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November 22, 1978

Dr. Joseph B. Kennedy  
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Dear Dr. Kennedy:

Thank you for your note of November 18 and the copy of the Call to Prayer, which I shall pass along as per your request.

It was good meeting you and I appreciate your efforts in this important work. Your invitation to join with you at Sinai for the signing of the peace treaty is most gracious. Needless to note it is an occasion I would dearly wish to share in!

The miraculous progress of your daughter is heartening. Two words - how wonderful! I pray she continues to make progress in the days ahead.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



CALL TO PRAYER

On September 6, 1978, a call for people throughout the world to pray for peace was issued jointly by Prime Minister Menachem Begin, President Anwar All Sadat and President Carter.

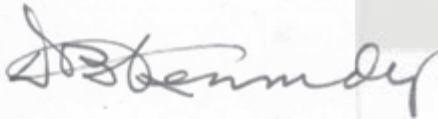
President Carter has asked that we express his appreciation for your response.

As you know the success of Camp David has been followed by weeks of difficult negotiations to complete a peace agreement. The prayers that meant so much at Camp David are equally important now and the President hopes they will continue.

We, therefore, ask that you encourage your friends and associates to continue to remember and pray for Prime Minister Begin, President Sadat, President Carter and all those who are working together for peace.

Sincerely,

Mark O. Hatfield, U.S. Senate  
Harold E. Hughes, U. S. Senate retired



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11/18/78

Dear Rabbi Schindler.

Please get this call to prayer to your congregations. It is from President Carter but with Hatfield & Hughes making the call since there is no time to get Sadat & Begin to sign. I heard from Egypt yesterday I have been invited to attend the signing at Sinai and can bring 25 others. Hope you can go. Will call or write later.

Sincerely  
J.B.K.

Dr. Joseph B. Kennedy

OLD KENNEDY MILL ROAD, ROUTE 5, BOX 187, THOMASVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA 27360

Washington - 11/14/78

Dear Rabbi -

I want to take a moment of your time to thank you for your help, your friendships and kindness during my brief trip to N.Y.

I called Phil Klutchnik as you suggested but he was away and by the time I reached him the new crisis was taking all of the Prime Minister's attention. I hope everything works for a great film for it would help the world really understand Mr. Begin.

no answer.

It looks like Mt. Sinai will happen - if the Peace happens. I wanted to talk to you tonight for the Resident has asked each of us to call seven people to pay one foot for Peace - especially the next 48 hours. your home number is no longer listed but will be in touch tomorrow or soon.

My regards to your beautiful wife. Please speak two words very clearly Sunday without anyone speaking to her. A great day for us. Love always  
Joseph



October 26, 1978

Mr. Sargent Shriver  
600 New Hampshire Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Mr. Shriver:

Thank you for sending me copies of the responses from Begin and Sadat to "our" letter. I, too, am delighted that it received such attention. I am even more delighted about the results, although I suspect that a few other factors came into play. But then isn't it always so? God's will can only be effected by man.

On another matter, as I told you over the phone when we spoke, if and when your brother-in-law is ready to move you can count on me still!

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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October 23, 1978

Rabbi Alexander Schindler  
President  
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838 Fifth Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

I hope you will be pleased to read the letters I received late last week from President Sadat of Egypt and from Prime Minister Begin of Israel. I think we can be happy that "our" letter received such attention at the highest levels before the meeting at Camp David.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

*Sargent Shriver*  
Sargent Shriver

ראש הממשלה  
THE PRIME MINISTER

Jerusalem, September 28, 1978.

Mr. Robert Sargent Shriver, Jr.  
600 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Shriver,

I am taking this first opportunity to acknowledge with sincere thanks your kind letter of September 1, 1978, and the message of the representatives of the three Faiths which you enclosed.

I was deeply moved by the content and significance of the document and I share in the sense of thanksgiving that the Camp David meeting has opened afresh the door towards peace.

Please convey to the distinguished signatories of the document my deepest appreciation for their words of prayer, hope and beauty.

I want to assure you and them that we, the people and the Government of Israel, dedicate ourselves totally and speedily to translating the agreements of Camp David into the tangible realities of peace.

With deep appreciation,

Sincerely,

*Menachem Begin*  
Menachem Begin

October 20, 1978

Text of Telex received at this Embassy from President Sadat for transmittal to Ambassador Shriver:

Dear Ambassador Shriver:

Ambassador Ghorbal brought to my attention, when I was at Camp David, your letter of September 1, 1978, with the message of hope expressed by a distinguished group of Muslim, Jewish and Christian religious leaders. That message, addressed to President Carter, to Prime Minister Begin and myself, was a source of great inspiration as well as support in the joint efforts we undertook for the cause of peace and humanity.

If we succeeded at Camp David to build a foundation of peace and hope in the Middle East for all its people, I am sure that the prayers of many, especially those of your friends the religious leaders of the three faiths, have been well heard and received.

Today, as we embark again on translating the Framework for Peace in the Middle East into a vehicle of action to make peace a reality, not only between Egypt and Israel, but also between Israel and all her Arab neighbors, including the people of Palestine, I feel we are sustained by the continuous support of those who care about true peace and love. With your permission, I am sending to each and every member who signed the joint document an expression of my gratitude and warm feelings.

May the God of Abraham, of Moses, of Jesus and Mohamed unite us all in this tremendous undertaking of creating that lasting structure of just and honorable peace.

Anwar El-Sadat



THE PRIME MINISTER OF ISRAEL,

THE PRESIDENT OF THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT,

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

WITH awe and gratitude we watched and listened to the bold meeting in Jerusalem last November, on a day when the name of Abraham gave a very special glow to the hope for peace, and for an end to human sacrifice. We saw and heard two men opening up new possibilities, liberated by their awareness of being in God's presence and seeking to do his will.

We write now to all three of you in the firm and grateful conviction that, as you gather at Camp David, you will find time and ways to lift up your hearts and minds to God, whose healing presence again and again can quicken your minds and again and again can reinforce your resolve toward peace -- in spite of all obstacles.

As Jews, Christians, and Muslims, belonging with you to the "Peoples of the Book," we write to you, driven by our faith. According to all our traditions peace is more than a dream and a hope. It is not one option among others. The relentless pursuit of peace is a command from God. As teachers of religion we know only too well how easily religions can be misused to build barricades of suspicion, fear, and hatred. Religions yes, but in a true sense God can never be misused, and His name is known among us as Peace.

We speak to you as to men known for courage. Now most especially we expect from you the perhaps greatest courage -- the courage for peace.

And we know that we speak for millions and millions of common people who hunger for peace. With them and for them we speak, and we have learned not to underestimate that hunger and the power of that hunger and of the spoken and unspoken prayers that rise to God out of it.

There can be no true peace without justice, security, and dignity for all. In a true and lasting peace there must be no victors and no vanquished. The dignity of all men and women must be held high. The Golden Rule is known to us all in many forms. One that seems especially timely reads "Let the honor of your neighbor be as precious to you as your own."

We do not belittle the obstacles on the road towards such a peace. Nor do we belittle any of the many small steps that are so desperately needed for rebuilding trust which has been eroded by pain and war. On the contrary, we shall hail such steps as precious parts of the healing process towards peace and of your commitment to no more war.

Our three faiths all encourage their faithful to see that in a world like ours it would be unrealistic not to believe in miracles. Therefore, if in your deliberations the impasse seems beyond solution then we plead for one more attempt -- in the name of God who can break the paralysis of fear and even make most reasonable your commitment to no more war.

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July 30, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
838 Fifth Avenue  
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Dear Rabbi Schindler,

A week ago today I met for the first time the son of a former neighbor, 8 or 9-year-old Steve Leacock, who is, I believe, the best preserved Jewish type I ever came across, and I did come across quite a few, as I have Jewish in my own Family. Yet, little Steve is being brought up in the Catholic faith, only because his mother is Catholic and separated from his father, who is Jewish.

In short, the best preserved Jewish type must, in my opinion, return to the fold, and I telephoned four times his mother during the week, until I finally reached her yesterday afternoon in order to suggest to her that she brings ~~the~~ child to you in order to do all that is to be done for him. She rejected my suggestion at first, but I have reason to hope that she will accept it in the end, particularly because this afternoon I am going to telephone her again in order to tell her that, even if she won't let her perfectly Jewish looking son return to the faith of his paternal ancestors now, he himself will do this later on, as I am sure everybody will tell him always how very Jewish he looks and he will find it strange that he belongs to the Catholic Church.

As you know, I am neither Jewish, nor Catholic, but Romanian-Orthodox. My only concern is that this very good Jewish child will go through too much drama later on, and this can be easily avoided if his mother will let him be what he actually is, right now. I find it totally ridiculous that in our age a perfectly Jewish looking child is being taken every Sunday to the Catholic church, while in fact his place is in the Jewish synagogue.

I do hope that one day, years from now, Steve Leacock will have a few words of thanks for me, if we will succeed in bringing him up in the Jewish faith to which he actually belongs.

Your people in charge should contact his mother, Ms. Ingrid Leacock at 787.1100/Ext.1115, Beacon Hotel, Broadway & 75th Street, New York N.Y. 10023.

Kindest regards and all good wishes.

Cordially yours,

Ion Nicola  
President & Treasurer

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July 16, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
838 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

Senator Javits is now doing for my Program what you used to do for it last winter. As you know from Time Magazine of last July 3rd and from other sources, the Senator is very much involved in the USA-Israel problems, and it is obvious that only my Program will actually solve most, if not all problems in this world, which is why the Senator is so very interested in my Program.

For many years now, I worked on a book dealing with the unique contribution made by the Jews to Mankind, and the fact that the Jews are the only people who contributed to it constantly, even in the darkest periods of their history, while other great peoples, like the Greeks for instance, contributed only in certain periods of their history. The above makes the Jews a unique people in this whole wide world. Absolutely unique.

However, both my help to Israel with my unique historic Program for All Nations and my aforementioned book dealing with the uniqueness of the Jewish People are very much in danger because of my Jewish landlord, Edward Pornof and brothers, who own Lincoln Square Hotel of the aforementioned address, and who are by all means the worst people anyone could possibly ever come across: For more than two months now, my letters and the letters of this USA-owned Foundation have been stolen, and the manager of the hotel, who is a Christian, doesn't make any secret that he hates me and that he has my letters and the letters of this Foundation and can do whatever he pleases with them. These letters come from The Trilateral Commission and from all foreign Governments that wrote to me during the recent Special Session on Disarmament at the United Nations Organization. All of them never reached me, and the landlord, instead of firing his aforementioned mentally derranged manager, is actually letting him harass me, steal my mails, be rude with me; and even make the other employees act against me all the time, as a gang set out to terrorize me. ALL tenants are very much against this landlord, who four years ago had an employee, one Jackson, who killed 7 or 8 old women in another hotel of his, Park Royal of West 77th Street in Manhattan, as everyone read in the newspapers. Such a landlord should never be allowed to conduct business in any country, and the above attitude toward me only proves that he is actually guilty for having had a monster killer like Jackson in his employ, the same way he is keeping now on the job another mentally derranged employee, as mentioned above. Unless you will ask Edward Pornof's rabbi to explain to him that USA is not the jungle he believes it is, all my years-long work in favor of Israel and USA and the Jews everywhere will come to nothing. Edward Pornof's telephone here at this hotel is: TR 3.3000. His rabbi will most probably find a way to convince him that he will end up very very very badly if he goes on like this, and that he will do a great deal of damage to All Jews everywhere.

Kindest regards and all good wishes.

Ion Nicola, President  
Ion Nicola

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Dear Mr. Nicola:

Thank you for your communication concerning  
our previous correspondence.

I am most grateful that you took the time  
and trouble to express your additional views and will  
keep them very much before me.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

  
Jacob K. Javits, U.S.S.

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## United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

February 23, 1978

Dear Mr. Nicola:

Thank you for your letter of February 16.  
It was thoughtful of you to bring your ideas  
to my attention.



John Wallace  
Edwards

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Wants to speak  
to you —

288-7157

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ready  
6/17/78

Return Paper

May 11, 1978

Mr. John Wallace Edwards  
440 East 81st Street  
New York, New York 10028

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Thank you for sharing with me your proposal for a program of "new strategic and tactical methods of radically reducing assimilation." I am grateful for your concern and for the outline of your plan.

The American Jewish community is a complex one with a number of "umbrella" organizations which deal with particular areas of Jewish life and concern. In seeking to maintain Judaism and enrich and enhance the Jewish knowledge and commitment of our people I believe that the synagogue is the central body to undertake the task and another "super agency" is not, to my mind, a viable approach. Indeed, many of the projects you outline are extant within the religious community and individual synagogues, as well as organizations such as the Union of American Hebrew Congregations for the Reform Movement, through youth and college programs, adult education, camping, etc. Many secular Jewish organizations also have fine programs geared to education, camping experiences and the like. But I am firm in my commitment to the centrality of the synagogue to Jewish life and thought.

With repeated thanks for taking the time to share your ideas with me and with every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



personal, confidential

Memo to: Rabbi Alexander  
Schindler

Dear Alex,

I am almost at a loss  
to respond to the  
Edwards proposal. The  
man sounds almost  
like a figure in world  
war II Germany, advocating  
the development of a  
Master race. Should  
even this draft proposal  
become public, anti-Semites  
would come out of the  
woodwork. It's almost  
a Protocols of The  
Elders of Zion - written  
by a Jew!

That's my gut reaction.  
Assuming for the  
moment that one takes  
the proposal seriously  
there are also major  
substantive flaws:



2)

1. Edwards assumes that a super-agency of sorts can implement a plan for all ideological groups. It's the old "umbrella agency" fallacy that ignores the reality of the Synagogue as central to any meaningful program.
2. pg. 1 - He states that younger Jews find Jewish tradition and Judaism irrelevant. Many do. Many always have. But it's hardly justification for his touting this approach as the only way to assure the survival of American Jewry.



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3. pgs. 7-9 - Quite correctly, he projects the need for more affective Jewish education. But his proposals translate into the following UJHC programs, already in existence:

- a. NFTY
- b. UJHC Camps
- c. College Department
- d. Adult Education

Such parallels are clear in the Conservative and Orthodox Community as well

4. pp. 11-23 - Now we get scary, look at what he proposes!

- a. Jewish Capital aimed at massive business takeovers



4)

b. A Jewish version of what sounds to me like the Nazi youth Movement, with early indoctrination military training etc.!!

c. A Systematic effort to change "Jewish characteristics" that offend the Gentiles.

5. I would like to think that this guy is doing this to make a buck. That would make it easier to deal with. But I'm afraid he's dead serious. My advice would be to stay as far away from him as possible.

Dan



April 11, 1978

Mr. John Wallace Edwards  
440 East 81st Street  
New York, N.Y. 10028

Dear Mr. Edwards:

Thank you for your letter of March 16. I would be grateful if you would provide a more detailed outline of what you have in mind.

My schedule is quite heavy and my time limited. Thus I wish to have a better idea of your proposal before entering into a discussion.

With appreciation for your understanding and with kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

April 28, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
838 Fifth Avenue  
New York

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

Attached is the bare outline of that 'major operational proposal....outlining totally new strategic and tactical methods of radically reducing assimilation' I referred to in my March 16th letter to you.

To tackle the problem of reducing assimilation does not lie in my simply 'writing a book' or an article. It involves a comprehensive development program, following through on the project much in the manner and function of management consultants, though the problem itself is far more complex and difficult than any business question. It means working closely with the existing leadership and organization structures of the American and world Jewish communities, assisting them in developing an operational plan to initiate and sustain the changes necessary to achieve a major strengthening of the American Jewish community's strategic position in the United States, and stopping the hemorrhage of assimilation.

The years spent in an advisory capacity to the Prime Minister, among other matters connected

with the Arab/Israeli conflict, were financed by myself and amounted to a very considerable sum. Therefore, if this project is to be pursued outside funding will now have to be obtained.

