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## UNITED JEWISH PEOPLES FRATERNAL ORDER



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Dear Senator (or Congressman/woman)

This June 19th marks the 71st anniversary of the execution of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, who were convicted onfalse charges of supplying the Soviet Union with documentation to enable them to produce an atomic bomb. We believe, as do many Americans, that the entire proceedings regarding their trial were corrupt and that their fate was planned.

Firstly, although the claim against them was espionage, they were tried in New York State Supreme Court, with thecharge against them being "conspiracy to commit espionage". This was since there was no death penalty under the U.S. Penal statutes, and N.Y. State had a death penalty. Also, as to the jury selection, at that time trial juries in New York were selected only from a pool of registered voters. Since the Jewish population in New York City was at least 20% of the city, there should have been at least some Jewish people selected for the trial. However, the prosecution knew that there could be some sympathy for the Rosenbergs, who were dedicated and loving parents of two youngboys, and that there was still much anti-Semitism among the non-Jewish population, the prosecution, along with the approval of the judge, to ensure that there were no Jews on the jury.

Further, the whole atmosphere of the trial was clouded by the ongoing anti-Communism of post war America, fueled by right wing McCarthyism, and the fact that the Rosenbergs were members of the Communist Party fed right into the prosecution's case. Although the evidence at the trial was scant and questionable, the prosecution easily convinced the jury that they were guilty because they were Communists.

To this date, the U.S. Government files of this case have been deemed "classified" and although part of these files were declassified and released, the entire file has not. Currently, all the participants in this event have long since deceased, and there is no reason to continue to refuse to release the entire file.

We are therefore seeking, in the cause of justice, that you make a formal request to the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration to so declassify the entire Rosenberg file, and let all Americans see the truth.

Signed,

[Printed Name]

[Signature].