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Mr. Philip Soskis
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Dear Mr. Soskis:

It has been some time since we have corresponded, and I hope that all is well with you.

Actually, I should write to your successor, but I have never met him and do not know him personally. I therefore hope you will not mind if I impose upon you to introduce the content of this letter to the new director, and ask him to consider it favorably.

I understand that there are a number of Russian immigrant families temporarily housed in hotels on the West Side. I do not believe there are many, perhaps 40 or 50 at the most.

The question arises as to Passover Sedarim. We are having the Stanley Hoffman caterers arrange for the communal Sedarim here at The Jewish Center. We should like to be hosts to the Russians, but there is a financial question involved. The caterer asks \$14.00 per person per night. Do you think NYANA will be able to sponsor this, so that we may invite the Russians to join us? If NYANA can subvent only part of that, perhaps I will try to raise funds so that we can pay the additional dollar or two per person for the Passover holidays for the Russians.

Please be kind enough to notify me at your earliest convenience, and please accept my best wishes for a happy Passover.

Cordially yours,

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