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TOWARD TRADITION MATERIALS

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From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Sent: Thursday, March 11, 1999 2:49 PM  
 To: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 Subject: FW: Channel One piece with J.B's corrections.  
 Jews! Nothing is ever good enough!

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeff Ballabon [mailto:JBallabon@ChannelOne.com]  
 <mailto:[mailto:JBallabon@ChannelOne.com]>  
 Sent: Thursday, March 11, 1999 1:24 PM  
 To: 'dlapin@ibm.net'; Abramoff, Jack (DC); Jeff Ballabon  
 Subject: RE: Channel One piece with J.B's corrections.

First of all, let me say That this is a terrific piece (I'm not surprised, just grateful).--I also want to thank you for attending to this at what is surely an extraordinarily hectic time for you. I have just one lingering concern: It is important to realize that 10,000 of our 12,000 schools are, indeed, public schools. There are two places (see my notations in the document itself) where you attack the schools themselves. While there are certainly many public schools who turn up their noses, I think it might be more fruitful to direct your criticism at our real detractors: none of them are educators at all. They are just radical anti-business political operatives and academics who argue against Channel One despite our support from teachers of all kinds of schools with all kinds of philosophies.

It is hard to find an educational product and medium about which 98% of teachers would agree that they want it in their class. Especially, if those teachers came from a mix of public and private, religious and secular, urban and rural schools. Channel One has achieved that status and, rather than drive in a wedge, I'd like to bring them together to attack these outside commie agitators. Once again, I think it is only an issue raised by two comments in the piece, which is magnificent.

Jeff

-----Original Message-----

From: dlapin@ibm.net [mailto:dlapin@ibm.net] <mailto:[mailto:dlapin@ibm.net]>  
 Sent: Thursday, March 11, 1999 12:39 PM  
 To: Jacka@prestongates.com; Jeff Ballabon  
 Subject: Channel One piece with J.B's corrections.

Is Making An Honest Living Immoral?-Your Children Think So.  
 Rabbi Daniel Lapin

Suppose that the Acme Restaurant Supply Company began offering an expensive state of the art food processor free to any restaurant that agreed to use Acme brand cooking oil. Many restaurants, hotels, and company cafeterias analyzed the offer, examined the machine and tested the oil. Most happily signed on with Acme. After a year passed, 99% of the clients renewed the deal for another year. 98% approved of the quality of Acme's oil and would recommend the deal to other hospitality establishments.

Now, imagine we discover that cafeterias in the veterans hospital and federal building, as well as the restaurant in the airport, all refuse the offer. Not only do these government-run food establishments decline the free processor, but they also condemn the Acme Company and its cooking oil in the strongest terms. While trying to decide what to make of this, we hear that taxes are to be raised

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The above scenario is taking place today, though not in the food service industry, but in education. Channel One Network has provided television sets, videocassette recorders, satellite dishes and more than 7,000 miles of cable-in all about half a billion dollars of infrastructure-to America's classrooms. It offers about two hours of top quality educational programming each day, ranging from history to math, along with a ten-minute news program. All this, which is provided for free to interested schools, is made possible by two minutes of commercials.

Schools are signing on rapidly and renewing their contracts at the above mentioned 99% rate. Two thousand private schools, which, unlike government schools, really do feel accountable to their parent bodies, have become eager Channel One users. Yet, from the way Channel One detractors speak, one would suppose they consider it an enemy of education. So evil must it be, that despite the fact that it would particularly help poorer school districts, they are clearly willing to do without the benefits offered. Or are they? No, as it happens, they still want the equipment. It is just that they prefer buying it from the proceeds of taxation to receiving it from the private sector. Surely taxpayers would want to know what is going on here.

This is not the only example of government schools exhibiting prejudice toward America's private sector. In Seattle recently, a highly regarded local businessman, Stuart Sloan, made a long-term commitment of over a million dollars per year to an inner-city public school. What was the initial reaction of the educational bureaucracy and local communal activists to Sloan's generosity? They responded with open skepticism and distrust, which delayed implementation of the gift for a full year.

The same educators and political leaders who never feel any unease over spending unlimited public funds (that is, wealth forcibly extracted from its owners) took many months to decide whether or not they could even accept a magnificent offer of private, voluntary charity. As if its private source might somehow fatally taint the entire educational enterprise. Furthermore, educators who have unhesitatingly implemented, and subsequently abandoned countless inane and destructive ideas, now warn us of the need to carefully test and measure the effects of Sloan's contribution.

