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Dear Yechiel,

Jiri Damborsky arrived here yesterday evening and is staying with us until tomorrow afternoon.

He is now very happy at the Masaryk University and since our meeting in June Professor Koca has not attacked him in any way. Also, he and his group have moved to the new building and all went well. He will certainly stay at the Masaryk University.

Hence, Yechiel, if you have not already sent the \$30,000 for this year, please do send it now.

Many thanks for your help with my next book.

Will we have a chance to meet in November or December? I will be in Vienna from November 2nd-8th, then three days in Dresden and then in England until December 22nd.

With best wishes as always,
Alfred



Subject: Kosovo: Lead Pollution Requires Immediate Evacuation of Camps for Roma
From: "Yeziel Bar-Chaim" <yeziel@jdcparis.org>
Date: Mon, 20 Jun 2005 20:27:35 +0100
To: "Alfred BADER \ (E-mail)" <baderfa@execpc.com>

20 June 2005

Dear Alfred,

Finally we're making some headway in bringing this crisis / scandal to the attention of the international community.

A friend of mine is on the Board of Refugees International and she persuaded them to send a professional team to Kosovo to speak with Paul and make a thoroughgoing evaluation. Please, see below.

Best regards,

Yeziel

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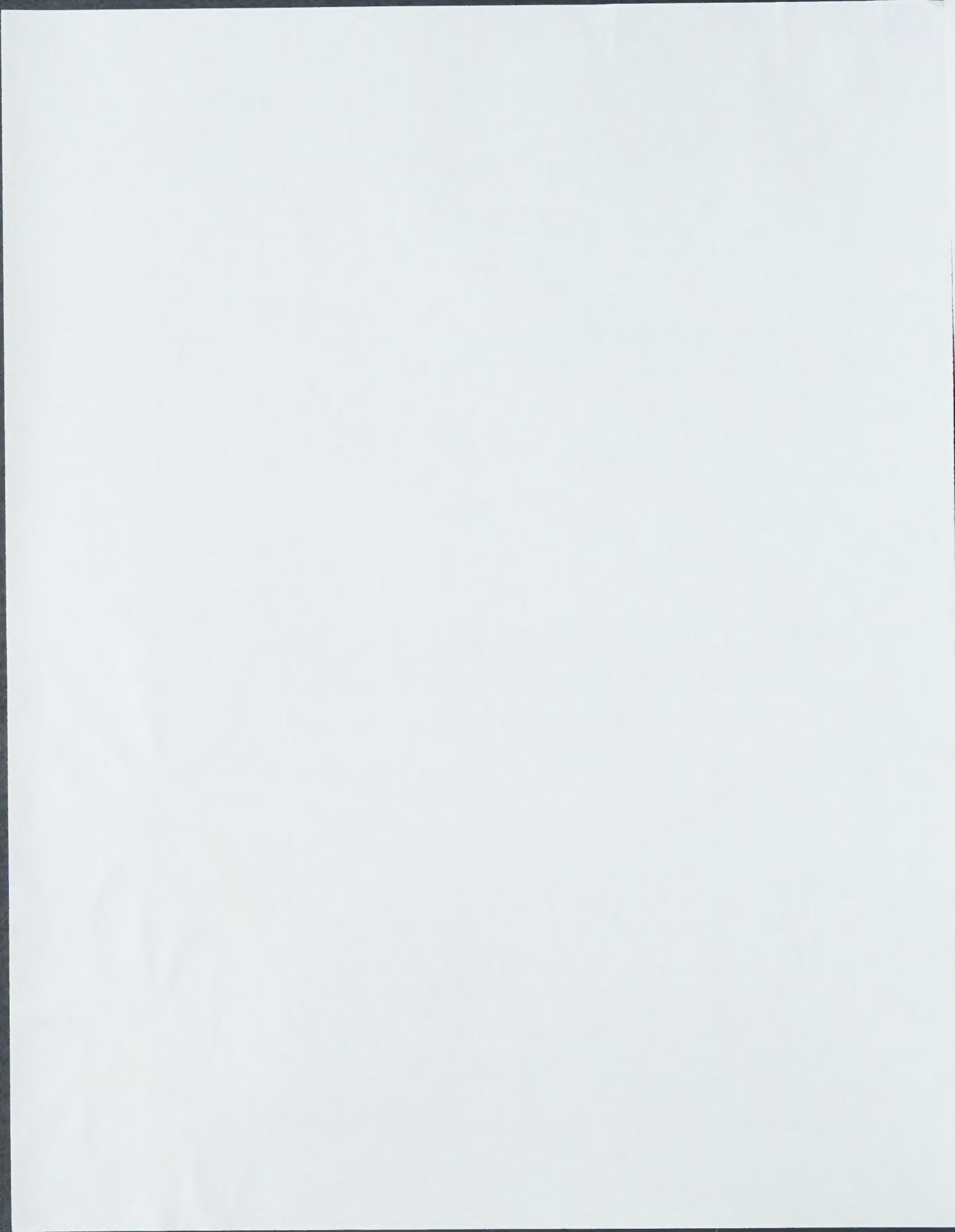
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Kosovo: Lead Pollution Requires Immediate Evacuation of Roma Camps

Three camps for Roma, Ashkali, and Egyptian (RAE) internally displaced persons in Kosovo are on sites irretrievably polluted with lead and must be evacuated immediately. The World Health Organization and other UN organizations in Kosovo believe that the situation, which affects more than 600 people, constitutes a health emergency and that urgent action is necessary. The leadership of the United Nations Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK) acknowledges that delays and lack of leadership have kept the displaced in a dangerous situation. UNMIK has not acted despite the fact that as early as November 2000 its report, "First Phase of Public Health Project on Lead Pollution in Mitrovica Region," recommended that the Roma camps be relocated and that their residents receive continuous education and support for the eradication of lead poisoning.

The RAE camps were never intended to become semi-permanent settlements in the midst of



an environmental disaster area. The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) constructed the three internal displacement camps of Chesminluk, Kablare and Ztikovac for the RAE populations who fled from South Mitrovica to North Mitrovica during the Kosovo conflict in 1999. UNHCR built these camps as a temporary solution. At the time UNHCR believed that the RAE displaced would remain for 45 to 90 days, after which they would return to South Mitrovica. Continued inter-ethnic conflict prevented return to South Mitrovica by the RAE population and thus the camps have remained occupied since 1999.

Mining and metallurgic economic activities have a long history in Mitrovica and Zvecan municipalities of northern Kosovo. After these activities closed down in 2000, UNMIK, in November of that year, produced an environmental report on the lead situation in Mitrovica. In 2004, WHO, in collaboration with UNMIK and local institutions, conducted a Health Risk Assessment to determine the extent and routes of exposure of children to heavy metals in these municipalities. According to this study, the overall population in Mitrovica has elevated levels of heavy metals, especially lead, but the samples from the three RAE IDP Camps had the most alarming lead levels in the blood. More than four years earlier the 2000 UNMIK report had also noted higher levels among RAE internally displaced persons (IDPs). According to WHO, a blood lead level of 10 micrograms per deciliter or below is acceptable. The measurements from the IDP camps were much higher than in the surrounding population and at levels which exceeded any region WHO had previously studied. Twelve children had exceptionally high blood lead levels, greater than 45 micrograms per deciliter.

Lead can enter the body through the following means: inhalation, ingestion of the soil itself or food grown where the soil is contaminated, and through the placenta of the fetus in the womb. Nutrition, hygiene, ratio of body fat, fiber intake, age and overall physiological makeup all affect the speed at which the body absorbs lead. Children between birth and six years old are the most vulnerable as they are in the primary stages of growth and development. Lead poisoning affects the entire body and has severe and permanent health consequences. Potential symptoms of exposure to lead, even at low levels, include loss of appetite, lethargy, high blood pressure, fertility problems for men and women, premature birth, stunted growth, hearing damage, neurological damage, seizures, pain and/or paralysis in the legs, dropping in and out of consciousness, anemia, increased aggression, stomach cramps, and vomiting. People suffering from lead poisoning can be asymptomatic. According to the WHO reports, the most significant and irreversible effect is on IQ levels. An increase in blood lead level from 10 to 20 micrograms per deciliter has been associated with a decrease of 2.6 IQ points, but any incremental increase above 20 further reduces IQ levels. As one international health worker told Refugees International, "These children who are affected will never reach their optimal mental potential which is a basic right of each child. There is an emergency in these camps."

Since July 2004, WHO has categorized the lead intoxication as a severe health crisis. For the past 12 months, WHO and other international agencies have recommended the immediate evacuation of pregnant women and children up to six years of age and quick relocation of these IDP camps into temporary sites until a final and sustainable solution can be achieved. This has yet to occur despite the clear warning from WHO that inaction would

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allow for continued exposure to lead and "with these excessive blood levels these children are at a true risk of encephalopathy, [delayed mental development], and possible death."

UNMIK, municipalities and the Ministry of Health, all of which have the power to implement an evacuation of the camps, have not acted. They have had meetings with involved parties, led steering committees, debated the details, and questioned the feasibility of various recommendations. While there are legitimate objections to a number of the alternative camp sites offered, given the urgency of the situation, major efforts are needed to make a promising site work. For example, a site near the destroyed RAE neighborhood in South Mitrovica with a large agricultural school and land was offered as a temporary location. Some of the RAE populations from the camps expressed interest in this site on the condition that a checkpoint of the Kosovo peacekeeping force (KFOR) be established nearby, as security is their predominant concern when considering moving back to South Mitrovica, where they experienced the violence which caused them to flee. UNMIK has agreed to a KFOR checkpoint, but further action has to be taken to make this a reality. Other efforts with the RAE population could be undertaken to renew their confidence and make them feel more secure in their former neighborhood. But while community participation is important, many believe that an executive decision is required instead of the ongoing discussion. As one international humanitarian worker put it, "It is not a question of a solution, it is a question of the lack of will to do anything - nobody seems to want to help the Roma."

In the spring of 2005 international organizations and local institutions finally initiated a Risk Management Plan (RMP) as a stopgap measure to respond to the lead poisoning. The plan's intention was to decrease lead exposure for the RAE population while the evacuation and curative measures were organized and quickly implemented. Initially proposed in February 2005, it was funded in late April with support from the head of UNMIK and the Ministry of Health. Beginning in May, international NGOs and the municipalities have undertaken a number of remedial measures, such as distributing hygiene packs and wood stoves and increasing access to clean water. The sanitation in and around two of the camps has greatly improved. The distribution of lowfat fortified milk and nutritional supplements also has begun. Twelve children have been taken to Belgrade for testing and treatment, with a promise to relocate them temporarily into an apartment and never return them to the camps. But the Risk Management Plan will not reverse some of the effects of lead poisoning, such as organ damage and the decrease of IQ. It reduces further exposure only slightly. Removal is the only viable option, as within two weeks of removal improvements are dramatic: blood lead levels of the displaced decrease by 50 percent.

With no temporary suitable site agreed for the IDPs, UNMIK and the local authorities decided that the best approach was to work for their return in safety and dignity to their homes in the Roma Mahallah in South Mitrovica. The problem with this approach is that work on sustainable return, a long-term project, quickly overshadowed the need for urgent action in response to the health emergency. The right to live in a toxic free zone is separate from the right to return home. The UN Country Team addressed this concern in a recent letter to the Special Representative of the Secretary General (SRSG): "Our principle concern is the health emergency, and we strongly believe that it should be treated as a separate issue from that of the return process as a whole."

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The ninth part of the paper discusses the overall conclusions of the study and the final remarks.

The tenth part of the paper discusses the acknowledgements and the references used in the study.

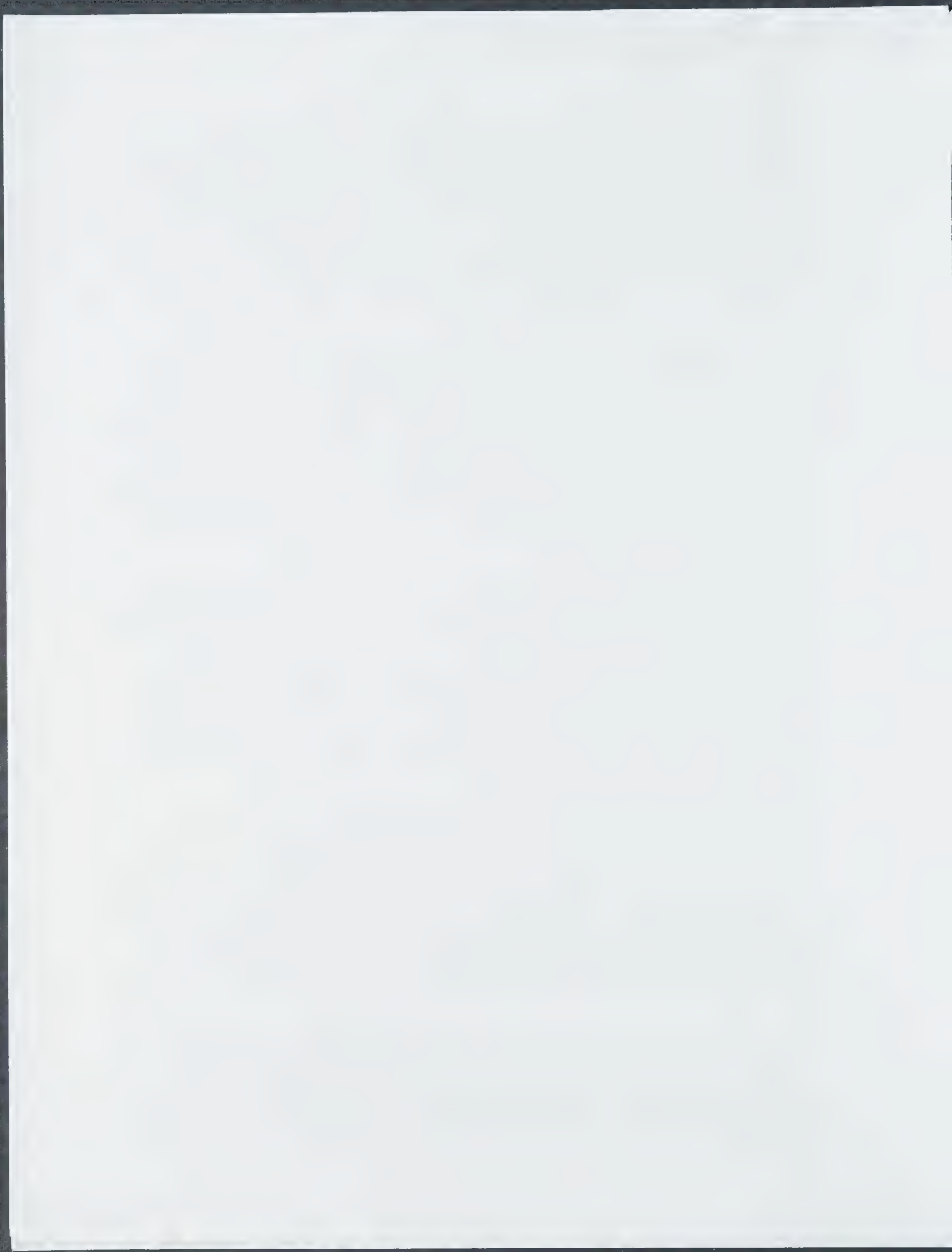
There are several problems with the return project as the solution to the evacuation of the RAE IDP population. The first and most obvious is that reconstruction of a neighborhood that formally housed more than 8,000 displaced RAE will take time. While the agreement signed by the Mitrovica Municipality and UNMIK clearly committing to and detailing the plan for the renewal of this Roma Mahalla is welcome, delays are inevitable --- funding must be received, full architectural plans drawn, legal papers resolved, land clearing completed --- all of which leaves the actual timing of the return uncertain. Second, only approximately 70% of the RAE IDPS living in the camps are from the Roma Mahallah; no solution has been offered for the remaining 30%.

Some international aid workers blame the RAE population for contributing to their own problems and focus on their supposed unwillingness to change. They claim that the Roma's inability to maintain hygienic standards has compounded the lead crisis. However, even when appropriately using the hygienic packs, cleaning tools and wash basins, the RAE will only be able to reduce slightly their lead contamination and exposure due to the high levels of prior contamination. In RI's visits to the camps the team observed that when given appropriate accommodation and tools, people are hygienic. Many of the accommodations in these camps are dilapidated, battered shacks and the infrastructure is well below the Sphere standards for access to water or quality of shelter.

There is also disagreement on whether the high levels of lead and illness are actually due to the continued illegal income-generating activity of lead smelting, a common activity in these camps. The WHO reports described smelting as just one of the contributors to the lead intoxication and the environmental specialists consulted by RI confirmed that smelting alone would not raise the blood lead levels as high as it is in the RAE camps. WHO concluded in October 2004 that the primary source of lead contamination was the existing contaminated soil, which has measured in the camps as much as 359 times beyond safe limits. The illegal smelting activities are continuing but have been greatly reduced and many of the larger smelting sites have been eradicated. This is being closely monitored by the municipalities and international organizations.

Some in the international community in Kosovo have stated that the RAE population "unequivocally" will resist evacuation and have used this "adamant refusal" as an excuse to avoid evacuation. The RAE population does have conditions for being evacuated into temporary conditions. For example, if the RAE displaced are obligated to move, they want a guarantee that any temporary location would not involve another prolonged delay of their return to their original homes. A simple step, such as creating a formal Memorandum of Understanding with the entire RAE population of these camps, with clear benchmarks on medical assistance and a timeline for the temporary accommodations, may alleviate many of their concerns.

The situation is further complicated by the pressure on the RAE population from many groups. They are located in North Mitrovica, which since the war refuses to recognize UNMIK or the Kosovo Provisional Institutions for Self Governance. Members of the National Serbian Council for Kosovo are regularly present in these IDP camps pressuring the RAE population not to cooperate with UNMIK or international organizations. Further,



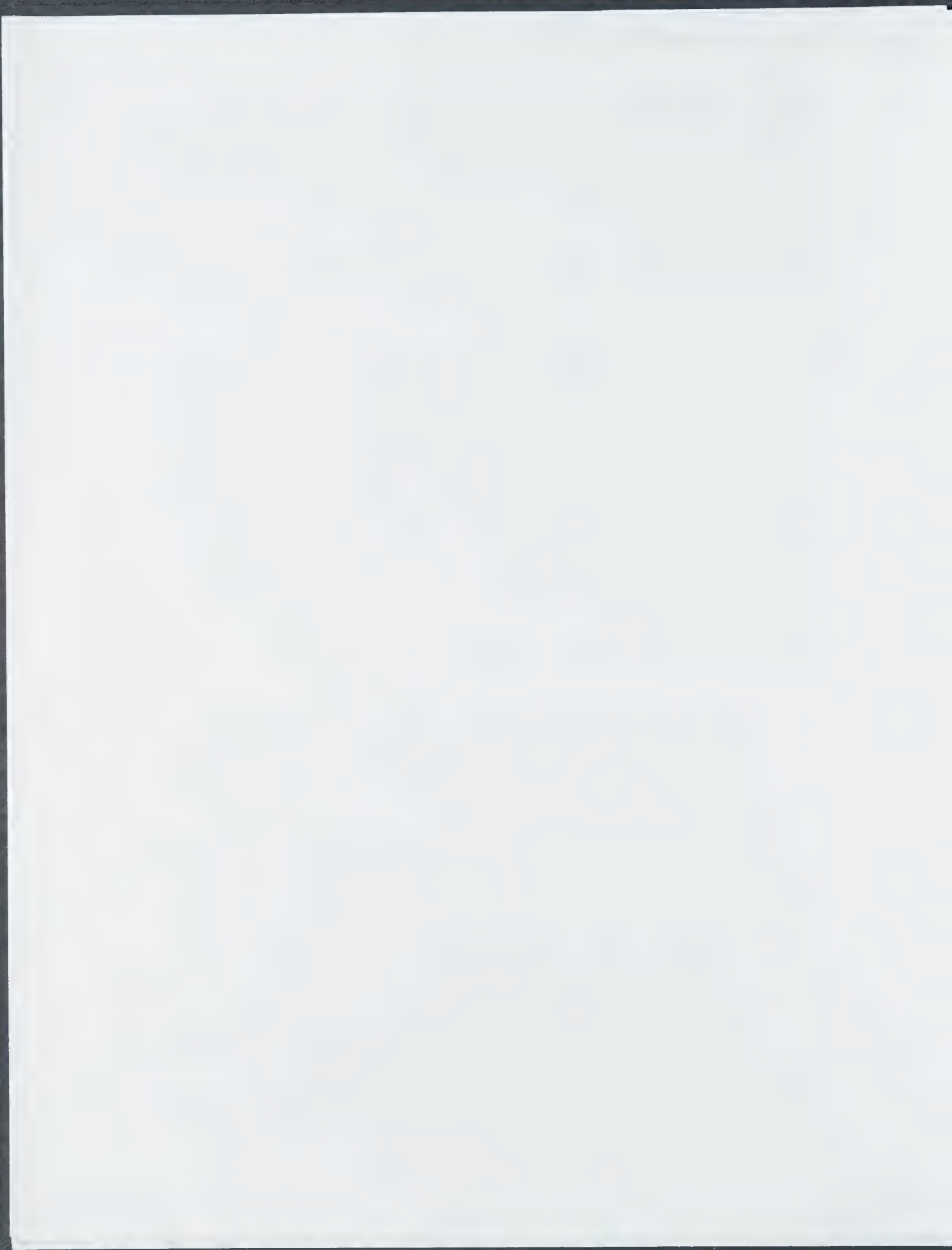
the displaced themselves fear that the gestures by the Albanians for their return to South Mitrovica are not out of concern for their medical condition but rather are motivated by the political gains that would result from the Albanians meeting more of the requirements that are tied to the final status of Kosovo. The RAE diaspora in Europe is advocating against return or relocation as this may increase forced returns from Europe.

Buffeted by these political forces, many RAE displaced persons feel used. As one RAE community leader told RI, "We are neither in the boat nor in the water." The SRSG told RI that these types of influences were the main obstacles against an evacuation and the RAE displaced persons were being used as political pawns.

Finally, some of IDPs who refuse to move into temporary sites are ill-informed and skeptical of the symptoms of lead poisoning. RI found that those who understand and/or have experienced the health consequences of lead poisoning clearly wanted to leave immediately. But those local organizations which have tested the RAE population for lead and have taken them to hospitals in Belgrade for treatment have not adequately kept the community informed of their findings and their purpose. Uncoordinated research and medical treatment efforts with good intentions have left the RAE population confused. The IDPs even doubt the accuracy of the results from the blood lead level tests from WHO and other organizations because they have never received a formal written notification nor an explanation of the consequences of the blood lead levels. Some ask if the blood lead levels in their children are so critically high, then why has so little medical treatment been distributed? As one RAE IDP stated to RI, "I would believe the lead problems if the international community had evacuated us."

Refugees International therefore recommends that:

- By June 30, 2005 all pregnant women and children from birth to six years old be evacuated to rented flats in North Mitrovica or temporary shelters at the South Mitrovica site. Regular testing of all IDPs in the RAE camps continue and any person testing above 45 micrograms per deciliter be given immediate medical attention and relocated.
- The SRSG assign an UNMIK international focal point with full support from the UN Country team to create an emergency action plan that will lead to the RAE population being completely removed from all three camps no later than July 31, 2005. The parties must agree that the health crisis is a separate issue from the return issue.
- The SRSG instruct the International Municipal Representatives of the three municipalities involved to begin immediate negotiations with the municipal governments to provide a list of suitable land sites for the evacuation. From the lists provided, the SRSG choose the best possible site by June 30, 2005.
- UNICEF with implementing partners conduct a door-to-door educational campaign that fully educates the RAE families on the causes and effects of lead poisoning. Organizations should meet each family individually in regards to this health crisis. The health education plan must outline the UNMIK plan for evacuation.
- International donors provide the necessary funds for an emergency action plan that must include evacuation and destruction of these three IDP camps.



- The World Bank and/or the European Agency for Reconstruction commit to a comprehensive environmental clean up of the North Mitrovica lead sites as recommended in the UNMIK November 2000 report.

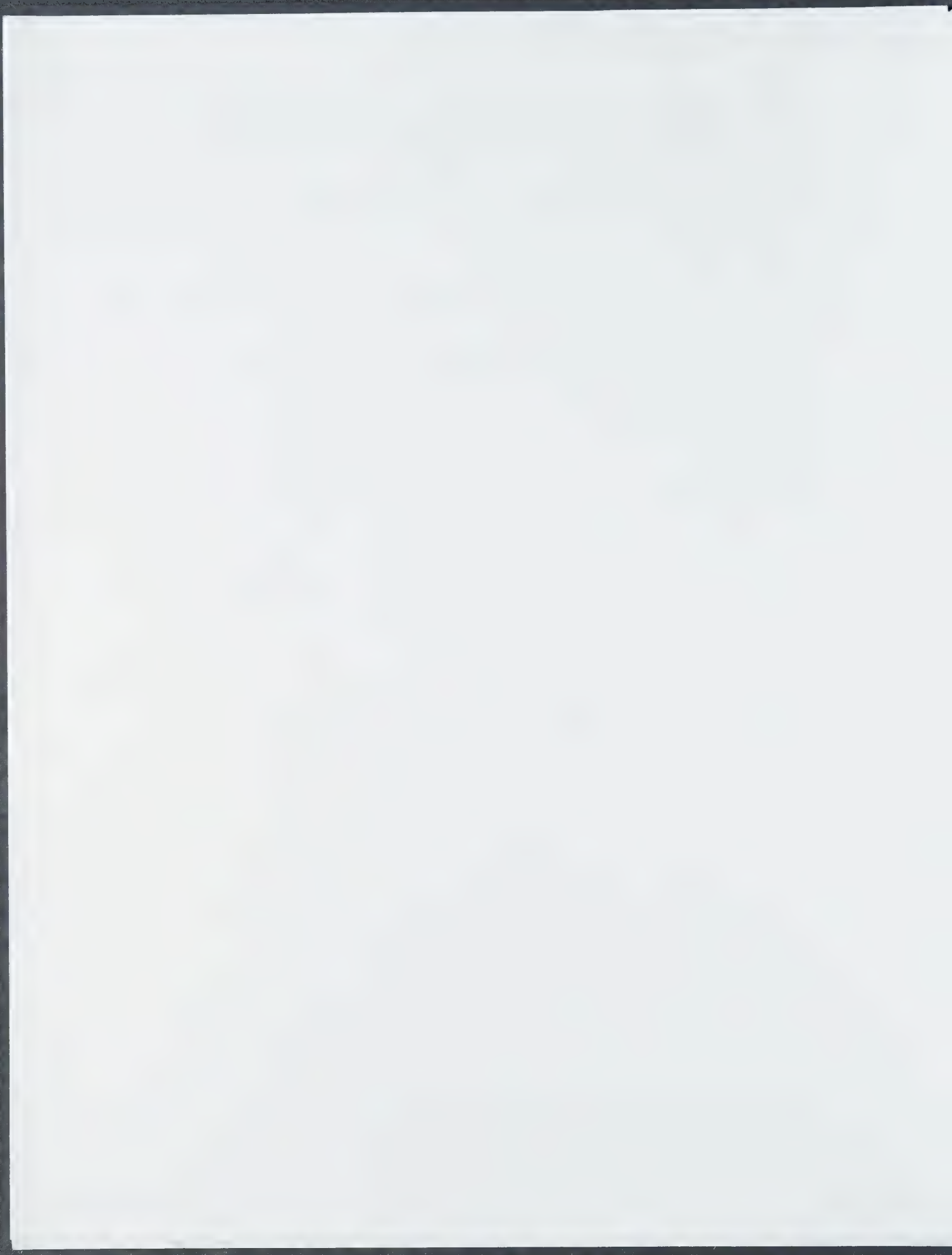
Shannon Meehan and Nicole Mailman of Refugees International are in Kosovo assessing the situation for Roma internally displaced persons.

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Subject: Intervention in the Lead Poisoning of Roma Children in Kosovo IDP Camps
From: "Yechiel Bar-Chaim" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>
Date: Wed, 13 Apr 2005 17:04:07 +0100
To: "Alfred BADER \ (E-mail)" <baderfa@execpc.com>

13 April 2005

Alfred,

Please, see this note from Paul Polansky.

QUOTE:

Please thank Dr. Bader for me from the bottom of my heart. It was quite incredible to see Nikolina the other day and to see what a difference her treatment made. Although she has irreversible brain damage, she no longer looks or acts like a zombie. In fact, she is jumping around like a normal kid with bright brown eyes and a great laugh. I hope someday I'll get the chance to thank Dr. Bader in person.

