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Rabbi Norman Lamm  
The Jewish Center  
131 West 86th Street  
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Dear Rabbi Lamm:

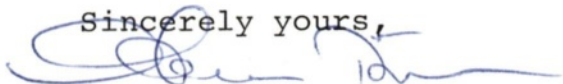
Alexi Tummerman, who was one of the top dissidents in Moscow, is now in New York. He needs to be put on NYANA's "dole" list -- he came here through the Tolstoy Foundation -- and I believe your help can be very valuable.

In the USSR, Mr. Tummerman performed the invaluable service of helping to organize public actions and, most importantly, organized a system of passing documents and appeals to the West. A good number of Soviet Jews who have received permission or whose cases were publicized owe their thanks to him. In retaliation, Alexi was imprisoned numerous times, including incarceration in mental hospitals.

When Mr. Tummerman came to Vienna, he went to the American Embassy and told them he wish to go to the U.S. They sent him to the Tolstoy Foundation. As a consequence, NYANA seems unwilling to aid him.

It's unbelievable that a man such as Alexi Tummerman, who literally risked his life for fellow Jews and dissidents, should be subjected to such humiliation. Can you write [REDACTED], to straighten this matter out? We have written, as has Malcolm Hoenlein, but the more leaning the better.

Sincerely yours,



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