One wonders what happened to this passion for empirical testing in the case of publicly funded disasters such as "whole language," "new math," and bilingual education. It appears that government provided education abhors private innovation or generosity while developing a growing appetite, if not an addiction, to money claimed from taxpayers.

If Channel One's critics argued that education at its best is, "a log with a teacher sitting on one end and a student on the other," it would all make sense. "We do not need expensive computers and audio visual equipment" they would be saying. "Lack of money is not the explanation for our failures" they would be confessing. And we would heartily agree. But this is not so. They are the same people demanding that taxpayers cough up more money for much of the very audiovisual equipment and programming that they are rejecting from Channel One. Some critics claim to object to the commercials aired by Channel One. To me this seems to be a red herring. After all, one seldom hears complaints about newspapers in the classroom in spite of the many advertisements they contain. Independent journalism requires advertising support to remain independent. Moreover, unlike newspapers brought into a classroom, Channel One's reputation is one of caution and care in accepting advertising. Neither do schools protest the "teacher packages" and study guides that major studios provide at no cost to schools in order to promote their movies. This, in spite of the fact that many of the movies thus brought to the attention of our school-going youngsters could

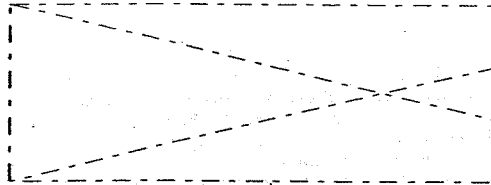
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From: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 Sent: Thursday, January 14, 1999 7:38 AM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: RE: D-Day show  
 reads like something from the grates on Lafayette park.

-----Original Message-----  
 From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Sent: Thursday, January 14, 1999 10:12 AM  
 To: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 Subject: RE: D-Day show

Where are we with Gregg Hilton in getting this out? By the way, what in the world is Jeff yammering about below?

-----Original Message-----  
 From: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 Sent: Wednesday, January 13, 1999 10:23 AM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: FW: D-Day show

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 -----Original Message-----  
 From: Jeff Ballabon [SMTP:JBallabon@ChannelOne.com]  
 Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 1999 10:17 PM  
 To: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 Subject: RE: D-Day show

I think that next I want to get credit from the Pentagon public affairs dept & then from ONDCP (office of drug policy) & then from minority groups, &c &c... & Grover & CAGW & Rabbi Lapin...we should get these guys crazy! & lots & lots of interviews w/members of Congress! At least one press release every week or two

Jeff

-----Original Message-----  
 From: Berger, Amy (DC) [mailto:AmyB@prestogates.com]  
 Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 1999 8:23 PM  
 To: Jeff Ballabon  
 Cc: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: RE: D-Day show

Don't worry. I just spoke to Greg Hilton and he said that he will remind his chairs again tomorrow. I asked him if he expected this to be a problem and he said "absolutely not."

> -----Original Message-----  
 > From: Jeff Ballabon [SMTP:JBallabon@ChannelOne.com]  
 > Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 1999 11:00 AM  
 > To: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 > Subject: RE: D-Day show

>  
 > Good. I was getting a little nervous after our last conversation.

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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Berger, Amy (DC) [mailto:AmyB@prestongates.com]  
> Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 1999 11:06 AM  
> To: 'Jeff Ballabon'  
> Subject: RE: D-Day show  
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> I do not think he is backing away.  
>  
> > -----Original Message-----  
> > From: Jeff Ballabon [SMTP:JBallabon@ChannelOne.com]  
> > Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 1999 10:43 AM  
> > To: Berger, Amy (DC)  
> > Subject: RE: D-Day show  
> >  
> > Please get Jack into this if you think he's backing away.  
> >  
> > -----Original Message-----  
> > From: Berger, Amy (DC) [mailto:AmyB@prestongates.com]  
> > Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 1999 10:41 AM  
> > To: 'Jeff Ballabon'  
> > Subject: RE: D-Day show  
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> >  
> > I talked to him yesterday and will call again today. He is clearing the  
> > letter with his co-chairs.  
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> > >  
> > > Where are we w/Gregg Hilton?

From: Berger, Amy (DC)  
Sent: Sunday, July 11, 1999 7:08 PM  
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
Subject: Awards to Channel One...

At last week's meeting with Jeff you suggested getting groups like TVC and Toward Tradition to give awards to Channel One. Is there anything I can do to help facilitate this? For example, there may be some Channel One specials that Toward Tradition would like (but I need to know what Toward Tradition cares about). Your thoughts?

