Reserve from interview by chief Rabbi Lord

You recently received the inaugural Norman Lamm Prize recognizing your scholarship and commitment to Rabbi Dr. Lamm's ideals. Could you tell us what you think R. Lamm's greatest achievements were in his over 50 years of leadership in the American Jewish community?

First, he saved Yeshiva from closure, from one of its most severe financial crises. Second, he built up an immense educational institution, and those elements of it that I have seen in my week's stay here have been truly impressive. There is no other institution like Yeshiva University in the Jewish world. It is an astonishing achievement, and it owes an enormous amount to Rabbi Lamm. And third, he has shown tremendous courage and tenacity in carrying Torah u-Madda forward without any deviation whatsoever. At times when it was quite difficult to do so, he had the *koach* (power) to build and the *gevurah* (strength) to stay true to his principles.