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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

SUBJECT: APPRECIATION FOR ROLE IN AIRLIFT OF BETA
ISRAEL THROUGH OPERATION SOLOMON

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

June 26, 1991

President George Bush
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

J. Melrose
As co-chairmen of the Congressional Caucus for Ethiopian Jews, we again want to express our sincere appreciation for your vital role in the historic airlift of so many of the Beta Israel through Operation Solomon. We commend your decision to send Rudy Boschwitz, a former co-chair of our caucus, to Ethiopia as your personal emissary.

Although Operation Solomon was a dramatic success in bringing more than 14,000 Ethiopian Jews safely to Israel, many were still left behind. On behalf of the Congressional Caucus for Ethiopian Jews, we respectfully urge you to ensure that the new government in Ethiopia fulfills its commitment to allow the expedited departure of the remaining Jewish population at the earliest possible opportunity.

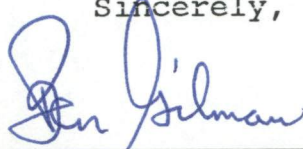
We understand that some efforts are being made to secure the exit of 300 remaining Ethiopian Jews in Addis Ababa, and several thousand others still in Gondar province. We would like to convey our support for these efforts, and hope that the United States will urge the present Ethiopian government to allow for the immediate travel to Israel of those Jews remaining in Ethiopia. The exodus brought about by Operation Solomon can only be complete upon the arrival in Israel of all the Beta Israel.

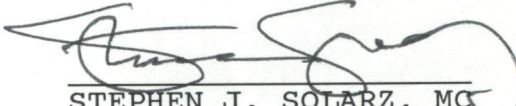
We look forward to hearing of any progress in this situation.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,


ALAN CRANSTON, USS


BENJAMIN A. GILMAN, MC


STEPHEN J. SOLARZ, MC