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Sent: Monday, August 23, 1999 1:45 PM  
 To: 'Ed Buckham'  
 Subject: RE: Richard Scaife funding

Great. I am not sure if the grants have to go to c3's or can go to c4's as well. I'll find out.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ed Buckham [SMTP:ed@ ]  
 Sent: Monday, August 23, 1999 2:33 PM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: RE: Richard Scaife funding

Curt Anderson with RMIC. Without help and this group we will probably lose the majority.

Bob Mills with US Family Network. DeLay's favorite C-4. In a half million dollar pr campaign to defeat prescription drug entitlement.

Jim Ellis—Americans for Economic Growth. DeLay's second favorite C-4 that is pushing for tax cuts and energy deregulation.

Americans For Tax Reform. Grover Norquist. Helping our tax cut strategy with White House.

Toward tradition- You know who should be there and why.

Ed

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Abramoff, Jack (DC) [SMTP:jack@ ]  
 > Sent: Sunday, August 22, 1999 9:46 AM  
 > To: Ed Buckham  
 > Subject: Richard Scaife funding

>  
 > He has brought on a new guy to handle his giving and they are working  
 > with  
 > my friend John Rees. They are going to come to town to meet a half  
 > dozen or  
 > so heads of organizations whom they will want to consider for funding.  
 > John  
 > would like me to create a list.  
 >  
 > Can you give me a list (no more than 50) of folks you think should be  
 > at  
 > this meeting? Please give their group name and a one line  
 > justification for  
 > their being included.  
 >  
 > I know I don't have to tell you that Scaife funding is a major deal.  
 >  
 > Thanks so much.

From: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 Sent: Monday, October 18, 1999 12:41 PM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: RE: Ok to send these on to Jeff? New Republic Response Letters  
 what group is ferrara? we already have str. how was dan rence with?

-----Original Message-----  
 From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Sent: Monday, October 18, 1999 3:20 PM  
 To: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 Subject: RE: Ok to send these on to Jeff? New Republic Response Letters

I don't want Rabbi Lapin to do this. We are going to need him to discreetly call Dobson to get Jeff a meeting, so I don't want to put him out publicly again yet. How about Ferrara?

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 From: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 Sent: Monday, October 18, 1999 3:14 PM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: Ok to send these on to Jeff? New Republic Response Letters  
 Importance: High

Daniel has drafted these letters to respond to the New Republic piece. Can you review these asap so we can get them to Jeff for his approval? We also may need your help getting Rabbi Lapin and CAGW to submit these letters to the New Republic. Is there anyone else who you think should write a response to the New Republic?

-----Original Message-----  
 From: Ritter, Daniel (DC)  
 Sent: Monday, October 18, 1999 2:52 PM  
 To: Berger, Amy (DC)  
 Subject: New Republic Response Letters  
 Importance: High

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From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Sent: Sunday, January 30, 2000 9:42 AM  
 To: 'Daniel Lapin'  
 Subject: RE: Do we have a 501c4?

The part which depresses is the fact that this was so stupid and unnecessary. At least I am now forever cured of being a kid (at least as far as physicality goes)!!

-----Original Message-----

From: Daniel Lapin [mailto:dlapin@ ]  
 Sent: Sunday, January 30, 2000 8:20 AM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: RE: Do we have a 501c4?

Oh dear, this is terrible. We simply can't manage with you drifting in to and out of commission like this, Jack. Refua shetumah. I may have to come over there and straiten things out. Did either medical opinion suggest heavy doses of such instead of operations? If not, they're quacks. I'm in New York.  
 Best wishes and cheer up; this must be a real downer.  
 Daniel

Rabbi Daniel Lapin  
 [REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC) [mailto:jacka@ ]  
 Sent: Friday, January 28, 2000 12:47 PM  
 To: 'Daniel Lapin'  
 Subject: RE: Do we have a 501c4?

Unfortunately, all too true. Like a complete fool, thinking myself 20 again, I ventured out during the snow storm on Tuesday to play tackle football with my kids and the neighborhood toughs. As you can imagine, shortly after taking the field, I was carried off with a torn ACL and MCL in my knee.

The doctors (I got a second opinion) said I need an operation, which cannot take place until the knee is less swollen, in approximately three weeks. Then, I'll have another painful rehab. All in all, this was the stupidest physical thing I have done in my entire life. The risk/reward ratio was astronomical and I lost! Oh well. At least I don't have to suffer through long davening at shul for a number of weeks.

