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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

3/13/84

TO: MARSHALL BREGER

FROM: DEBBIE HUTTON *if*

RE: The National Council of Young
Israel's Dinner Honoring Bill Tate
March 25, 1984

As you requested, I declined for Ambassador Kirkpatrick, Bud McFarlane, the US Ambassador to Israel (if he is here on 3/25), Donald Rumsfeld, and Elliott Abrams.

I told you Rabbi Stern was not interested in Richard Perle so I told him that even though I was aware he wanted a speaker on the Middle East Policy, I had asked other people from the White House to see if we might be helpful with a speaker but not on the issue/policy he requested. I told him Mr. Horowitz and you were most interested in speaking --- and he said no.

He asked that I send to the appropriate office to request a Senator/Congressman and I have done so.

Since your office had originally contacted Horowitz to speak, I would appreciate it if you would tell him that the Council has decided to go elsewhere for a speaker (or whatever you want to so that you are "off the hook").

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF YOUNG ISRAEL

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February 24, 1984

The Honorable George Bush
Vice-President
United States of America
The White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

ATTENTION: Mr. Dan Sullivan

Dear Mr. Vice-President:

The National Council of Young Israel is the largest modern American Orthodox synagogal movement in the United States, reaching from coast to coast, from as far south as Florida to as far north as Maine, composed of members with a loyalty to the heritage of their faith and to the United States.

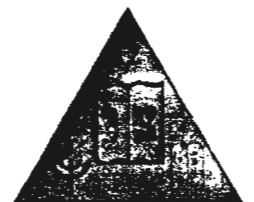
Though the major thrust of our organization is the bridging of the gap between the generations through the establishment of youth clubs, boy scout troops, and college campus activities, we have expanded our program in the past fifty years to fulfill the needs of people of all faiths and creeds. To this end, we operate an employment service in the states of New York, Ohio, Missouri, Florida and California which, in the past eighteen years, has found gainful employment for well over 200,000 people regardless of their ethnic background. We also operate a hospital in the mid-west and two health-related facilities in New York State.

Between 1,700 and 2,000 people, representing the leadership of the branches throughout the United States, will attend the National Dinner which will take place on Sunday evening, March 25, 1984, at the Sheraton Centre in New York City, nine days before the Democratic Primary in New York.

This year, the dinner will be honoring, among others, Mr. William Tate, Vice-President of District 65 of the United Auto Workers. A copy of Mr. Tate's biography and photograph is herewith enclosed.

The Executive Vice President of the organization is Rabbi Ephraim H. Sturm, who is very much active in the Republican campaign as a member of the Inner Circle Senatorial Committee.

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The dais at the present will include such dignitaries as the Governor, the Mayor, the Attorney General of New York City and prominent Congressmen, among them Young Israel's dearest friend, William Green, who represents the silk stocking district, the area in which our national headquarters are located.

The dinner which will be prominently covered by television media as well as the general press, will feature a reception from 4:00-5:15 p.m. The actual dinner will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. and is scheduled to conclude by 9:00 p.m.

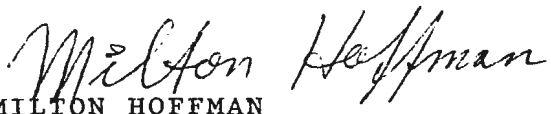
Three years ago, Vice-President Mondale addressed our dinner. Prior to that year, President Ford addressed those attending the dinner.

We have also had the privilege and honor of being addressed by prominent Senators, Governors, Cabinet Members, Israeli Prime Ministers, and other dignitaries.

May we respectfully invite you, Mr. Vice-President, to be the guest speaker at our 72nd Anniversary Banquet. We would be happy if the Vice-President could address the dinner gathering at approximately 8:30 p.m. but, of course, we are flexible.

In addition to giving you the opportunity of addressing this impressive body of loyal Americans from all parts of the United States, your presence will also serve to inspire us as we work for our country and as we "labor in the vineyard of the L-rd".

Respectfully,


MILTON HOFFMAN
Republican National Committee Eagle
Member of Banquet Committee

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News from...

