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Dear Judah:

We all know that you have the very difficult, but extremely important task of serving as the Special Master for the disposition of funds to Holocaust survivors. We extend to you our best wishes and we hope your good judgement will prevail in this extraordinarily complex situation.

We realize that nothing can constitute real "justice" for survivors, but compensation is an important symbolic gesture that can provide a significant public acknowledgment of their suffering and the world's failure to respond to their suffering. As we reach the end of our lives, it is also our greatest hope that the unique tragedy of the Holocaust will be remembered and understood for many generations—long after we are gone. Institutions like the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington and Yad Vashem in Jerusalem and other respectable museums will fulfill our efforts that remembrance and education will never cease and that they will be important not just during our lifetimes, but forever.

Presently it is our foremost duty and determination to ensure that Holocaust Survivors can live out their remaining years in dignity, because time is against us. .

We wish you success in the great historic burden you have assumed.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Meed