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CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET

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DATE RECEIVED: MARCH 27, 1989

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE BENJAMIN L. CARDIN

SUBJECT: REQUESTS PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE FOR MARYLAND
FEDERAL EMPLOYEES UNIT OF B'NAI B'RITH
HOLOCAUST OBSERVANCE CELEBRATION ON MAY 4 89

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May 4

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STRAIGHTWIRE - May 3, 1989

Mr. Michael Gruber
President
Maryland Federal Employees
Unit of B'nai B'rith
1 Prince George Court
Baltimore, Maryland 21207

I am pleased to greet the employees of the Social Security Administration in Baltimore as you hold your Fourth Annual Holocaust Memorial Observance.

Your observance is a powerful reminder of the suffering caused by the Nazi's thirst for power and brutal disregard for human life. We must never forget the millions who died under Nazi Terror; we must always remember the need for constant vigilance to ensure that such crimes against humanity are never repeated. Today, let us renew our commitment to defending human rights around the world and strengthen our resolve to denounce bigotry and persecution wherever they occur.

Barbara joins me in commending you on participating in this memorial observance.

GEORGE BUSH

✓ WHcc: Congressman Benjamin L. Cardin
Congresswoman Helen Delich Bentley

✓ GB:DWM:TD:SMG:ltd PM5
cc: Pres.Msgs.Rm.18/F.McClure/D.McLaughlin/CF
EVENT: May 4 89
DUE: May 4 89
B'nai B'rith

DRAFT DATE <i>April 13, 1989</i>		SPECIAL DEADLINE		EVENT DATE <i>May 4, 1989</i>	
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I am pleased to greet the employees of the Social Security Administration in Baltimore as you hold your 4th Annual Holocaust Memorial Observance.

Your observance is a powerful reminder of the suffering caused by

the Nazi's thirst for power and brutal disregard for human life.

~~an inhuman ideology in this century.~~ We must never forget the

millions who died under Nazi Terror; ~~nor~~ *we must always remember the* the need for constant

vigilance to ensure that such ~~atrocities~~ *crimes against humanity* are never repeated.

Today, let us renew our commitment to defending human rights
~~This is a wonderful occasion to renew our commitment to human~~

~~rights and the dignity of individuals everywhere.~~ *around the world and strengthen our resolve to denounce bigotry and persecution wherever they occur.*

Barbara joins me in commending you on participating in this memorial observance. ~~We wish you every success and happiness.~~

George Bush

MAY 4

OFFICE OF PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES
REQUEST FOR CLEARANCE - COMMENTS

TO: Sarah DeCamp, OPL

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Date Due:
MAY 3, 1989

Date of Event:
MAY 4, 1989

Subject:

Presidential message for the Social Security Administration's
Fourth Annual Holocaust Memorial Observance

Requested by:

Cong. Benjamin L. Cardin and Cong. Helen Bentley

Background:

May we please have your approval on the attached.
Copy of incoming request attached, FYI.
Telephone clearance would be appreciated.
Thank you.

Signature:
Linda Watson

Date:
MAY 3, 1989

Presidential Messages
Old Executive Office Building
Room 18
(202) 456-2941

Your Recommendation/Comments:

Okayed by OPL

EVENT: MAY 4

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

HELEN DELICH BENTLEY
2D DISTRICT, MARYLAND

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

April 12, 1989

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Ms. Linda Watson
Office of Presidential Messages
The White House
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Washington, D.C. 20500

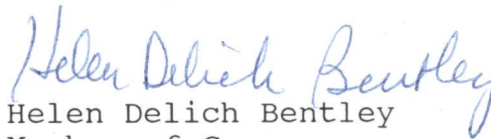
Dear Ms. Watson:

Recently I was contacted by Mr. Michael Gruber, President, Maryland Federal Employees of B'nai B'rith, 1 Prince George's Court, Baltimore, Maryland 21207. I have included a copy of information provided by this organization for your reference.

Mr. Gruber reports that a holocaust memorial ceremony has been planned by the Social Security Administration on May 4, 1989. He requests that President Bush send a letter of acknowledgement, as did President Reagan in 1986, 1987, and 1988.

I would appreciate whatever assistance that you may be able to render with respect to Mr. Gruber's request. Please respond my Towson District Office.

Sincerely,


Helen Delich Bentley
Member of Congress

HDB:rc

Enclosure

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MARYLAND FEDERAL EMPLOYEES UNIT OF B'NAI B'RITH
1 Prince George Court
Baltimore, MD 21207

April 4, 1989

Congresswoman Helen Delich Bentley
200 East Joppa Road
Suite 400
Towson, MD 21204

Attention: Richard Cross

Thank you for agreeing to obtain a letter of greeting from the President for the attendees at the Social Security Administration's Holocaust Memorial Observance Program which is to take place on May 4th. Congresswoman Bentley obtained greetings from the President for us for this program in 1986, 1987, and 1988. I have enclosed copies. In addition I have enclosed copies of some accounts of these past programs.