Unfortunately, of course, I am grounded and can't fly so you'll have to cover the Chicago meeting without me. I am so sorry. Anyway, look forward to chatting perhaps after Shabbos.

Good Shabbos.

-----Original Message-----

From: Daniel Lapin [SMTP:dlapin@ ]  
 Sent: Friday, January 28, 2000 3:42 PM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: RE: Do we have a 501c4?

Jack,  
I have just heard that you have had another foot problem; is this true?

RDL

Rabbi Daniel Lapin

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC) [mailto:jacka@REDACTED]  
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2000 4:43 PM  
To: 'Daniel Lapin'  
Subject: RE: Do we have a 501c4?

Not by a long shot. More coming Sunday. Where's global warming when you need it?!

-----Original Message-----

From: Daniel Lapin [mailto:dlapin@REDACTED]  
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2000 9:43 AM  
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
Subject: RE: Do we have a 501c4?

At the moment only a c3, Jack. Too bad. Thanks anyway.  
Snow gone?

Rabbi Daniel Lapin

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC) [mailto:jacka@REDACTED]  
Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2000 6:05 AM  
To: 'Rabbi Daniel Lapin'  
Subject: Do we have a 501c4?

Or do we only have a c3? The reason I ask is that I have some funding and want to see if I can get you some, but it has to be c4. Please let me know. Thanks.

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
Sent: Tuesday, May 30, 2000 3:44 PM  
To: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
Subject: RE: Cosmos Club

May 5, 2000

Ms. Dabny Hart  
Chair  
Admissions Committee  
Cosmos Club  
Washington, DC

Dear Dabny:

I am most pleased to sponsor Jack Abramoff as a member of the Cosmos Club. Although Jack is but 41 years old, he is already most distinguished in his field of public policy advocacy. Indeed, it would not be an exaggeration to say that Jack is among the most highly regarded people in this field. In addition his accomplishments in the fields of cinematography, religion, and community affairs makes him a singularly accomplished gentleman.

Jack Abramoff is currently head of the highly regarded Public Policy Department of Preston Gates Ellis & Rouvelas Meeds, LLP. This division is recognized as one of the top policy groups in the country. Mr. Abramoff's accomplishments in this field have been commented upon frequently in both the local and national press. Just last Wednesday, the Wall Street Journal did a cover story on Mr. Abramoff's distinguished career in public policy. (A copy is enclosed.) Mr. Abramoff's clients range from international, territorial and tribal governments to multinational companies such as Microsoft.

Mr. Abramoff's career in public policy advocacy began in the early 1980's with his election as Chair of the College Republican National Committee ("CRNC"), the national student arm of the Republican Party. At that time the CRNC was the nation's largest student political organization with over 150,000 members on 1200 campuses. During this period of his career, Mr. Abramoff also served as Chair of the USA Foundation, a foundation dedicated to providing America's college students with educational materials about public issues. In this role, Mr. Abramoff was a frequent guest on network television to discuss the role of students in politics in the United States.

In 1985, Mr. Abramoff was named Executive Director of Citizens for America, a non-governmental organization created by President Reagan to examine the administration's policies and present them to the Congress of the United States.

During this period of time, Mr. Abramoff also devoted his time and efforts to the production of full-length motion pictures. He acted not only as a producer, but as a hands on creator of the films he produced. I would like to be able to say that his films won academy awards. They did not. They were however financial success. Among the films produced by Mr. Abramoff were: "Red Scorpion", "Red Scorpion 2," "The Spear of Destiny" and "Karate Masters." Indeed "Red Scorpion" broke box office records in several countries.

In addition to producing films, Mr. Abramoff has lectured at Georgetown University Law Center on Motion Picture Production Finance Law. His course has consistently been well appreciated. He also lends his films making expertise to Documents International, a producer of award winning educational documentary films on the subject of moral courage. Sy Rotter, a member of the Cosmos Club, is the President of Documentaries International.

Mr. Abramoff is also a respected scholar on biblical interpretation. He has been engaged in writing a lengthy manuscript detailing ancient interpretive texts of the Pentateuch in collaboration with Rabbi David Lapin.

Among Mr. Abramoff's numerous other noteworthy accomplishments are the following:

For the past 6 years, he has served as President of the Torah School of Greater Washington.

He is the newly elected President and Chairman of the Board of the Yeshiva of Greater Washington, which is one of the region's most prestigious Orthodox Jewish colleges and high schools.

He was a member of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council.

He is a member of the Board of Governors of the Victims of Communism Museum.