Best,
Paul

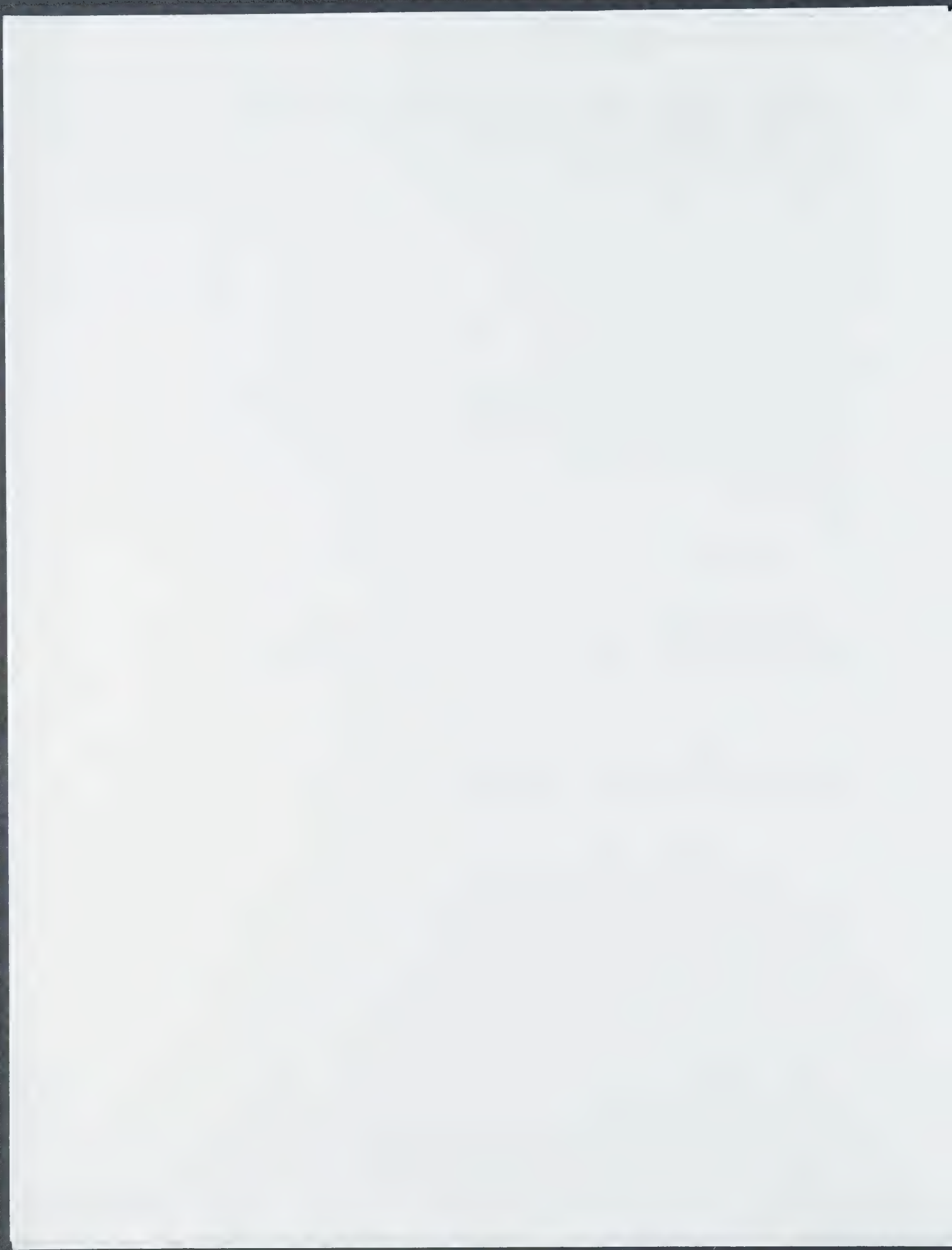
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Best regards,

Yechiel

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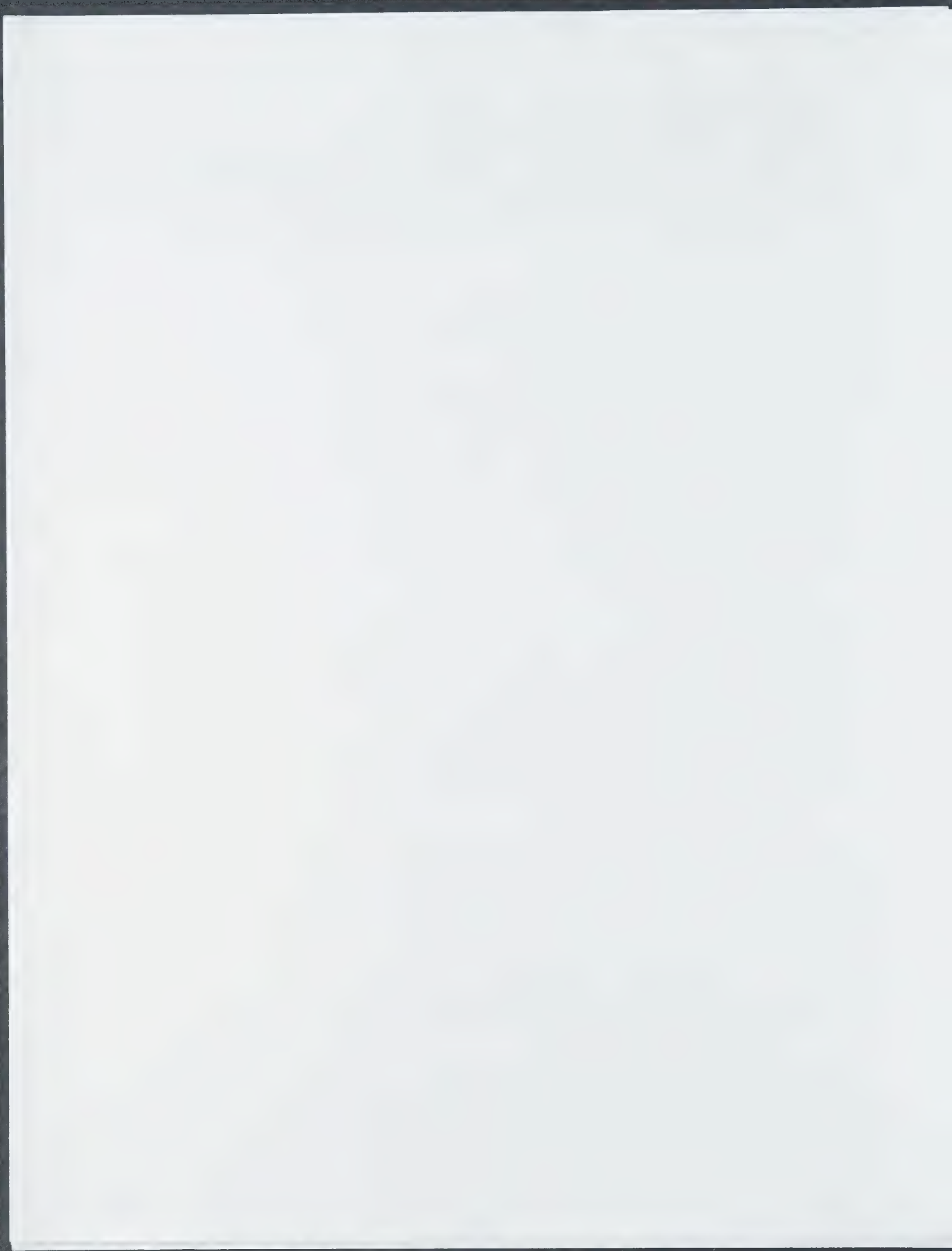
Dear Friends,

Today we took Kasandra and four other children to get their blood tested in Mitrovica. Miljana refused to carry out the tests until we got all five children seen at the Desponser hospital in north Mitrovica. We took the children there and although they were finally seen after an hour and a half, the hospital was reluctant, saying the Blood Institute did not need any papers from them. In any event, we finally got the tests carried out but were told to come back tomorrow for the results, and then to take the paperwork back to the Desponser hospital. This hospital should then make the referral to Belgrade, although in Belgrade we were told that a doctor's commission in Mitrovica must make the recommendation for treatment in Belgrade. I hope someone knows how to sort this out before we take the kids to Belgrade. I'd hate to get turned down there and make a wasted trip. Dragan from ICRC met us at the blood institute and was very helpful but I believe tomorrow he is in Serbia.

Although Kasandra is falling in and out of coma from time to time, according to her mother, we do not consider her the most critical. In our opinion, three-year-old Bukarija Avdi, who was treated in Belgrade in November along with Kasandra, is the most likely to die next. She now has terrible pains in her legs and finds it hard to walk, the last symptoms Djenita had before dying. Of course, the doctors in Belgrade who treated both Bukarija and Kasandra said they should not be taken back to the camp. WHO took them back, and now both are worse than before they were treated, at least according to their parents and our observations.

There are several kids in the Zitkovac camp who seem to be losing it. Toska Ramadani is very disorientated; Adelina Latifi born 21-6-03 cant talk or walk and acts like a zombie; I suspect the worse for Bukarija's three syblings under the age of six. But there are many, many others in our opinion who are showing the same smyptoms that Djenita had before she was hospitalized. I fear now that the snow is gone the lead dust will finish off the most vulnerable kids and of course be devastating for the pregnant mothers (last count, 17 of them). As we all know, evacuation is the only thing that will save them.

My NGO (KRRF) just received more funds to help these kids, to take them to Belgrade, to pay for some treatment and for their mothers to stay with them, and to buy more medicine for their treatment. But none of this will help if we have to take the kids back to the three camps. I hope the rumors I've heard that 20 new



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barracks are going to be built in Kablare for the Zitkovac IDPs is not true. In our opinion the lead poisoning in Kablare is just as bad, if not worse, as Kablare.

If/when we take Kasandra, we hope to take four or five other kids with their mothers at our expense. I hope it is not in vain and that we dont have to take them back to the camps.

Hope you can all find a way to help.

Best,

Paul Polansky
Head of Mission
Kosovo Roma Refugee Foundation

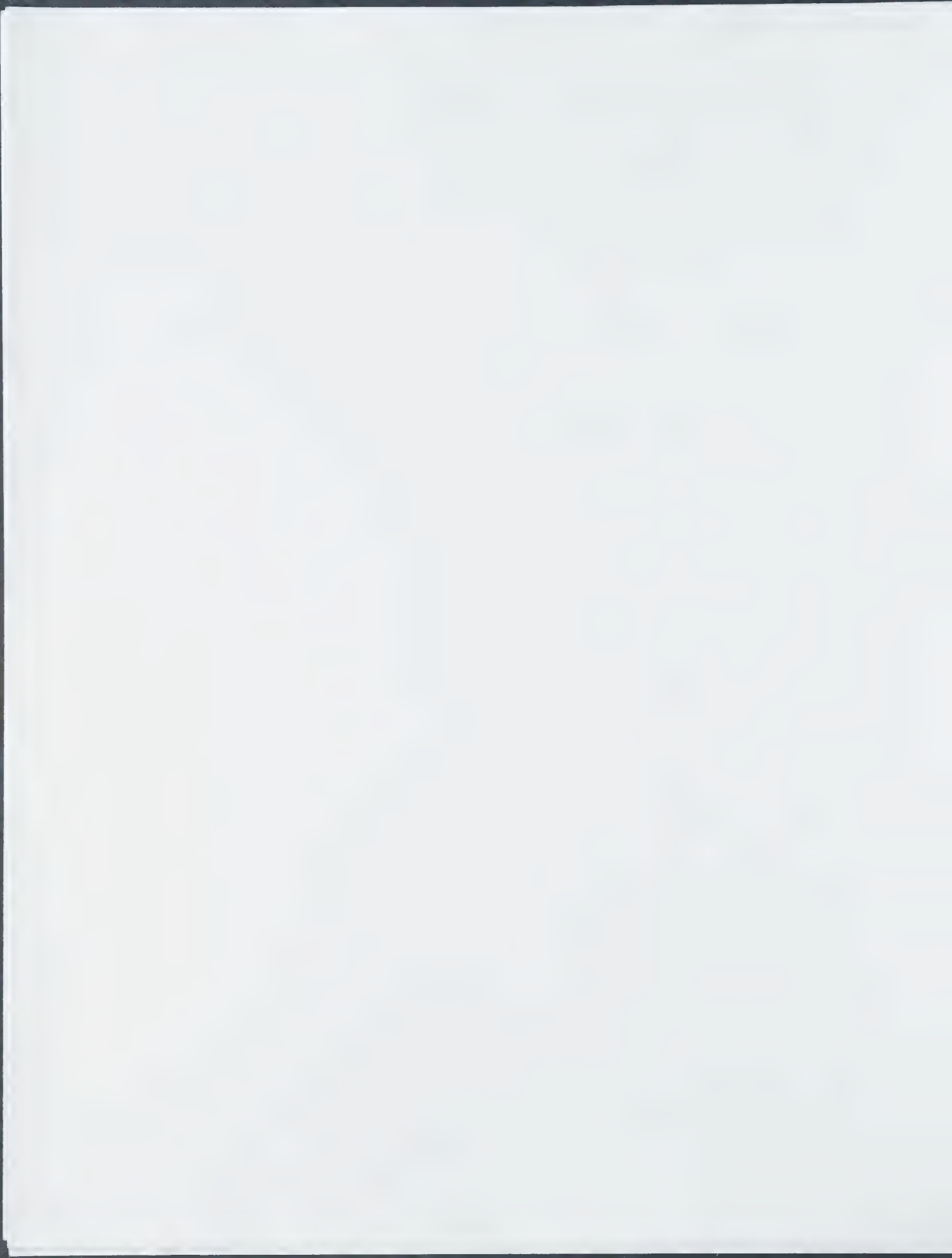
--- Pascale Meige Wagner <pmeigewagner.PRI@icrc.org>
wrote:

Dear Gerry,

In reference to the exchange of messages on the health situation of a Roma child in Zitkovac camp, Zvegan/Zvecan municipality, please note that the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) so far only commits to pay for the treatment of the little Cassandra, who may be transferred in the next days to Belgrade's hospital for treatment of her lead-poisoning. ICRC commitment will be communicated to the hospital in Belgrade, and covers costs up to a maximum of 53'000 Dinars (equivalent to previous treatments of the kind).

The ICRC accepts to cover these costs considering that there is a serious medical emergency, and taking due note that UNMIK/PISG authorities are allegedly unable to secure funding on short notice. As communicated orally to UNMIK/ORC already, the ICRC does not consider that the present commitment relieves UNMIK/PISG from providing appropriate health treatment to Kosovo's residents. The ICRC will not cover the costs of previous treatments provided to the children of the above-mentioned camp (Nikolina and others).

The ICRC wishes to stress strongly once more that the situation in Zitkovac camp as well as in Cesmin Lug and Kablar camps in Mitrovick/Mitrovica municipality has been described as a medical emergency by WHO since July 2004, and that therefore those camps have to be evacuated. In the case of Cassandra, all measures have to be taken to ensure



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that she will not have to return to the camp once discharged from the hospital, in order to avoid further medical problems.

Truly hoping that with joint efforts Cassandra will be the last alarming case reported in those camps and that she will recover from her current worrying medical situation, we remain

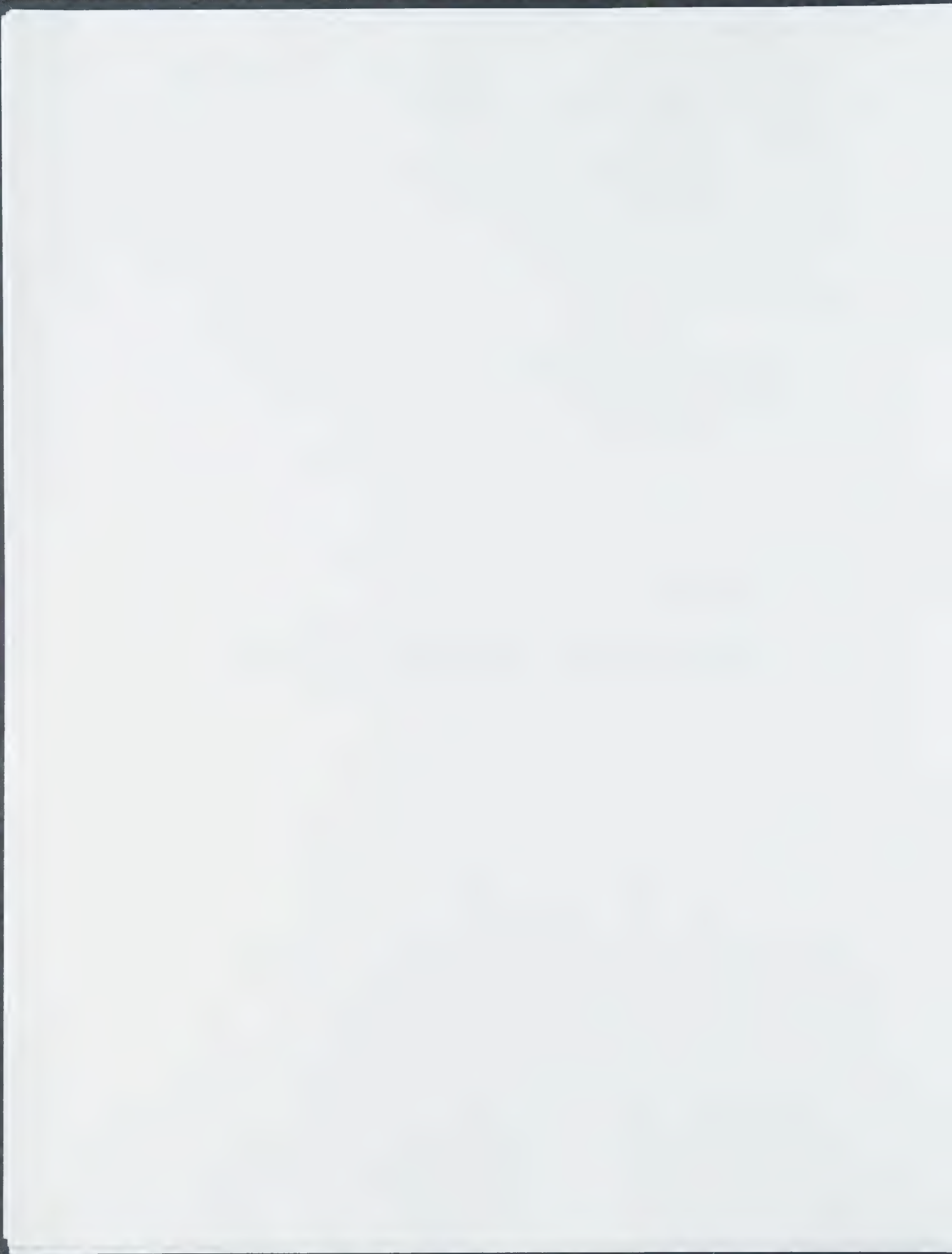
Sincerely yours

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Re: Request for a Phone Conversation

Subject: Re: Request for a Phone Conversation
From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts <baderfa@execpc.com>
Date: Thu, 31 Mar 2005 09:54:08 -0600
To: Yechiel Bar-Chaim <yechiel@jdcparis.org>

Yechiel Bar-Chaim wrote:

Dear Alfred,

Would it be possible for us to talk by phone today or tomorrow?

Two subjects:

The lead poisoning of Roma children in UN IDP camps in Kosovo (I am sending you a long e-mail)

Plans for Shavuot in Prague (Milena suggests the 14th for an Art Seminar; I am unsure about what you would like to do)

Warmest regards,

Yechiel

Dear Yechiel,

Thank you for your e-mail of today.

Should I send the check for \$18,000 for the Jewish community in Kingston to you in Paris or to New York?

I would not like to give a lecture in Prague on the 13th or 14th of June because it is Shevuos. Also, I would very much prefer to give my other biblical talk, *The Bible Through Dutch Eyes*, which is a much better prepared talk than the talk on Haftorahs, but in any case, not on Shevuos.

We are off to Pennsylvania early tomorrow morning to be at David's wedding on Sunday. We will be back in Milwaukee on Monday.

Best wishes,
Alfred

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Dear Mr. Bar Chaim,

Isabel and Alfred left early this morning for Pennsylvania - David and Shellie's wedding is

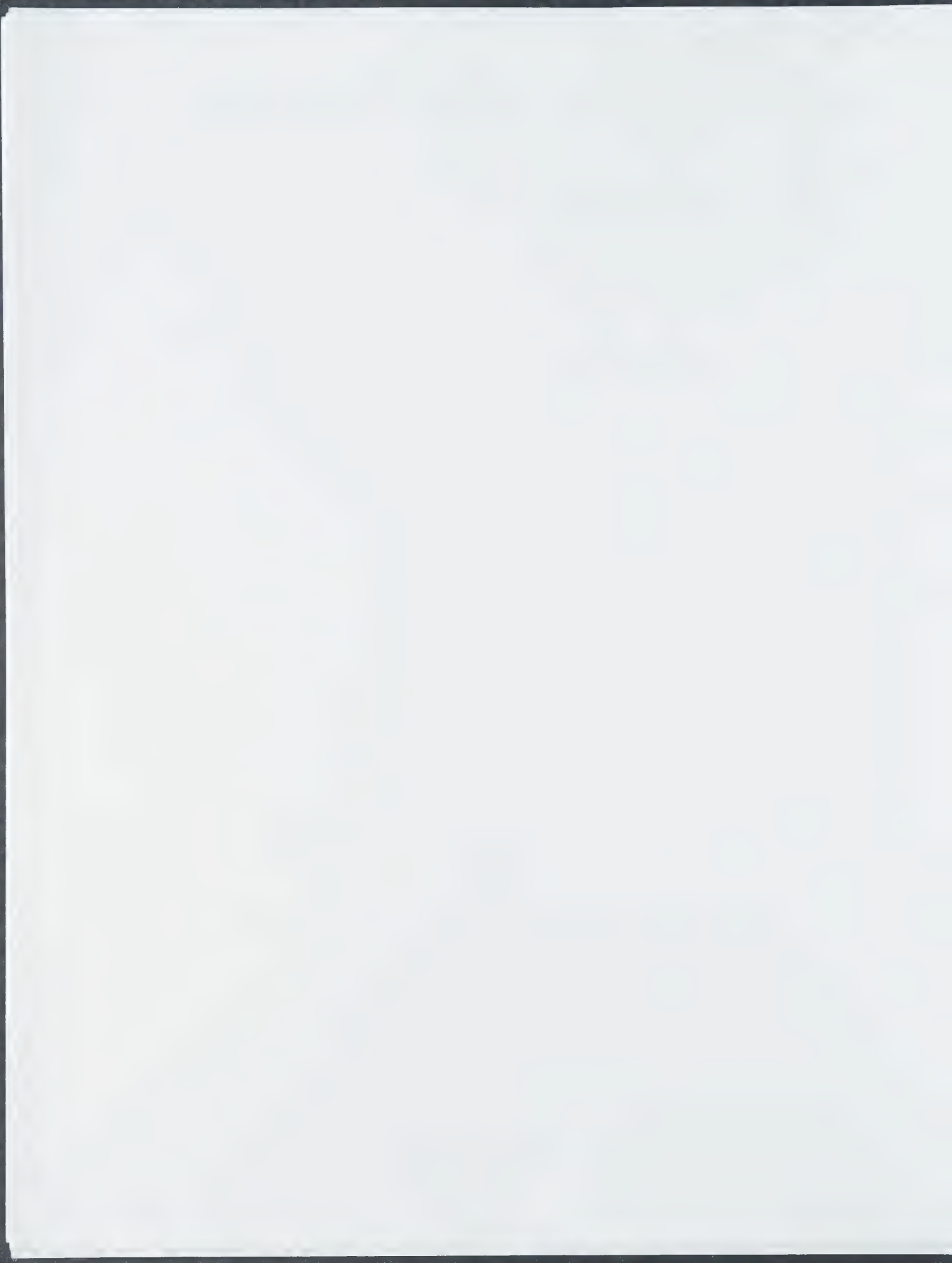


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Sunday. They should be back in Milwaukee by lunchtime on Monday. Can he call you on Tuesday?

Best regards,
Ann Zuehlke

Dr. Alfred Bader <baderfa@execpc.com>
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Re: Via Bono Award

Subject: Re: Via Bono Award
From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts <baderfa@execpc.com>
Date: Tue, 29 Mar 2005 12:27:20 -0600
To: Yechiel Bar-Chaim <yechiel@jdcparis.org>

Yechiel Bar-Chaim wrote:

Dear Alfred,

Nadace Via gave you the award.

Imagine you are greatly relieved with the news from Jiri. Do we have to hold our breath?

FYI Paul Polansky is doing tremendous work --- trying to save Roma children from lead poisoning in Kosovo and organizing learning-English-as- job-training courses for Roma in Nis. One of the mahalas where we have a course going is literally nothing more than a garbage dump, Paul says, the worst living conditions for Roma that he has seen outside of India. There alone we have 50 pupils. The parallel courses for Serb businessmen -- who learn for free if they promise to give a Rom a job --- are also taking off.

In carrying out your philanthropic wishes I am wedded to the principle of finding a winner and then backing him/her.

Thanks to our cooperation I have now been asked to recommend Paul for a human rights award in Canada.

Delighted it's springtime.

Fond regards,

Yechiel

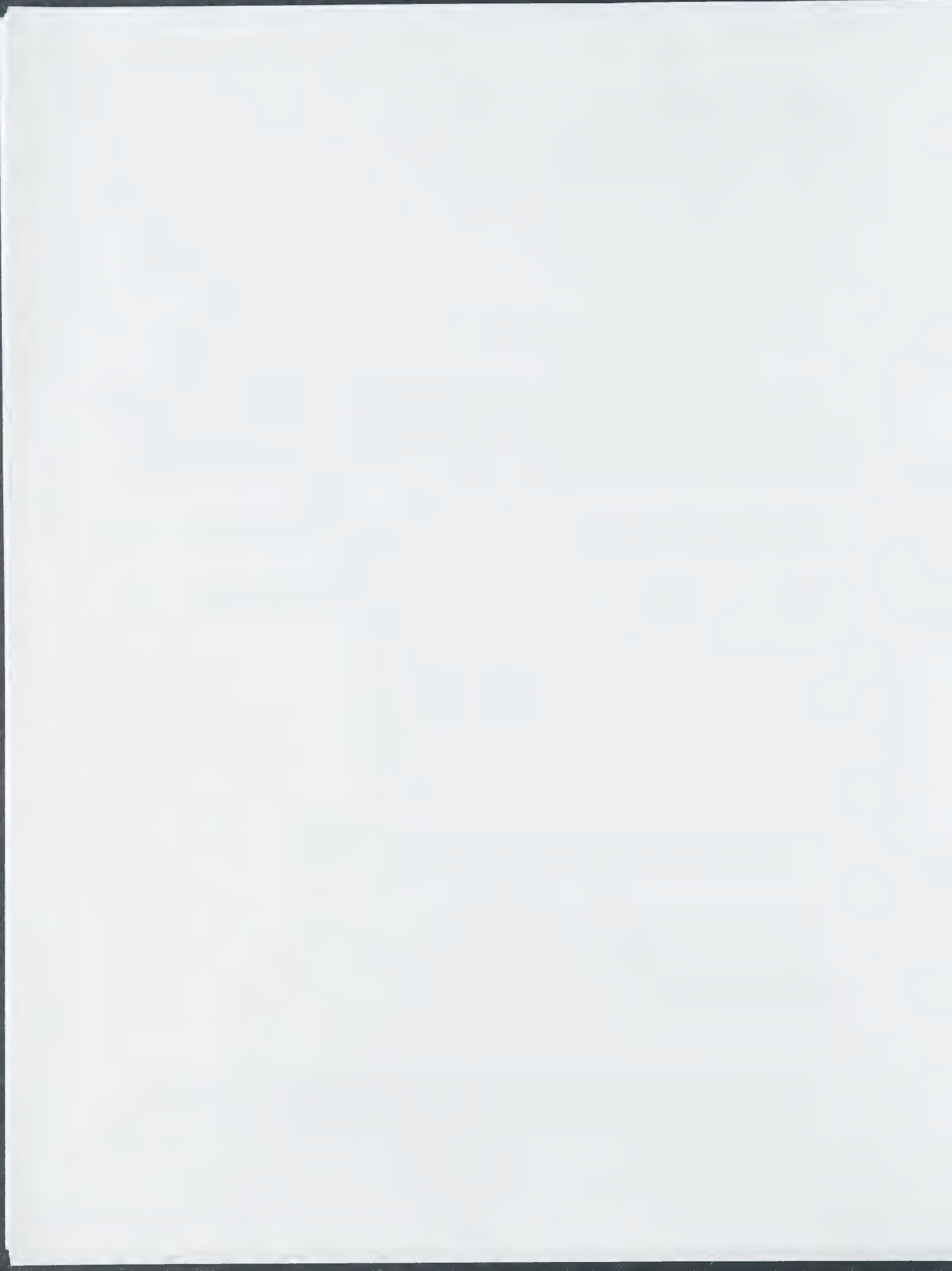
P.S. Please can you send me your current list of lecture topics?

-----Original Message-----

From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts [<mailto:baderfa@execpc.com>]
Sent: 28 March 2005 22:27
To: Yechiel Bar Chaim
Subject: Via Bono Award

Dear Yechiel,

Last September you sent me a copy of your beautiful speech which you made in acceptance of the Via Bono Award on my behalf. I am adding a few lines to my CV but I have forgotten just who it was who awarded this Via Bono Award?



Re: Via Bono Award

Best wishes,
Alfred

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Dear Yechiel,

Thank you for your e-mail of today. Of course I am greatly relieved hearing from Jiri and I hope that all will go well. You never know until the final decision is announced. Certainly he belongs into the department of Biochemistry.

I am faxing you my Menu of talks. I am just working on one additional talk, on how Dutch artists in the 17th century looked at Haftoras, and I will be giving that for the first time in our synagogue on April 10th.

You may know that back in 1944-45 I was president of the Hillel Foundation at Queen's University. The Hillel Foundation now rents a building from the Kingston Jewish community which has asked me to make a gift to repair the roof of that building. May I send you US \$18,000 and ask the Joint to transfer this to the Kingston, Ontario Jewish community? If the answer is yes, I will of course send you all of the details.

Best wishes,
Alfred

Dr. Alfred Bader <baderfa@execpc.com>
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Subject: A June Visit to the Czech Republic
From: "Yechiel Bar-Chaim" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>
Date: Wed, 13 Apr 2005 15:19:44 +0100
To: "Alfred BADER \ (E-mail)" <baderfa@execpc.com>

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Dear Alfred,

To follow our agenda:

1. I have sent you by separate email an account of the situation at the Alteneuschul in Prague.

2. For the evening of Sunday, June 12th, I am arranging for you to deliver your slide lecture on "Dutch Painters and the Haftorahs" before Shavuot services at the Spanish Synagogue. The congregation is Conservative.

3. Have asked my colleagues for a report on what Rabbi Fima of Pinsk has achieved thanks to your donation and will get back to you.

4. Thanks to your overwhelming generosity Paul Polansky now has the support to act vigorously to save the youngest victims of the lead poisoning. I am forwarding to you his latest heart-wrenching report. An article has been sent out by Agence France Presse. The opinion piece in the International Herald Tribune is still to come.

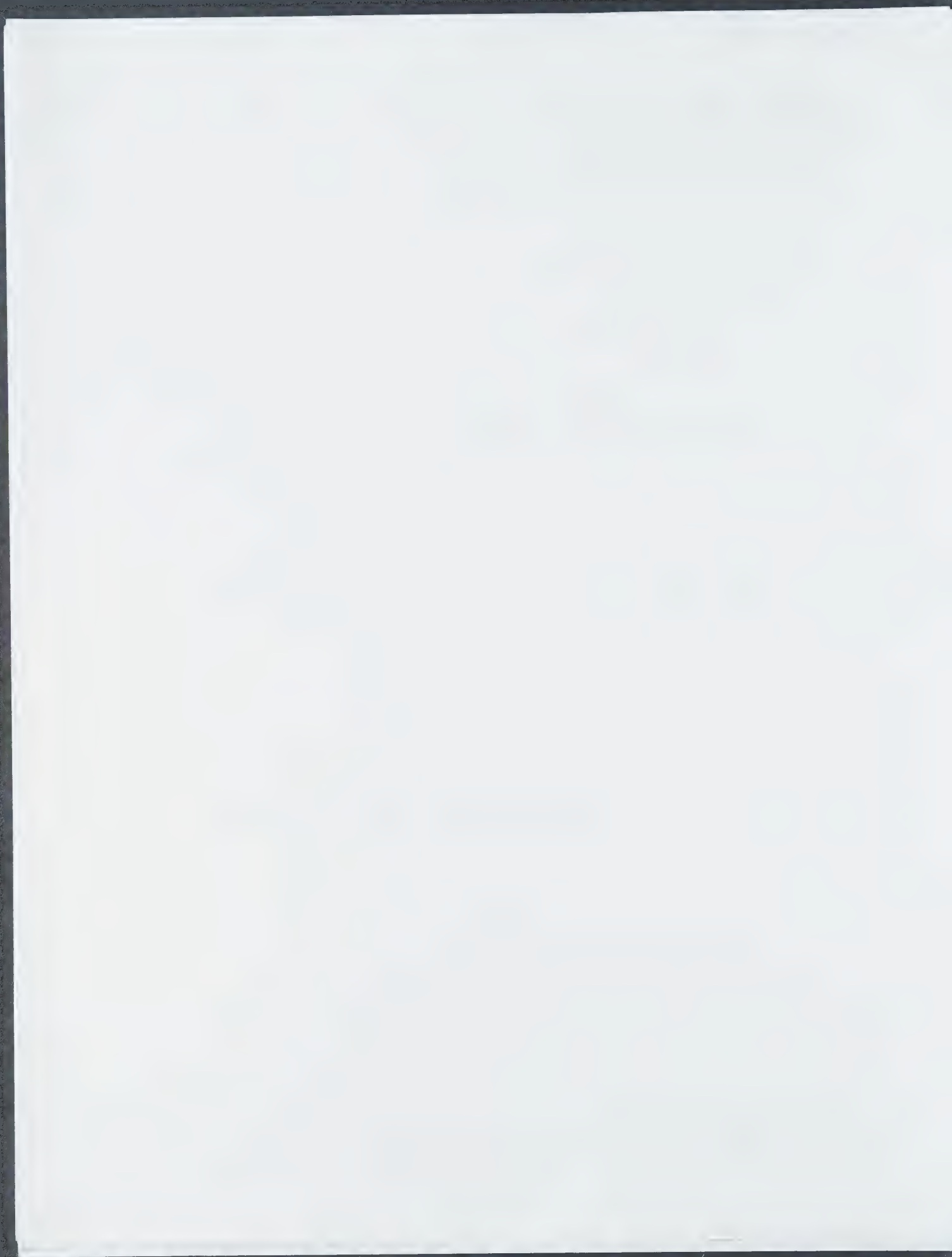
Many thanks to you and Isabel,

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Subject: Re: lead poisoning treatment
From: "Paul Polansky" <pjpusa50401@yahoo.com>



Re: Several

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From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts <baderfa@execpc.com>

Date: Wed, 06 Apr 2005 10:49:11 -0500

To: "yechiel@amejoidi.fr.fto" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>

yechiel@amejoidi.fr.fto wrote:

Dear Alfred,

I am now in Belgrade and reachable at any time but only on my portable.