The question to be answered is this: would you be willing to introduce me to an individual(s) who would be in a position to fund this project. As I wrote in my letter. 'I am aware of the generally institutional and structured nature of Jewish support and funding - and that usually most men of substance who give of their treasure to Israel and to other areas of importance to the Jewish community are already 'fully committed' as far as they had planned. Yet this project warrants an exception.' For it appears that 'truly effective long-term actions that really would come to grips with the assimilation problem have not yet been put forward.'

I am not offering the advice, counsel and recommendations contained in the attached paper to the Jewish community for use or evaluation now. To protect my proprietary interest in this proposal would you consider the outline confidential and not let it out of your hands. It is submitted to you for evaluation only at this stage, to determine whether you will recommend this project to private sources for funding. After my work has been funded, an expanded and detailed



proposal will then be available for submission to the Jewish leadership.

The proposal is highly unconventional but it is no academic exercise. It is a carefully constructed and deeply thought through practical program intended for specific action and based upon deep-rooted Jewish national/religious/political/emotional needs and Jewish strategic goals.

I am aware of the many demands on your time yet I hope you will be able to read the outline in its entirety yourself. For it is your perceptions, judgment and support that is sought.

Could we talk about this.

I would like to expand on what's in back of this brief letter and outline.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "John Wallace Edwards". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

John Wallace Edwards

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March 16, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
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Dear Rabbi Schindler,

Having worked directly with Yitzhak Rabin for some years designing unconventional yet wholly pragmatic solutions to the Arab/Israeli conflict, among other matters also connected with the conflict, and having talked about the subject of this letter with him late last October, it has been recommended that I meet with you to discuss how a major operational proposal that I have constructed, outlining totally new strategic and tactical methods for radically reducing assimilation, can be funded. It was your broad acquaintance with the American Jewish community and the respect in which you are held by it that prompted this recommendation.

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It has been suggested that the work necessary for this to be fully developed and effectively pursued can best be facilitated through a wealthy individual(s) with a profound interest in this crucial problem facing American Jewry. I am aware of the generally institutional and structured nature of Jewish support and funding - and that usually most men of substance who give of their treasure to Israel and to other areas of importance to the Jewish community are already 'fully committed' as far as they had planned. Yet this project warrants an exception. Your introduction to such people is much needed.

When there is a serious intention to fund such work, my credentials can be established by former Prime Minister Rabin; Ze'ev Sher, formerly Israel's Economic Minister to the United States and Canada,



and now Director-General of the State Controller's Office of Israel; and Eli Mizrachi, formerly Director of the Prime Minister's Bureau.

Can we talk about this.

Sincerely,



John Wallace Edwards

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March 16, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
838 Fifth Avenue  
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Dear Rabbi Schindler,

I think you will find this letter of interest to you personally as it concerns a critical problem facing American Jewry today. It is also concerned with the solution.

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To tackle the problem of reducing assimilation does not lie in my simply 'writing a book' or an article. It involves a comprehensive program, following through on the project much in the manner and function of management consultants, though the problem itself is far more complex and difficult than any business question.

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I would like to expand on what's in back of this letter.

I'll call you shortly.

Sincerely,

  
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May 16, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
838 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

Only you can do something about this new situation, and all you would have to do is to convince President Carter to let me implement at once my unique historic Program for All Nations outlined on the back of it, in order to create a NEW MORAL CLIMATE in this world, which will enable Man to get out of this vicious circle (each side makes more and more terrifying weapons because the other side is making them) in which he caught himself with 20% more weapons than he needs in order to blow up this whole planet in one shuddering moment.

Only you can do something about this new situation, and I am sure Prime Minister Menachem Begin will go along with me in this Program of vital importance for Israel, and for the entire Mankind for that matter.

Only you can do something about this new situation, by contacting both President Carter and Prime Minister Begin, suggesting to them to let me implement my Program at once as an AMERICAN PROGRAM for All Nations, simultaneously with my implementations of it as a SOVIET PROGRAM & as an EUROPEAN PROGRAM & as a THIRD WORLD PROGRAM concomitantly with my implementations of same simultaneously as an ISRAELI PROGRAM & as an ARAB PROGRAM for All Nations.

I hope you received my previous letter of April 10th.

I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Kindest regards and all good wishes.

Cordially yours,

Ion Nicola

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March 10, 1978

Mr. Ion Nicola  
Suite 1420  
166 West 75th Street  
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Dear Mr. Nicola:

Your many communications have reached me and I hasten to advise that there is really nothing further I can do to be of aid to you. I have forwarded various materials to the parties you wished to have apprised of your work and it is now up to you to maintain the contact.

My hectic schedule precludes any further involvement and it is now in your own hands.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



(212) 724.9641

(seven days a  
week, 18 hours  
a day)

March 9, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
838 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

I wish to thank you for having forwarded my unique historic Theatre Program for All Nations to Prime Minister Menachem Begin in Jerusalem.

The Prime Minister wrote to me that he read everything with interest, and then he asked his Ministry for Foreign Affairs to contact me twice in a row informing me that they are now sufficiently informed about my Program meant to solve Israel's affairs in the Middle East, and that they are expressing their appreciation for my offer to settle Israel's affairs as above. Further, in both letters I'm being asked to submit my Program to them once again through the Embassy of Israel at Washington, which I did immediately upon receipt of their letters a week ago. I assume that this is the legal, diplomatic channel. Up to now, I contacted the Prime Minister only through his Permanent Mission to the United Nations Organization, and through you.

I also informed the Ambassador of Israel at Washington that I keep at his disposal the 10-page Certificate of Incorporation of this USA-owned organization, which has been set up especially for the implementation of my unique historic Theatre Program for All Nations all over the world, and also its 2-page IRS Determination as a tax exempt organization, plus all other pertinent documents. I also mentioned to the Ambassador that he can get all the information he needs about this USA-owned organization and about myself from the largest business information organization in USA, Dun & Bradstreet of 99 Church Street, New York, N.Y. 10008.

However, I must point out that this USA-owned orga-

nization does not own my aforementioned unique historic Theatre Program for All Nations, whose sole creator and owner I am, nor the five major stage plays (38 years of work in my native Europe & in USA, where I'm a citizen for more than 21 years), whose sole author and owner I am. In short I can do my aforementioned Program anywhere I want, with whomever I want.

I expect next week to be crucial, not only for Israel, but for the entire mankind as well. You, Rabbi Schindler, will go down in history as one of the greatest men of all time, if you will ask President Carter to let me implement my Program immediately, simultaneously as an AMERICAN PROGRAM & as an EUROPEAN PROGRAM & as a SOVIET PROGRAM & as a THIRD WORLD PROGRAM for All Nations, concomitantly with the simultaneous implementations of my Program as an ISRAELI PROGRAM & as an ARAB PROGRAM for All Nations. Actually, I should like very much to offer Israel the unique historic opportunity to become the very first implementor of my Program, thus being once more the great Giver the People of Israel has always been over the milleniums.

You will receive this letter together with my previous letter of March 1st accompanying a 4-page presentation of my unique historic Theatre Program for All Nations meant to save this whole world from final self-destruction.

I can be reached at (212) 724.9641 seven days a week, 18 hours a day.

I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience, and to meeting with you in Manhattan or in Washington anytime you wish. I expect to be contacted by the Embassy of Israel at Washington during the Prime Minister's and the Minister for Foreign Affairs's visit to Washington next week.

Kindest regards and all good wishes.

Cordially yours,

Ion Nicola,  
President & Treasurer

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week, 18 hours  
a day)

March 14 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
838 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

Further to our telephone conversation of last February 9th and to my previous letter of last February 17th, I would appreciate your noting once again that you, the Jews will have everything to gain if you will join me in this unique historic Program for All Nations outlined enclosed herewith. You will be again the great Givers, and so you will actually help me save this whole world from final self-destruction. Moreover, you will help me save Two-Thirds of Mankind from the darkest physical and moral misery in which they live since the day they were born.

The magnitude of your gift to Mankind cannot be expressed in words, and by simply joining me in this unique historic Program of VITAL importance for the entire Mankind you will help me save it from death, as mentioned above.

The Holy See will join you at once in this Program, although The Holy See never sponsored any theatre programs at all. Now with the new attitude of the Holy See, as revealed many times in his speeches by Pope Paul the Sixth and by top Catholic leaders like Archbishop Fulton Sheen and by top Catholic scholars like Dr. Malachi Martin in his just published book, "The Final Conclave", I am sure that The Holy See will join us at once in this Program unique in the history of this world. For your own information, I have been in touch with the Holy See for the past few years regarding this Program, and two years ago I have been at the Vatican for nearly one month for this Program. I just received one more letter from them, and I ex-

pect a letter from Pope Paul the Sixth any day now. In short, you can become the very first allies of mine in this Program, in which The Holy See and all others will join at once, and so you will gain everything in this world: Security for Israel under the MORAL UMBRELLA of my Program in the NEW MORAL CLIMATE created by it all over the world, and recognition for All Jews everywhere for all they have given to this whole world over the milleniums, and which I will publish in a giant book written only by me, a non-Jew, so that nobody can say that it isn't perfectly objective.

With the arms race expanding into space, which is by all means the ultimate insanity, and with Two-Thirds of Mankind in darkest physical and moral misery, you, the Jews in this country must go at once to All Members of Congress and ask them to urge the President of the United States of America to let me implement my Program at once, so that not one more minute will be wasted in my work for the immediate salvation of this world. You, Rabbi Schindler, must go at once to President Carter and urge him to let me implement my Program immediately, and so free funds for the poor in this country, and direct the arms manufacturers to the new field of taking care of our ailing planet.

The Chairman of the Black Caucus, Congressman Parren Mitchell has asked repeatedly President Carter for \$10-Billion from the arms race in order to help the poor he represents. I wrote Congressman Parren Mitchell last February 20th that not only that President Carter cannot possibly take \$10-Billion from the arms programs in order to fund programs for the poor, but that he will actually have to add \$11-Billion a year for the next 5 years (a total of \$56-Billion) in order to expand the arms race in ~~the~~ space! Which, of course, is just we need right now, with 20% more weapons than we need in order to blow up this whole planet in one shuddering moment, and with Two-Thirds of Mankind in darkest physical and moral misery.

DO go to President Carter with this Program at once, Rabbi Schindler, and DO ask All Members of Congress to follow suit immediately.

*kindest regards. cordially, /m Nicol*



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WASHINGTON

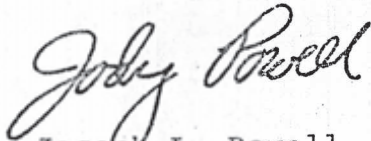
February 16, 1977

Dear Mr. Nicola:

Thank you for your letter and the enclosed letter and presentation of your program.

I shall be happy to refer this to the President's office.

Sincerely,



Joseph L. Powell, Jr.  
Press Secretary

Mr. Ion Nicola  
President and Treasurer  
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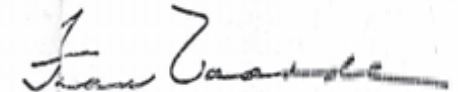
March 3, 1977

Dear Mr. Nicola:

The President has asked me to thank you for your generous words of support. They mean a great deal to him.

If we can arrange a time for him to visit with you in the months ahead, I will be in touch with you again. I know he would enjoy having this opportunity.

Sincerely,



Fraai Voorde  
Director of Scheduling

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November 16, 1977

Mr. Ion Nicola  
President & Treasurer  
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New York, New York 10023

Dear Mr. Nicola:

Thank you very much for your recent letter concerning the ambitious theater program which you wish to undertake. I have forwarded your letter to the President for his consideration.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

  
Hubert H. Humphrey



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UNIQUE THEATRE PROGRAM IN THE HISTORY OF THIS WORLD: IT  
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FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN

"THE HUMAN COMEDY & TRAGEDY" is a giant literary work, written both as a series of independent Novels and as a series of stage Plays dealing with the same subject and characters and bearing the same title and subtitles. It took 35 years to write on both sides of the Atlantic. The first part of this giant Novel has been already published, twenty years ago.

THE HUMAN	"THE MAN"
COMEDY	"THE WOMAN"
&	"I WANT TO LOVE"
:	"THE MONEYMAKER"
TRAGEDY	"KNOW HOW TO LIVE"
	"THE INVINCIBLE"
	"NINE LOVERS IN HELL"
	"THE STORY OF GOD"
	"THOSE MAGNIFICENT FIGHTERS"

Five of the aforementioned stage plays will be produced at once, in English, with 16 top stage Stars of the first magnitude in person all the year round: "THE MAN", "THE WOMAN", "THE INVINCIBLE", "NINE LOVERS IN HELL", "THE STORY OF GOD". Their world gala premieres will be attended by all Heads of State in person ("THE INVINCIBLE") and by all other major personalities from all countries (the other four plays), and by all prominent young people from all countries (at a special performance of "THE INVINCIBLE").

THE FIRST REAL WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY: The world gala premiere of "THE INVINCIBLE", a new stage play dealing with the love story between a statesman and his Wife (symbolising his own country, then the whole of mankind) against the background of peace and war at universal level today, will be attended by all Heads of State in person -- the same way all 50 major Heads of State went in person to the 2,500th anniversary of Persepolis in Iran in 1971, and the same way all European Heads of State attended in person the world gala premiere of a masterwork by Beethoven, an event whose meaning was also the problem of peace at universal level.

THE FIRST Highbrow World Summit in History: The world gala premieres of the other four new stage plays will be attended by all major writers, artists and philosophers from all countries. A special performance of "THE INVINCIBLE" will be given in their honor.

THE FIRST COMEDY AND HUMOR World Summit in History: We will offer a special performance of each of the aforementioned five plays in honor of all major comedy writers and humorists from all countries.

THE FIRST YOUNG PEOPLE World Summit in History: A special performance of "THE INVINCIBLE" will be attended by all prominent young people from all countries.

We will repeat every year at all the last three of the aforementioned four World Summits unique in the history of this world, which will become: THE ANNUAL Highbrow World Summit, THE ANNUAL COMEDY AND HUMOR World Summit, THE ANNUAL YOUNG PEOPLE World Summit -- each year in another country, with the finest Actors of that country in person in the five plays mentioned above. Once in a while these foreign premieres of "THE INVINCIBLE" will generate a similar REAL World Summit in History with all Heads of State attending it in person.

The above will open the way to THE FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN, after that of Pericles in Athens, that of Augustus in Rome, that of the early Medicis in Florence, and that of Louis 14th in France. The FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN will take place all over the world, not only in one country as the previous ones did.

The above will go down as the finest days of this world.

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These World Summits will bring the entire Mankind a tremendous prestige in its own eyes, an infinite self-respect, plus a great deal of political gains -- Peace -- for ages and ages on end.



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THE-FORMAT OF THE WORLD BROADCASTS OF THE FOUR  
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Both TV & Radio, every year at all.

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We expect these World Broadcasts to become the most widely watched and listened to broadcasts ever.

The arrival of the Heads of State, as our Guests, at the airport. The arrival of the Guests at the theater. The meetings in the foyer of the theater. The Guests take their seats. The light dims. The Play begins. Ten minutes from the Play, broadcast live from the stage, as it takes place under the eyes of all Heads of State, whose genuine reactions will be shown on the screen, thus offering the home audience some of the finest comments in close up ever. Then: Documentaries showing peace and war, and the lives of the Heads of State present in the theater, particularly of those who fought wars or were in power during a war their country wagged on another country whose Head of State may be present in the theater right now. Return to the Play: The last ten minutes of Act One, broadcast live from the stage, as before. Applause. Curtain.

Interval: Meetings and atmosphere of THE FIRST REAL WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY in the foyer of the theater. Comments made by the Heads of State themselves, to each other.

The beginning of Act Two is announced: The Guests take their seats. The light dims. Act Two begins. Ten minutes from the Play, broadcast live from the stage, as it takes place under the eyes of all Heads of State, whose genuine reactions will be shown on the screen, thus offering again the home audience some of the finest comments in close up ever. Then: Documentaries showing peace and war, and the lives of the Heads of State present in the theater, particularly of those who fought for peace or were in power when something of vital importance for the cause of peace at universal or even local level has been achieved. Return to the Play: The last ten minutes of Act Two. Applause. Curtain.

