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Special Master Judah Gribetz
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Re: In re Holocaust Victim Assets Litigation
 Case No CV-96-4849 (ERK)

Dear Special Master Gribetz:

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Although we received a small number of questionnaires from persons who appear to be homosexual survivors of Nazi persecution, we believe that the vast majority of the homosexual victims of Nazi persecution are deceased and heirless. We do not have a scientific method for determining the per case dollar amount of assets taken from persecutees that passed through Swiss banks or other entities.

It is my recommendation that a certain percentage of the common fund (e.g., 2%) be set aside as a *cy pres* amount to be used to help prevent future human rights abuses with respect to sexual orientation minorities. I believe this *cy pres* allocation should be awarded either to gay and lesbian community centers in Germany, where the Nazi Regime's persecution of homosexual victims was most intense, or, alternatively, should be given to groups, wherever located, that serve to protect the basic human rights of sexual orientation minorities.

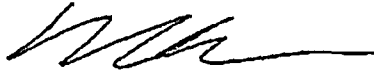
We hope to provide a list of potential *cy pres* recipients forthwith.

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One possible option with respect to this subset of Class members, and with respect to other *cy pres* allocations that the Special Master may want to consider is the allocation of a certain amount for *cy pres* distribution, and the solicitation of applications from individuals or organizations who might be able to benefit from those amounts, to do work set forth in applications on behalf of or in memory of the victims. For example, the amount set aside as *cy pres*, in honor of homosexual victims of the Nazi Regime, could be distributed in the same manner that money is distributed from a foundation, with the interest being used to fund specific projects to protect the rights of this persecuted group, in perpetuity; and a committee could be appointed to oversee the allocation.

Very truly yours,



Morris A. Ratner

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