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November 25, 1987
4 Kislev 5748

Ms. Elizabeth Graham Weymouth
Suite 9D
145 West 58th St.
New York, NY 10019

Dear Lally:

It was nice hearing from you and I certainly do recall meeting you at the Netanyahus.

Much to my regret it will not be possible for me to attend the Gala Celebration of the American Friends of Tel Aviv University on December 15. I'm leaving for Israel this week-end and my return flight is open for I will probably have to remain overseas until the 15th or 16th of December. There's no possibility of my returning any earlier.

Have a wonderful and successful evening! With warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

ELIZABETH G. WEYMOUTH

Dear Rabbi. Schindler,
I met you at
Bibi Netanyahu's.

Please try and fit
this into your schedule -
Jelly Weymouth



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Gala Celebration

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November 12, 1987
20 Heshvan 5748

Rabbi Gunter Hirschberg
Congregation Rodeph Sholom
7 West 83rd Street
New York, NY 10024

Dear Gunther:

Much to my regret the date selected for your installation as president of the New York Board of Rabbis is already reserved on my calendar. I will be at Brandeis University for a three-day seminar and the date cannot be changed as it was arrived at with great difficulty and a great many people are involved.

Needless to note, I am very sorry about the conflict. If there is any flexibility and the installation date can be changed I'd love to be a part of your simcha. If not, I certainly understand and will have to express my warm good wishes by the written word rather than my presence and participation.

With warm good wishes and regards from house to house, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

GUNTER HIRSCHBERG, D.D.
RABBI
CONGREGATION RODEPH SHOLOM
7 WEST 83RD STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10024

November 9, 1987

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
President
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10021

Dear Alex,

I am certain you will remember my telling you that I shall assume the Presidency of the New York Board of Rabbis and that my term of office will begin at the end of the year. I also communicated to you my great desire to have you as the main speaker at the installation ceremonies, and you were gracious enough to accept if your schedule permitted it.

The date for these ceremonies has now been set. They will take place on Sunday, February 28th at 3:00 P.M. at the Sheraton Hotel (the old Americana) on 6th Avenue and 52nd Street, and I do hope that you will be free at that time.

As you know, the NYBR is a Rabbinic umbrella organization and, with all its faults, is rare and important as such. I shall succeed Heskell Lookstein, an orthodox Rabbi, and to have the outstanding and representative Rabbinic Reform personality speak at my installation would be of great significance not only to me, but to Reform Judaism as well as ~~these~~ ^{these} ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~NYBR~~ ^{NYBR}.

Please let me know that you can make it.

With cordial regards to you and Rhea, in which Ruth joins me

n/g
Brander
Mendel

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if he has
any flexibility
in dates

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commitment
cannot be

changed.
Invitation too
many people
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Mass Day

October 13, 1987
20 Tishri 5748

Rev. William H. Stemper, Jr.
Corporate Forum of New York
48 Park Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10016

Dear Rev. Stemper:

I have shared your letter with Rabbi Schindler and he would be delighted to be continued on the list for invitations to future meetings of your consultation between CEO's of major U.S. corporations and heads of major religious communities.

While his travel schedule is a rather frenetic one, if he is able to be with you at some future meetings that would please him very much. So, he would be grateful if you would retain him on your mailing list.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Edith J. Miller
Assistant to the President

October 6, 1987

Ms. Edith Miller
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10021

Dear Ms. Miller,

Thank you for yours of 1 September.

Could you tell us if the Rabbi wishes to receive invitations to future meetings of our consultation between Chief Executive Officers of major U.S. corporations and the heads of major religious communions?

I shall be happy to discuss this further with him if appropriate.

Yours faithfully,


The Rev'd. William H. Stemper, Jr.

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September 28, 1987

Rabbi Alexander Schindler
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10021

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Dear Rabbi Schindler:

Following the great success of the Shazar Tribute Dinner we are commencing preparations for the second annual Shazar Tribute Dinner to be held on Thursday, April 21, 1988.

Our president, Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel, has been nominated to receive this year's prestigious International Shazar Prize. The esteemed philanthropist, Milton Petrie, will be honored for his unstinting support and contribution to the advancement of historical consciousness.

In recognition of your stature and leadership, we are privileged to request the honor of your serving on the Dinner Committee.

An early confirmation of your acceptance would be most appreciated. Kindly sign the attached copy signifying your acceptance.

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Cordially,

Etan Merrick

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Robert P Rittereiser
President
Chief Executive Officer

September 17, 1987

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
President
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

I am honored to have the opportunity to serve as Chairman of the National Urban League's 31st Annual Equal Opportunity Day Dinner to be held November 19, 1987 in the Grand Ballroom of The New York Hilton Hotel at 6:30 p.m. I'd like to invite you to serve with me as a member of the Dinner Committee.

As you may know, the National Urban League annually presents its Equal Opportunity Award to leading citizens whose commitment to equality is outstanding. This year, the NUL will honor David T. Kearns, Chairman and CEO, Xerox Corporation and past Chairman, National Urban League Board of Trustees for his many distinguished contributions to the cause of equal opportunity for all Americans; and The Honorable Robert C. Weaver, former Secretary, U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and President Emeritus, Hunter College, for his long and dedicated commitment and contributions to human and civil rights.

The Dinner Committee will hold one meeting prior to the Dinner. We will meet on Thursday, October 1st, here at EF Hutton's Corporate Headquarters, 31 West 52nd Street, 29th Floor at 4:30 p.m. Please join Mr. John E. Jacob, President and CEO of the National Urban League, and me for the meeting.

I hope that you will serve with me on the 1987 Equal Opportunity Day Dinner Committee. The enclosed response card is included for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Robert P. Rittereiser

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YIDDISH KEMFER

275 Seventh Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10001-6708

September 4, 1987

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

We are sure that you are well acquainted with the "Yiddisher Kemfer." We hope that you will agree with us that this is the best Yiddish magazine in America.

We are privileged to celebrate 80 years of the "Yiddisher Kemfer" almost without interruption. This is a great achievement for the Labor Zionist movement and for the Yiddish cultural life in America.

We decided to celebrate the achievements of 80 years "Yiddisher Kemfer" on Sunday, November 22, 1987 at the ballroom of the UJA-Federation.

As one of the communal leaders of the city of New York we ask you to become a sponsor of this celebration and we hope that you will accept it wholeheartedly. Your participation is of great importance to our committee.

Please fill out the enclosed card and return to us at your earliest convenience.

With many thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Motl Gildin
Motl Gildin, Chairman

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לויט אונדזער מינונג איז דער זשורנאל דער בעסטער בלי היינטיקן
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מיר האבן זוכה געווען צו פייערן 80 יאר "ידישער קעמפער" כמעט
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ווי מעגלעך.

מיט דאנק און אכטונג,

מאטל גילדיץ, פארזיצער

פארן קאמיטעט

יחיאל מ. דאבעקירער, שלמה זינשטיין, דר. בערל פרימער

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August 26, 1987
1 Elul 5747

Ambassador (ret.) Shaul Ramati
Conference Director
WOJAC
118a, Ben-Yehuda Street
63401 Tel Aviv
Israel

Dear Ambassador Ramati:

It was very good to hear from you. Thank you for the invitation extended in behalf of Mr. Leon Tamman and the Honorable Mordechai Ben-Porat to participate in the Third International Conference of WOJAC. I have watched the growth of the World Organization of Jews from Arab Countries since its inception and am delighted with its development. It is an important new organization on the Jewish scene.

Much to my regret it will not be possible for me to participate in your forthcoming Conference. The General Assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations will convene in Chicago the day following the close of your own conference. As you can appreciate I will be deeply involved in the Union's Biennial and a number of pre-convention meetings. Thus, my presence in Washington is simply out of the question.

I am taking the liberty of sharing the materials on the Third International Conference with our regional director for the Washington area. It may well be that some of our congregational members would be interested in attending the Conference and we will do our best to make it known to our Mid-Atlantic Council.

Let me take this opportunity to express my warm good wishes for a very meaningful and productive Conference. With warm good wishes for a healthy, happy and sweet New Year, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



הארגון העולמי של יהודים יוצאי ארצות ערב
المنظمة العالمية لليهود النازحين من البلدان العربية
WORLD ORGANIZATION OF JEWS FROM ARAB COUNTRIES
ORGANISATION MONDIALE DES JUIFS ORIGINAIRES DES PAYS ARABES

Tel-Aviv, 12 August 1987

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
President
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10021
U.S.A.

Dear Rabbi Schindler

I have the honour to invite you, on behalf of Mr. Leon Tamman, Chairman of the Presidium, and the Hon. Mordechai Ben-Porat, Chairman of the World Executive, to participate in the Third International Conference of WOJAC, the World Organization of Jews from Arab countries, which will take place at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington D.C. between 26-28 October, 1987.

The conference is being held in cooperation with the major Jewish organizations. The conference has four aims: -

1. To alert public opinion to the grave situation of Jews in some Arab countries, which deny to them their civil and human rights.
2. To focus world attention on the fact that a de facto exchange of Jewish and Arab populations has taken place in the Middle East.
3. To inform world public opinion in general, and the United States in particular, of the contribution of the State of Israel and the Jewish people to the solution of the humanitarian problems resulting from this population exchange and to examine possibilities of resettlement and rehabilitation of those who have not as yet been absorbed by the society within which they now live.
4. To publicise the right of Jews to claim personal and collective compensation from the Arab countries which deprived them of their property and possessions and to have restored to them cultural and religious treasures they were forced to abandon, as well as to win recognition of these rights by the United States Congress.

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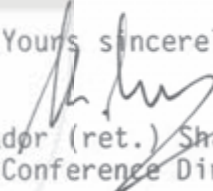
I am convinced that your participation will contribute to the success of this important conference in which we will be meeting with some of the main decision makers in Washington. Our joint effort can assure that the conference will, at long last, put the achievement of the legitimate rights of Jews from Arab countries on the international agenda and allow them to make their own modest contribution to the peace process, based on their unique experience and knowledge.

For your guidance, I am enclosing the agenda of the conference and the leaflet "What is WOJAC?"

We will be grateful if you would be kind enough to fill out the enclosed registration form and forward it to Prof. Haddad and to us at your earliest convenience. This will greatly facilitate administrative arrangements.

We will be most honoured and delighted to have you participate in our conference.

Yours sincerely,


Ambassador (ret.) Shaul Ramati
Conference Director

Encl.



Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

Rabbi Richard S. Sternberger

August 26, 1987
1 Elul 5747

Enclosed is self-explanatory. There is a conflict as the date of the WOJAC Conference is exceedingly close to the UAHC Biennial. However you may know of some interested parties in the Washington area so I am sharing this material with you in the event you wish to inform some of your Mid-Atlantic Council rabbis and/or leadership.

Fond regards.



MENTAL ILLNESS RESEARCH CAMPAIGN

Rabbi Alexander Schindler
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
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SUITE 1427
208 S. LASALLE ST.
CHICAGO, IL 60604
312.782.4311

June 25, 1987



Max
Retin Card
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Am glad to
lend use of my
name.

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

I spoke with Rabbi Malino about the possibility of my contacting you in reference to the National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression and its Mental Illness Research Campaign. Since my relationship with Jerome extends back some fifty one years to the time of his arrival in Danbury, I felt completely comfortable about asking for his help. He obviously felt equally comfortable about allowing me to use his name in writing to you.

I have worked as a volunteer for 35 years in the mental health field with much of my energy committed to the National Mental Health Association. I was delighted when the Association joined forces with other mental health groups to form NARSAD, which funds exciting new research into the biological origins of major mental illnesses.

NARSAD is launching an ambitious national fund raising program. Its Mental Illness Research Campaign will raise \$10 million in the next three years to support scientists at research institutions and universities across the country in their efforts to better understand the causes of depression, schizophrenia, and other affective brain disorders.

The Nobel Laureate, Dr. Julius Axelrod, and the eminent researcher, Dr. Eli Robins, serve as primary advisors to NARSAD's distinguished Scientific Council. Senator and Mrs. Pete Domenici of New Mexico and Barry Bingham, Sr., of the Louisville Courier Journal, have agreed to participate as Honorary Chairmen of the Research Campaign.

Rosalynn Carter, Katherine Graham, Rev. Mellick Belshaw, Mary Lasker, Jennifer Jones Simon and other prominent Americans have already joined its Sponsors Committee. The chance of success for the Campaign and for the research it supports will be significantly strengthened if you will join also. The Committee will not be expected to meet or to take a hand in campaign planning. The prominence of its membership alone will indicate the importance of the work we are undertaking.

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Rabbi Alexander Schindler
June 25, 1987
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Your endorsement of this vital work will speed the day when the terrors of major mental illnesses no longer afflict us and our children.

I have enclosed a brochure describing the Research Campaign and a reply card for your convenience. Please let me know that we may list your name among the Sponsors.

I know you must receive many requests of this nature and would certainly understand if you wanted to know more about the person asking this. Rabbi Malino would be happy to provide additional information should you want it. What better references could I offer!

Sincerely,



Eleanor S. Kohn

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Leading Scientists

NARSAD's Scientific Council represents a cross section of the foremost researchers in the many specialties now studying severe mental illnesses.

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MENTAL ILLNESS RESEARCH CAMPAIGN

Vital Research Initiatives

Finally there is real hope of conquering the devastating, mysterious illnesses of schizophrenia and depression. For the first time in the history of research into these baffling diseases, science is focusing its attention on their biological origins and finding answers.

New research directions have already given us knowledge essential to the fight against mental illnesses. An amazing array of technologies can actually show us the brain at work and point toward prevention and cures of disorders.

If the compelling promise of new research is to be fulfilled, however, its programs need support *now*. The leaders of four major citizens' groups have joined their energies to form the National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression (NARSAD)

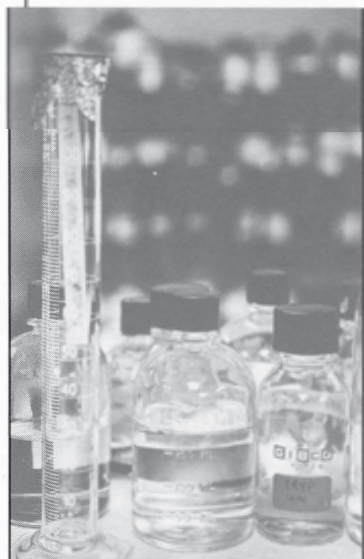
- National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
- National Mental Health Association
- National Depressive and Manic Depressive Association
- Schizophrenia Research Foundation.

NARSAD's first initiative is an unprecedented fund-raising effort, the **Mental Illness Research Campaign**. It calls for immediate action by all those who understand that severe mental illness is a biomedical puzzle whose solution must be our top priority. Please join this alliance for answers today with your contribution.

