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United States Holocaust Memorial Council. 1986-1993.

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12/9/87

Instructions for Conrad

1. Get a director - resident in ~~Amflet~~ Virginia Beach or Turnberry - wherever you spend more time.
2. Get part-time secretary for him/her
3. Set up office in your office - Buddy's room - where David is now.
4. Get ~~some~~ stationery + telephone
5. Get prospect list
6. Write letter, stating what you want, enclosing material (plans + good testimonials)
7. Then call for appointment
8. a) Read The Holocaust book - so you know your product
b) Have session with me (and your director) - take notes - make brief outline for your presentation.
9. Take someone along with you for the solicitation, if you are not comfortable alone - Arthur Rosenblatt, Jim Freed

Mobilizing support

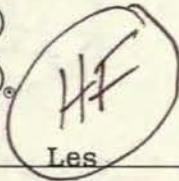
1. Make short videotape (6-7 min.)
 - Reagan saying how important this project is
 - high school principal from Topeka, Kansas
 - survivor
 - shots of model
 - Elie Weisel
 - train bus conductor
2. ^{Model} Curriculum which museum will produce
3. Meeting with Howard Baker (Barney Barnett can arrange it)
 - a. Discuss with him possibility of inviting selected prospects for lunch
4. Calls to prospects for 7-figure contributors
5. David Weinstein, for advice

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DATE: November 16, 1987

TO: Les

FROM: Ken Helman CFO

SUBJECT:

CONFIRM ☐

It has always been my view that the physical part of the Holocaust started with Kristallnacht whose 50th anniversary is coming up next year on November 9th and 10th, 1988. Are you aware of any national or worldwide efforts designed to commemorate this significant anniversary and the six years that followed? My thinking would be much more than a traditional Holocaust remembrance; it involves understanding 20th century anti-semitism pre-Holocaust and how it set the stage for what followed.

I was initially hesitant about asking but you are a leader of world Jewry and if there are events planned I would like to be involved. Also, I think that the remembrance events should be worldwide, broad in scope and relevant to today. I don't know if today's leaders have such a vision.

MANAGE THE EXISTING BUSINESS MOST PROFITABLY

REC-30 THE LIMITED STORES, INC. 2/85



A CAMPAIGN TO REMEMBER
THE UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM CAMPAIGN
HONORARY CHAIRMAN: PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN



December 1, 1987

Mr. Herbert A. Friedman
President
The Wexner Heritage Foundation
551 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10022

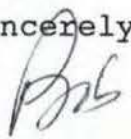
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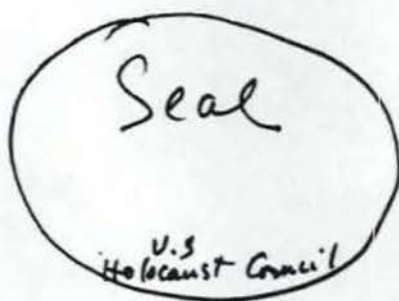
My deep and abiding appreciation to you for your meeting with the "Next Generation" group of young people in New York. You were superb. I very much hope we can put the educational program together as you suggested. Everyone seemed to catch your purpose and relate to it in a most positive manner. I have high hopes for this extraordinary group. I am sure we will be in touch as this unfolds after the first of the year.

In the meanwhile, this comes with warm good wishes as well as with great gratitude.

Sincerely,


Robert E. Duke
National Campaign Director

RED/kek



← THE UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL CAMPAIGN
(center this, large type)

CHAIRMAN, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council

HARVEY MEYER HOFF

CHAIRMAN, U.S. Holocaust
MEMORIAL CAMPAIGN

LEONARD STREUTZ

HONORARY CHAIRMAN

Ronald Reagan

HONORARY COMMITTEE

Annenberg
etc.

& names

a dress

Karen & Bill LAUDER

Daniel & Ellen CROWN

JANE Steiner

PAULINE DAVISON

GARY STYLER

DAVID GRAND

CARY LEEDS

ARTHUR ROSENBLATT

BOB DUKE

MICHAEL STRAIT

CLIFFORD STRAIT

historical revisionism
~~older generation~~ partial
duty of this generation

737 Park - 8D
(71st St)



1911 - enacted

1915 - corner

1922 - dedicat

Lincoln Memorial



THE WEXNER HERITAGE FOUNDATION

Herbert A. Friedman
President

Leslie H. Wexner
Chairman of the Board

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL

SUGGESTED PROGRAM FOR INTERESTED GROUP

I. Self-Knowledge

- A. Set up study program with accredited authority, in order to learn what happened.
- B. Five to ten sessions, weekly or bi-weekly.
- C. Professor Raul Hilberg - University of Vermont, and/or Professor David Wyman - University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and/or Rabbi Herbert Friedman - Wexner Heritage Foundation.
- D. Set up task force to look at world history textbooks in use in junior high and high schools: select 50 locations in U.S.
- E. Plan trip to Dachau, Matthaussen, Aushwitz.

II. Action

- A. Meet with White House official (Howard Baker) to hear why this museum in Washington is important to United States Government.
- B. Organize to raise \$10 million from this group.
- C. Widen this group to raise another \$10 million.

III. Timing

- A. Start II after 3 sessions have been held, as described in I, A,B,C above.

Hon. Comm.

maybe add Linowitz

Camp. Exec. Comm.

Alex Gross

Norman Braman

Lester Cron

Larry Weinberg

Charlie Ackerman

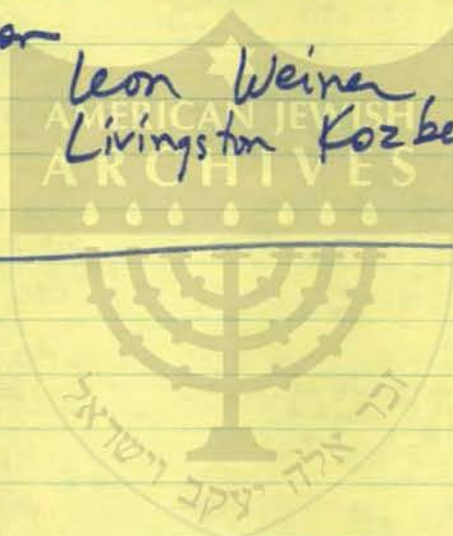
Herb Solomon

Phila. - Ron Rubin
Chas. Constan
Dalek Feith

Steve Grossman - Boston
Avram Goldberg - "
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Houston

Leon Weiner
Livingston Kozberg



CONFIDENTIALSUGGESTED CAMPAIGNI. Key Strategy

A. Concentration on the 33 Key Communities

1. One \$1 million gift in each
2. 2 million from rest of Jewish Community in the key community
3. 1 million from Non-Jewish Community and balance of State except
NY, CA, PA, IL, FL, MI, OH, TX
4. Five year payout

B. Governor Involvement

C. Nationwide Non-Jewish Campaign - Direct Mail

\$ in = \$ out, but could generate \$\$

D. Corporate Campaign - Chrysler as leader

E. Foundations

F. Forbes 400 and similar lists

G. Clearance w/UJA/Federation - One time campaign except usual membership drive after Museum opens. State policy, don't try to get endorsement.