Interval: Meetings and atmosphere of THE FIRST REAL WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY in the foyer of the theater. Comments made by the Heads of State themselves, to each other. Since the end of Act Two is particularly strong, it will most certainly cause a great deal of comments.

The beginning of Act Three is announced: The Guests take their seats. The light dims. Act Three begins. Ten minutes from the Play, broadcast live from the stage, as it takes place under the eyes of the Heads of State, whose genuine reactions will be shown on the screen, thus offering once again the home audience some of the finest comments in close up ever. Then: Documentaries showing peace and war, and the lives of the last Heads of State who spent their lives both waging wars and fighting for peace, the same way all great conquerors have done. All these great conquerors will be shown on the screen. Human nature and human condition will be revealed through these documentaries and artistic movies' sequences dealing with these great conquerors whose aim has been to make the whole mankind one People, thus avoiding wars forever. Return to the Play: The last ten minutes of Act Three, the end of the Play. Applause. Curtain. The Actors will appear on the stage, but they will never bow before the audience, for this is an undignified way of thanking for attention.

The Guests leaving the theater: They will meet again in the foyer of the theater and comment to each other on the Play itself.

The Reception offered by us in honor of all Heads of State. Ray Charles and Jose Feliciano, the two great blind singers, symbolising the entire mankind that goes on piling bombs upon bombs, will sing "THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM" in all languages, meaning the dream of all Mankind. Other top entertainers, Frank Sinatra, Bing Crosby, Bob Hope will join the two blind singers in a truly entertaining and deeply meaningful evening which will be shown on the screen as much as possible.

The other three unique historical World Summits will be done on the same TV-Format as above. A great deal of quick, deep comment or laughs, often deep, will be heard all throughout. A United Nations address will take place in each World Summit. 1671 M



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Four new Broadway plays, THE INVINCIBLE, NINE LOVERS IN HELL, THE AMERICANS: THE MAN, THE AMERICANS: THE WOMAN, in world gala premieres on the Continent, with 12 top American and British Stars of the first magnitude in person all the year round.

We need only 500,000 customers a year (the same theatregoers will see the four plays), and there are more than 30-Million playgoers on the Continent, plus 600,000 Americans and Britishers living in Germany all the year round. Moreover, aside from having sixty times more customers than we need, we have no competition whatever anywhere on the Continent. An official survey shows that this permanent Broadway on the Continent will be the biggest smash hit ever: Theatregoers are actually willing to pay twice as much as we ask for the tickets. As soon as we contract the 12 top Stars, who read the plays and informed us through their Agents that they want to do them as above, we will put the theatre tickets on sale all over the Continent, where we expect an advance sale of at least several months, if not a whole year or more. We must run these plays for 60 years or more in order to satisfy this huge demand, which will grow even huger as the population grows.

The price of the tickets will be Broadway prices, which the Continental audiences are paying right now for only one top opera or concert Star. In the very large new theaters and auditoriums all over the Continent, each play will gross about \$150,000. a week (Eight shows a week in a 1,250-1,700-seat theatre, at \$15. per seat, with some seats at \$8, \$10, \$12, and some at \$20, \$25, \$30): Total Annual Gross: \$32-Million for the four plays. Since the US Dollar fell to almost half in these countries that form the bulk of our clientele on the Continent, it is indeed very easy to gross \$32-Million a year for the four plays.

As soon as we have the 12 top Stars of the first magnitude under contract, we will put the tickets on sale all over the Continent, where we expect an advance sale of at least several months (\$8-Million-\$10-Million), if not a whole year or more: The US Dollar fell to almost half its value in these countries that form the bulk of our clientele on the Continent; the live theatre is and has always been a complete sold-out in these countries; we are bringing to their hometowns the best of Broadway ever, with 12 top Stars of the first magnitude in person all the year round; the Continental audiences have seen these top Stars in thousands of movies; this whole theatre program will enjoy a tremendous publicity owing to the three unique historical World Summits it will generate: The world gala premiere of THE INVINCIBLE (a new Broadway trilogy dealing with the love story between Charles de Gaulle and his Wife (symbolising France, then Mankind) against the background of peace and war at universal level today) will be attended by all Heads of State in person: THE FIRST REAL WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY. We will broadcast it live to all countries on earth, the same way we broadcast our astronauts' flights to the moon and their landings on it. You will remember that a similar summit, at European level, took place at the world gala premiere of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, a work and an event whose meaning was also the problem of peace at universal level. More recently, in 1971, all major Heads of State went in person to the 2,500th anniversary of a city in Iran, and now some of them would like to have in their own country this first real world summit in history at the world gala premiere of THE INVINCIBLE. The world gala premieres of the other three plays will be attended by all major writers, artists and philosophers from all countries: THE FIRST Highbrow World Summit in History. A special performance of each of the aforementioned four plays will be attended by all major comedy writers and humorists from all countries: THE FIRST Comedy and Humor World Summit in History. We will sell the

rest of about 1,250 seats at the four world gala premieres -- three unique historical World Summits -- to the richest people in the world, at the highest possible prices (several thousand Dollars per seat). NOTE: We will repeat this theatre program every year at all, each year in another country, with the finest actors of that country in the four plays. All the above will bring our plays a tremendous publicity all over the world.

We will set up similar permanent Broadways in Britain, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, etc.; while touring the whole world, indefinitely.

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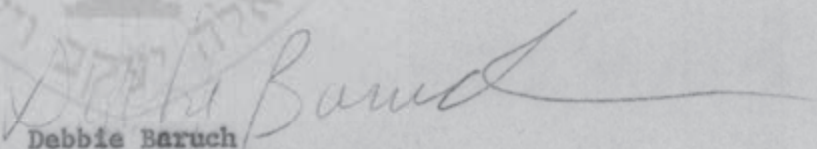
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Dear Mr. Nicola:

The hand-delivered letter you brought up to our offices, unfortunately, arrived on the very day that Rabbi Schindler departed for Israel. Therefore, I must hold it for his attention when he returns in early March. I will make him aware of the fact that you tried to contact him when I hear from him.

Please accept this explanation in the interim. I am

Sincerely,

  
Debbie Baruch  
Secretary to the President



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week, 18  
hours a day)

February 17, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
838 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10021

*Ne answer*

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

In view of these last developments, I suggest that you ask President Carter to let me implement at once my unique historic Theatre Program for All Nations as an AMERICAN PROGRAM, simultaneously with my implementations of it as an ISRAELI PROGRAM & as a SOVIET PROGRAM & as an EUROPEAN PROGRAM & as a THIRD WORLD PROGRAM for All Nations.

Once President Carter will let me implement my unique historic Program for All Nations, the Soviet Union will join in, and so will all other countries, and a NEW MORAL CLIMATE will be created in this world, thus offering Israel a MORAL UMBRELLA under which its People will feel safe and able to live in true peace and prosperity and stability with all its neighbors.

Once you convince President Carter to let me implement my Program at once, you will be able to give the same moral advice to President Brezhnev and to all other Heads of State, thus making the Jewish People one more the great Giver of all millenniums.

Your doing the above and my implementing my Program all over the world as described above, will enable me to publish a giant book dealing with the huge, unique contribution made by the Jewish People to this whole world over the millenniums.

My Program will bring the Jewish People everywhere all they need, plus the recognition long over due.

I look forward to hearing from you at once by telephone. Please do share this letter with Prime Minister Begin, adding that I will accept the Israeli citizenship at once.

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Cordially yours, *Ion Nicola*

February 15, 1978

Mr. Ion Nicola  
166 W. 75th St.  
New York, N.Y. 10023

Dear Mrr Nicola:

In accordance with your request I have sent your various materials and correspondence to the Office of the Prime Minister of Israel. I trust you will hear from his office directly.

Regretfully, my trip to Israel is for the WZO Congress and my time will be very, very limited. It will not be possible for me to contact your family.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



February 15, 1978

Mr. Yehuda Avner  
The Prime Minister's Office  
Jerusalem, ISRAEL

Dear Yehuda:

As you know, I get mail from many sources seeking my good offices in bringing programs and projects to the attention of Prime Minister Begin. I have only sent to you those few suggestions which I felt had some measure of worth.

I am enclosing herewith materials from a most persistent gentleman. I don't know if his suggestion has any merit but I am forwarding it to you. Please do with it what you will. Mr. Nicola calls me regularly and the least I can do is indicate that I have forwarded his material to the Prime Minister's Office.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.



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February 13, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, Chairman  
Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish  
838 Fifth Avenue, NYC 10021 Organizations

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

Further to our telephone conversation of last Thursday afternoon, I would appreciate your noting that neither Egypt, nor USA can offer any security to Israel, and that in actual fact peace treaties are nothing but pieces of paper as long as they are not backed up by moral and economical conditions.

I can offer Israel the security it needs and the real peace and prosperity the whole of the Middle East needs: My unique historic Theatre Program for all Nations will actually create the MORAL UMBRELLA under which Israel can feel perfectly safe, while true peace and economical and cultural prosperity will finally become a way of life in the whole of the Middle East. Moreover, I will have a chance to remind the entire mankind of the huge, unique contribution made by the Jewish People to this entire world over the milleniums, and this will do a great deal of good to all Jews everywhere: I have in mind a huge book dealing in every detail with the unique contribution of the Jews to this whole world over the milleniums.

In short, ONLY my aforementioned unique historic Program for All Nations will actually bring Israel & the Jews everywhere security, peace and prosperity for ages and ages on end. Moreover, my Program will actually save this whole world from final self-destruction by creating a NEW MORAL CLIMATE that will enable Man to get out of this vicious circle in which he caught himself with 20% more weapons than he needs in order to blow up this whole planet in one shuddering moment. Is-

rael will go down in history as the country that actually helped me offer this entire world my aforementioned unique historic Program meant to save it from final self-destruction.

All the Jews everywhere will have only to gain out of my unique historic Theatre Program for All Nations, in which USA & USSR will join at once (a member of the Council of Ministers of the Soviet Union, Mr. Boris Stukalin has been here recently and he took with him back to Moscow a very detailed 6-page message from me to President Brezhnev, who knows all about my aforementioned Program for quite some time already), together with Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Morocco, etc. and eventually all other Arab nations. Those who won't join us at once in this Program of vital importance for the entire mankind will have to bear all the blame for their attitude and go down in history as such.

I would greatly appreciate your sharing this letter and my previous letter and enclosures with Prime Minister Begin and Foreign Minister Dayan, so that they can invite me to Israel at once for the immediate implementation of my unique historic Program as an

#### ISRAELI PROGRAM for All Nations

simultaneously with my implementations of it as an EUROPEAN PROGRAM & as a SOVIET PROGRAM & as a THIRD WORLD PROGRAM & as an AMERICAN PROGRAM.

I can bring Israel, with my Program, the security, true peace and prosperity it needs, and the actual recognition of the huge, unique contribution made by the Jewish People to the entire mankind over the milleniums.

I look forward to meeting with you at once in person, so that we can discuss everything with the whole file and the scripts in hands. In the meantime, please don't forget to give my best regards to my Jewish Family living in Israel: Mr. Israel Kishon, 34 Hamagal Street, Rimon-Kiryat Ono, Telephone: 75 78 02. *Ion Nicola*  
Kindest regards and ~~all~~ good wishes. Ion Nicola



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November 10, 1977

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, Chairman  
Conference of Presidents of Major American  
515 Park Avenue Jewish Organizations  
New York, N.Y. 10022

Dearest Rabbi Schindler:

I wish to thank you for your letter of yesterday.

1. I only asked you to put together a NEW Group of ALL Prominent Jewish in order to raise this rather small, insignificant loan that will make you the backers of THE FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN, something that your great history and contribution to mankind entitles you to. I am sure there are plenty of prominent Jews who would love to loan money in small amounts and get the 14% interest I am legally allowed to pay, so that the Jewish People as a whole can gain the tremendous prestige this effort will bring all Jews everywhere and so give them a lasting moral satisfaction of which I would love to talk myself openly in public places like the TV & Radio, over which I am going to broadcast live my unique historic Program for all Nations on which I worked all my life since 17 and which will actually prove to be the ONLY way to save this whole world from final self-destruction.

2. President Carter is a man in big troubles right now, and the sooner we will help him get out of them, the better for everyone on this planet, not only in this country or in this side of the world. Advice from a highly moral person like yourself will always help him a great deal, and it will help him even more if your advice will be in the interest of the entire mankind: You will do a great deal for this whole world if you will urge him to join President Brezhnev in my unique historic Program for all Nations, so

that the entire mankind can have it soonest possible and without putting the United States of America in a bad light, I mean as a delayer of its implementation for all peoples on this planet. I must hasten to add that I will never need any money at all from any Government at all in order to implement my unique historic Program for all Nations, which will pay its way and even make huge net profits from which I am going to fund the very first National Theaters in this country of ours which should have had them, just my native Romania, more than 100 years ago. Actually, my country, Romania, had them 37 years before it became independent 100 years ago, while USA does not have them even today 200 years after it became independent. In short, you must go to the President of the United States of America with this letter and my previous letters to you & to Mr. Richard Maass and ask him to note, for his own sake, that drugs are the main cause of crime and that drugs are the replacement of CULTURE/NATIONAL THEATERS in a very poor country like ours where only food and clothes are readily available for everyone: It is totally idiotic to spend such enormous amounts of money on combating drug addiction and crime, when all we actually need is to spend only a fraction of the military budget in order to PREVENT drug addiction which in turn is the main cause of crime, which in turn makes life unbearable, and very soon catastrophic, in this country of ours, thus bringing about the very end of this unique experience of people of all nationalities living together. IF Jimmy Carter really wants to be the President of this country, then he must stop it from being a crumbling country. I am terribly afraid he knows nothing about this country, but only about a certain stratum of it, the one to which he himself belongs. I, as a dramatist & novelist and Author & director and producer, see all of it everyday, from top to bottom, it is my job to do it, and I can tell Jimmy that this country is, in absolute truth, a crumbling country, and ONLY C U L T U R E will actually save it and make it the greatest country ever in history, thus saving the very principle of all peoples living together.

PEACE, SHALOM will bring all the good in this world  
 IN: into ALL of us on this planet. Ion Nicola *Ion Nicola*



November 9, 1977

Mr. Ion Nicola  
166 West 75th Street  
New York, N.Y. 10023

Dear Mr. Nicola:

Thank you for your letter of October 31 and the information of the Ion Nicola Theatre Foundation. I have also received copies of the materials you shared with Mr. Richard Maass .

The staff and funds available to the Presidents' Conference are quite limited and we simply do not have the resources required to undertake a project of the scope of the programs you were kind enough to share. I regret that it is simply not possible for our organizations to render aid in this connection. In addition, the mandate of the Conference is one which precludes participation in the type of program you have developed.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
Chairman

October 31, 1977

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, Chairman  
Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Or-  
515 Park Avenue, NYC 10022 ganizations

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

The Jewish People everywhere, and Israel as well, will have enormously to gain out of my unique, historic Theatre Program for all Nations, which will open the way to THE FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN, and which I will implement simultaneously as an EUROPEAN PROGRAM & as a SOVIET PROGRAM & as a THIRD WORLD PROGRAM & as an AMERICAN PROGRAM whose world gala premieres-World Summits will be broadcast live, TV & Radio, to all countries, to the last, most remote corner of the earth. I will repeat this Program every year at all, each year in 20 other countries, 5 from each of the 4 sides of the world, and the annual world gala premieres-World Summits will take place always in the theaters of the United Nations Organization in New York & in Geneva, from where I will broadcast them live, TV & Radio, to all countries, to the last, most remote corner of the earth, thus becoming an institution of universal dimensions that will open the way to THE FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN, after that of Pericles in Athens, that of Augustus in Rome, that of the early Medicis in Florence, and that of Louis XIV in France. This FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN will take place all over the world, not only in one country as the previous ones did.