The tentative program this year is as follows:

Invocation - Bishop John Ricard
Welcome - Dorcas R. Hardy
Commissioner of Social Security
Candelighting - Rabbi Dr. Israel Drazin
Cantorial Selection - Cantor Melvin Luterman
Readings on the Holocaust - SSA Employees
Speaker - Felix Kestenberg
Holocaust Survivor
Speaker - Dr. Hiltgunt Zassenhauss
Righteous Gentile
Benediction - Reverend Fredrick L. Hanna

We would appreciate receiving the Presidents' greeting no later than two weeks before the occasion so that we have ample time to print it and distribute it with the program.

If you need any further information please call me at 965 - 7228 during the day or at 484 - 2773 at home.

Your efforts are very much appreciated.

Sincerely,



Michael Gruber
President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 8, 1986

I am honored to send warm greetings to all those gathered for the Social Security Administration Holocaust Memorial Observance.

This year marks the 41st anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz and so many other horror camps of the Nazi persecutions. We must never forget the fate of the 12 million or more human beings who perished in these dens of hell. And we must never forget the lessons taught us by this unspeakable crime.

But, as we look back on that terrible period we must also remember the many shining examples of hope and love. We can reflect with admiration and awe on the courage and spirit of Jew and gentile alike in the face of the Nazi terror. Against the black night of torture and slaughter of innocent people, the good deeds of heroes stand out like bright stars, shedding the light of heroism, hope, and love.

I am honored to take part in your memorial service. May God bless you and yours and strengthen all of us in the pursuit of justice for all His children.

Ronald Reagan

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 23, 1987

I am pleased to send greetings to all those gathered for the Social Security Administration's Second Annual Memorial Observance of the Holocaust.

This gathering serves to remind us of the good that can arise out of unspeakable adversity. By coming together to remember the terrible atrocities of the Holocaust, you are also educating our sons and daughters. In this way, they will see to it that in future generations the words "never again" will be echoed loudly all over the world.

Nancy joins me in sending our warm best wishes to each of you. May the Almighty bless and keep you.

Ronald Reagan

BENJAMIN L. CARDIN
3rd DISTRICT, MARYLAND

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Washington, DC 20515

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March 23, 1989

May 4
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Mr. Frederick D. McClure
Office of Legislative Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. McClure:

The Maryland Federal Employees Unit of B'nai B'rith will be holding a Holocaust Observance Celebration at the Woodlawn Social Security Administration in Baltimore on May 4, 1989. Speakers, commissioners and clergy will be present at this Holocaust Memorial.

I would like to request a greeting from the White House to be presented to the participants.

I would be most appreciative if you could arrange for greetings from President Bush to be sent for this very important occasion. The letter should be addressed to The Employees Of The Social Security Administration.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Lynn Pekkanen in my Washington office, at 225-4016.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Benjamin L. Cardin

Benjamin L. Cardin
Member of Congress

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PRESIDENT
MARYLAND FEDERAL EMPLOYEES UNIT
OF B'NAI B'RITH
1 PRINCE GEORGE COURT
BALTIMORE, MD 21207
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I AM PLEASED TO GREET THE EMPLOYEES OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY
ADMINISTRATION IN BALTIMORE AS YOU HOLD YOUR FOURTH ANNUAL HOLOCAUST
MEMORIAL OBSERVANCE.

YOUR OBSERVANCE IS A POWERFUL REMINDER OF THE SUFFERING CAUSED BY
THE NAZI'S THIRST FOR POWER AND BRUTAL DISREGARD FOR HUMAN LIFE. WE MUST
NEVER FORGET THE MILLIONS WHO DIED UNDER NAZI TERROR; WE MUST ALWAYS
REMEMBER THE NEED FOR CONSTANT VIGILANCE TO ENSURE THAT SUCH CRIMES
AGAINST HUMANITY ARE NEVER REPEATED. TODAY, LET US RENEW OUR
COMMITMENT TO DEFENDING HUMAN RIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD AND STRENGTHEN
OUR RESOLVE TO DENOUNCE BIGOTRY AND PERSECUTION WHEREVER THEY OCCUR.

BARBARA JOINS ME IN COMMENDING YOU ON PARTICIPATING IN THIS MEMORIAL
OBSERVANCE.

GEORGE BUSH