Would love to talk with you now but it would be expensive. So I am prepared to wait until Monday.

Please send the check to the JOINT in NY with a letter --- Tzivvia Bieler, for example --- with a email copy to me.

Imagine you and Isabel glowing in the aftermath of David's wedding.

Warmest regards,

Yechiel

----- Initial Header -----

>From : Alfred Bader Fine Arts <baderfa@execpc.com>
>To : Yechiel Bar Chaim <yechiel@jdcparis.org>
>Copies :
>Date : Tue, 05 Apr 2005 16:03:38 -0500
>Subject : Several

Dear Yechiel,

May I call you at 10 AM Milwaukee time tomorrow? The Roma story is as horrible story as I have seen. It is essential that this be reported in detail in papers like the NY Times and the London Times.

To whom shall I send the check for \$18,000 for the Jewish congregation at Kingston?

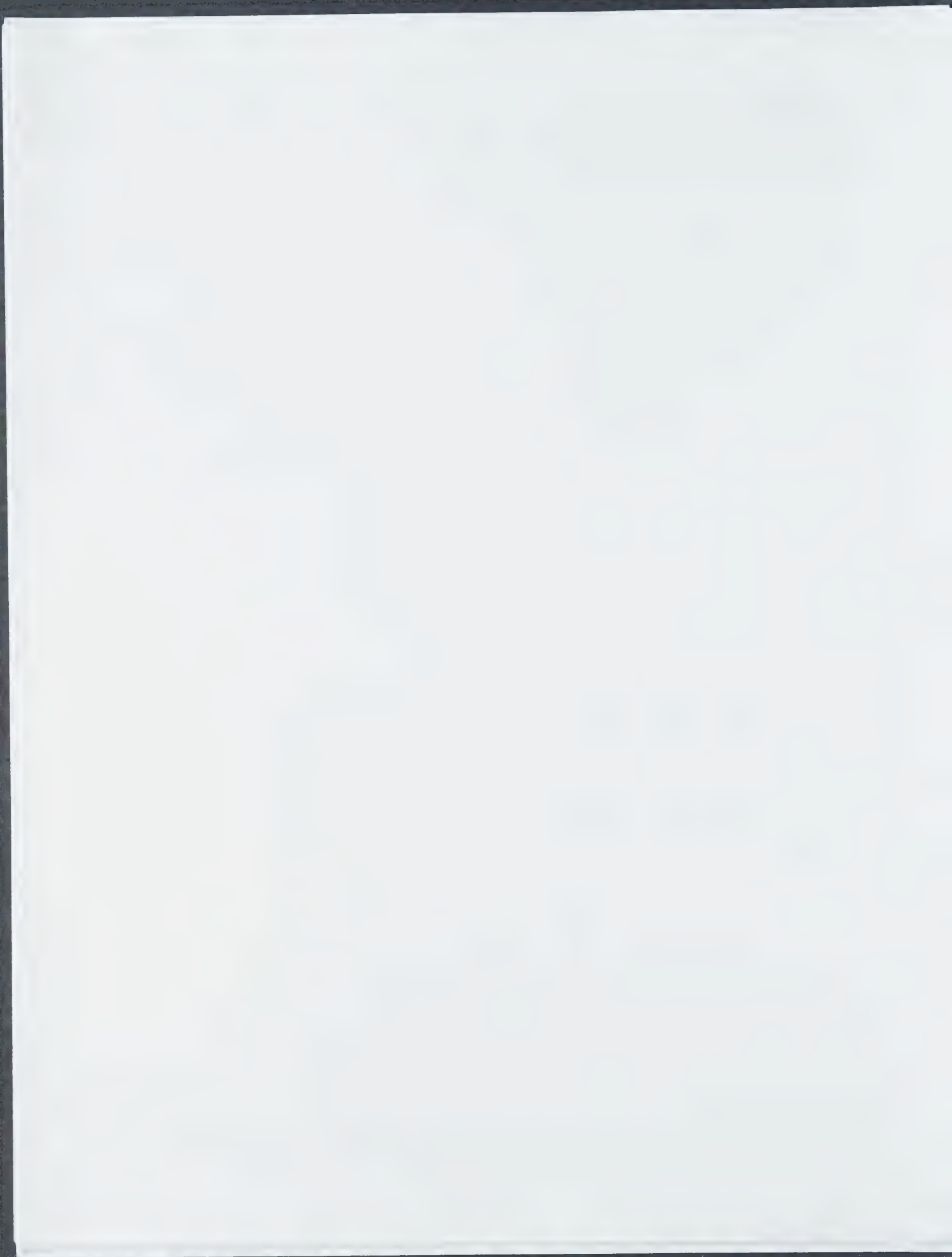
I will be happy to meet with Milena even on the afternoon of Shevuos but I do not want to give a lecture.

Best wishes,
Alfred

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In response to your e-mail of today I would like to talk to you about this horror story of lead



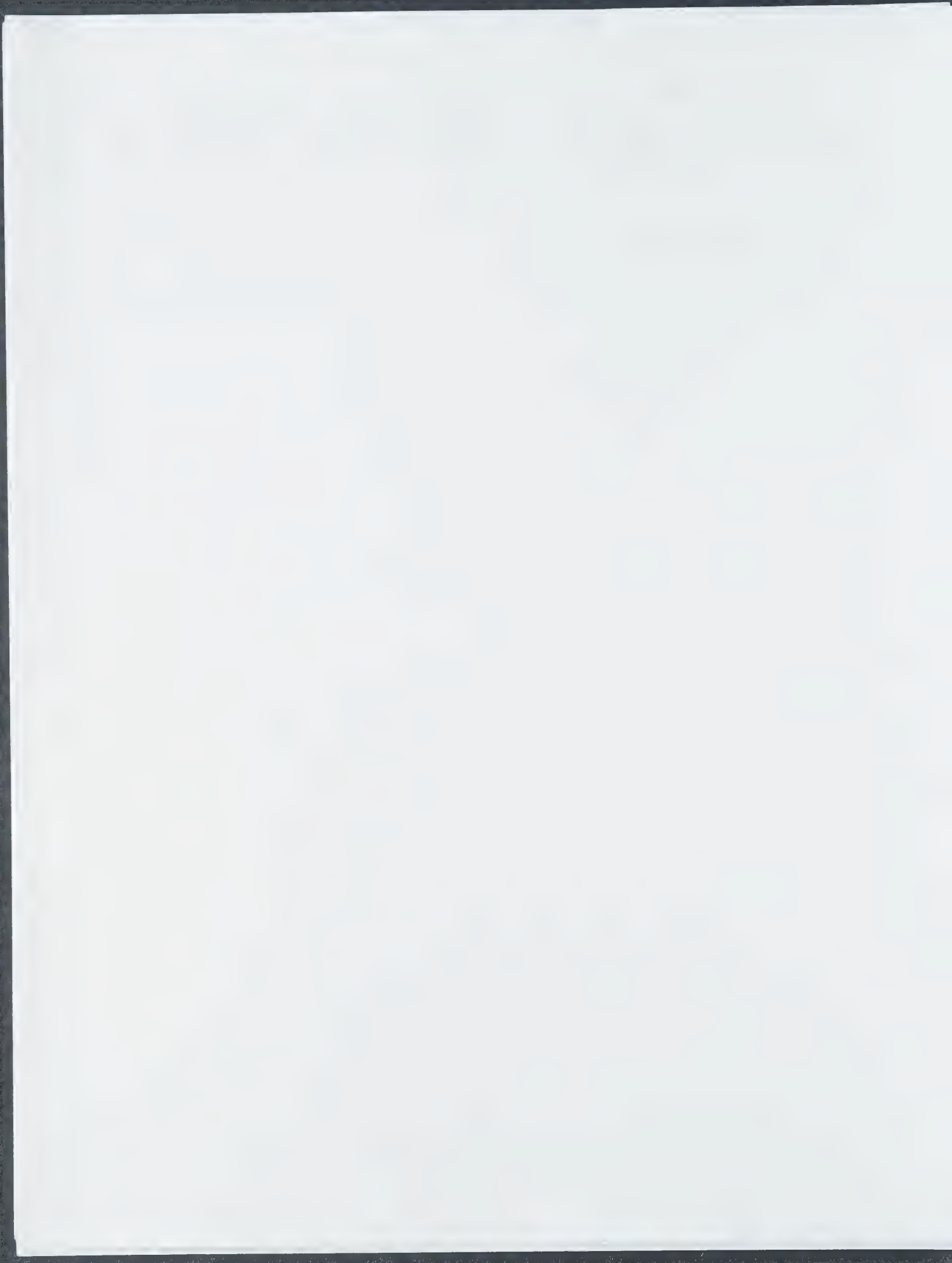
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I am mailing Tzivia Bieler my check for \$18,000 with the details of the Jewish community recipient at Queen's University in Kingston.

Many thanks,
Alfred

Dr. Alfred Bader < baderfa@execpc.com > President Alfred Bader Fine Arts
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Re: Request for a Phone Conversation

Subject: Re: Request for a Phone Conversation
From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts <baderfa@execpc.com>
Date: Thu, 31 Mar 2005 14:10:53 -0600
To: Yechiel Bar-Chaim <yechiel@jdcparis.org>

Yechiel Bar-Chaim wrote:

Dear Ann,

I should be travelling next week and may be tied up. Will either write again to set up a time or would Friday be a possibility?

Best regards, Yechiel

-----Original Message-----

From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts [<mailto:baderfa@execpc.com>]
Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2005 17:54
To: Yechiel Bar-Chaim
Subject: Re: Request for a Phone Conversation

Yechiel Bar-Chaim wrote:

Dear Alfred,

Would it be possible for us to talk by phone today or tomorrow?

Two subjects:

The lead poisoning of Roma children in UN IDP camps in Kosovo (I am sending you a long e-mail)

Plans for Shavuot in Prague (Milena suggests the 14th for an Art Seminar; I am unsure about what you would like to do)

Warmest regards,

Yechiel

Dear Yechiel,

Thank you for your e-mail of today.

Should I send the check for \$18,000 for the Jewish community in Kingston to you in Paris or to New York?

I would not like to give a lecture in Prague on the 13th or 14th of June because it is Shevuos. Also, I would very much prefer to give my other biblical talk, *The Bible Through Dutch Eyes*, which is a much better prepared talk than the talk on Haftorahs, but in any case, not on Shevuos.

We are off to Pennsylvania early tomorrow morning to be at David's wedding on Sunday. We will be back in Milwaukee on Monday.

Best wishes,
Alfred

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Dear Mr. Bar Chaim,

Isabel and Alfred left early this morning for Pennsylvania - David and Shellie's wedding is Sunday. They should be back in Milwaukee by lunchtime on Monday. Can he call you on Tuesday?

Best regards,
Ann Zuehlke

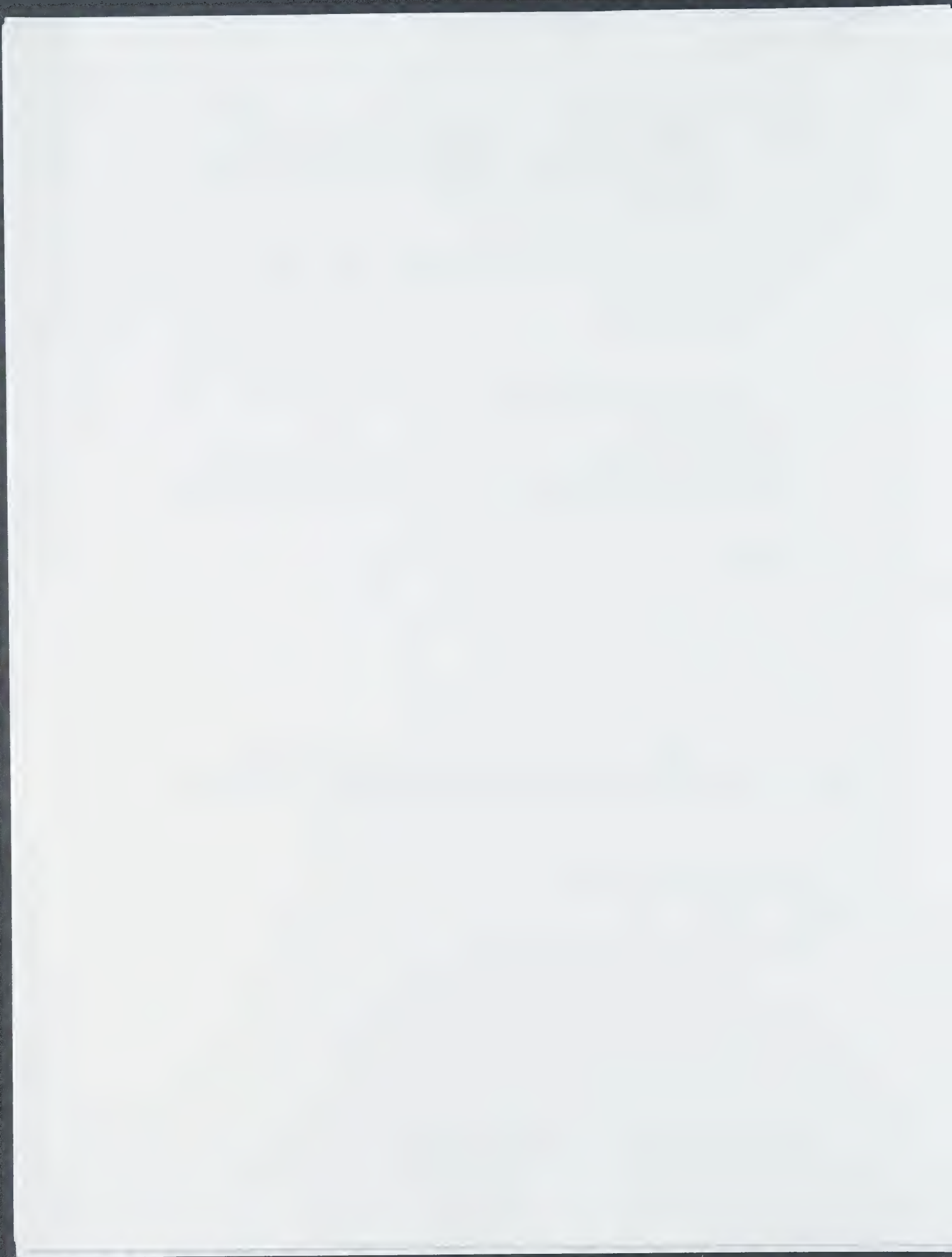
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Dear Mr. Bar-Chaim,

Next Friday, April 8th? He'll be in all day. Tomorrow, April 1st, he's tied up with wedding festivities. He's here in the gallery the entire month of April. E-mail next week when you can and we'll arrange to squeeze in a call wherever you will be. Will do our best.

Regards,
Ann

Dr. Alfred Bader < baderfa@execpc.com > President Alfred Bader Fine Arts
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Subject: Several

From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts <baderfa@execpc.com>

Date: Thu, 03 Apr 2003 10:44:34 -0600

To: Yechiel Bar Chaim <yechiel@jdcparis.org>

Dear Yechiel,

Thank you so much for your two page e-mail of March 31st.

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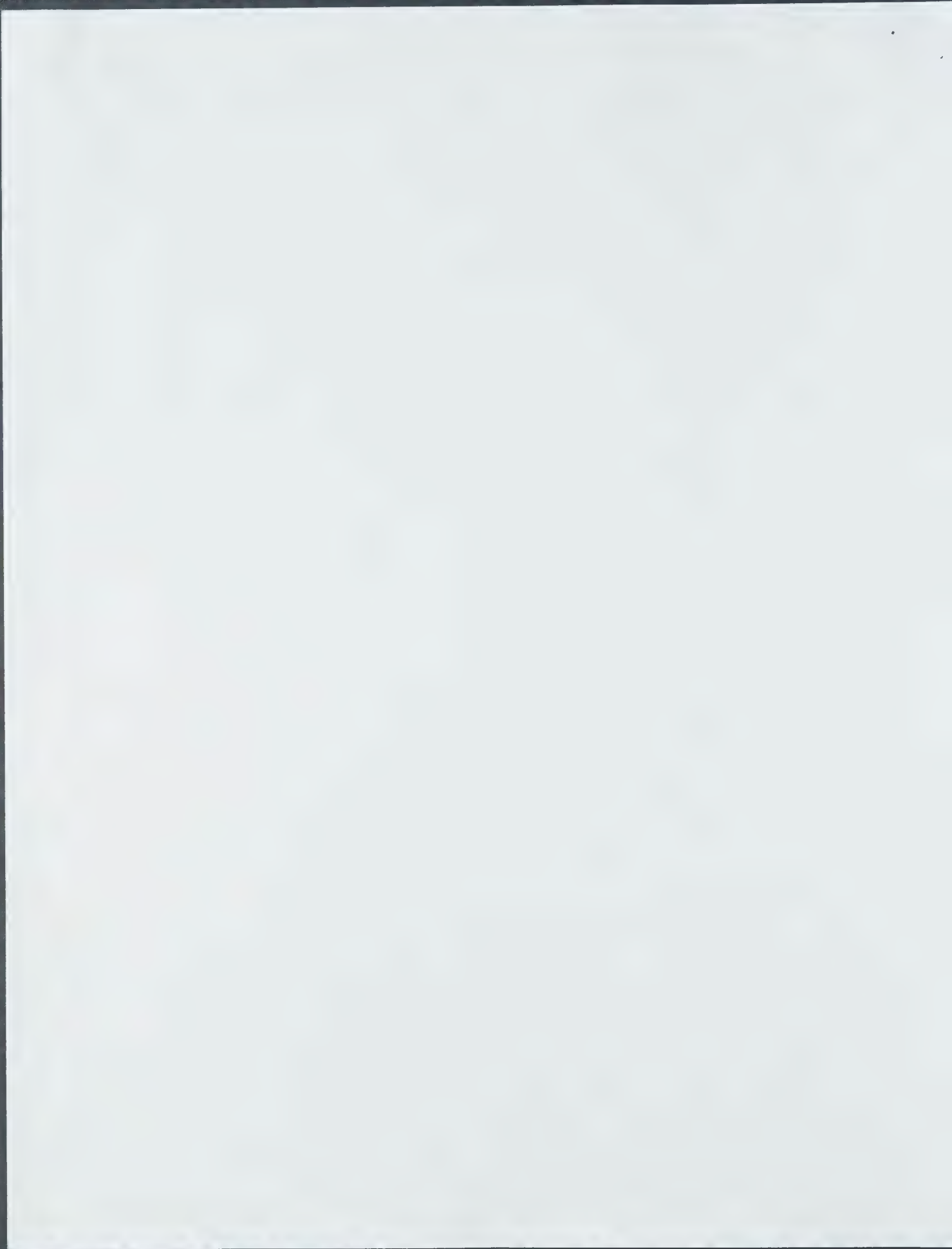
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My fourth job, giving money away sensibly, is certainly the most difficult and I am really glad to have your help.

All the best,
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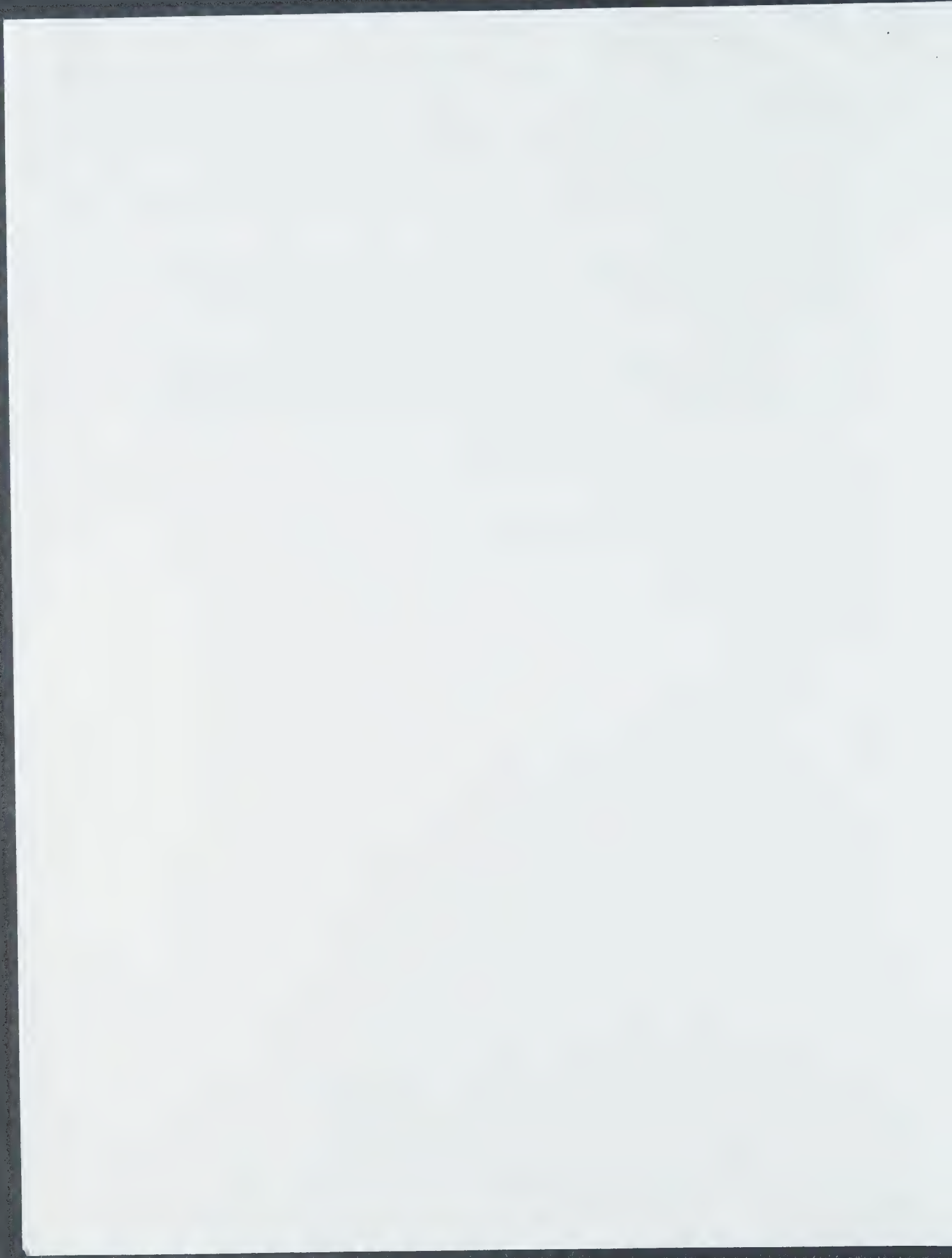
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31 March 2003

Dear Alfred and Isabel,

I am writing to thank you once more for your wonderful generosity, but most of all for the confidence you have shown in me.

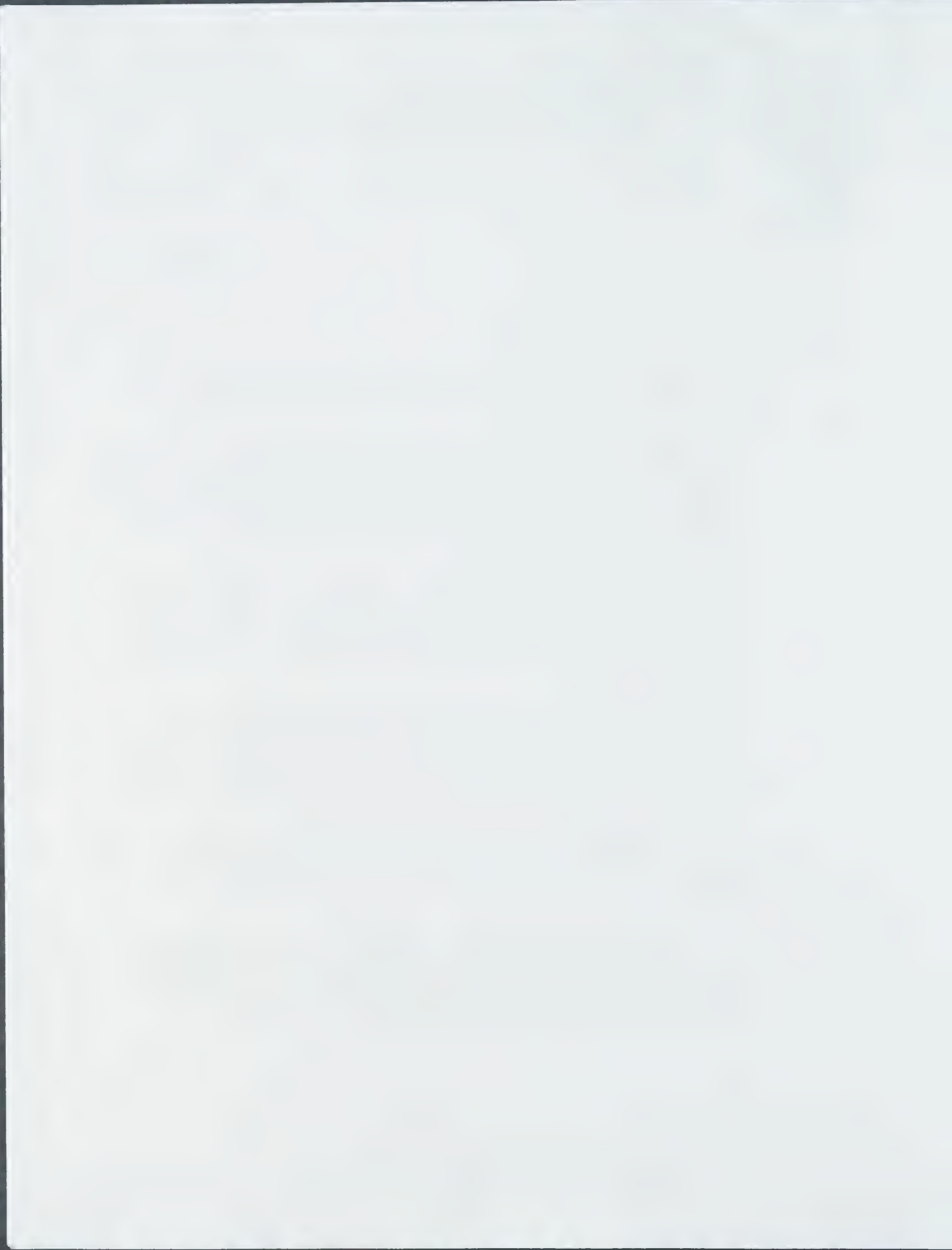
My work for years has been mostly in the Balkans, which means that I am too well steeped in an atmosphere of mistrust and suspicion. Your acts allow me to breathe in a different atmosphere, and I find the change exhilarating. For your giving me that opportunity I am most humbly grateful. That you are able to act so nobly in a time of such public and private distress is all the more remarkable.

Upon returning from our meeting in London, I immediately sent the checks you gave me to the JOINT's headquarters in NY together with your remarks. All was well received and greatly appreciated, I am happy to report. We all recognize as well the special role your son Daniel has played in making this relationship possible.

From the discretionary funds you placed at my disposal, I have already sent the \$ 6,000 sought by Nadace Via for the Roma handicrafts shop in Brno. I asked for an appointment for us to visit the shop in June. Also requested from our partners in Serbia new proposals concerning aid to refugee children there, orphans, and/or the handicapped.

Negotiations are fairly well advanced to undergird a literacy enhancement program among Roma children near Belgrade. Please remind me to tell you about the special link between the Roma and the Jews in Serbia.

Your gift has permitted me to help two fine women playing important roles in their respective Jewish communities --- one in Novi Sad and the other in Sarajevo, the first suffering from a curable cancer and the other resisting multiple sclerosis. You can imagine what such life-saving assistance means to them and their families.



Let me acknowledge as well my gratitude and relief that you allowed me to continue the Entrepreneurship Training in Serbia which had reached a critical stage. I would have let down my colleagues had we not been able to move ahead.

Meanwhile please know that I have not given up hope to find a project concerning women's breast cancer in Macedonia. There is a young woman Fulbright scholar operating out of Bitola who is helping in this regard.

Concerning your upcoming visit to the Czech Republic, I can report the following:

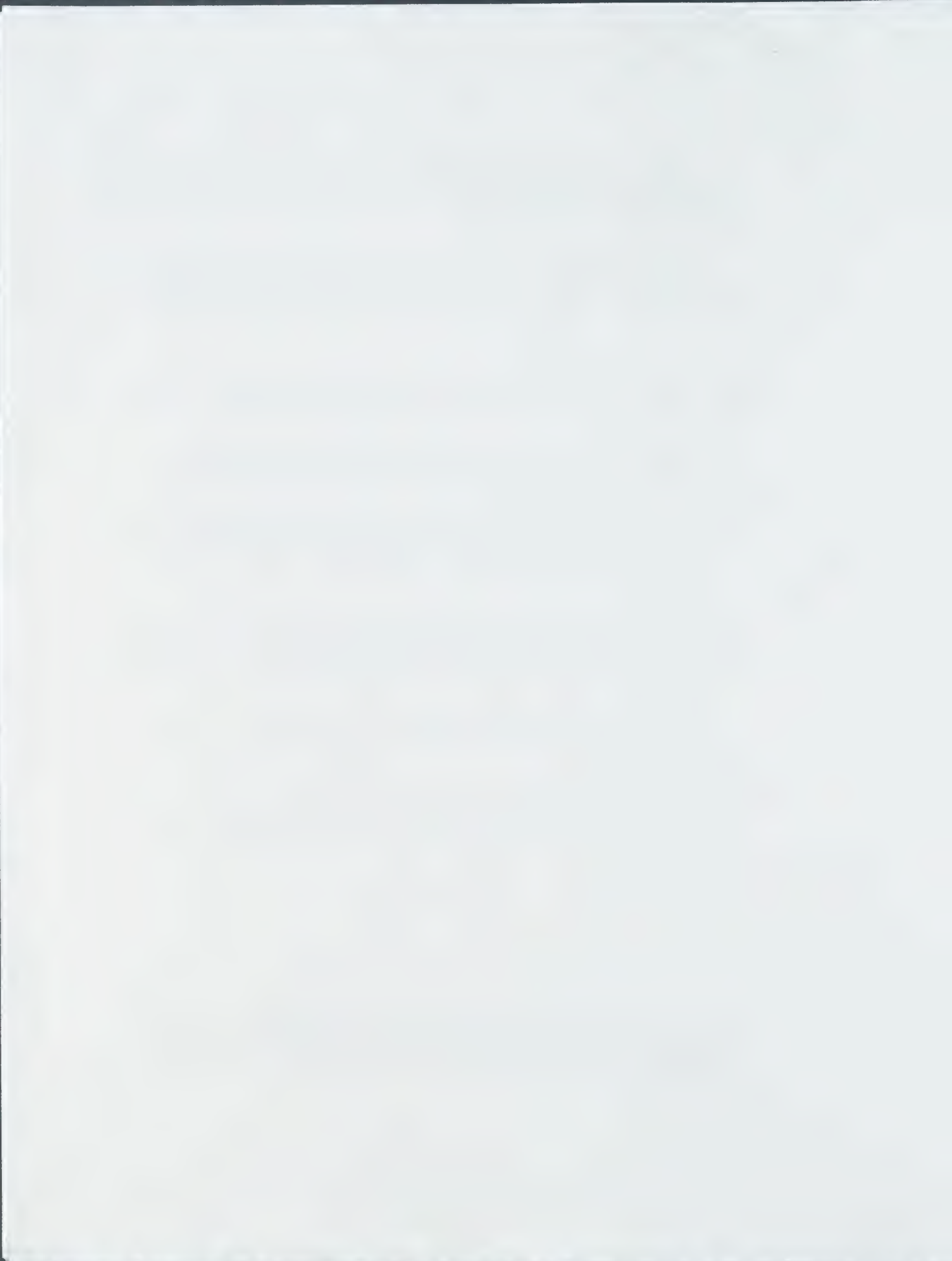
- No response received as yet from your friend the Ambassador – I spoke with his assistant and she promised an answer soon.
- A copy of your autobiography is in the mail to the Editor of the Prague Post, Alan Levy, and he has agreed for us to meet on Friday June 13th. Now do we have one or more photos to illustrate the article, perhaps of the two of you?
- Milena Bartlova confirms that she will be with you for a personal visit during the afternoon of June 14th. She says that Mr. Antonovic had previously asked her about your address and apparently is planning to write you even without a reminder from me.
- We still need the details of your lecture at Charles University on Monday morning the 16th in order to apprise Dr. Sejbal and his colleagues.