The Tragic Toll

In both human and economic terms, schizophrenia and depression exact an enormous national toll:

- **14.5 million** Americans are afflicted; at best they are disabled for a period, at worst shattered for life.
- **\$20 to \$48 billion** is spent each year on medical and social services for victims of schizophrenia and depression.
- **25 percent** of all beds in our hospitals are filled by mentally ill patients—more beds than for the victims of heart disease, cancer, and respiratory ailments *combined*.
- **40 percent** of the homeless on our city streets have schizophrenia.
- **15 percent** of all Americans will suffer a major depressive episode during their lifetime. Less than a third of them will receive any form of treatment.
- **66 percent** of patients with schizophrenia remain completely or partially disabled by the disease for the rest of their lives.

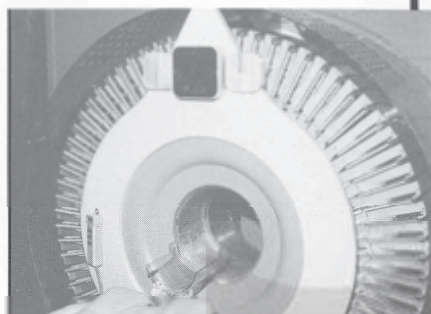


National Neglect

Even though we and our children suffer greatly from the burden of mental illnesses, our nation has done shamefully little to support the search for answers.

Research funding comparisons are startling:

- While we allocate \$203 in research money for each cancer patient and \$88 for each heart patient, we spend only \$7.35 for each American with schizophrenia (about the same amount as is spent to study tooth decay).
 - On a per patient basis, the total dollars spent for research on schizophrenia and depression *combined* average only 12 percent of the amount spent on multiple sclerosis and 2 percent of the amount spent on muscular dystrophy.
 - While 42 percent of cancer research is funded from non-governmental sources, only 15 percent of mental illness research is privately funded. Large cutbacks in federal funding frequently threaten existing programs.
- Funding for research into severe mental illness should not be siphoned off from research money devoted to other serious diseases. But mental illness research must begin to get its fair share of attention from government agencies and from the private citizen.
- We are acting now to combat public apathy through a nationwide effort to provide funds for vital studies into brain disorders and to foster understanding of this major health problem.



Unlocking Troubled Minds

"I feel I am trapped inside my head, banging against its walls, trying desperately to escape," wrote one schizophrenia sufferer about the daily reality of her disease. The **Mental Illness Research Campaign** will work to release the hold of schizophrenia and depression on the minds of millions of sufferers.

The Campaign will raise \$10,000,000 over the next three years to fulfill central commitments to:

- Finance creative research into the causes, prevention, and cure of severe mental illnesses
- Discover and encourage promising young investigators who will become the new generation of research leaders
- Support university-based research centers where vital interdisciplinary studies can be accomplished
- Provide researchers with the advanced technology they need to diagnose and treat the profoundly complex problems of brain diseases.

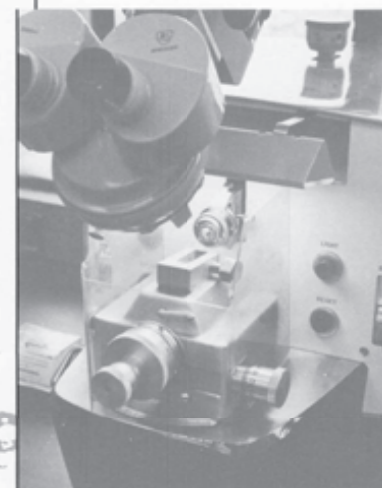
To make sure your contribution will be used to fund the most valuable research, we have enlisted a distinguished Scientific Council of experts from across the country. The group is headed by Dr. Herbert Pardes, chairman of the Department of Psychiatry at Columbia University and formerly director of the National Institute of Mental Health, and Dr. Floyd Bloom, a leader in neurobiological research who is a director of the Research Institute at Scripps Clinic. The Honorary Chairmen are Nobel Laureate Dr. Julius Axelrod and noted psychiatric researcher Dr. Eli Robins.

Joining the Alliance

Our citizens' initiative for action on mental illness has done much already to encourage innovative research. You can further support that research through a contribution to the **Mental Illness Research Campaign**.

Enthusiastic friends have made significant early contributions to the Campaign effort. In fact, enough has been raised to enable us to make our first series of grants. The first NARSAD grants will be made for the 1987-88 academic year to research scientists across the nation.

Your personal contribution now will strengthen our cause. Whatever the amount of your gift, it will be an important commitment to the Campaign.



Please support our mandate to make research into crippling mental disorders a national priority. Make your gift today. (And please ask other family members and friends to contribute, too.)

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June 17, 1987
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Robert K. Domer, Secretary
National Interreligious Task
Force on Criminal Justice
920 - 13th Street, Northwest
Canton, OH 44703

Dear Mr. Domer:

Thank you for your informational letter of recent date and the materials you shared on behalf of the NITFCJ. Yours is a very worthy undertaking and that makes me regret even more the fact that I cannot accept the invitation to join with you in this Task Force.

I, personally, and the members of the UAHC staff must each wear many hats as we do not have a very large executive staff. We are all terribly over-extended and it would be unfair of me to become involved in yet another Task Force or Committee. It would not be fair to the staff. It would not be fair to the organization. I do hope you understand my situation and explain to your colleagues the reason for the absence of representation from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

We do have an Interreligious Affairs Committee and if at any time you require information or assistance on an ad hoc basis we would, of course, try to respond to your request. Ms. Annette Daum directs the work of that division.

With every good wish and kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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Kindly Respond to Secretary:
920 - 13th Street NW
Canton, OH 44703

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Union of American Hebrew Congregations (Reform)
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10021

June, 1987

Att: Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, President

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

The National Interreligious Task Force on Criminal Justice (NITFCJ) operates under the JSAC agency umbrella to focus on issues in our criminal justice system. Some of the member agencies provide us with financial support, some with representation, and others provide both. Our goal as a task force is to define as precisely as we can a role for the religious community in the United States throughout the justice system.

Currently, we seek to broaden our base of support, and are inviting your judicatory to join with us in our efforts to address the issues and to offer recommendations to smooth out the unevenness we find. We would like to ask you or your designee to review the attached information packet, which will provide a brief accounting of our stewardship, and review the aims and objectives which will guide us in these next few years. Wishing to be more inclusive, more representative, and seeking more input from more agencies and persons, we pray you will give our program your support. Should you wish a personal contact, we would be pleased to provide it as well.

Clearly, justice issues have compounded enormously. We have more people on Death Rows than ever before. Almost every state and most cities experience massive overcrowding in jails and prisons. Drugs, aids, alcohol, violence all contribute new urgency to finding solutions. Costs for new facilities have gone out of sight, all this at a time when most programs are suffering from budget constraints of every kind. Of course, our Task Force cannot change these realities. What we can do is to identify them, study them, and consider solutions and alternatives which we can then share with our judicatories for their consideration. Change occurs only when people understand and demand them. The religious community is in best position to reach the greatest number of people. But decisions need to be made knowledgeably.

We welcome your joining with us in whatever ways you can. Should you wish additional information, we would be pleased to provide it. Should you also wish a personal contact, we would be happy to make it. Won't you support our modest effort to increase our general awareness so that more people can know and understand the issues before our justice system?

May we hear from you soon.

Encl: Information Packet

Respectfully,

Kathy Lancaster
Rev. Kathy Lancaster
Chair

Robert K. Domer
Robert K. Domer
Secretary



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An Information Packet

To assist your judicatory in evaluating our programs, aims and objectives, we are pleased to enclose herewith the following information for your consideration:

1. Brief information/response form
2. Brief history of the Task Force activities
3. Mission Statement of Goals and Objectives for 1987-89
4. Listing of Current Judicatory Membership
5. Current Balance Sheet and Budget Information
6. Listing of Current Officers and Steering Committee
7. Some of the NITFCJ publications
8. Summary of 1987 Meeting Sites; 1988 Preliminary Plans



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Information/Response

To complete our records, would you kindly indicate in the spaces below, the information we have requested. This will assure that the appropriate person(s) will receive mailings and information.

Correct Judicatory Name :

Correct Mailing Address :

Correct Area Code/Phone :

Officer to Whom Future
Mailings to be Sent :

Alternative Person :

Comments/Suggestions :



If our Task Force is requested to submit financial request forms, would you either enclose samples of such forms, or indicate how (and when) such requests should be submitted to comply with your budgetary process.

Brief History of Task Force Activity

Although the National Interreligious Task Force on Criminal Justice has been active since the mid-1970's, a brief review of its programs will supply your judicatory with an overview for your information.

The task force is organized by volunteer persons from a variety of criminal justice backgrounds, each of whom represents his/her own judicatory, or is an independent volunteer. These persons possess different levels of skills, ranging from highly skilled professionals regularly employed in a criminal justice agency, program or institution, to single volunteers who give of their time and skills in counselling, visiting, or advising on a direct-service basis, persons who are confined. Some of our members are ordained professionals; some are lay-professionals; some have very limited backgrounds; all are, however, very dedicated to aiding in bringing about improvements in the system of criminal justice.

The task force meets three times annually. Usually, one of those meetings occurs in the New York area, and the other two take place in a variety of regional settings to enable persons there to have access and input to the task force which provides a forum for their concerns.

In the past, the task force has:

1. Published materials on issues facing the criminal justice system;
2. Organized and conducted seminars, workshops and programs on major justice issues (In 1983, a seminar on Breaking the Cycle of Violence and Vengeance was held in Indianapolis);
3. Investigated a variety of criminal justice issues (In 1985, the Marion Prisoner's Rights; in 1987 the plight of the Marielitos in Atlanta);
4. Developed a working plan for inclusiveness, to include the People of Color Task Force, Hispanics, Native Americans, and others;
5. Networked with a wide variety of related agencies including the National Moratorium on Prison Construction; the National Prison Project; the National Coalition Against the Death Penalty (with which it maintains an active joint-committee); and a host of local programs and agencies focused on more localized issues.
6. Developed an Interfaith Conciliation Service, arranged for staffing, program support, and on-going programming.

Currently, the task force has a variety of issues under active consideration. These include: the role of the religious community in Death Penalty matters; the impact of the new federal sentencing guidelines, sanctuary issues, the conference on the abolition of prisons, victimization issues, prison alternatives, excessive use of force by police, academic and vocational educational programming in institutions, chaplaincy, and more.

Members have attended conferences in Milan, Italy; Amsterdam, The Netherlands; and two members participated in a prison overcrowding project in England, Sweden, West Germany and France.

NATIONAL INTERRELIGIOUS TASK FORCE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Mission Statement, Goals and Objectives adopted for the 1987-89 triennial period.

MISSION STATEMENT:

The National Interreligious Task Force on Criminal Justice is an interfaith association of national religious bodies and other affiliated organizations committed to equal justice, the creation of safe and just communities, and the protection of human rights for offenders and victims alike. It supports a national religious agenda for criminal justice and conflict resolution, collaborates with other national coalitions, and forms linkages with the efforts of local and regional organizations. Its intent is to work toward goals and objectives through:

- advocacy for systemic change (prophetic denouncing of injustice, crisis intervention, witness by physical presence of individuals and groups)
- education (sensitizing people of faith and a national constituency to the issues of justice related to the criminal justice system, developing and disseminating printed resources, participating in educational forums)
- networking (communicating with and supporting people of faith working on behalf of justice across the United States, supporting global linkages, and encouraging the energies of those at work for systemic change)

GOAL #1: Develop the membership base of the Task Force so as to be more inclusive and diverse in terms of race and religion.

OBJECTIVE-

- a. Continue dialog with racial/ethnic constituencies to address issues of racism.
- b. Continue to work with the People of Color Task Force on Criminal Justice.
- c. Continue individual and collective efforts to recruit new religious and other groups to affiliate with the Task Force.

GOAL #2: Involve the interreligious community in addressing issues of social and criminal justice.

OBJECTIVE-

- a. Develop more intentional relationships with related groups in the religious community (e.g., Justice for Women Working Group, Ecumenical Minority Bail Bond Fund, others.)

NITFCJ GOALS AND OBJECTIVES (continued)

GOAL #2 (continued)

- b. Communicate by means of a newsletter and other published resources. .
- c. Develop regular interactions with constituencies represented on the Task Force and others.

GOAL #3: Address the overarching issues of violence and vengeance.

OBJECTIVE-

- a. Continue to use systemic analysis of United States society as a tool for understanding and addressing issues of violence and vengeance.

GOAL #4: Encourage and support groups working for community justice.

OBJECTIVE-

- a. Continue support of the Interfaith Conciliation Center.
- b. Continue to interact with local programs and initiatives by strategic selection of Task Force meeting locations and agenda.

GOAL #5: Oppose injustice in, and identify and promote alternatives to, the criminal justice system.

OBJECTIVE-

- a. Seek an end to the violence committed against prisoners (e.g., Atlanta penitentiary, Marion prison), respond to prison crises as they arise, and seek preventive measures.
- b. Begin to work with the sanctuary movement, especially as it relates to the United States criminal justice system.
- c. Seek abolition of the death penalty.
- d. Respond to crises in the criminal justice system as they arise.
- e. Seek reduction in the use of prisons, and support alternatives to incarceration.
- f. Address the misuse of the grandjury system as employed in the United States.
- g. Oppose racial violence wherever identified.
- h. Oppose language which oppresses.

NATIONAL INTERRELIGIOUS TASK FORCE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE
YEAR END FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1986

Balance carried forward from 1985:

\$ 3,900.14

INCOME:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| United Methodist - National | \$ 3,000.00 | |
| United Methodist - Church & Society | 1,000.00 | |
| UMC - Women's Division | 1,000.00 | |
| Presbyterian Church (USA) | 2,000.00 | |
| Amer. Bapt. - Nat'l. Ministries | 1,500.00 | |
| Amer. Bapt. - Chaplaincy | 500.00 | |
| Reformed Church | 500.00* | |
| Disciples of Christ | 1,500.00 | |
| UCC (Grant for L. Kirkwood) | 1,000.00# | |
| American Lutheran | 100.00 | |
| Contributions | 50.00 | |
| Sale of Publications | (+ \$12.00)** 1,166.95 | |
| Meeting Receipts | 1,710.50 | 15,027.45 |
| | | <u>\$ 18,927.59</u> |

EXPENSES:

| | | <u>Over (Under) Budget</u> |
|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Consultant | \$ 1,806.48 | 56.48 |
| Newsletter | 1,803.62 | 303.62 |
| Administration | 915.61 | 315.61 |
| Meeting Expenses: | | |
| General | 33.75 | |
| Resource | 850.00 | (1,166.25) |
| Grant: | | (200.00) |
| NCADP | 1,000.00 | 500.00 |
| PCTFCJ | 2,315.00 | (1,935.00) |
| Publications | 162.48 | (537.52) |
| Funding Development | 6.82 | (143.18) |
| Meeting Expenses | (- \$24.00)** 3,059.70 | |
| Contingencies | 29.87 | |
| | <u>11,983.33</u> | |

BALANCE ON HAND END OF YEAR:

\$ 6,944.26**

* \$500. additional in AR from Reformed Church
\$500. held over for funding for 1987

**NOTE: Balance at year's end adjusted from \$6,908.26 as reported at meeting to \$6,944.26 after auditing against JSAC account.

