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THE INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD OF THE WALLENBERG WORLD MOVEMENT  
FOR DEMOCRATIZATION AND HUMANITY

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Richard Cohen & Associates,  
New York City  
FAX: 212-755-8598.

September 26, 1991

Dear Richard,

As per our conversation I am faxing you the copy of the very kind and touching letter of Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, President of Union of American Hebrew Congregations,

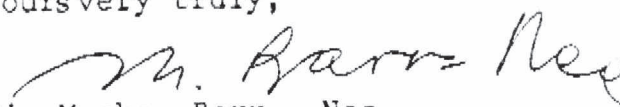
Dr. Vera Parnes, President of the Raoul Wallenberg Society, Moscow, is now in Chicago: Tel. 312-726-3555 - B FAX: 312-726-6299 - B  
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Please let us know, Dr. Parnes and me, about the answers of the other organizations approached by you to join efforts in organizing the Raoul Wallenberg 80 Anniversary- 1992 Campaign for Human Rights and Against- Anti-Semitism.

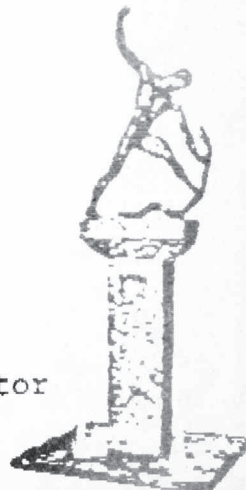
The best way to go ahead with this important project is to organize a Coordination Meeting of all interested organizations, under the leadership of Rabbi Schindler and Dr. Parnes.

Awaiting your kind answer,

Yours very truly,

  
Sir Moshe Barr - Nea  
Vice-President, ~~International~~ Coordinator

CC: Rabbi A.M. Schindler, - FAX: 212- 570-0895



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Mr. Parnes

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dr. parnes eager to chat with you  
re wallenberg international committee

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September 11, 1991  
3 Tishri 5752

Sir Moshe Barr-Nea  
Raoul Wallenberg International Committee  
210 West 91st Street  
Room 42  
New York, NY 10024

Dear Moshe:

Richard Cohen has shared with me the various materials on the Raoul Wallenberg International Committee. The suggestion for a world education campaign for human rights and against anti-Semitism is an exceeding important one. I am delighted to let you know that I will be happy to join in this effort. By means of a FAX to her office, I will so advise Dr. Parnes.

I hope all is well with you and send you my warm good wishes for a healthy, happy an fulfilling New Year.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

# ROUTESLIP

From: Richard Cohen

Sept. 4, 1991

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Moshe Barr-Nea, a Jewish journalist, has asked me to forward the enclosed materials to you in the hope that you might join in an international effort "for the release of Raoul Wallenberg or his files and a world education campaign for human rights and against anti-Semitism."

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His file has been opened.  
see no reason not to do this.



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Raoul Wallenberg

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F A C S I M I L E   T R A N S M I S S I O N

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FROM: Sir Moshe Barr-Nea -

NUMBER OF PAGES: 6 (including this one)

DATE: August / 30 / 91

COMMENTS:

U R G E N T !

Dear Richard,

As per our conversation I am faxing you some materials

Re: Raoul Wallenberg 80 years Anniversary, 1912 - 1992.

The program suggested by Dr. Vera Parnes MD, President of the Moscow Committee for Raoul Wallenberg is very good, ( I have also some interesting projects). Please call her immediately, her tel. now is 415-585-1400      FAX: 415-585-3290.

My main suggestion is to interest your clients organizations in a joint campaign for the release of R.W. or his files'; and a world education campaign for human rights and against antisemitism. Please talk with Rabbi Arthur Schneier, Lord Jakubovits, Mr. Wiesenthal, Mr. Mead, Rabbi Schindler, Salma Schiffer, The R.W. U.S. Committee and other. The best is to invite Dr. Parnes to a meeting with all organizations interested.