I hope you had a good trip home and that the weather in Milwaukee has been at least half as good as these past days have been in Paris,

Shalom rav,

Yechiel

P.S. Please take another look at the Hebrew inscription in the book I gave you. It is written in the ancient style of ktav chaser, so that many of the linking words that we would use today ---and that would make the meaning more explicit--- are missing.



End of August

Subject: End of August

Date: Thu, 30 Aug 2001 12:23:52 +0100

From: "Yecheil Bar Chaim" <yecheil@jdcparis.org>

To: "Alfred BADER \ (E-mail)" <baderfa@execpc.com>

Dear Alfred,

Very saddened to hear of the passing of your best friend, Marvin Klitsner. I know from your autobiography something of your longstanding friendship with him and how important he was to you at critical moments. Please accept my condolences to you on this sad occasion. Baruch Dayan Emet.

Just returned from Prague where I also met with Tana Hlavata of Nadace Via. She told my guests, including a former president of the JOINT, something that I had not heard from her before: her mother is a survivor of Auschwitz. She told us matter-of-factly that there is no doubt that her personal history is part of her motivation to assist the socially excluded. According to Tana, the new tender for projects to benefit the Czech Roma is well underway. The approach is to fund fewer organizations for projects directed to acute social problems like health and employment.

Milena Bartlova is away on vacation. I have written to her about sending the funds for Ms. Soskova. Would also like to contact Professor Jonas at Masaryk University to receive payment instructions. Would you by any chance have a phone or e-mail address for him? Otherwise I'll write snail mail --- like visiting a typewriter museum. *Sent*

Will be checking with my colleague Tzivia Bieler to make sure the transfers to the Israel Free Loan Association and the Anne Frank Fonds in Basel are made promptly.

Have asked my colleagues in Israel about projects to provide direct services to Israeli and/or Palestinian Arabs. So far without results. Expect to hold a further consultation on this matter next week and will press further. Also expecting to receive a proposal from them concerning university studies for Israeli Ethiopians in response to the interest you and Isabel showed in London.

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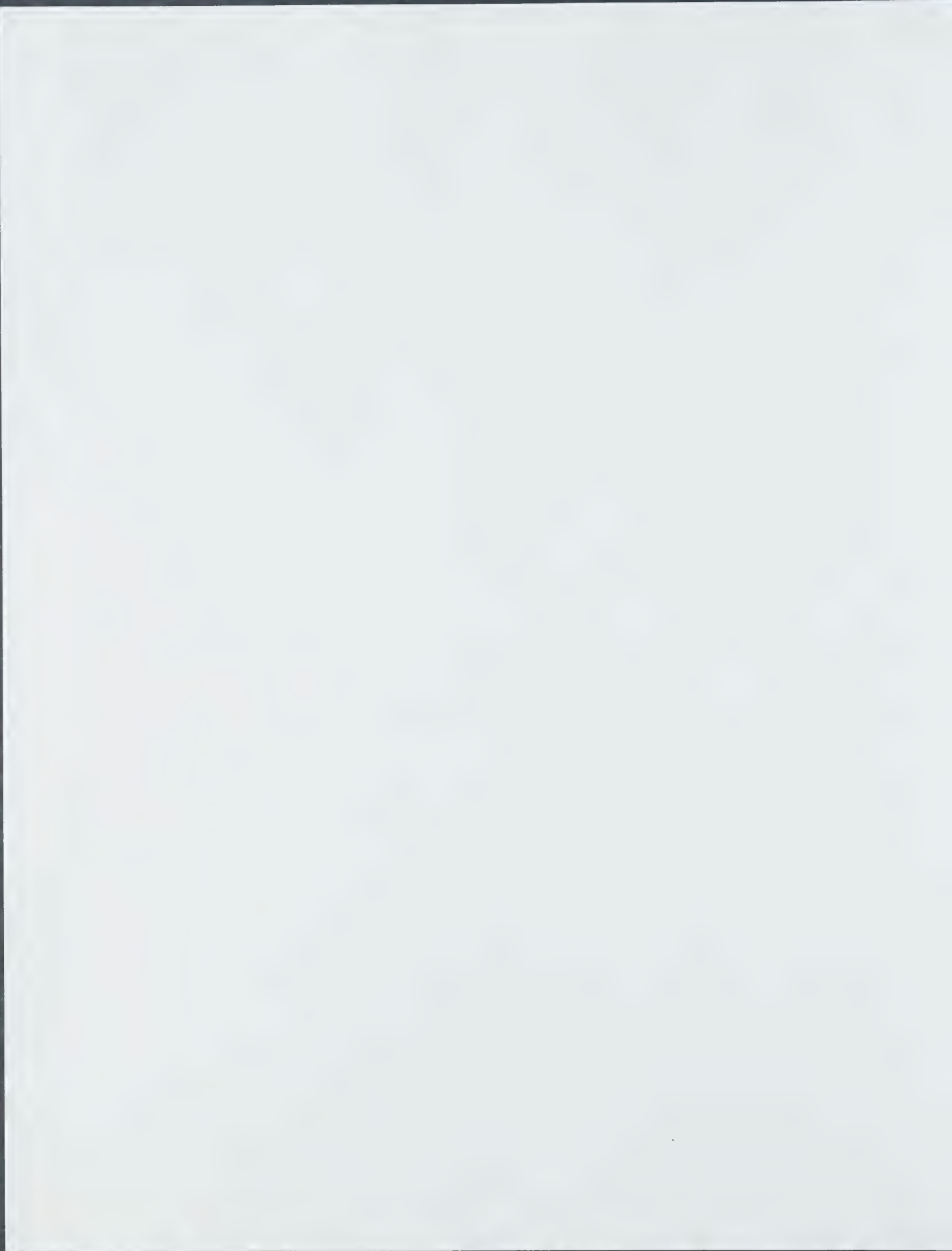
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Do look forward to seeing you both again soon.

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RE: End of August

Subject: RE: End of August

Date: Fri, 31 Aug 2001 15:22:59 +0100

From: "Yechiel Bar Chaim" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>

To: "Bader Fine Arts" <baderfa@execpc.com>

31 August 2001

Dear Mrs. Zuehlke

Many thanks for your response.

Best regards,

Yechiel Bar-Chaim

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bader Fine Arts [<mailto:baderfa@execpc.com>]

Sent: 30 August 2001 15:32

To: Yechiel Bar Chaim

Subject: Re: End of August

Dear Mr. Bar Chaim,

Isabel and Alfred are visiting Alfred's son, David, and his family in Pennsylvania until September 5th. I can provide you with answers to your 2 questions, though.

Professor Jaroslav Jonas at Masaryk does have e-mail -- his address is jonas@chemi.muni.cz. When he replies, you will have his full address, telephone, fax number, etc. at the bottom of the e-mail.

Unfortunately, Isabel and Alfred will be in The Netherlands when you are in London. They will, however, return to Bexhill on the 11th or 12th -- can you stretch your visit?

I hope this has been helpful. I will give Alfred your e-mail later today.

Best regards,
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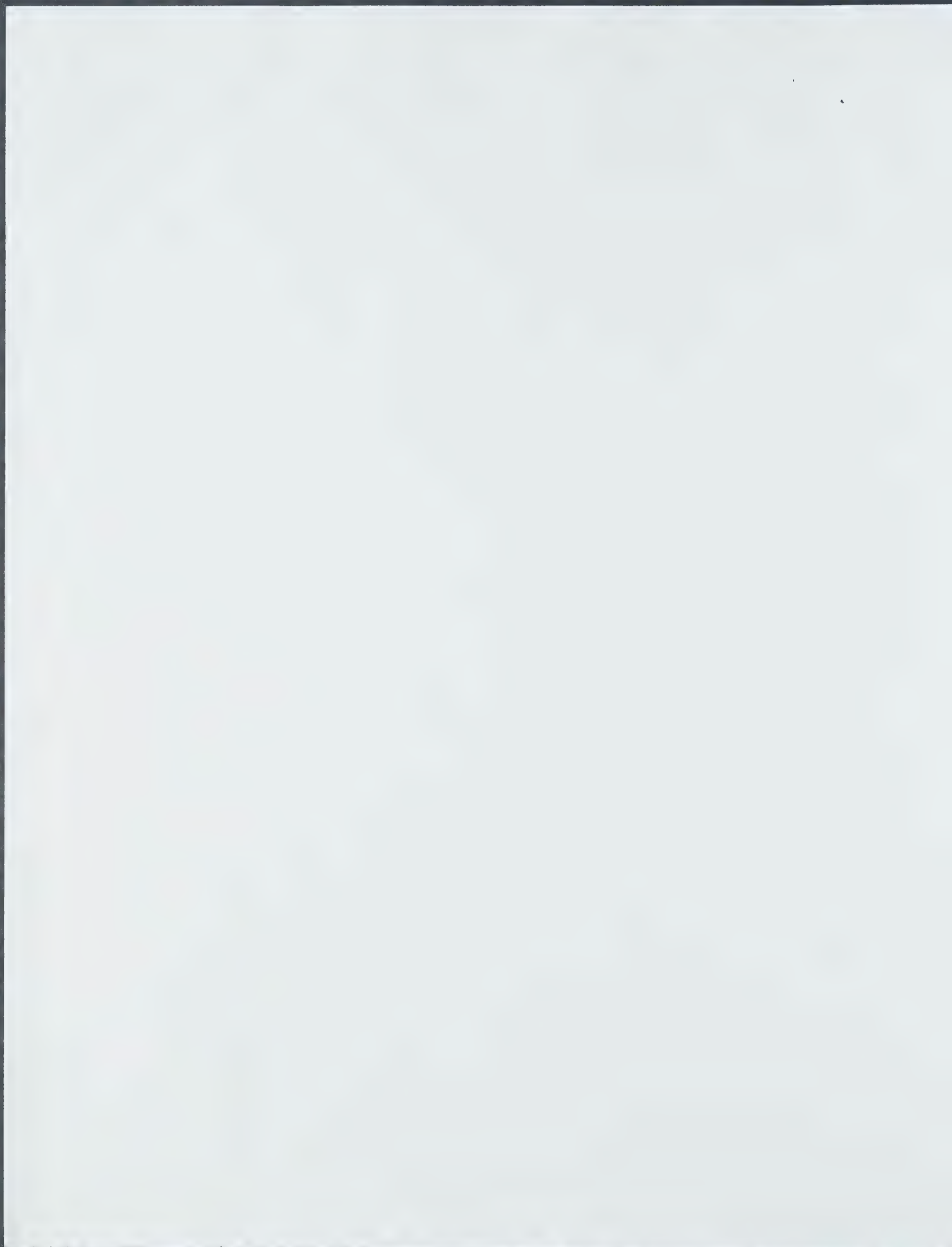
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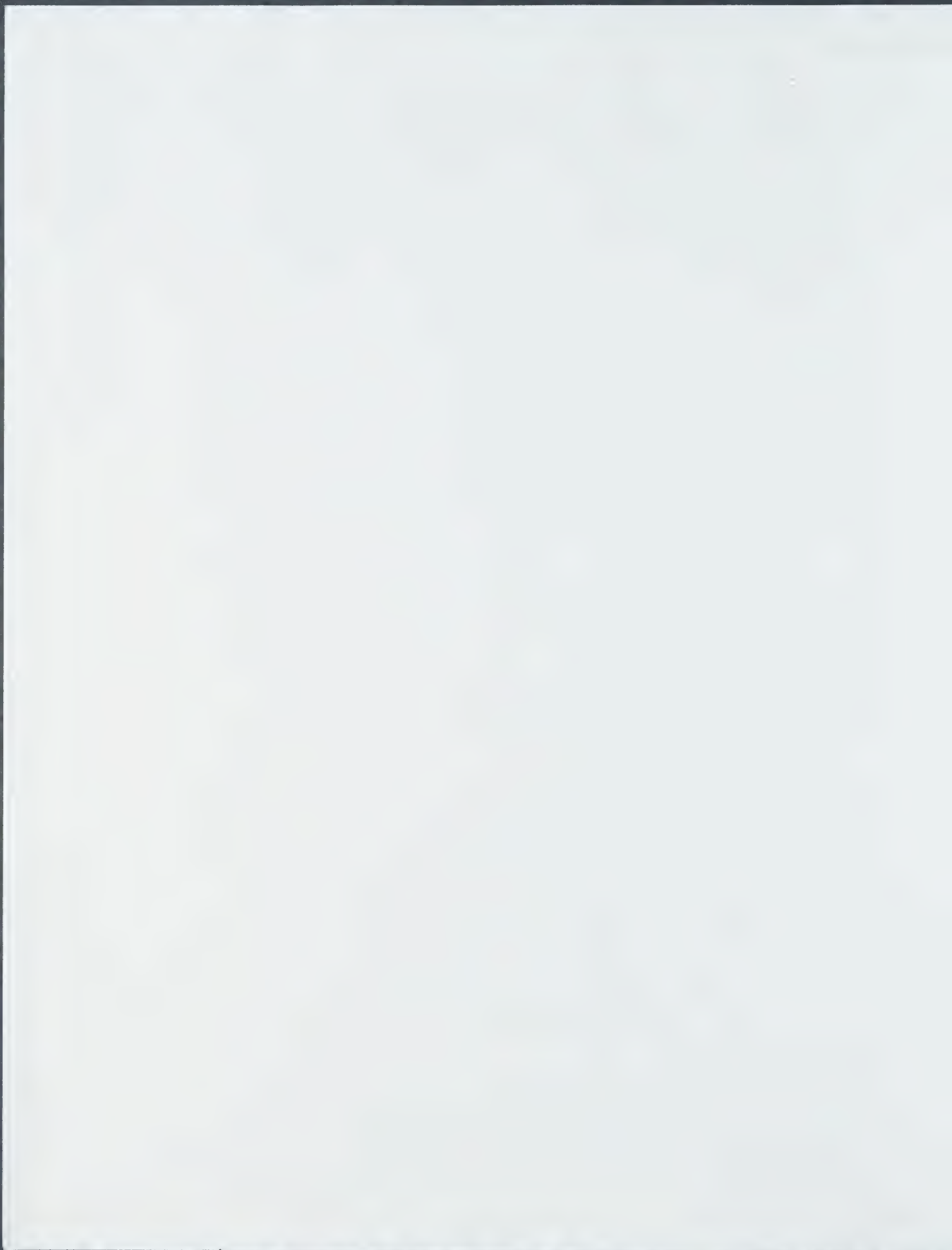
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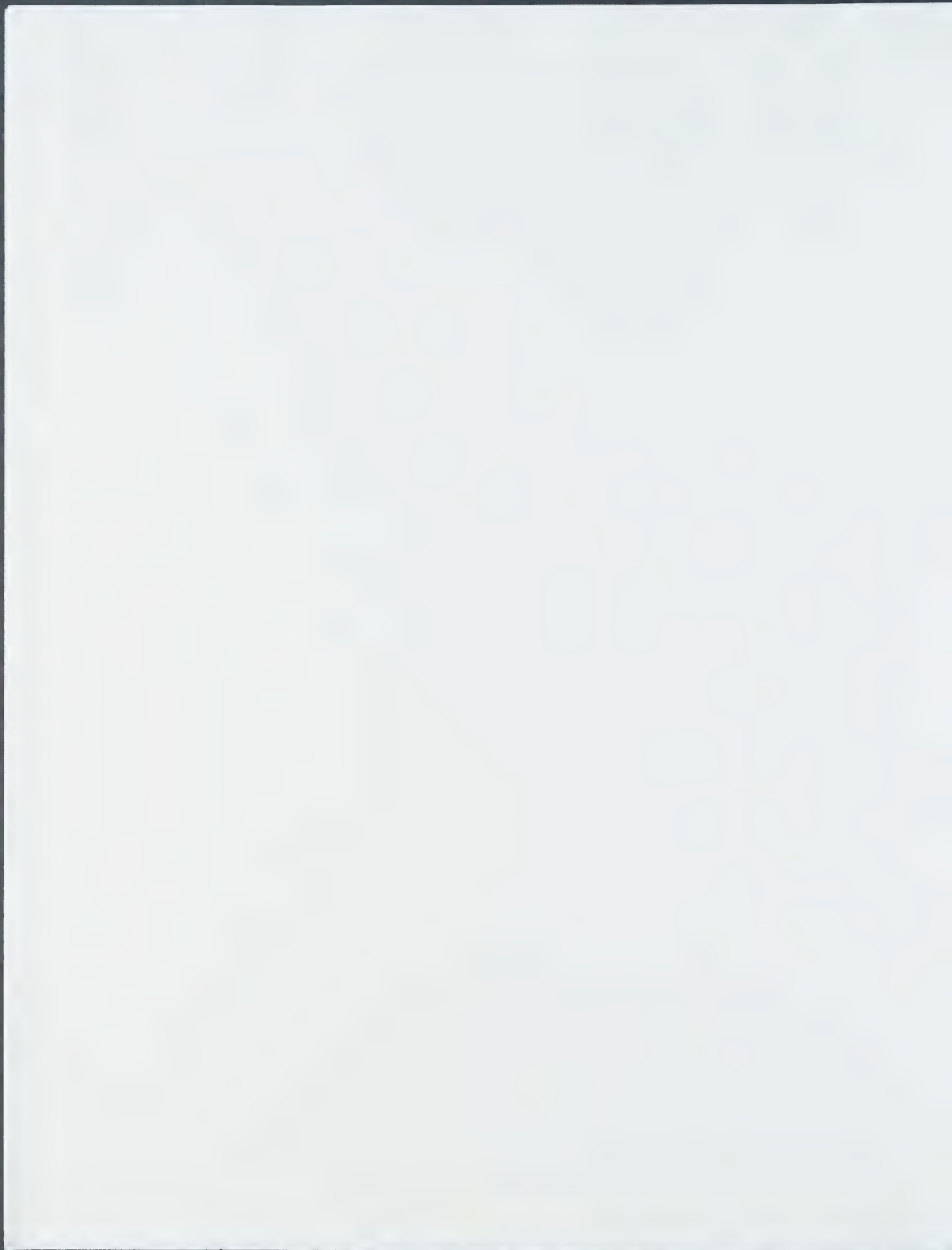
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Passover 2000 in Sarajevo

Subject: Passover 2000 in Sarajevo

Date: Thu, 11 May 2000 14:56:40 +0200

From: "Yechiel Bar-Chaim" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>

To: "Alfred BADER (E-mail)" <baderfa@execpc.com>

11 May 2000

Dear Alfred,


I thought you might enjoy seeing this extraordinary speech by the French General Jacques Paul KLEIN, Special Representative of the Secretary General and Coordinator of United Nations Operations in Bosnia-Herzegovina, delivered at the Passover Seder in Sarajevo on 20 April 2000.

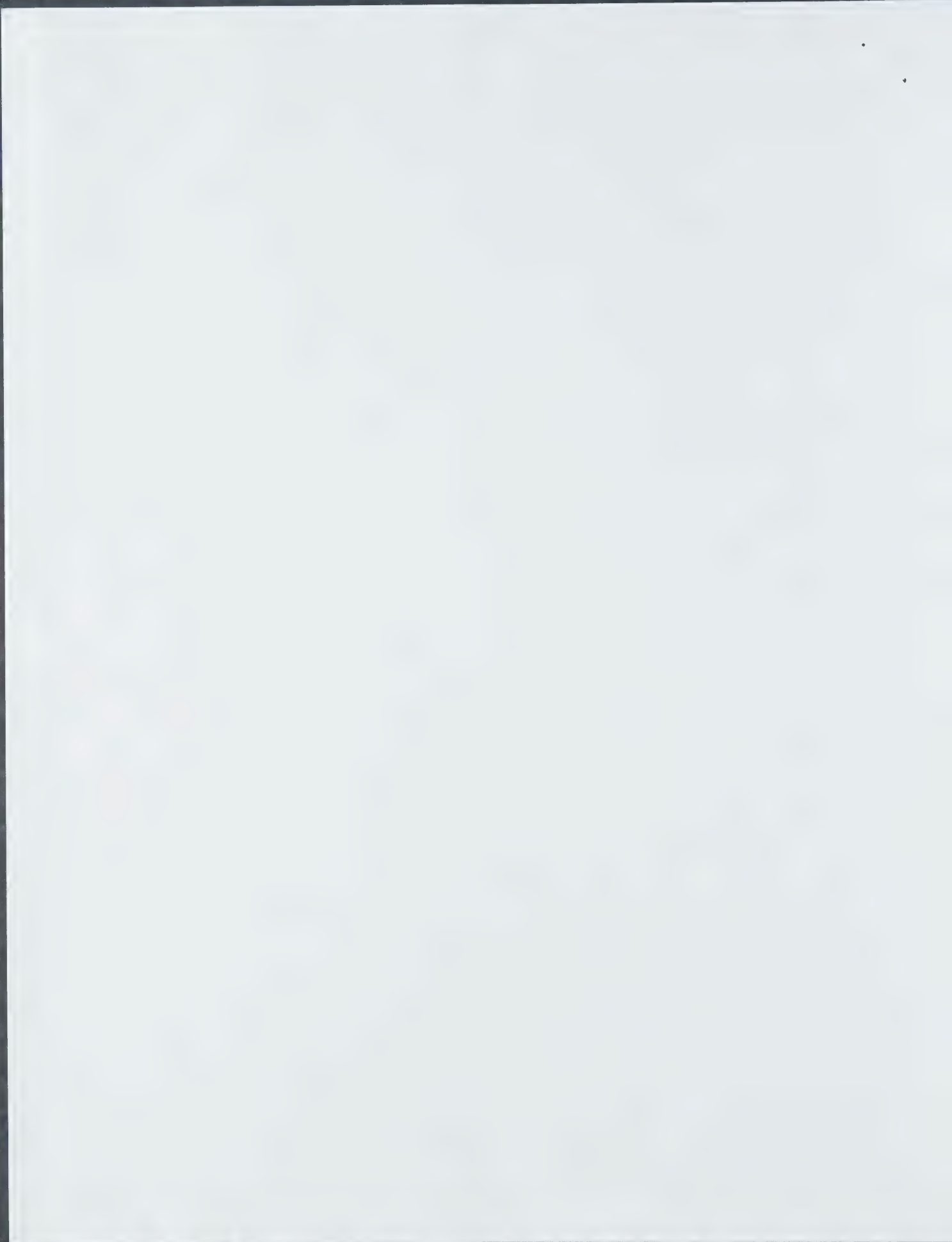
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The Multicultural Tradition of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Jacques Paul Klein

Special Representative of the Secretary General

And Coordinator of United Nations Operations in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Remarks on the Occasion of Passover

Sarajevo, 20 April 2000

Hag Sameach, Pesach Tov

It is personal honor to be invited to participate in this celebration of an ancient religious tradition. The story of the escape of the Jewish tribes from slavery in Egypt is part of a heritage not just of the Jewish people but of all the great monotheistic religions that emerged from the fertile crescent. It is the celebration of the most fundamental of human rights -- the right to live in freedom and dignity and to worship one's God as one wishes.

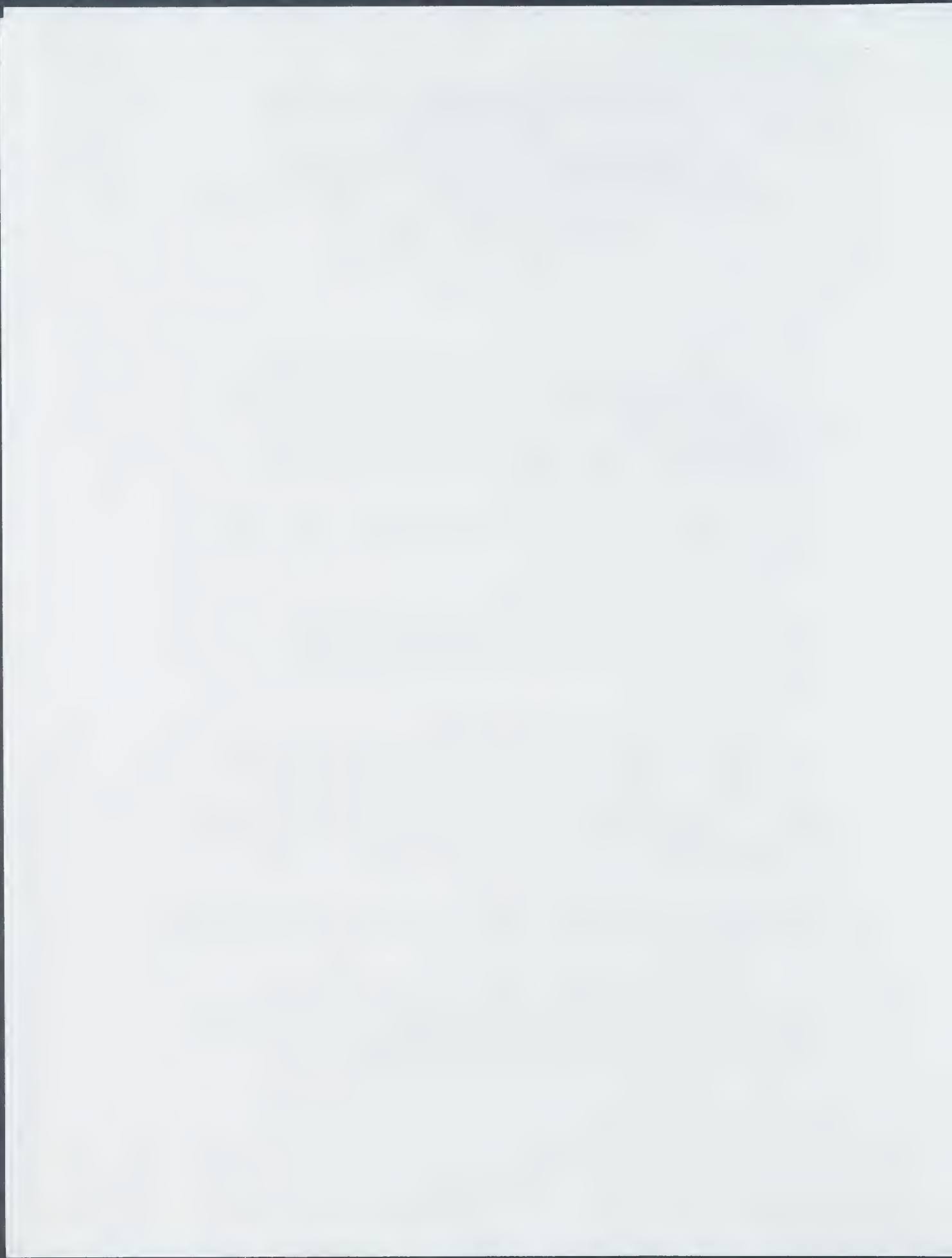
It is powerful story of leadership and responsibility. The great Moses abandons his princely status and leads his people into the unexplored wilderness of the Sinai desert for forty years.

Despite endless trials and tribulations -- including rebellion from his own people -- he never abandons his God, his faith, and his responsibility. He understands that because of his own misdeeds, he will be denied the honor of leading his people into the Promised Land and he wisely prepares for the succession of Joshua.

The Exodus is also a story of transition from the arbitrary power of kings and princes to the basis of all successful societies -- the rule of law, the Ten Commandments are offered but the children of Israel are misled by false prophets of the past and they return to old habits, rituals and superstitions. When Moses threatens them that Mountain Sinai will rise and destroy them, they quickly accept and promise to obey the new laws which bind everyone, including the leadership, into one people.

The lessons from the story of the Exodus, like all great epic histories, have found continued meaning over the centuries. But it is not for me to say how they may be applied here today.

Not only is the story of the Exodus remarkable but so is the way it has been commemorated for over 3,000 years. It does not require a state religion. It does not even require a house of religion. It takes place at home. It is open to all -- The needy have a right to enter and to join in the celebration.



And it involves everyone in the family. The service begins with a question from the youngest member "*Manishtana*" -- Why is this night different from all other nights? It is a family re-dedication to the fundamental values of life: to live in freedom, to respect the laws and to be charitable to fellow mankind. Through remembering the lessons of the past and explaining them to the children of the present, it safeguards fundamental values for the future.

We sometimes forget that the history of this region showed far more multiculturalism and tolerance over the centuries than most parts of Western Europe. From the Middle Ages to the Enlightenment, Europe was engaged in horrific wars, persecutions and ethnic expulsions over the relationship between the state and the religion of its people -- *Cuius Regio eius Religio*.

