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Dear Norman:

Please excuse my delayed reply to your two letters, for which I thank you.

Frankly, I have been pre-occupied with the matter I discussed with you, at the expense of all my other duties and interests.

I am sending to you a photostatic copy of the memorandum which you already read and other enclosures by the same people, as well as a memorandum in Yiddish which is of particular importance. These papers, together with the Saturday Evening Post article should give you the necessary background. I think you should particularly stress the point that religious observance should not be associated with political activity. This is of particular importance, as every kind of evil is being attributed to the Synagogues in Russia. Specific requests should be made for all the necessary religious services and should be specified in detail. We should also bear in mind the memorandum to Senator Cooper.

I am sending your suggested letters to the Department of Defense to Bernie Levmore, although I think he has already sent Thank You letters by himself.

As to the letter to the Rabbi's in Indiana, I think it may be useful to wait until next week when Moe comes back, so that perhaps the letter may be signed jointly.

I hope to talk to you after you prepare the suggested paper.

Regards,



Zev