



הקרן לרווחה לנפגעי השואה בישראל (ע"ר)  
The Foundation for the Benefit of Holocaust Victims in Israel

תשס"ד ניסן  
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**Judah Gribetz, Special Master**  
Attn. Deputy Special Master Shari C. Reig  
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**Re: In re Holocaust Victims Assets Litigation**  
Questions in fax dated March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2004-03-25

Dear Deputy Special Master Shari C. Reig,

We were advised by the Special Master, Mr. Gribetz, to address to you the answers to this subject.

Here after are the answers to the Special Master's questions:

1. **If all the Foundation's (also referred to as the "Keren") proposed programs, that were submitted to you, are approved:**
  - a. Number of Nazi victims expected to be served during the year 2004 is: 44,000. Out of this number we estimate that approximately 10,000 might need help in more than one program<sup>1</sup>. Therefore we expect to deal with approximately 55,000 applications.
  - b. Total cost for 2004 of the Keren's planned programs was: \$ 72,760,000.
  - c. Average per person cost for 2004, is: \$ 1,650<sup>2</sup>. (For 44,000 survivors).

<sup>1</sup> Please note the 'multi- problem': syndrome, e.g.: many survivors are also lonely, also poor, also severe disabled and also need special medication and other aid. This is the reason for cases in which recipients may eventually receive aid in a few programs.

<sup>2</sup> The Keren estimates that the average need is approx. \$3,500 per person.

2. **The Keren's 2004 current budget:**

- a. The Keren's current budget for 2004 is \$ 29,063,000 only.
- b. This budget is planned to be used for the Keren's limited existing aid channels. Obviously, the current budget does not enable the Keren to execute the new necessary proposed programs submitted to you and not to elaborate the existing aid channels as detailed in our proposal<sup>3</sup>. The amounts needed for each of these new needed programs are specified in the Keren's proposal.

Please note that all figures are for a full calendar year and that the new programs will need a period of time in order to be activated. Since the proposed programs and the requested funds for 2004 were not approved yet, we already expect a partial delay in the activities we presented in our proposal.

Once again we would like to emphasize the crucial and harsh situation of many needy Survivors in Israel. The organization in Israel that cares for their social and nursing needs today and in the past decade is the Keren which was formed by Survivors, who serve on its board voluntarily.

Therefore, in the name of the needy Survivors in Israel, we will appreciate and be grateful to your so very important and substantial aid.

Truly and very respectfully yours,

  
Dubby Arbel  
Director General

  
Wolf (Ze'ev) Factor  
Chairman

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<sup>3</sup> The Keren's current budget does not even cover the cost of the existing channels of aid (the Keren lacks approximately \$ 3 million for Individual grants and \$0.15 million for administration costs).