H. CAPITAL/ENDOWMENT - 50/50 - SIZE OF CAMPAIGN

II. Leadership

A. Honorary Committee- Max Fisher, Walter Annenberg, Jeane Kirkpatrick (Examples)

B. National Chairman - Leonard Strelitz

C. Five National Chairmen

1. Major Gifts - Above \$100,000 (perhaps 150 in number)
2. Governors' Campaigns
3. Corporate - Jewish and Non-Jewish
4. Foundations
5. Organizations, Legacies and Bequests

D. Local and State Chairmen - Obvious problems where more than one of the 33 cities in in a state (2 TX, 3 FL, 3 CA, 2 PA, 2 NY, etc.)

- E. Non-Jewish Participation - Corporate Names, etc.
- F. Special Solicitors
- G. Advisory Board, National Campaign Cabinet, etc.
- H. International Board?

OBVIOUS PROBLEM IS SOLICITORS

III. Staff

- A. Campaign Director
- B. Regional Responsibility (3 or 4) - 10 cities/man or 12 states/man
- C. Home Office Support - Accounting, Legal
- D. Publicity - In-house or PR Firm - Brochures - Speakers (Volunteer, Staff)
- E. Special Solicitor Back-up
- F. Foundations
- G. Corporate
- H. Direct Mail, Synagogue and Church Appeals, other Organization support

IV. Timing

- A. 2 year - Oct. 87-Oct. 89
- B. Planning - April-August 87
- C. Kick-Off - Fall 87 - White House, etc.
- D. Target Dates - Key Events

Oct. 87 - Kick-Off

March 88 - 1st Report

Sept. 88 - perhaps earlier

Corporate

State Campaigns

Nov. 88 - 2nd Report

March 89 - Grass Roots Campaign

April 89 - 3rd Report

Oct. 89 - Closing Dinner

E. Target Dates - Key Campaigns

Oct. 87-March 88 - MAJOR GIFTS and planning for next steps

March 88-Sept. 88 - 2nd Tier - Cities/States

Planning for Governors' Campaigns

Corporate Campaign Starts

Foundation Campaign Starts

Parlor Meetings

March 89 - Sept. 89 - 3rd Tier (Grass Roots)

Direct Mail, Governors' Campaigns

V. Random Thoughts

- A. Identifying and recruiting effective Campaign Leadership is THE PROBLEM
- B. Introducing increased Campaign Goal is delicate but needed
- C. Quality of Staff for campaign of short duration (2 years) poses some problems
- D. WHO CARES and WHY
- E. WHO OPPOSES and WHY
- F. Will probably get caught in a recession
- G. Importance of Planning (JHU, BSO)
Importance of Recruiting (JHU, BSO)
- H. Resolicitation necessary - NYC, CHI, SAN FRAN, etc.
- I. Council Membership and Participation
- J. COST - Single Digit

March 4, 1987

VARIOUS ELEMENTS TO BE FORMED1. List of Honorary Officers (Suggestions-not a definitive list)

Walter Annenberg

Robert Belfer

Edgar Bronfman

Jimmie Carter

Max Fisher

Jerry Ford

Bartlett Giamatti

Lee Iacocca

Jeanne Kirkpatrick

Harvey Meyerhoff

Richard Nixon

Ross Perot

Milton Petrie

Meshulam Riklis

Henry Rosovsky

Dr. Laszlo Tauber

Alfred Taubman

Larry Tisch

Donald Trump

Leslie Wexner

2. Campaign Officers (Suggestions)

Co-Chairmen: Strelitz-Grass-Hassenfeld or
Fred Gottschalk or
Joel Tauber

Executive Committee: Miles Lerman

Richard Goldman

Menachem Rosensaft

(Two or three more to be added)

3. Campaign Committee (Suggestions)

Form committee of 33 - one person from each targeted
city - consult with UJA staff and previous lay leaders
for suggestions.

4. Executive Director & Staff (Suggestions)

Harold Morgan - Boston

Mike Brody - Miami

Henry Zucker - Cleveland

5. Brochure

Floor Plan

Price List

6. Prospect List

This list must be created, carefully rated, then divided up among solicitors - taking time to find the right solicitor.

7. Donor List

Make up the list of commitments already obtained - by amount. This is your sample line, to show what others have done, so far.

8. Law Firm

9. Accounting Firm



OPENING MEETING

I. MORNING CEREMONIAL SESSION - 9:00-12:00 A.M.

- A. Invitee List - Honorary Officers, Campaign Officers, Campaign Committee, Staff.
- B. Location - somewhere in Washington - prestigious place or office.
- C. Chairman -Harvey Meyerhoff
- D. Special Guest - Elie Wiesel - to receive award of thanks for seven years as Chairman.
- E. Speaker - Vice President Bush - to say how important this project is for the nation.
- F. Presentation of Officers - by category:
 - Honorary Officers
 - Campaign Officers
 - Campaign Committee
- G. Presentation of Executive Director and Staff
- H. Swearing-in of officers, committee persons and staff - Chief Justice Rehnquist (write special oath which he administers to them. Then reproduce this on a parchment diploma made out for each person and give to him/her in a tube, like an honorary degree).

I. Announcement of Campaign Plan - Meyerhoff

1. Amount already raised - thanks to Lerman and Weinstein.
2. Goal - \$150 million - for what purpose - Building and Endowment.
3. Distribution of quotas to committee members - i.e. cities.
4. Dates of major events.
5. Closing date of campaign, with formal victory dinner at White House, hosted by President Reagan.

J. Discussion and questions concerning this plan.

II. Lunch 12:30-1:30

III. Afternoon Business Meeting 1:30-3:30

- A. Break-up into ten small groups of 3 committee members each, with a campaign officer or staff member leading each group for distribution of cards on prospect list. Discuss ratings, to see if correct; timing; local functions; support required in each city, etc. etc.