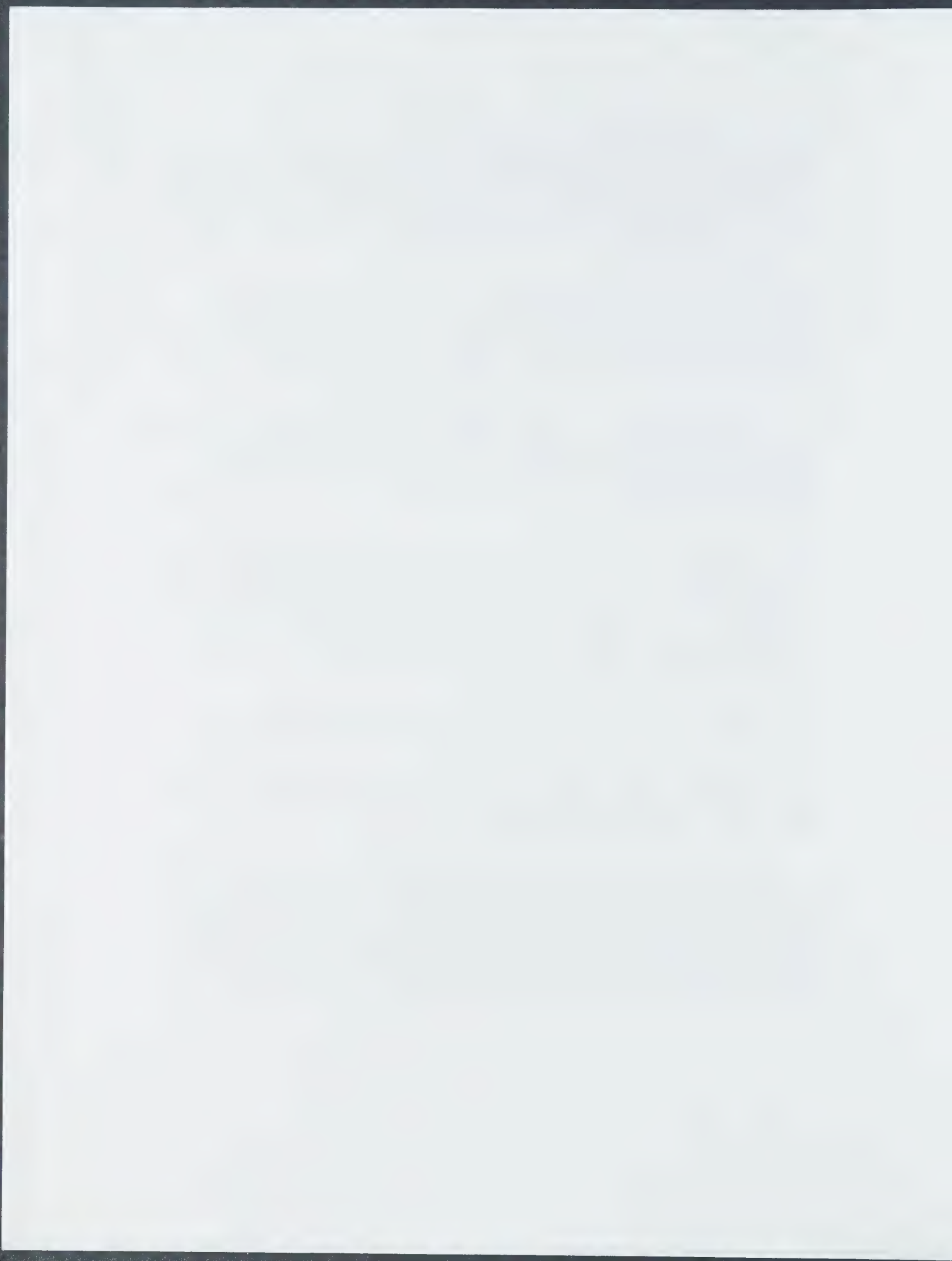
Ottoman Sarajevo was a rare exception. Law not religion was the basis for social regulation, people of all faiths could live and work harmoniously and choose to practice their own religions. The proof of the tradition of religious tolerance is the fact that houses of worship of all faiths were constructed in close proximity to each other.

In the fifteenth century, fleeing the oppression of the Spanish Inquisition, the first Jews came to Sarajevo. Unlike in other parts of Europe where they were confined in ghettos, in Sarajevo they were free to live among the community as businessmen, artisans and craftsmen, and to practice their religion freely. They brought with them a culture, a tradition and the famous fourteenth century Sarajevo Haggadah to add to the rich multicultural traditions of this city. For 500 years they lived in peace with their neighbors.

Until the Holocaust, in 1939, 12000 of the 60,000 residents of Sarajevo were Jewish. The majority perished tragically under the evil hell of Fascism.

The Holocaust showed how a nation or even a continent can lose its moral compass, and the sufferings that it inflicts on others, and on itself, when it falls prey to fascism, nationalism and ethnic chauvinism.

The death of six million and the flight of millions more to new lands was a monumental loss for Europe. The artists, philosophers, scientists, writers, musicians -- The Jews in Europe who were in so many countries the intellectual yeast -- are gone, often leaving in their wake a sterile industrial landscape without a soul. The intellectual forces that drove so much creativity are silenced and the shadow and dark cloud that was the Holocaust still hovers over Europe and darkens its history.



Today only 700 Jews remain in Sarajevo, many having fled during the recent war. The celebration of Passover here today witnesses the ability of a people to rise above the past and to maintain their Jewish identity and practice their religious and cultural traditions.

It also demonstrates that the claim that there is no multicultural tradition in Bosnia and Herzegovina is manifestly false. For centuries, the multiculturalism of Sarajevo was a beacon to the world. Large-scale inter-ethnic conflict in this country is largely a twentieth century phenomenon.

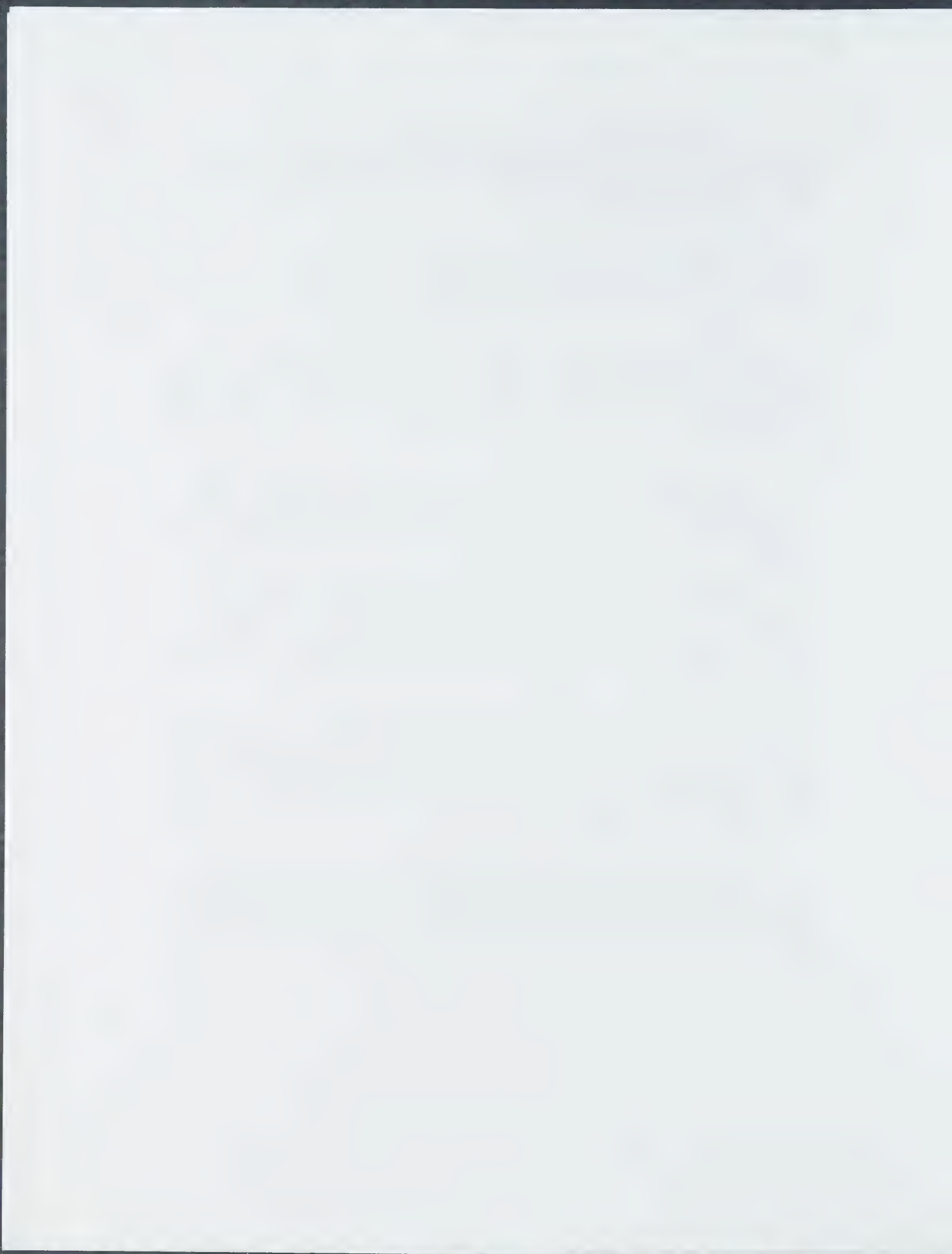
It is a century that will not be missed -- the rise of Fascism and Communism, the slaughter and genocide of the Armenian people, the destruction of European Jews, the Cambodian and Rwandan slaughters that have become all too commonplace, and finally, at the end of the century, the war in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The just man can rightly ask of heaven -- Eli Eli Lanach Sabach Thani -- My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken us? And for so many millions there was only silence. Where is justice? Where is truth? As Edmund Burke wrote "It is necessary for the good man to do nothing for evil to triumph." And all too often it has.

One month ago, accompanied by Muslim, Jewish and Christian leaders, the Pope recently offered a silent prayer at the Western Wall in Jerusalem. Surely it would not be too great a step to recapture again that same spirit of religious tolerance here. We often seem to have just enough religion to hate, but not enough to make us love one another.

It is only in the last decade that the fundamental tolerance of Bosnian life has been obscured again by extremist leaders, acting in their own interests under a manifesto of ethnic chauvinism not enlightenment, deceiving their followers. They should remember the words of Shakespeare in Henry VIII: "Had I but served my God with half the zeal I served my king, he would not in mine age have left me naked to mine enemies".

The intermingling of faiths is not a new concept in Sarajevo. The ethnic cleansing of the last ten years has been an aberration in the history of his region. But this decade of violence should not be allowed to mar hundreds of years of inter-ethnic harmony. Sarajevo was characterized by this tolerance. Let it be so again.

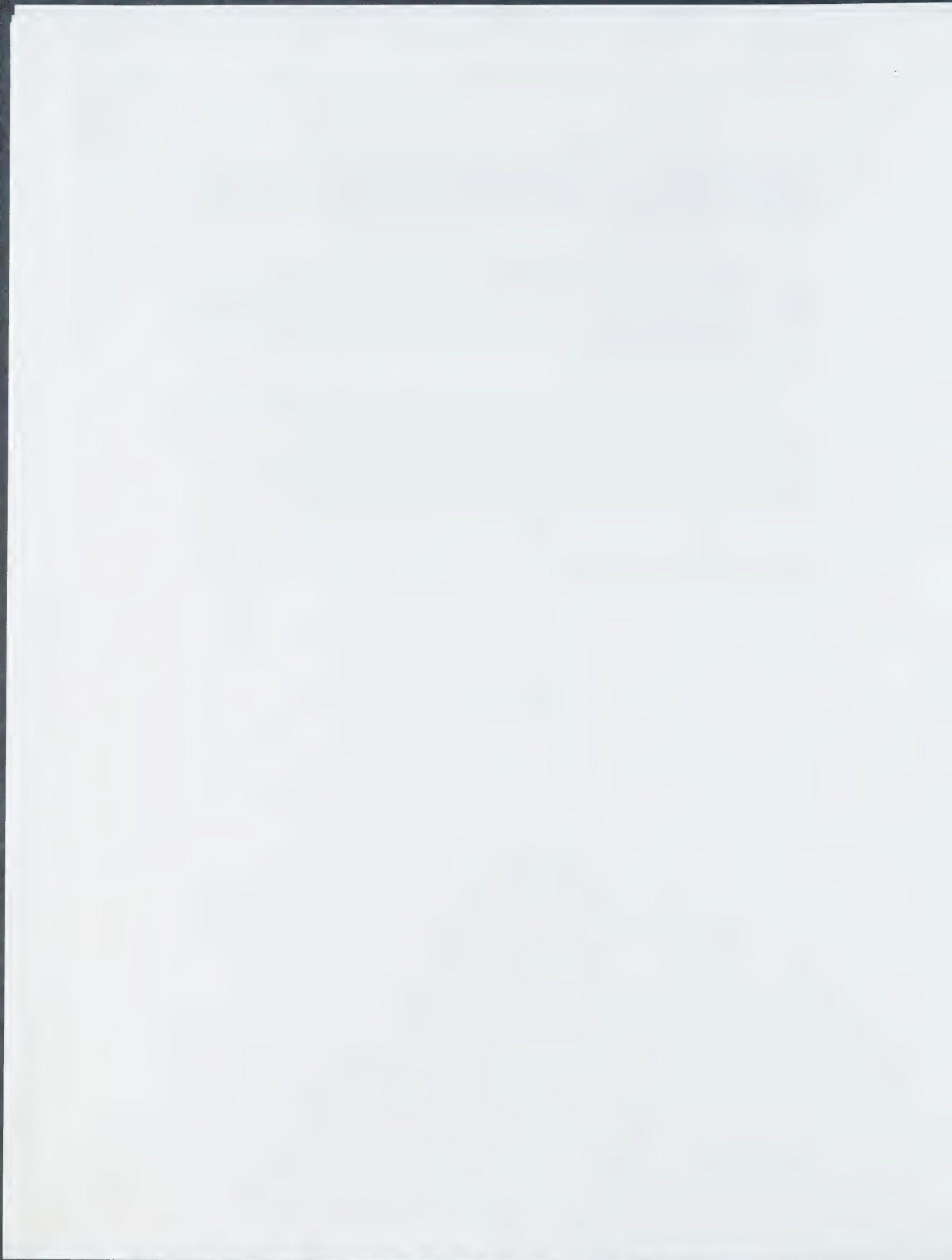


In this past decade the people of Bosnia and Herzegovina have of necessity focussed inwards. It is now time to look outwards to the future. The world has developed. People, goods, money and ideas cross national borders with such speed that introspection and isolation is not a viable option.

With the horrors of the past behind it, Bosnia and Herzegovina now has a chance to enjoy the benefits of this era of globalization: faster economic growth, higher living standards and the spread of new technologies. Democracy is taking root and conditions are being created so that Bosnia and Herzegovina may soon join the European institutions.

Passover is a celebration of freedom. Let us remember not only the slaves of bygone eras but also more recent captives of nationalism and extremism. Let us distinguish between patriotism, which is the love of one's country and the respect of other countries, and extreme nationalism which turns citizens into slaves of an ideology of hatred and ethnic cleansing. Now is the time to move forward and create once again a society free from ethnic antagonism.

All is said in the bible "*A A'Havta et Re-echa Tamocha*" Love your fellow man as you would love yourself.



Dear Yechiel,

In response to your e-mail of today, I will call you tomorrow, Tuesday, at 9 a.m. Milwaukee time.

Also, I could come to London to meet you on December 6th or 7th and we can arrange the details when we talk.

With best wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,
Alfred Bader

Yechiel Bar-Chaim wrote:

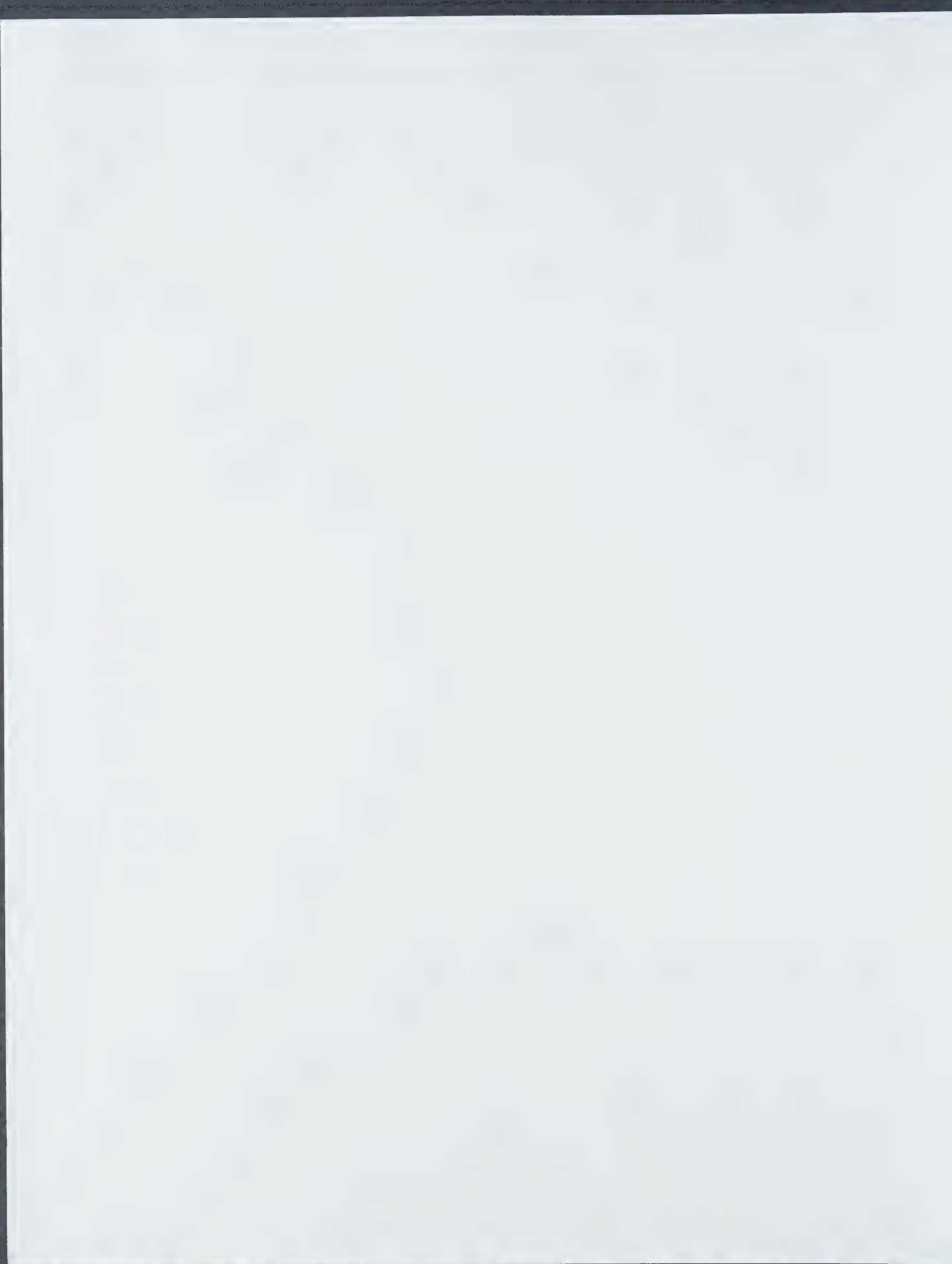
Dear Alfred, I have your e-mail of Friday in hand and am looking to have the responses ready for you when you call.

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I'm simcha,

Yechiel P.S. The dates I am looking at

for London are December 6th and 7th. On the 6th is a Council Meeting of World Jewish Relief. I have been asked to brief them about Yugoslavia.



Subject: RE: Contributions

Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2001 15:25:23 +0100

From: "Yecheil Bar Chaim" <yecheil@jdcparis.org>

To: "'Bader Fine Arts'" <baderfa@execpc.com>

12 September 2001

Dear Dr. Bader,

Yecheil is in Belgrade from where he is due to travel to Skopje tomorrow. He will be back in Paris only Friday evening.

I called and read to him your friendly email with the wonderful news about your new donation to be used for Yecheil's programs.

As a matter of fact, Yecheil was speechless for a minute then asked me to send you his most sincere thanks for your continued generosity and support. As soon as he will be back to work, he will be in touch with you personally.

Despite the dreadful events that took place yesterday and shocked us all so deeply, please accept - for You and Your Family -

our best wishes for SHANA TOVA,

Germaine Keil, Assistant

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bader Fine Arts [mailto:baderfa@execpc.com]

Sent: 11 September 2001 22:30

To: Yecheil Bar Chaim

Cc: Tzivia Bieler; Sue Read

Subject: Contributions

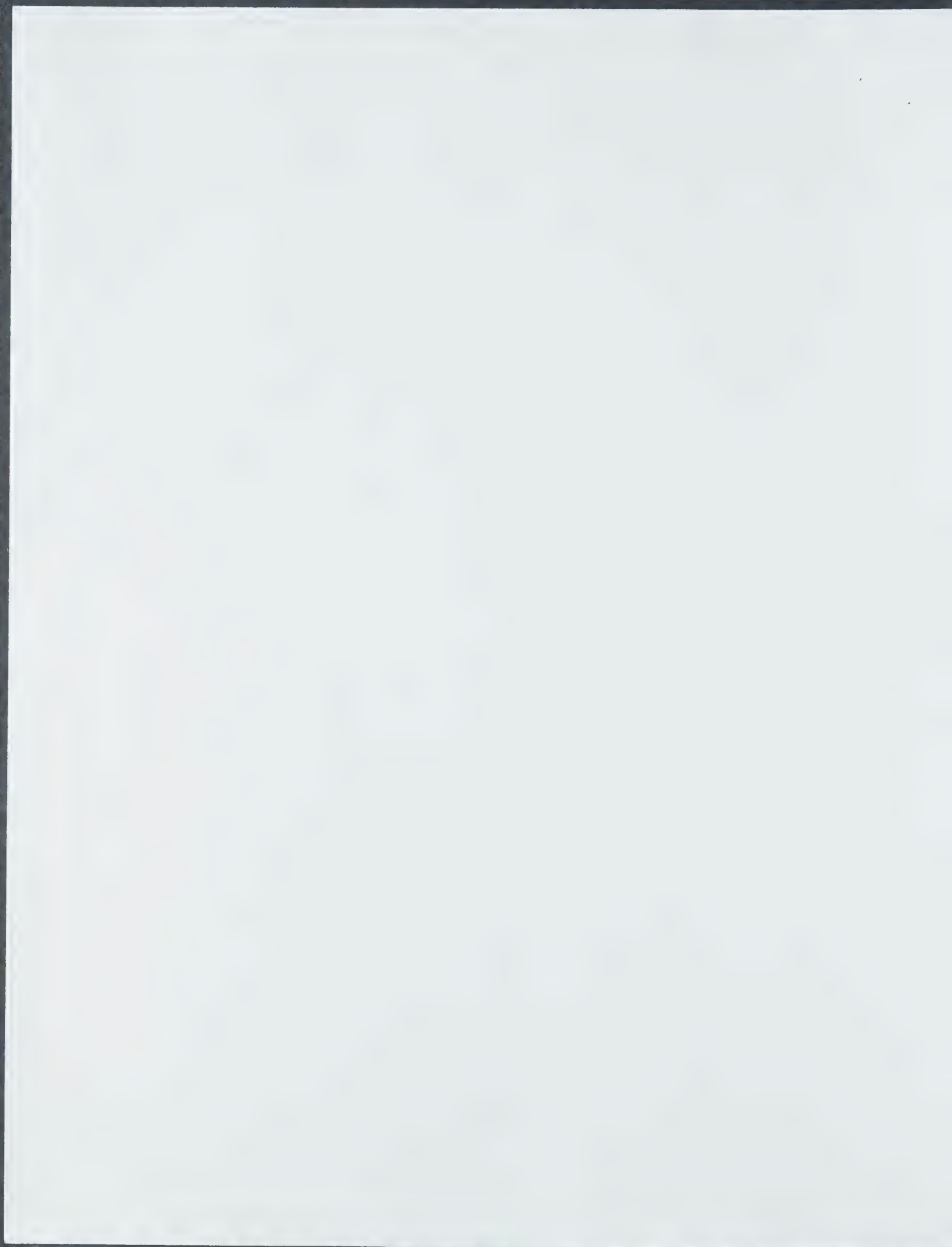
Dear Yecheil,

Thank you so much for your long e-mail of September 7th.

I am happy to know that the school in Vienna has purchased computer systems rather than toys for the children.

On a day like today, when the history of our country is being changed so fundamentally, the best we can do, I believe, is to continue to carry on with our lives as best as we can.

I do not think that, with the exception of Marvin Klitsner, I have ever had a friend who has guided my giving as carefully as you have. With that in mind, I would like to ask you to accept a further \$100,000 which I am sending to the Joint to the attention of Tzivia Bieler today. Please use this entirely as you see fit, to help the neediest within your reach.



RE: Contributions

Also, I have talked to Sue Read and she has assured me that she is certain that she will be able to raise the entire L 120,000 needed for *The Hidden Children* video. With that assurance I would like to send the L 60,000 which I promised, approximately a bit less than US \$90,000 today. Hence, I am sending Tzivia Bieler my check for \$190,000 - \$100,000 to be used at your discretion and \$90,000 to go via the WJR to Sue Read.

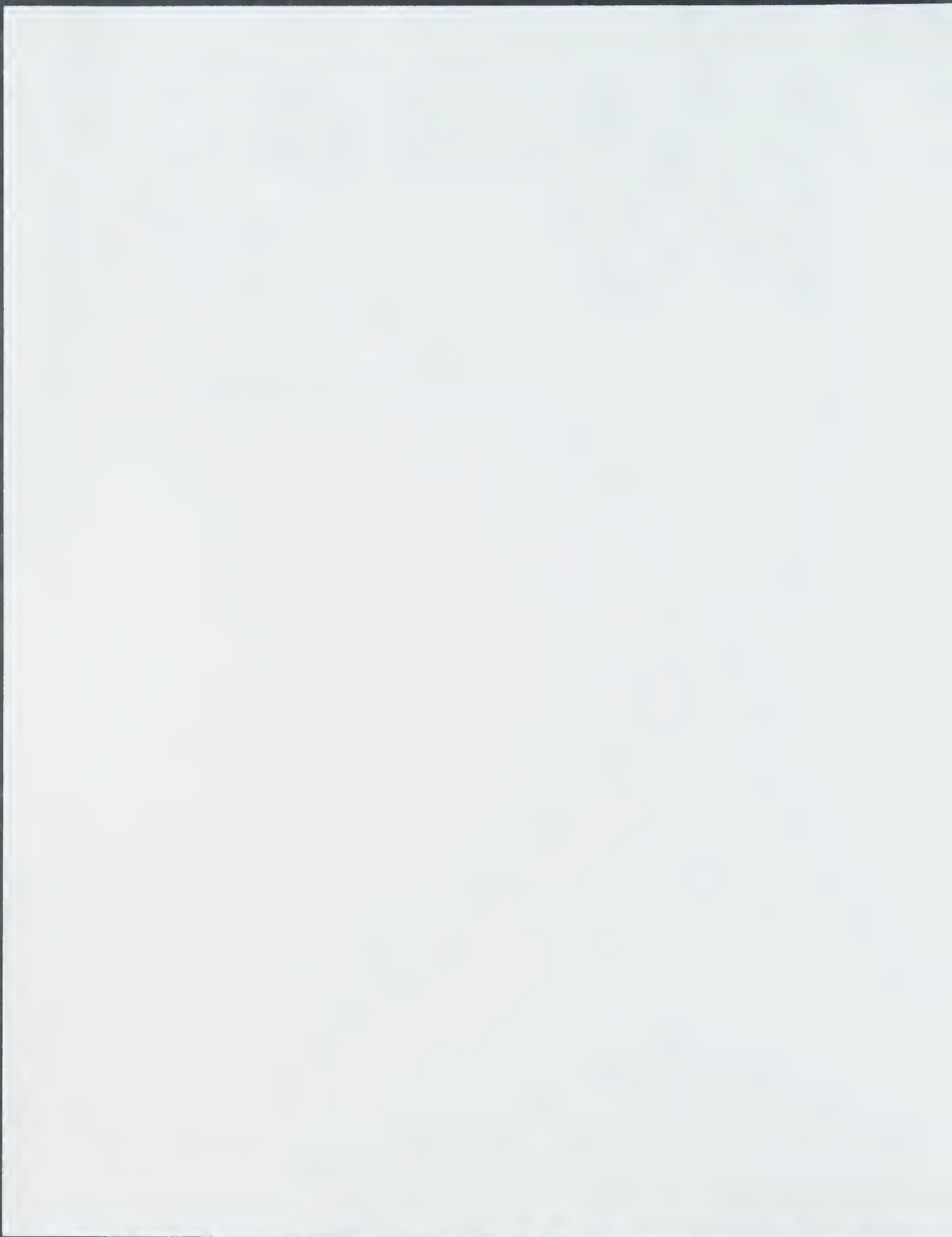
Thank you so much for trying to help me find organizations in Israel that are really trying to correct our errors against Israeli Arabs. Ralph Emanuel has recommended highly that I consider giving a substantial amount to the New Israel Fund. That undoubtedly is a good fund, but their problem lies in the fact that they do not administer the funds, but just give them to a number of other organizations. Would it make sense to give to those organizations directly?

My son, Daniel, is in Jerusalem this week and has promised me to try and find just such organizations, but of course any help that you and Fleur Hassan can give me would be most appreciated.

With all good wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,
Alfred Bader
September 11, 2001

c: Mr. Daniel Bader



From: "Yechiel Bar Chaim" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>
To: "Alfred BADER (E-mail)" <baderfa@execpc.com>
Date: 8/30/01 7:23AM
Subject: End of August

Dear Alfred,

Very saddened to hear of the passing of your best friend, Marvin Klitsner. I know from your autobiography something of your longstanding friendship with him and how important he was to you at critical moments. Please accept my condolences to you on this sad occasion. Baruch Dayan Emet.

Just returned from Prague where I also met with Tana Hlavata of Nadace Via. She told my guests, including a former president of the JOINT, something that I had not heard from her before: her mother is a survivor of Auschwitz. She told us matter-of-factly that there is no doubt that her personal history is part of her motivation to assist the socially excluded. According to Tana, the new tender for projects to benefit the Czech Roma is well underway. The approach is to fund fewer organizations for projects directed to acute social problems like health and employment.

Milena Bartlova is away on vacation. I have written to her about sending the funds for Ms. Soskova. Would also like to contact Professor Jonas at Masaryk University to receive payment instructions. Would you by any chance have a phone or e-mail address for him? Otherwise I'll write snail mail --- like visiting a typewriter museum.

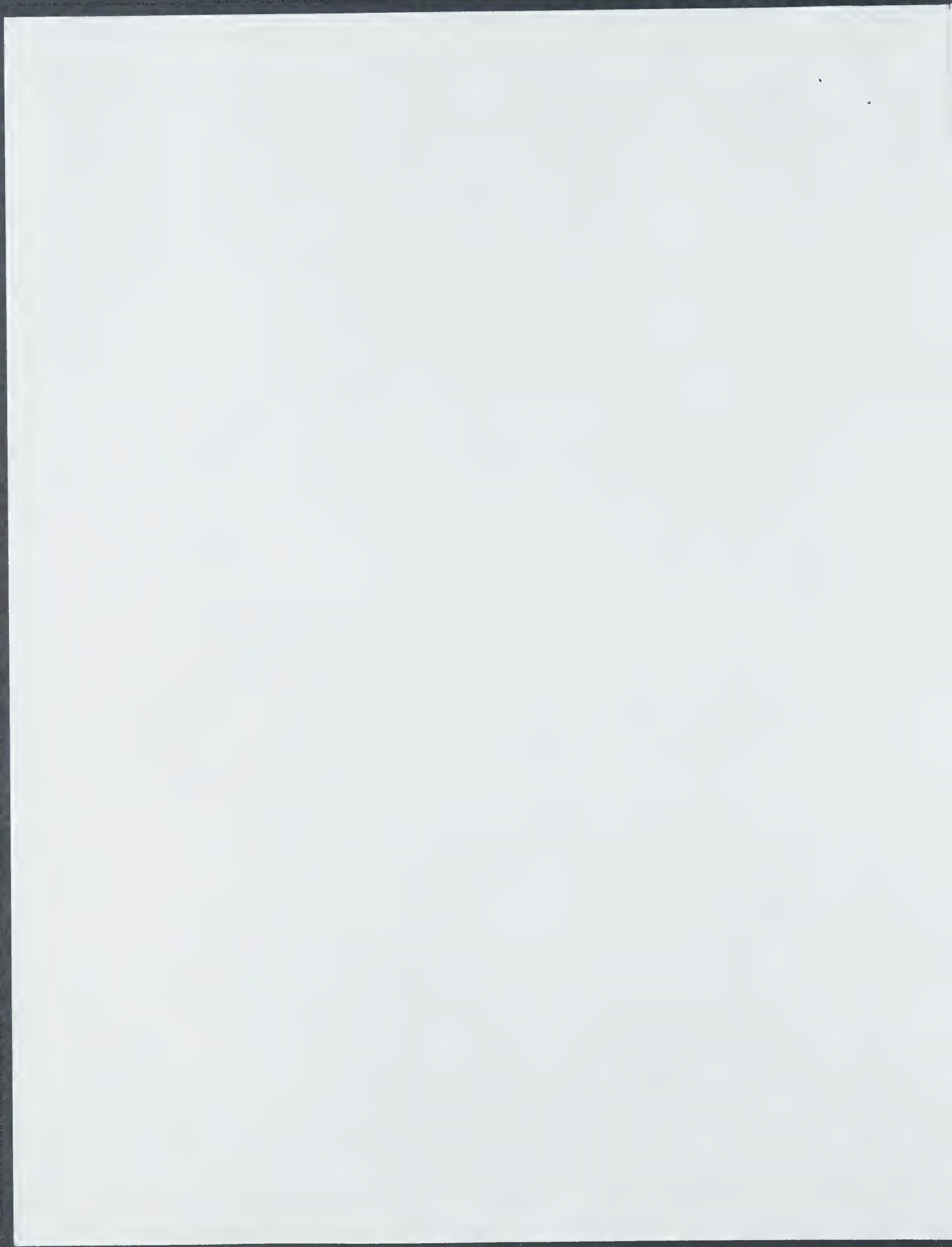
Will be checking with my colleague Tzivia Bieler to make sure the transfers to the Israel Free Loan Association and the Anne Frank Fonds in Basel are made promptly.