He is a member of the Founding Committee of the National Museum of Jewish Heritage.

He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Documentaries International.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of Americans for Tax Reform.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of the National Center for Public Policy Research.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Council for National Policy.

Mr. Abramoff graduated magna cum laude from Brandeis University where he majored in Opera and English literature. He then received a Juris Doctor degree from the Georgetown University Law Center.

Mr. Abramoff is married to the former Pamela Alexander. Jack and Pam have 5 young children.

As Chair of the Membership Committee, I have sought to encourage the nomination of qualified younger members. Mr. Abramoff represents an opportunity for the Cosmos Club to elect a distinguished and delightful young man to its membership.

Sincerely,

Julius Kaplan



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**From:** Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 13, 2000 9:48 PM  
**To:** Ralston, Susan (DC)  
**Subject:** RE: replacement for Americans for Economic Growth

Yes, MPA is going to give to Toward Tradition. Choctaw and elot will give to National Center. Can you call Betty to see how we are doing on turning that check around?

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**To:** Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
**Subject:** FW: replacement for Americans for Economic Growth

I thought you didn't want me to do this. Should I get the materials from Toward Tradition for Bruce?

-----Original Message-----  
**From:** Helman, Bruce (DC)  
**Sent:** Friday, May 12, 2000 12:13 PM  
**To:** Ralston, Susan (DC)  
**Subject:** FW: replacement for Americans for Economic Growth

pls when you get a chance. thanks

-----Original Message-----  
**From:** Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 09, 2000 5:35 PM  
**To:** Helman, Bruce (DC)  
**Cc:** Ralston, Susan (DC)  
**Subject:** RE: replacement for Americans for Economic Growth

Fine. Susan, please get some Toward Tradition materials to Bruce.

-----Original Message-----  
**From:** Helman, Bruce (DC)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 09, 2000 5:34 PM  
**To:** Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
**Cc:** O'Malley, Cindy (DC)  
**Subject:** RE: replacement for Americans for Economic Growth

terrific. I don't see a problem. I'll raise with Cregan. Will need something on the group. Is it 501c3? Maybe the theme should be its immoral to keep other people's money -- when you know you can save money and wont...

-----Original Message-----  
**From:** Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 09, 2000 5:20 PM  
**To:** Helman, Bruce (DC)  
**Subject:** replacement for Americans for Economic Growth

DeLay's guys would like them to get a contribution of similar size for Toward Tradition (Rabbi Lapin's organization). As soon as I hear back from you that this is OK, I'll see if I can get Lapin to do a piece for us for free so we have a two-fer.

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2000 7:45 AM  
To: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
Subject: RE: Toward Tradition materials  
General stuff.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2000 8:07 AM  
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
Subject: FW: Toward Tradition materials

Which materials should I get for ~~you~~?

-----Original Message-----

From: Daniel Lapin [SMTP:dlapin@ibm.net]  
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2000 9:13 AM  
To: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
Subject: RE: Toward Tradition materials

Yes, we are a 501 (c) 3 organization. We have two areas we've been working on:

One is restoring America's respect for the dignity and morality of business, this is essentially an anti-defamation organization defending the institution of business against unfair attack.

The second is building an alliance of Jews, Christians, and other Americans to help restore America's founding ethic of limited government, centrality of the family, and a strong defense.

Which of these two areas of Toward Tradition's interest would be of most interest to your client?

Rabbi Daniel Lapin  
P. O. Box 813,  
Mercer Island, Washington 98040.  
Tel: 206-236-3046  
Fax: 206-236-3288

-----Original Message-----

From: Ralston, Susan (DC) [mailto:SusanR@prestongates.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2000 5:19 AM  
To: 'dlapin@ibm.net'  
Subject: Toward Tradition materials

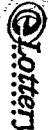
Is Toward Tradition a 501(c)3 organization? Can you send me some materials about Toward Tradition to forward to a client?

Best regards,  
Susan

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From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2000 6:39 AM  
 To: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
 Subject: RE: Cosmos Club Questionnaire  
 Here are my answers. Not very impressive, I am afraid. Can you ask Jay what we should do?

