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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Dear

Thank you for your letter regarding the plight of Anatoly Shcharansky.

President Reagan has met with Avital Shcharansky and is very much aware and concerned with the condition of Anatoly. Secretary Shultz will also continue to raise the case of Anatoly Shcharansky and Soviet Jewry in his meetings with Foreign Minister Gromyko.

The President intends to keep all issues of Soviet Jewry high on the United States - Soviet Union agenda.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to write and share your concern about Anatoly Shcharansky.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Gale Deputy Special Assistant to the President

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON November 30, 1982

Dear Ms. Willig:

Thank you for your letter of October 1, regarding the plight of Anatoly Shcharansky.

President Reagan has met with Avital Shcharansky and is very much aware and concerned with the condition of Anatoly. Secretary Shultz will also continue to raise the case of Anatoly Shcharansky and Soviet Jewry in his meetings with Foreign Minister Gromyko.

Thank you once again for taking the time to write and for your continuing input.

Sincerely,

Michael R.Gale Deputy Special Assistant to the President

Toby Willig Emunah Women of America 370 7th Avenue Suite 11N New York, NY 10001

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON August 23, 1982

Dear Ms. Steiner:

Thank you for your August 11 letter to the President concerning Soviet Jewish emigration and the plight of Ida Nudel.

President Reagan is aware of the tremendous decrease in the numbers of people allowed to leave the Soviet Union each year. The President will continue to do everything in his power to increase the number of Jews allowed to emigrate from Russia. He is also aware of Ida Nudel's present situation.

Members of the Jewish Community met last month with Elizabeth Dole, Assistant to the President for Public Liaison, to discuss Nudel's condition. Later that day a vigil was held for Ida Nudel, at which time I spoke in behalf of the Administration.

The issue of Soviet Jewry remains high on the President's U.S. - Soviet agenda. I appreciate the time you took to share your thoughts with the President. Once again, thank you for your concern.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Gale

Deputy Special Assistant

to the President

Ms. Roberta Steiner B'nai B'rith Women 48 Park Plaza Drive Daly City, California 94015

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON June 7, 1982

Dear Rabbi Butler:

Thank you for your letter to the President on May 27.

As you stated in your letter, President Reagan is very much aware of the decrease in Jews allowed to emigrate from the Soviet Union.

It is the true hope of this Administration that talks between the President and leaders in the Soviet Union will be productive and increase negotiations between our two countries.

The matter of Soviet Jewry will remain high on the President's United States - Soviet Union agenda.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Gale

Office of Public Liaison

Rabbi Raphael Butler Director, National Programs and Regions National Conference of Synagogue Youth 45 West 36th Street New York, New York 10018

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON May 28, 1982

Dear Mr. Spectre:

Thank you for your letter of May 24 to President Reagan regarding the members of the Divided Family Group in Moscow wishing to emigrate to the United States.

This Administration has taken a strong stand in favor of the right of free emigration from the Soviet Union and we continue to seek opportunities to pursuade the Soviet government to liberalize its policies on emigration and freedom of movement.

Regrettably, the Soviets consider emigration to be a domestic policy issue. This factor, added to the tension currently prevailing in our bilateral relations, works to reduce the effectiveness of our efforts in support of emigration from the Soviet Union.

Nonetheless, we will continue to raise this issue in our future conversations with Soviet officials, keeping in mind the great concern of the American people for the plight of Soviet Jewry.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

Jack Burgess Special Assistant to

the President

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Associate Director
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON November 2, 1982

Dear Ms. Weigensberg:

Thank you for your letter of October 8 to the President voicing the concerns of the members of Peoria's Jewish Community.

This Administration has taken a strong stand in favor of the right of free emigration from the Soviet Union and we continue to seek opportunities to pursuade the Soviet government to liberalize its policies on emigration and freedom of movement.

Regrettably, the Soviets consider emigration to be a domestic policy issue. Nevertheless, we will continue to raise this issue in our future conversations with Soviet officials, keeping in mind the great concern of the American people for the plight of Soviet Jewry.

The matter of Soviet Jewry will remain high on the President's United States - Soviet Union agenda.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Gale

Deputy Special Assistant

to the President

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