B. Entire group re-convene 3:30-4:30

1. Brochure, floor plans, price list - all nicely packaged - are distributed.
2. Architect explains these and shows renderings, slides, or whatever.
3. Campaign Chairman - or Co-Chairman - gives inspirational charge to the troops - go to work and succeed.
4. Closing speaker - Howard Baker or George Shultz.



MAJOR EVENTS

- I. Opening Meeting - as described in pages 4-6.
- II. Some Sort of National TV Program - halfway through the campaign period.
 - A. Concept

Half-hour program - for general public - on network TV at good time. Sort of a news special. David Wolper to produce. Walter Cronkite to M.C.. Live audience of all groups listed on pages 1-2.
 - B. Program
 1. Howard Baker explains what U.S. Government is doing - why Congress authorized - (and made land available on Mall - and why this is important for America to do. (Wolper will get him a good script.)
 2. President of Notre Dame - Rev. Hesburgh explains why he is a member of the Council.
 3. President of Hebrew Union College, Rabbi Alfred Gottschalk (himself a refugee from Germany) - ditto.
 4. Miles Lerman explains what it means to him.

5. Architect displays model and cut-aways of floor plans
6. Meyerhoff - as Council Chairman - conducts meeting with campaign officers to ask how the campaign is going - a few people report on what is happening in their community.
7. Show other museums - Jerusalem, Paris, model of New York.
8. Conclude with an Israeli (Abba Eban) congratulating America for this magnificent plan, in the heart of the nation's capital.

C. After Program

A festive dinner is given for all participants plus invitees with guest speaker Henry Kissinger.

III. Major Dinner in Each Community

- A. Chaired by Committee Member of that community. (This is his/her moment in the sun locally.)
- B. Timing, program, etc. all to be worked out in community by committee and local leaders whom he/she will co-opt.

IV. Closing Function

Formal victory dinner party in White House -
Marine band, uniforms, some important
souvenir for each person, speeches by Reagan
and Meyerhoff, corsage for the ladies, album
of photographs to be given afterwards to all
attendees. Event to be covered by press and
TV.

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NEW YORK LIST

Arthur Belfer

Ivan Boesky

Edgar Bronfman

Fisher Bros (Zachery & Larry)

Irwin Chanin

Leonard Davis

Michel Fribourg

Alan (Ace) Greenberg

Joseph Gruss

Carl Icahn

Ludwig Jesselson

Klingenstein Family (John & Fred)

Milton Petrie

Raphael Recanati

Fred Rose (or Dan)

William Rosenwald

Irving Schneider

Leonard Stern

Lawrence Tisch

Jack Weiler

NATIONAL LIST

Harvey (Bud) Meyerhoff	Baltimore
Blaustein Family Foundation (?)	Baltimore
Jay Pritzker	Chicago
Lester Crown	Chicago
Albert Ratner	Cleveland
Morton Mandel	Cleveland
Irving Stone	Cleveland
Marvin Davis	Denver
Max Fisher	Detroit
Al Taubman	Detroit
Henry Taub	Englewood, NJ
Alex Grass	Harrisburg
Mel Simon	Indianapolis
Max Palevsky	Los Angeles
Lew Wasserman	Los Angeles
Mark Taper	Los Angeles
Meshulam Riklis	Los Angeles
Sam Adler	Miami
Stephen Muss	Miami
Jay Phillips	Minneapolis
Manny Fingerhut	Minneapolis
Ray Zimmerman	Nashville
Heinz Eppler	Palm Beach
Walter Annenberg	Philadelphia
Sidney Lewis	Richmond
Peter Haas	San Francisco
Mel Swig	San Francisco
Robert Smith	Washington

INTERNATIONAL LIST

CANADA

Reichman (Olympia & York)

Belzberg

ENGLAND

Gerald Ronson

Leonard Wolfson

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GENEVA

Edmond De Rothschild



12/11/86

Conversation with Bud Meyerhoff

1. Spoke with Les. He said OK. Raised two questions:
 - my time factor?
 - any implications for him in my accepting?
(I assured him no)
2. Spoke with Bud. Repeated three items
 - a. No contest with anyone else
 - a.1. Elie's approval, or at minimum, knowledge that we asked for it.
 - b. No responsibility for fund-raising
(am willing to assist in suggesting projects or making occasional solicitation)
 - c. Yes - eager to get into educational side, program planning, etc.
3. Bud now going to White House, to probe.

23 Dec 86
Call from Bud Meyerhoff

I don't know where things stand.
My impression is that you will fly.
I don't think they are looking at anyone else.
You got glowing reports from Brock & Kemp.

I heard the names of Kissinger and
Donald Trump and some Jewish political
leaders, which I forgot.

I told Denny Thomas (?) - (unable
reach Bob Tuttle who is on west coast
with Reagan) that I would not work with
those people, or anyone other than you.

I have been officially cleared as
vice-chairman

Katherine Betell, chairman of Branch
and Commissions.

Richard Krieger has decided that Dec.
meeting was illegal in creating (?) a turning
power over (?) to the Museum Development Committee
and Sony Abramson's appointment as chairman of
that committee was illegal. Issue apparently is
the nature of the museum - ie. Jewish or universal.
Seven people unhappy, including 3 non-Jews.

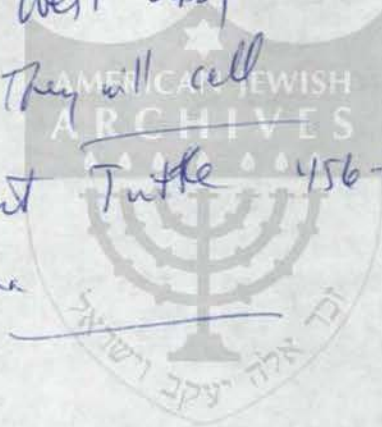
N.Y. gate
white House prof

to West Lobby

They will call

Robert Tuttle 456-7060

Gina



1. Call Bob Tuttle (a secretary) at 202-456-7060 Monday (1/19/87) to make appointment to see him this week, before I get off to Israel (1/23/87). He called Bud on Friday night (1/16/87) to say it looked like I was on track.
2. ~~Tuttle's~~ ^{Tuttle's} concerns are: That the Chairman be a Republican; be a nationally & internationally recognized person; and be acceptable to Republican Jews. (Hassenfeld, Zacks, Dick Goldmen, all favorable to me)
3. Bud told Tuttle of ^{his} conversations with Max Fister, who said I was not the person for the job, because I was a professional, and the Chairman should be a lay leader - namely, Bud himself. Bud said he was not qualified for the job and I was, but he (Bud) had agreed to serve as vice-chairman. He asked Max to call Tuttle, and Max refused. He then asked Max at least not to oppose, and Max said he would think about it.
4. Tuttle is comfortable about Krieger leaving, but wants a replacement who is a Republican.
5. Sec. Hotel (Energy) has been fed a line by Don Paulman (his exec. ass't) a Portland, Oregon attorney, that too much power has been given to the Museum Committee, which is to the detriment of the whole Council. This is the Krieger line. Should be countered, at some point.
6. ^{Bob} Tuttle asked about my fund-raising knowledge. Bud reassured him.