-----Original Message-----

From: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
 Sent: Tuesday, August 08, 2000 1:24 PM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: Cosmos Club Questionnaire

Previous significant positions and activities, with dates[Jack Abramoff] Do you have a resume or something for me there? Some of the positions include the following: Chairman, College Republican National Committee 1981-85; Chairman, NSA Foundation 1983-8; Executive director, Citizens for America 1985; Chairman, Toward Tradition 1994-present; Board of Directors: US Holocaust Memorial Council 1982-87, Americans for Tax Reform, National Center for Public Policy Research; President Torah School Greater Washington 1993-2000; President Yeshiva of Greater Washington 2000; President, Yeshiva College of the Nation's Capital 2000; Board of Governors, Council for National Policy 1983-87, 2000; Club members personally acquainted with[Jack Abramoff] : Jay has to fill this one in  
 Honors and awards with dates; societies[Jack Abramoff] : can't think of any of these. Uh oh!  
 Publications (with titles and dates).[Jack Abramoff] none

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2000 10:42 PM  
 To: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
 Subject: Cosmos club application  
 Did we chat about the awards we should list? If not, here are some:

National Order of Merit, USA Foundation 1983  
 The Churchill Prize, International Freedom Foundation 1986  
 Distinguished Biblical Scholar Award, Keter Torah Institute, 1988  
 Chesed Award, Torah School of Greater Washington 1995  
 The Limud Torah Award, Yeshiva of Greater Washington, 1999  
 Outstanding Public Affairs Professional 1998, National Center for Public Policy  
 Research  
 Scholar of Talmudic Studies, Toward Tradition Foundation, 1997

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From: Abramoff, Jack (OC)  
 Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2000 2:35 PM  
 To: Daniel Lapin  
 Subject: RE: HELP

Probably just a few clever titles of awards, plaques and that's it. As long as you can be the person to verify them (or we can have someone else verify one and you the other), we should be set. Do you have any creative titles, or should I dip into my bag of tricks?

----- Original Message -----  
 From: Daniel Lapin (mailto:dlapin@...) [mailto:dlapin@...]  
 Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2000 9:58 AM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (OC)  
 Subject: RE: HELP

Yes, I just need to know what needs to be produced... Letters? Plaques? Neither?

Yabbi Daniel Lapin

Cell: 202-222-2222  
 Fax: 202-222-2222

----- Original Message -----  
 From: Abramoff, Jack (OC) (mailto:jack@...) [mailto:jack@...]  
 Sent: Monday, September 18, 2000 11:25 PM  
 To: Daniel Lapin  
 Subject: RE: HELP

Thanks. Glad to hear I am not the only one who has to go to these banquets! I was with Delia tonight and told me that he really enjoyed the event. Hope we can chat tomorrow to get the awards moving. Thanks again.

----- Original Message -----  
 From: Daniel Lapin (mailto:dlapin@...) [mailto:dlapin@...]  
 Sent: Monday, September 18, 2000 11:18 AM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (OC)  
 Subject: RE: HELP

Sorry I didn't get back till late since right after my radio show I had to get in an appearance at my club's banquet. Let's organize your many prestigious awards as they're ready to hang on the wall.

Yabbi Daniel Lapin

Cell: 202-222-2222  
 Fax: 202-222-2222

----- Original Message -----  
 From: Abramoff, Jack (OC) (mailto:jack@...) [mailto:jack@...]  
 Sent: Sunday, September 17, 2000 3:53 PM  
 To: Daniel Lapin  
 Subject: RE: HELP

Just tried you and got a busy signal. I'll try again in a few moments.

----- Original Message -----  
 From: Daniel Lapin (mailto:dlapin@...) [mailto:dlapin@...]  
 Sent: Sunday, September 17, 2000 2:44 PM

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To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
Subject: RE: HELP!

Do let me know if you want to work on this today. I am home till I leave for NY to do the show, at about 4pm.  
Best

Rabbi Daniel Lapin

Phone: [REDACTED]  
Fax: [REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC) [mailto:jack@jacks.com]  
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2000 1:55 PM  
To: Rabbi Daniel Lapin  
Subject: RE: HELP!

Thanks so much for everything. Good Shabbos.

-----Original Message-----

From: Daniel Lapin [mailto:dlapin@jacks.com]  
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2000 2:12 PM  
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
Subject: RE: HELP!

Mazel Tov, the Cosmos Club is a big deal.

Rabbi Daniel Lapin

Phone: [REDACTED]  
Fax: [REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC) [mailto:jack@jacks.com]  
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2000 10:15 AM  
To: Rabbi Daniel Lapin  
Subject: HELP!

I have to ask your help with something so silly, but I have been nominated for membership in the Cosmos Club, which is a very distinguished club in Washington DC. Consists of 1000+ prize winners, etc. Problem for me is that most prospective members have received awards and I have received

none.