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF YOUNG ISRAEL



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Contact: Yaakov Kornreich

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

November 14, 1983

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BILL TATE TO RECEIVE YOUNG ISRAEL

"MAN OF THE YEAR" AWARD

Bill Tate, vice president of District 65 United Auto Workers of America (AFL-CIO) will be honored by the National Council of Young Israel with its "Man of the Year" award, at the NCYI 72nd anniversary banquet, Sunday, March 25, at the Sheraton Centre in Manhattan. Mr. Tate's selection was announced by Harold M. Jacobs, NCYI President.

Mr. Tate has been an active labor leader for 34 years, and currently supervises a membership which is organized in New York City, Chicago, Los Angeles, Pittsburgh and Dallas. He also is a trustee of the District 65 Security Pension and Education funds, as well as a special union fund which supports charitable and social services institutions including the National Council of Young Israel, Histadrut, NAACP, the Martin Luther King Center for Social Change, and many other worthy groups.

Bill Tate has played a major role in UJA and State of Israel Bonds drives, and has helped provide security for visiting officials of the State of Israel.

Bill Tate has long been active in the struggle for human rights and freedom throughout the world. He has received citations from many communal organizations for his tireless efforts on behalf of noble causes, including Bnai Brith. He has been prominent in such groups as the National Association for Irish Freedom, the Brooklyn Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and the Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation, of which he is a founding member and chairman of the Board.



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Special Assistant to the President
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The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

October 15, 1984

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Dear Marshall:

When I came back from Washington on Friday morning, I found two new pipes on my desk - obviously a gift from some well-wishers. Since you are a pipe smoker and since I received two pipes and can only smoke one at a time, I felt that this was some omen. After all, you shared good news with me. The least I can do is share a pipe with you.

Thanks loads for all that you have done to help us reach our 19th annual contract.

Our meeting with Pat O'Keefe went exceptionally well. Besides him agreeing to recycle our program, he spoke in the most laudatory terms of eighteen years of exemplary service. Young Israel has many things to be proud of. At this juncture, however, it is good to know that the Department of Labor thinks so highly of us.

With all best wishes for a year of health and happiness.

Sincerely,


RABBI EPHRAIM H. STURM
Project Director

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October 15, 1984

Dr. Marshall Breger
Special Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
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Dear Marshall:

I guess when it rains, it pours. Sometimes we don't hear from each other for months on end, and then suddenly we write as if the post office will lower its rate.

I thought you would be interested in the enclosed editorial that appeared in the Young Israel Viewpoint (readership of over a quarter of a million) which reached our members around Sukkos time. You may want to make some use of the underlined phrase.

With all best wishes.

Sincerely,



RABBI EPHRAIM H. STURM
Executive Vice President

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Anti the Nuclear Sukkah

In the midst of a Presidential campaign already supercharged with religious and ethnic confrontation and provocation, an attempt is being made to appropriate a major Jewish religious symbol on the Democratic side of the highly partisan nuclear freeze issue. A liberal group of Reform, Conservative and Orthodox Jewish religious leaders is sponsoring the erection of a special Sukkah in Washington D.C. designed to dramatize the threat of nuclear war to annihilate all of mankind.

The obvious aim of the project is to promote public, and specifically Jewish support for the verifiable nuclear freeze, an issue high on the agenda of the Mondale presidential campaign. Coming from a camp which has objected loudly to President Reagan's support from fundamentalist Christian groups, and the outspoken position of Catholic bishops on the abortion issue, such a blatant attempt to appropriate a major symbol of Jewish religious observance for partisan gain seems most inconsistent, and, for the Jewish community, ill-advised. If G-d does not necessarily insist on returning prayer to the public schools, or the passage of an anti-abortion amendment to the constitution, then he is not necessarily a proponent of the nuclear freeze, either.

The true significance of Sukkos and the Sukkah is that Jews and Judaism admit their responsibilities to all mankind, of all nationalities and political persuasions equally. It reminds us of the vulnerability inherent in life, and our common need to seek and follow in the ways of G-d.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 29, 1984

Dear Harold:

I only recently learned that you were
in the hospital.

