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Dear Josh :

Just a note to thank you for the copy of your letter of January 19 to the Nobel Committee and to tell you that you have performed a truly noble service. I only hope that your extremely eloquent letter does some good. The case could not possibly have been put more lucidly or more succinctly and I am extremely grateful to you.

There is nothing to do now, I suppose, but wait to see whether the sweets are prepared -- at long last -- to honor a writer through whom they will also be honoring the victims of the Holocaust. I suppose in a way they may think that this is what they did when they gave Nelly Sachs her Prize, but there is no question that, as you yourself have written, Wiesel's "role in the relationship of literature to history is really unique."

At all events, many, many thanks, once again.

As ever,

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