7. Mitch Daniels - political adviser to Reagan (Superior & Tuttle)
has been briefed by Lyn.
8. BITBURG might come up, and Wiesels' position.
9. Survival group will be split in their attitude toward Bud.
Perhaps I can help enrage them.
10. I should ask Tuttle if ~~this~~ my appointment is go or no go - if go,
when ~~affint~~ will announcement be made and by whom - I
should be at President's side when he makes it, if it's he. I
will be back Feb. 6. We could do it Feb. 9 or 10.

21 JAN 87

Dear Bud and Lyn:

I am honored that you should have wanted me to be the Chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council. I feel as you do that this is one of the most important projects on the current agenda, and must, therefore, be fashioned with skill and love in order to achieve a creation of utmost dignity and impressiveness.

When you first proposed the position to me, and I thought of all the implications of the museum program being done poorly, I so strongly felt the desire to help do it properly, that I allowed myself to be swept along and ~~acquiesced~~. *acquiesced.*

Further and deeper reflection over the past weeks has given me insights into the effort that will be required to reconcile the conflicting elements; frame ~~one~~ ^{the} exact definition of function and purpose; introduce a spirit of dedicated enthusiasm; raise the sights of all to a high vision; shape the administrative machinery; find the people to whom to delegate authority; and, in a great burst of creativity, to breathe life into a cumbersome bureaucratic apparatus. All of this can be done, no doubt, but as the deeper reflection translated these goals into hours and phone calls and meetings to prepare meetings, I began to realize that I really do not have the time or energy to devote. I am occupied in a major manner with a marvelous project which will only grow more demanding as it grows more successful.

As one wrestles with decisions, there comes a moment when insight flashes into full recognition that a particular plan

simply will not work. That moment, for me, was the appointment this morning with Mr. Tuttle. It would not do for me to meet with him, if I have concluded that I could not accept the chairmanship, were it to be officially offered. Therefore, I have cancelled the meeting with the gentle and civilized excuse that sudden family matters have intervened.

You are dear and loving friends. I apologize to you both for the inconvenience I have caused, since I am fully aware of the energy you have poured into gathering the recommendations on my behalf which would have made my appointment possible. Please forgive me - I had no intention of deceiving you or falsely raising your hopes. It is simply that, faced with the reality of the Rubicon, I ^{found} ~~find~~ I ^{could not} ~~cannot~~ cross it without causing damage to myself and others. This I have no right to do, no matter how noble the cause that beckons. I pray you will understand.

Herb

P.S.

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Conversation with Bud

9 Feb '87

Francine & all my kids
begged me not to do it.

I didn't put that in the flex
as the reason

grandchild burned his hand & was in
hospital in D.C.

other boy ~~also~~ had crisis with college
and I couldn't even give him all
the time he needed because I was
leaving for Israel that next night



United States Holocaust Memorial Council

March 27, 1987

Chairman

Dear Herb:

This letter will confirm that we will meet in Herb Friedman's office on Friday, April 3rd, at 9 a.m. We will discuss the future structure, organization and campaign goal of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Campaign. In order to have a starting point and to focus that discussion, I've enclosed my ideas on the subject. It is a distillation in part from suggestions by Herb Friedman and Irv Bernstein and, of course, my own sense of the strategy we should follow.

In attendance will be the following:

- / Irving Bernstein
- / Herbert Friedman
- / Robert I. Hiller
- / Miles Lerman
- / William Lowenberg
- / Harvey M. Meyerhoff
- / Edward Rosen
- / David Weinstein

I anticipate that the meeting will last the morning but should not go much beyond that. If you have any thoughts prior to the meeting, please don't hesitate to call me and I look forward to seeing you on Friday, April 3rd. Additionally, thanks again for taking time from your busy schedule to work with me on this -- especially on such short notice.

FINALLY, THERE IS NO PRIDE OF AUTHORSHIP AND THE SUBJECT IS "WIDE OPEN".

Regards,


Harvey M. Meyerhoff

HMM/dmk
Enclosure

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
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Frontlines

Did Gaffe Do Meyerhoff In?

Reports indicate that Harvey M. Meyerhoff's dismissal as chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council has not deterred the Holocaust Museum's staff from meeting its deadline to finish the museum.

Asked whether the White House's ouster of Mr. Meyerhoff has lowered morale, Naomi Paiss, the museum's director of communications, said, "We're too busy to have any morale. We're working 24 hours a day."

The museum will be previewed by invited guests next Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday; be dedicated next Thursday; and open to the public on April 26.

Mr. Meyerhoff, who has chaired the memorial council since 1987, was told by the White House about two weeks ago that he would cease holding that position at the end of April. He will, however, continue as one of the council's 55 members.

Insiders say that one of the chief reasons Mr. Meyerhoff was ousted was that he had refused to invite Israeli President Chaim Herzog to speak at the dedication.

"What irked a number of people," said a Washingtonian familiar with the memorial council's politics, "was that Meyerhoff said



Israeli President Chaim Herzog (left): Catalyst for "Bud" Meyerhoff's firing?

at a council meeting that Herzog was no different than any other dignitary who would be attending."

On April 5, the memorial council, at the request of the White



House, officially invited President Herzog to speak. On or about that day, Mr. Meyerhoff was told that he would not be chairman of the council after this month.

Mr. Meyerhoff has consistent-



The U.S. Holocaust Museum opens this week on the Mall.

ly sought to portray the Holocaust museum not as a "Jewish" institution, but as an "American" one.

Although the presidents of about 10 other nations will attend the dedication, Mr. Herzog and President Clinton will be the only heads of state speaking.

Several newspaper editorials around the country criticized the White House's timing in dismissing Mr. Meyerhoff, arguing that such action should have waited until after the museum's dedication. But a museum insider said he doesn't expect the atmosphere to be frosty when Mr. Clinton and Mr. Meyerhoff share

the stage at the dedication.