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NATIONAL INTERRELIGIOUS TASK FORCE
ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1987

INCOME:

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| United Methodist Church - National | \$ 3,000. | |
| United Methodist Church - Church & Soc. | 1,000. | |
| United Methodist Church - Women's Div. | 1,000. | |
| Presbyterian Church (USA) | 2,000. | |
| Episcopal Church | 750. | |
| American Baptist | 1,000. | |
| Disciples of Christ | 1,000. | |
| UCC (received in 1986) | 500. | |
| Reformed | 1,000. | |
| Sale of Publications | 500. | |
| Unanticipated Receipts | 250. | |
| | | \$ 12,000. |

EXPENSES:

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|----------------------------------|--------|------------|
| Newsletter (2 issues) | 1,500. | |
| Administration | 1,000. | |
| Meeting Expenses: | | |
| General | 500. | |
| Resources | 1,000. | |
| Grants | | |
| NCADP | 1,500. | |
| PCTFCJ | 3,000. | |
| Crises Response | 1,500. | |
| Contingencies | 250. | |
| Funding & Membership Development | 1,250. | |
| Publications | 500. | |
| | | \$ 12,000. |

Approved 1/17/87



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1987 Officers of NITFCJ

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| President | Rev. Kathy (Young) Lancaster, Director Presbyterian Criminal Justice Program (New York/Atlanta) |
| Vice President | Rev. Matthew Stephens, Chaplain, Lebanon Correctional Institution (Ohio) |
| Secretary | Robert K. Domer, Consultant, Lutheran Church in America (Retired University Instructor) (Ohio) |
| Treasurer | Jean Bailey, Presbyterian Criminal Justice Program (Virginia) |

The Members of the NITFCJ Steering Committee

Officers named above, plus:

Persons representing the Peoples of Color Task Force:

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| | Marge Woods, Chair (New York) |
| | Porter Kirkwood, Vice Chair (New York) |
| | Terry Hamilton, Secretary-Treasurer (New York) |
| Member | Rev. David Rogers, Pastor (Columbia, Maryland) |
| Member | Rev. Kim Jefferson, United Methodist Church (New York) |
| Member | Rev. Gerry Cunningham, Disciples of Christ) (Indiana) |
| Staff Member | John C. DeBoer, Executive Director, JSAC (New York) |



Office of the Secretary
Robert K. Domer
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1987 Meeting Sites

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| Mid-Winter Meeting | Paschal's Motor Hotel 830 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive Atlanta, Georgia Thursday, January 16 (Steering Committee) Friday, January 17 (General Meeting) Saturday, January 18 (General Meeting) |
| Spring Meeting | Episcopal Church of the Redeemer Retreat House 7 East 95th Street (Off Fifth Avenue) New York, New York Thursday, April 23 (Steering Committee) Friday, April 24 (General Meeting) Saturday, April 25 (General Meeting) |
| Fall Meeting | Bond Place Hotel Toronto, Ontario (Canada) Wednesday, October 7 (Steering Committee) Thursday, October 8 (General Meeting) Friday, October 9 (General Meeting) Planning Coordinator: David McCord |

1988 Meeting Sites

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| Mid-Winter Meeting | Site Undetermined San Antonio, Texas Saturday, January 9 (Steering Committee) Sunday, January 10 (General Meeting) Monday, January 11 (General Meeting) Planning Coordinator: Ricardo Sanchez |
| Spring Meeting | Site Undetermined Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Thursday, April 21 (Steering Committee) Friday, April 22 (General Meeting) Saturday, April 23 (General Meeting) Planning Coordinator: Jane Motz |
| Fall Meeting | Site Undetermined Cincinnati, Ohio Saturday, October 15 (Steering Committee) Sunday, October 16 (General Meeting) Monday, October 17 (General Meeting) Planning Coordinator: Rev. Matthew Stephens |



UPDATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE

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Winter 1986

National Conference on Peacemaking and Conflict Resolution

June 3 - 8, 1986

Regency Hotel, Denver, CO

The first National Conference on Peacemaking and Conflict Resolution at the University of Georgia at Athens in March, 1983 and the second at the University of Missouri at St. Louis, September 1984, were exciting and eclectic events.

They brought together representatives of the complete gamut of peacemaking and conflict resolution models -- from teaching creative conflict resolution to children, to third party intervention and negotiations in international conflicts. They debated the hard questions -- should the field of mediation be controlled by courts or by community-based projects; how power disparities between conflicting parties influence agreements; whether panelists should be certified and, if so, by whom? And they offered skills building, resource materials, and opportunities to find kindred souls and professional colleagues.

The third NCPCR in June 1986 promises to be equally significant. Its theme is "Peacemaking and Conflict Resolution as a Social Movement: Power, Justice, and Institution Building. June 3 and 4 will be devoted to Training Workshops, offering from three to twelve hours of skills building in a given area. From June 5 to 8

the conference will feature plenary sessions, workshops and caucuses for interest groups.

We urge wide participation by persons in the religious community and ask that you copy and distribute this advance information to your colleagues.

We have much to learn about developments in this rapidly growing field. We have much to contribute. We bring a conviction that peacemaking and conflict resolution should continue to be seen as a social movement and not be relegated solely to the professional realm. We are committed to the empowerment of persons and groups to own and to be involved in the resolution of their own conflicts. And we bring models of individuals and groups from the religious community intervening in difficult situations for the sake of peacemaking, with justice.

Under planning by the Religious Community Section, we will have an opportunity to share the experience of some of those persons and groups. Terry Waite, Secretary for Anglican Communion Affairs and a Special Envoy of the Archbishop of Canterbury who is negotiating for the release of hostages in the Middle East, has been invited to be keynote speaker in the opening plenary of the conference. His topic will be "Peacemakers and Peacemaking: When Conventional Ways and Wisdom Fail."

Mr. Waite is also scheduled to participate in a workshop format. In "ROLES OF THE

Interfaith Conciliation Center News



RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY IN INTERNATIONAL CRISES: ENVOYS SHUTTLE ON THE SECULAR/SACRED EXPRESS, participants will have an opportunity to dialogue with Mr. Waite. In addition to his current efforts on behalf of Americans held in Lebanon, Mr. Waite negotiated the release of four Britons detained in Libya in summer 1985 and three Anglican missionaries held in Iran in 1981.

A second workshop entitled, "ROLES IN CURRENT CRISES: WHEN, WHY AND HOW THE RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY INTERVENES," will be moderated by James Shannon, Director of the General Mills Foundation. Topics and panelists are:

The Move Confrontation in Philadelphia - the Rev. Paul M. Washington, Rector of the Church of the Advocate.

Human Responses to Farmers in Economic Crises - the Rev. Charlotte Reif, pastor of rural United Methodist congregations and member of the Iowa Interchurch Agency for Peace and Justice.

The Tri-State Conference on Steel: Reindustrialization - Richard Zelik, O.F.M., Social Action Minister for the Office of Peace and Justice, of the Province of St. Augustine, Pittsburgh.

Conciliation and Confrontation: Crucial Questions for Just Peacemaking - Lois Kirkwood, Co-chaplain at Hofstra University; Ph.D. Candidate, Union Seminary NYC; and member of Steering Committee, Interfaith Conciliation Center.

A third workshop, "ROLES OF THE RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY IN CRISIS: THEOLOGICAL IMPERATIVES AND INSTITUTIONAL BASES," moderated by Stan Kano, chair of the Interfaith Conciliation Center, will include:

Putting Faith to Work in a Neighborhood Victim Assistance and Restitution Project - Erma Gaines, volunteer in this Detroit project and member of National People of Color Task Force on Criminal Justice.

Challenging Governmental Infiltration of the Sanctuary Movement - the Rev. James Oines, Alzona Lutheran Church in Phoenix.

Working from an Avowed Faith Perspective - Dr. E. Ronald Bard, Director of Christian Conciliation Service of Denver, Inc.

The Congregation as Enabler in Conflict Resolution - Dr. Ron Mock, Assistant Director Center for Peace Learning at George Fox College in Newberg, Oregon.

In a Pre-conference Training Session, "Peacing it Together: Organizing Locally and Coalition Building for Peace With Justice," Dr. Carl Schneider, of the Divorce Mediation Institute in Chicago, and Ginny Mackey, of the Interfaith Conciliation Center, will share a video tape of a congregation organizing a sanctuary project and address the theory and practice of organizing and networking.

The National Association for Community Justice will hold a membership meeting in conjunction with NCPJR 1986 and sponsor a caucus for persons working from religious bases. Its co-sponsors will include the Christian Conciliation Service, Mennonite Conciliation Service, and the Interfaith Conciliation Center.

In addition to your attendance, we would like to share your concerns, your papers, and brochures about your religiously-based projects with conferees. Please contact Ginny Mackey, 188 Eastgate Dr., Rochester, NY 14617. Phone: 716-467-9710 or 325-7727.

The range of other conference topics is certain to cover your own interest. Under "Areas of Practice," workshops include: Community Models; Family; Justice System; International; Environment; Institutionalized Mechanisms for Resolving Disputes; Policy; and Conflict in Workplaces.

Workshops on "Education" will present models for all educational levels and address "Theory, Research, Evaluation, and Issues" Panels on "Issues Essential to the Field" will cover: Race and Ethnicity; Ethics and Values; Cultural Dynamics and Crossculture Approaches; Gender; and Peacemaking and Non-violence.

For information on registration:
Karen Covi, 323 Academic Building
U. of Georgia, Athens, GA 30602.
Phone: 404-542-2887



*Peacemaking and Conflict Resolution as a Social Movement:
Power, Justice, and Institution Building*

GETTING TO THE NCPDR CONFERENCE

NCPDR planners have tried to keep hotel and local transportation costs moderate. The Regency Hotel offers singles @ \$55; doubles at \$60; and up to two additional persons @ \$5.00 each. There is free limousine service from the airport to the hotel and from the hotel to downtown Denver.

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OTHER CONCILIATION EVENTS

The 1986 training schedule for the Schools Initiatives Program of the Community Board Center for Policy and Training includes four-day institutes in Washington, DC May 13-16 and in San Francisco, October 7-10. Participants will learn to work cooperatively with schools in developing Conflict Manager's programs for elementary and secondary schools; train students to be Conflict Managers; and train the trainers of student Conflict Managers. A training institute for educators will be offered in San Francisco June 24-27.

The fee is \$585 and includes only the cost of training. Housing accommodations must be made separately. For further information: 149 Ninth Street, San Francisco, CA 94103. Phone: 415-552-1250.

Two Regional Conferences on Nonviolence are scheduled: The first is May 16-18 at Rosary-Hammond, Louisiana. Contact person: Mary Ann Abel, 546 Bienville St., Baton Rouge, LA 70806. A second is June 13-16 at Monte Toyon in Aptos, CA. For information: West Coast Nonviolence Network, 2124 Kitredge St., #66, Berkeley, CA 94704.

The National Coalition Building Institute, Inc., announces "Prejudice Reduction Workshops" in which participants learn to help individuals and groups examine deep issues of identity, unfreeze prejudicial attitudes, act on the basis of shared values and know what to do when values are in conflict. Dates: April 4-6 and Aug. 11-13 in Boston.

Also, a "Leadership Training Institute" in which participants learn to identify and resolve intergroup conflicts, locate the key issue in any complex situation, define self-interest in a way that builds bridges and develop multi-cultural programs and

coalitions for their own organizations and interest groups. Dates: Aug. 6-10 in Boston. For information: Miriam Jefferson, 59 Forest Street, Providence, RI 02906. Phone: 401-421-1685.

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MORE CONCILIATION NEWS

The Pastor as Peacemaker was the title of a conference in November, sponsored by the Maine Conference, United Church of Christ and American Baptist Churches of Maine. The event offered resources for ministries of justice and reconciliation, examined controversial ministries such as a congregation's becoming a sanctuary for refugees and included workshops on topics such as integrating one's role as a minister with one's voice as an individual, conflict resolution and healing. For information: the Rev. Otto E. Sommer, P.O. Box 730, Yarmouth, ME 04096.

Christians for Justice Action (a network of United Church of Christ members committed to the biblical vision of justice and peace) presented a "Burning Bush" award to Perry Blanchard for his role in the current farm crisis. Blanchard is a lay minister serving a three-yoke parish that includes the Albion Congregational Church UCC, and the Spalding and Akron Presbyterian Churches in Nebraska. CJA News says that he "is articulate in discussing the situation facing family farmers and has organized teach-ins. He has also played a mediating role in some dangerous confrontations between angry farmers facing foreclosures and deputy sheriffs sent out to enact foreclosure orders." Address: Albion Congregational Church, UCC, Albion, Nebraska 68620.

The Judicial Process Commission of Genesee Ecumenical Ministries in Rochester, NY is offering three-session workshops on "Conflict and Mediation" to congregations. The first session is on types and dynamics of conflict; the second on effective listening and communication skills; and the last on mediating a particular type of conflict in which the group is most interested. For more information: Fritz Longabaugh, JPC, 121 North Fitzhugh Street, Rochester, NY, 14614. Phone: 716-325-7727.

A Community Based Victim Restitution Project in Detroit is a response of neighborhood organizations within the North Central Seven Community Organization to their experience of crime. Concerned about the need for emotional and financial support to victims and encouraged by results of Victim Offender Reconciliation Projects, the project aids the community by:

- providing a monitored system as a means for convicted offender(s) and victim(s) to mutually agree on a restitution contract.
- involving more community residents in resolving conflicts within their neighborhoods.
- strengthening community ties to victims and offenders.
- providing access and input into the justice system.
- training residents to provide psychological/practical assistance to crime victims.

For information: Maureen Taylor, Director
1305 E. State Fair, Detroit MI 48203
Phone: 313-366-0876.

Working from a philosophy that "Justice begins with Victim Assistance," the Genesee County Sheriff's Department in New York State has a continuum of programs designed to implement their credo: a Juvenile Community Service Program, a Victim/Offender Reconciliation (Intervention) Program, an Intensified Work Release Program and Jail and Prison Diversion. Operative since 1983 and taking cases as difficult as armed robbery and criminally negligent homicide, the program has built a record of substantial benefits to the persons involved and to the community. For information: Dennis Wittman, Sheriff's Dept., Main St., Batavia, NY 14020. Phone: 716-344-2550.

Under a grant from the State Office for the Aging, the Institute for Mediation and Conflict Resolution in New York City trained thirty-five persons over the age of fifty-five. Training was designed to meet the needs of older workers being shut out of the job market and to mobilize their natural abilities and experience so they can continue to contribute to their community. For information: Laura Blackburne, IMCR, 49 East 68th St, NY, NY 10021
Phone: 212-570-9400.