Prime Minister ~~M. Begin~~ of Israel sent me this month an official message through his diplomatic representatives in New York, thanking me for my concern for Israel, where my own Jewish relations live (Mr. Israel Kishon, 34 Hamargal Street, Kyryat Ono, Israel), and, if I understand his message correctly, Prime Minister Begin would like me to go ahead with my Program outlined enclosed herewith, so that my concern for Israel will actually become practical, not just



sentimental. Practically speaking, by backing me up in this Program of vital importance for the entire mankind, the Jewish People everywhere, and Israel as well, will have enormously to gain in every way at all, for ages and ages on end, for you, the Jews, will be credited with having helped me along in this unique, historic Program for all Nations. You, the Jews, will actually become my partners in the opening of **THE FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN**, and you will also become my partners in my setting up, with the huge net profits I will make with the sale of the world broadcasting rights to this Program, the first two National Theaters in this country, one in New York City, the other in Los Angeles, so that the people in this country will have a strong cultural life and so rid themselves of all the evils that are now plaguing their lives. In conclusion, you, the Jews, will actually win over the entire mass of the American People, for they will see once again that you are the greatest citizens of this country as far as culture goes. **MOREOVER**, your backing me up in this Program of vital importance for the entire mankind will enable me to remind the world of your enormous, vital contribution to its spiritual life over the centuries, and this will finally help you all over the world, not only in Israel, for there are still many Jewish people suffering in all parts of the world, and most of mankind tends to forget how very much you, the Jews, contributed to its very life.

I have very strong reasons to offer you, the Jews, the above unique opportunity to become my historical partners and backers in this unique, historic Program: The very first person in this world who read my very first stage play, in 1940-41, was my Jewish uncle, Grigore Kisinevsky, who paid for its typing in secret from my Christian aunt, who is my mother's sister. Moreover, the Jewish people have been backing me all along everywhere I lived in my native Europe & in USA. My whole life and career is tied up to the Jews, to whom I actually owe a great deal. In short, I am willing and ready to accept your backing in this Program for which I already have all the backing I need. Ion Nicola

*Ion Nicola*



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WILL GENERATE FOUR WORLD SUMMITS UNIQUE IN  
HISTORY AND THEY WILL OPEN THE WAY TO THE  
FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN

"THE HUMAN COMEDY & TRAGEDY" is a giant literary work, written both as a series of independent Novels and as a series of stage Plays dealing with the same subject and characters and bearing the same title and subtitles. It took 35 years to write on both sides of the Atlantic. The first part of this giant Novel has been already published, twenty years ago.

THE HUMAN	"THE MAN"
COMEDY	"THE WOMAN"
&	"I WANT TO LOVE"
	"THE MONEYMAKER"
TRAGEDY	"KNOW HOW TO LIVE"
	"THE INVINCIBLE"
	"NINE LOVERS IN HELL"
	"THE STORY OF GOD"
	"THOSE MAGNIFICENT FIGHTERS"

Five of the aforementioned stage plays will be produced at once, in English, with 16 top stage Stars of the first magnitude in person all the year round: "THE MAN", "THE WOMAN", "THE INVINCIBLE", "NINE LOVERS IN HELL", "THE STORY OF GOD". Their world gala premieres will be attended by all Heads of State in person ("THE INVINCIBLE") and by all other major personalities from all countries (the other four plays), and by all prominent young people from all countries (at a special performance of "THE INVINCIBLE").

THE FIRST REAL WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY: The world gala premiere of "THE INVINCIBLE", a new stage play dealing with the love story between a statesman and his Wife (symbolising his own country, then the whole of mankind) against the background of peace and war at universal level today, will be attended by all Heads of State in person -- the same way all 50 major Heads of State went in person to the 2,500th anniversary of Persepolis in Iran in 1971, and the same way all European Heads of State attended in person the world gala premiere of a masterwork by Beethoven, an event whose meaning was also the problem of peace at universal level.

THE FIRST HIGHBROW WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY: The world gala premieres of the other four new stage plays will be attended by all major writers, artists and philosophers from all countries. A special performance of "THE INVINCIBLE" will be given in their honor.

THE FIRST COMEDY AND HUMOR WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY: We will offer a special performance of each of the aforementioned five plays in honor of all major comedy writers and humorists from all countries.

THE FIRST YOUNG PEOPLE WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY: A special performance of "THE INVINCIBLE" will be attended by all prominent young people from all countries.

We will repeat every year at all the last three of the aforementioned four World Summits unique in the history of this world, which will become: THE ANNUAL HIGHBROW WORLD SUMMIT, THE ANNUAL COMEDY AND HUMOR WORLD SUMMIT, THE ANNUAL YOUNG PEOPLE WORLD SUMMIT -- each year in another country, with the finest Actors of that country in person in the five plays mentioned above. Once in a while these foreign premieres of "THE INVINCIBLE" will generate a similar REAL WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY with all Heads of State attending it in person.

The above will open the way to THE FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN, after that of Pericles in Athens, that of Augustus in Rome, that of the early Medicis in Florence, and that of Louis 14th in France. This FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN will take place all over the world, not only in one country as the previous ones did.

The above will go down in history as the finest days of this world.

Ion Nicola

These World Summits will bring the entire Mankind a tremendous prestige in its own eyes, an infinite self-respect, plus a great deal of political gains -- Peace -- for ages and ages on end.



THE-FORMAT OF THE WORLD BROADCASTS OF THE FOUR  
UNIQUE HISTORICAL WORLD SUMMITS

Both TV & Radio, every year at all.

These World Summits will go down in history as the finest days of this world.

These World Summits will bring the entire Mankind a tremendous prestige in its own eyes, an infinite self-respect, plus a great deal of political gains -- Peace -- for years and years on end.

We expect these World Broadcasts to become the most widely watched and listened to broadcasts ever.

The arrival of the Heads of State, as our Guests, at the airport. The arrival of the Guests at the theater. The meetings in the foyer of the theater. The Guests take their seats. The light dims. The Play begins. Ten minutes from the Play, broadcast live from the stage, as it takes place under the eyes of all Heads of State, whose genuine reactions will be shown on the screen, thus offering the home audience some of the finest comments in close up ever. Then: Documentaries showing peace and war, and the lives of the Heads of State present in the theater, particularly of those who fought wars or were in power during a war their country wagged on another country whose Head of State may be present in the theater right now. Return to the Play: The last ten minutes of Act One, broadcast live from the stage, as before. Applause. Curtain.

Interval: Meetings and atmosphere of THE FIRST REAL WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY in the foyer of the theater. Comments made by the Heads of State themselves, to each other.

The beginning of Act Two is announced: The Guests take their seats. The light dims. Act Two begins. Ten minutes from the Play, broadcast live from the stage, as it takes place under the eyes of all Heads of State, whose genuine reactions will be shown on the screen, thus offering again the home audience some of the finest comments in close up ever. Then: Documentaries showing peace and war, and the lives of the Heads of State present in the theater, particularly of those who fought for peace or were in power when something of vital importance for the cause of peace at universal or even local level has been achieved. Return to the Play: The last ten minutes of Act Two. Applause. Curtain.

Interval: Meetings and atmosphere of THE FIRST REAL WORLD SUMMIT IN HISTORY in the foyer of the theater. Comments made by the Heads of State themselves, to each other. Since the end of Act Two is particularly strong, it will most certainly cause a great deal of comments.

The beginning of Act Three is announced: The Guests take their seats. The light dims. Act Three begins. Ten minutes from the Play, broadcast live from the stage, as it takes place under the eyes of the Heads of State, whose genuine reactions will be shown on the screen, thus offering once again the home audience some of the finest comments in close up ever. Then: Documentaries showing peace and war, and the lives of the last Heads of State who spent their lives both waging wars and fighting for peace, the same way all great conquerors have done. All these great conquerors will be shown on the screen. Human nature and human condition will be revealed through these documentaries and artistic movies' sequences dealing with these great conquerors whose aim has been to make the whole mankind one People, thus avoiding wars forever. Return to the Play: The last ten minutes of Act Three, the end of the Play. Applause. Curtain. The Actors will appear on the stage, but they will never bow before the audience, for this is an undignified way of thanking for attention.

The Guests leaving the theater: They will meet again in the foyer of the theater and comment to each other on the Play itself.

The Reception offered by us in honor of all Heads of State. Ray Charles and Jose Feliciano, the two great blind singers, symbolising the entire mankind that goes on piling bombs upon bombs, will sing "THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM" in all languages, meaning the dream of all Mankind. Other top entertainers, Frank Sinatra, Bing Crosby, Bob Hope will join the two blind singers in a truly entertaining and deeply meaningful evening which will be shown on the screen as much as possible.

The other three unique historical World Summits will be done on the same TV-Format as above. A great deal of quick, deep comments or laughs, often deep, will be heard all throughout. A United Nations address will take place in each World Summit. Ion Nicola



# De Gaulle e Churchill portati in palcoscenico

## A Londra, in autunno, "L'invincibile", di Ion Nicola, un commediografo romeno

«Una commedia che sarà giudicata sovversiva dagli avversari di De Gaulle e filo-governativa dai partigiani del Generale»: così Ion Nicola, un commediografo, impresario e regista teatrale rumeno-americano ospite in questi giorni di Roma, definisce la sua ultima fatica, "The invincible". È un lavoro apertamente ispirato alla vita del gen. De Gaulle (finora, anzi, nel testo è stato conservato il nome stesso del Capo dello Stato francese) che verrà rappresentato in autunno in teatro a Londra: gli attori che interpreteranno la "tragedia"

mente, ma l'autore ha pensato, per la parte del protagonista, a sir Lawrence Olivier o a sir Ralph Richardson.

Fino ad oggi Ion Nicola ha lavorato soprattutto a Broadway, dove ha portato in scena diversi lavori di successo tra cui, recentemente, "Road to glory", la storia di tre musicisti ebrei sotto il regime nazista. Alla fine dell'anno verrà recitato, sempre in un teatro di Broadway, "Viva Rafaela", un lavoro tratto dal suo romanzo "The slaves of freedom" (Gli schiavi della libertà). Ispirato questo anno alla vita di Fidel Castro.

La figura del dittatore, dell'invincibile

ma che finisce per essere sovrappreso dagli eventi o dalla sua stessa natura, affascina Nicola. Per scrivere "The invincible", Nicola ha trascorso più di un anno a Parigi, dove ha seguito ogni discorso, ogni trasmissione televisiva del Generale, ha ascoltato avidamente la registrazione discografica dei suoi discorsi («un oratore straordinario che incanta l'ascoltatore più intelligente e che possiede una tecnica sapiente dell'emissione della voce dalla quale tanti giovani attori avrebbero da imparare»), ha osservato da vicino i modi usati dalla polizia per mantenere l'ordine politico.

Il risultato di questi quindici mesi di osservazioni, di conversazioni, di diligenti appunti è una commedia per cinque personaggi che si svolge tutto in una stanza dell'Eliseo: oltre al Generale compaiono in scena sir Winston Churchill, il gen. Salan, il ministro degli Interni (il personaggio più antipatico, il responsabile dell'operato della polizia e che, di conseguenza, rimane anonimo perché non dev'essere ricalcato sulla figura di Roger Frey, «un'ottima persona, per quanto ne so», afferma Nicola) e l'oppositore del regime, uno tra i tanti che, alla fine, rimane vittima di quello stesso governo che aveva appoggiato al principio.

La commedia si svolge in un lungo dialogo con se stesso dell'ormai anziano statista, so con la sua terribile crisi di dubbio, incapace di controllare il suo potere.

Jerusalemferarna. Forst Camilla

1 och 12 juli.

## Programmi

### Amerikan skriver pjäsen om Chrustjev

En författare från Amerika som företrädesvis skriver dramer om politiska ämnen är på besök i Sverige. Han håller på att författa en pjäs om Chrustjev, har tidigare skrivit en om de Gaulle och en om detta århundrade, "Frihetens lavar". Han heter Ion Nicola och påstår att han inte skriver sina politiska pjäser för att få publikt, även om det råkar slumpa sig i länder han besöker.

Pjäsen om de Gaulle, "The invincible", lär ha dragit honom generalens och landets Frankrikes



Ion Nicola

som kan producera sådana som jag tänker på.

Broadway har upplevt en mr Nicolas pjäser, bland annat en om en Wall Street som heter "The Moneyman".

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### ROME: Raymond MILLET

## Un auteur américain vient d'écrire une pièce sur le général de Gaulle

Rome (de notre bureau.)

«MA pièce, qui est intitulée "L'invincible", sera jugée antigaulliste par les adversaires du général, et gaulliste par ceux qui le suivent», m'a dit l'auteur dramatique Ion Nicola qui, américain d'origine, vient d'arriver à Rome après un séjour de plus d'un an à Paris.

Les trois actes se déroulent dans un seul décor: le cabinet de travail du Président. Cinq personnages seulement: de Gaulle, le ministre de l'Intérieur, qui leurt est un personnage imaginaire, l'ex-général Salan, un adversaire du régime (qu'il a servi et dont il sera vengé), Winston Churchill.

Je l'ai très attentivement à Paris l'action et la du général pour lequel des mon enfance, j'ai eu une grande admiration. Aujourd'hui, avec rien oublier de ce jour, je le me sur ses vieux et ne pas les forces de la volonté se soulevaient.

Nicola, jusqu'à présent, a travaillé surtout à Broadway en qualité d'auteur dramatique, de metteur en scène et de producteur. Il a publié États-Unis un roman à succès: "Esclaves de la liberté", qui est tiré par la vie de Fidel Castro. Il a tiré une pièce et Viva qui sera créée l'automne prochain à New York.

Il a écrit aussi avec Raymond Millet

Minneapolis, et a été nommé à la tête d'un théâtre.

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Ion Nicola kirjoittaa Kangasalla menestysnäytelmää presidentti Charles de Gaullesta.

### Vuosihoroskooppi

28.7. syntymäpäivä...



Vor dem Brückentor in der Heidelberger Altstadt: Der Broadway-Bühnenautor Ion Nicola.

Foto: Speck

### STADTGESCHENEN

Der Bund der Vertriebenen, Ortsverband Bergheim, hält Donnerstag, 6. August, 20 Uhr seine Mitgliederversammlung in Siegel-Bierstube. Tagesordnung: 1. Bericht...

A 'HOLLYWOOD' IN MAJORCA  
AMERICAN PLAYWRIGHT'S IDEA

on Nicola, Broadway play-



October 20, 1977

Mr. Ion Nicola  
166 West 75th Street  
New York, New York 10023

Dear Mr. Nicola:

I read your letter of October 13th with considerable interest and certainly wish you every success with your theatre project. I have discussed the matter with both laymen and staff of The American Jewish Committee and we agree that this is far outside of the boundaries of projects in which the Committee can be in any way involved. Our activities are limited by both our charter and resolutions adopted by our corporate body over the years.

Accordingly, we are in no position to assist in the program which you have developed.

Sincerely,

RM/ttm

(Dictated by telephone by Richard Maass)

11/4 to

Rabbi Alex Schindler



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October 14, 1977

Mr. Richard Maass, President  
American Jewish Committee  
165 East 56th Street  
New York, N.Y. 10022

Dear Mr. Maass:

Further to my letter of yesterday after we spoke on the telephone, I would appreciate your noting that a new Group of all prominent Jews should be put together in order to back me up in this unique historical Program for all Nations that will bring so very much to all Jewish People and to Israel as well. In short, it doesn't have to be your American Jewish Committee alone, or at all, but all prominent Jewish people interested in gaining all this tremendous prestige and all that comes with it.

Moreover, it can be a simple short term loan, fully secured by all my author's rights to these five major Broadway properties (38 years of work in my native Europe and here where I'm a citizen for the past 21 years), instead of a grant or a donation. I can very easily pay back this loan from my author's rights and from the huge net profits I will make with the sale of the world broadcasting rights to this Theatre Program, whose world gala premieres-World Summits I will broadcast live, TV & Radio, to all countries, to the last, most remote corner of the earth, thus grossing \$150-Million-\$175-Million a year for years and years on end. The U.S. TV broadcasting rights to the forthcoming Moscow 1980 Olympics have been bought by NBC-TV for \$125-Million. Although they can be broadcast only over the TV and never over the Radio, and although they have mostly the sport audience and few other viewers, the Olympics will gross \$150-Million-



\$175-Million world-wide. I must point out that my Theatre Program for all Nations will be broadcast live both over TV & Radio, and it will have all TV & Radio, theatre, opera, concert, ballet and sport audiences, plus all book, magazine and newspaper readers all over the world every year at all for ages and ages on end. I have every reason to believe that I will gross at least \$175-Million a year with the aforementioned world broadcasting rights, TV & Radio, to my Theatre Program. Moreover, I will sell the rest of about 1,000 seats at these unique historical world gala premieres-World Summits to the biggest moneypeople in the world, at very high prices, and this alone will exceed the total cost of these five major Broadway productions with 16 top American & British stage Stars of the first magnitude in person all the year round.

