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Hon. Edward R. Korman
Chief Judge
United States District Court for the
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201

In re Holocaust Victims Assets Litigation, No. CV-96-4849(ERK)(MDG)

Dear Judge Korman:

I am pleased to report that I have received motions filed with the Second Circuit on behalf of appellants in 00-9217 and 00-9614 withdrawing their appeals. Since the appeal in 00-9217 was the only appeal challenging the fairness of the Swiss bank settlement, I am delighted to report that the "settlement date" has been achieved.

I have not yet received briefs in connection with any appeal challenging the plan of allocation and distribution adopted by the Court. Appellants' briefs and appendices were due on May 15, 2001. I anticipate receiving the briefs today. To my knowledge, no effort has been made to stay or otherwise limit the distribution of settlement funds to members of the settlement classes. Accordingly, with the dismissal of the appeal in 00-9217, there is no legal impediment to the distribution of funds in accordance with the plan of allocation and distribution recommended by the Special Master and adopted by the Court.

Sincerely yours,

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Hon. Judah Gribbetz