In National Institute of Justice Reports (SNI 193, Sept. 1985), Albie Davis and Kit

Porter report on a schools mediation project in Hawaii. Training is offered to students, teachers, administrators, counselors, and parents. Successful evaluations prove the worth in this multicultural urban environment, as well as in New York City and San Francisco.

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ARBITRATION BEST APPROACH TO TERRORISM?

Sydney J. Harris, syndicated columnist, entitled a recent piece, "Terrorism won't go away until disputes can be arbitrated." Making the point that "it is not depravity" but desperation and a perceived injustice which it is felt cannot be removed or relieved by any legitimate means that generates terrorism, Harris argues that "it seems clear that swift and certain punishment of the culprits is no solution."

Food for thought

"Of course there will always be injustice in the world," says Harris, just as there will always be illness and infection. But while we have learned to take preventive measures against disease, we have done practically nothing to forestall the fury of partisans who lack an adequate Court of Appeal, with the power to enforce its decisions."

Therefore, the "only possible way out of this fatal impasse lies not in an international pact to prosecute terrorism as much as an international effort to adjudicate and arbitrate these social ills and inequities before they suppurate and burst."

Harris' column made an interesting companion piece in the January 29 issue of a Gannett newspaper (Democrat & Chronicle, Rochester, NY) to an article entitled, "Europeans think 'cowboy' Reagan overreacting on Libya." Its author, Admiral Sir James Eberle, director of the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London, contends that "people in Europe see the actions of these terrorist groups as being a challenge to society rather than to national security. They must be dealt with firmly, but within the due processes of the civil law. To resort to the use of naked military force is seen not only as going well beyond the processes of the

civil law, but also as an action that is likely only to lead to further and escalating acts of reprisal by the terrorists."

In a third article of the same date, editor James Wall writes in Christian Century about media's role in shaping responses to terrorism. "Qaddafi as Villain Fulfills Media Needs," says Wall, but "the American public is not well served by reports that cast the news in hero-villain terms." He notes that this tendency to cast events in win-lose terms is derived from an ancient theological heresy, Manichaeism (the belief that the world is divided into contending realms of good and evil).

The price we pay for over-simplification, says Wall, is that "the root causes of terrorism and the danger of worldwide conflict are bumped to the back pages." As Harris suggests, arbitration may not make the stuff of daily headlines, but it is designed to address root causes.

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CONCILIATION RESOURCES

From Cornerstone, a center for justice and peace, two pieces:

- Conflict Management: A Curriculum for Peace, designed for classroom and church school teachers, grades K-12. \$9.50 postpaid.
- How to Avoid World War III at Home: Conflict Management for the Family. Suggests practical ways to deal with tattling, fighting, refereeing, teenage years, families in search of shalom. \$10.50 postpaid.

From: 920 Emerson, Denver CO 80218
Phone: 303-831-7692

"Retributive Justice, Restorative Justice" by Howard Zehr. One of a series of occasional papers issued by the Mennonite Office of Criminal Justice. Single copy free and rates for quantities. Also, The Forgotten Neighbor, a 10-minute slide/tape presentation focusing on the experience of crime victims. Rental \$5; purchase \$40. It is designed as a companion piece to the booklet Who is My Neighbor? Learning to Care for Victims of Crime. Single copy free; rates for quantities.

From: 220 West High Street, Elkhart, IN 46516. Phone: 219-293-3090.

Albie Davis, director of the Mediation Project in the District Court in Salem, MA is the contact person for two resources:

- Mediation: An Alternative that Works, defines both court and school-based projects and highlights successful models.
- Guidelines for a Drop-out Prevention Program of the Massachusetts Department of Education, which suggests mediation as one of its recommended approaches.

Address: Holyoke Building, Holyoke Square Salem, MA 01970. Phone: 617-745-9010.

Peaceful Persuasion: A Guide to Creating Mediation Dispute Resolution Programs for College Campuses. \$15.95 postpaid. From: University of Massachusetts Mediation Project, 425 Amity Street, Amherst, MA 01002.

VORP PLANS A GATHERING IN 1986

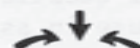
A third Annual VORP Gathering will be held on the campus of Valparaiso University July 13-16. The agenda will be a mix of practice and idea, workshops and round-table discussions, and participants from both the private and public sectors. Contact the National VORP Resource Center, 106 North Franklin, Valparaiso, IN 46383 for more information. Phone: 219-464-1400.

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CANADIAN NETWORK FOR COMMUNITY JUSTICE

In late 1985 The Network for Community Justice and Conflict Resolution became a reality in Canada. Its formation was spearheaded by Community Justice Initiatives in Kitchener, Ontario. Funding for the project includes a commitment of \$34,000 each from the Canadian Justice Department and the Solicitor General, as well as \$5,000 from the Mennonite Central Committee.

The Network will foster community response to crime and conflict that attempt, wherever possible, to bring restoration and reconciliation to individuals and groups affected by conflict. Dean Peachey serves as coordinator; Cathy Skeen as Resource center Manager. Address: 298 Frederick Street, Kitchener, Ontario N2H 2N5 Canada Phone: 519-744-6549



THE NATIONAL INTERRELIGIOUS TASK FORCE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

NITFCJ and the National People of Color Task Force on Criminal Justice met jointly in January. NPCTFCJ named Erma Gaines, Ricardo Sanchez, and Matthew Stephens to the Steering Committee. Margaret Woods has been named as coordinator for NPCTFCJ. Her address is: 592 North 6th Street, # 6B, Newark, NJ 07107.

The Task Force meets three times a year and serves as a clearinghouse for the exchange of ideas and resources. Its five "Key Issue" Groups reported the following plans:

1) POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY - Convenor: Mary Powers, Citizens Alert, 407 S. Dearborn Chicago, IL 60605. Phone: 312-663-5392

Goals:

- establish a national network for accountability in law enforcement
- stimulate public education and awareness of excessive and deadly force
- advocate training programs which de-escalate the potential for violence
- examine models of police chaplaincy
- serve as a collection and distribution point for information
- examine the role of media in communities troubled by excessive violence
- collect information on the problem of suicides in holding facilities
- invite the families of victims of police abuse to share information
- publish material on deadly force for bulletin inserts in churches.

2) PRIVATIZATION OF PRISONS - Convenor: Stan Kano, Creative Options, 7600 Wayzata Blvd., Golden Valley, MN 05760

Goal:

- to help the religious community assess and influence the debate about privatization and "prisons for profit."

Kano emphasized that NITFCJ's major concern is about "prisons for profit." It's possible that some contracts in the non-profit sector could have a creative influence on improving conditions and in structuring release programs in which prisoners obtain needed skills and services. The following list of questions was developed by Al Wengert for use in assessment:

Political Issues - Will prisons become controlled by special interest groups (persons with financial investments) rather than public interest?

- Will public employees be willing to give up their civil service positions and benefits?
- Will the private sector only accept the most "profitable" inmate--who needs the least medical treatment, therapy, education, etc.?
- Will it remove prisons another step away from public control and public accountability?

Legal Issues - If states delegate both authority and responsibility to the private sector, ultimate liability will still rest with elected officials. How will they maintain responsibility without control?

- How can the issue of security and public safety be delegated?
- If the civil rights of an individual are violated, can the private vendor be liable for monetary damages?

Financial Issues - Will privately owned and operated prisons in the end be less expensive? What is the experience of private hospitals, for example?

- What are the hidden costs to government for contracting with a corporation? (Unemployment, bankruptcy, etc.)
- Is private financing more desirable than public in building prisons?
- Will private financing be used to sidestep public objection to building new prisons and acquiring greater public debt?

Moral Issues - Should there be profit from other's intentionally inflicted pain?

- Is there an inherent conflict between profit and mercy?
- Is it ethical to gain profit from less job security, less retirement benefits and less financial security for employees?
- Does inmate labor in a private corporation constitute slavery? (Forced labor for the profit of another)
- Doesn't this miss the central objection that for the most part prisons are useless and ineffective for social control or personal reform?
- Is there a difference between contracting for specific services within a public institution and contracting for an entire institution including custody, medical

care, etc.? What about use of force?

- What implications would such a change have for religious presence in an institution, particularly on chaplaincy?
- Would there be any incentive to being "effective" in rehabilitating an offender since it would reduce the number of future "clients?"

Miscellaneous Issues - What can we learn from the recent trends in the medical industry--government and insurance companies limiting profits?

- What is the track record of large, privately owned corporations in relationship to human rights--here and in third world countries?
- What issues are resolved if the corporations is non-profit?
- What incentive could be written into the contract to guarantee early release of prisoners?

3) DEATH PENALTY - Convenor: Bob Gross, P.O. Box 600, Liberty Mills, IN 46946

Goal:

- to serve both NITFCJ and the National Coalition Against the Death Penalty in providing resources and educational material, developing curricula, gathering theological resources, and linking groups working from religious bases in local communities.

4) CONCILIATION - Convenor: Jim Stephens, 8371 Suzanne, Detroit, MI 48234

Goals:

- to extend the work of the Interfaith Conciliation Center and to assist it in raising questions on the ethics of mediation of family disputes, power inequities between disputing parties, and "pacification" of the poor and people of color.
- to promote attendance by persons from the religious community at the Denver NCPCR and to disseminate papers of particular interest to religious groups.
- develop conciliation training for clergy and chaplains.

5) COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA - Convenor: Ricardo Sanchez, 1819 Blanco, San Antonio, TX 78212

Goal:

- to highlight the work of the Task Force through preparation of a press kit, promotion of Key Issue Group work,

preparation of articles for Grapevine and other religious publications, inviting local persons to a portion of each Task Force meeting, and publishing Criminal Justice Update three times a year.

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WORKSHOP ON SYSTEMIC ANALYSIS

In preparation for the Task Force's Workshop on Systemic Analysis, scheduled for May 12 and 13, Lois Kirkwood presented an introduction to required readings and to the primary resource: Henriot and Holland's Social Analysis: Linking Faith and Justice. The perspective of these authors is that Western societies are facing crises because:

- (1) their secularization cuts them off from their religious roots of creativity. Western ideologies especially marginalize the religions and culture of indigenous peoples.
- (2) the religious stance they do adopt fails/fears to understand the prophetic stance; it is pietistic, private, or oppressive.

People of faith, then, are challenged to be open to the divine roots of creative energy and to the possibility of transformation of social life and structures. In asking itself how it, its Key Issue Group members, and the religious community across the country can best approach transforming the way we think about and act on crime and criminal justice, the Task Force --in its May meeting--will analyze:

- (1) the explicit/implicit values of the criminal justice system,
- (2) who is benefitted by its structures,
- (3) who is disvalued by its structures.

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1986 CONVOCATION ON JAIL & PRISON MINISTRY

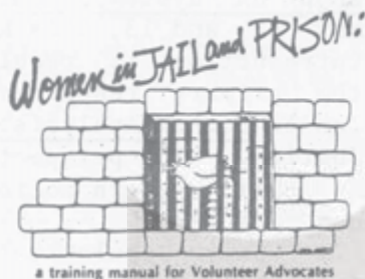
Preliminary publicity lists the 1986 convocation for jail and prison ministers for Detroit, April 21-25. Dr. Ben Chavis, who was recently named as head of the Commission for Racial Justice of the United Church of Christ, will be keynote speaker. For information: Team for Justice, 1035 St. Antoine, Detroit MI 48226.



RESOURCES

BULK COPIES AT BARGAIN PRICE!! The following issues of Grapevine: "From Conflict to Conciliation" (Vol. 14 No. 9, Apr. 83); "Violence and Vengeance" (Vol. 15 No. 9, Apr. 84); "Sanctuary--Issue for the 80's?" (Vol. 16 No. 6, Jan. 85); and "Violence Against Asians" (Vol. 16 No. 9, Apr. 85) are available @ \$1.75 per 50 copies, postpaid. Payment must accompany order. From: Clara Merritt at JSAC's address below.

Written by Connie Baugh of Citizen Advocates for Justice and produced by the Justice for Women Program of the National Council of Churches, this attractive manual includes:



current data on women in prison; resources on how to organize local programs, train volunteers and leaders, and biblical materials to sustain the involvement of religious persons. \$7.50, postpaid, from: Elizabeth Scott, Room 572, 475 Riverside Drive, New York, NY 10115.

Contact the ACLU, P.O. Box 437, Atlanta GA 30301, for the report of a March 6-8, 1986 conference on community strategies for fighting crime in the 1980's. Persons from a wide spectrum of private and public groups met to "Redefine the Crime Debate" and to work together to reduce crime.

In September of 1971 New York's Attica prison was the scene of a riot in which 39 persons were killed. In



The Turkey Shoot former N.Y. State Prosecutor Malcolm Bell tells the full story of Attica and the massive coverup which followed. William Sloane Coffin says, "Caring Americans should read what this eminently caring American, Malcolm Bell, has written." \$21.50 postpaid, from: Grove Press, Dept. TBR, 196 W. Houston St., New York, NY 10014.

Arlene Carmen and Howard Moody write about their ministry with prostitutes in Working Women. Harvey Cox recommends it: "The writers describe the women with whom they lived and worked with humor, and without either romanticising or degrading 'the life.' This is not a book for specialists or reformers, but for anyone ready to test his or her prejudices." Toll-free order number at Harper & Row: 800-638-3030.

Dealing with Incest: A Portfolio for Those Working With Victims, Offenders & Families \$20.00 Canadian. From: Community Justice Resource Center, 298 Frederick St. Kitchener, Ontario N2H 2N5, Canada.

The November issue of Media and Values focuses on violence and sexual violence in the mass media. It includes a summary of the National Council of Churches' study. \$3.00. From: 1962 S. Shenandoah, Los Angeles, CA 90034.

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April 23, 1987
24 Nisan 5747

Dr. Hugo Weisgall, Chairman
Berlinski Archive Committee

and

Mr. Neil W. Levin, President
Sabin Music Center
3080 Broadway, Room 625
New York, NY. 10027

Dear Dr. Weisgall and Mr. Levin:

Many thanks for your letter informing me of the progress being made on The Herman Berlinski Archive at the Sabin Music Center. I am delighted to know what is transpiring.

Unfortunately, it will not be possible for me to be at the official opening of the Archive at the November 8 concert. This I much regret. It would have been a privilege to share in this very special moment but my travel schedule precludes my presence.

With every good wish and kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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Dear Rabbi Schindler:

The Executive Committee of the Herman Berlinski Archive at the Sabin Music Center and Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your moral support and for your generous donation.

It gives us great pleasure to inform you that our funds now permit us to proceed with the first phase of the project. We hope that all music scores of Herman Berlinski will be in place at the Sabin Music Center by fall. The annotated catalogue is also in progress. You will be interested to know that donations have been received from contributors in the United States, France, Germany and Israel.

