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Dr. Stephen Feinstein
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Dear Stephen:

Many thanks for your letter of December 22, 1992. I appreciate very much your kind words. To have you in my home and to share with you my work was not only my pleasure but it was an honor and privilege. I was delighted that my art captivated so much of your attention and interest. I am grateful that you consider to use it for your scholarly projects.

I am happy that you found my book in a bookstore. Many thanks for approaching the publisher Harry Lerner. I would like to include a letter to Mr. Lerner explaining the importance of publishing MY BROTHER'S KEEPER, as an exceptional educational tool on the Holocaust with its message of brotherhood. Besides, your opinion about it is sufficient enough.

Since the book was out of print, I accumulated a long waiting list. The Putnam Editor received hundreds of letters requesting to republish the book. In my letter to Mr. Lerner I explain about the general interest to have the book available. I sincerely hope that your intervention will be of great help, if he publishes books of this category. If he does not publish such books, his advice could be precious.

I am overwhelmed by your offer to help me with providing some PR. I told you how hopelessly alone I am with my work. What saves me is my strong belief in the importance of the work I am doing. Nothing, in my opinion, is more urgent than to tell the story of the Holocaust and to use its lesson to help build a better world. An artist, regardless of his caliber, is lost if he is alone with his work. I highly appreciate your offer. I will start to work on a brochure which in a concise form will present my work.

Thank you again for your kindness. My best wishes to you and yours for a Happy and successful New Year.

Sincerely yours,



Israel Bernbaum

P.S. My telephone can be used for faxing.