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Dear Mr. Gribetz:

During the Second World War, millions of Jews endured atrocities committed by the German Nazis and the attempted extermination of the Jewish race.

Given the nature of this situation and the inhumanity suffered by the Jewish people, the Association of New Immigrants for the State of Israel and Social Justice (ANISISJ) considers it imperative that funds from the \$1.25 billion allocation by Swiss Banks be provided to address the needs of Holocaust survivors and their families and descendants who are now living in the United States of America. It is proposed that these funds be disbursed and applied as follows:

- \$30,000,000 for the creation and operation of a fund to award Jewish education scholarships;
- \$5,000,000 for the creation of a "Wall of Memory" in New York recognizing and honoring survivors of the Holocaust now living in the United States of America;
- \$10,000,000 for the creation and operation of a fund to provide assistance to immigrants of the former Soviet Union upon their arrival in the United States. This point of entry represents the most critical time in the immigration experience and the stage at which maximum impact and long-term effect will be achieved through said assistance;
- \$10,000,000 for the creation and operation of a fund to provide financial assistance to those persons and/or their relatives who are unable to afford the cost of decent funerals and related activities/services in the United States, particularly those persons who have survived the Holocaust;
- \$10,000,000 for the creation and operation of a fund to provide financial assistance to immigrants arriving or already living in the United States to address critical health conditions or situations.

As plans progress regarding the allocation by Swiss Banks of \$1.25 billion, it is most appropriate that a process be developed and implemented that will ensure receipt of funds by Jews who have survived the horrors of the Holocaust and their descendants.

We would be most grateful to learn of your opinions regarding our proposal, any recommendations you are willing to present to the Honorable Edward J. Korman and the criteria or process to be used regarding disbursement of this allocation. We would also respectfully request, if possible, that a representative from the ANISISJ be introduced into the process of collecting and evaluating proposals placed before the Court.

Please accept our appreciation for this opportunity to present our proposal for your review. Your kind reply will be received with our sincere gratitude.

Very truly yours,

Chackle Chaitman

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Vice-president