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Dr. Israel Singer
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Dear Israel, Julie and Gideon:

We apologize for the delay in sending this letter re: the issue of the percentage division of Claims Conference funds allocated to survivors and to educational and remembrance projects.

We have always believed that attention to survivors should have the preeminent priority in the work of the Conference. This is especially so, given the advanced age of the survivors and their particular needs and concerns.

At the same time, we are also cognizant of the imperative to institutionalize and memorialize the Holocaust period through educational and cultural projects in Europe and elsewhere. We have seen the important results of such projects in many countries and hope that such programs will continue to receive the Conference's active attention.

Within that context, we support the current 80%-20% formula for the allocation of funds to the abovementioned programs.

Sincerely,

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