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THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM

HONORARY FELLOWSHIP PRESENTED TO

DR. EUGENE V. ROSTOW

Washington, DC

November 4, 1992

Thank you, Rabbi Rabinowitz -- still my rabbi after many years of friendship dating back to before either of us left Minneapolis for Washington.

Good evening ladies and gentlemen and welcome.

We are pleased to be here this evening to pay tribute to Professor Eugene Rostow, and I add, to his wife, Edna, who shares his life and his achievements in addition to her own accomplishments. I also want to note the presence of his two sons, long-time Washingtonians and lawyers in their own right, Nick and Victor.

Professor Rostow has distinguished himself throughout his professional life as an outstanding statesman, valued advisor to four presidents, a prominent educator, a successful lawyer, an

accomplished economist, and, I know equally valued by Professor Rostow and his family, a sturdy and constant supporter of Israel and its institutions.

At crucial periods in our nation's history, Professor Rostow has been a key part of our government's decision-making process, serving Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt, Lyndon Johnson and Ronald Reagan. During World War II, he was adviser to Assistant Secretary of State Dean Acheson. From 1949 to 1950, he was Assistant to the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe. He has been widely recognized for his contributions as a legal scholar and as a fierce champion of democracy and minority rights in America, including his condemnation of how we treated the Japanese during World War II. His writings on that subject, many including me, believe led to the restoration of their citizenship and property.

Professor Rostow was a member of the Peace Corps Advisory Panel and later served under President Lyndon Johnson as Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs. When he observed that our country was being inadequately sensitive to Soviet repression and aggression in the early to mid- and late 1970's, he helped create the Committee on the Present Danger, the Coalition for a Democratic Majority and the Jewish Institute for National Security affairs. At President Reagan's request, he became Director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency.

As a scholar and educator, he served for 10 years as Dean of the Yale Law School. This was a period during which all agreed that the Yale Law School was among the two or three best law schools in our country. More recently, he was Distinguished Research Professor of Law and Diplomacy at the National Defense University; and Distinguished Fellow at the United States Institute of Peace. He is currently Senior Fellow at the National Defense University and Adjunct Fellow of the American Enterprise Institute.

That is the formal record. Let me now add a reference to the spirit and the soul of this outstanding human being, a man I am proud to have as a friend. His commitments to Israel and to the historic values of human brotherhood which characterize Judaism go down to the marrow of his being. The world acknowledges today that U.N. Security Council Resolution 242 is the basis for peace in the Middle East. I am here to remind all that it was Gene Rostow who was the architect of that creative approach. It has been his articles and speeches all over the country which have provided friends of Israel with the intellectual, legal and moral ammunition to face the overwhelmingly persistent attacks from all areas of the world designed to undermine Israel's security and legitimacy over the years.

The record says that Professor Rostow served as the Director of ACDA -- true. But I know that upon his appointment he studied the statute that created his Agency, concluded that the Middle East was an area within his jurisdiction; and, much to the chagrin of many in the Administration, included himself within the panel of President Reagan's advisors on the subject.

There is one other recollection that I must share with you. It was during the fervently active Camp David negotiations between Begin and Sadat. Meir Rosenne, who later became Israel's Ambassador to the United States, was at that time the legal advisor to the Israeli delegation at Camp David. During the course of the negotiations he came to the conclusion that there was a basic flaw in the approach unless a specific provision satisfying international law requirements could be inserted in the agreement. He explained that provision to Moshe Dayan who had learned a long time ago never to ignore Meir Rosenne's legal advice. The legal advisor to the Department of State strenuously objected to the inclusion of the provision and the Egyptian delegation adamantly refused to accept it. President Carter was becoming irritated and angry and this was thought to perhaps have an impact on Begin's attitude, although as a lawyer he saw the validity of Rosenne's approach. What to do?

Meir Rosenne telephoned me and came to my office in Washington. We discussed the issue. I fully agreed with him. I then picked up the telephone and called my good friend, Gene

Rostow, then teaching international law at Yale University. I briefly explained the situation to him. He agreed to assemble two other professors of international law at Yale. Meir immediately left Washington for New Haven. Out of their meeting came a legal memorandum signed by the three professors, who recalled very well that the attorney for the Department of State had been a student of theirs. Meir returned with the legal memorandum, shared it with Begin and Dayan, who in turn gave it to President Carter. The United States reversed its position. The Egyptians reluctantly accepted the provision -- another unheralded but most significant contribution by Eugene Rostow.

I know very few people who have earned more the privilege of being looked upon as the symbol of Judaism, the People of the Book.

There are many distinguished guests here tonight, but I would like to publicly welcome two former American Ambassadors to Israel: Samuel and Sally Lewis and William Brown. Ambassador Brown is the Chairperson of the Board of Overseers of The Hebrew University's Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace. Ambassador Lewis who is today the President of the United States Institute of Peace, is past Chairperson. I humbly add that I preceded Sam as Chairman.