On Sunday, November 8, at 3 PM, at the Park Avenue Synagogue in New York, the official opening of the Archive will be marked by a concert of Dr. Berlinski's works. Details of the program will be announced later, and we hope that you will plan to attend this momentous event. The Washington Cathedral will present the world premiere of Dr. Berlinski's new cantata, "Etz Chayim in Terezin," on September 27, 1987, followed by a concert of some of his major organ works at Washington's National City Christian Church on October 4. This May 25, Dr. Berlinski will present his organ sinfonia, "The Glass Bead Game," at the Musica Sacra Viva Festival, in Munich, West Germany.

Once again, please accept our deep appreciation for your interest and support. We will keep you informed about further progress in the building of the Archive and the composer's artistic activities. May we take this opportunity to wish you and your family a joyous Passover.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. Hugo Weisgall

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April 22, 1987

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

This is the letter we drafted to present our proposal to Hands Across America. Jeremy Karpatkin from my office will call you Thursday to check to see if its okay.

Thanks for all your help.

Best,

Mike

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April 22, 1987

Dr. Irwin Redliner
Hands Across America
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Dear Dr. Redliner,

Thank you for your interest in and support for **Justice for All**. Enclosed please find an expanded proposal and budget for the project, which we are submitting on behalf of the project's Initiators.

We believe this project will make a very important contribution to the ongoing effort to raise public awareness about poverty in America, and will take us a significant step towards ultimately abolishing this national tragedy.

The support **Justice for All** has already received is an indication of the broad range of individuals and organizations we will be able to reach on November 17 itself. We have to date received the support of the U.S. Catholic Conference, the National Council of Churches, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, several prominent corporate leaders (including Fletcher Byrom, former Chair of the Committee for Economic Development), the Bricklayers Union, Consumers Union of the United States, Members of Congress from both political parties, the National Urban League, and numerous anti-poverty groups, civil rights groups, constituency organizations and leading figures in the arts and entertainment community (see the enclosed list of Initiators.)

As you can see from the enclosed budget, we expect to be able to carry out this project for approximately \$370,000. We have so far received financial support from the Villers Foundation, Consumers Union of the United States, and the International Union of Bricklayers and Allied Craftsmen. We are confident that we will be able to raise additional support from trade unions, religious funding organizations and foundations. We are requesting a grant of \$180,000 from USAFA/HAA. This will enable us to increase substantially the pace of our organizing efforts, hire staff and consultants and raise the additional funds we will need to implement **Justice for All**.

As you know, the goal of **Justice for All** is to reach into every home and community in America to increase public knowledge of the realities of poverty and the poor in America, and hopefully to motivate people to act on this knowledge. With the support we have already received and the kind of support we

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expect to receive soon, we have no doubt that **Justice for All** will achieve its goals.

All of us have been very active in the struggle against poverty. We have been deeply involved in efforts to provide direct relief and aid to the hungry and homeless, and we have been active in the effort to motivate a public commitment to abolishing poverty, through direct person-to-person help and through changing public policy. We are joining together to develop **Justice for All** because we believe a project like this is vital to the ongoing efforts to wipe out poverty in our land. By supporting **Justice for All**, USAFA/HAA is supporting our ongoing work against poverty, and the work of countless others like us throughout the United States.

Thanks again for your interest and support.

Best regards,

Bishop Paul Moore
Episcopal Bishop

Rabbi Alexander Schindler
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Bishop Joseph Sullivan
Catholic Charities



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January 30, 1987

Mr. Hans d'Orville
InterAction Council
One United Nations Plaza
Room 2 2162
New York, NY 10017

Dear Mr. d'Orville;

It was good of you to respond to my January 28 letter so promptly. I am grateful for your kindness.

The list of spiritual leaders who will participate in the Rome meetings is an impressive one. However, I have double checked my own schedule and find that it will not be possible for me to be in Rome on March 9-10, 1987 and therefore I must decline the invitation to serve on the Council.

As you can appreciate, I have many requests to join boards and committees. As I am loath to lend my names to causes, no matter how worthy, when I am unable to give any time or effort, I have made it a practice to decline invitations for causes and events which I am unable to serve beyond the giving of my name. I do hope you understand my predicament and accept my declination in the spirit in which it is given.

With every good wish for the success of the InterAction Council and its work, and with kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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Bradford Morse
Secretary General

28 January 1987

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

On behalf of Mr. Bradford Morse, Secretary-General of the InterAction Council who is away from New York, I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 28 January 1987, in response to the invitation extended to you by Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Fukuda.

The list of spiritual leaders, who have already agreed to participate in the meeting are:

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| Cardinal Koenig | Catholic |
| Reverend James Morton | Protestant |
| Dr. Ariyaratne | Buddhist |
| Reverend Niwano | Buddhist - Japan |
| Mr. Shoubao Li | China |

We are still awaiting a reply from Sheikh Gad-el-Haq of Egypt, a muslim leaders.

On the side of the Council, the following members are expected to participate, in addition to Mr. Schmidt (Federal Republic of Germany), and Mr. Fukuda (Japan), Malcolm Fraser (Australia), Selim Hoss (Lebanon), Misael Pastrana Borrero (Colombia), Maria de Lourdes Pintasilgo (Portugal), and Pierre Elliott Trudeau, (Canada).

In the hope that you will be able to attend this important event, I remain with high esteem

Yours sincerely,

Hans d'Orville

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
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January 27, 1987

Hon. Helmut Schmidt, Chairman
and
Hon. Takeo Fukada, Honorary Chairman
InterAction Council
One United Nations Plaza - Room 2162
New York, New York 10017

Dear Messrs. Schmidt and Fukada:

It was an honor to receive your gracious invitation to join with you in the important work of the InterAction Council. The list of participants on your letterhead is indeed a distinguished group.

However, before I can respond properly, it would be important for me to know the leaders of the religious community who have been invited to meet with you in Rome this March. If you have had any responses, I should like to know but, in any event, a list of the invitees would be helpful to me.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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Bradford Morse
Secretary General

26 January 1987

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

It is with highest respect that we extend to you our invitation to join us and a few of our colleagues who have served as heads of government in our respective countries in order that we may have the benefit of the guidance of those, like you, whose lives have been devoted to spiritual affairs in an intensified joint search for new approaches to peace and justice.

We believe that political leaders have not always taken into account the perceptions and reflections of spiritual leaders, and that perhaps spiritual leaders have sometimes not fully understood the challenges which confront public leaders in the discharge of their daily responsibilities.

For these reasons, we the undersigned, the Chairman and the Honorary Chairman, respectively, of the InterAction Council, an organization which consists of some 30 men and women who, as heads

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of state or heads of government of countries in all parts of the globe -- North, South, East and West -- have had responsibilities for the guidance of the affairs of their nations, invite you to meet with us in Rome on 9 and 10 March 1987.

If you are able to accept this invitation, please reply at your earliest convenience to Mr. Bradford Morse, Secretary-General of the InterAction Council, Room 2162, One United Nations Plaza New York, N.Y. 10017 U.S.A. Further details will then be provided to you. The InterAction Council will of course cover all appropriate expenses.

We sincerely hope that you will be able to join us for a two-day meeting which will permit us to explore new possibilities and new approaches for peace and justice, the enhancement of human dignity and the improvement of the human condition through a greater understanding of the inter-relationship between development, population and environmental issues.

We believe that the Rome meeting will truly help us to accelerate the advance toward the goals for which all humankind so earnestly yearns.

With highest respect and esteem,

Helmut Schmidt
Chairman
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January 26, 1987

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Dear Rabbi Schindler,

I am writing to enlist your help in what I think might be one of the most important social undertakings of 1987. This is not an appeal for funds. It is a cry for help.

This year marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of my book The Other America. There are many painful realities in the world today, but none hurts me more than this: poverty is an even greater problem now than it was 25 years ago, and the general public is just as unaware today as it was when I and many others first brought this terrible tragedy to light. Reflecting on this, I have come to the conclusion that I have no choice but to rededicate myself to the cause of fighting poverty. I had once believed I might see it eradicated in my lifetime -- now I must abandon that dream, but surely our country can make greater progress than it has thus far.

Don't mistake me: there is significant public concern for the poor, the homeless, and the hungry in the United States. But there is enormous ignorance about the dimensions and nature of poverty. And at the extreme, one can even sense a calculated program of disinformation to justify abandoning a public commitment to ending poverty.

I am therefore mounting a campaign to both educate the American people about the true extent and character of poverty today, and challenge them to renew a collective commitment to eliminating it. I am proposing a broad citizens committee, non-partisan in character, with representatives from churches, unions, minority organizations, business, women's organizations, and both political parties.

I have in mind a national "Day" focusing on poverty, not unlike Earth Day in conception, sometime shortly before Thanksgiving this year. Colleges, churches, unions, schools, and community organizations of all kinds will be invited to participate, and will hold events and activities of all kinds: teach-ins, vigils, films, lectures, hearings, sermons (on the nearest Sabbath), conferences, telethons, and so on. The national coordinators will make suggestions and provide resource materials, but there will be ample opportunity for local initiative and innovation.

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Where "Hands Across America" asked people to demonstrate their compassion, we would ask of them even more: to spend a day thinking and learning about poverty, its causes, and some possible solutions.

I want to ask you, Rabbi Schindler, to allow me to list your name as an Initiator of this effort. As you will see from the list below, I am inviting a diverse group of prominent Americans to join me as Initiators of the Day; what we share is a deep and abiding concern about the millions of Americans who live in poverty. By signing on, an initiator is not committed to any particular analysis or program -- only to the idea that it is necessary and appropriate for people to learn more about this problem and increase their efforts to fight it.

In 1962, I would have found it inconceivable that a quarter of a century later we would be, in so many ways, back where we started. So I make this effort with not a little sadness. And yet I firmly believe that people are ready to listen and care again. I hope you will join me in this crucial effort.

Best,



Michael Harrington

P.S. We are unfortunately organizing this under difficult logistical and funding deadlines, so I will be calling you quite soon for a reply. Let me apologize now for being so pushy.

Initiators Invitation List (in formation)

Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan
Marian Wright Edelman
Robert Greenstein
John Brademas
Margery Tabankin
Nancy Amidei
Jack Sheinkman
John Kenneth Galbraith
Lane Kirkland
Walter Cronkite
President James Earl Carter
Harry Belafonte
Mayor Andrew Young
William Winpisinger
Eleanor Holmes Norton
William Woodside
Eleanor Smeal

Bishop Paul Moore
Bishop Joseph Sullivan
Frances Moore Lappe
Rhoda Karparkin
Dr. Larry Brown
Dr. Victor Sidel
Sen. Edward M. Kennedy
Former Sen. Charles Mathias
Owen Bieber
Rabbi Alexander Schindler
Coretta Scott King
Mayor Raymond Flynn
Sen. Patrick Leahy
Sargent Shriver
Norman Lear
Phil Villers
Fletcher Byrom

Mr. J. Hochberg

January 16, 1987
15 Tevet 5747

Mr. Martin J. Hochberg, Chariman
Prisoner Outreach Program
B'Nai B'rith International
1640 Rhode Island Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Mr. Hochberg:

Inasmuch as Rabbi Schindler is out of the city I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 12th in regard to the International Coalition for Jewish Prisoner Services.

I am taking the liberty of sharing your letter with our Senior Vice President and Director of the Commission on Social Action of Reform Judaism, Albert Vorspan. Your request for atticles and information on the Prisoner Outreach Program falls within his purview and I am asking him to determine just what the UAHC can do in regard to publicity that will be helpful in bringing to the American Jewish Community the work of this new coalition.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Edith J. Miller
Assistant to the President

cc: AL VORSPAN



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January 12, 1987

COMMISSION ON
COMMUNITY
VOLUNTEER SERVICES

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
Union Of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

Back on the 9th of September we wrote to you advising that B'nai B'rith International convened a conference of professional and lay persons involved with various facets of Prisoner Outreach Programs and formed the INTERNATIONAL COALITION FOR JEWISH PRISONER SERVICES. We briefly explained what the new Coalition was all about and provided you with some materials outlining our aims, goals, and concerns.

The purpose of the letter was not only to introduce the newly formed Coalition but to seek your support and blessings, if you will. While we are in dire need of funding, our main thrust at this time is informing the Jewish communities that there are indeed Jews in prison who need support. We were hopeful that you would publicize the INTERNATIONAL COALITION FOR JEWISH PRISONER SERVICES through your organization publication. We would also welcome any thoughts you may have because, remember, our Coalition is in its infancy stages and we are open for any and all suggestions.

B'nai B'rith International is convening a meeting of its CVS Commissioners early in February and I will be attending as the Commissioner responsible for the B'nai B'rith International Prisoner Outreach Program. I plan to report at that meeting on the results of our mailings to non-B'nai B'rith Jewish organizations throughout the United States, Canada, and Israel. I would like to be able to report that your fine organization is supportive of this very important Coalition. And if you will publicize the Coalition, I would appreciate a copy of the article because we are maintaining records of those organizations who are assisting us.

"Kol Yisroel Araivim Ze Le Ze" - "All Israel are responsible for each other."

Thank you in advance for your response.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Hochberg
Chairman
Prisoner Outreach Program

MJH:ld

Mr. Lerman

January 15, 1987
14 Tevet 5747

Mr. Antony Lerman, Company Secretary
Institute of Jewish Affairs LTD.
11 Hertford Street
London W1Y 7DX

Dear Mr. Lerman:

I was delighted to learn that Dr. Roth has nominated me for membership on the Board of Management of the Institute of Jewish Affairs. I am honored by this nomination and it pleases me to accept.

Inasmuch as the Annual General Meeting is to be held on February 2, 1987, I am unable to attend. I will be happy to sign an Instrument of Proxy, however one was not enclosed with your letter. You were kind enough to send out a notice of the Annual General Meeting but no Proxy form was enclosed. Perhaps this is because the election will take place at the Annual General Meeting and my Proxy might not be valid until after such an election.

Be that as it may, if you do indeed require an Instrument of Proxy signed by me please do forward same to my office and I will see that it is returned without delay. Again let me tell you how pleased I am by this nomination to this most important Institute.

With kindest greetings and every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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5 January 1987

Rabbi Alexander Shindler
Union of Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York
NT 10021
USA

Dear Rabbi Shindler

I am pleased to inform you that you have been nominated by Dr Stephen J Roth for membership of the Board of Management of the Institute of Jewish Affairs in London, the research body of the World Jewish Congress.

Elections to the Board will take place at the Annual General Meeting on 2 February 1987.

Board of Management meetings take place once a year and persons not resident in the UK are not required to attend. If you cannot attend Annual General Meetings, you may sign an Instrument of Proxy instructing another member of the Board of Management to vote for you. Instrument of Proxy forms are sent out with notices of Annual General Meetings.

