

January 8, 1964

Mr. M. Feurstein
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New York City

Dear Moe:

I received, just recently, a carbon copy of your letter to Larry Kobrin about the youth problem.

I am sorry to hear about "roadblocks" that you mentioned were thrown up by one of the people on the Yeshiva side in the negotiations. I had been under the impression that all was clear and simply awaiting ratification by Dr. Belkin and yourself.

I have a strong intuitive feeling that these obstacles are not quite as formidable as they seem.

Even if they are, you have overcome far greater difficulties in a brilliant career in public life, and I would strongly urge you to leap over the present "roadblocks" and try to solve the difficulties together with Dr. Belkin as soon as possible.

I keep on hearing complaints from many of my colleagues about the ~~cross~~-purposes at which our groups are working in the Orthodox camp. I feel very strongly that now, and especially now, is the time for action, and that such propitious occasions may not arise as often in the future. One meeting between you and Dr. Belkin may very well unify our forces with regard to youth -- an area in which we are sorely lagging behind the Conservatives, no matter how impressive our triumphs heretofore may seem.

Warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,

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CC: L. Kobrin

Larry:

Keep this confidential.

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