Yours very truly,

Sir Moshe Barr - Nea



Dear Moshe Barr-neu,

The Raoul Wallenberg Society of Moscow has put forward an initiative to mark the eightieth birthday of Raoul Wallenberg (August 4, 1992) on an international scale, which this outstanding humanitarian of our century deserves. Such a celebration will give everyone an opportunity to express gratitude to this hero who, by his own efforts, saved 100,000 lives. He did this at constant risk to his own, when virtually the whole world, though horrified by the monstrous atrocities of the Nazis, was ready to abandon them. Wallenberg showed us that even in the darkest time one individual can make a difference, can confront tyranny and prevail. An example of selflessness, courage, and determination, he won a place in the hearts of millions of people who stand for justice and humanity.

Our Society suggests that his eightieth birthday should be marked by organizing "The Wallenberg World Movement for the Ideals of Humanity". It cannot be a one time only event, but a mass movement, because many questions regarding him must be settled before more precious time is lost.

We ask you to support the Wallenberg World Movement in any possible way. We especially need financial support so that the Organizing Center of the Movement can begin its work without delay.

Sincerely yours,

*V. Parnes*

Vera Parnes, President  
Raoul Wallenberg Society (Moscow)

Please reply to: V. Parnes  
3429 Peel Street  
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Telephone: 514-344-3098 (Haim Sherrf)

*With my best  
regards and  
appreciation*

*V.P.*

IN THE FRAMEWORK of the Wallenberg World Movement, we must

- 1) help Raoul Wallenberg if he is still alive and rectify the injustice done to him;
- 2) advocate awarding him the Nobel Peace Prize;
- 3) make his name and great deeds widely known in order to inspire people everywhere "to defy totalitarianism and to defend human life," in the words of President George Bush;
- 4) strengthen the process of democratization using the Wallenberg name as a symbol of justice, dignity, and humanity that will help us to oppose a new wave of fascist ideology, racism, and anti-Semitism and to fight against dictatorship and for human rights;
- 5) use Wallenberg's name for humanitarian educational aims, spreading knowledge and promoting understanding of the Holocaust, heightening social consciousness through the example of one man's extraordinarily heroic deeds, and encouraging active participation in the fight for human rights.

To fulfill these tasks, we plan:

- 1) to address many influential people and organizations with a request to press the KGB to disclose the complete Wallenberg file, which will give us all the necessary information about his life in confinement and his fate;
- 2) to address the Nobel Prize Committee;
- 3) to organize an international TV and radio transmission devoted to Wallenberg in order to spread knowledge of his deeds and of the activities of those organizations and individuals who are deeply involved in this effort;
- 4) to suggest that all Ministries of Education should include in their school and college programs, "Sixty Minutes for Humanism," devoted to Wallenberg and his ideas and to ask Raoul Wallenberg scholars for assistance in this campaign;
- 5) to organize art competitions devoted to Wallenberg and competitions for best badge, medal, and answer to a question, such as, "What do you know about Raoul Wallenberg and how he was honored and rewarded in different countries?"
- 6) to try to have sovereign governments issue special stamps, postcards, and envelopes on the occasion of his eightieth birthday and to publish a booklet and bibliography about him.

We plan to set up a special Organizing Center of the Wallenberg World Movement for the Ideals of Humanity, with a centralized list of all the participants. This Organizing Center will publish the Bulletin of the Wallenberg World Movement to disseminate information about the activities and acknowledge the work of every participant (both organizations and individuals) and provide ample technical support for them. It will consist of two full-time staff members.

More detailed plans, including symposia, concerts, exhibitions, evening gatherings, Wallenberg recordings, films, and so on, will be sent later.



# ОБЩЕСТВО РАУЛЯ ВАЛЛЕНБЕРГА

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TO PRESIDENT OF THE USSR

с. M.S.GORBACHEV

In connection with your highly respected decree about rehabilitation, The All-Union Raoul Wallenberg Society asks you to revise the case of this Swedish diplomat which is a black stain on the conscience of our country.