We are here through the good offices of Ambassador Zalman Shoval and Kena, his capable, charming and efficient partner. The Ambassador is a man we have all come to admire and for whom

I have keen respect. Ambassador Shoval has been a member of the Knesset. He was a member of Israel's delegation to the United Nations General Assembly and represented Israel at the annual meeting of the European Parliament in Strasbourg. He served the late Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan as Head of Foreign Information Activities until after the signing of the Israel-Egypt Peace Accord. A successful businessman, he has effectively utilized his experience and talents to become a key figure in Washington diplomacy.

Ambassador Shoval is a skilled statesman and an effective voice for Israel here in the United States. It is my pleasure to present Ambassador Shoval.

[Ambassador Shoval speaks]

Paying special tribute to Professor Rostow this evening will be Professor Shlomo Slonim, Chairman of the Department of American Studies at the Hebrew University. Professor Slonim holds the James G. McDonald Chair in American Studies and his writings on American constitutional law and history are world-renowned. I turn the floor over to Professor Slonim.

[Professor Slonim speaks]

Thank you, Professor Slonim.

Presenting the Honorary Fellowship this evening is Barbara Mandel, President of the American Friends and a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University. She would have no reason to remember this, but we first met on the day that the Camp David Accord was signed. We sat at the same table at the White House dinner celebrating the event. She has provided dedicated service to the Jewish community. She has held many important positions in the Jewish community, and performed many services for our country, including the important Presidency of the National Council of Jewish Women.

Assisting Barbara Mandel in the presentation and the reading of the scroll is Daniel Ben-Natan, Associate Vice President and Head of the Division of Development and Public Relations of The Hebrew University.

[The scroll is read and presented]

[Professor Rostow speaks]

This evening's impressive program is testimony to Professor Eugene Rostow's career, dedication and record of accomplishments. I don't want this evening to end without noting that Professor Rostow is in the midst of writing an authoritative three-volume work on international law, a work

that will be highlight of what our period produces. It is our great pleasure at the Hebrew University to share this evening with him, his family and friends and to bestow upon him this much deserved and well-earned Honorary Fellowship.

[The end.]

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Dear Sharon,

Please find attached the planned program for the reception celebrating the conferring of an honorary fellowship upon Eugene Rostow.

Please let me know whether Ambassador Kampelman would prefer to receive the biographies of the participants or remarks prepared by our office. You can reach me by fax at (212) 744-2324 or my phone number is (212) 606-4266.

*Thank you,
Deborah*

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Dear Sharon,

Please have Ambassador Kampelman review the attached remarks for the reception in honor of Eugene Rostow on Wednesday, November 4 at the Israeli Embassy.

Please note that the order of the program has changed slightly and I attach a copy of the new agenda as it currently stands.

If you have any questions, please call me.

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Thank you.

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Dr. Eugene V. Rostow

Eugene Victor Rostow is widely recognized as a legal scholar and for the key roles he played in presidential administrations.

He received his undergraduate and law degrees from Yale University, where he became Dean of the Law School and later, Professor Emeritus and Senior Research Scholar.

He was Assistant to Dean Acheson when he was Assistant Secretary of State in 1942-44; Assistant to the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe in 1949-50; Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs in 1966-69 and Director of the Arms Control and Disarmament agency from 1981-83.

Dr. Rostow was Distinguished Research Professor of Law and Diplomacy, National Defense University from 1984-90; Distinguished Fellow at the United States Institute of Peace from 1990-92; and currently, is Senior Fellow at NDU and Adjunct Fellow of the American Enterprise Institute.

Dr. Rostow has written numerous books and articles in scholarly and popular journals. His new book is *A Breakfast for Bonaparte, Toward Managed Peace*.

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to a reception and conferring of an
Honorary Fellowship on

Dr. Eugene V. Rostow,
Eminent statesman, lawyer, scholar

under the patronage of
Ambassador Zalman Shoval

Wednesday, November 4, 1992
at
5 P.M.

Embassy of Israel
3514 International Drive, NW
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Chairman of host
Presentation to Dr. Rostow
Barbara A. Mandel, President
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There will be no solicitation of funds

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BARBARA A. MANDEL
President

November 9, 1992

Ambassador Max M. Kampelman
3154 Highland Place NW
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Max:

All of us at the American Friends of The Hebrew University were enormously pleased with the reception at the Israeli Embassy honoring Dr. Eugene V. Rostow with an Honorary Fellowship.

It was a most enjoyable and memorable evening thanks in large measure to your contributions as chairman.

Again, many thanks for your role in a successful tribute to Dr. Rostow, and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Barbara

Barbara A. Mandel

THANK YOU, GARY

Honorary Fellowship Reception for Eugene Rostow
Wednesday, November 4, 1992
Washington, Embassy of the State of Israel

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Chairman: Ambassador Max Kampelman

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