



Jerusalem, 17 November 2005

Vyacheslav Moshe Kantor

Dear Moshe,

On behalf of the Yad Vashem Directorate, my colleagues at Yad Vashem and myself, I would like to congratulate you on your election as President of the Russian Jewish Congress.

Your extensive experience in the Jewish world at the highest levels, your leadership roles in the European Jewish Congress and the World Holocaust Forum Foundation, will certainly aid you in the efforts to increase the involvement of the RJC in Jewish affairs internationally, and to strengthen ties between Russian Jews and other Jewish communities.

We at Yad Vashem are especially appreciative of the considerable energies and resources that you have dedicated to the mission of transmitting the history and legacy of the Shoah to the younger generation everywhere. We are grateful for your partnership with Yad Vashem, and your role as the main initiator and organizer of the Holocaust conference in Krakow in January, and the World Holocaust Forum, for which you were awarded the Officer's Cross of the Order of Merit from the Polish President.

Allow me to wish you all the success in your new position.

Warm regards,

Avner Shalev
Chairman of the Directorate



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Г-ну ВЯЧЕСЛАВУ КАНТОРУ**

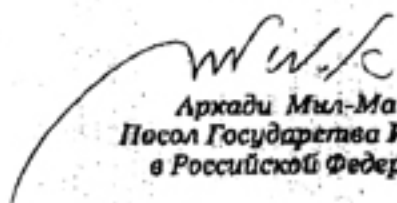
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Уважаемый господин Кантор,

Сердечно поздравляю Вас с назначением на пост исполняющего обязанности президента Российского Еврейского Конгресса.

Желаю успехов в Вашей деятельности на благо еврейского народа.

С уважением,



Архади Микл-Ман
Посол Государства Израиль
в Российской Федерации



Prime Minister's Office

Deputy Minister for Israeli Society and the World Jewish Community

November 14, 2005

Dr. Meir Kahane
Chairman of the Board of Governors
The European Jewish Congress

Dear Dr. Kahane,

I wish to congratulate you upon your election to the important position of the President of the Russian Jewish Congress.

I am confident that your leadership will bring a new spirit of prosperity and activity to the important Jewish community in Russia.

As you know, one of my responsibilities for the Government of Israel is Diaspora affairs, I am sure that under your leadership the bond between the Russian Jewish community and the state of Israel will get stronger and so will the connections with the Russian administration.

I wish you a lot of success in your new position to which you bring your experience and significant success from your pan-European Jewish activities and as we say in Hebrew: *יחד נחזק* "You should go from strength to strength".

Michael Melchior
Rabbi Michael Melchior

Ambassador of Israel
Moscow

*MR. VIATCHESLAV (MOSHE) KANTOR,
ACTING PRESIDENT OF THE RUSSIAN JEWISH CONGRESS*

November 14, 2005

Dear Mr. Kantor,

Please accept my cordial congratulations on your appointment to the post of the acting President of the Russian Jewish Congress.

I wish you success in your activity for the benefit of the Jewish people.

Best regards,

*Arkadi Mil-Man
Ambassador of the State of Israel
to the Russian Federation*