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Dear Rabbi Hammel, Mr,

I am writing to you, first of all, to express how I was from reading your book, called "The Royal Reach", and having now read it through twice, it has certainly given me a lot of interesting new insights into the problems of the world today as seen from an Orthodox point of view. However, since the book was first published in 1970, and now over 2 yrs. have gone by since this time, I am writing to you for your ideas on certain subjects which were covered in your book, on which perhaps now your opinion ^{may} have changed. In relation to your attitude towards Russian Jews which seems to me to be ^{narrow} of ~~as~~ active participation in demonstrations etc, we have now

seen that ה'ק"ל the Jews are being let out and our שאלות have been answered. However during the process of demonstrating, such organizations as the J.D.L. have only made what must be described as a פעולת טרור (and which all the העם have come out against), so I would like to know if you still feel that demonstrating is the best means to express our concern in this area, or should we now "sit still for Heaven's sake" and pray that ה' will eventually allow all the Jews to leave Russia and hope our שאלות are answered soon.

Another שאלה I would like to know your answer to, is to do with the question of such wars as the terrible Vietnam war, now coming to an end ה'ק"ל . Living in England obviously makes me very detached from any personal commitment here, but as a religious Jew I have been wondering what ה' is telling us, by having such a war in the world.

The NYN tells us that ^{of the '50s} 700,000 plus 115,000 23', and all worlds events revolve around the Jews, in one way and another, and I would like to hear your opinion as to the paper a Jew should have to such a conflict as the war in Vietnam.

I would also like to verify if you have any basis in the $\text{H}'\text{s p'e}^{\text{on}}$ for your interpretation in the e^{on} about 'n lifting the $\text{n}'\text{e}'\text{e}^{\text{on}}$ γ^{on} over $\text{f}(\text{c})\text{e}' \text{f}(\text{c})$, for although the interpretation is enlightening, I feel it is a little dangerous to write that we shouldn't take this literally, for surely this is as much a a as any of the $\text{p}'\text{a}$ in Egypt and is perfectly possible to be done by 'n in his γ^{on} of being $\text{x}'\text{c}$ NEN as is clear from all the plagues in Egypt.

I hope this letter will not take up too much of your time, and I would feel very honoured if you could reply to my queries.

Looking forward to hearing from you,
Yours sincerely, I. D. Shaffer