I was wondering if you thought it possible that I could put that I have received an award from Howard Friedman with a sufficiently academic

title,

perhaps something like scholar of Talmudic Studies? I wish you were still reading for this reason only, as I could get one from them too, perhaps something like the Distinguished Biblical Scholar Award. Indeed, it would be even better if it were possible that I received these in years past. If you know what I mean, anyway, I think you see

what I am trying

to do here! Do you think this is possible? It would only be used from this situation, but there is a chance that they would have to call someone to verify.

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From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2000 10:42 PM  
 To: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
 Subject: Cosmos club application  
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 The Limud Torah Award, Yeshiva of Greater Washington, 1999  
 Outstanding Public Affairs Professional 1998, National Center for Public Policy  
 Research  
 Scholar of Talmudic Studies, Toward Tradition Foundation, 1997

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From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
Sent: Thursday, October 05, 2000 4:21 AM  
To: Lane, Rodney (DC)  
Cc: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
Subject: Cosmos Club awards

These are the awards which Jay Kaplan wanted for my cosmos club application. Do you have that paperwork at hand? Can you complete it and get it to him today? Please consult with Susan. Thanks so much Rodney.

-----Original Message-----  
From: Daniel Lapin [mailto:dlapin@ibm.net]  
Sent: Thursday, October 05, 2000 1:45 AM  
To: Jack Abramoff (DC)  
Subject: [REDACTED]

~~Dear Jack,~~  
No need to apologize; I know how long it can take to unpack movers boxes, especially when all they contain are unused knick knacks and long forgotten (but well deserved) award plaques and citations. In any event, the records were fairly easy to access at all three organizations so it was no problem at all. Here they are:  
Pacific Jewish Center, Los Angeles, California.  
President: Michael Medved. Rabbi: Daniel Lapin  
In February 1988 you were honored with the award that recognized you as PJC Distinguished Professor of Talmudic Law in recognition of the lectures you delivered during 1987. Very pretty blue granite looking type of plaque if I recall correctly.  
Toward Tradition, Mercer Island, Washington.  
President: Daniel Lapin. National Director: Yarden Weidenfeld In the summer of 1994 you were given the award that identified you as Toward Tradition's Scholar of Biblical and American History.  
Cascadia Business Institute, Seattle and New York City President: Lewis Kaufman. Director: Julian Hurst In October 1999 you accepted the award that recognized your service in establishing CBI's course in Biblical Mercantile Law in which you served as adjunct professor.  
Hope that helps  
Rabbi Daniel Lapin  
P. O. Box 813,  
Mercer Island, Washington 98040.  
Tel: 206-236-3046  
Fax: 206-236-3288

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
Sent: Wednesday, December 13, 2000 10:18 AM  
To: Ralston, Susan (DC); Lane, Rodney (DC)  
Subject: we're probably going to move  
Ty McCooy if Rabbi Lapin comes to town that day. I told R'Lapin that I probably  
need to step down as chairman of Toward Tradition.

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Sent: Wednesday, September 20, 2000 8:40 AM  
 To: Ralston, Susan (DC)  
 Cc: Lane, Rodney (DC)  
 Subject: FW: 2 things  
 Please add Cong. Doolittle to call sheet re Julie Doolittle and Toward Tradition

-----Original Message-----

From: Ring, Kevin (DC)  
 Sent: Wednesday, September 20, 2000 10:01 AM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)  
 Subject: 2 things

(1) David told me that Doolittle (JTD) is very excited and appreciative about the Toward Tradition position for Julie. JTD knows of the group and would like to talk to you about it. Can you call him whenever you get a free moment - does not need to be today?

(2) Remember the surprise party they are holding for JTD? David wants to send a letter to a bunch of folks asking them to sponsor it. Regardless of whether our clients give, he wanted to know if you would be willing to sign it along with a bunch of others as a host. I told him I didn't think it would be a problem. Just let me know. Thanks.

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)  
 Sent: Sunday, October 21, 2001 10:58 PM  
 To: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)  
 Subject: RE: contributions

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (Dir-DC-Gov)  
 Sent: Sunday, October 21, 2001 11:58 PM  
 To: Lippy, Laura J. (AdmAst-DC-AdGov)  
 Cc: Lane, Rodney (AsDir-DC-Gov)  
 Subject: contributions  
 Importance: High

Laura, please put these contributions into an excel document. The columns going across should be as follows: name of candidate, name of committee, address of committee, amount requested, requester comments. The requester initials are all below (KR is Kevin, TH is Tony, JA is me, TB is Todd, RP is Pat, MS is Mike Smith, SV is Shawn). Please also put sub totals for each requester and a total amount requested at bottom. please get this done asap. Thanks.

