

The Rt Honourable Frank Ross, Councillor and Lord Provost City of Edinburgh Council City Chambers Edinburgh, Scotland

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on behalf of the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum, I wish to convey our sincere appreciation to the City of Edinburgh and the Edinburgh Jewish Cultural Centre for officially organizing and ceremonially marking this historically significant anniversary of the Liberation of the German Nazi Auschwitz concentration and extermination camp upon this date seventy - five years ago.

It is my understanding that you have assembled many distinguished national and local civic leaders, Holocaust survivors, as well as representatives from throughout the Edinburgh Jewish community in order to honour the memory of the victims, to cherish the survivors and to show gratitude to the rescuers who are associated with this historic event.

The Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial and Museum is very focused upon educating future generations about the history of Auschwitz. Learning about this human tragedy should become the basis of our reflection about our moral responsibility for the world we live in today. It is my understanding that many school students from Edinburgh have visited our Memorial over many years. We hope that events such as the one you are conducting today shall further remind generations to come of the significance of this date, and on behalf of our staff and those that we represent, I sincerely commend and thank you for commemorating this important milestone.

your sincerely

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Memorial

Director of the International Center of Education about Auschwitz and the Holocaust