I would be grateful if you would reply indicating your willingness to be elected. Meanwhile, I enclose the papers relating to the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Yours sincerely

Antony Lerman
Company Secretary

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*President Lord Goodman CH Chairman, Research Board Lord Lever PC
Chairman, Finance and General Purposes Committee Mr Ellis Birk Chairman, Policy Planning Group Sir Monty Finniston FRS
Chairman, Functions Committee Sir Sigmund Sternberg JP Chairman, Lecture Committee Professor Samuel E. Finer
Chairman, Organization Committee Mr William Frankel CBE Chairman, Publications Committee Lord Weidenfeld
Director Dr S J Roth*

INSTITUTE OF JEWISH AFFAIRS LIMITED

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Institute of Jewish Affairs Ltd held at 11 Hertford Street, London W1 on 16 December 1985 at 5.30 pm

Present: Mr Ellis S Birk
Dr Elizabeth E Eppler by her proxy Dr S J Roth
Mr Gregorio Faigon by his proxy Dr S J Roth
Lord Goodman CH by his proxy Dr S Kaufman
Dr Solomon Kaufman
Mr Philip Klutznick by his proxy Dr S J Roth
Mr Itzhak Korn by his proxy Dr S J Roth
Mr Antony Lerman
Mr Akiva Lewinsky by his proxy Dr S J Roth
Mr Michael May
Dr Gerhart M Riegner by his proxy Dr S J Roth
Dr Stephen J Roth

- 1 Pursuant to Article 19 of the Articles of Association, those present chose Mr Ellis S Birk, being a member of the Board of Management, to preside at the Meeting.
- 2 The Notice concerning the Meeting was read.
- 3 The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 4 In pursuance of articles 40, 41 and 45 of the Articles of Association, it was resolved to re-elect to the Board of Management: Dr S Zalman Abramov, Mr Edgar M Bronfman, Mr Greville Janner QC MP, Dr Solomon Kaufman, Mr Antony Lerman, Mr Michael May, Dr Stephen J Roth, Dr Israel Singer and Mr Kalman Sultanik.
- 5 The President Lord Goodman CH was re-elected in the terms of Article 40 of the Articles of Association.
- 6 The Annual General Meeting received and approved the Report of the Board of Management of even date.
- 7 The Annual General Meeting received, approved and adopted the accounts of the Company for the period of twelve months from 1 January 1984 to 31 December 1984 and the Auditor's report thereon.
- 8 The Annual General Meeting expressed its appreciation and thanks to Dr S Kaufman, Honorary Consultant and Messrs Victor Mishcon and Co. for their work as Honorary Solicitors to the Company, and to Messrs Hacker Young, Honorary Auditors to the Company. It was resolved that Messrs Hacker Young be re-appointed as Honorary Auditors to the Company until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting.
- 9 There being no other business, the Meeting terminated at 6 pm with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Chairman



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5 January 1987

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
THE INSTITUTE OF JEWISH AFFAIRS LIMITED**

Registered Office: 11 Hertford Street, London W1

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Members of the Institute of Jewish Affairs Limited will be held at 11 Hertford Street, London W1 on 2 February 1987 at 4.00pm

A G E N D A

- 1 Notice of the Meeting.
- 2 Minutes of the previous meeting to be signed by the Chairman (circulated).
- 3 To fill part of the vacancies in the Board of Management by the retirement in the terms of Articles 40, 41 and 42 of the Articles of Association of the following members: Dr S Zalman Abramov, Mr Ellis S Birk, Lord Goodman CH, Mr Philip M Klutznick, Lord Lever PC, Rabbi Dr Joachim Prinz, Dr Gerhart Riegner and Mr Avraham Shenker by electing or re-electing: Dr S Zalman Abramov, Mr Ellis S Birk, Senator Michel Dreyfus-Schmidt, Mr Leon Dulzin, Dr Nessim D Gaon, Lord Goodman CH, Mrs Raya Jaglom, Mr Sol Kanee, Mr Philip M Klutznick, Lord Lever PC, Dr Gerhart M Riegner and Rabbi Alexander Schindler.
- 4 To re-elect the President, Lord Goodman CH, in the terms of Article 40 of the Articles of Association.
- 5 To receive the Report of the Board of Management of even date (circulated).
- 6 To receive and, if approved, adopt the accounts of the Institute for the year from 1 January 1985 to 31 December 1985, and the Auditor's report thereon (circulated).

*President Lord Goodman CH Chairman, Research Board Lord Lever PC
Chairman, Finance and General Purposes Committee Mr Ellis Birk Chairman, Policy Planning Group Sir Monty Finniston FRS
Chairman, Functions Committee Sir Sigmund Sternberg JP Chairman, Lecture Committee Professor Samuel E. Finer
Chairman, Organization Committee Mr William Frankel CBE Chairman, Publications Committee Lord Weidenfeld
Director Dr S J Roth*

- 7 To express appreciation and thanks to Dr S Kaufman, Honorary Consultant, and Messrs Victor Mishcon and Co. for their work as Honorary Solicitors to the Company and to Messrs Hacker Young, Honorary Auditors to the Company, and to re-appoint Messrs Hacker Young as Honorary Auditors to the Company until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting.
- 8 Any other business.

Dated this 5th day of January 1987
By the Order of the Board



Mr Antony Lerman
Secretary

NOTE: In accordance with Clause 17 of the Articles of Association, a Member entitled to attend and vote at the above Meeting may appoint a Proxy to attend the Meeting and vote in his/her place. An instrument of proxy must be deposited at the Registered Office 48 hours before the time of the Meeting.



(THE INSTITUTE OF JEWISH AFFAIRS LIMITED

(CHARITY NO 252626)

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

31 DECEMBER 1985



Hacker Young

Chartered Accountants
St. Alphage House 2 Fore Street
London EC2Y 5DH



AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
THE INSTITUTE OF JEWISH AFFAIRS LIMITED
(CHARITY NO 252626)

We have audited the accounts set out on pages 3 to
7 in accordance with approved Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the accounts, which have been
prepared under the historical cost convention,
give a true and fair view of the state of the
company's affairs at 31 December 1985 and of its
profit for the year then ended, and comply with the
Companies Act 1985.

Hacker Young

Chartered Accountants

15 December 1986

Auditors

(CHARITY NO 252626)

(A company limited by guarantee and not having a share capital)

REPORT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

The members of the board submit their report together with the accounts for the year ended 31 December 1985.

RESULTS

The accounts for the twelve-month period from 1 January 1985 to 31 December 1985 show income of £457,090 and expenditure on research, administration and upkeep of £466,744, resulting in an excess of expenditure over income (£9,654) [1984 income over expenditure £16,896]. The whole expenditure of the year was for charitable purposes.

ACTIVITIES

The Company continued its activities designed to advance education in the field of human relationships, with particular reference to the history and social conditions of the Jewish people. In pursuance of these aims it engaged in several research projects, the publication of scholarly periodicals and reports, and the organization of scholarly lectures, seminars and symposia.

FIXED ASSETS

Acquisitions of fixed assets during the year are recorded in the notes to the accounts.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT Dr S Zalman Abramov, Mr Ellis S Birk, Mr Edgar M Bronfman, Lord Goodman CH, Rabbi Dr Arthur Hertzberg, Mr Greville Janner QC MP, Mr Mendel D Kaplan, Dr Solomon Kaufman, Mr Philip M Klutznick, Mr Antony Lerman, Lord Lever PC, Mr Akiva Lewinsky, Mr Michael May, Rabbi Dr Joachim Prinz, Dr Gerhart M Riegner, Dr Stephen J Roth, Mr Avraham Shenker, Dr Israel Singer, Mr Kalman Sultanik.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, Dr S Zalman Abramov, Mr Ellis S. Birk, Lord Goodman CH, Mr Philip M Klutznick, Lord Lever PC, Rabbi Dr Joachim Prinz, Dr Gerhart M. Riegner and Mr Avraham Shenker retire from the Board and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

In accordance with the Articles of Association the Board resolve to elect or re-elect as the case may be: Dr S Zalman Abramov, Mr Ellis S Birk, Mr Edgar M Bronfman, Senator Michael Dreyfus-Schmidt, Mr Leon Dulzin, Dr Nessim D Gaon, Lord Goodman CH, Rabbi Professor Arthur Hertzberg, Mrs Raya Jaglom, Mr Sol Kanee, Mr Mendel I Kaplan, Dr Solomon Kaufman, Mr Philip M Klutznick, Mr Antony Lerman, Lord Lever PC, Mr Akiva Lewinsky, Mr Michael May, Dr Gerhart M. Riegner, Dr Stephen J Roth, Rabbi Alexander Schindler, Dr Israel Singer, Mr Kalman Sultanik.

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REPORT OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

(CONTINUED)

AUDITORS

Messrs Hacker Young have agreed to continue in office as auditors to the company. A resolution will be put to the members at the Annual General Meeting re-appointing them as auditors until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting.

Registered office:

11 Hertford Street
London W1Y 7DX

15 December 1986

By order of the Board

Mr A Lerman

Secretary



THE INSTITUTE OF JEWISH AFFAIRS LIMITED

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(CHARITY NO 252626)

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1985

| | <u>Notes</u> | | <u>1984</u> |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|
| TURNOVER | 2 | £ 457,090 | £ 438,797 |
| Administrative expenses | | 466,744 | 421,901 |
| OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT | 3 | (9,654) | 16,896 |
| RETAINED BALANCE at 1 January 1985 | | (9,205) | (26,101) |
| BALANCE at 31 December 1985 | | £ (18,859) | £ (9,205) |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these accounts.

THE INSTITUTE OF JEWISH AFFAIRS LIMITED

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(CHARITY NO 252626)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1985

| | <u>Notes</u> | | <u>1984</u> |
|--|--------------|----------|-------------|
| FIXED ASSETS | | | |
| Tangible assets | 5 | £ 16,082 | £ 20,035 |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Investments | | £ - | £ 5 |
| Debtors | 6 | 42,912 | 19,324 |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 49,596 | 63,449 |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | 92,508 | 82,778 |
| CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year | 7 | 34,698 | 39,125 |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | 57,810 | 43,653 |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | £ 73,892 | £ 63,688 |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| RESERVES | | | |
| Other reserves | 8 | £ 92,751 | £ 72,893 |
| Income and expenditure account | | (18,859) | (9,205) |
| DR S J ROTH - Director and Member of the Board | | | |
| MR E S BIRK - Member of the Board | | | |
| Approved by the board: 15 December 1986 | | | |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | £ 73,892 | £ 63,688 |
| | | <hr/> | <hr/> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these accounts.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1985

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

(b) Turnover

Turnover represents miscellaneous income from grants and donations received.

(c) Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rate in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment - 25% on W.D.V.

2. TURNOVER

The turnover is wholly received in the UK as given below:

| | <u>1985</u> | <u>1984</u> |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Grants and donations for current activities | £ 457,090 | £ 438,797 |
| | ===== | ===== |

3. OPERATING LOSS

The operating loss (1984 - profit) is stated after charging:

| | <u>1985</u> | <u>1984</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Depreciation of tangible fixed assets | £ 5,361 | £ 6,678 |
| Staff costs (Note 4) | 214,101 | 195,663 |
| Auditors' remuneration | 865 | 763 |
| | ===== | ===== |

4. STAFF COSTS

| | <u>1985</u> | <u>1984</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Wages and salaries | £ 195,438 | £ 179,036 |
| Social security costs | 18,663 | 16,627 |
| | £ 214,101 | £ 195,663 |
| | ===== | ===== |

The average weekly number of employees during the year was as follows:

| | <u>1985</u> | <u>1984</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Office and management | 22 | 20 |
| | == | == |

(CHARITY NO 252626)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1985

(CONTINUED)

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

| | Fixtures, fittings and equipment |
|---------------------|---|
| Cost or valuation | |
| At 1 January 1985 | £ 47,174 |
| Additions | 1,408 |
| | <hr/> |
| At 31 December 1985 | £ 48,582 |
| | <hr/> |
| Depreciation | |
| At 1 January 1985 | £ 27,139 |
| Charge for year | 5,361 |
| | <hr/> |
| At 31 December 1985 | £ 32,500 |
| | <hr/> |
| Written down values | |
| At 31 December 1985 | £ 16,082 |
| | <hr/> |
| At 31 December 1984 | £ 20,035 |
| | <hr/> |

6. DEBTORS

| | 1985 | 1984 |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| Trade debtors | £ 10,670 | £ 12,102 |
| Other debtors | 31,536 | 6,263 |
| Advances | 706 | 959 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | £ 42,912 | £ 19,324 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

| | 1985 | 1984 |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Trade creditors | £ 13,723 | £ 12,016 |
| Other creditors | 9,158 | 11,356 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 22,881 | 23,372 |
| Bank overdrafts (see note 9) | 11,817 | 15,753 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | £ 34,698 | £ 39,125 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |

(CHARITY NO 252626)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 DECEMBER 1985

(CONTINUED)

8. OTHER RESERVES

| | <u>1985</u> | <u>1984</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Programme for special projects | £ 72,893 | £ 80,154 |
| Special project transfers | 23,858 | - |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | 96,751 | 80,154 |
| Less: Expended on special projects | 4,000 | 7,261 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | £ 92,751 | £ 72,893 |
| | ===== | ===== |

The reserve for special projects relates to research projects outside the normal budget and agreed by the Finance and General Purposes Committee. The long term nature of these projects results in the fact that expenditure can be incurred over a period of three to four year after the date of authorisation of the project. Currently in 1986, to the date of approval of the Accounts, in excess of £16,000 has been expended on special projects. The long term commitment at the same date is in excess of £100,000.

9. BANK OVERDRAFTS

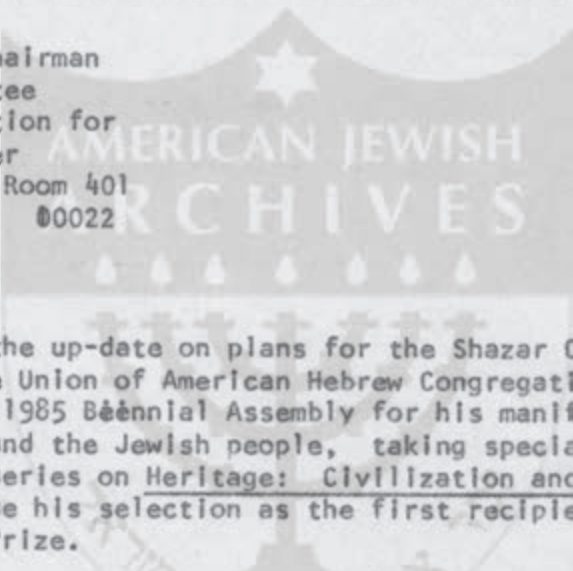
The aggregate amount of bank overdrafts was as follows:

| | <u>1985</u> | <u>1984</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Falling due within one year | £ 11,817 | £ 15,753 |
| | ===== | ===== |

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December 23, 1986
21 Kislev 5747

Mr. Zvi Almog, Chairman
Executive Committee
American Association for
the Shazar Center
515 Park Avenue, Room 401
New York, NY 00022



Dear Mr. Almog:

Many thanks for the up-date on plans for the Shazar Center. My own organization, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, honored Abba Eban at our 1985 Biennial Assembly for his manifold contributions to Israel and the Jewish people, taking special note of his book and the TV series on Heritage: Civilization and the Jews. Thus, I heartily endorse his selection as the first recipient of the International Shazar Prize.

