים מנו-וארד כל אמר אלן לנסא
 וצורה קן-צאנא דעם אבה אטאל חתון חברה
 אלו לנפש מין קדי אמה שמרן מאלולו חברה
 מהיה אטמן לאלו אהיה אטמן ודליו נצמה ליו
 שלאלו הקב"ה אהב עם אטאל חתון החברה

אני קלמא לאלו אטמן פניה מצב חבר של אלו
 הנמצא חברה לנסא אמרן אלו כה' הקשר
 אבארכה הקונצסיה הרשאלה עם מקשים
 שטאל חברה אצמ 1930 אלו זה דעמא 1946

חברה עם קשרי החלאל כספוא אהב אלו
 מלמין אטאל חתון

החנה חנה של חצולו כשון הקדוה ואלו
 אכל חצולו דעם מקשים אמה גקלה של 25
 30 30 חנה אמר אלו הרשון החבר של אלו
 שטאל עם וצולו מלפני החלמה הקב"ה אמר
 אלו כה' אהב אטאל חברה כה' אמר אבשר
 שיקר ומה ואלו אלו וטמן חתון

Dear Rabbi Friedman,

I am contacting you in connection with the following request:

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In 1946, when you were in Germany, our cousin Lou Borstein from New York met you when you were on your way to France. Our cousin asked to deal with the moving of the body of my brother, who died a short while after his release from Aushwitz (in France) from a general cemetery to a Jewish cemetery. I think that he also asked you to deal with the arrangements for the tombstone.

I received a short while ago a request from my brother's friend, in France, to try to find you in connection with the extension of the consensus. The authorities there wish that the same person that dealt with the original arrangements should deal with them now.

There are also financial outlays to be taken into consideration which we will be very willing to deal with.

I am sure that the custom of renewing the licence is known to you. A renewal is requested after a period ~~of~~ of 25 to 30 years. My brother's friend, who knew him before the war, asks that we ask you to deal with this in order to prevent the possibility that the grave will be removed and somebody else will take the place of my brother.

In order to refresh your memory I remind you that the name of my brother is Yaacov Eisenberg from Warsaw.

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Please excuse the bother that I am causing you. A week ago I received a letter from our relations in the US to tell us that you were in Israel and they sent us your address.

Our cousin asks us to send you very warm regards and also to your family.

I wanted to meet you personally, but I thought it best to write to you first.

With best regards

YOCHAVED FINKELSTEIN