I do have a way of giving you, the Jewish people who will back me up in this Program, all the credit you will deserve for it. I keep at your disposal all details regarding the way I will actually put you, the Jews, on the world map, and in a big way, the biggest way ever.

In conclusion, for a simple loan, short term and fully secured, you, the Jewish people who will back me up as above, will actually bring all the Jews everywhere, and Israel as well, a tremendous prestige the world over for ages and ages on end. By helping me open the way to THE FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN with my aforementioned unique historical Theatre Program for all Nations, you will go down in history once more as the truly great People you have always been. As if by chance, I, the sole creator of this Program based upon and inspired by my five major stage plays, have been half-raised and backed by Jewish people all my life. Right here in Manhattan, when I first arrived here 21 years ago, Jewish people like, for instance, Mr. M. M. Clairmont of 1016 Fifth Avenue, helped me a great deal.

A Group of all prominent Jewish people can put together this short term fully secured loan, and so bring the Jewish People, and Israel as well, a tremendous prestige the world over and all that comes with it.

Kindest regards.

Cordially yours, Ion Nicola

*Ion Nicola*



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October 13, 1977

Mr. Richard Maass, President  
American Jewish Committee  
165 East 56th Street  
New York, N.Y. 10022

Dear Mr. Maass:

I wish to thank you for returning my telephone call this early afternoon.

Aside from President Carter and his Administration, I also have on my side most of the rest of the world, if not the entire world: For instance, President Giscard d'Estaing opened a drive for world disarmament at the end of last August only after he received from me various letters and enclosures regarding my unique historical Theatre Program for all Nations; Prime Minister Morarji R. Desai of India had his high ranking diplomats in USA, Mrs. Inam Rahman & Mr. N. H. Pawar meet with me in person last May 27th, and then, on July 4th, he made all those statements about the arms race, urging USA to take the lead in this problem of vital importance for the entire mankind, and adding that he will keep after USA & USSR until they will actually stop the arms race; President Tito of Yugoslavia repeated almost word by word the contents of my various letters and enclosures to him; so did President Brezhnev of the Soviet Union, more than once, and so did our own President Carter in his most beautiful speeches; less than 48 hours after the Japanese Mission to the United Nations Organization received my letter and enclosures addressed to Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda, its Director, Mr. Yoshin Okawa left for Tokio with my letter and enclosures; President Nicolae Ceausescu of Romania contacted me repeatedly through his Mission to the United Nations Organization, as he is most proud of my doing this Program which I actually conceived decades ago in my native Romania; Etc.Etc

The Jewish People everywhere, and Israel as well,



will have ENORMOUSLY to gain in every way at all out of my Theatre Program for all Nations meant to save this whole world from final self-destruction by creating the new moral climate that will enable man do away with the vicious circle in which he caught himself with more weapons than he needs in order to blow up this whole planet in one shuddering moment. All you and the other major Jewish organizations will have to do is to put up the money, on a business or on a not for profit tax exempt basis, I need for these five major stage productions with 16 top American & British stage Stars of the first magnitude in person all the year round. Since you, the Jewish People gave so much to this world, you have the absolute DUTY to give it once more what it needs most in this most difficult moment in its history: a way out of the arms race, which will only lead to final suicide in case it won't be stopped in time. This is the way I, who am not Jewish, will put the whole thing before the entire mankind, should you back me up financially and morally in this Program of VITAL importance for the entire mankind.

Once you, the Jewish People will back me up in this Program of unique magnitude in the history of this world, you will automatically gain a tremendous prestige and all the political advantages the new moral climate will bring you and Israel as well. President Carter will have nothing against your being the very first backers of my Program, I mean he cannot have anything against my giving you this unique opportunity, and then let the whole mankind snowball around my Program and so actually save this entire world from final suicide.

I'm a Christian with Jewish relations in my own Family in Romania and in Israel. My Jewish uncle, Grigore Kisinevski was the very first person in this world to read my very first stage play, NINE LOVERS IN HELL, in 1940-41, in Bucharest; he paid for its typing and other expenses, and he urged me to go on writing; some years later, he financed one of my very first theatrical ventures, thus making me a producer at 23-24; his brother, Israel Kishon, now liv-

ing at 34 Hamargal Street, Kyryat Ono, Israel, and his wife, Raya, and their son, Gary, are extremely close to me, and they are literally begging me in their letters to visit with them in Israel, as we worked together on books translated from foreign languages in Romania 25 years ago; my half Jewish-half Romanian cousin, Grigore Kisinevski Jr. is like my own brother (he is still in Romania, but I will bring him here soon, the same way I brought his elder brother, Nicu, who now lives and works here in Manhattan). Most probably the above played an important part in my concern with Israel, and in my decision to offer the Jewish People this unique opportunity to gain a tremendous prestige the world over for ages and ages on end. You can't ask me to forget that the very first person who ever read my very first play was my Jewish uncle, and not my Christian uncles. Moreover, my Jewish uncle paid for the typing of my very first play in secret, without telling anything to my aunt, who was my mother's sister! How can I forget all these things? I almost have tears in my eyes as I'm writing you all the above.

President Carter will be most happy to learn that I secured the funds I need for these five major Broadway productions with 16 top American & British of the first magnitude in person all the year round. Moreover, he will be indeed happy to learn further that my Theatre Program for all Nations will pay its way, and even make huge net profits, which I'm going to use in order to found the very first National Theaters in USA. The Jewish People will deserve the eternal gratitude of the Americans for having done the above.

I will pay you back the entire amount of money you will put up in this Theatre Program of 5 major stage plays with 16 top Stars of the first magnitude in person all the year round. I will gross \$150-Million-\$175-Million or more a year with the world broadcasting rights to my Theatre Program, and one quart of it will stay here in



USA, while the other 3 quarts will go to the other 3 Countries that will give me their finest actors and everything else I need in order for me to implement my theatre Program simultaneously as an **EUROPEAN PROGRAM** & as a **SOVIET PROGRAM** & as an **THIRD WORLD PROGRAM** while doing it as an **AMERICAN PROGRAM**. Israel can come out very-very big with its own implementation of my Program as an **ISRAELI PROGRAM** for all Nations. I can fund the **ISRAELI PROGRAM** myself from the huge net profits I will make with the world broadcasting rights to my Theatre Program.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin just instructed his diplomatic representatives in New York to inform me that my letter of last July 16th has been brought to his attention.

I am sure Prime Minister Menachem Begin and all Israelis, not only my own Jewish relations living in Israel, will be most happy if you and the other major Jewish organizations will back me up in this unique historical Program for all Nations, thus bringing all Jewish People everywhere, and Israel as well, a tremendous prestige the world over for ages and ages on end, as I will repeat this Program every year at all, each year in 20 other countries, 5 from each of the 4 sides of the world, with their greatest actors in my 5 major stage plays whose world gala premieres will take place always in the theaters of the United Nations Organization in New York & in Geneva, from where I will broadcast them live to all countries, to the last, most remote corner of the earth, thus making my Program an institution of universal dimensions that will open the way to **THE FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN**, after that of Pericles in Athens, that of Augustus in Rome, that of the early Medicis in Florence, and that of Louis 14th in France. This **FIFTH GREAT AGE OF MAN** will take place all over the world, not only in one country as the previous ones did. Why shouldn't the Jewish People be the ones to back me up in this Program? You have the greatest history of all, and you deserve to give this world, once more, a way out in one of its most difficult moments. Kindest regards. Ion Nicola

*Ion Nicola*

*from the desk of Edith J. Miller*

Ion Nicola - 724-9641 of the Ion Nicola Foundation called - it is not a private Foundation but is owned by the U.S. and is involved in a U.N. program -- he has sent all the information to Richard Maas and suggests you get copies from him so you will know the details....has a letter from Begin on project as well as from Carter - won't say what it is but insists very important, the greatest thing the UN can do....asks that you discuss with Maas - 829-4734

*Called 11/3  
Maas will  
send.*



March 10, 1978

Mr. Robert B. Goldmann  
The Ford Foundation  
320 E. 43rd Street  
New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Mr. Goldmann:

Thank you for your note of March 2 and the paper you have asked me to share with Yehudah Avner. Please be advised that I will see that your memorandum gets to Mr. Avner.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

bcc: Yehuda Avner

I have been asked to submit this to you for transmittal to Prime Minister Begin.

Warm regards.

April 24, 1978

Dr. Fred J. Lichtigfeld  
84 Second Road, Kew  
Johannesburg, South Africa

Dear Dr. Lichtigfeld:

Thank you for your letter of April 16 and your suggestions in regard to a feasible peace plan. I appreciate your continued concern.

I will pass your letter and the enclosure along to the proper Israel authorities.

With thanks, too, for your kind words and with best wishes,  
I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

bcc: Hanan Bar-On



16<sup>th</sup> April, 1978.

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

I am enclosing a peace plan that I will predict can heal the rift between Israel and America-if it is does not then it is fairly obvious that America has more important things to worry about than the security of Israel; in which case Mr, Menachem Begin is completely correct to maintain his hard-line policy as the only one that can ensure the security of the State of Israel. In the meantime I think that a lot could be achieved by the discussion of this plan to clear some of the misunderstandings that seem to have arisen between Israel and the States. My best wishes to you in this and all your endeavours for the sake of Israel and the Jewish people.

Yours sincerely,

*Fred J. Lichtigfeld*

Lichtigfeld, Fred J.,

84 Second Road, Kew,

Johannesburg, South Africa.



Alternative plan to resolve the Mid-East Impasse.

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Principles on which it is based:

Firstly; That the only basis for a peace treaty is that both parties to the dispute make mutual concessions, and that these concessions involve both parties in sacrifices that are seen to be equally significant by both sides.

Secondly; Since the concern of the Arabs is the return of the disputed territories to them, while the Israelis are concerned with their security without these disputed territories in their possession any longer, that these mutual concessions ensure the satisfaction of both parties.

Thirdly; That it be agreed that any withdrawal by Israel from the disputed lands will be followed by:

- a) Total demilitarisation of these disputed lands.
- b) Monitoring of this by satellite, UN forces on the ground and by the parties themselves.
- c) Any breach of this demilitarised status to be followed by immediate Israeli re-occupation of the territory.
- d) Any terrorist attack launched against Israel from any of the returned territories, including Jerusalem, will be met by immediate Israeli retaliation within this territory. This Israeli action to receive full support and co-operation of the government in power at the time. Any resistance offered to this action by anybody in this territory, including the ruling or administrative power, will justify Israel to take any steps necessary to safeguard her security, including the re-occupation of this land.
- e) That these conditions remain in effect for the next twenty-five years, after which they can be re-negotiated-if no agreement is then reached the original agreement will remain in effect indefinitely.

Fourthly; In view of the special status of Jerusalem and the fact that it is not strategically that important, it be resolved that it becomes the first international city under UN trusteeship, with the citizens administering



the city under the aegis of the UN, who might also establish their head-quarters there. It will remain the administrative capital of Israel, while also being available to the Arabs should they wish to use it as the administrative capital of any Arab state there. However in the case of Jerusalem and district, none of the new housing and industrial development established there since the 1967 war will be handed back or given up, as would be the case for all the other territories returned, except for some minor border adjustments.

Finally it be resolved that as a result of the establishment of the State of Israel an exchange of populations has taken place that is non-negotiable and permanent, thus accepting the reason for the existence of Israel and not just that Israel exists for the moment.

Israel will expect America to come to her assistance if she is attacked by any power other than those she signed the peace treaty with, or if the troops of any other power use the land of the states she has signed treaties with to attack her. In addition she will expect America to keep her military preparedness on a par with the forces of Saudi-Arabia, Syria, Egypt, Jordan and Lebanon. Should nuclear weapons be introduced into the area, America will immediately supply Israel with the same, even before negotiations are begun to get them removed from the area.

Lichtigfeld, Fred J., B.Sc., M.B.B.Ch., F.F.Psych. (S.A.)

*Fred J Lichtigfeld*

Psychiatrist, Sterkfontein Hospital,

Krugersdorp, South Africa.

February 9, 1978

Mr. Donald Flamm  
The Breakers  
Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Flamm:

Thank you for your letter of February 1. By all means share your proposal with President Carter. While I don't know if it can help, it certainly can't hurt. I will be interested in learning of any reaction you might receive.

With warmest regards and every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

AMS:djb

Alexander M. Schindler



The Breakers  
Palm Beach, Florida


February 1, 1978

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

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

Thank you very much for sending me a copy of the letter you received from Yehuda Avner, Advisor to Prime Minister Begin, relating to the peace proposal I submitted to you last December. Regretfully, the momentum for achieving peace in that area has tragically slowed down in the interim. Hopefully the soon-to-take-place meetings in Washington between President Carter and representatives of Israel and Egypt will bring about a successful resumption of peace making arrangements. Towards that end it has been suggested to me by friends who have the ear of the President that perhaps it might be a good idea to acquaint the President with the Golan Heights plan I submitted to you. Thus, if he should find it sufficiently interesting and/or imaginative there is the possibility that he might want to suggest the idea to both sides himself. I have been told that his most urgent desire at this time is to bring about a mutually happy termination of the Mid-East belligerency. There is the possibility that this Golan Heights plan might just open the door to fruitful negotiation, especially if presented to both sides by our President with his endorsement. I would be very happy to receive your view of this suggestion. With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

  
Donald Flamm

P.S. I plan to remain here until about March 17th but would return at any time in the interest of Peace if my presence is required.

לשכת ראש הממשלה  
PRIME MINISTER'S BUREAU

Jerusalem, January 4, 1978

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
Union of American Hebrew Congregations  
838 Fifth Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10021  
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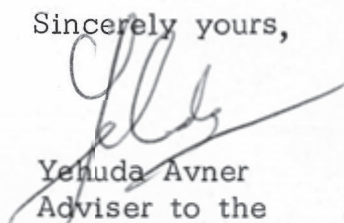
Dear Alex,

The Prime Minister told me of his telephone conversation with you yesterday and he seemed most satisfied.

I wish to acknowledge with thanks your letter of December 27, in which you enclosed Mr. Flamm's proposal. Please inform Mr. Flamm that I brought his memorandum to the attention of the Prime Minister.

With warmest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

  
Yehuda Avner  
Adviser to the  
Prime Minister

*cc. Mr. D. Flamm*



December 27, 1977

Mr. Yehuda Avner  
Prime Minister's Office  
Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Mehuda:

The enclosed proposal was sent to me and in accordance with Mr. Flamm's request I am sharing the suggestion with you.

The gentleman responsible for this paper is a past president of one of our Reform congregations, as far as I know a most responsible persona. You will note from his letter that Teddy Kollek has seen the paper and liked it and he indicated that he would turn it over to "an appropriate authority." In any event, I have promised to send it along to you and I do so herewith.

With warmest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.

December 27, 1977

Mr. Donald J. Flamm  
25 Central Park West  
New York, New York 10023

Dear Mr. Flamm:

Thank you for your letter of the 26th and the copy of your paper on An Idea for Peace In The Middle East. It is an interesting plan and in accordance with your request I am sending it on to a close associate of Prime Minister Begin, with a request that it be shared with the Prime Minister.

With appreciation and kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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DONALD J. FLAMM  
PRESIDENT  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

December 26, 1977

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler,  
President, U.A.H.C.,  
838 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

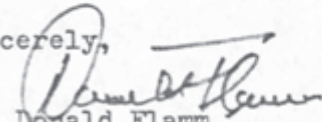
I am sending you the enclosed paper IDEA FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST at the suggestion of our mutual friend, Gunther Lawrence. When Gunther and I discussed this on Friday (23rd) our first impulse was to send it directly to your home in Westport because of the rapid pace history is now being made in the Mid East. Hoping that a miracle might happen in Ismailia during the past weekend we decided, on Saturday morning, to defer sending this to you until today.

