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#740 West 187th Street,
New York, 23, N.Y.
July 20th, 1946.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:-

Under separate cover we are sending you one of our journals, printed for our luncheon, held at the Astor Hotel on June 8th, 1946.

As you will probably recall, our society is devoted to helping underprivileged handicapped children both in the city and at our summer camp at Spring Valley.

It was because of our work for these children that we thought it fitting to dedicate the book to your husband.

We regretted that our efforts to have you present at the luncheon failed to materialize, but possibly another year we shall be more fortunate in our arrangements.

If any more copies of the journal should be desired, they are available and we will be glad to mail them.

Sincerely yours,

Martha H. Gittleson.
Martha H. Gittleson,
Journal Chairman.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt,
#29 Washington Square, West,
New York, 11, N.Y.

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Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
29 Washington Square, West
New York 11, N. Y.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Your letter of May 13th was received at the New York Telephone Company office and referred to me. I severed my connections with the New York Telephone Company on April 1st under the Company's retirement plan and am now Secretary to City Comptroller Lazarus Joseph.

I understand from the Telephone Company representative that your desire to have your unlisted telephone number changed is to be complied with. I would suggest that in the future if you have any telephone problems that you get in touch with Mr. George B. Wellbaum who has taken over the duties which I performed for so many years. You can communicate with him on EXchange 4-4600, ext. 2000.

If I can be of service to you in any way at any time, please do not hesitate to call on me. With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Edward R. Anker
Edward R ANKER

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N.Y. Youth Council

October 1, 1946

My dear Mr. Moss:

I am sorry but I can not sponsor your organizing conference.

I understand that you are working closely with the American Youth for Democracy, which was once the Young Communist League and I do not happen to agree with many of their ideas.

Very sincerely yours,

This group is very heavily influenced, if not controlled, by the American Youth for Democracy crowd: American Youth for Democracy previously was the Young Communist League.

Joe

MEMORANDUM ON THE NEW YORK YOUTH COUNCIL

- Purpose: In answer to a long-felt need for a medium to coordinate the efforts of the youth and youth-serving organizations of New York in which the young people themselves as well as their adult leaders can participate; and to serve as an educational and programmatic federation for the development of community leadership.
- Origin: The Youth Council is the result of a Reception Meeting held on May 12, 1946, in behalf of those delegates from national youth organizations who attended the World Youth Conference in London in September, 1945. More than 300 young people, delegates from the 80 organizations who attended this Reception, unanimously felt that a New York Youth Council should be organized and instructed the sponsoring committee of that meeting to begin organization for this purpose. Among the organizations joining in this declaration were Student, Christian, Jewish, Negro, and National Groups, and Trade Union and Veterans Organizations.
- Program: As a result of the panel discussions, it was resolved that the Council should function on a program implementing the principles of the World Youth Conference and should, therefore, promote a program around intercultural and inter-racial understanding, cooperation for peace, cooperative education and action on the problems which confront all young people in our city, including employment, job training, citizenship, expansion of education, discrimination, veterans' needs, recreation, etc.
- Participating Organizations: Jewish Welfare Board; American Jewish Congress, Youth Division; Urban League, Youth Division; Veterans Against Discrimination; Veterans' Wives; B'nai B'rith Youth Organization; Brooklyn and New York Junior Hadassah; Methodist Federation for Social Services; American Youth for Democracy; National Council of Jewish Juniors; United Office and Professional Workers of America; Metropolitan Intercollegiate Student Council; United States Student Assembly; Young People's League of the United Synagogue; United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America, District 4; Austro-American Youth Council; Universalist Youth; Brooklyn Jewish Youth Council.
- Headquarters: In the offices of the American Youth for a Free World, 144 Bleeker Street, New York City, New York.
- Activities: In accordance with the Conference recommendation to conduct activities on a minimum basis during the summer period, the Council selected as a project to promote international youth cooperation, aid to the youth of Athens, Greece, an heroic group of youth who had fought valiantly as our allies in the war against fascism. A campaign was conducted to send foodstuffs, books, recreational equipment, letters, etc., to these youth. A city-wide Youth Fellowship Week, July 28 to August 3, climaxed the campaign and was marked by an All-Nations Folk Festival held on the Mall at Central Park on July 30. Two broadcasts - one over Station WOR - sponsored by the Skouras Theaters, were also conducted. More than 2,000 people participated in the Festival which was eminently successful and from which greetings were sent to the youth of Greece. Discussion and action on the problem of Palestine were also engaged in at a dinner meeting. This resulted in a petition action by the Council.
- Plan: We are now beginning work in preparation for a Fall Conference through which our Council may be organized on a permanent and stable basis. All youth and youth-serving organizations in our city will be invited to participate and join in a more precise definition of our goals, in the establishment of a financial apparatus, constitutional procedures, and election of leadership.

NEW YORK YOUTH COUNCIL
144 BLEEKER STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

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August 16, 1946

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Washington Square
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

The New York Youth Council is writing to you and other prominent leaders of our city to request your sponsorship of our Organizing Conference to be held this fall. The end of the war has intensified the problems and needs of young people of all races and religions whether they be student, working, or job-seeking, veteran or civilian youth. The enclosed memorandum will explain the purpose, scope, and composition of our Council which aims to act as a coordinating body for all youth and youth-serving organizations interested in meeting these needs.

As part of our preparations and because we know the help of experienced adults is essential, we are hoping that you will want to cooperate with us. We will want as much help as your time and interest will permit. Will you please return the enclosed post card to let us know your response. We are looking forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Very sincerely yours,

James Moss
James Moss,
Acting Chairman