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Greeting and Blessing:

After not hearing from you for a long time, I received your letter, and subsequently your telephone inquiry, which was also answered to you over the telephone.

The purpose of my writing is not only to have it for the record, but also to emphasize to you again that we are in the auspicious days of Adar, when every Jew is expected to rejoice in an increased measure. And since this is a commandment of G-d, who is called G-d of Truth, and it is part of His Torah, which is called the Torah of Truth, it is clear that there is true cause for a Jew to rejoice increasingly during this month of Adar. Moreover, inasmuch as G-d is the Creator of man, He provides everyone with good reason to rejoice, and it is only necessary for a person to be able to evaluate and appreciate His blessings.

If all the above is true of every Jew regardless of background, how much more so is it true in the case of a person who has for many years learned at a Yeshiva and has Semicha, etc. In such a case it is surely superfluous to elaborate on the obvious. Rather should it be expected of a person of your background to show a living example all around you, and not merely in a passive way, but also in an active and stimulating way.

I am not familiar with all the factors surrounding you, but I am sure if you will reflect upon them, you will find many things and causes for rejoicing and for confidence in the future, all of which will also go a long way to improve your general health, banish anxiety, and generally give you a positive and stimulating outlook.

Wishing you a happy and inspiring Purim,

With blessing, *m. Schneerson*