John Thune for South Dakota \$2K JA  
 P.O. Box 516  
 Sioux Falls, SD 57101

CREA (Gale Norton's group) \$50K JA  
 1429 G Street, NW Number 408  
 Washington, DC 20005

National Republican Senatorial Committ  
 425 Second St., NE  
 Washington, DC 20002

Toward Tradition \$15K JA

Communications Consulting Group (Cong John Doolittle) \$5K KR (redistricting effort)  
 1840 Westminster Court  
 Carmichael, Ca 95608

American Liberty Political Action Committee \$5K (Cong Bob Ney) JA  
 P.O. Box 77222  
 Washington, DC 20013-7222

REPUBLICAN MAJORITY FUND \$5K (Sen Don Nickles -SV)  
 1155 21ST STREET NW #300  
 WASHINGTON, DC 20036

NEW REPUBLICAN MAJORITY FUND \$5K (Sen Trent Lott - SV)  
 201 NORTH UNION STREET SUITE 530  
 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22314

CAMPBELL VICTORY FUND \$5K (Sen Ben Nighthorse Campbell SV)  
 PO BOX 1464  
 IGNACIO, CO 81137

Hagel for Senate \$1000 (Sen Chuck Hagel - SV)  
 PO Box 241497  
 Omaha, NE 68124

Friends of Conrad Burns \$1000 (Sen Conrad Burns - SV)  
PO Box 1532  
Billings, MT 59103

Missourians for Kit Bond \$2,000 (Sen Christopher Bond - SV and TB)  
9378 Olive Blvd., Ste 206  
St. Louis, MO 63132

Shelby for US Senate \$1,000 (Sen Richard Shelby SV)  
PO Box 1091  
Tuscaloosa, AL 35403

Jim Hansen for Congress \$1,000 (Cong Jim Hansen SV)  
PO Box 654  
Farmington, UT 84025

Friends of Tom Harkin (\$2 K hard money) (MS)  
Senate 2002 (\$3K soft money)  
426 C Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20002

Friends of Byron Dorgan (\$2 K hard money) (MS)  
Great Plains Leadership Fund (\$3K soft money)  
420 C Street NE Lower Level  
Washington, D.C. 20002

People for Patty Murray (\$2 K hard money) (MS)  
M-PAC (\$3K soft money)  
P.O. Box 3662  
Seattle, Washington 98124  
Chairs Transportation Subcommittee of Appropriations (helpful on highway request)

Baucus for Senate \$1K RP Sen Max Baucus  
203 C. Street NE,  
Washington, DC 2002

DashPac (Tom Daschle) \$5K RP  
424 C Street NE,  
Washington, DC 20002.

Friends of Harry Reid or  
Searchlight Political Fund \$2K RP

Hollings for Senate \$2000 RP Sen Fritz Hollings  
426 C Street NE,  
Front Building,  
Washington, DC 2000.

WAYNE ALLARD FOR UNITED STATES SENATE COMMITTEE \$2K TB  
PO BOX 32  
LOVELAND, CO 80539

Friends of Jim Inhofe \$2K TB  
P.O. Box 13300  
Oklahoma City, OK 73113

Friends of Jeff Sessions Senate Committee \$2K TB  
P.O. Box 4278  
Montgomery, AL 36103

Pat Roberts for Senate \$1K TB  
Box 433

Great Bend, KS

Sam Brownback for US Senate \$2K TB  
P.O. Box 2008  
Topeka, KS 66601

Republican National Committee \$10K KR (comment: Jack Oliver)  
310 First Street, SE  
Washington, DC 20002

Norm Coleman for Senate: \$1000 TR  
Coleman For U.S. Senate  
1410 Energy Park Drive #11  
Energy Park Plaza  
Saint Paul, MN, 55108  
Phone: 651-645-0766

Jon Porter for Congress \$1000 TR

Texans for a Republican Majority \$1000 (DeLay: TR)

Chris Cannon for Congress \$1000 TR

Committee to Preserve Capitalism \$1000 (Cong Jim McCrery TR)

Freedom Project \$1000 (John Boehner TR)

Rohrabacher for Congress \$1000 TR Cong Dana Rohrabacher

Friends of Bob Smith \$2500 TR Sen Bob Smith

Kathryn Harris for Congress \$1000 TR (comment: open seat)

John Feehney for Congress \$1000 Florida Speaker TR (comment: open seat)