It also pleases me to note that tribute will be paid to Professor Salo Baron and Elie Wiesel. Both are truly worthy of special praise for their contributions and achievements. They have served our people with great distinction in many, many ways.

The dinner date, April 7, 1987, is marked on my schedule but I must note I may have a conflict. I may have to be involved in meetings of the United Israel Appeal, including a dinner meeting, but if at all possible I will try to attend the Shazar Tribute Dinner. I'll be in a better position to determine my plans as the date draws closer.

Thank you for the copy of The Holocaust and Its Significance. I am pleased to have this publication in my personal library.

With every good wish for a bright and festive Hanukkah and with kind regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

VIA

Dinner

Following Trustees
meeting - will
you be



The Zalman Shazar Center
for Jewish History



מרכז זלמן שזר
לתולדות ישראל

November 12, 1986

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
Union of American Hebrew
Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

On behalf of our President, Professor Elie Wiesel, I am privileged to welcome you as a founding member of the National Council. We know that your presence will enhance the important work of the Shazar Center in bringing to the general public the results of rigorous historical scholarship.

In recognition of the outstanding contribution made by Abba Eban in his book, Heritage: Civilization and the Jews, the Board of Directors has decided to award him the International Shazar Prize. The award ceremony will take place at the Shazar Tribute Dinner to be held on April 7, 1987 at the Pierre Hotel in New York.

At this occasion we will pay homage to our Honorary Chairman, Professor Salo W. Baron, for his lifetime achievements as this century's doyen of historical research. The Historical Society of Israel has decided to dedicate the next issue of "Zion" in his honor.

I know you all join me and the Board of Directors in expressing our heartfelt congratulations to our President, Elie Wiesel, "Witness against forgetfulness", for being awarded the prestigious Nobel Prize for Peace. We are looking forward to celebrating with him at the Shazar Tribute Dinner.

Meanwhile, please accept with our compliments a copy of The Holocaust and Its Significance by Yisrael Gutman and Chaim Schatzker. The first of the Shazar publications to be translated and made available in English, it is, hopefully, the vanguard of many to follow.

Cordially,

Zvi Almog, Chairman
Executive Committee

ZA/ml
Enclosure

NATIONAL ALLIANCE AGAINST RACIST & POLITICAL REPRESSION

126 West 119th Street • Suite 101 • New York, N.Y. 10026 • 212/866-8600



November 6, 1986

Rabbi Alex Schindler
Union of American
Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10012

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GENERAL COUNSEL

Atty. Adjoa Aiyetoro

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Frank Chapman

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

We urge you to join with hundreds of other trade union, church, civil rights, and community leaders and elected officials across the nation and sign the enclosed appeal to Governor George Wallace to save the life of Johnny Imani Harris.

Harris is a young Black man who is facing the electric chair in Alabama, though he is innocent of any crime. His case is the rawest example of the fate of Black and other people of color, and of working people before our criminal justice system. (See enclosed brochure.)

The NAARPR has targeted the Harris case for emergency action. By staying the hand of Alabama's executioners in this case, we believe we can better struggle for justice for many others.

The Holiday Appeal to Governor Wallace will be taken to him in Mid-December by a delegation of Alabama people's leaders and officials. Please send your signature today.

In unity & struggle,

Frank Chapman
Executive Director

FC/bt

Unity + Struggle + Organization = Victories

A Holiday Appeal to Gov. George Wallace

IN THE NAME OF JUSTICE & HUMANITY FREE JOHNNY IMANI HARRIS

We the undersigned, from Alabama and across the nation, urge you to use these last days of your term to end the ordeal of Johnny Imani Harris and set him free.

Mr. Harris, a young Black man, has been in prison in Alabama for 16 years. He has lived the last 12 years on death row and has come within days of being executed.

In 1970 Mr. Harris and his family moved into a previously all-white neighborhood in Birmingham. They were confronted with a campaign of racist harassment and violence, which ended only when Harris was arrested and the family forced to move. Harris was charged with a series of petty robberies and that most inflammatory racist charge—the rape of a white woman. He maintains he is innocent, but he has never had an opportunity to prove it. His court appointed attorneys prepared no defense and “plea bargained” him into five life sentences.

In prison he encountered conditions so inhuman that the courts later ruled they violated constitutional prohibitions against cruel and unusual punishment. When prisoners rebelled and a prisoner and a guard were killed, Mr. Harris was charged with murder. The state never proved he killed the guard. But the politically and racially charged atmosphere, an obscure slave-era law, and an all-white, all-male jury sent Mr. Harris to Alabama's death row.

And Mr. Harris' case is not an isolated one. In Alabama Black people are 24% of the population, but make up 70% of the prisoners on death row. Nationally of 1765 people on death row, 42% are Black, while Black people are only 12% of the population. Not one of those 1765 is rich.

Mr. Harris has been the victim, not the criminal. In the spirit of this holiday season and the love of justice shown by so many in your state, bring an end to this injustice: commute Johnny Imani Harris' sentences.

Signed,

Yes, include my name on the Holiday Appeal to Gov. George Wallace.

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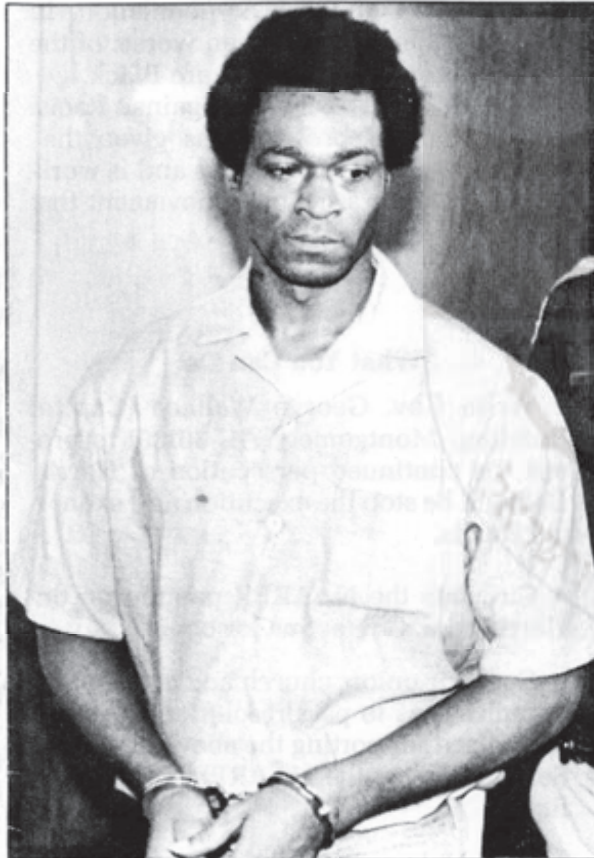
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JOHNNY IMANI HARRIS: Alabama Must Not Take His Life

Johnny Imani Harris is a 34-year-old Black man sentenced to die in Alabama's electric chair even though he is innocent of any crime. In 1974, while serving 5 consecutive life terms in Alabama's Atmore Prison for crimes he did not commit, Harris was charged, convicted and sentenced to death for the murder of a prison guard—a crime an eyewitness saw another prisoner commit.

Birmingham Frame-Up

The racist use of the death penalty against Harris continues the racist attack which began when he and his family moved into a previously all-white neighborhood in Birmingham, Alabama. There was a neighborhood petition campaign demanding the family move, acid thrown on their car, a cross burned on their lawn, and much more.

Five months after moving into his new home, on August 11, 1970, in this atmosphere of racist violence and terror, 19-year-old Johnny Imani Harris was arrested without a warrant while on his way to work. He was placed in a line-up where his photograph was handed around to insure that he would be the man identified. The next day Harris was charged with four robberies in the amounts of \$11, \$67, \$90 and \$205, and with the alleged rape of a white woman. Each of these charges in 1970 carried a maximum penalty of death.

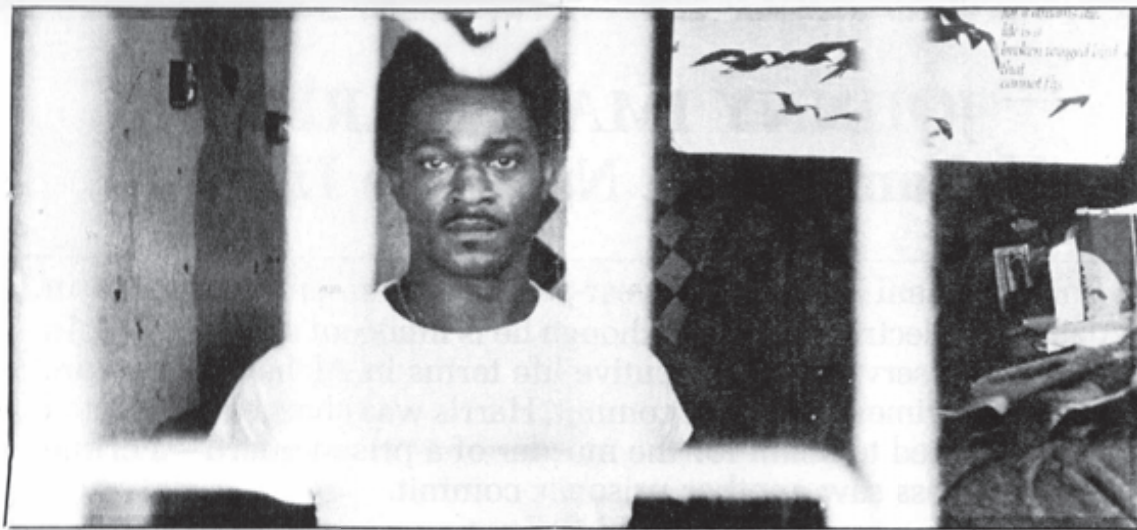
There followed a travesty of the rights to counsel and due process. One of Harris' court-appointed lawyers never visited him before the trial. No pre-trial motions challenging Harris' warrantless arrest or the warrantless search of his home were filed. None of Harris' attorneys examined the

medical report on the alleged rape victim, which stated there was no evidence of rape. None of the five people providing Harris with an unimpeachable alibi for the time of the alleged rape was called as a witness.

A few minutes before the trial began, Harris' attorneys both counseled him to plead guilty. One had not subpoenaed any defense witnesses and was totally unprepared to defend his client. The other felt the court would take the white woman's word over Harris' regarding the rape and that Harris might get the death sentence if he didn't plead guilty. And this attorney "didn't intend to buck the system." Faced with this situation, fearing for his life, Harris pleaded guilty. He received five consecutive life sentences and was sent to Atmore Prison to serve out his time.

Cruel and Unusual Punishment

The horrors which awaited him were indescribable. Little had changed since the days when the Scottsboro defendants were imprisoned there. Federal Judge Frank M. Johnson later found Atmore Prison to be unfit for human habitation and in violation of Constitutional protections against cruel and unusual punishment.



Harris, along with other prisoners, joined Inmates for Action (IFA) to try to improve conditions. Prison officials answered their protests with beatings and brutality.

In January, 1974, 64 prisoners who had protested—including Harris—were confined in a "hole" built for 32. There were no toilets or beds. Guards lied to the prisoners, saying they had just beaten an IFA member to death. Believing they would be next, the prisoners seized two guards as hostages and made one demand—that members of the press, legislature, and clergy be brought to Atmore to see conditions.

Warden Marion B. Harding ordered the guards to attack the prisoners and break up the protest. A guard, Officer Barrow, and a prison leader, George Dobbins, were killed. According to eyewitnesses, the Warden repeatedly stabbed Dobbins in the face after having him shot by a guard.

Sentenced to Death

Harris was brought to trial by a politically ambitious Alabama Attorney General, Bill Baxley, using an 1859 slaveholder law carrying a mandatory death sentence. No evidence was presented that Harris had

killed the guard. Baxley maintained Harris was guilty of murder if he had been part of the protest. During the trial Baxley stated that the warden "should have set up a machine gun, given the prisoners two minutes to come out, and then cut them all down."

The jury was all white and all male. Harris was convicted and sentenced to death.

New Trial Won

In 1978 Jesse David Jett, a white former prisoner at Atmore, came forward with eyewitness testimony that Harris had not killed the guard. He had not said anything before due to threats by the prison guards. Harris' attorney won a new trial in 1983, but Jett suddenly refused to testify. Once again an all-white jury convicted Harris and sentenced him to death.

The Case Today

The conviction is now being appealed to the Alabama appellate court. Harris' current attorneys raise a number of issues, including the highly prejudicial statements made by the state's prosecutor, the racially discriminatory composition of the indict-

ing Grand Jury, and the lack of evidence linking Harris to the crime. Despite sworn statements, Warden Harding was never brought to trial for Dobbins' murder.

The racist and class bias in both the imposition and execution of the death sentence has been further bolstered by the Reagan Supreme Court decision to reject appeals without considering the issues raised and thereby speed up the rate of executions.

Of the 1513 death row prisoners nationally, nearly half are people of color. Almost 42% are Black, though Black people make up only 12% of the U.S. population. In Alabama the picture is even worse: of the 74 people on death row, 50 are Black.

The National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression has given the Harris case emergency status and is working to organize a national movement that can save his life.

What You Can Do:

- Write Gov. George Wallace (Capitol Building, Montgomery AL 36130) to protest the continued persecution of Harris. Demand he stop the execution and exonerate Harris.
- Circulate the NAARPR petition on the Harris case. Contact us for copies.
- Get your union, church and community organizations to pass resolutions directed to Wallace supporting the above demands. Send copies to the NAARPR national office.
- Write Johnny Imani Harris (Rt. 2, Box 37, Holman Station AL 36503) to express your solidarity.
- Send a generous contribution to the NAARPR to aid the campaign to save Harris' life.

JOIN THE NAARPR

We Can Fight Back and Win

Since it was founded in 1973, the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression has worked to defend our fundamental democratic right to organize and struggle, and to end the racism of the police, courts, jails, and prisons.



Vigil to Stop Harris Execution at Alabama capitol (12/84) organized by Birmingham Branch NAARPR

Our program includes fighting back against attacks on the people's movement; outlawing the KKK, Nazis, and other hate groups; stopping racist violence; ending police crimes; enforcing the Voting Rights Act; defending labor rights; protecting undocumented workers; abolishing the death penalty; ending inhuman prison conditions; and defeating repressive legislation.

Unity is Our Weapon

The NAARPR is a coalition of organizations and individuals that unites the broad cross-section of our people who share our goals—Black, white, Puerto Rican, Chicano, Latino, Native American and Asian-Pacific; elected officials, trade unionists, community activists, church leaders, political organizers, cultural workers, youth and students, women and men, young and old. We have 37 branches in 28 states and over 70 affiliate organizations across the country.