Have asked my colleagues in Israel about projects to provide direct services to Israeli and/or Palestinian Arabs. So far without results. Expect to hold a further consultation on this matter next week and will press further. Also expecting to receive a proposal from them concerning university studies for Israeli Ethiopians in response to the interest you and Isabel showed in London.

Trying to answer your question about the New Israel Fund, I find myself reminded of the ad you once ran stating more or less --- if memory serves --- that your chemical company welcomed challenges and that potential clients should send their problems to you. I would like to see the JOINT emulate that approach.

Due to go to Belgrade and Skopje just before Rosh Hashanah in part to see to the implementation of the aid projects there you have so generously supported.

Have been invited to come to London on November 7th to speak at a Memorial Service there for Ansel Harris, a friend and partner in this work who died recently. He too was a champion of Jewish help to non-Jews through an organization he set up UK Jewish Aid. Most recently he was trying to build on our projects for the Roma to create a broader Jewish initiative on their behalf. A complementary program in Macedonia for which JDC provided technical assistance may still come through largely due to his efforts.



Might you and Isabel be back in England on the 7th or the 8th?

Do look forward to seeing you both again soon.

Sincerely yours,

Yechiel

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Dear Yechiel,

Thank you for your e-mail of today.

I hope to finish my book sometime in mid-2006 and if all goes well, it may be published in 2007.

You will have seen my letter to Professor Jeffrey Sachs. He struck me as a very good man but he told me that right after receiving his honorary doctorate in Vancouver he was traveling to Australia and that might have delayed his actions.

Regarding Thanksgiving, I will be giving two lectures in Cambridge, England on the 23rd and 24th of November and then be back in Bexhill from November 25th until December 5th when we will go to London for the old master sales. There we will stay until Friday, December 9th.

With best wishes,
Alfred

Yechiel Bar-Chaim wrote:

Dear Alfred,

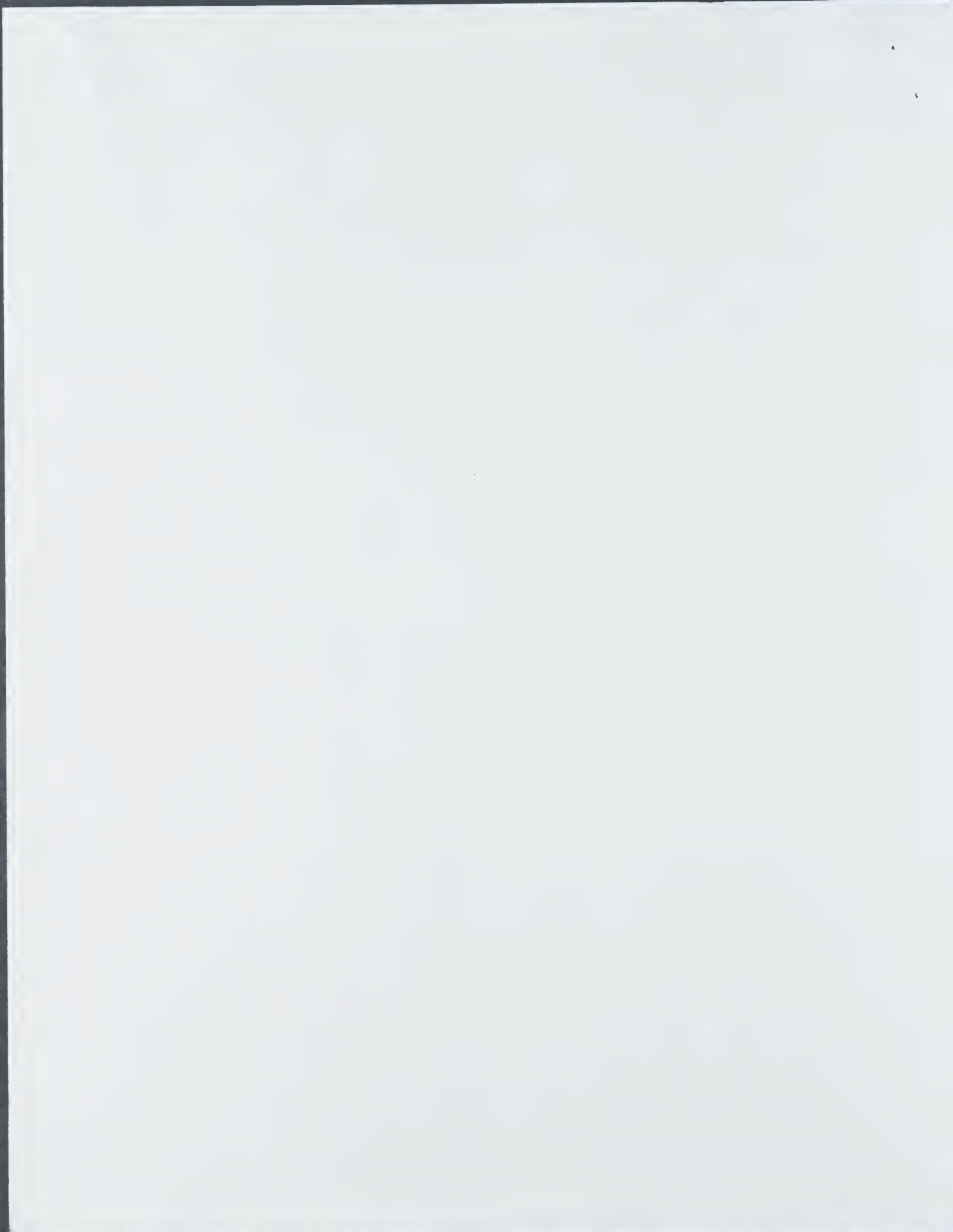
Glad to be able to contribute to your new book. When is it likely to come out?

In the meantime here is a short overview of some of what is going on.

LOSCHMIDT

Delighted that Jiri's new arrangements are proving so successful, and that the relations with Professor Koca are no longer causing any trouble.

The transfer to Masaryk University, although delayed by the holidays and my travels, is in the works --- The money should now be somewhere between NY and Brno.



THE CZECH CHEMISTRY OLYMPICS

Just received a whole packet of published materials and results from this competition plus a financial report. Will show you when we meet.

EMPLOYMENT OF THE HANDICAPPED IN BOSNIA

Meanwhile I just came back from Bosnia and was impressed there by some of the projects receiving loans. One earlier small grant to an organization for retarded youth in Mostar has yet to succeed, however. My helper, consultant, Miki Cohen, reviewed with them several new avenues they might take to make the most of their opportunities.

One of the most promising loan projects is the printing plant in Banja Luka run by sufferers from muscular dystrophy. This Monday they were set to put their new "illuminator" into operation now that five invalids have been trained to operate it. More interest-free loan projects based on sound business plans are in the offing.

LEAD POISONING IN KOSOVO

Have yet to hear back from Professor Sachs.

The issue of the Roma displaced persons camps outside of Mitrovica, however, has been receiving a lot more attention --- a temporary evacuation is being openly bruited by the UN itself --- but so far no movement on the ground. Meanwhile Paul has had to treat his own staff for lead poisoning contracted just from visiting the camps. Nick Wood, the NY Times correspondent for the region, with whom I met again last week keeps on promising a story. "It's on my conscience" he says. We'll see how far that goes.

Eager to see you and Isabel in November. What is your schedule like on and around Thanksgiving?

Warmest regards,

Yechiel

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From: baderfa [mailto:baderfa@execpc.com]

Sent: Monday, October 24, 2005 22:33

To: Yechiel Bar Chaim

Subject: Several

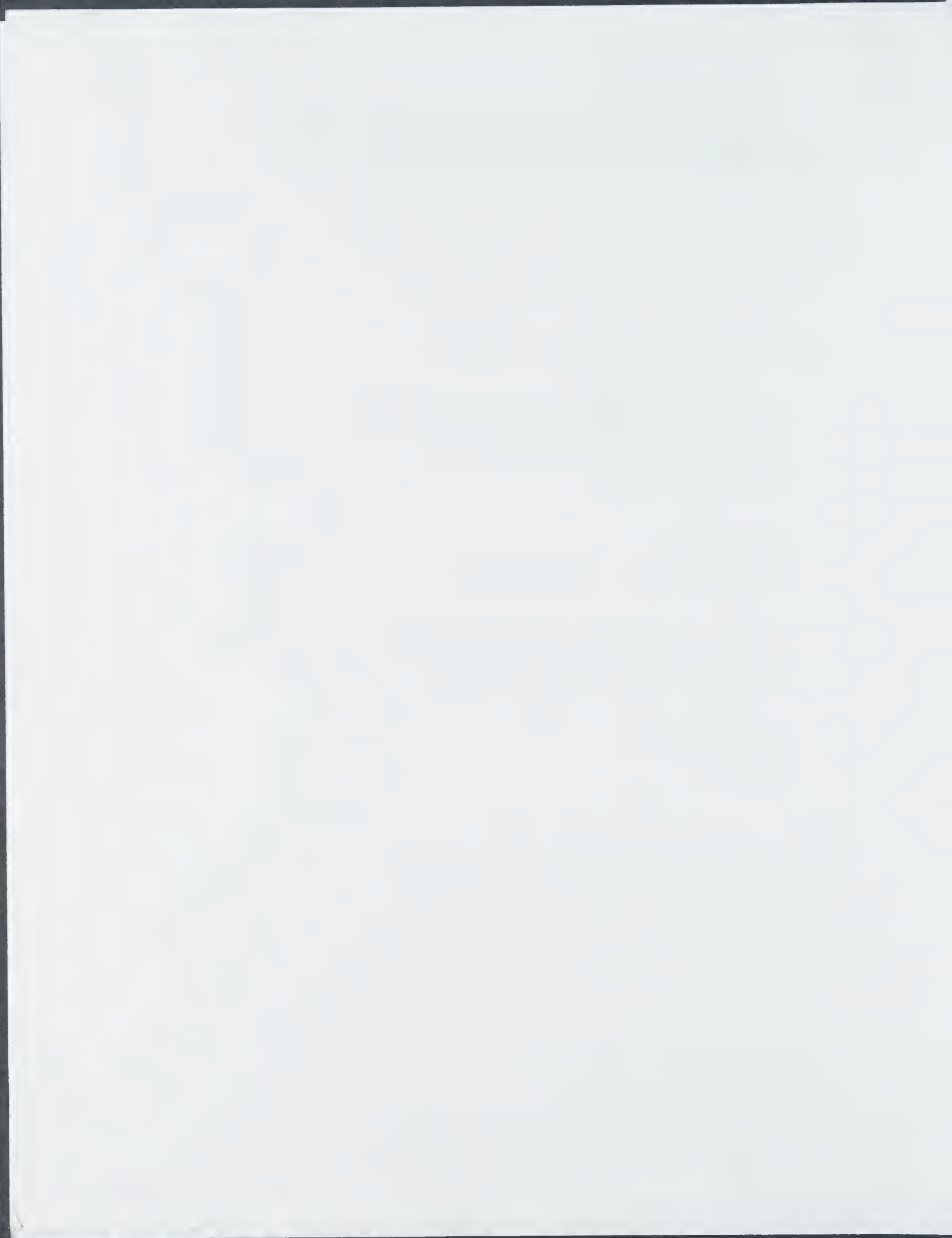
Dear Yechiel,

Many thanks for your beautiful essay about our collaboration.

I hope you will have received my e-mail about Jiri Damborsky's visit and will either have already sent the \$30,000 for the Loschmidt Chair or will send it soon.

Fond regards,
Alfred

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Subject: The Lead Poisoning of Displaced Roma in Kosovo

From: "Yechezkel Bar-Chaim" <yechezkel@jdcparis.org>

Date: Fri, 26 Aug 2005 13:41:07 +0200

To: "Alfred BADER (E-mail)" <baderfa@execpc.com>

26 August 2005

Dear Alfred,

Being mailed to you under separate cover is a NTSC DVD version of Paul's short documentary on the lead poisoning crisis of the Roma living in UN camps in Kosovo.

Paul's film-making style is restrained, but focussed. Hope you find it effective. Incidentally you are listed as the sponsor of this film (It was made on a shoe-string: \$1,000 plus the cost of making copies). I think it does you credit.

Meanwhile Paul is trying to obtain the widest possible distribution for the film, sending it to journalists, NGO's, and documentary film festivals. Am also sending copies (PAL version) to Ralph Emanuel and Brenda Bailey.

Meanwhile the UN is stirring in Kosovo, but not necessarily to do the right thing:

* There is no water at the camps, so they want to drill wells in toxic earth.

* There is the threat of a lawsuit, so the authorities shut down the one blood testing machine for lead in the entire region (not clear how far up the food chain the decision goes). If you can't test for lead poisoning, there can be no proofs in court.

* According to the UN the Roma have the right to return to their old neighborhood, so it is now finally being cleared of rubble and funds sought for reconstruction, but at the same time the Roma fear (Paul says rightfully so) that they will be unsafe if they move back --- the Kosovar Albanians who burnt them out the first time will come back once more --- so even what would appear to be the most just solution becomes another segment in an eternally vicious circle.

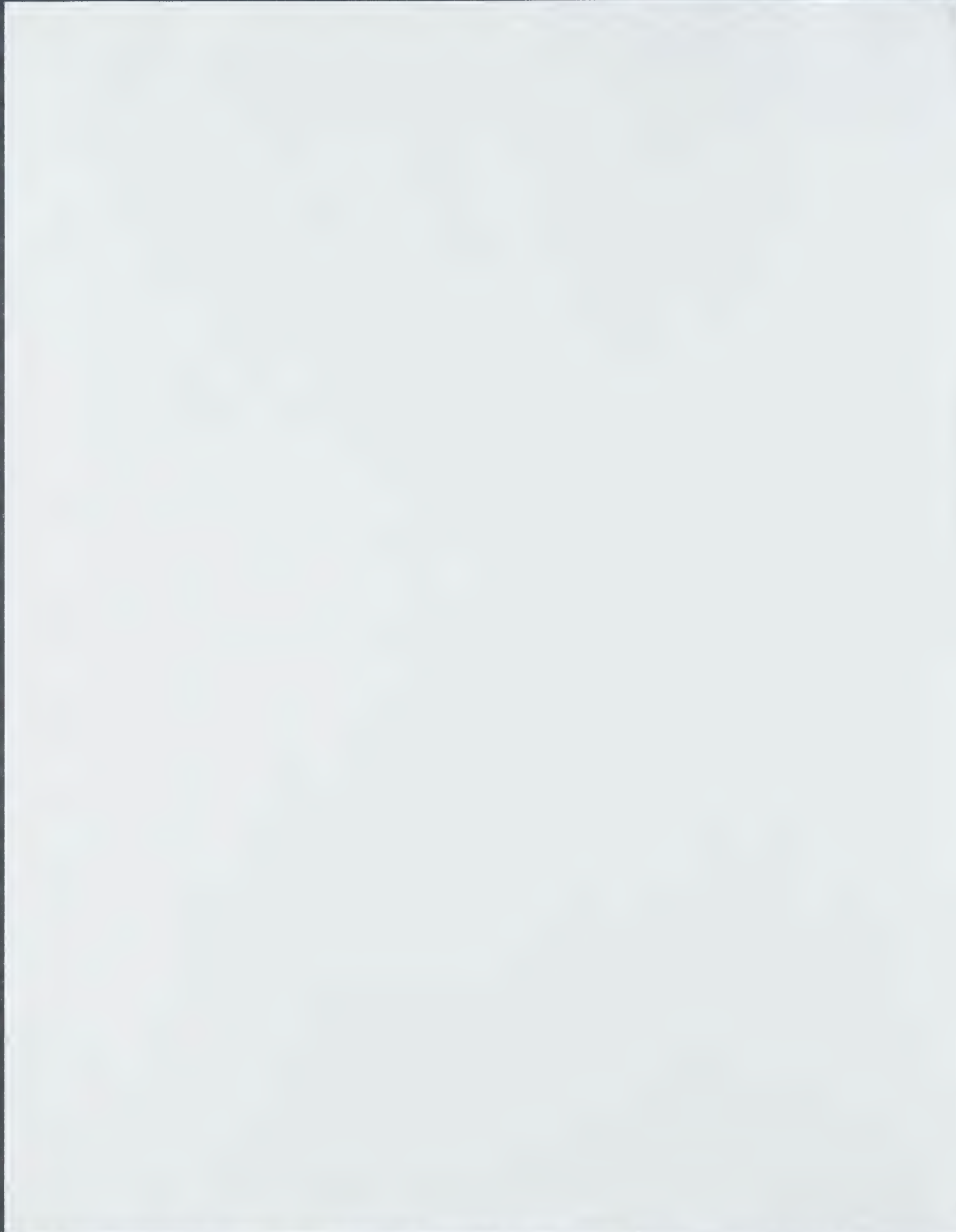
* The one star on the horizon is a dynamic, fire-eating lawyer from California named Diana Post. She is in Kosovo on behalf of the Roma rights advocacy group the European Roma Rights Center (ERRC) putting together the lawsuit against the UN officials in Kosovo. She has already asked Kofi Annan to remove their diplomatic immunity and is drawing on all the information and help Paul and others can provide her.

Next, Paul and I are due to meet in Skopje next Thursday to discuss all and sundry.

Hope you and Isabel are well.

Shabbat Shalom,

Yechezkel



Subject: Nary a Cropped Head Among Them
From: "Yechiel Bar-Chaim" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>
Date: Fri, 24 Oct 2003 12:47:27 +0100
To: "Alfred Bader Fine Arts" <baderfa@execpc.com>

Dear Alfred,

Bon Voyage.

Good news:

1. Gwen Albert and Tana Hlavata have set a date to meet.
2. Stephen Weeks wrote me for an answer. According to your reaction, I told him you would wait until the venture becomes wholly non-profit before giving it due consideration. Did you get a chance to read his novel?
3. Our neighborhood photo store is printing out for us the images you want --- and there's nary a cropped head among them.

By the way, did you have a chance to read Kastner's other children's novels? His other adult work besides the poetry?

What about your grandchildren, if I may ask. Have you passed along to them the Kastner part of your heritage?

Shabbat Shalom,

Yechiel.

-----Original Message-----

From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts [mailto:baderfa@execpc.com]
Sent: 23 October 2003 16:11
To: Yechiel Bar-Chaim
Subject: Re: FW: Pitzponet and Anton

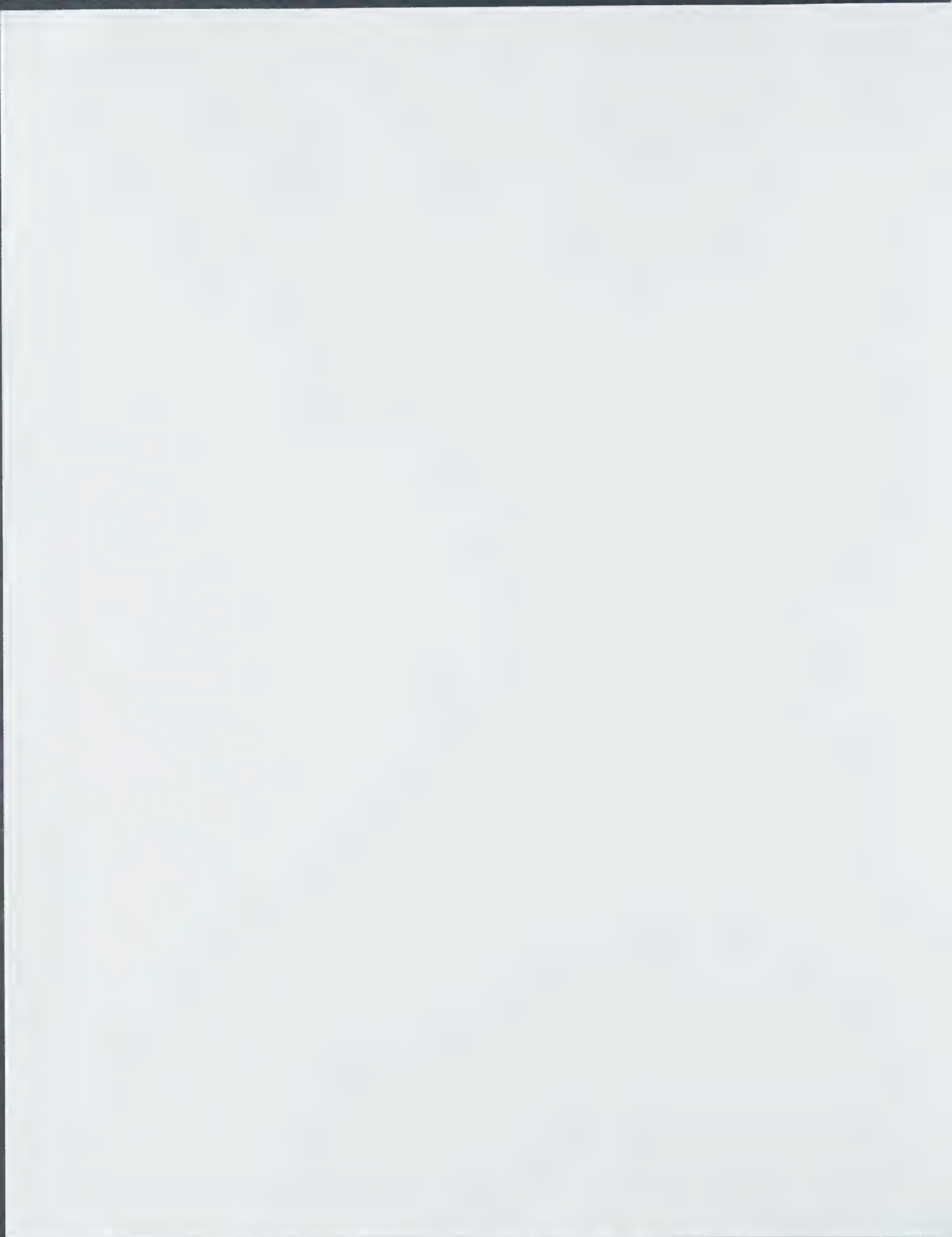
Dear Yechiel,

Isabel and I are just off to Canada, hence my response to your e-mail of Tuesday must be brief.

I much prefer real photographs even if a printer might be able to use digital images.

One of my favorite books when I was a boy was Kastner's *Emil and the Detectives*. I came across his poetry quite a few years ago. He was what the Nazis called an Aryan and so anti-Nazi that he went to Switzerland to work.

Fond regards,
Alfred



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-----Original Message-----

From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts [<mailto:baderfa@execpc.com>]
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2003 19:21
To: Yechiel Bar-Chaim
Subject: Re: FW: Gwendolyn Albert to Yechiel Bar Chaim

Dear Yechiel,

I was in Chicago looking at an auction preview on Friday and so I am late in responding to your e-mail.

It might be wise to ask Nadace Via to check up on Gwendolyn Albert's League of Human Rights. My gut feeling is that she is sincere and competent but it would be good to get a second opinion.

SIAL stock last Friday closed at 54.94 so that my many call options at 55 were not taken away. This was truly a win/win situation and I can now more aggressively sell more call options. I look forward to a real photograph either from Alan Levy or from you.

With many thanks and with fond regards I remain

Yours sincerely,
Alfred

Yechiel Bar-Chaim wrote:

Dear Alfred,

This e-mail just arrived from Ms. Albert.

Given our experience with Stephen Weeks, would you like Nadace Via to

check

out whether in this case her fine intentions and capabilities have actually translated into a sound program that you can support wholeheartedly? Or are you already satisfied on this point?

Hag Sameach,

Yechiel

P.S. Devastated by your comments about my so-called photographic achievements. Will see how to meet your requirements.

P.P.S. This is supposed to be a half-day at work, so this is just half an



e-mail.

-----Original Message-----

From: galbert@volny.cz [mailto:galbert@volny.cz]
Sent: 17 October 2003 08:39
To: yechiel
@jdcparis.org
Cc: alevy@praguepost.com
Subject: Gwendolyn Albert to Yechiel Bar Chaim

Dear Yechiel Bar Chaim,

My n

ame is Gwendolyn Albert and I am writing on behalf of the League of Human Rights in the Czech Republic, specifically, of our Center for the Legal Protection of Children. I spoke last month with Dr. Bader, who was recently profiled in the Prague Post by your friend Alan Levy, and Dr. Bader has very kindly offered to make a donation to our Center through the American Joint Distribution Committee. I am writing to inquire as to whether he has contacted you with this information as well.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at the numbers below should you have any further questions. I have included our bank details at the bottom of this message.

Best regards from Prague,

Gwendolyn Albert
International Liaison Development
League of Human Rights/Líga lidských prav
Za Poříčskou bránou 12
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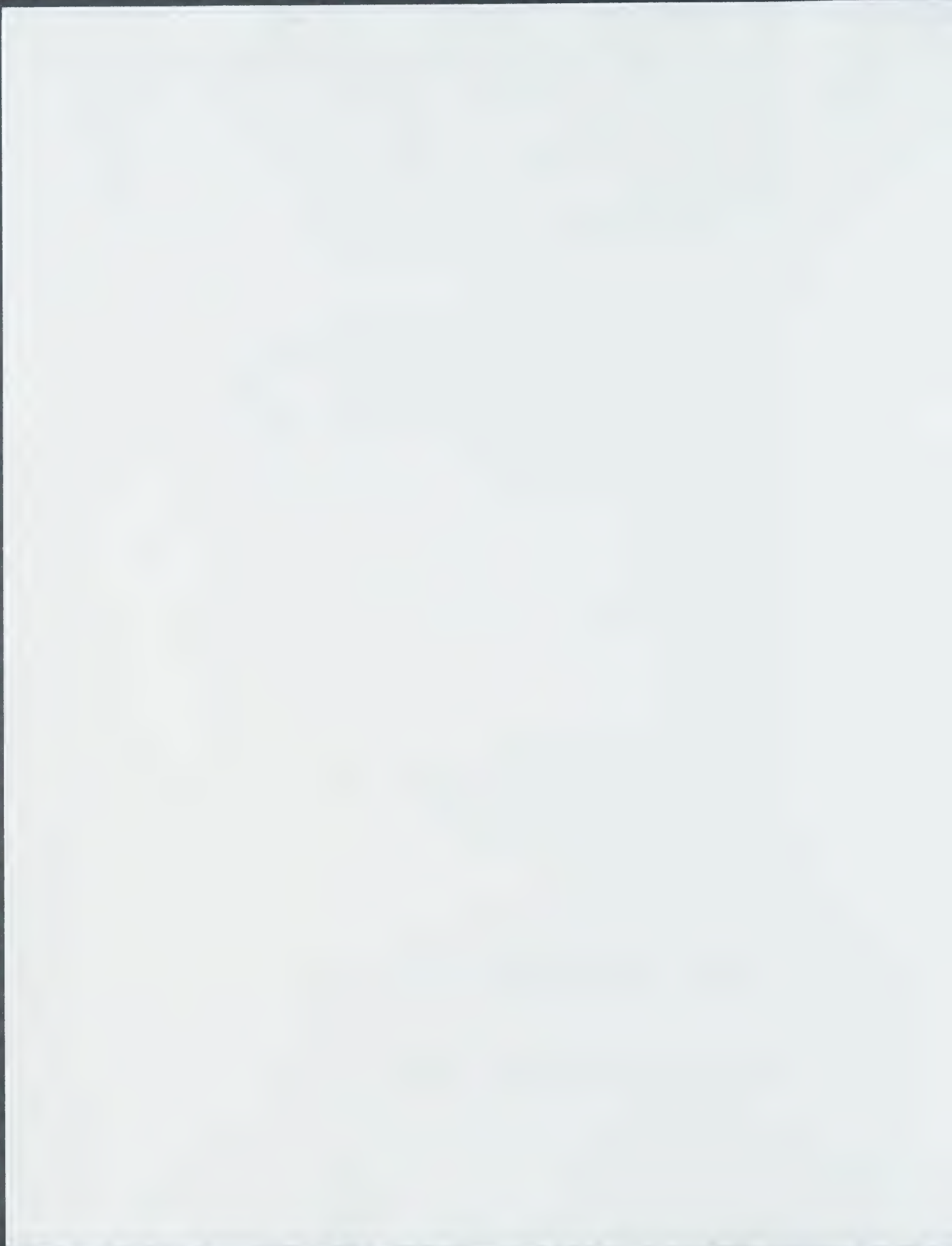
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Subject: Update from Gwen Albert
From: "Yechiel Bar-Chaim" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>
Date: Wed, 30 Jun 2004 12:01:13 +0100
To: "Alfred BADER (E-mail)" <baderfa@execpc.com>

Dear Alfred,

I am just back from Serbia.

One project in the works: using blind individuals as physiotherapists (masseurs) for the bed-ridden.

Meanwhile Gwen Albert has sent me below a recent example of her League's advocacy work on behalf of children in the Czech Republic.

Best regards,

Yechiel

P.S. The Spanish version of the film is in the mail to you. Unfortunately my sources have not yet been able to supply an English version without the sound problem.

-----Original Message-----

From: galbert@llp.cz [mailto:galbert@llp.cz]
Sent: 28 June 2004 18:09
To: Yechiel Bar-Chaim
Subject: Re: update

Dear Yechiel,

Just writing to give you an update on the latest initiative from the League's children's program (below).

