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DEAR HANS,

IT WAS A PLEASURE HEARING FROM YOU BOTH ON THE PHONE YESTERDAY AND BY MAIL THIS MORNING.

SINCE SYDNEY LOOKS LIKE THE MAJOR SITE FOR SEMINARS, I BELIEVE WE SHOULD BEGIN SPELLING OUT DATES.

AFTER MEETING WITH OUR CONTINGENT ON WEDNESDAY, I WILL BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO INFORM YOU WHETHER THEY CAN ALL LEAVE THE STATES ON JUNE 23. WHAT HAPPENS BEYOND THAT AND HOW YOU ANTICIPATE USING THE SEVERAL WEEKS AT SHALOM COLLEGE IS RATHER UNCLEAR TO ME SINCE I AM NOT PRIVY TO INFORMATION ABOUT ARRANGEMENTS IN MELBOURNE AND WHAT YOUR PLANS ARE FOR PERTH, CAMBERRA, AUCKLAND ETC..AND STOPOVER PLANS. I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE A PROPOSED SCHEDULE FROM YOU.

AMONG THE TITLES FOR SESSIONS WHICH WERE DISCUSSED WITH MR. RANOSCHY WERE THE FOLLOWING:

REWARD & PUNISHMENT  
RELIGION & BELIEF  
FREE WILL  
CHALLENGES TO SURVIVAL  
CONCEPTS OF REST AND RELAXATION  
THE GENERATION GAP  
REVELATION  
CONCEPTS OF REPENTANCE  
RATIONALE OF OBSERVANCE  
COURTSHIP, MARRIAGE & THE FAMILY  
LOVE AND FEAR OF GOD  
JEWISH CONTRIBUTIONS TO SOCIETY - GIVING & TAKING  
LIVING BY A MORAL CODE  
THE SANCTITY OF LIFE  
MAN & HIS CREATOR  
ISRAEL & THE NATIONS  
THE JEW RELATED TO THE NON-JEW  
CLASSICAL ANTI-SEMITISM



THESE WERE BRIEFLY DISCUSSED WITH PROF. MOND AND HIS COMMITTEE. THEY SHOULD BE ADOPTING THESE TITLES FOR SOME OF THE SUBJECTS IN THE SOURCEBOOKS. SINCE I WILL BE UNABLE TO COMMUNICATE INDIVIDUALLY WITH FACULTY PEOPLE, I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF BERT REVIEWED THESE WITH HIS COMMITTEE AND THEY INFORM US OF THE STUDY TOPICS WHICH MAY BE APPROPRIATE FOR YOUR DAY SCHOOL AND STATE SCHOOL YOUNGSTERS.

CONCERNING YOUR PROPOSED SLOGANS FOR COUNTERPOINT, EACH IS DELIGHTFUL. HAVE YOU DISCUSSED THESE WITH ARNOLD ROTH?

I TAKE IT BY NOW YOU HAVE RABBI LAMM'S STATEMENT ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE FORTHCOMING PROGRAMS.

IN REGARD TO FURTHER PUBLICITY, I HAVE ASKED EACH OF OUR STAFF PEOPLE TO MAKE AVAILABLE A BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH, PHOTO AND LECTURE TOPICS WHICH WE WILL BE MAILING TO YOU AS SOON AS THEY ARE RECEIVED.

I HAD BEEN DISCUSSING THE IMPLICATION OF MY VISIT WITH RAV SOLOVEITCHIK AND I BELIEVE THAT YOUR LETTER WILL BE OF ASSISTANCE IN INTERPRETING THE GREAT DESIRE ON THE PART OF JEWISH COMMUNITIES AROUND THE WORLD FOR AN AUTHENTIC PRESENTATION. OUR VIDEO COMMITTEE HAS A MEETING SCHEDULED WITH HIM SHORTLY AFTER PESACH TO DISCUSS VIDEOTAPING A PIECE ON THE "INSTITUTION OF MARRIAGE". THERE IS STILL QUITE A GAP HOWEVER BETWEEN PREPARATION AND THE READING OF THESE MATERIALS FOR THE PUBLIC, CONSIDERABLE EXPENDITURES, PLUS THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF RELEASE BY THE RAV.

IN REGARD TO RANOSCHY'S VISIT, WHILE I WOULD FRANKLY BE PLEASED TO MEET WITH HIM AND TO HAVE HIM FEEL BETTER DISPOSED TO YESHIVA AND TO GET TO KNOW THE SEMINAR STAFF, I COULD NOT IN ALL HONESTY ASSURE HIM THAT AT THIS TIME HE WOULD BE ABLE TO MEET ANY SERIOUS CANDIDATES FROM YESHIVA FOR TEACHING POSTS. I DO HOWEVER BELIEVE THAT AFTER THE SUMMER WHEN CLOSER CONTACT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AND WORD ABOUT THE CHALLENGE AND OPPORTUNITIES ARE CONVEYED BY OUR PEOPLE TO OUR STUDENT GROUPS, THIS SITUATION MAY WELL CHANGE. NEVERTHELESS, IF HE WOULD LIKE TO COME, WE WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO SHOW HIM AROUND.