"My assumption," he said, "is that Clinton will be gracious and commend Meyerhoff for his very considerable accomplishments with the museum."

The candidate rumored to most likely succeed Mr. Meyerhoff is Miles Lerman, a Vineland, N.J., petroleum executive. A Holocaust survivor who has been on the memorial council since 1980, Mr. Lerman chaired the museum's national fund-raising campaign and the council's international relations committee.

—Arthur J. Magida

But He Kept His Clothes On

Bosnia In Baltimore

■ immv Carter talking about to say that "the opinions regard-

ina Hospital has officially

for Migration to receive treatment

Baltimore Jewish Times
4/16/93

4/23-24/93

A Holocaust Council battle

As workers put the final touches on the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum on Washington's Mall, a quiet but furious battle was under way over the issue of who will replace Baltimore businessman Harvey "Bud" Meyerhoff as chairman of the Holocaust Council, the panel that brought the museum into being.

Several weeks ago, Meyerhoff was ungraciously told by the Clinton administration to step down. The president reportedly was infuriated by the fact that Israeli President Chaim Herzog had not been invited to speak at this week's opening ceremonies, and by Meyerhoff's plans for a White House reception favoring big contributors.

It also didn't help that Meyerhoff was a Republican appointee.

Initially, the leading candidate to replace Meyerhoff was Miles Lerman, a Holocaust survivor who played a major role in negotiating agreements with a number of countries to provide information and artifacts to the museum.

Enter Elie Wiesel, the Nobel laureate and Holocaust survivor who headed the Commission during its first critical years. Supporters of Wiesel have been flooding the White House with requests for his appointment to the position he gave up in 1986, and Wiesel supporters have been actively working Capitol Hill on his behalf.

But there are powerful forces opposed to Wiesel — whose stature as a spokesman for survivors is unimpeachable, but who is not renowned for his organizational and fund-raising expertise.

And Lerman has some powerful backers in Congress, which could make a difference in the complex politics of the Holocaust Council decision.

The museum's first visitor

When the Holocaust Museum opens to the public next week after a week of ceremonial events marking its completion, the first visitor through the doors will not exactly be some tourist who just hopped off the Tourmobile.

That distinction will go to Tenzin Gyatso, the 14th Dalai Lama. He will visit the museum on Monday, 15 minutes before the museum opens to the general public on a timed-ticket basis.

The Tibetan religious leader has been a leading voice in working for a kind of tolerance that might prevent future explosions of genocide.



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Dear Herb,

Thanks for all you did to make the Wexner gift happen. Thought you'd be interested in having several copies of the special issue of our newsletter announcing the Wexner's underwriting of the interactive Learning Center.

The special issue has been sent to 70,000 Museum supporters.

Thanks for all the advice and guidance.

Warmest regards,


Joseph M. Brodecki

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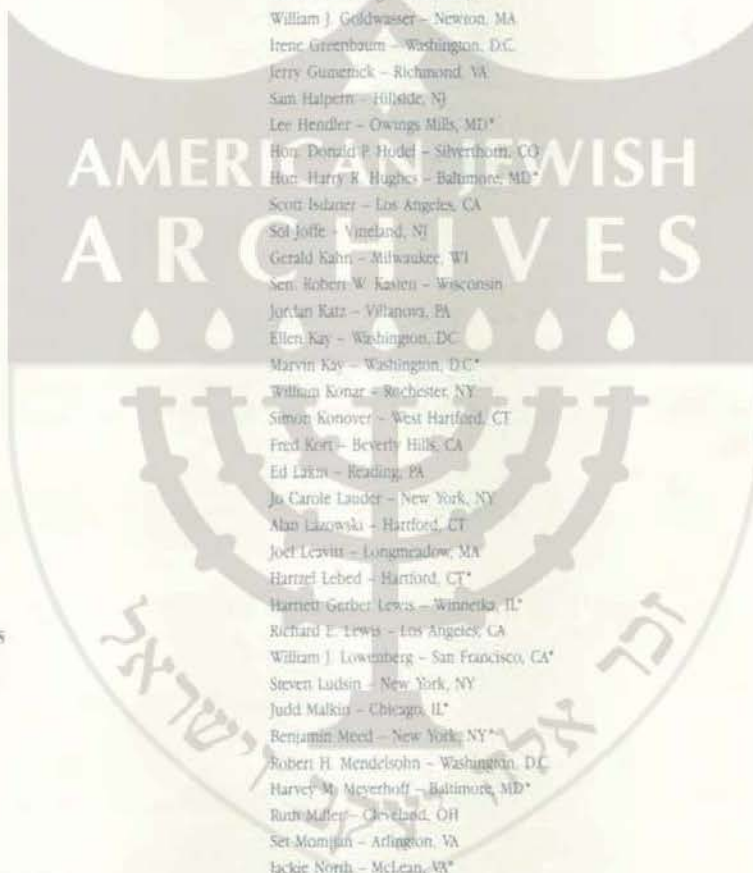
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Dear Lilly:

The United States Holocaust Memorial Museum is pleased to invite you to take part in a very special three day journey to Poland, as a prologue to our trip to Israel this summer.

Dr. Michael Berenbaum, Project Director for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and Hymen Goldman Adjunct Professor of Theology at Georgetown University, has agreed to be our guest scholar/lecturer.

Dr. Berenbaum has been immersed in the history and implications of the Holocaust since 1979, when Jimmy Carter created the President's Commission on the Holocaust. Serving as Deputy Director of the Commission, he authored its Report to the President. Subsequently, Dr. Berenbaum was named Project Director of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, guiding that institution, which is scheduled to open on the 50th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, through its most critical stages of development.

He is the author of six books and well over 100 articles on the subject of the Holocaust. Enclosed are copies, of a review given one of Dr. Berenbaum's books, as well as an article by him, entitled "The Uniqueness and Universality of the Holocaust." We are truly fortunate that Dr. Berenbaum will be taking a rare leave of his responsibilities at the Museum to travel with the Wexner Foundation, as he does not regularly make such trips.

You will note by our itinerary that we will make use of every minute we have with Dr. Berenbaum. We will be visiting the Madjanek, Treblinka, and Auschwitz/Birkenau camps with Dr. Berenbaum by day, and he will then lead us in lecture and discussion in the evenings.



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For those of you who can join us, this will undoubtedly be a thoughtful and insightful seminar on the Holocaust with Dr. Berenbaum, and an excellent opportunity for us as Wexner participants to experience a very moving three days with one another. At the conclusion of our time, we will depart Poland to meet our friends in Israel.

