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Greeting and Blessing:

After the interval, I was pleased to receive your letter of the 23rd of Elul. I was particularly gratified to read about the progress of the school which evidently is a source of gratification to you and, I trust, also to your wife.

May G-d grant that in this case too you will see the fulfillment of the saying of our Sages to the effect that, "He who has 100 desires 200; and he who has 200 desires 400." In other words, the appetite grows with accomplishment, and in a growing measure (instead of desiring an additional 100 as before, the person, having obtained that extra hundred, now desires an additional 200). May this be so in regard to this institution, that you should desire to see its growth in quantity and quality in an ever growing measure, and in actual practice. Needless to say, in such matters time is of the essence. For, as I believe this has been mentioned when you were here, when an educational institution runs into a deficit, this is not tragic, for the deficit can be made good. However, if a student is turned away for lack of facilities - who knows if the boy, or girl, could be reached tomorrow or the day after? Surely no further explanation is necessary.

In the light of the above, you will understand my attitude to the dilemma which you mention in your letter, namely, that you hope to obtain a substantial donation from a donor, and you do not know whether to save it for a building which will be necessary two years from now, or use it now. In my opinion all funds should be utilized for the expansion of the school now.

I was pleased to read about the progress of your children. I have heard similar reports from other sources, and also from them directly. May G-d grant that, together with your wife, you will bring up each and all of your children, to a life of Torah, Chuppah and Good Deeds.

With blessing,