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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 17, 1986

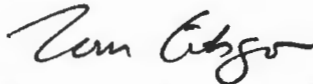
Dear Mr. Elenko:

On behalf of the President, I want to thank you for your recent letter to the President requesting comments on Professor Elie Wiesel.

I have attached for your use the President's remarks at the April 19, 1985 Medal of Freedom presentation. I hope this is of use to you. If I may be of further assistance in any way, please let me know.

With appreciation of your interest and best wishes,

Sincerely,




Thomas F. Gibson III
Special Assistant to the President and
Director of Public Affairs

Mr. Stuart S. Elenko
Director, Holocaust Studies Center
75 West 205th Street
Bronx, New York 10468

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MR. M. KOPELMAN, Principal
MR. S. ELENKO, Director
PROF. ELIE WIESEL
Honorary Chairman
ALEXANDER DONAT
Honorary Chairman
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November 3, 1986

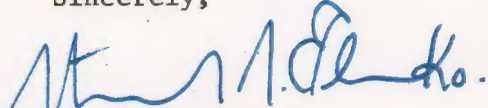
President Ronald Reagan
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Following the announcement that Elie Wiesel had won the 1986 Nobel Peace Prize, I was asked to write his biographical article for The Dictionary of Literary Biography: American Authors Since World War II. In the article I feel that it would be most appropriate to include a few words from you expressing your feelings on this occasion. Since Professor Wiesel is the Chairman of the National Council on the Holocaust and a recipient of the Medal of Freedom your comments on his impact on American life and on our attitudes towards human suffering would be most appreciated.

If you could possibly take a few moments to write your views I would be truly grateful. Unfortunately, the deadline for the entire article, including comments, is November 21, 1986. I hope that you will be able to contribute your comments by then. Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely,


Stuart S. Elenko

Boston University

University Professors
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Boston, Massachusetts 02215
617/353-4566



Elie Wiesel, *Andrew W. Mellon Professor in the Humanities*

January 6, 1986

The Social Secretary
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Social Secretary:

This is to notify you that Mr. and Mrs. Elie Wiesel have moved and no longer reside at 239 Central Park West in New York City.

All correspondence should now be forwarded to 200 East 64th Street, New York, New York 10021.

Thanking you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter,

Sincerely,

Martha Hauptman
Assistant to Elie Wiesel

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September 3, 1981

Dear Mr. Wiesel:

Nancy and I were particularly pleased by your thoughtfulness in sending us the original silkscreen by Lou Stovall, following the "Days of Remembrance" ceremony at the White House. We want you to know that we shall keep this artist's proof as a meaningful reminder of the value of liberty which your special remembrance represents.

With our best wishes to you and Mrs. Wiesel.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN A

Mr. Elie Wiesel
Suite 832
425 13th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004

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DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE

Yom Hashoah

April 30, 1981

Rose Garden

The White House

Welcoming Remarks The Honorable Jacob Stein
Special Advisor to the White House

Remarks The Honorable John C. Danforth
United States Senator (Missouri)

Entrance of the President of the United States

Address The Honorable Elie Wiesel
Chairman,
United States Holocaust Memorial Council

Address President Ronald Reagan

Candle Lighting Ceremony The Honorable Sidney R. Yates
United States Congressman (Illinois)

Participating Survivors

SIGMUND STROCHLITZ
SOL GOLDSTEIN
MILES LERMAN
BENJAMIN MEED
HADASSAH ROSENSAFT
SIGGI WILZIG
ELI ZBOROWSKI

El Moleh Rachamim The Honorable Isaac Goodfriend
Cantor, Ahavath Achim Congregation
Atlanta, Georgia

Kaddish The Honorable Alfred Gottschalk
President, Hebrew Union College
Cincinnati, Ohio

Concluding Remarks The Honorable Monroe H. Freedman
Director,
United States Holocaust Memorial Council

WHITE HOUSE GIFT REGISTER

Date Received: May 27, 1981 Accepted By: Red Carney

Name of Donor: ELIE WIESEL

Title: Chairman

Address: United States Holocaust Memorial Council
Suite 832, 13th St. NW.
Wash, DC Country: _____

Presented By: _____ 20004

Donor: _____ Other (Name): _____

Address: _____

Circumstances of Presentation: President attended
Observance on 4/30/81

Brief Description of Gift: Colored plaque
re: Days of Remembrance
Observance

Gift Intended For:

President: First Lady: _____ President & First Lady: _____

Other First Family Member (Name): _____

Other (Name): _____ Title: _____

Office: _____ Tel.: _____

Acknowledgement:

Copy Attached: _____ To Be Handled By Gift Unit: _____
(Only for President and/or First Lady)

Disposition: To White House Gift Unit, Room 62, OEOB Date: 5/27/81

Report Prepared By: Jay Shanahan Tel: 2270

Other Comments:

May 15, 1981

Dear Mr. Wiesel:

I was very pleased to meet with you, Mrs. Wiesel, and the other members of the American Jewish Community at the White House. The annual "Days of Remembrance" serves as our national reminder of the Nazi Holocaust, one of the greatest threats to human liberty in all of history. I appreciated having you and your colleagues join me on this solemn occasion.

You were very kind to bring Mrs. Reagan and me the inscribed copy of your biography, A Jew Today. We appreciate this thoughtful gift and look forward to sharing in your experiences.

With our warm best wishes to you, Mrs. Wiesel, and your associates on the United States Holocaust Memorial Council,

Sincerely,

The Honorable and Mrs. Elie Wiesel
Suite 832
425 13th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. . 20004

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With our best wishes, *to you and Mrs. Wiesel,*

Sincerely,

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NEEDED: JUNE 11
NEEDED: JUNE 8
(MARSHALL BREGER WANTS TO PICK JUNE 8
TO HAND CARRY TO THIS EVENT)

*Marshall wants to
hand carry
needs June 8*

OR FILE SERVICE

Marshall sent us a request for message
for gathering of people from Bar Ilan
University who are presenting an honorary
degree to Ambassador Naphtalie Lavie, the
Counsel General to Israel in New York;
as well as Joseph Gruss, philanthropist
JUNE 11.

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Elie Wiesel is also receiving an award -
although not honorary degree.

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Office
See attached Printout
to
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(Specify) ELIE WIESEL
OR NAPHTALIE *FNF*
GRUSS
Specify *Other*

Per printout, I note several pieces
of correspondence to Ambassador
Naphtalie Lavie and Elie seems to be in
FNF.

Thank you.

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this dinner. Lavie
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to be noted.

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the letter to:

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