# התאחדות הרבנים דארצות הברית וקנדא

## CENTRAL RABBINICAL CONGRESS OF THE U.S.A. AND CANADA

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### **PROCLAMATION**

WE HEREBY PROCLAIM THAT WE HAVE NO CONNECTION TO THOSE FEW INDIVIDUALS WHO WENT ON THEIR OWN AND PARTICIPATED IN THE PRO-PALESTINIAN MARCH IN WASHINGTON ON SHABBOS PARSHAS ACHAREI-KEDOSHIM (APRIL 20, '02).

THE PATH THEY HAVE CHOSEN TO TAKE IS A PATH WE DO NOT CONDONE, AND IT IS KNOWN THAT OUR PRESIDENT THE GRAND RABBI OF SATMAR OF BLESSED MEMORY, NEVER AGREED TO SUCH METHODS IN PROTESTING AGAINST ZIONISM.

OUR HANDS ARE STRETCHED FORTH TO THE HEAVENS AND WE PRAY THAT THE ALMIGHTY IN HIS ABUNDANT COMPASSION WILL HAVE MERCY UPON THE INHABITANTS OF OUR HOLY LAND WHO ARE IN DANGER.

MAY WE MERIT GOOD TIDINGS, SALVATION AND CONSOLATION, AND MAY THE ALMIGHTY GATHER THE JEWISH PEOPLE FROM ALL CORNERS OF THE EARTH, AND WE SHALL SEE WITH OUR OWN EYES HIS RETURN TO ZION WITH MERCY, SPEEDILY IN OUR OWN DAYS, AMEN.

10<sup>™</sup> OF IYAR 5762 (APRIL 22, '02)

THE CENTRAL RABBINICAL CONGRESS (C.R.C.)
OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

#### Goldberg, Sally

From:

Levine, Marika

Sent:

Wednesday, April 24, 2002 11:57 AM

To:

Goldberg, Sally

Subject: FW: OU UPDATEIII

Look what someone wrote me. I am so upset!

Marika

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

From: Pious [mailto:plousjew@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2002 11:36 AM
To: H-N@yahoogroups.com; levinem@ou.org

Subject: OU UPDATE!!

#### Attention, OU Update,

The OU has issued a statement against this silly boycott. They do not support this, and never have.

I spoke earlier with the head of the OU Kashrus division, famous Rabbi Moshe Elefant, who speaks a Heimishe Yiddish, and he was outraged about this. He protested this idea with the strongest terms.

In fact, he said, the vending machine at the OU offices has sandwitches from heimishe stores, with big "CRC" on the sandwitches!

This rumor was started by some silly enraged ultra-Zionist, and sent by email to Mrs. M. Levine, an OU employee. She sent this forward to dozens of people, with her own "OU.ORG" domain, that gave it the look of official authority.

As a result, the OU has gotten dozens of calls from heimishe yidden why they support such a nazi-like tactic.

The OU headquarters were alarmed by this, and did some investigation about this matter. When they found out what

happened, they suspended Levine's email address from the OU domain server, and issued a strong statement against this boycott rumor.

Rabbi Elefant said he spoke this week with heimishe Rabbonim and Askonim who were concerned about the boycott, and promised that OU will remain close with CRC on Kashrus products as always before.

And Shulem al Yisroel.