I AM ENCLOSING COPIES OF LETTERS FROM HILLEL DAVIS TO TALILA & MR. AMIT.

PLEASE APOLOGIZE TO MEMBERS OF OUR COMMITTEES BOTH IN MELBOURNE & SYDNEY FOR MY INABILITY TO MAINTAIN PERSONAL CONTACT WITH THEM. I DO HOPE YOU ARE XEROXING THOSE PORTIONS OF MY CORRESPONDENCE WHICH APPLY AND MAKING THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO OTHERS.

OUR LOVE TO GINNY AND THE CHILDREN.

FONDLY,

DR. ABRAHAM STERN  
DIRECTOR, YOUTH BUREAU

P.S. I HAVE SENT YOU UNDER SEPARATE COVER A COPY OF THE YESHIVA STUDENT KASHRUTH GUIDE & A BEAUTIFUL NEW STUDENT PREPARED HAGGADAH FOR PESACH WITH COMMENTARIES.

P.P.S. REGARDING YOUR OTHER QUESTIONS: DIVISION OF KIDS BY GROUPS AND ASSIGNMENT TO LEADERS, PLEASE CONTACT RUTHIE & TALILA.

HILLEL DAVIS & I HAVE PUT TOGETHER THE ENCLOSED PROPOSED ITINERARY, PLEASE TAKE UP WITH YOUR COMMITTEE AND RETURN WITH COMMENTS AND SUGGESTED CHANGES. WHERE THE SYDNEY SEMINARS ARE SHORTENED, YOU MAY ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME FOR MELBOURNE PARTICIPANTS TO SIGHTSEE FOR A DAY (OR HALF DAY) BEFORE THEIR RETURN.



PROPOSED THEMES CONT'D

HISTORICAL ASPECTS OF FESTIVALS  
GROWTH OF JEWISH THOUGHT  
GREATNESS & HUMILITY  
MESSIANISM & MYSTICISM - FALSE PROPHETS & MESSIAH  
SOCIETY & THE SCHOLAR  
DEMOCRACY OF SCHOLARSHIP  
IS THERE A DOUBLE STANDARD? - CONFORMISM & SOCIAL CHANGE  
CHANGING ATTITUDES IN & TOWARD ISRAEL  
RESPONDING TO THE ARABS  
THE REFUGEE PROBLEM  
THE JEWISH WOMAN & WOMEN'S LIB  
DATING ETHICS  
INTERMARRIAGE & SURVIVAL  
MEDICAL ETHICS  
A JEWISH VIEW OF EUTHANASIA, ABORTION, ORGAN TRANSPLANT ETC.



PROPOSED ITINERARY

AUSTRALIAN SEMINAR CONTINGENT

FRI. - SAT. JUNE 21-22 WEST COAST Y.U. SHABBAT

SUN. JUNE 23 - DEPARTURE FROM LOS ANGELES  
STOPOVER HAWAII, FIJI AND/OR SAMOA

THURS. JUNE 27 - ARRIVAL IN AUSTRALIA

FRI. - SUN. JUNE 28-30 ORIENTATION & TRAINING WEEKEND

MONDAY PM JULY 1 - SUNDAY JULY 7 - SEMINAR I (H.S. FORMS <sup>V</sup>) - SYDNEY  
(SHOLOM COLLEGE) -- UNIV. NEW S. WALES

MON. - TUES. JULY 8-9 - REST & SIGHTSEEING - SYDNEY AREA

TUES. PM JULY 9 - MON. AM JULY 15 - SEMINAR II (H.S. - FORM IV)

MON. AFT. JULY 15 - REST & SIGHTSEEING

TUES. AM JULY 16 - SUN. AM JULY 21 - SEMINAR III (H.S. - FORM III)

MON. JULY 22 - RETURN TO MELBOURNE

STATE & CHURCH SCHOOL SEMINAR WEEKEND

UNIVERSITY WEEKEND

CONTACT WITH MT. SCOPUS - FORM VI

SPEAKING TO COMMUNAL GROUPS IN MELBOURNE, PERTH & CANBERRA

SIGHTSEEING

DEBRIEFING AND PLANS FOR FUTURE

WED. AUG. 14 DEPART FOR NEW ZEALAND

WED. - SUN. AUG. 14-18 SEMINARS & SIGHTSEEING - AUCKLAND & ENVIRONS

SUND. AUG. 18 DEPART NEW ZEALAND  
STOPOVER TAHITI OR HAWAII

WED. AUG. 21 ARRIVE SEATTLE

THURS. - THURS.  
AUG. 22-29 WEST COAST TORAH LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

RETURN TO NEW YORK