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Dear Rabbi Schindler:

Because of a scheduling conflict, the prayer section of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' program for September 20, 1987 has been cancelled. I truly appreciate your willingness to participate but the loss will surely be those who would have attended.

I trust you are recovering and are in fine form.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Robert L. Israeloff

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Dear Mr. Israeloff:

Many thanks for your very gracious invitation to participate in the Centennial Annual Meeting of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. I've checked my schedule for September 20, 1987 and I am delighted that it will be possible for me to be with you for this special anniversary program. It's but a few days before the eve of Rosh Hashonah so I undoubtedly won't have any conflict with congregational events within the UAHC.

I've noted that the program will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 2:00 p.m. When we get closer to the date we can finalize details. I look forward to sharing in this special celebration with you and your fellow CPA's.

We will undoubtedly see each other at one or another Jewish meetings long before September 1987 and I'm certain we'll have a chance to chat. Until then, my thanks and warm good wishes.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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Dear Rabbi Schindler:

We have met each other at a number of "Jewish world" functions over the last few years but I am now writing to you in another role, namely that of income-producing Certified Public Accountant.

I am a member of the National Centennial Annual Meeting Committee of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants which is organizing the accounting profession's 100th Anniversary Celebration to be held in New York in 1987. On Sunday afternoon, September 20, 1987, a non-denominational prayer service will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 2:00 P. M. We believe that Cardinal O'Connor will represent the Catholics and that a prominent Protestant clergyman will also participate in the program.

I was asked by the Committee to arrange for a prominent Jewish rabbi to participate in the program and I thought you would be the appropriate Jewish participant.

Can you plan this far ahead and be part of the accounting profession's Centennial Celebration?

Sincerely yours,

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September 4, 1986
Av 30, 5746

Handwritten signature

Rabbi Alexander Schindler,
Union of American Hebrew Congregations,
838 Fifth Ave.,
New York, NY 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

I am happy to be able to report to you at last that the book including Cal Goldscheider's essay and your comment on it (as well as eleven others) is scheduled for publication the last week of October or the first week of November, 1986, be'sha'ah tova!

The full title is The American Jewish Community: Social Science Research and Policy Implications, and it is being issued as Number 2 in the "Brown Studies on Jews and their Societies" of the Program in Judaic Studies at Brown University, in co-operation with the Israel-Diaspora Institute. Scholar's Press of Atlanta Georgia is publishing the book on our behalf.

I made sure to add all the names and addresses I received from the contributors to our distribution list for complimentary copies. If you have any late additions, please send them immediately to Cal Goldscheider at Brown, with a copy to me (so that I can weed out duplications). A copy of the book will, of course, be sent directly to you. We have taken steps to distribute the book widely, to individuals, institutions and publications, and hope it will stir up the sort of creative policy discussion in the community that we intended.

Let me thank you again for your contribution to this endeavour in joint policy thinking about the American Jewish future. It was a pleasure working with you on this project.

I conclude with warm wishes to you and your family for a shana tova. Be well.

Shalom,

Shelly Schreter
Shelly Schreter,
Director General.

P.S. I hope this finds you feeling well, after your recent illness. The best of health to you in the future.

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September 10, 1986
6 Elul 5746

Mr. Adam Doron
Beit Berl
Kefar Saba, Israel

Dear Mr. Doron:

It was gratifying to receive your gracious letter of invitation to participate in the creation of a volume on "The State of Israel and Eretz Israel" to be published by Beit Berl.

Unfortunately my schedule is already over committed for the next months. It is simply not possible for me to undertake any new assignments, especially one which requires a great deal of time to produce an article worthy for a publication such as you have described. I am watching my schedule very carefully since my illness of this past Spring and I do hope you understand my predicament.

Let me take this opportunity to wish you well in this important project.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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Beit- Berl, Israel

August 12th, 1986

Rabbi Alexander Shindler
Union , N.Y.
U.S.A

Dear Rabbi Shindler,

I am writing to ask you to participate in a publication by
Beit Berl in a book on the subject - The State of Israel and Eretz Israel-
- מדינת ישראל וארץ ישראל -

There will be about twenty writers and leaders participating on different
sub subjects. The subject I would suggest you to write about is: -
The Future Boundaries of the State of Israel According to Jewish Tradition,
Hallacha and Current Political Middle East & World Situation.
This chapter of yours , as others, should be about seven thousand words.

I hope to hear from you soon and get your acceptance. I find it of
great importance that you, as a leader of an important part of the world
and American Jewery will be known here by a greater number of Israelis,
and not just on the subject of -Who is a Jew- so that you may influence
more efficiently on this particular matter, which I happen to agree with you.

Anyway, to get back to your participation, if you would like to make
a change in the title of your suggested chapter, I leave it up to you,
but, please let me know about it.

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By the way , I am writing to you following a conversation with Rabbi Moshe Zemer-Tel Aviv, who is a friend of mine, and I'm sure he would be happy as I would to know about your participating.

I hope to hear from you soon.

Please forgive all my mistakes.



Sincerely yours,

Adam Doron

Adam Doron

Beit Berl

Kefar Saba, Israel

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July 31, 1986
24 Tammuz 5746

Dr. Benjamin Hirsch
Executive Director
David Ben-Gurion Centennial Committee
823 United Nations Plaza
Suite 318
New York, N.Y. 10017-3510

Dear Dr. Hirsch:

I have your letter of July 23rd in regard to a special Shabbat in remembrance of David Ben-Gurion.

Since Shabbat services are fall within the domain of the rabbis, I am sending your request to the Central Conference of American Rabbis with a recommendation that they urge their members to observe December 5-6, 1986 as a Shabbat of remembrance of David Ben-Gurion.

With kindest greetings and every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: CCAR

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July 23, 1986

Rabbi Alexander Schindler
President
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

Last year, the Knesset, in a gratifying display of unity, proclaimed the David Ben-Gurion Centennial, to be celebrated from October 19, 1986, until May 4, 1987, Israel's Independence Day, and requested that national committees be established. The Centennial honors the man who, more than any other, was responsible for the establishment of the State of Israel. In the United States, the Committee is chaired by Jack J. Spitzer, Honorary Chairman of B'nai B'rith International.

The Committee functions as an independent body funded by sixty sponsors and serves to facilitate and enable the Centennial Celebrations of all Jewish organizations. The Centennial is also establishing programs suited for adaptation for all segments of the Jewish population in the United States. It would be most appropriate if the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, as a leading body of religious expression, would join in the celebration.

May we suggest that an appropriate time for such a remembrance would be the Shabbat of December 5 and 6, as that is the Shabbat closest to David Ben-Gurion's Yahrzeit. Various Boards of Rabbis have requested that their constituent Rabbis devote that Sabbath to the memory of David Ben-Gurion.

I trust that our request will meet with a positive reply.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ben Hirsch".

Benjamin Hirsch, Ph.D.
Executive Director

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July 29, 1986
22 Tammuz 5746

Mr. Robert C. Campbell, Chairman
Religion In American Life
815 Second Avenue
Suite 200
New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Mr. Campbell:

Thank you so much for your most gracious letter of thanks to the UAHC for our participation in the work of Religion in American Life. I appreciate your kind comments.

May I please request that your records be changed to indicate that my proper first name.. It is Alexander not Arthur as appears on your letter of July 22nd. Your prompt attention to this request will be much appreciated.

With repeated thanks and warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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July 22, 1986

Rabbi Arthur M. Schindler
President
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

I am writing to convey to you the resolution of thanks voted by our Board of Directors at the annual meeting June 12, 1986. The Board wishes to thank you and through you The Union of American Hebrew Congregations for being a participating group of Religion In American Life. The Board and I deeply appreciate your support and invite its continuation through the current program year.

My personal best wishes.

Sincerely,

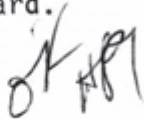
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Robert C. Campbell
Chairman

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*Although you
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2. A modern Bible commentary in Hebrew is being produced in Israel. The project has a board of directors which draws from leaders of all movements, and Alex is being asked to join the board. Others who have already agreed are Gerson Cohen, Wolfe Kelman, Nathan Rotenstreich, and Alexander Altmann.

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July 15, 1986
8 Tammuz 5746

Dr. Avraham Shapira
Editorial Board
Mikra LeYisrael
Kibbutz Yizreel 19350
Israel

Dear Dr. Shapira:

My recovery from my recent heart attack has been exceedingly good and I am delighted to be back at my desk.

Your letter of invitation to join the Board of Directors of Mikra LeYisrael awaited me along with the handsome brochure describing this exciting project. I am honored to join the impressive company of Jewish leaders who will serve on the Board and I thank you for asking me to be a part of this wonderful venture.

With all good wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

June 11, 1986
4 Sivan 5746

Dr. Avraham Shapira
Editorial Board
Mikra LeYisrael
Kibbutz Yizreel - 19350
Israel

Dear Dr. Shapira:

As you undoubtedly know, Rabbi Schindler has been hospitalized in Israel these past few weeks. We are delighted that he is able to return home early next week.

While at this point I do not know just when Rabbi Schindler will return to his desk, I will hold your letter of May 20 until such time as I am able to discuss with him your invitation to join the Board of Directors for the modern Commentary in Hebrew being prepared in Israel. We will, of course, be in touch with you at the earliest time.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Edith J. Miller
Assistant to the President



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שלוש רב לך נכבדי,

ברצוננו להציג בפניך מפעלנו "מקרא לישראל". מהפרוספקט המצ"ב ניתן להתוודע לתבנית הפירוש ולמאגמותיו, וכן - להכיר חלק מרשימת חוקרי המקרא שיפרשו ספרים במסגרת המפעל.

דומה שאין אח ורע ל"מקרא לישראל" בתרבות היהודית בזמננו, מהבחינות הבאות:
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ב. זהו מפעל עברי-ישראלי הנושא אופי כלל-יהודי, שמתעצב על-ידי השתתפותם בו של חשובי אישי המקרא בעמנו בכל אתר, כמו גם באמצעות שיתוף-פעולה הדוק עם מפעל הפירוש של JEWISH PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

בחבר הנאמנים של המפעל חובבים אישי רוח וגדולי חכמת ישראל מכל החוגים והזרמים ביהדות זמננו, ואנחנו מזמינים אותך להצטרף אליהם. בין האישים שכבר הצטרפו לחבר הנאמנים: פרופ' בנימין מזר, פרופ' נתן רוטנשטרייך, הרב פרופ' אלכסנדר אדטמן, הרב פרופ' גרשון דוד כהן, הרב וולף קלמן, ד"ר דוד פטרסון; יש בכך ביטוי להכרה במשמעותו התרבותית-הסטורית של המפעל.

נתכבד בהענותך, בהצטרפותך לחבר-הנאמנים של "מקרא לישראל".
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July 7, 1986
30 Sivan 5746

Neil W. Levin, Acting Director
Sabin Music Center of the Jewish
Theological Seminary of America
3080 Broadway
New York, NY

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Dear Mr. Levin:

It was good to learn of the plans to create a Herman Berlinski
Archive as part of the Sabin Music Center's Music Library.
This is a splendid manner in which to honor Dr. Berlinski on his
75th Birthday.

It will be my pleasure to add my name to this project.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

THE JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF AMERICA
3080 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10027
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25 June, 1986

*Write that I
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to send my
name to the
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Rabbi Alexander Schindler
President
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

Our esteemed colleague and friend, Dr. Herman Berlinski, is currently celebrating his 75th birthday. In recognition of this milestone in the career of one of America's most distinguished composers, organists and exponents of Jewish music, the Jewish Theological Seminary wishes to establish a HERMAN BERLINSKI ARCHIVE in its new Music Library at the Sabin Music Center.

This Archive will contain Dr. Berlinski's complete works, recordings, articles and other writings, and extensive Jewish collections. It will make his works permanently and readily accessible to students, performers and scholars; and, ensure their widest possible utilization. We will also publish a complete annotated catalogue, and we are privileged to have Dr. Berlinski's personal collaboration and assistance.

Establishment of this Archive will require funds for copying, binding, transferral, cataloguing, maintenance and publication. These will be raised by voluntary contributions from Dr. Berlinski's many friends, colleagues and admirers throughout his long and still active career. To this end, a HERMAN BERLINSKI ARCHIVE COMMITTEE is being formed from among a select group of friends and professional associates. Their names will be listed on all correspondence and solicitations from the Music Library for this project.

I am writing at this time to invite your participation on this Committee by lending your name and support to the project. We wish to stress that there is no financial obligation whatever to Committee members -- only endorsement of, and help with, this worthy endeavor to honour and perpetuate Dr. Berlinski's work. We also emphasize that all funds raised will be maintained separately and used exclusively for the Berlinski Archive.

We sincerely hope that you will agree to be included on this Committee, and that we may turn to you for suggestions and advice. Since we expect to implement this project during the summer, we would greatly appreciate knowing your response at your earliest convenience.

Looking forward to a successful project together, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

Neil W. Levin
Neil W. Levin
Acting Director, Sabin Music Center

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July 11, 1986
4 Tammuz 5746

Mr. Marden D. Paru
Regional Director
American Society for Techbion
271 Madison Avenue
Suite 1802
New York, N.Y. 10157-0344

Dear Mr. Paru:

Your letter of July 9th requesting a listing of UAHC congregational Presidents has come to my attention. I regret that it is not possible to respond to your request.

Our Board of Trustees has instructed our staff not to share our mailing lists. We simply cannot provide the information you requested. I do hope you can understand our situation.

I do not know the policy of the Central Conference of American Rabbis in regard to their mailing lists. You might contact them directly to determine if it is possible to receive a list of the Rabbis in the geographical areas of interest. The CCAR is located at 21 East 40th Street, New York, N.Y. 10016

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Edith J. Miller
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Gentlemen:

The New York Metropolitan Region of the American Society for Technion--covering New York State, Connecticut and the northern half of New Jersey---would like to request a congregational/presidents list covering the same area. We would like to inform congregations of the availability of speakers for programming. Men's clubs/Brotherhoods, Sisterhoods, and adult education committees might want to take advantage of this opportunity.

The Technion/Israel Institute of Technology which is located high up on the slopes of Mt. Carmel in Haifa, is the premier technological university in Israel. Its advanced work in biomedicine, aeronautics and electronics, as well as biblical analyses utilizing computers provides sabbatical professors and other experts much interesting material to discuss before Jewish audiences. We would like to make this information known to congregations in the Tri-state area affiliated with your umbrella organization.

I look forward to receiving your list. I would hope that in addition to the names of the Presidents you might provide the names of the Rabbis. I am confident that these officials would transmit our letter to the appropriate other leaders in their congregation that might want to consider this offer.

Many thanks for your accommodation to this request.

Sincerely,

Marden D. Paru

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Regional Director

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