Unfortunately, according to today's press, the miracle we hoped for did not occur and reading "between the lines" it is obvious that important differences yet remain. It is becoming increasingly obvious that without Syrian co-operation it will be impossible to ever achieve complete concord in the Mid East. It is also apparent that as Syria goes so will Jordan. For these reasons the enclosed plan, devised for the purpose of pacifying Syria, is most timely. It is just possible that President Hafez al-Assad will soon recognize the enormous benefits his country would gain by the implementation of this plan in addition to regaining "title" to the Golan Heights. More important he must realize that by accepting this plan he will become the "benefactor" to all Mid Eastern countries because of the wide spread of benefits all countries in that region will achieve when the plan is in operation. Although not mentioned in the plan, it is quite possible that the acute problem of the Palestinians can be ameliorated to some degree by their absorption in the vast undertaking, that will go on for decades, as described in my outline for Peace.

As Gunther has probably told you, to date I have discussed this only with Mayor Teddy Kollek, his son Amos and ADL's Ben Epstein with whose vital organization I have been associated for many years. Ben and I, together with Gunther, will be glad to discuss this with you at our mutual convenience.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

  
Donald Flamm

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## AN IDEA FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

by Donald Flamm

The three most difficult problems facing the Middle East today are the P.L.O., the destiny of Jerusalem and the Golan Heights. By comparison, all other issues can be readily resolved if both sides engage in face-to-face negotiations with a genuine desire to achieve concord. Of the three enumerated problems, only one presents an almost insoluble dilemma: what to do about the Golan Heights. This issue falls into the category of "what happens when an irresistible force meets an immovable object" and seemingly defies the judgment of a contemporary objective Solomon.

From the Syrian viewpoint, the Golan Heights belong to Syria and that government has made it abundantly clear that nothing but the complete return of their property is essential as a prerequisite to the establishment of peace in the Middle East area. Yes, there are other issues the Syrians would like resolved before actual peace could be achieved, such as the P.L.O. and Jerusalem, but the return of the Golan Heights is the predominant item on their agenda at the peace conference if and when it ever takes place.

The Golan Heights plateau, 67 kms. long and 25 kms. wide, is not really that important to Syria from either an agricultural



or urbanization standpoint. Topographically, the area is characterized by volcanic terrain of basalt stone, and deep, lush wadis bordered by steep inclines. National pride in retrieving what they believe rightfully belongs to them, which, of course, involves understandable "face-saving", is the compelling motivation for Syria's implacable determination to retrieve her property. So, for perfectly understandable reasons, Syria falls into the role of the "immovable object". An objective analysis of the Israeli point of view with respect to their necessity of retaining the Golan Heights also presents an apparent case of absolute necessity. Despite their 1948 armistice agreement with Israel, the Syrians heavily fortified the region and used the Heights' advantageous position overlooking the Hula Valley and the northern Galilee portion of Israel for placing artillery batteries which posed a constant threat to the Israeli villages below. It is difficult for the inhabitants of those villages to forget their nightmarish experience that preceded the Six-Day-War in 1967 when their homes, farms and villages were frequently destroyed by Syrian shelling from guns pointing down on them from the Heights above. The Syrian targets included the fishermen on Lake Kinneret. In addition, Israel remembers the effort on the part of Syria to divert the headwaters of the Jordan River, a life-line to Israel insofar as it channels a large part of Israel's water supply into the Kinneret Lake. It is factual to the people of Israel that Syria has always been the most bellicose of all her

Arab neighbors as well as the most intransigent and it, therefore, follows that with the Golan Heights back in Syrian control, their pre-1967 ordeal may very well be resumed. Because of past experience, the Israelis have very little faith in U.N. patrolled "buffer zones", or, for that matter, any form of so-called "no man's land". With the area wide open, despite the most vigilant control by peace-keeping forces, life for all Israelis living within the range of the Golan Heights would be a nightmare akin to the predicament of living with a sword of Damocles hanging over their heads.

Since 1967, the Golan Heights have been under Israeli Military Government, responsible for dispensing services and for the welfare of the area's approximate 10,000 inhabitants consisting mainly of Druze farmers centered in four villages and about 500 Moslems. About seventeen Israeli settlements have been established on the Golan Heights, most of them initially as para-military outposts by the Nahal (Young Pioneer) branch of the armed forces. There are about one thousand Israelis settled in the area. Obviously, this must be a frustrating thorn in the side of the Syrians and it is understandable that they want to remove it as quickly and as thoroughly as possible. In



that sense, the Syrians are as immovable in their determination to re-occupy the Golan Heights as the Israelis are inflexible in their belief that only a continuing irresistible force on their part in occupying the Golan Heights will keep Israel from being destroyed. How can these two diametrically opposite goals be reconciled and precious peace be achieved? I believe there is a formula and it can be made to work!

Let us start with basics: Syria wants back its land. Israel demands a status quo that will be permanent, inviolable and so morally perfect that neither side would dare violate its terms without incurring the displeasure, if not the wrath, of the rest of the world. Is such a plan possible? I think it is and herewith shall attempt to outline the general idea, a skeleton plan that will require fleshing out by the world's leading experts in many varied professions and fields of endeavor.

Let us begin with the moral (and possibly legal) requirement that Israel must return the Golan Heights to Syria. But it must be done in such fashion that the end result will give Israel complete confidence in her future security for all time insofar as Syria and the Golan Heights are concerned. This can be accomplished by the return of the Golan Heights to Syria provided the following plan is

agreed to in advance by Syria, Israel and a special agency representing the U.N. It will provide for the immediate leasing of the entire Golan Heights area to a special agency that can best be described as the Mideast Cultural/Medical/Educational Center that will consist of a select group of the foremost Syrian, Jordanian, Lebanese and Israeli authorities on educational, medical and cultural matters. The foremost architects, builders, artists and administrators within these four countries that border the Golan Heights should be assigned the task of creating the most advanced, complete, practical and exciting comprehensive center in the world for the advancement of education, medical research and care for the indigent of the Middle East area. In addition to the educational and medical facilities to be provided, the area is sufficiently large to contain an international airport that will bring visitors from all parts of the world. For that reason, an international bazaar (restricted only to Middle East countries) should be included in the overall plan as an added attraction. Each of the participating Middle East countries will thus be able to demonstrate to the world a glimpse of their culture, way of life, their special accomplishments in food, clothing, etc., in the same fashion that all countries do when they participate in world fairs and/or expositions wherever and whenever they take place. Since Syria will be the host country, the net revenue,



after all expenses have been met, should permit a substantial income for that country. The terms, method of payment, etc., should be worked out carefully in advance in order to avoid future disagreement.

Obviously, a tremendous amount of money will be necessary for the accomplishment of this objective. The "seed money", the funds needed immediately for the preliminary planning, should be provided by the four participating members of the Mideast C/M/E authority with "matching funds" to be provided by a special agency appointed by the U.S. Each of the four Golan Heights' border countries (Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Israel) should contribute their most outstanding personalities whose quality of mind and heart equal their leadership in their respective fields of endeavor. These men and/or women should accept their responsibility with the understanding that in their hands rests the destiny of the Middle East, that they are to create a master plan that will hopefully not only bring peace to that area, but prosperity and all the obvious benefits of medical science, educational centers and cultural activities as well. Hopefully, the master plan should be well under way within a two-year period. As soon as full agreement has been reached and financing has been arranged,

the actual transfer of the Golan Heights region from Israel to Syria should take place on the very day that ground is broken for the beginning of this vast undertaking.

It is quite likely that the actual budget may run into the billions of dollars. But if that effort had no other purpose than to defuse the seemingly hopeless impasse between Syria and Israel that exists today, it would be money well spent and much cheaper in the long run than if war should take place. Of course, the four Golan Heights border countries alone could not possibly take on such an enormous financial burden. The creation of the Mideast Cultural/Medical/Educational Center should properly be the concern and financial responsibility of all the "have" countries of the world. With expert planning and successful completion, it is well within the realm of possibility that such an undertaking might become quite successful and not only bring peace and prosperity to the entire Middle East, as well as desperately needed medical and educational assistance, but also generate sufficient funds to pay Syria a satisfying "rental" each year and, in time, return to the donor nations their investments for "peace in the Middle East".

That, briefly, is the bare outline of an idea that might resolve the current seemingly hopeless impasse between



Syria and Israel. There are obviously many difficult problems such as "who rules the Golan Heights while all the planning and building goes on?" Who will "run" the Middle East Cultural/Medical/Educational Center after it is completed? etc. But if there is a genuine will for peace and a final resolution of the continuing tenuous "peace", all problems can and will be resolved by men and/or women who are determined to achieve that result. The fulfillment of this plan will not only restore peace to the Middle East, but will also result in a tremendously revived interest on the part of the rest of the world to visit the Middle East, not only Egypt and Israel, but Jordan, Syria and Lebanon as well since all these important countries will then become part of the new Middle East "grand tour". It is a dream to be seriously contemplated by all the leaders and people of the involved countries as well as the rest of the world!

December 14, 1977

Since formulating AN IDEA FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST (written last summer) dramatic and mind-boggling events have taken place that hopefully will soon result in a successful peace finding effort. But recent events have also dismally confirmed my premise that Syria's cooperation is essential and that without it the road to peace can be very difficult. Indeed, at this moment in Middle East history, Syria is the one important obstacle to a full scale peace conference in Cairo. With respect to Jordan, it is abundantly clear that King Hussein waits on the side line for a signal from President Hafez Al-Assad of Syria. With Syria and Jordan at the conference table in Cairo with Egypt and Israel, all problems, including the PLO and Jerusalem, can be eventually resolved. It is therefore of paramount importance at this time to present an accommodation to Syria of such attractive dimension that President Al-Assad will expediently and gladly agree to a permanent and equitable peace agreement at the Cairo conference.

I believe the plan I have described in my paper AN IDEA FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST offers just that kind of accommodation. It not only provides for the eventual return of the Golan Heights to Syria but, much more important, it will give Syria tremendous economic lift. It will provide thousands of jobs for indigent Palestinians and others in the area for a decade or more and will make available sorely needed medical, educational and cultural facilities for the vast masses of under-privileged living in that area. The International Bazaar with exhibits by all Middle East countries should attract visitors from all over the world especially since a vast, international airport is part of the project. This should be of inestimable value to all the participating Middle East countries from standpoint of tourism and the resulting economic benefits.

One important additional note: On December 10, 1977, the NEW YORK TIMES printed a story headlined: U.N. UNIT WILL BUILD WEST AFRICAN ROADS. The sub-head: "Development Program's Effort Is Intended to Aid Food and Relief Measures in 8 Countries".

According to the story, the U.N. Development Program announced an unusual departure from its traditional practice by building \$100 million worth of roads in Western Africa and that the principal contributors to the fund were Canada, the Netherlands, Norway and Saudi Arabia. ( My point is that if the U.N. can spend \$100 million to build roads in 8 African countries is it not possible to raise and spend whatever is necessary to avert possible conflagration in the Middle East by restoring immediate and lasting peace? Time is now of the essence. By winning over Syria (and that also includes Jordan) the world may soon witness the dawn of peace in that vastly troubled area of the world. AN IDEA FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST may just be the panacea that Syria is waiting for.



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DONALD J. FLAMM  
PRESIDENT  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

December 15, 1977

Mr. Benjamin R. Epstein,  
National Director, ADL.,  
315 Lexington Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016

Dear Ben:

In connection with the enclosed copy of the Golan Heights plan, it is understandable that the question may arise "who is Donald Flamm?". Only for the purpose of identification I respectfully submit the following:

I am the former owner-operator of radio station WMCA, New York, (now owned by the Straus family); former co-owner-operator of WPAT, New York; former President and managing director of the Intercity Network with stations from Boston to Washington, D.C., and presently owner-operator of the above radio stations.

For detailed biographical material on my background I respectfully refer enquiries to the following publications that can be found in all important libraries everywhere:

"WHO'S WHO IN THE WORLD" (Marquis)

INTERNATIONAL YEAR BOOK AND STATEMEN'S "WHO'S WHO". (Burke's Peerage, Published in London)

"WHO'S WHO IN THE EAST" (Marquis)

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"WHO'S WHO IN THE AMERICAN THEATRE" (James H. Heineman, Inc.)

"THE BLUE BOOK" (St. James Press, London)

"INTERNATIONAL BUSINESSMEN'S WHO'S WHO" (Burke's Peerage, London)

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

  
Donald Flamm

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NEW YORK, N.Y. 10023  
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January 3, 1978

Dr. Werner J. Cahnman  
65-71 Yellowstone Boulevard  
Forest Hills, N.Y. 11375

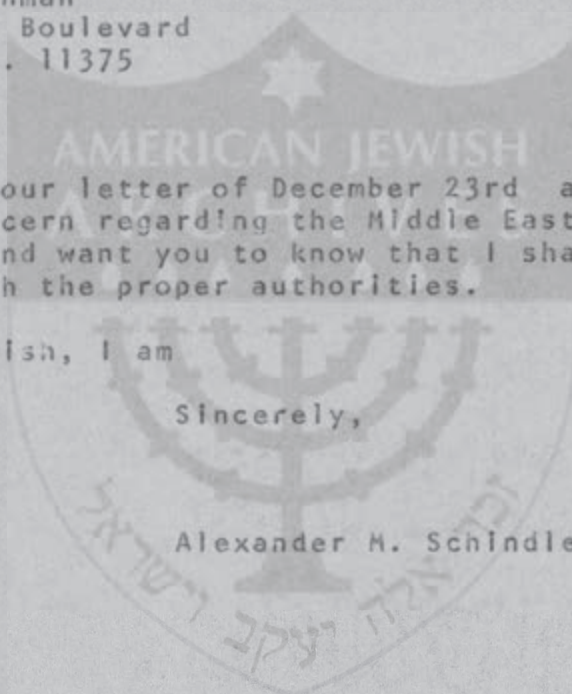
Dear Dr. Cahnman:

Many thanks for your letter of December 23rd and your expression of concern regarding the Middle East. I am grateful to you and want you to know that I shall share your comments with the proper authorities.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler





January 3, 1978

Minister Hanan Bar-On  
Embassy of Israel  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Hanan:

As you know, my mail brings letters from various sources and many, many suggestions regarding ways and means to seek peace in the Middle East. I do not share these letters with you unless I feel they make a very important and valid point and when I know the source.

The enclosed letter is from a person of stature and I am intrigued by his suggestion. Thus, I am taking the liberty of sharing Dr. Cahnman's letter with you.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.



WERNER J. CAHNMAN, PH. D.

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FOREST HILLS, N. Y. 11375

(Dec. 23, 71)

Rabbi Alexander Schindler

Union of American Hebrew Congregations

438 Fifth Ave, New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

The end. Xerox of my Xmas letter to Baron Wechsner might interest you. It mirrors some of our past discussions.

Generally, if you don't mind, the following:

I believe the Begin Govt., on the whole, operates well. I wonder whether it would not be clever to suggest a small correction on the Mager-Sagz frontier. If not, it might be said that the Golan problem is prejudged, where such a correction is necessary. Of course, Jerusalem and the access to Jerusalem is the real thing.

My main concern is with the concept of "Federation" of a Jewish State and an Arab State in Palestine. What I want to ask you is: what would be the steps and means to bring this idea to the fore? I sent my suggestion to the "Jewish World" as you know, & passed Xerox copies to Dayan's Office & a couple of politicians, but the time might be near when a new emphasis is needed. This matter is beyond the strength of a single person. It is my hope that you might take it in hand. Please let me hear from you.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Werner Cahnman

Encl.



WERNER J. CAHNMAN, PH. D.

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22.12.77

Ambassador Rüdiger von Weichmar  
 Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic  
 of Germany to the United Nations  
 600 Third Ave, New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Mr. von Weichmar:

I am taking the opportunity of the holiday season to wish you and your family a happy New Year! For me, it would belong to happiness, if I could see you again, on some good occasion, in 1978.

