

# CHILD SURVIVORS OF THE HOLOCAUST, LOS ANGELES

*Established 1983*

*Member, World Federation of Jewish Child Survivors of the Holocaust*

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Los Angeles, November 22, 2002

Dr. Israel Singer, President  
Mr. Julius Berman, Chairman  
The Conference of Jewish Material Claims Against Germany  
15 East 26<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 906  
New York, N.Y. 10010

Dear Dr. Singer and Mr. Berman,

We, the Child Survivors of the Holocaust, Los Angeles, representing nearly 500 members, appreciate your ongoing work on behalf of Holocaust survivors and that the Claims Conference has been spearheading the fight for survivors' rights for many years.

At the same time, we must state that one issue that is still unfair to survivors disturbs us. We feel strongly that funds collected because of our suffering and losses should benefit survivors, particularly needy survivors, and not be diverted to causes that are the responsibility of Klal Israel, the entire Jewish community.

There is a large survivor population in the Greater Los Angeles area and many are destitute and have pressing concerns, such as the need for medical and home care and acceptable living conditions. We respectfully urge you to do the moral imperative and increase allocation of funds to survivors from 80% to 95% and to allow them some degree of comfort and life with dignity in their waning years.

There is so little time left for many and the time for action is now.

Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely Yours,



John S. Gordon, President  
Child Survivors of the Holocaust, LA

SIMILAR LETTERS TO THAT FROM MR. JOHN S. GORDON, CHILD SURVIVORS OF THE HOLOCAUST, LA OF NOVEMBER 22, 2002 WERE RECEIVED FROM 15 ORGANIZATIONS.