



WIELD THE POWER OF THE PEN —
SIGN THE PETITIONS TO PROTECT AND DEFEND EUROPE'S JEWS

Ambassador Ronald S. Lauder

Dear [REDACTED]

Please accept the enclosed gift: one of the most powerful tools I can give you ...

... an instrument used by world leaders throughout history that can reconcile the differences that separate nations or religions, and, with a single stroke, bring an end to the most violent of conflicts.

Your World Jewish Congress, American Section, pen is a true symbol of leadership and responsibility. And I call on you to use it today to aid the World Jewish Congress in an urgent call to action to reverse the deadly and rapid resurgence of anti-Semitic terror that has taken the lives of far too many Jews.

And even though anti-Semitism and terror have caused Jews to live in fear from Jerusalem to San Bernardino ... perhaps nowhere is the fear greater than in Europe, where Jews are living in the most dangerous times since World War II.

Until recently, Europe's leaders have not paid enough attention to the world's oldest and most pernicious form of racism ... anti-Semitism. But more must be done. Record numbers of Jews in Europe are making the difficult and painful decision to leave their home countries in search of safety. In fact, in France alone, the number of Jews who have left has more than doubled in the past two years.

Alarming, the future of European Jewry is in jeopardy. But the World Jewish Congress — with key allies on the ground in over 100 countries on six continents — backed by the generous support of our members throughout the world, is working tirelessly to confront and combat this dangerous revival of anti-Semitism.

That's why the World Jewish Congress is urging the European Union and its member states to do everything in their power to ensure the rights and safety of every Jew in Europe are protected and defended.

I'm writing to you now because we must mobilize Jews around the world. The success of our effort — which could affect Jews in every corner of the world — depends heavily on whether or not you will use your pen to help make a difference.

I'm asking you to pick up the pen I sent you today and join WJC's campaign calling on the European Union and its member states to protect and defend Jews from the growing threat of anti-Semitism.

Our first step is to gather as many signatures as possible urging the European Union and its member states to stand strong against anti-Semitic violence and intimidation and

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the extreme rhetoric and propaganda that fuel the fires of hatred against the Jewish people

Therefore, I ask you to join the **Protect and Defend Europe's Jews Against Anti-Semitism Petition Campaign** by taking the following two actions today:

FIRST: Use your pen to sign the enclosed petitions urging European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker, European Council President Donald Tusk and European Parliament President Martin Schulz to do everything possible to stop the spread of anti-Semitism, already at a boiling point in Europe.

Your petitions have already been prepared. Simply sign your name and return.

SECOND: Please send an urgent contribution to the World Jewish Congress, American Section, today. Your gift of \$18, \$36, \$72, \$100 or more will help support WJC's campaign to protect and defend Europe's Jews — and will greatly enhance WJC's vital efforts throughout the year on behalf of world Jewry.

And because your gift is so critically needed, I will personally match any gift you make today — dollar-for-dollar — up to \$250,000 if received by December 31, 2016. That means any gift you make to the World Jewish Congress, American Section, will go twice as far to enable the vital efforts of the WJC to stand up and speak out for Jews throughout the world.

Given Europe's dark history, the success of this petition campaign is critically important. Your signature is the proof needed to show European leaders that the Jewish community stands united and will not rest until Europe's Jews are free to live and worship as they choose without fear.

And when you return your petitions, remember to include an urgently needed contribution to help us carry out four key elements of our Anti-Semitism Action Plan, which include:

- With your commitment, WJC will continue the effort to reach out broadly to obtain as many signatures as we can in support of this campaign — please add your name right away to the enclosed petitions.
- When presented to the leaders of the European Union, these petitions will send a clear message that the resurgence of virulent anti-Semitism in Europe cannot stand and will not be tolerated.
- The World Jewish Congress will continue to work with its member organizations and communities in more than 100 countries on six continents to meet with government leaders, gaining the momentum and support necessary to effectively combat anti-Semitism, particularly in Europe.
- To gain even wider support for Europe's Jews, WJC will reach out to renowned scholars, religious leaders, academics, civic leaders and other opinion shapers and decision makers to join with us.