This trip is limited to 18 participants. Therefore, it is important that you notify Robert Ryan (202-822-6464), of the Museum staff, no later than May 20 to reserve your place.

Sincerely,

Lily Roth and Dr. Howard Tepper

P.S. Participants will pre-pay the total cost of the package (\$2,039.00 per person) to Unitours, inc., and submit a receipt to The Wexner Foundation. The Foundation will then reimburse each person \$1,107.00 plus the cost of roundtrip airfare for the participant from his/her home to New York

The Wexner Foundation - Itinerary for Poland

Pre-departure Briefing by Dr. Berenbaum:

THE HOLOCAUST: A HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

Sunday - June 30

4:30pm DEPART by LOT Polish Airlines.

Monday - July 1

07:10am Arrive Warsaw
Clear Customs/Immigration
Drive by the Ghetto Area and leave
for Majdanek.
11:30am Arrive Majdanek
2:00pm Leave Majdanek
Lunch en route or box lunches
7:00pm Arrive Krakow - check in.
8:30pm Dinner at Hotel. Dr. Berenbaum to
speak on THE CONCENTRATION CAMP
UNIVERSE. Meeting with Rector
of the Jagiellonian University, Dr.
Jarofsky: (Who is an Anti-Nazi Hero
and member of Presidents Committee to
combat antisemitism)
Overnight in Krakow.

Tuesday - July 2

08:00am Visit Kazimierz
Tour Old Jewish section and
Synagogue: meet Rabbi Moshe Isherles:
visit Village Memorial: Lunch in
historic section of village
01:30pm Visit Auschwitz and Birkenau
View sculpture being prepared for the
Holocaust Memorial Museum:
Dinner at Hotel. Dr. Berenbaum:
REFLECTIONS ON A DAY IN AUSCHWITZ.
Overnight in Krakow

Wednesday - July 3

Early Breakfast
07:00am Depart for Warsaw
12:00pm Arrive Warsaw
12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch with Dr. Rybizki,
Chairman of the Presidential
Committee to Combat antisemitism and
member of the Polish Presidential
Cabinet.
Depart for Treblinka
3:30pm Arrive Treblinka
3:30pm - 5:00pm Visit Treblinka
7:30pm Box dinner on the bus, en route to
the Airport. Dr. Berenbaum:
SUMMING UP.
8:00pm Arrive Okecie Airport for Check-in.
9:55pm Wheels up

Bio of Dr. Michael Berenbaum

Michael Berenbaum is the Project Director of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and the Hymen Goldman adjunct Professor of Theology at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. In the past he has served as Director of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington, Opinion-Page Editor of the Washington Jewish Week and Deputy Director of the President's Commission on the Holocaust where he authored its Report of the President. He has previously taught at Wesleyan University, Yale University and has served as a visiting Professor at each of the major Washington area Universities (George Washington, University of Maryland and American University.)

The author of six books, more than 100 scholarly articles and hundreds of journalists pieces, of his work *After Tragedy and Triumph*, it has been said: "All those who want to read only one book about the condition of Jewry in 1990 would do well to choose Michael Berenbaum...In his description of contemporary Jewish thought, he sacrifices neither complexity nor lucidity." [Raul Hilberg] Berenbaum has just finished three books: *After Tragedy and Triumph: Modern Jewish Thought and the American Experience*, published by Cambridge University Press; *A Mosaic of Victims: Non-Jews Persecuted and Murdered by the Nazis*, published by New York University Press, and together with John Roth *The Holocaust: Religious and Philosophical Implications*, published by Paragon Press.

Among his students has been the famed black American entertainer, the late Pearl Bailey who wrote of Berenbaum: "The wisdom I gained from Berenbaum's class is priceless. He is young, aggressive, tough, wise as some sages of yore, as brilliant as a diamond. When class ended, you felt filled, drained, and filled again. He would surge into the classroom as if he'd just arrived by Amtrack, put down his bundle of papers and get started. We didn't open copy books right away with him; he preferred to listen, question him, discuss." (Pearl Bailey, *Between You and Me*.)

A graduate of Queens College (BA 67) and Florida State University (Ph.D. 75), Berenbaum also attended The Hebrew University, the Jewish Theological Seminary and Boston University. He has won numerous fellowships including the Danforth Fellowship, the George Wise Fellow at Tel Aviv University, the Charles E. Merrill Fellowship at FSU. Berenbaum was an elected fellow of the Society for Values in Higher Education. Married to Linda Bayer, they are the parents of two children.

For his work in journalism, he won the Simon Rockower Memorial Award of the American Jewish Press Association three times in three different categories during a two year period. His television work earned him the Silver Angel Award of the National Association of Religious Broadcasters for the outstanding program in Religion and the Media. Berenbaum uniquely combines the life of a political activist and journalist with the solitude of a scholar and social thinker.

Books by Sylvia Rothchild

After Tragedy and Triumph
by Michael Berenbaum,
Cambridge University
Press, 172 pages, \$24.95.

In his forward to "After Tragedy and Triumph," Richard Rubenstein describes Michael Berenbaum as, "a Jewish thinker with a special academic and vocational history," and his collection of essays as a response to "the guest for religious self understanding within the Jewish community."

Thirteen essays explore the Jewish identity issues of Berenbaum's generation, the fifth Jewish generation in America, born after the Holocaust and the creation of the state of Israel. It was the generation that came to maturity during the Six Day War in 1967 and lost its innocence and certainty during the debacle in Lebanon and the Palestinian uprisings.

The essays examine religious, political, social and philosophical issues as they affect Jewish life in America and Israel. Originally written for a variety of Jewish journals and academic assemblies, they were reworked as an organic whole and succeed in presenting the perspective of what will probably come to be known as the pre-Gulf War era.

Michael Berenbaum, student of Richard Rubenstein and influenced by Elie Wiesel, Jacob Neusner and Rav Joseph Soloveitchik, among others, is a religiously observant Jew who makes his home in Washington, D.C. where he has worked for the U.S. government and pres-

ently serves as project director of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. His professional responsibility for finding a way to interpret the Holocaust to Americans and his need privately to respond to the catastrophe have kept him close to all the controversies that surround the issues.

Essays on "The Nativization of the Holocaust," "Uniqueness and Universality," "Public Commemoration," and the problems of teaching it to young children review the ideas of most of the prominent contemporary Jewish thinkers. They include Berenbaum's views of the struggle to remember without distorting historical facts and adversely affecting the contemporary Jewish self-image.