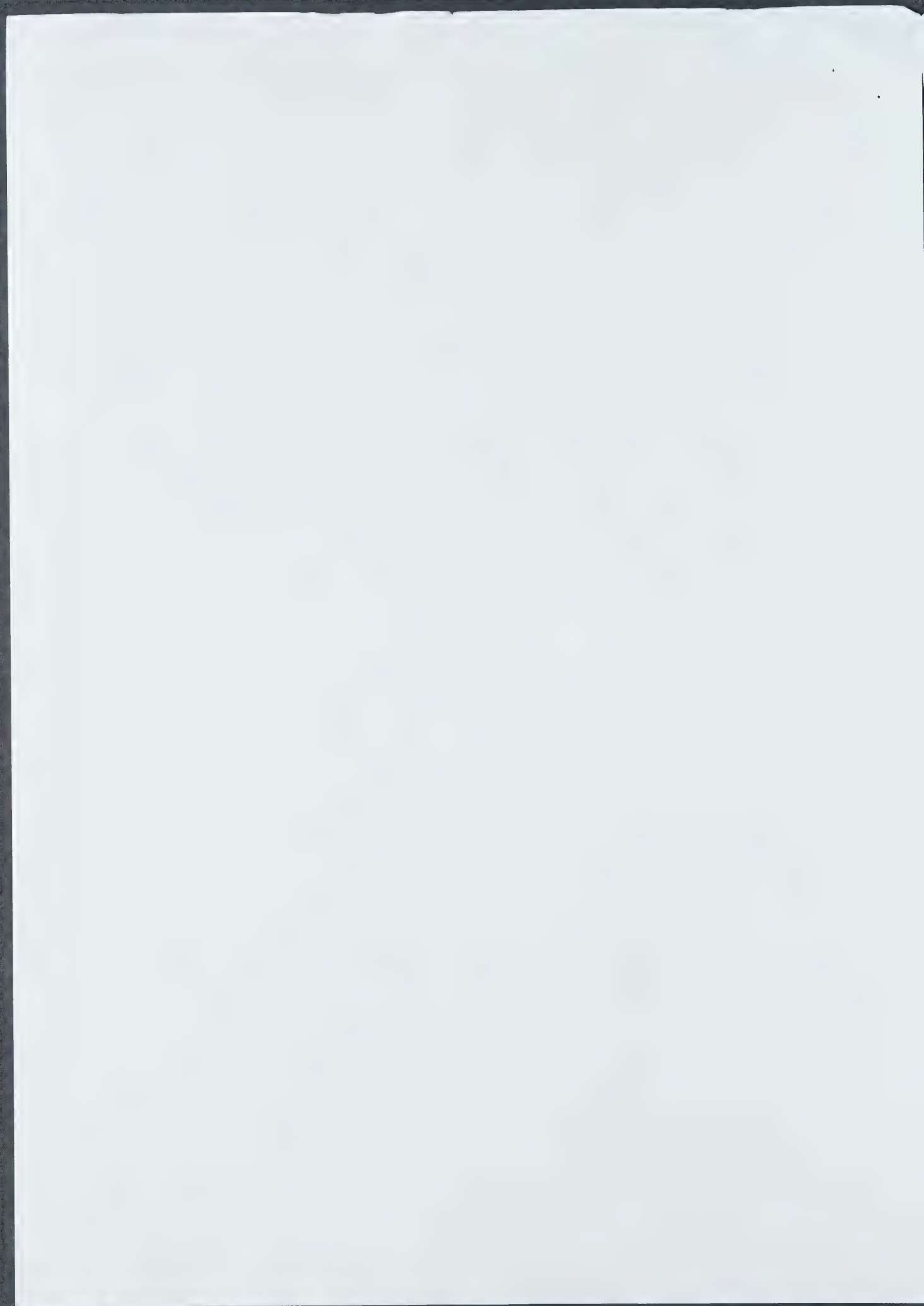
Hope all is well with you,

Gwen

PRESS RELEASE League of Human Rights Center for the Legal Protection of Children

Czech nongovernmental organizations working in the fields of domestic violence and children's rights have issued a joint declaration on the lawsuit recently filed by five Czech fathers at the European Court of Human Rights. The lawsuit was initiated by the civic associations Spravedlnost dětem (Justice for Children) and Sdružení za dodržování práv dětí a rodičů (Association for the Rights of Children and Parents).

In this joint declaration we draw attention to the fact that several members and sympathizers attempting to exercise their paternal rights through the above-mentioned association have committed both physical and psychological violence against their own families and children. The efforts of the courts to limit contact between these fathers and their children has been legitimate in



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many of the cases. It is also understandable that in many of these cases the child refuses contact with the father.

We also draw attention to the fact that the members of the above-mentioned associations have been pursuing their interests through attempting to interfere in the appointment of the judges who will hear their cases, the court experts who will testify at them, and with child welfare staff in specific cases. We consider this not only unacceptable, but a serious threat to the independence of these particular authorities.

Furthermore, we intend to publicize the practices some representatives of these associations engage in against their former partners and children in their efforts to manipulate the situation before the custody courts to their own advantage. Further details can be found in the full declaration.

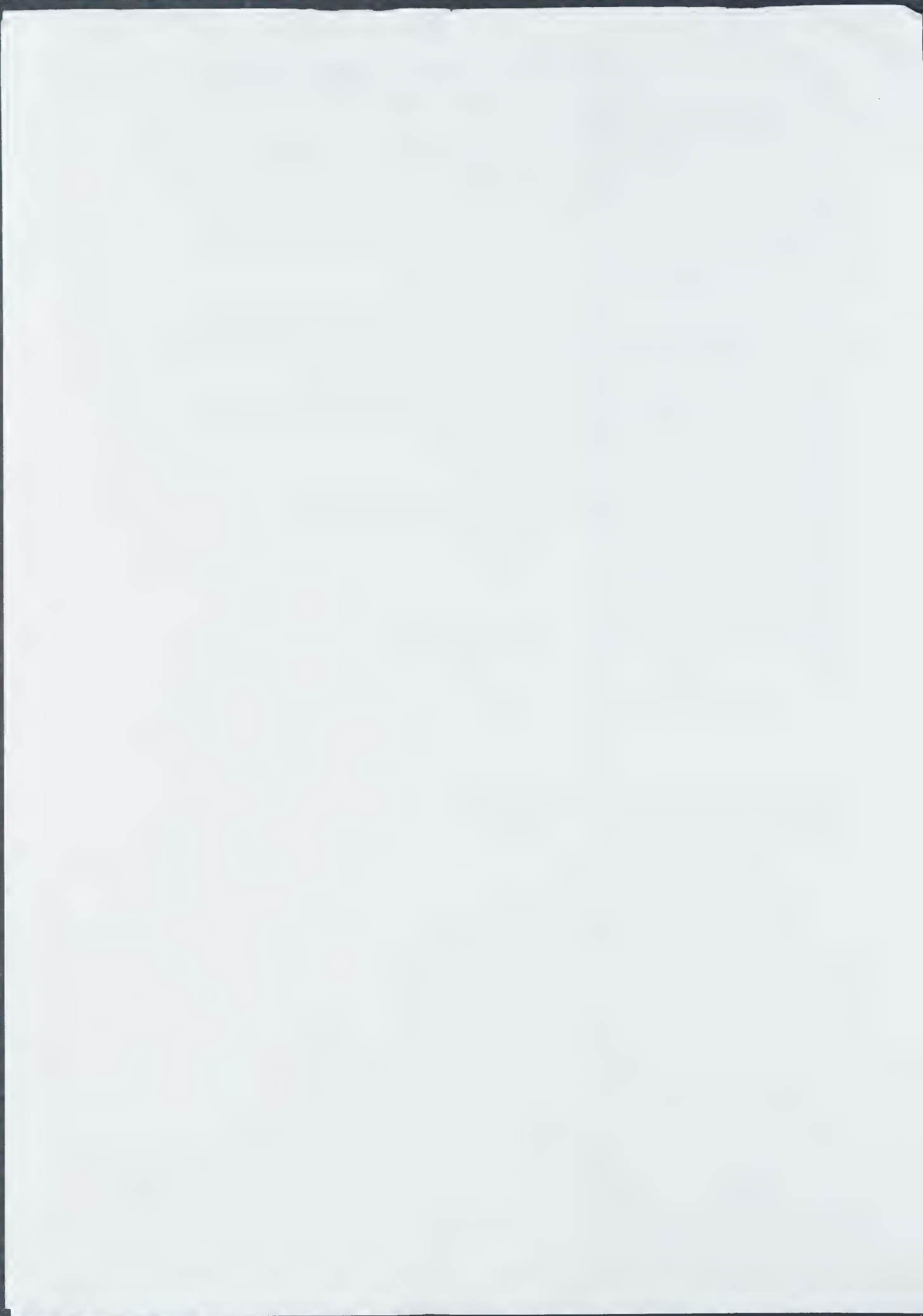
As far as the question of the execution of visiting rights is concerned, we reject the opinion that the child should always be forced by the court to maintain contact with both parents against the child's own will. We call on the courts to distinguish between cases in which one of the parents has manipulated the child to reject the other parent from those cases in which the child refuses contact with a parent for objectively verifiable reasons? for example, if the child has witnessed the father commit violence against the mother.

The declaration is addressed to state institutions, nongovernmental organizations and the public.

The joint declaration has been issued by the following nongovernmental organizations: Acorus, Fond ohrožených dětí (the Fund for Threatened Children), Liga lidských práv (the League of Human Rights), Profem, Rosa, and Růžová linka.

The full text of the declaration can be found at www.llp.cz

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Subject: Tracing a Midrash
From: "Yecheil Bar-Chaim" <yecheil@jdcparis.org>
Date: Thu, 24 Apr 2003 22:50:04 +0200
To: "Alfred Bader Fine Arts" <baderfa@execpc.com>

F Rabbi Kuperdel

Dear Alfred,

I am glad the inscription speaks to you.

The *midrash* can be found on page *lamed* of Sefer Ha'agada by Bialik and Ravitsky in the section on *Akedat Yitzhak*.

The source they took it from is harder to come by. Only after presenting a whole series of midrashim on this subject do they list a series of references, seemingly for a whole group of *midrashim*. So their list is hardly of any help. I will ask some people I know who might be able to trace it to the source.

The inscription my wife and I came up with cites that *midrash* and then reverses it to apply to a book about Jewish sites today.

Best regards,

Yecheil

P.S. As to the grant for the Loschmidt Chair, I will respond to you when I am back in the office.

-----Original Message-----

From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts [mailto:baderfa@execpc.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 22, 2003 8:59 PM
To: Yecheil Bar-Chaim
Subject: Re: The Latest from Potacek

Dear Yecheil,

You will recall that you gave me that interesting book entitled *Jewish Sites of Bohemia and Moravia* with a beautiful inscription. I have been trying to find out just where that midrasch comes from, but have not been successful. Can you please tell me?

You know the old definition of chutzpah: a boy murders his parents and then asks the judge for mercy: please have mercy on me for I am an orphan. So it is with Professor Potacek's explanation that several thousand dollars of the Loschmidt money was spent on an HPLC column. They might at least have had the courtesy to ask you and me and we would certainly have said no.

The question now is should we bring it up now or leave it until our meeting on June 11th? Please tell me what you think.



Subject: RE: [Fwd: Your e-mail]
From: "Yechiel Bar-Chaim" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>
Date: Thu, 11 Sep 2003 13:51:07 +0100
To: "Alfred Bader Fine Arts" <baderfa@execpc.com>

11 September 2003

Dear Alfred,

One could hardly hope for a holder of the Loschmidt Chair with a keener interest in Loschmidt.

Looks most encouraging.

Best regards,

Yechiel

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-----Original Message-----

From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts [mailto:baderfa@execpc.com]
Sent: 10 September 2003 18:14
Cc: Dr. Robert Rosner; Yechiel Bar Chaim
Subject: [Fwd: Your e-mail]

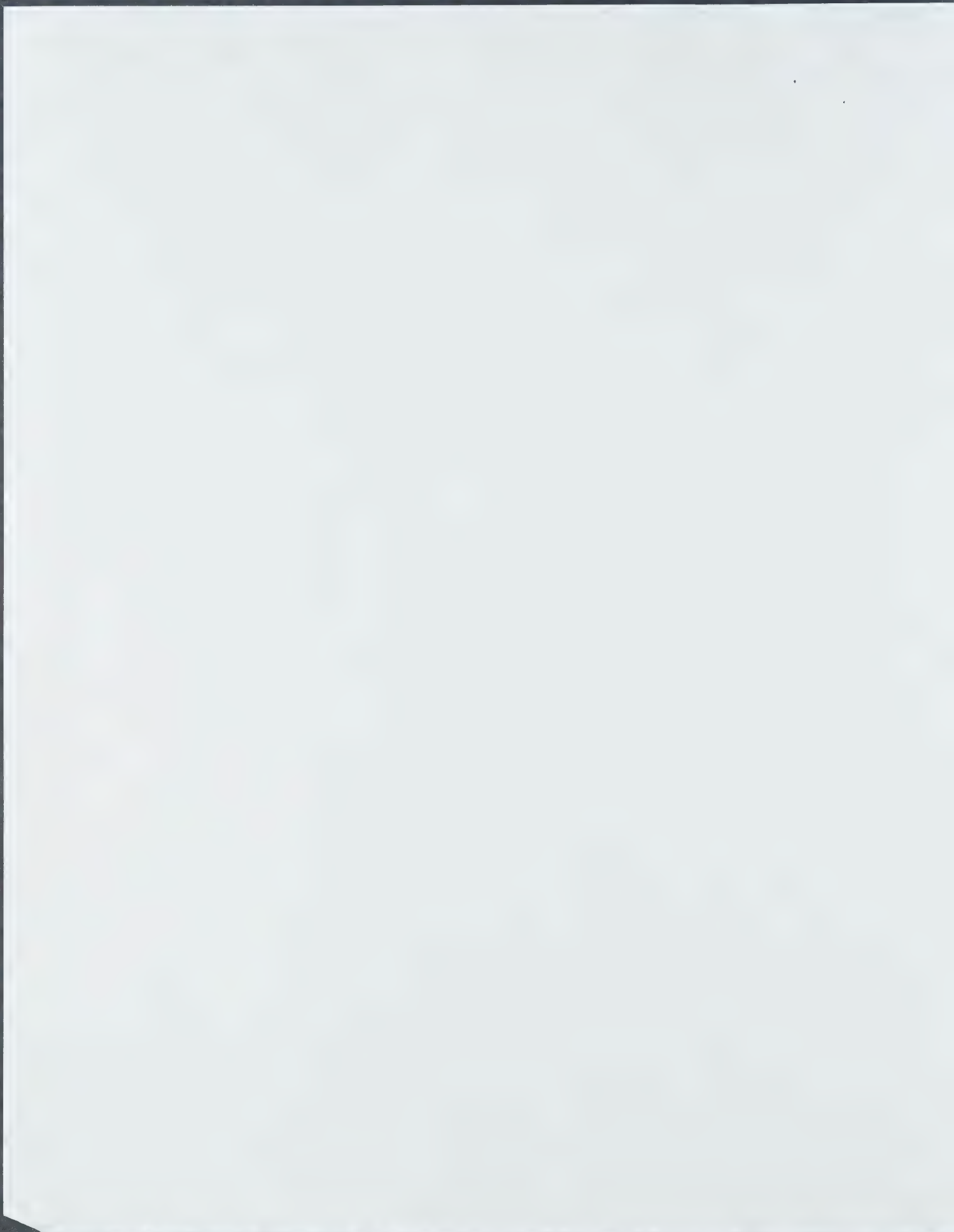
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Subject: Your e-mail
Date: Wed, 10 Sep 2003 11:36:43 -0500
From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts <baderfa@execpc.com>
To: Jiri Damborsky <jiri@chemi.muni.cz>

Dear Professor Damborsky,

I do not want to take my time to reply to your important e-mail of today but rather reply quickly. To reply item by item:

1. I think that the chances that you will find proof that Mendel and Loschmidt met in Brno are at best 10%, but still it is worth trying.
5. I like Professor Kocovsky very much and hope that he might be involved in picking the winners of the Lieben Award which will be given annually beginning in November 2004. I look forward to visiting him in Glasgow in November and giving a lecture on Loschmidt.
8. Unfortunately, communication with Professor Potacek is very difficult. He has not replied to my long e-mail sent at the end of July. I am so happy that my communication



with you is very much better.

Regarding your website, please consider using the 12 firsts given by Wiswesser on p.17 of the *Aldrichimica Acta*, Vol. 22, No. 1, 1989 which I know you have. I think that the most comprehensive article about Loschmidt is mine in No. 22, 1998 issue of the *Bulletin for the History of Chemistry*. The last paragraph should be used to amend Wiswesser's list of 12.

My article entitled *Josef Loschmidt, the Father of Molecular Modeling* appeared in the *Proceedings of the Royal Institution*, Vol. 64, 1992, pp.197-205. My title "The Father of Molecular Modeling" has been attacked particularly strongly by Professor Schiemenz and perhaps the title is an overstatement.

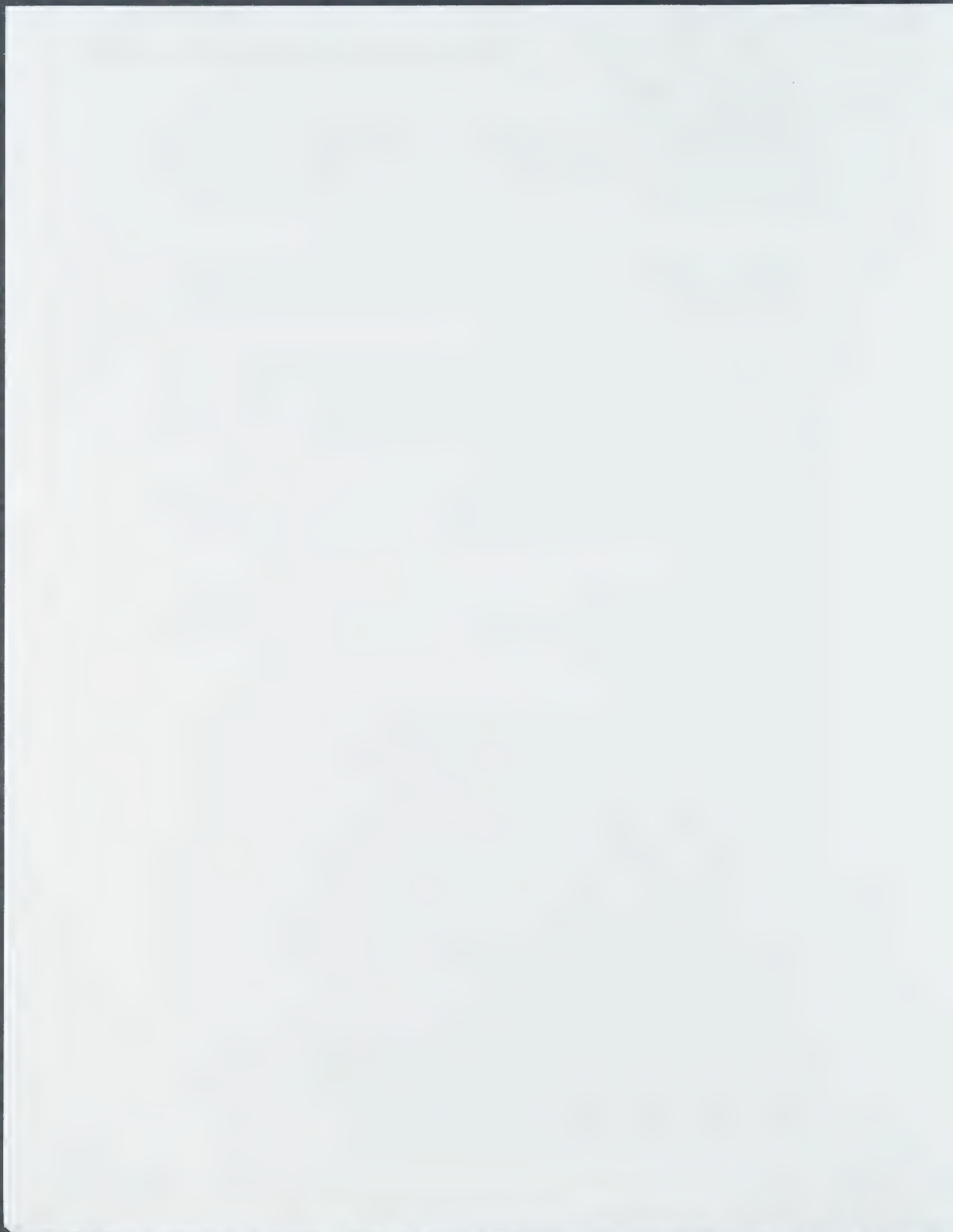
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This year's contribution of \$20,000 for the Loschmidt Chair has now been sent by the Joint to the Masaryk University. The additional \$5,000 will follow as soon as the new chemist starts his work.

Professor Christian Noe is an old chemist friend, a brilliant chemist, and now Dean at the University of Vienna. I hope that he will be the University's representative on the Lieben Prize committee. His home address is

Rieglergasse 4
Wien XVIII
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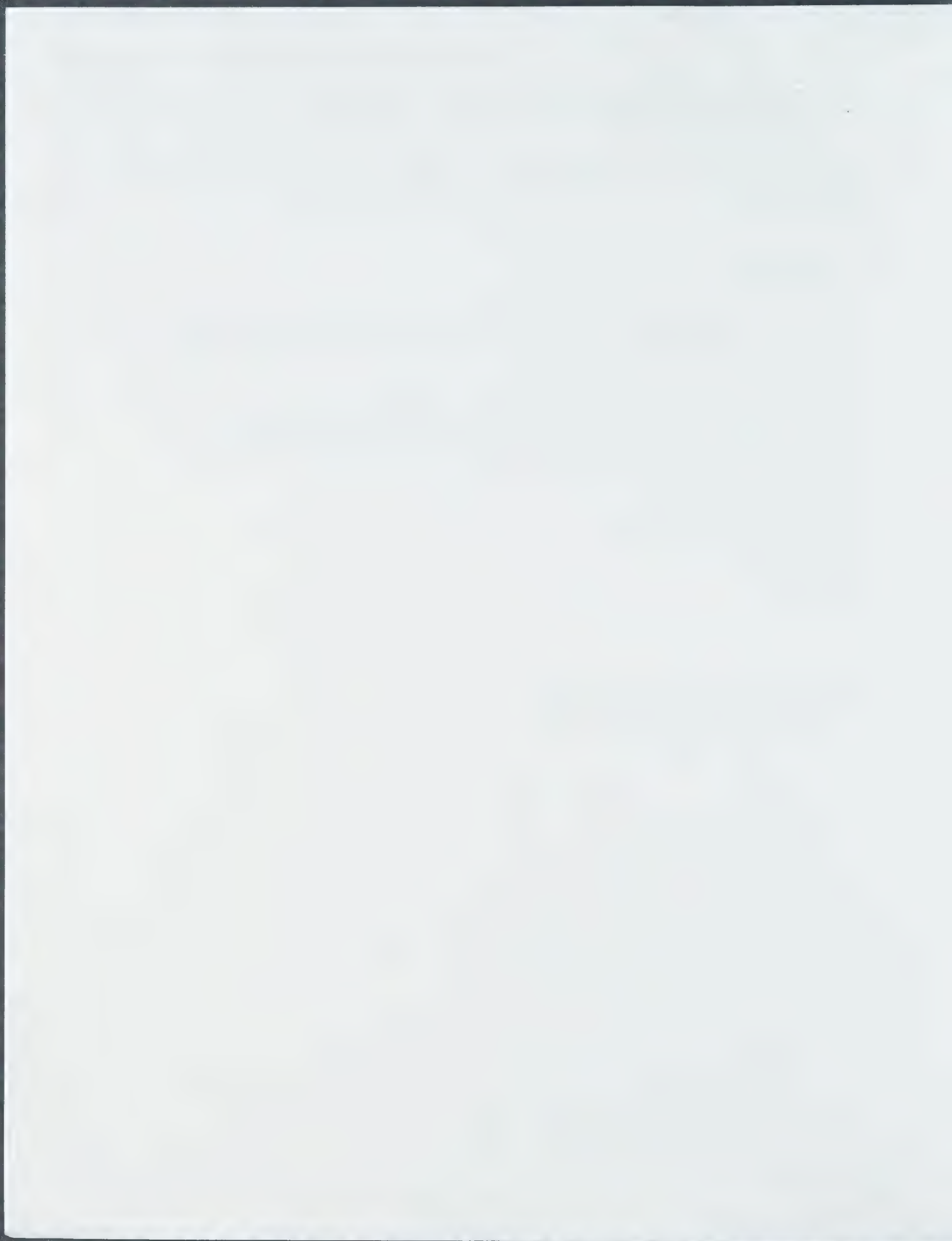
and his home telephone number is 431 478 4091. It is so easy to drive from Brno to Vienna and you will really enjoy meeting Christian and perhaps also his wife, Marion, who is a medical doctor, and his three little girls.

While you are in Vienna you should also meet another expert on Loschmidt who also knows a great deal about the history of chemistry in the Czech Republic. This is Dr. Robert Rosner whose telephone number is 431 769 8607. He also is a very old friend and both are described in my autobiography.

With all good wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,
Alfred Bader

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Subject: Re: Your e-mail
From: "Jiri Damborsky" <jiri@chemi.muni.cz>
Date: Thu, 11 Sep 2003 00:25:39 +0200
To: "Alfred Bader Fine Arts" <baderfa@execpc.com>

Dear Dr. Bader:

Thank you very much for your immediate reply to my letter. It contains many important (and positive) information for me. Now I want just to confirm that I received your mail and will respond in full on Friday (I have to leave to Prague tomorrow evening). Tomorrow I will talk to the faculty accountant. I believe it is OK to leave the money on the University account, but I will check with her. As far as future use of the funds ... I will make sure that they are used for the purpose they are meant for and the Dean of the Faculty is guarantee that nobody can question this. He is extremely supportive to establishing a truly independent position, although this means for him a lot of "hard work" for him. Negotiations about the status of my position and contract until habilitation are currently on-going.

I will respond also to all other important points of your letter on Friday.

Best wishes,

Jiri Damborsky

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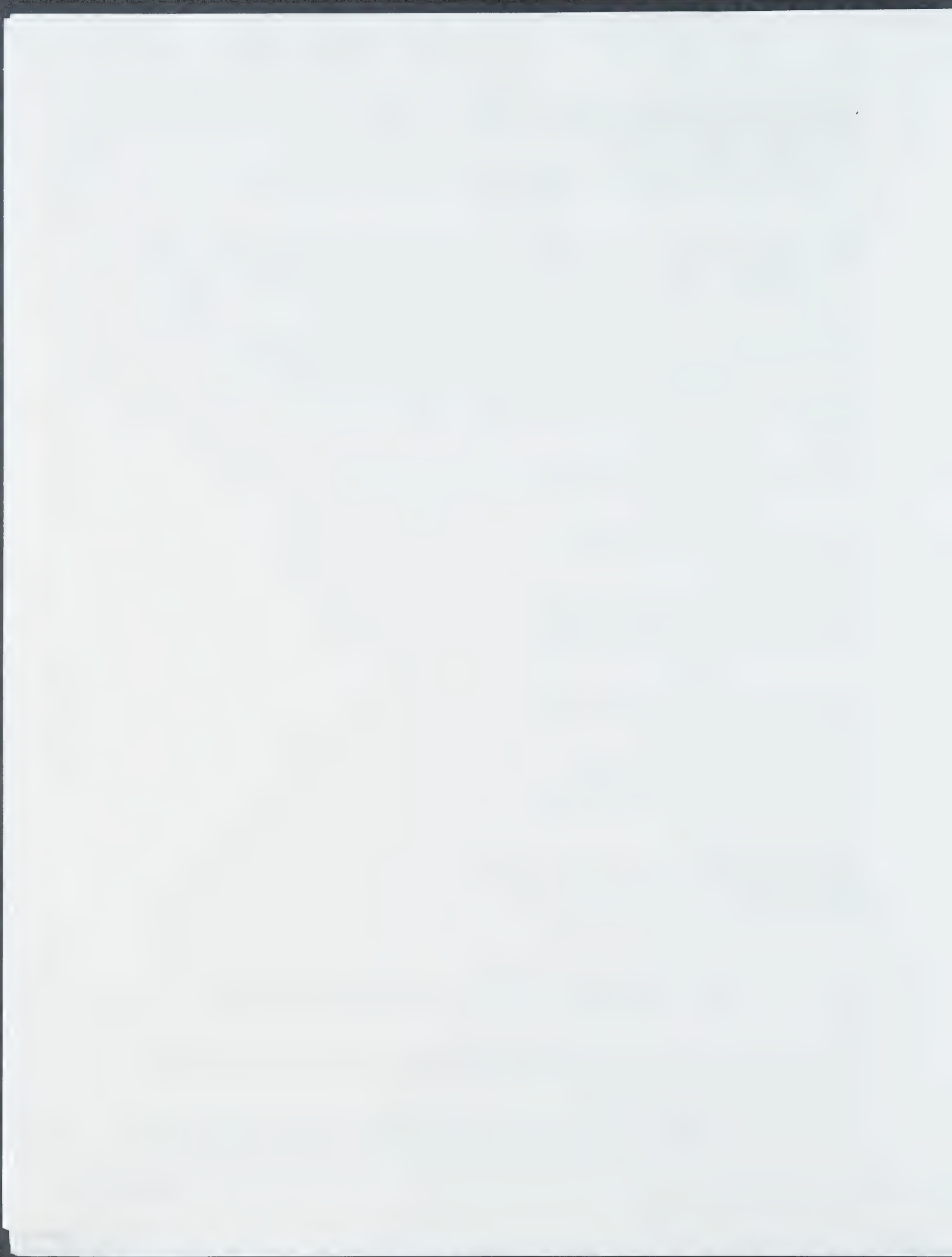
From: Alfred Bader Fine Arts
To: Jiri Damborsky
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2003 6:36 PM
Subject: Your e-mail

Dear Professor Damborsky,

I do not want to take my time to reply to your important e-mail of today but rather reply quickly. To reply item by item:

1. I think that the chances that you will find proof that Mendel and Loschmidt met in Brno are at best 10%, but still it is worth trying.

5. I like Professor Kocovsky very much and hope that he might be involved in picking the winners of the Lieben Award which will be given annually beginning in November 2004. I look forward to



visiting him in Glasgow in November and giving a lecture on Loschmidt.

8. Unfortunately, communication with Professor Potacek is very difficult. He has not replied to my long e-mail sent at the end of July. I am so happy that my communication with you is very much better.

Regarding your website, please consider using the 12 firsts given by Wiswesser on p.17 of the *Aldrichimica Acta*, Vol. 22, No. 1, 1989 which I know you have. I think that the most comprehensive article about Loschmidt is mine in No. 22, 1998 issue of the *Bulletin for the History of Chemistry*. The last paragraph should be used to amend Wiswesser's list of 12.

