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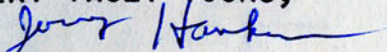
MRS. J. PIATIGORSKY
400 SOUTH BUNDY DRIVE
WEST LOS ANGELES, CA

DEAR MRS. PIATIGORSKY:

THE CONTRIBUTION MADE BY THE PIATIGORSKY FOUNDATION LAST YEAR SAVED THE U.S. JUNIOR INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP. AS A RESULT, WE HAD THE STRONGEST U.S. JUNIOR IN HISTORY AND PRODUCED A U.S. WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPION.

FOR THIS YEAR'S TOURNAMENT, WE FIND THREE ELIGIBLE PLAYERS ON THE WEST COAST. FOR THIS REASON, AND THE FACT THAT IT WENT SO SMOOTHLY LAST YEAR, WE HAVE DECIDED TO AGAIN HOLD THE TOURNAMENT HERE AT THE "CHESS SET" IN JUNE. AS A RESULT OF INFLATION AND INCREASED AIR FARES, AS WELL AS A DESIRE TO UPGRADE THE TOURNAMENT (SUCH AS ACTUALLY PAYING THE DIRECTOR) WE NEED AT LEAST \$9000. LAST YEAR I INDICATED TO YOU THAT WE WOULD BE ASKING THE PIATIGORSKY FOUNDATION TO AGAIN TAKE OVER FUNDING FOR THIS EVENT. I STILL BELIEVE THIS WOULD BE THE IDEAL SITUATION. HOWEVER, WE ARE HAPPY TO REPORT THAT THE U.S.C.F. AND THE AMERICAN CHESS FOUNDATION HAVE COMMITTED \$3000 EACH TOWARD THE 1980 U.S. JUNIOR INVITATIONAL. THEREFORE, WE NOW HAVE \$6000 "IN THE BANK" AND ARE REQUESTING A \$3000 CONTRIBUTION FROM THE PIATIGORSKY FOUNDATION SO THAT WE CAN AGAIN HOLD THIS TOURNAMENT. PLEASE LET US HEAR FROM YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

VERY TRULY YOURS,


JERRY HANKEN
CHAIRMAN, ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR
THE 1980 U.S. JUNIOR INVITATIONAL

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