It all starts with something as simple as a pen, like the one I have sent you, and urgency in the hearts of good people like you to fight anti-Semitism on behalf of those Jews

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who can't fight for themselves.

With enough signatures, WJC can show widespread and unified commitment to this cause. So please sign the enclosed petitions and join this critical campaign to protect and defend Europe's Jews. Please return them right away so that they may be used immediately.

And when you return your petitions, please remember to enclose a generous tax-deductible contribution of \$18, \$36, \$72, \$100 or more, that will be doubled — dollar-for-dollar — up to \$250,000 if received by December 31, 2016. Your gift to the World Jewish Congress, American Section, will double your impact in supporting WJC's global efforts to stop anti-Semitic violence, rhetoric and intimidation.

You've seen the work of the World Jewish Congress — we're the organization that stands tall with Israel ... speaks out against far-right extremist groups ... works to ensure dignity and just restitution to Holocaust survivors ... and protects the religious freedoms of Jewish communities large and small.

Your commitment will help all of these vitally important efforts in Europe and around the world. Specifically, your support of the World Jewish Congress, American Section, will allow WJC to:

- Work at the highest diplomatic levels to fight for Israel and Jewish rights worldwide;
- Develop a stronger global anti-terrorism network;
- Stop extreme politicians and parties from inciting violence toward Jews;
- Demand moral and material justice for Holocaust survivors; and
- Discredit those who deny the Holocaust.

And, of course, your support today of the World Jewish Congress, American Section, will help WJC use its full strength to urge the European Union and its member states to take a leadership role to stop the dangerous resurgence of anti-Semitism threatening the safety and rights of Europe's Jews.

Turning the tide on anti-Semitism is critical at this moment. Many Jews are leaving their homelands at a record pace because of the real threats they're experiencing — and the fear is spreading. The most recent survey we have from Great Britain reported 1,168 anti-Semitic incidents in that country alone in 2014 ... more than double the 535 incidents reported in 2013!

Since then, the hate, violence and rhetoric have only intensified! Jews must be able to turn to the European Union and its member states to stand firmly against racism and terror.

When I read statements like "religious services can only take place with protection," from an anonymous respondent to the EU's Agency for Fundamental Rights' survey of Europe's Jews ... it tells me our fight is just beginning.

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Therefore, when you sign your name to the enclosed petitions and send a generous donation, you will take an important step in forcing the powerful and prestigious European Union — and its member states — to take a stand on the rampant and resurgent anti-Semitism consuming Europe.

But it is critical you act now — we have sent hundreds of thousands of petitions to Jews globally. WJC must show solidarity if we hope to have an impact.

The worldwide community must stand together for this to succeed. I hope I can count on your help and critical support.

Sincerely,



Ronald S. Lauder
President, World Jewish Congress

P.S. For too long, Europe's leaders have not paid enough attention to the world's oldest and most pernicious form of racism ... anti-Semitism. Many of Europe's Jews are living in increasingly perilous times. Today the international Jewish community has the opportunity to bring this issue to the table and urge the European Union and its member states to take a firm stand to protect and defend Europe's Jews

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**Petition Campaign to Urge the
European Union to Condemn
Resurgence of Anti-Semitism**

• **PLEASE RESPOND IMMEDIATELY** •

Timing will be critical to our success.



Signed Petitions Enclosed



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LEADERS KNOW THE POWER OF THE PEN...

"Slings, arrows, gas chambers can annihilate man, but they cannot destroy human values, the dignity and freedom of the human being"

– Shimon Peres

"No one yet knows what awaits Jews in the 21st century, but we must make every effort to ensure that it is better than what befell them in the 20th..."

– Benjamin Netanyahu

"Diplomacy and defense are not substitutes for one another. Either alone will fail."

– John Fitzgerald Kennedy

JOIN THE PETITION CAMPAIGN TODAY!



All Jews Are Responsible for One Another

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