I believe I have not advised you badly in the past. My prediction <sup>that</sup> the Washington Approach to the Middle East problem will be shown to be a misconception has come true. I knew that Jerusalem was fed up with it, but so was Cairo - perhaps even more so. Now, what we wanted, direct negotiations, has come about. But it's only a start, many sacrifices will be necessary, many disappointments are in store. As you know, I am in favor of "Federalism." Why does nobody say so? Frequently, the "United Nations" finally turns out to be the most practical. What I am sorry about is that the Federal Republic has missed the boat this far. The moral obligation is the "rodée de bronze" of the German political attitude toward Israel. Arabs will understand that. Especially, when it comes to Jerusalem. Zion without Jerusalem would be a body without a heart - and never mind the house on whose back the Prophet rode to heaven! On this cheerful note, I wish you again a joyous holiday season.

Sincerely,  
 Werner Cahnman



December 8, 1977

Minister Hanan Bar-On  
Embassy of Israel  
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Hanan:

I am taking the liberty of sharing with you a most interesting letter from Dr. Solomon Freehof, Rabbi Emeritus of Rodef Shalom Temple of Pittsburgh. He had a distinguished career in the rabbinate and was spiritual leader of this fine congregation for many years.

Dr. Freehof is now well into his eighties. He is the dean and elder statesman of the American Reform Rabbinate. It is he who has been most responsible for the Responsa of the Reform Movement and he is an outstanding scholar and teacher. The UAHC has had the privilege of publishing many of his books and just recently published his Commentary on Jeremiah. In addition to continued study and writing, Dr. Freehof has taken up a fascinating hobby - he rebinds old prayerbooks and books of worth and value to the teaching of Judaism.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.



RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D.

RODEF SHALOM TEMPLE

FIFTH AND MOREWOOD AVENUES

PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA 15213

December 2, 1977

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
838 Fifth Avenue  
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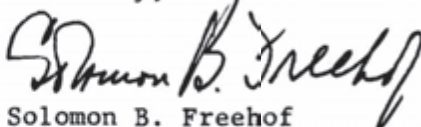
Dear Friend:

After all, the Midrash is an imaginative elaboration of Scripture, so we are always justified in making an elaboration of the Midrash. It is just adding Midrash to Midrash. But to save your searching, I can tell you that the picturesque idea of the leaf fluttering down on the book has a basis in the Talmud. In Shabbas 30b (at the top of the page) David is studying. The Angel of Death knows that he cannot interrupt David while studying. Therefore he distracts his attention by rustling the leaves in the garden. So this is where the leaf idea originated, if Bettan originated it. If you originated it, keep on using it; it is in harmony with the text.

Now I am enclosing another letter, in which I, who know nothing about politics, am going to attempt a political Midrashic solution to the problems of Israel with the Arabs.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Solomon B. Freehof

SBF:t

RABBI SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, D. D.

RODEF SHALOM TEMPLE  
FIFTH AND MOREWOOD AVENUES  
PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA 15213

December 2, 1977

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

Dear Friend:

I have been thinking, as many of us have been thinking, of the problem of peace between Israel and the Arabs. The establishment of a Palestinian state within the borders of Israel is impossible from the Israeli point of view. It would be a dagger pointed to the heart of all the Israeli cities.

On the other hand, Israel must give up some land for the sake of peace and the problem is, how can it do that and yet remain safe? You, who have been in the midst of all the discussion, please tell me what you think of the following suggestion which I thought of one night:

On the northeast border of Israel where Syria joins and also Lebanon meets (or are near each other) let Israel give a small bit of land. This in itself will be insufficient for a Palestinian state, but let Israel give it on condition that Syria, Jordan, and maybe Lebanon give an adjoining tract of the same size. Together this would amount to a viable basis for the Palestine state.

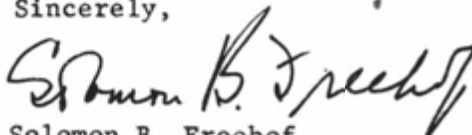
If the Arab states refuse, then the onus is on them and it will prove how hollow is their solicitude for the Palestinian refugees. If they consent, then not only will there be a viable Palestine state which does not subtract much from Israel, but it will be a state achieved through a cooperative effort of the Arab states and Israel, which is in itself a good omen for the future.

The only fault that I see with the scheme is that if Israel proposed it, it would be immediately rejected. I wish our State Department would suggest it to Sadat.

The case of Jerusalem is a separate matter for separate discussion.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Solomon B. Freehof



11/29

Eger called and is eager to speak with you. at invitation of Kolleck and City of Jerusalem will play at Jerusalem Festival April 17-18 with full cooperation from foreign office and Dayan

wants to play repeat in Cairo and since "you are going there" suggested you ask Mayor of Cairo to invite them - quietly so if a nay response there's no publicity...

assured him you were not going to Cairo... he still wants to talk to you

November 29, 1977

Mr. Joseph Eger  
President  
SUN Symphony Society, Inc.  
Suite 504  
2112 Broadway  
New York, New York 10023

Dear Mr. Eger:

I am delighted that progress is being made on the Middle East Concert Festival plans. Regretfully, I will be out of the country on December 8 and thus cannot accept your gracious invitation to the reception. I am certain it will be a very special and meaningful occasion.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

AMS:djb

Alexander M. Schindler





November 23, 1977

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

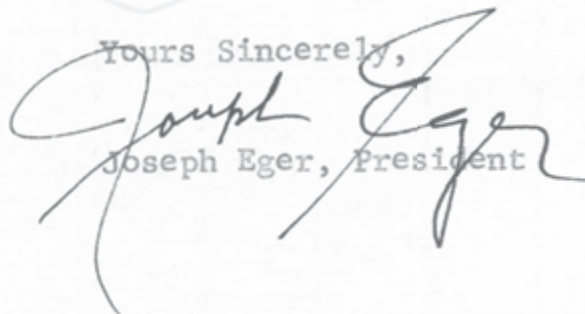
Dear Rabbi Schindler,

Since we spoke on the phone SUN has been making progress on our Middle East Concert Festival plans. An announcement will be made on December 8, 1977, in that regard. It is my pleasure to invite you and Mrs. Schindler to be our honored guests on that date, from 4:30 to 6:30 at the "21" Club.

This auspicious occasion will launch SUN's International Program and will celebrate the U.N. Declaration on Human Rights. Among the White House officials attending are Mr. Livingston Biddle, Chairman of the National Endowment of the Arts and Mr. Joseph Duffey, Chairman of the National Endowment of the Humanities. International celebrity/musicians such as Stevie Wonder and Cat Stevens will receive awards for their contributions to global causes.

General Rikhye and I look forward to the privilege and pleasure of welcoming you.

Yours Sincerely,

  
Joseph Eger, President

**Symphony for United Nations** SUN Symphony Society, Inc.  
Suite 504, 2112 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10023, (212) 873-2872

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December 14, 1978

Mr. F. Inoue  
P. O. Box 20588  
East Jerusalem, Israel

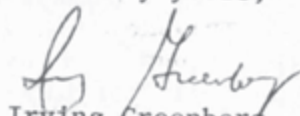
Dear Mr. Inoue:

A copy of your fascinating and touching proposal, "Bud of the Earth", a memorial to the victims of the Holocaust, has been brought to me through the good offices of Rabbi Alexander Schindler. It will be called to the attention of the Presidential Commission on the Holocaust when it meets.

I can see the great thought and depth of feeling that has gone into this project and I congratulate you on it. A theme as awesome and terrifying as this one needs sensitive yet powerful treatment and you have shown great human compassion as well as artistic talent in developing the sketches.


I will keep you informed.

Sincerely yours,

  
Irving Greenberg  
Director

IG:mp

cc: Rabbi Alexander Schindler  
Elie Wiesel

  
12/18/78

December 7, 1978

Elie Wissel  
Andrew W. Mellon Professor of Humanities  
Boston University, College of Liberal Arts  
745 Commonwealth Avenue  
Boston, Massachusetts 02215

Dear Elie:

Thank you for your prompt response to my letter regarding "Bud of the Earth." It is gratifying to know that you will bring this proposal to the attention of the Commission.

Enclosed herewith is a letter from Fumikatsu Inoue, Architect, the creator of the concept and design, as well as a letter of appreciation from Professor Yigal Yadin.

The plans, brochure and photograph album of the model will be delivered to Rabbi Irving Greenberg's office, along with a copy of this letter so he has the necessary information at hand for the first meeting of the Commission.

With warmest personal regards and every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.

cc: Mrs. Menachem Begin  
Rabbi Irving Greenberg  
Fumikatsu Inoue, Architect



November 26, 1978

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

I would like, first of all, to express my deepest gratitude for your interest in my project, "Bud of the Earth," the monument to the victims of the Holocaust. On July 12, 1978, when, at the invitation of the wife of the Prime Minister of Israel, Mrs. Aliza Begin, you were shown the plans and the working model, I regret that I was unable to be present and to explain the project myself; I trust, however, that Mr. Hayoun, who represented me at the time, provided you with an adequate explanation of the project. Mrs. Begin, upon returning from Camp David, expressed to Mr. Hayoun her support of the project and briefed him on conversations she had had concerning it in the United States. She also conveyed the contents of the letter that she had received from you regarding the Presidential Commission that was being formed.

I now understand from a further message left by Mrs. Begin two days ago, that you are deeply concerned about the delay in the receipt of materials requested from Mr. Hayoun; I must note here that I was not informed of the urgency of the request and as I had been continuously working on improving the plans I thought only to send you the most up-to-date version. At the same time, from bitter experience I have learned not to send such important documents by ordinary mail since they frequently arrive damaged no matter how well they are packed and, especially given the succession of postal strikes over the past three months, the risk was even greater. I thought only to send the documents with a person I could trust. Therefore it is fortunate that Rabbi Zelig Chinitz, a friend of mine and General Director of the United Israel Appeal, and also a strong supporter of the project, offered to deliver the materials to you in person upon his visit to the States. I am sure that Rabbi Chinitz will brief you on recent developments concerning the project.

I understand that the Presidential Committee of twenty-four members, headed by Mr. Elie Wiesel, has now been established to present a recommendation to President Carter on the subject of a fitting memorial to the Six Million so that "We, in the United States, shall never forget." A presentation to the committee would seem a logical next step. For this purpose, I am prepared to come to the States at any time with the model and other relevant materials in order to render a formal presentation. I understand that in addition to the materials being sent, you wish also to have the model. Please let me know if you urgently need the model, or if it can wait until such time as the committee asks for a presentation, in which I should be present to fully explain the model. I should add that the title of the project is tentative and some modifications in the text describing my conception of

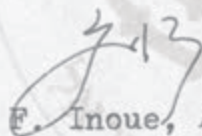


the monument may be forthcoming.

At this time I would like to record my sincere gratitude to Mrs. Aliza Begin for her profound sensitivity and understanding towards the project and her generosity in her support of it. I regret that I have not yet had the opportunity to meet you and hope that such an opportunity will soon present itself in Jerusalem or the United States.

In closing allow me a personal note. I was impelled to come to Israel twelve years ago to help in the building of a nation that had so recently been all but destroyed. I have spent the last ten years in agonizing reflection and confrontation with the problem of designing a monument to the victims of a calamity which defies any effort to enclose it in words, space or time. But I know that despite these inherent difficulties we must try to find ways to commemorate the inexpressible, to ensure the many different ways through which especially the young who were born after will be able to become engaged. I can only pray that despite all odds we will succeed in carrying out these sacred tasks.

Sincerely yours,



F. Inoue, Architect

P.S. In order to avoid future confusion, I request to be communicated with directly. The following is my formal address and telephone where I may be contacted:

Fumikatsu Inoue, Architect  
P.O. Box 20588, East Jerusalem

Telephone: 02-814678

Enclosed:

1. Two sets of bound plans
2. Two sets of the brochure
3. Two sets of the Model Photograph Album
4. An appreciation by Professor Yigael Yadin

Copies to:

Mrs. Aliza Begin  
Rabbi Zelig Chinitz





## לשכת סגן ראש הממשלה

ירושלים, כ"ה תמוז תשל"ח  
30 יולי 1978

לכבוד  
ינואה פלמיקצוי  
אדריכלים  
רח בן סירא 1  
ירושלים

לכבוד  
א. מוריס חיון  
אדריכלים  
רח בן סירא 1  
ירושלים

א.ב.,

ברצוני להודות לכם מקרב לב על שהצגתם לפני את תכניתכם  
להקמת מרכז יד לשואה בארה"ב "Bud of the Earth".

התרשמתי מאוד מן הרעיון ומדרך פיתוחו ואני רואה במימושו,  
בנוף האמריקאי, תרומה חשובה להבנת ההיסטוריה היהודית של העת  
האחרונה, ולהגברת התודעה אצל בני עמים אחרים לבעיית בטחוננו של  
עמנו.

שמחתי לראות שני אדריכלים אשר חינוכם שונה זה מזה כרחוק  
מזרח ממערב, ואשר משתפת אותם הזדהות עמוקה עם טרגדיית העם  
היהודי באירופה.

בטוחני כי גשתכם תתרום להבנת האוניברסליות של הנושא. אני  
מאחל לכם הצלחה בהגשמת התוכנית.

בברכה

יגאל ידין.

יי/דא/אז

Translation from the original Hebrew:

State of Israel

Office of the Deputy Prime Minister

Jerusalem

30 July 1978

Honorable  
Fumikatsu Inoue  
Architect  
1 Ben Sira Street  
Jerusalem

Honorable  
A. Maurice Hayoun  
Int. Arch.  
1 Ben Sira Street  
Jerusalem

Honorable Gentlemen:

I wish to thank you from the depths of my heart for introducing me to the Bud of the Earth, your project to establish in the U.S.A., a memorial to the Holocaust.

I was very much impressed by the concept of the memorial and by the manner of its development. I am certain that its realization in America will constitute a significant contribution to the understanding of Jewish history in the recent past and for the heightening the consciousness of the Jewish people's need for security.

I was happy to see two architects, one from the East and the other from the West, who despite differences of background are involved by their shared identification with the tragedy that befell the Jewish people in Europe.

I am confident that your approach will contribute to the universal understanding of the Holocaust. I wish you success in the realization of your project.

With blessings,

Yigael Yadin





# Boston University

College of Liberal Arts  
745 Commonwealth Avenue  
Boston, Massachusetts 02215

Elie Wiesel  
Andrew W. Mellon Professor of Humanities

NOV 30, 1978

Dear Alex -

Thank you so much for your  
letter + good wishes.

I will bring Mrs. Begin's  
news to the attention of the  
Commission when it meets in  
January -

Be Well,

Elie

cc  
Mrs. M. Begin

November 28, 1978

Mr. Elie Wiesel  
239 Central Park West  
New York, N.Y. 10024

Dear Elie:

Congratulations on being named Chairman of the U.S. Commission on the Holocaust. This development in American life is long past due and I am delighted that you will be heading the Commission as it determines a proper and meaningful American Memorial to the victims of the Holocaust.

Some time ago, Mrs. Menachem Begin called to my attention plans for a Holocaust Memorial created by an Israeli architect. I've called it to the attention of The White House and have asked Mrs. Begin to see that some renderings and sketches are forwarded for perusal by the Commission. A copy of the proposal for "Bud of the Earth" is enclosed herewith.

This proposal envisages not a "dead memorial," but rather a living memorial which includes museums, places for archival materials, study areas, etc. The renderings I saw show great imagination in every way. Just as soon as I have sketches, I will forward them to you.

This leads me to the second suggestion I want to make. I hear via the grapevine, though I have not seen it with my own eyes, that YIVO has fallen upon hard times. While they now have quite a few young people working on their staff, I am told the books and documents are beginning to deteriorate because of lack of proper care due to a shortage of resources. It occurred to me, when I discussed this with someone just last week, that perhaps YIVO could be included in the kind of living memorial which I envisage, be it the design of the Israeli architect or not.