In the process of discussing the dangers of talking too little, too much or incorrectly about the Holocaust, he makes a case for the centrality of the issues both in America and Israel and shows how differently they are addressed in both countries. He also notes that there were in 1969 two courses in the subject taught in American universities, compared to 200 in 1979 and 2,000 in 1989.

In 1979 Holocaust commemorations took place only in Jewish communities. In 1989 commemorations were attended by over a million people in America. "The Holocaust," he said, "has moved beyond the ghetto into the mainstream; our task now is not evasion but responsible address."

Survivors in Israel add their experiences to the Jewish national saga, with expectations of hostility from non-Jews and the conviction that powerlessness invites victimization. Survivors in America are more likely to be grateful to America, to see themselves part of the American dream and willing to describe their experiences because they fear that silence invites historical ignorance and the danger of repetition.

Half of the essays in the collection discuss the faith and identity of American Jews who are not survivors, who do not plan to settle in Israel and who are at home in the American mainstream. In the eighties they discovered that Israel did not eliminate Jewish vulnerability and that Israel had the ability to arouse international anti-Semitism as it continued to perceive itself "as an isolated victim standing alone against overwhelming odds in a hostile world." The years in which American Jews became prominent in public life and visible in universities and politics were the years in which Israel was "at the height of its military power and the nadir of political leadership."

Berenbaum attributes the "Orthodox renaissance" to the failure of the Zionist vision. He has interesting insights into the concept of Judaism as a "life aesthetic" rather than law. His questions and answers reflect the concerns of his generation, dependent upon its predecessors but altered by Americanization.

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October 3, 1989

Mr. Joseph Brodecki
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Dear Joe:

The subject of our meeting on Thursday is the Governors' Program.

I was told by someone (I think it was Miles Lerman) that 8 Governors' Dinners were actually held, each bringing in a million dollars, and that all 50 governors had been contacted and had promised to host such dinners, but that the necessary follow-up had not taken place, so they were not held.

Are both these facts accurate?

Can you dig out the records, so we know exactly what has happened in the past, in order to plan future work properly? We should know the following:

1. The name of the governor, the date and the exact amount raised, in those states where functions were actually held.
2. The type of effort it was - a small group or a large dinner; the mix of Jews and non-Jews; the lay leader who was probably responsible for pre-soliciting most of the gifts; the speaker, if any - in other words, as complete a profile as possible of what happened, so we can see what worked.

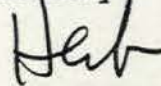
3. The names and political party of the governors who promised to run a function, the dates they promised, the local lay leaders involved at the time.
4. Where governors have changed (and undoubtedly some have), the name and party of the present incumbent, and the name (if known) of a lay leader close to the governor.

The above, and any other data you think are relevant, should be inserted on a large chart, so we can see at a glance where we stand.

My own feeling is that this project, if properly planned, can bring in the balance of the pledges. As I understand the numbers, approximately 70 million has been pledged - the goal is approximately 135-140. If there are still 42 target states, there is a theoretical possibility of bringing in the entire balance. We should not be talking about exactly one million for each state. Varying quotas should be assigned. Let's work out a rating list totalling 75-100 million, and if we succeed in doing 2/3 of that, we're home free.

See you Thursday.

Sincerely,



Herbert Friedman

Kitty Dukakis called every Governor

Bob

RECAP OF GOVERNOR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

<u>Dinners/Events</u>		<u>Director</u>	<u>Pledge</u>	<u>Recvd</u>	<u>Cash</u>
✓ 5/22/85	Gov. Mark Wells White (TX) <i>Livingston Kozberg</i>	(DW)	\$ 850 K		
5/23/85	Gov. Michael Dukakis (MA) <i>Steve Grossman</i>	(BHA)	\$1.5 M		
10/3/85	Gov. Rudy Perpich (MN)	(DW)	\$ 300 K		
✓ 10/23/85	Gov. Harry Hughes (MD) <i>Lynn Meyerhoff</i>	(BHA)	\$1.5 M		
1/23/86	Gov. William A. O'Neill (CT) <i>Lynne Greenberg</i>	(BHA)	\$1.3 M		
✓ 9/27/86	Gov. Robert Kerrey (NE) <i>- no Jew</i>	(BHA)	\$ 500 K		
✓ 3/11/87	Gov. John Evans (ID)	(DW)	\$ 50 K		
4/26/87	Gov. Garrey Carruthers (NM)	(DW)	\$ 199 K		
6/1/87	Gov. John McKernan & <i>Joel Abramson</i>				
	Congressman Joseph Brennan (ME)	(BHA)	\$1.1 M		
10/5/87	Gov. Edward DiPrete (RI) <i>Alan Hussenfeld</i>	(BHA)	\$ 970 K		

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AL	Gov. George Wallace	new Governor: Harold Guy Hunt
AR	Gov. Bill Clinton	
CA	Gov. George Deukmejian	
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GA	Gov. Joe Frank Harris	
HI	Gov. George Ariyoshi	new Governor: John Waihee III
IA	Gov. Terry Branstad	
IL	Gov. James Thompson	
✓ IN	Gov. Robert D. Orr	
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Dear Dan:

It is six weeks since we met, and I was wondering what was happening with the two items which were left to be worked on: the fund-raising and the trip.

As I recall, you undertook to initiate discussions separately with each person in the group, because you felt this was the most productive approach. I certainly agree with that, based on a life-time in the fund-raising profession. There were two parts - large contributions from family foundations, and individual contributions (Clifford suggested 50K) from group members themselves. If there is anything I can do to be of help in the process, with either individuals or families, please feel perfectly free to call on me.

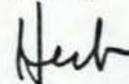
Regarding the trip, the same offer holds. If people have questions, I will be happy to answer.

I'm sure you read about the ground-breaking which took place last Wednesday. President Reagan presided at the ceremony; spoke with deep feeling; 1500 people attended; it took place on th Mall, right near the Washington Monument, at the site where construction will now start. Mr. Harvey Meyerhoff, of Baltimore, Chairman of both The Holocaust Memorial Council and The Museum Campaign made a good speech, and the whole thing was quite impressive.

Incidentally, one of these days you and Meyerhoff should meet. I'll be happy to arrange it.

Please let me hear from you as to where you stand. Best regards to Ellen. I hope she is fully recovered.

