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Dear Camp Director:

Today Jews everywhere have heard the cry, "Let us go, let us go to our homeland, Israel." The once silent Jews of the Soviet Union are no longer silent. There is a new ferment. And, a new urgency on our part to respond. But how?

As director of a Jewish camp and as an educator, you are aware of the scarcity, both of programmatic material and articulate, knowledgeable spokesmen on the subject of Soviet Jewry. To remedy this situation, we have organized a Freedom Caravan for Soviet Jews.

The Freedom Caravan will bring to your camp through song, story, and drama, an account of Jewish life in the Soviet Union and through workshop and discussion, ideas and stimulation for action.

Arriving in camp in the late afternoon, the Caravan team will meet with the director and make arrangements for the evening program. An early evening introductory session for all campers of one hour begins the program. Discussion and activities in small groups by age and interest follows. A late evening meeting will be held for the staff to provide ideas and materials for augmentation and follow-up. Next morning, the team concludes with action and sum-up sessions.

The Freedom Caravan team members--a fifth year Rabbinical student, his wife, and two other university students--have extensive experience, both in camp programming and in community leadership in the Soviet Jewry activities. Programmatic and administrative guidance for the Freedom Caravan is provided by the staff of the Cleveland Council on Soviet Anti-Semitism, the oldest Soviet Jewry council in North America. Endorsement of the program has been received from the American Jewish Conference on Soviet Jewry. Subsidization for the program comes from the CCSA, the Canadian Jewish Congress, and from several private contributors.

If you are interested in having the Freedom Caravan visit your camp, please fill out the attached form and return it to us as soon as possible. Your prompt reply will enable us to schedule properly and will give us the opportunity to visit the largest number of camps.

The itinerary this summer will take in Ontario as well as the Northeast and Midwest sections of the United States. The Freedom Caravan

will be in your region _____ Please indicate first and second choice of dates, Saturday excluded. Every effort will be made to arrange a mutually acceptable date.

Please remit \$40.00 for a camp visit. This fee covers a small portion of the total expense of the visit, and the cost of program/action materials for campers and staff. The check should be made payable to CCSA Freedom Caravan.

Sincerely,

Dr. Louis Rosenblum
Executive Director