Please accept my best wishes for a refuah
shlemah. I hope to see you soon.

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Sincerely,



Marshall Breger
Special Assistant to the
President for Public Liaison

Dr. Harold Jacobs
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October 15, 1984

Dr. Marshall Breger
Special Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Marshall:

As you know, Harold had a triple bypass. Thank G-d, things are looking rather well.

Harold asked me to thank you for sending him the copy of the President's message, and the copy of the speech that he delivered at the B'nai B'rith dinner..

As you know, Harold, health permitting, ^{will} ~~may~~ write a letter on behalf of the President. In any event, we may find some way to bring the new year's greeting to the members of Young Israel. It is too late for the Rosh Hashonah issue of the Viewpoint, obviously. Nevertheless, Harold asked me to explore other means.

Thanks again for all your help.

With all best wishes.

Sincerely,



RABBI EPHRAIM H. STURM
Executive Vice President

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PS: I don't know whether you have seen copy of the letter that Rabbi Louis Bernstein, President of the Rabbinical Council of America, sent in his own name to the members of the Rabbinical Council of America

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Rabbi Louis Bernstein

6452 Bell Boulevard

Bayside, New York 11364

September 1984

Dear Friend:

I am voting for Walter F. Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro, and urge you to do the same.

My reasons are simple. Walter F. Mondale is a disciple of Hubert Humphrey and shares the same principles. His approach to issues of education and social justice for the poor, the aged and the sick are akin to mine. Geraldine Ferraro represents a neighboring Congressional district in Queens. I have had the opportunity to observe her at close range. Her qualifications are superb and her credentials impeccable.

There are, of course, specific concerns. Walter Mondale has been a very staunch supporter of Israel and the Soviet Jewry movement. He has been an outspoken foe of anti-Semitism and bigotry. Linking him to Jesse Jackson and Jackson's bigoted supporters is most unfair and uncharacteristic of Jews who demonstrate hakarat hatov (expressions of gratitude) to friends of long standing. Mondale has said he would rather lose with the Jewish community than win with the help of bigots. Everything he has done in his life confirms this.

If I had to single out the one predominant issue in determining my choice for the Presidency, it would be church-state and its obverse, religious liberty. Decades of teaching American Jewish history reinforce my conviction that this is a major factor in the security of the American Jew. It is not only the President's position on prayer, but also his power to appoint Supreme Court justices that can calibrate the delicate relationship for future centuries that concerns me. The Pawtucket creche decision, reversing almost three centuries of judicial tradition, demonstrates clearly that trend which worries me so much and must be reversed before the damage becomes significant.

Sincerely,



Rabbi Louis Bernstein

November 2, 1984

Dr. Marshall Breger
Special Assistant to the
President for Public Liaison
The White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Marshall:

Though Harold has just left the hospital to recuperate at home after having undergone triple bypass surgery, he asked me to thank you for the copy of the President's recent speech that he delivered at Temple Hillel.

It was my pleasure to be there as a member of the Jewish Coalition. The President came over excellently.

With all best wishes.

Sincerely,


RABBI EPHRAIM H. STURM
Executive Vice President

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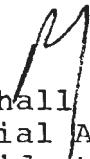
November 8, 1984

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Sincerely,



Marshall Breger
Special Assistant to the
President for Public
Liaison

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January 5, 1986

The Hon. Max Green
Associate Director for Public Liaison
The White House
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Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Dr. Green:

Now that I have returned from visiting our employment agencies in Cleveland and Detroit, may I take a moment to sincerely thank you for your kind interest in our work. I understand that, G-d willing, you will try to set up a meeting with the appropriate people in the Department of Labor during the week of January 19.

Parenthetically, please note copy of a letter that was sent to Senator Kennedy, inviting him to be the guest speaker at our 75th Anniversary Banquet.

It doesn't look like the Vice-President is going to accept our previous invitation.

All best wishes.

Respectfully,


RABBI EPHRAIM H. STURM
Executive Vice President

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