

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 19, 1979

Dear Senator Tsongas:

The President asked me to acknowledge his receipt of your letter of June 8, along with 31 of your Senate colleagues, requesting that he raise with Soviet President Brezhnev the case of Yosef Mendelevich in the hopes of providing for his release and emigration.

The President appreciates and shares your concern for Mr. Mendelevich and others not permitted to emigrate. Please be assured that he had your comments in mind throughout the Summit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Frank Moore".

Frank Moore
Assistant to the President
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The Honorable Paul Tsongas
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