Raoul Wallenberg is known throughout the world as a great humanist of the XX, th century. He, alone, saved from death tens of thousands of Jews from Budapest, who were persecuted by fascists during World War II. Among them were girls and fellows, women and men, aged people and children.

On the 17 th of January, 1945, after the Red Army came to Budapest, Raoul Wallenberg and his driver Wilmos Langfelder found themselves in hands of Soviet agents. Since then they have not been seen.

In 1957 Andrey Gromiko informed the Swedish Government that Raoul Wallenberg had died in the Lubjanka prison in Moscow on the 17 th of July 1947. He expressed the Soviet Government's regret about this happening.

World public opinion didn't accept this information. The motives <sup>for</sup> the arrest of Raoul Wallenberg and his driver were left unknown. There was no information given about their being sentenced. The persons who committed this criminal act haven't been exposed up until now. There isn't a document in which our Government revealed that Raoul Wallenberg and his driver Wilmos Langfelder were arrested illegally.

Raoul Wallenberg has been made an honorable citizen of the USA, Canada, Israel. Raoul Wallenberg committees and societies have been established in a number of countries including the Soviet Union. This was a response to the rude violation of human rights by totalitarian regime.

On behalf of the All-Union Raoul Wallenberg Society we address you with a request. Please, acknowledge the guilt of the state officials in the illegal arrest and repression regarding Raoul Wallenberg and Wilmos Langfelder.

Vera Parnes

Chairman, The All-Union Raoul Wallenberg  
Society

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Chairman  
Supreme Soviet of the USSR  
Kremlin  
Moscow

August 25, 1991

Dear Mr. Chairman,

The Organizing Center of the Wallenberg World Movement for Democratization and Humanity addresses you with an urgent request to release the Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg and to open the KGB files on him.

The imprisonment of Raoul Wallenberg by the Soviet government is a violation of international law because he had diplomatic immunity. He never was tried in court, a fact that also contradicts international law. Wallenberg was taken to prison as a "prisoner of war" though he is known all a hero of the Holocaust who opposed to the Nazis in their policy against the Jews and saved 100 000 people persecuted by the Nazis under constant risk to his own life.

The Gromyko memorandum about Raoul Wallenberg's death in 1947 was acknowledge to be false by the international commission for inquiry on the whereabouts and fate of Raoul Wallenberg. There are a number of evidences that he was seen later than 1947 in the Gulag.

The International and Soviet Joint Commission on the Wallenberg case proved that the KGB files on Wallenberg had been used when his belongings were given back to his relatives in 1989. We request to open these files to clarify all the details of Raoul Wallenberg's life in detainment and to release him if he is still alive and to rectify the injustice towards him in any case.

Sincerely,

*Dr. Vera Palmer, M.D.*

cc: Bakatin

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*V. Parnes*

Dr. Vera Parnes

cc : Chairman Supreme Soviet of the USSR



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**UNITED  
ISRAEL  
APPEAL**

MEMORANDUM

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**DATE:** July 31, 1991

**TO:** Members of the UIA Board of Directors

**FROM:** Norman Lipoff, Chairman

**RE:** Board & Committee Meetings - October 10 & 11

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on *Friday, October 11* from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at New York UJA Federation, 130 E. 59th Street, New York. At that time we will be honoring Senator Rudy Boschwitz for his successful efforts in helping to rescue Ethiopian Jewry. A scroll of appreciation from the Jewish Agency for Operation Shlomo will be presented to him. Our attendance will demonstrate to Senator Boschwitz our appreciation to him and the U.S. government.

There are a number of important items on the agenda for your consideration and actions. The proposed agenda and the minutes of the last Board meeting will be shared with you next month.

Please note that Board committees will meet on *Thursday, October 10* in the UIA offices at 110 E. 59th Street, New York. Committee meeting notices will be sent to committee members during the next few weeks.

Please return the enclosed card. I look forward to your participation. Best wishes for a pleasant summer.