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Mr. Rael J. Isaac
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Dear Mr. Isaac:

Thank you very much for sending me your heavily ironic article concerning the German sense of guilt. I enjoyed reading it very much -- i.e., I enjoyed the literary quality whilst reacting with anguish at the content.

My frank opinion is that the article should be circulated privately, but not printed. The reasons you give in your note to me are entirely correct. Irony is understood only by more intelligent people. Most individuals will simply fail to see your point and attribute to you ideas which are diametrically opposed to those you are really trying to enunciate.

With all good wishes.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Norman Lamm