As ever,



Herbert A. Friedman

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1. Review Major Points

1. How Hitler controlled Germans & executed his plan.

- a. Terror + hypnosis
- b. Definition of Jews as plague-virus-vermin
- c. Deception - isolate
segregate
concentrate
eliminate

2. Rest of world silent and unwilling to offer help
Roosevelt, Churchill, Pope

3. Jews in free world weak

4. Jews in Palestine took all who came

2. TRIP - visit camps - once in lifetime - plan itinerary, date, etc.

main locations - Germany - Dachau (near Munich)
Austria - Mauthausen (near Linz)
Poland - Treblinka (70 km. from Warsaw)
- Auschwitz (near Cracow)

3. FUND-RAISING - 10 mill.

4. MEMBERSHIP on U.S. Holocaust Council

5. STUDY with Raul Hilberg

**SOVIETS RELEASE HOLOCAUST FILES
IN AGREEMENT WITH U.S. COUNCIL**
By Howard Rosenberg

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25 (JTA) -- As part of a July 29 agreement with the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, the Soviet Union is allowing Westerners for the first time to duplicate its Holocaust archives.

The council estimates that the Soviet archives could contain more than a third of all existing Holocaust-related materials, including documents on Nazi actions taken against the 2.5 million Jews in what are now the Soviet republics of Ukraine, Moldavia, Byelorussia, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, as well as the rest of the Soviet Union.

Neal Sher, who heads the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations, which tracks down Nazi war criminals, called the accord a "very good development" because of the Soviets' "voluminous and extremely insightful documentary evidence" on war crimes.

"There's no way of knowing" whether the material will lead to additional prosecutions, Sher said, "but I think it will be very useful to our office."

The reciprocal agreement was signed in Moscow by Miles Lerman, chairman of the Holocaust council's international relations committee, and Evgeny Kozhevnikov, first deputy director of the Soviet Central Archive Administration of the USSR Council of Ministers.

Lerman said the council had been seeking the agreement for years but that it took just two days to negotiate it once his six-member delegation arrived.

He said that many of the documents are deteriorating, and are being photocopied on microfilm and microfiche to extend their shelf-life to more than 300 years.

Two Weeks in Archives

After the agreement was signed, "we immediately got to work," Lerman said. The delegation spent two weeks visiting archives in Moscow as well as in some of the western republics.

"We saw glimpses of information on everything, about Latvian attitudes toward Jews, about Lithuanian secret police, statistics on the movement of Jews (and) correspondence of Nazi officers," said Raul Hilberg, a preeminent Holocaust scholar at the University of Vermont.

The accord follows the council's Feb. 15 exchange agreement with Yad Vashem in Israel. Yad Vashem will have access to the Soviet Holocaust collection through the U.S. transmission effort. Last August, the council signed its first accord with a foreign entity, Poland's Main Commission for the Investigation of Nazi Crimes in Poland/Institute of National Remembrance.

The council is hoping to next reach agreement with the Holocaust archives of Hungary and Czechoslovakia, Lerman said.

The new access, which Lerman attributed to the new policy of glasnost under Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, is in stark contrast to the previous Soviet practice of releasing its records only for specific war crimes trials.

The documents include details not known to the West until now, including statistics on the annihilation of Galician Jewry during deportation in 1942; Latvian attitudes toward Jews in 1943; and preparations for resistance in the Kovno ghetto in 1944.

**HOLOCAUST MUSEUM DESIGN APPROVED;
REAGAN EXPECTED AT GROUND-BREAKING**
By Howard Rosenberg

WASHINGTON, Aug. 28 (JTA) -- President Reagan will likely attend the U.S. Holocaust Museum's Oct. 5 cornerstone-laying ceremony, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council sources told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency on Friday.

The ceremony has been scheduled because the Department of Interior earlier this month approved the design specifications for the museum, which is scheduled to open here in 1990.

"This was the final license we needed" before construction could begin, explained William Lowenberg, vice chairman of the council.

Michael Berenbaum, the museum's acting project manager, said that construction will begin within two weeks.

An informed source at the memorial council said that there is a "superb possibility" that President Reagan will attend the cornerstone ceremony, although it is not final. Reagan attended an October 1985 preliminary ground-breaking ceremony.

Lowenberg said that \$60 million of the museum's \$140 million fund-raising goal has been raised so far. Money is being raised for the museum itself as well as for "perpetual endowment funds" to maintain the building and staffing.

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Dear Herb:

Just a quick note to again thank you for working so thoughtfully with the group of young people that Leonard and you have assembled as potential fund raisers for the Holocaust Museum. Without your input the whole idea would obviously have fallen apart, since Leonard has been most disappointing in his follow-up of both the concept and implementation of it.

It's still a great idea and one that I think will ultimately bear fruit. If it weren't for you, it would hardly be in bloom, much less maturing.

Again, thanks for all you're doing -- it's very much appreciated.

Warmest regards,

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**ALBERTA COURT OVERTURNS CONVICTION
OF REVISIONIST TEACHER JIM KEEGSTRA**
By Ben Kayfetz

6/8/88

EDMONTON, Alberta, June 7 (JTA) -- A three-judge panel of the Alberta Court of Appeals struck down Sunday the 1985 conviction of Jim Keegstra, who was fined \$5,000 for violating Canada's anti-hate legislation.

Keegstra, who had been a high school teacher in the Alberta village of Eckville, taught his pupils that Jews were conspiring to seize the world and that the Holocaust never occurred.

The judges determined that the criminal code section under which Keegstra was convicted was a breach of freedom-of-speech guarantees provided by the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, in force since 1982.

The court ruled that the criminal code section fails to protect the constitutional right of Canadians to be convicted only where a crime is established beyond reasonable doubt.

Justice R.P. Kerans, speaking for the panel, said for those reasons, the section "has no force and effect." He said there was no need to examine other facets of the case, because preaching hatred is not cause for reasonable limit of free speech, as defined by the charter.

The Alberta attorney general is studying the judgment to determine whether to appeal it to the Canadian Supreme Court.

Jewish leaders challenged the court's decision. Joe Wilder of Winnipeg, Manitoba, national community relations chairman of the Canadian Jewish Congress, said the justices erred in their interpretation of the charter's definition of reasonable limits to freedom of speech.

Sheldon Maerov, president of the Jewish Federation of Edmonton, told a news conference he was "nauseated" by the reversal of Keegstra's conviction.

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The Hall of Learning/Computer Retrieval Center	\$ 5 million	
The Holocaust Archive	\$ 3 million	
The Holocaust Library	\$ 5 million	
The Central Research Hall	\$ 3 million	
The Student and Teacher Center	\$ 5 million	
The Holocaust Museum Board Room	\$ 2 million	
The Founders Wall (One line per gift)	\$ 1 million	

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