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Rabbi Norman Lamm
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My dear Norman:

I received your letter of March 15th, and I agree with you that another meeting is very important. Believe me that I would love to come, not only because of the importance of the project but out of friendship and regard for Rabbi Kasher.

Unfortunately, I have a Ramaz Parents' meeting that night, and at this time of the year it is impossible for me to be away.

With regard to the project itself, Rabbi Kasher knows that I consider it of great importance. However, I have lately been troubled by the multiplicity of projects of this nature. Mossad Harav Kook has such a project in operation. The World Academy, whose name I heard is about to be changed, has such a project. Rabbi Hutner has such a project. Now we will be adding yet another one.

Is it not possible for us to bring together a number of these people and do one overall job, so that there would be a centralized institute to train and direct young and promising scholars?

I wish I could say more, but I hesitate because I do not want to hurt any enterprise of this nature. I know that any kind of negative criticism may interfere with the success of such an undertaking. Yet I cannot help feeling the way I do. If there is a possibility, I will try to come to the meeting, if only for a short time.

Warmest personal regards.

Very cordially yours,


Joseph H. Lookstein

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