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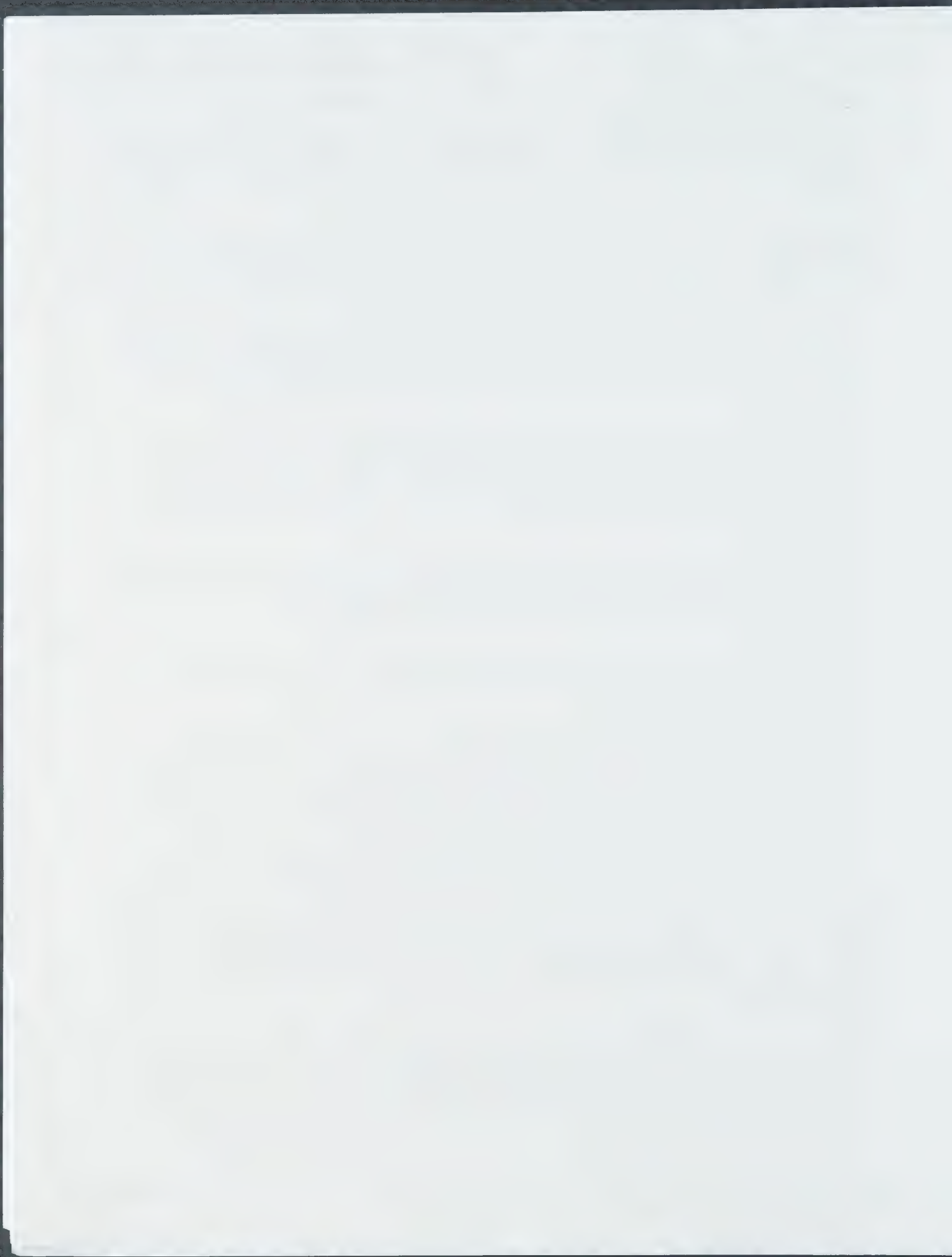
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Dear Yechiel,

I do not really know what the characters at the Harvard Club are like.

I could give a talk entitled "The History of the Aldrich Chemical Company" which is a 40 minute talk for which I would need an overhead projector.

Alternately, I could give a 10-15 minute discussion of our efforts to help Czechs. This could turn out to be quite discouraging. Just consider our early failures with the Romas, the great difficulties which western universities have getting Czech students and our failure, thus far, at the Masaryk University.

As you know, Isabel's older sister, Marion, and her daughter, Margaret, will be with us. Would the Harvard Club invite all four of us for supper? Or is the Harvard Club so elitist that they would not invite even Isabel and myself?

Could we chat with each other next week when I will be in Bexhill. On Tuesday, May 27th I have to be in London but I will be free on Wednesday and Thursday and Friday morning, May 28th-30th.

You did not realize when we started working together that you would have to turn into a travel organizer!

Fond regards,
Alfred

Yechiel Bar-Chaim wrote:

Dear Alfred,

Please let me know what topic would you pick for the Harvard Club? I am confident they would accept your choice.

Shabbat

Shalom,

yechiel

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Sent: Friday, May 23, 2003 5:50 PM

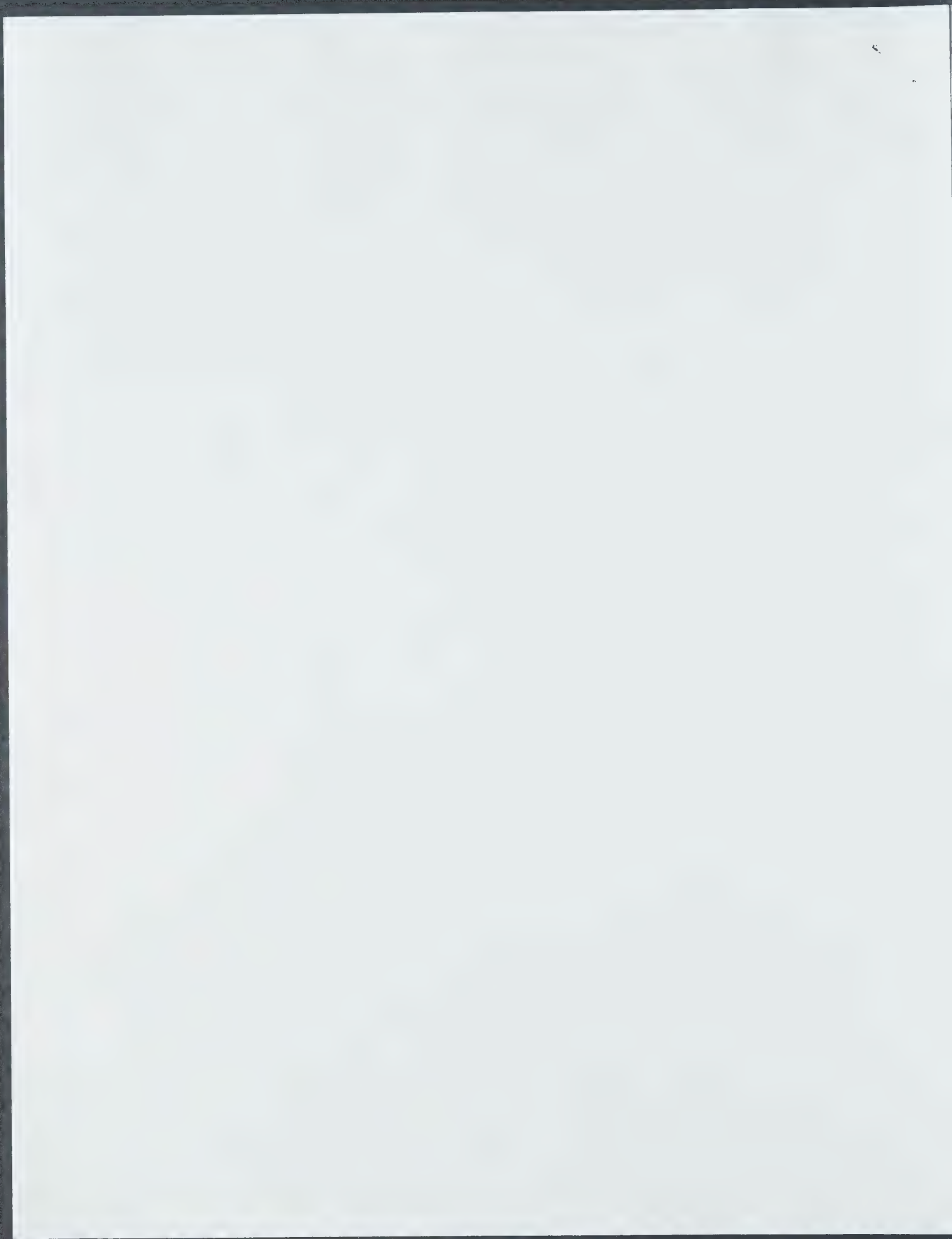
To: Yechiel Bar-Chaim

Subject: Re: As concise as possible

Dear Yechiel,

Today is my last working day at the gallery; we are leaving for England on Sunday evening.

It does not make sense to talk to the Harvard Club on the Rembrandt Research Project and the Collector because I am giving that very talk the next day at the National Gallery in Prague, the talk arranged by Martina Soskova. I did e-mail her an abstract of my paper and am now sending one to you also.



Subject: SARAJEVO HOME CARE PROGRAM

Date: Mon, 5 Feb 2001 17:03:58 +0100

From: "Yechiel Bar-Chaim" <yechiel@jdcparis.org>

To: "Alfred BADER (E-mail)" <baderfa@execpc.com>

5 February 2001

Dear Alfred,

I want to share with you the attached two documents concerning the La Benevolencija Home Care Program that you have so generously agreed to support in Sarajevo.


1. An autobiographical statement by Mrs. Suada Papo, Director of the Program.
2. The statistics sent by Ms. Papo concerning the 70 new persons now added to the program.


Next week I expect to go to Sarajevo and meet there Sue Read. Am trying to interest her in doing a film about this and other non-sectarian aid projects of La Benevolencija.

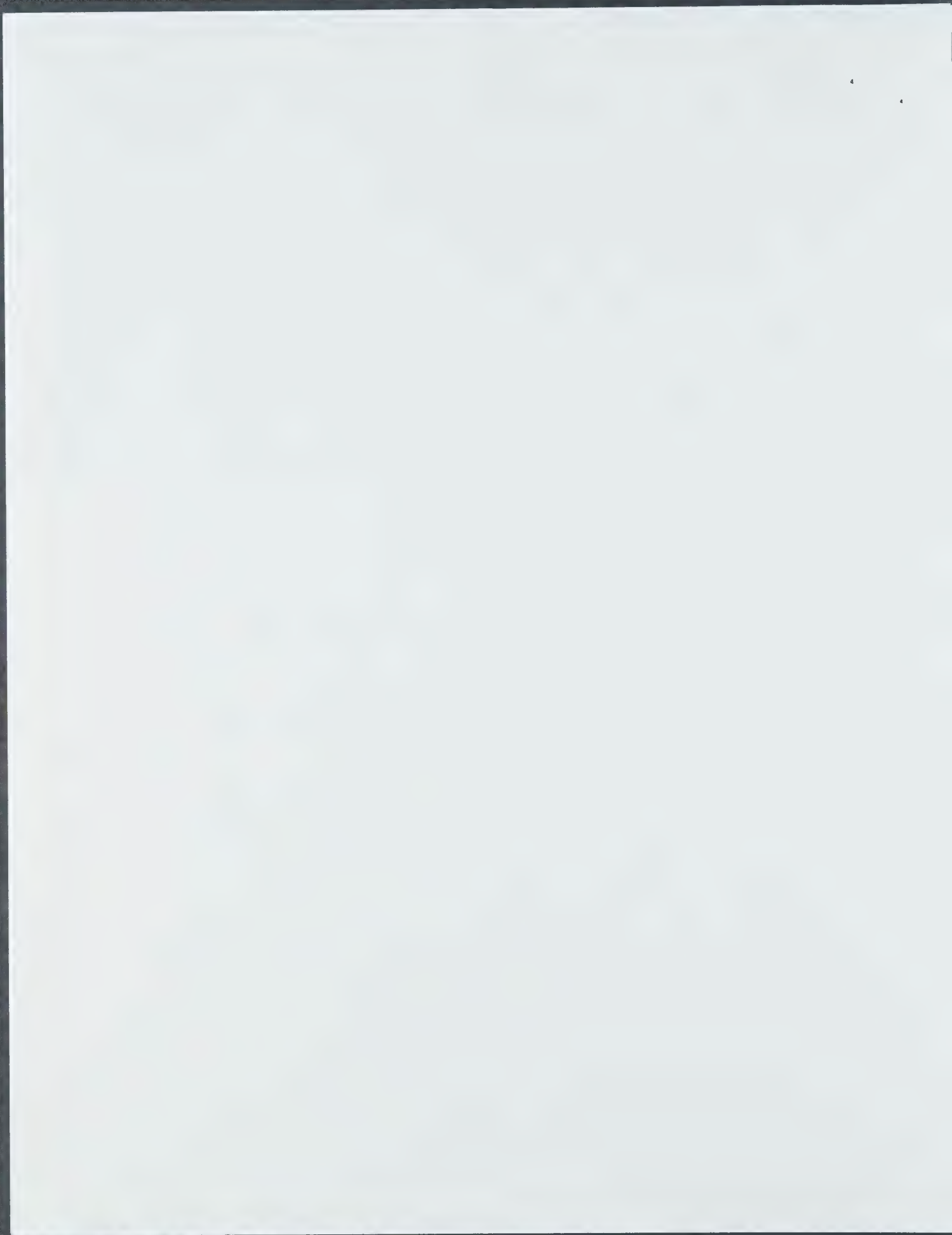
Best regards.

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What can I offer, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb,
If I were a wise man, I would do my part,
But what I can, I offer: All my heart.

("In the Bleak Midwinter" - Christina Rossetti)

In Sarajevo, where I was born, I attended both primary and high school. Love to nature was a decisive factor to study biology, and in 1971 I got a degree in biology at the Sarajevo University. Unfortunately, I have never worked as a biologist.

Now, at the 50 years life span, I often ask myself about the roots of my love to nature. Certainly, they originate from my family home and my generous parents who always tried to develop in their kids a capability to observe realistically the world around and look at it with widely open eyes. Up to the age of seventeen, I used to live within a large family circle; my parents, my siblings, my aunt and her two kids. At that time anything related to money or standards of living was scarce, whilst love, mutual understanding flooded us abundantly.

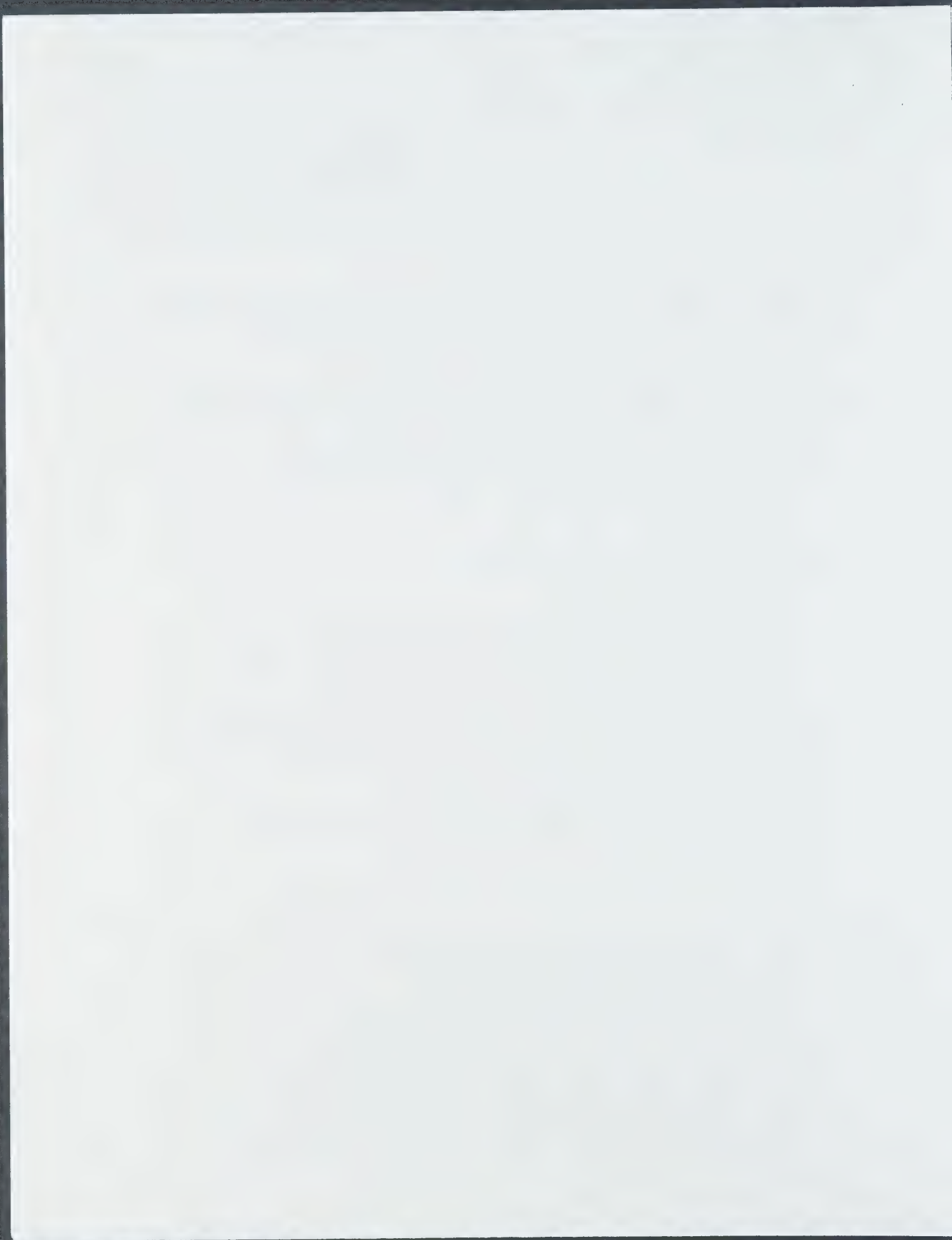
In 1973 I married a man of his extraordinary moral and spiritual virtues, a highly educated, hard working and sincere friend.

In 1975, Svjetlana and in 1977, Igor was born. A new live experience commenced. Here was Svjetlana and Igor, whose growing up demanded a lot of attention, dedication, and love from myself. On the other side there were my parents and my mother-in-law who needed another kind of care. To adjust the life of three generations was an imperative for me. I was lucky to have grown up with both parents alive. My husband missed his father. As a Jewish kid he shared the destiny of millions of Jewish kids, born before the WW II, who experienced all atrocities of war, expatriation, starving and survival. At his early childhood he became an orphan and he has never tasted the splendour of true father's love.

After my husband became a father, he generously and immensely endeavoured to please his kids. His love to his daughter and son reflected his frustrations from his childhood, suppressed and deeply hidden in his memory.

Unfortunately, once again the history has repeated itself in this country.

In April 1992 the Bosnian war broke out. Svjetlana was sixteen, Igor was only fourteen. We were put at stake: should we leave, or stay here? The decision was made: our family stays in this dangerous, besieged town. The only lightmotif was the hope to survive. Soon, I realised that the life in war-struck Sarajevo, with two teenagers, old parents, with no food, water, power or gas supply was the very bottom of the hell. Each day we were faced with casualties, wounded and war victims. At last, when I hoped to see the light at the end of the tunnel, in summer 1995 there was a new tragedy. My husband had a stroke, and he was totally incapable of any speech communication. Being aware of his next days, I dedicated all my strength to his healing. My kids supported me enormously. While I was preoccupied caring for my sick husband, I had to provide for Igor all documents necessary to continue his



education in the States. My attempts were successful thanks to the Jewish Community in Sarajevo. In November 1995 Igor left for Chapel Hill, North Carolina, whilst I stayed with my husband in Zagreb, Croatia for his medical examinations.

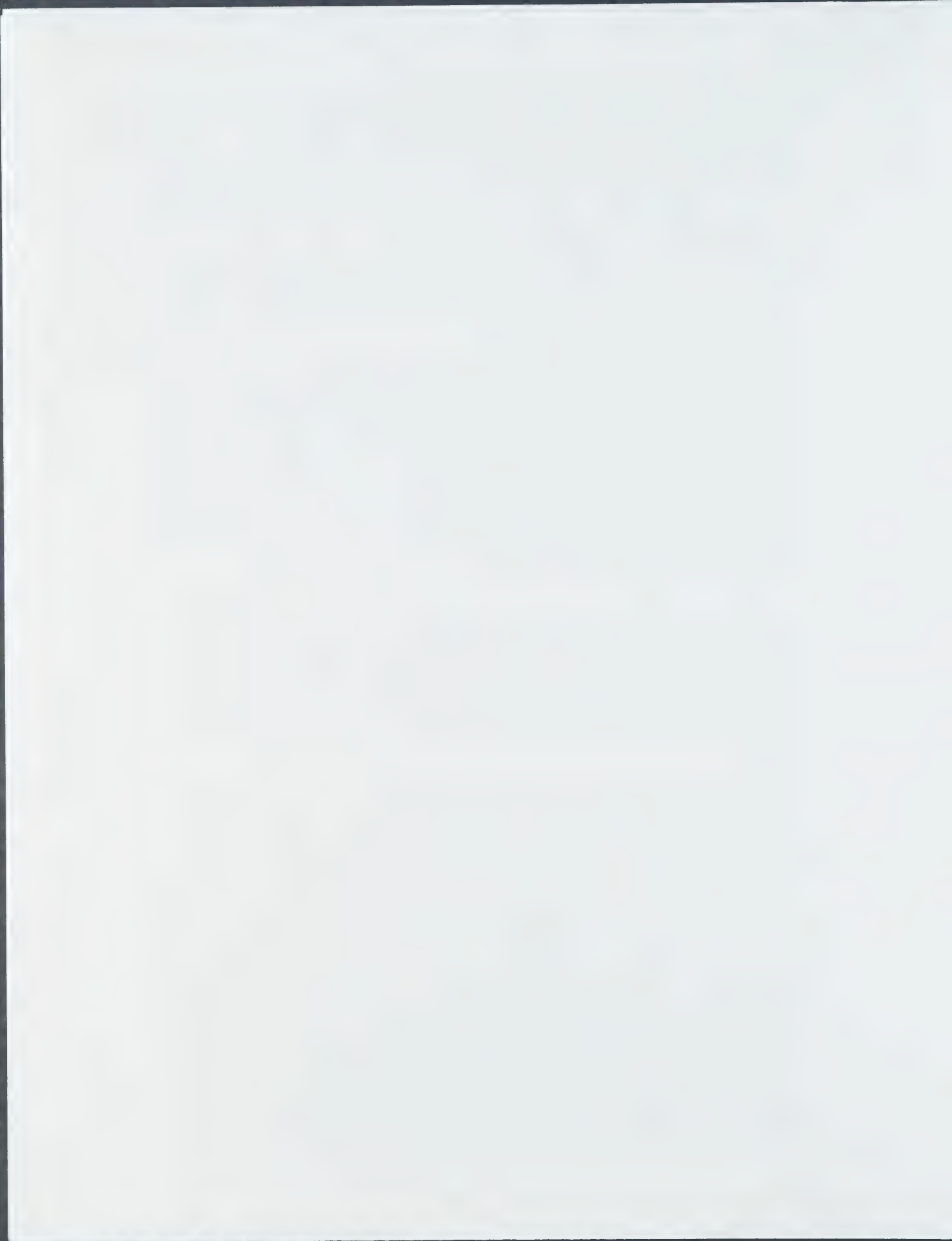
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Svjetlana graduated the college with majors in world literature, and at the moment she is approaching her master degree. Igor is the senior at the Durham Technical College. I have forgotten any grief, I scoop all my strength in my kids' success. And my work is the source of my enjoyment and satisfaction.

At the very commencement of the Bosnian war, after I had spent 25 years at the job, I was dismissed: the sole reason was my name combination: Suada (Muslim by birth) married to Josip Papo (Jew). I had to put up with the fact. I was shocked but not crashed, I stayed upright on my feet, and in 1993 I started my volunteer activity in La Benevolencija. I joined the women's club "Bohoreta" and participated in the Home Care Program. The latter was welcomed by all Sarajevo citizens and, before long, it was flourishing and became the only well-organised and skillfully-led multinational program throughout the town. In addition to the praises to the Home Care Program, there were La Benevolencija activities carried out by the Jewish Community members aimed to provide basic assistance to the needy.

The elderly were numerous in Sarajevo in the period during and immediately after the Bosnian war. Parents and grand-parents remained to keep their hearth warm. They were resolute, under the price of losing their life, to keep something from homes for their kids. They refused to lock their homes and emigrate carrying a single bundle of their belongings. Everybody recalled Spanish Jews from the 15th century who had fled from Spain with their home keys hoping to come back one day. They never saw their homes again, and their home keys can be seen in various European historical museums.

Whoever could, left Sarajevo, running away from the war whirls, and almost all generations of the youth dispersed all over the world. Back in Sarajevo there were left the elderly, sick and infirmly who needed any kind of assistance. We managed to provide various types of most needed assistance for the elderly: supply of the basic medicines, water supply (heavy containers carried on our shoulders), warm meal, medical checks and visits to our doctors on duty in our Jewish medical office. In 1994 our Home Care Program received the first financial donation from the Mission locale de Strasbourg. A high number of the elderly and needy (regardless to their nationality or origin) was included in the Home Care Program. All activities were successfully carried out by 45 ladies from the working team. These diligent women, running a risk to lose their own life, paid visits to their patients or infirmly, and simultaneously they attended care taking trainings. And the truth is that thanks to the commitment and care of the working team, most of elderly and infirmly could survive the war atrocities. Women from the working team were the only persons who knocked at their doors, and helped them to push aside fear, hunger, pessimism and loneliness. None of those women ever took priority of their family or they ever spared themselves. They were willing to sit with those feeble, skinny creatures and talk to them, read them letters



sent from somewhere in the world from their kids. They shared their happiness looking at a picture of a newly born grandchild, they brought them back some hope for "a rosy future".

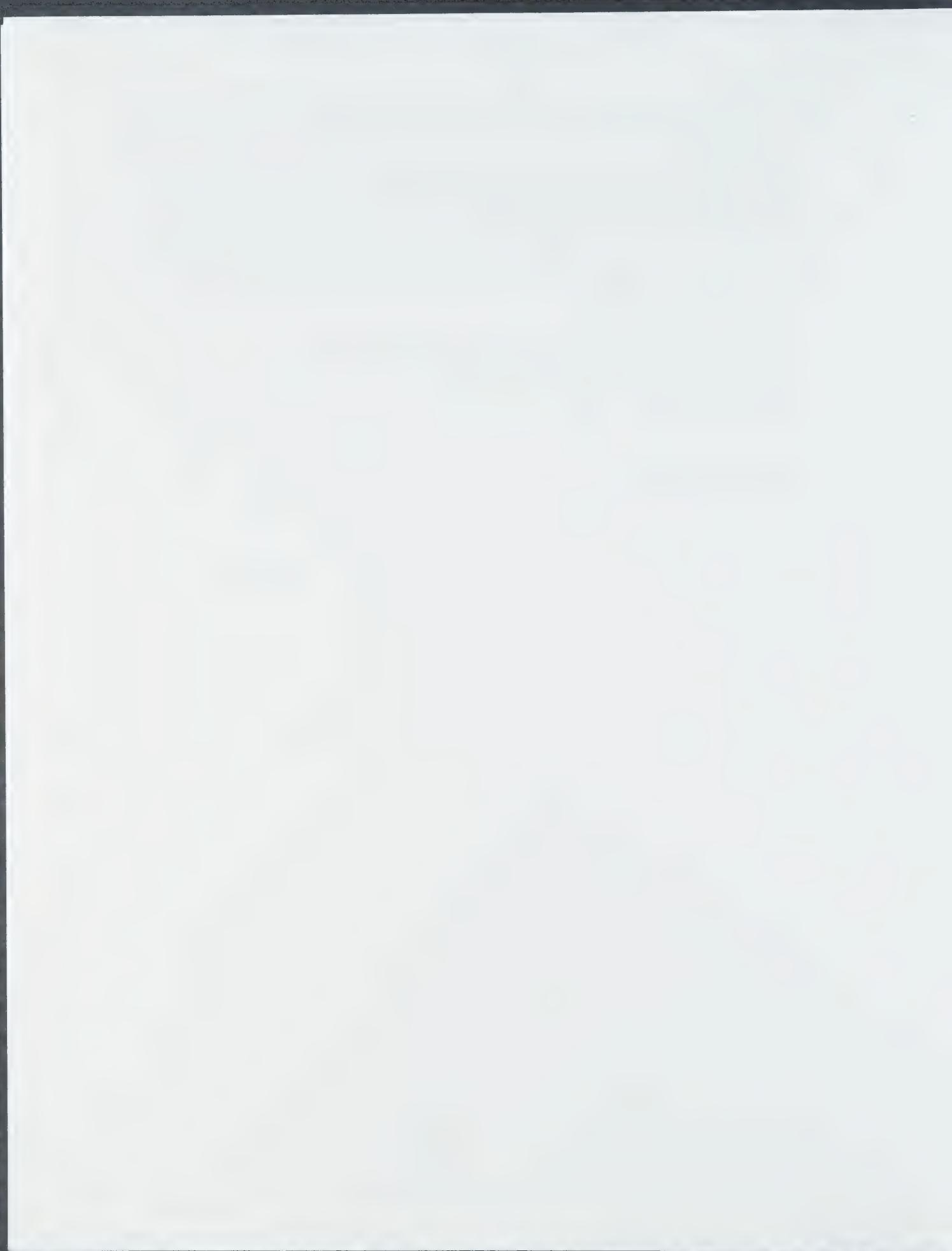
The elderly grew more dependant on the women from the working team, and a kind of fluid of friendship linked them to each other. The Home Care Project became a large family, full of love and mutual understanding. At the moment this Program serves 540 elderly and needy from Sarajevo. The working team comprises 36 operative women who have been active from the early days of the Program. The remuneration for their human engagement means to these women the only financial resource provided for their families.

To leave the elderly and infirmly would mean sentence them to an early death.

Now we are where these old people used to be, and very soon we will be there where they are at the moment.

Sarajevo, January 2001

Suada Papo



Information about 70 old persons included into HOME CARE Project

Until now, we used to take old people from the waiting list only if somebody from the regular list died (regular list). Thanks to the additional financial support to HOME CARE Project from people of goodwill, we have included in our project 70 new (worst cases) persons from the alternative.

Statistics of that new group areas follows:

Sex

- Female	41
- Male	29

Marital status

- Single	58
- Couples	6

Ages

- Between 65 and 70 years old	11
- Between 70 and 75 years old	19
- Between 75 and 80 years old	29
- Older than 80	11

Nationality

- Croats	14
- Muslims	41
- Serbs	15

Mobile individuals	8
Hardly mobile individuals	42
Not mobile at all	20

I would like to emphasize that all these people are pensioners with monthly pensions up to 200 KM (DEM), without children in Sarajevo and chronically ill, some with multiple diseases.

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Sarajevo, January 2001

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9	Thermal Radiation	Medium
10	Mechanical Stress	High
11	Chemical Contamination	Low
12	Biological Growth	Medium
13	Electrical Interference	High
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To: "Bader Fine Arts" <baderfa@execpc.com>

CC: "Tzivia BIELER (E-mail)" <TZIVIA@JDCNY.ORG>

27 April

Dear Dr. Bader,

Many thanks for your email below which I will try to forward to Yechiel who is traveling with a JDC Board Directors' mission until next Monday evening. I am sure he will be delighted with your good news.

Trust you can expect to hear from him next Wednesday May 2nd, if not before.

Sincerely yours,

Germaine Keil - Assistant

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From: Bader Fine Arts [mailto:baderfa@execpc.com]

Sent: 25 April 2001 19:05

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Cc: dan@hbf.org; tzivia@jdcny.org

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I would love to meet you in London either on June 27th or June 28th. I could meet you at noon on the 27th but would have to leave early in the afternoon to attend a painting auction in Sussex. June 28th is entirely free.

With my hard copy of this e-mail to Tzivia Bieler I am sending my check for \$25,000 to cover the Roma efforts in the Czech Republic.

I have been invited to speak in Brno on June 14th and 15th and will probably want to help the Chemistry Department at the University there with a sum that may range from \$10,000 to \$30,000. May I say to the chemists there that the funds will come through you?

The week before that we will be visiting Chajes Schule. May we again tell them that \$10,000 will come through you?

Naturally when we meet in England I will want to discuss with you how we can help your efforts further.

With all good wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,
Alfred Bader