Be that as it may, I am confident that you and the members of the Commission will seek to create a Memorial of beauty and meaning which will help the generations to come. Jews as well as non-Jews, to realize the depth and scope of the Holocaust, the darkest page in the history of our people, indeed in the history of all humankind.



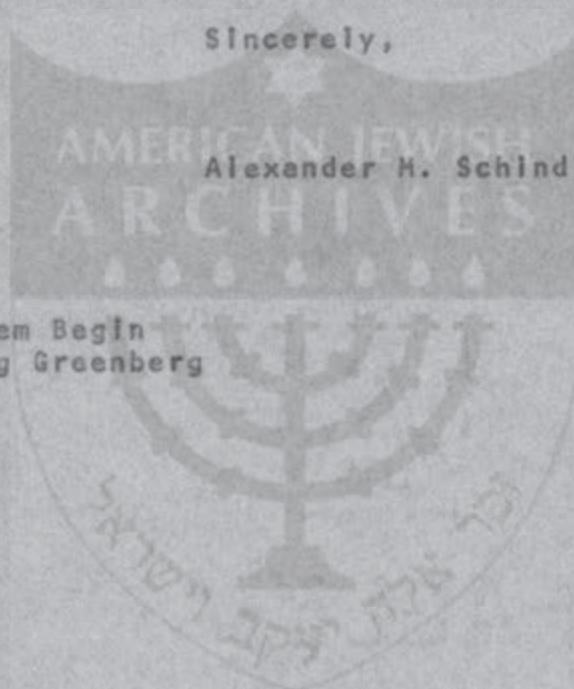
Mr. Elie Wiesel  
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With warmest personal regards and every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander H. Schindler

Encl.  
cc: Mrs. Menachem Begin  
Rabbi Irving Greenberg





August 31, 1978

Mrs. Menachem Begin  
c/o Prime Minister's Office  
Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Mrs. Begin:

The enclosed letter from Stuart Elzenstat will be of interest to you. I was pleased to learn that the appointees to the Holocaust Memorial Commission will soon be named and that architectural drawings for "Bud of the Earth" will be shared with them for consideration.

As of this writing I have not received these drawings from the architect. Hopefully, they will be forthcoming in the very near future so that I may forward them to The White House for transmittal to the Commission.

With warmest regards mee bayit l'bayit, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 23, 1978

*Alex*  
Dear Mr. Schindler:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the Holocaust Memorial Commission.

We will soon announce the Commission chairman and members. As soon as I receive the architectural drawings from you, I will forward them to the Commission chairman for consideration and study.

I appreciate knowing of yours and Mrs. Begin's interest in this project.

Very truly yours,

*St. E.*  
Stuart E. Eizenstat  
Assistant to the President  
for Domestic Affairs and Policy

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

July 31, 1978

Mrs. Menachem Begin  
c/o Prime Minister's Office  
Jerusalem, ISRAEL

Dear Mrs. Begin:

I write to advise that I have taken up the matter of the Holocaust Memorial with the White House. They have agreed to refer the proposal for "Bud of the Earth" to the Chairperson once the Commission on a Holocaust Memorial has been established. I will, of course, share all of the pertinent information with them and will keep you informed as the program moves forward.

With warmest personal regards mee bayit l'bayit, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

*cc Meed*

July 24, 1978

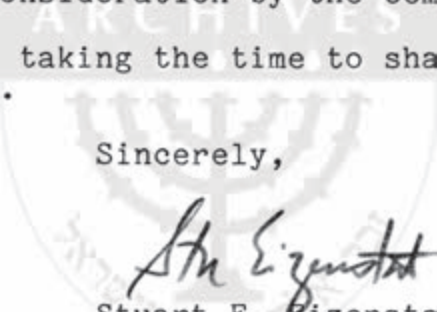
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*Stu Eizenstat*

Stuart E. Eizenstat  
Assistant to the President  
for Domestic Affairs and Policy

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

*Thanks for recommending Mr. Meed.*

July 25, 1978

Mr. Stuart E. Eizenstat  
Assistant to the President  
for Domestic Affairs & Policy  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Stu:

Further in regard to the Holocaust Memorial Commission, I write to advise that during a recent visit to Israel Mrs. Begin spoke to me and gave her warm endorsement to a physical memorial with which she is particularly entranced. It is a rather imaginative projection and I have asked the architect, with whom I met, to send me some renderings and sketches for they were too bulky for me to carry through Europe. As soon as I receive the materials I will send them along to you for submission to the Commission once it is established.

I'm truly sorry that we didn't get a chance to see each other in Jerusalem.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

June 23, 1978

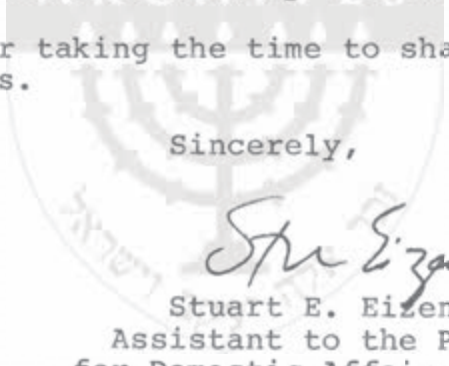
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Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler  
President  
Federation of Polish Jews  
Suite 1426  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York, NY 10017

June 21, 1978

The President  
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Carter:

The American community, Jews as well as non-Jews, applaud your pledge to create a "Permanent Memorial to the United States to the Victims of the Holocaust." This is indeed a fitting action on the part of a man and a Government committed to freedom and justice for all peoples.

Undoubtedly, many names have already been submitted to you for membership on the commission you plan to appoint. I write to second the appointment of Mr. Benjamin Meed, as shared with you in a letter from the President of the Jewish Labor Committee, Mr. Jacob Sheinkman, under date of May 31, 1978.

Himself a fighter in the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising and a survivor, Ben Meed has devoted his new life here in America to the Remembrance and Commemoration of the darkest period in human history. As a founder and leader of the Warsaw Ghetto Resistance Organization (WAGRO), Ben Meed serves with selfless devotion. He is a remarkable human being totally dedicated to keeping alive the memory of those who perished in the Holocaust. He would have much of great worth to contribute to the Commission on the Holocaust and I urge that you give serious consideration to his appointment.

With kindest personal regards and every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



June 15, 1978

Mr. Jacob Sheinkman, President  
Jewish Labor Committee  
25 East 78th Street  
New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Jack:

In response to your letter of June 2, please know that I will be happy to commend to President Carter Benjamin Meed for membership on the commission on a "Permanent Memorial in the United States to the Victims of the Holocaust."

You are absolutely correct in your comments regarding Mr. Meed and his contribution to the work of the commission will be a significant and invaluable one. There is no question in my mind but that he is especially qualified to serve.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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ידיעת ארבעתה-קאמפוט

June 2, 1978

Rabbi Alexander Schindler - Chairman  
Conference of Presidents of Major  
American Jewish Organizations  
% UAHC  
838 5th Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Alex:

The proposal of President Carter to name a commission on the "Permanent Memorial in the United States to the Victims of the Holocaust" we regard as potentially of great importance.

We believe that it could establish a significant memorial to the memory of the six million who died in the Nazi Holocaust and to honoring the Jewish resistance. It could be an important contribution to the education of young Americans - Christians and Jews.

We have written to the President of the United States (a copy of our letter is enclosed) not only supporting the establishment of this commission but also proposing a candidate who we believe is uniquely qualified to serve on it.

Having worked closely with Benjamin Meed on these matters we know that he will make a significant and creative contribution to the deliberations and to plans that emanate from the commission.

If you feel that you can in good conscience support this nomination it would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

*Jack*

Jacob Sheinkman  
President

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ידיעת ארבעתה-קאמיטע

May 31, 1978

The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Re: Permanent Memorial in the  
United States to the Victims  
of the Holocaust.

The Jewish Labor Committee is intensely interested in the commission which you are planning to designate to study how the United States can best memorialize the six million Jews killed by the Nazis.

We feel that this action on your part is in keeping with our nation's commitment to humanity and justice in the world. We will cooperate to the best of our ability in implementing any plans that the commission may develop.

In keeping with our concern about this matter, we would like to urge the inclusion in that commission of an individual whom we believe speaks for the tens of thousands of American citizens who survived the Hitler terror and found a secure haven on our shores.

Mr. Benjamin Meed fought in the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising and has made his life's work the memorializing of this heroic event and the education of young people about the tragic events of that period. He is the organizer and the leader of the largest organization of survivors, the Warsaw Ghetto Resistance Organization. For the last decade he has organized and led the extremely moving and dramatic annual memorializations which are held at Temple Emanu-El in New York and are attended by tens of thousands



The President  
May 31, 1978  
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of people. He also aided in the preparation of a number of exhibitions and educational materials which deal with the Holocaust. He is a recognized figure in American Jewish life and is respected by Jews and non-Jews of all persuasions and ideologies.

We believe that his contribution to any deliberations would be substantial.

Respectfully yours,



Jacob Sheinkman  
President

P.S. Mr. Meed can be reached through the Warsaw Ghetto Resistance Organization as follows:

Mr. Benjamin Meed  
122 West 30th Street  
Room 201  
New York, New York 10001

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January 5, 1978

Mr. Benjamin Meed, President  
Warsaw Ghetto Resistance Organization  
871 Seventh Avenue  
New York, New York 10019

Dear Ben:

It was most gratifying to learn that you have been invited to serve on the Advisory Board of the President's Commission on the Holocaust. I had been very disappointed when your name did not appear on the roster of those named to the Commission for I had hoped the work of the Commission would have the benefit of your very special expertise. Thus, it was heartening to learn that you will serve on the Advisory Board.

With every good wish and warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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December 29, 1978

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

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

I am pleased to let you know that I have been appointed to the Advisory Board of the President's Commission on the Holocaust. I consider this a high responsibility, which I undertake in behalf of my fellow-survivors of the Holocaust.

It is a great pleasure to express my appreciation to you as one of the distinguished persons who lent their kind support to my candidacy.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Sincerely yours,

  
Benjamin Meed

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36TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WARSAW GHETTO UPRISING — APRIL 22nd, 1979

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 22, 1978

Dear Mr. Meed:

The President's Commission on the Holocaust was recently established to recommend an appropriate memorial to the victims of the Holocaust and to commemorate April 28 and 29, 1979, which the Congress has designated as "Days of Remembrance of Victims of the Holocaust".

On behalf of the President, I wish to thank you for accepting our invitation to serve on the Advisory Board to the President's Commission on the Holocaust. I know that you deeply share our conviction that the Holocaust and its lessons for humanity must never be forgotten. Your expertise and commitment to community service will ensure an invaluable contribution to the work and success of the Commission.

Sincerely,



Edward Sanders  
Senior Advisor  
to the President

Mr. Benjamin Meed  
871 7th Avenue  
New York, New York  
10019

May 5, 1976

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

Gunther Lawrence

Miss Jane Evans; Matthew H. Ross; Al Vorspan

"Yad Vashem" Memorial

The more I think about your suggestion the more excited I am. It's a superb idea and I hope we can bring it to fulfillment. What I would like to see is a kind of "mini-park" or garden to give a proper setting to the Memorial.

I'm sharing this with Jane Evans and Matt Ross in order to gain their comments and suggestions.

Matt: If everyone agrees, I would like to present this suggestion to the Board. It also occurred to me this is an idea which might be of interest to Mel Merrans (sp?) and you might wish to share it with him and get some reactions.



## MEMORANDUM

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Date 4 May 1976From Gunther LawrenceTo Rabbi Alexander M. SchindlerCopy for information of Al VorspanSubject "Yad Vashem" Memorial

I would like to propose an idea to utilize the alcove on E. 65 St. of the House of Living Judaism -- the creation of a simple 'Yad Vashem' centered around an eternal flame. In light of your own feeling and your desires that we in the Reform movement begin to stress the teaching and remembrance of the Holocaust, I would consider the use of such space a fitting project.

I recognize that the use of this space is subject to building code regulations and other strictures. In my estimation, however, these should not be obstacles for the simple type of memorial I describe.

If you think the project has merit, I would be willing to undertake staff responsibility and work with others, perhaps a committee of the Board, in implementing a memorial.

*Excellent idea  
don't implement just yet -  
develop idea first -  
how it should look etc.  
Am very pleased with  
this, all the more so  
because N.Y. has no  
memorial - effect  
a park like the  
would be great*



May 16, 1978

Mr. Jerome Dickstein  
Executive Director  
University Guild  
P.O. Box 66  
Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y. 10706

Dear Mr. Dickstein:

Thank you for sharing with me your prospectus on a Holocaust Memorial  
"In Everlasting Remembrance."

The Conference of Presidents deals with matters of direct concern to Israel and I am certain I need not detail the kinds of activities in which this organization is involved. While the Holocaust and a fitting American Memorial concern every segment of the American Jewish community, the Presidents' Conference is not the proper arena for a project such as you have outlined. We have neither the human resources nor the funds required for such an undertaking.

I would suggest that you share your plans with the leadership of WAGRO which, as you know, is the organization which initiated the annual commemoration of the Holocaust and the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. You might also wish to consider sharing your suggestions with our Government so they may be passed along to the presidential commission to be appointed to plan for an American Holocaust Memorial.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



June 1, 1978

Mr. C. Brooks Peters  
Box 158, R.D. 2  
Dallastown, Penna. 17313

Dear Mr. Peters:

Thank you for your letter of May 25. I was pleased to learn of your desire to address Reform congregations on "Preludes to the Holocaust: The Evian Conference and Crystal Night." You most certainly have the credentials for such a presentation.

We do not have a lecture bureau, nor do we make available our mailing lists. However, I do want to make your availability known to congregations in the cities you plan to visit. I am, therefore, asking Mr. Theodore K. Broido, Coordinator of UAHC Regions, to contact our Regional Directors in the areas of your tour so they may, in turn, advise the local rabbis and congregations of your desire to appear in our congregations. We will ask the rabbis to contact you directly for details.

With every good wish and kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

En: Theodore K. Broido

C. BROOKS PETERS

May 25, 1978

Dear Rabbi Schindler:

Rabbi Albert Goldman of Cincinnati heard me lecture at a conference in New York City last March and invited me to come to Cincinnati to lecture next fall (cf. enclosures). The subject of my lecture there will be "Prelude to the Holocaust: the Evian Conference and Crystal Night." Presently, I am writing a book on the Evian Conference and Crystal Night.

I was a correspondent for "The New York Times" in Berlin from spring, 1937, until October, 1941. At midnight November 9, 1938, I was tipped off that a pogrom (Kristallnacht) would begin at 2 a.m. of the tenth at the corner of Friedrichstrasse and Leipzigerstrasse. I was there when it began.. I followed the pogromists until 8:30 a.m., when they set fire to the synagogue in the Fasanenstrasse.

My story appeared in "The Times" the morning of November tenth and was a world "beat".

I shall be speaking in Cincinnati on November third. I would like to arrange speaking engagements in other Ohio cities (Toledo, Cleveland, Akron, Youngstown, Columbus, Dayton) for the end of October and the first, second, fourth, and fifth of November.

Have you affiliated congregations in any or all of these cities to whom I could write? If you do, I would like to have the names of the rabbis or other individuals to whom I might address myself.

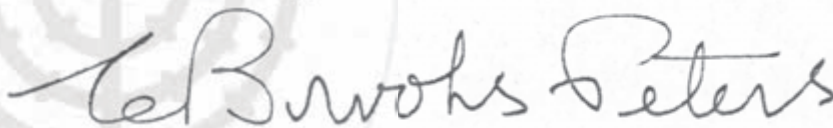


From November sixth through tenth I shall be a Scholar-Participant at the International Scholars Symposium on the Holocaust sponsored by the Institute for the Study of Contemporary Social Problems at the University of Washington in Seattle.

I would like to get some speaking dates in the Pacific Northwest area following the Seattle conference. Have you affiliated congregations in Washington, Oregon and California that might be interested in having me lecture?

I make all my lecturing arrangements myself. My fee is \$400 plus expenses. Any suggestions you can give me will be deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "C. Brooks Peters". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

C. Brooks Peters

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