Dear Mr. Spielberg,

My name is Avi Koinov and I am part of "Change the World It Just Takes Cents in Herzl/RMHA at the Denver Campus for Jewish Education in Denver, Colorado. What we do is supporting the people of Darfur that pass away each day because of the horrible janjaweed. We are also trying to stop the Genocide there. "Change The World" and I really appreciate you not agreeing to direct the opening ceremonies in the 2008 Olympics that are held in Beijing, China for the cruel Genocide in Darfur. You are an inspiration to all the people of the world. Once again Thank You Mr. Spielberg.

Sincerely,

Avi Koinov

February 14, 2008

Dear Mr. Spielberg,

My name is Simon Kaufman and I am an eighth-grade student at Herzl/RMHA in Denver, Colorado. I am part of the student organized campaign "Change the world. It just takes cents." This is an organization that concentrates on trying to make a difference in the world, and is currently concentrating on raising both money and awareness to help put an end to the genocide in Darfur. We are only students but know that we have to be the voice for the children in Darfur who have none. I am writing this letter to congratulate you on stepping down as the artistic director to the 2008 Beijing Olympics. We support you doing this and realize that in order to stop the genocide in Darfur we must first put a cease to China's involvement with them. Once again we thank you so much for stepping down and supporting putting a stop to the genocide.

Sincerely,

Simon Kaufman

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Dear Mr. Spielberg,

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I am Jewish student in Denver. Knowing all about the horrors of the Holocaust, as I know you do, I just wanted to thank you for giving up your spot in the Beijing Olympics. I am part of a movement at my school called "Change the world, It just takes cents"™. All of us were so glad that you could stand up and speak out against the Darfur Genocide, as well as bring the atrocities to the attention of more people around the world. It means a lot coming from a big celebrity that we love so much. I just wanted to thank you.

Sincerely,

Spyros Fabrikant

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Dear Mr. Spielberg,

I have recently heard about your sudden withdrawal as the art director for the 2008 Olympics held in China. I would like to tell you personally how grateful I am for your doing this. I am a student in a movement called "Change the world. It just takes cents," TM, which is a student run project that raises money and awareness for Darfur. Just last year, we were able to raise \$26,000 to rebuild a school in Korma, Darfur. And, this year, we continue to raise awareness and money for the new Darfuri refugees in Israel. I, as well, am a Jew, and attend a Jewish Day School. It is very meaningful to me, that the United States has actually tried to stop the genocide occurring in Darfur, rather than standing idly by, as they did during the Holocaust. You have made a very bold statement, and have helped the world realize the horrors of the genocide in Darfur. You are truly a great role model. Thank you so much for all of your support and hardwork.

From,

Yael Kornfeld

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Congratulations on refusing to help with the opening ceremony of the "Genocide Olympics." My name is Abbie Bender and I am a second-generation student of "Change the world. It just takes cents." , a student initiative to stop the genocide in Darfur, which is being run by a small class of eighth graders in a Jewish Day school in Denver, Colorado called Herzl/RMHA. I am aware of your previous involvement with documenting Holocaust survivors, as my own great uncle was one of the survivors documented. I am also aware of other involvements you have had with the Holocaust such as creating the movie *Schindler's List*. Being a Jewish student at a Jewish Day School, preventing another Holocaust from happening is very important to me. So, the fact that you have made such an impact on the genocide by not signing China's contract has led me to believe that I owe you a tremendous thank you. Once again, congratulations on this achievement, and thank you from all of the "Change the world. It just takes cents." students, for your continuing efforts to say, "NEVER AGAIN."

Sincerely,

Abbie Bender, 8th grade

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Dear Mr. Spielberg,

I would like to start this letter out by thanking you for making the right decision concerning the Beijing Olympics. Having someone like you who is well respected and known will make more people aware and possibly want to change the situation in Darfur. Thank you for making the effort to stop this horrific Genocide. This truly shows that you are committed to the idea of "Never Again" associated with

the Holocaust. I am a Jewish student attending a class learning to make the right decisions for the world just as you have shown here.

Thank you,

Alex Schweid

## Dear Mr. Spielberg,

My name is Alyssa Goss I am from Denver Colorado and go to Herzl/ RMHA at the Denver Campus for Jewish Education. This is where the "Change the world. It just takes cents" TM program was started. On behalf of my entire school and the Jewish community of Denver I would like to thank you for not participating in the upcoming Olympics in China. Your decision could be helping many suffering currently in Darfur and around the world. Thanks again for your support and decision.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Goss

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## Dear Mr Spielberg,

Thank you very much for deciding to not take part in the 2008

Olympics in China. I attend Herzl?RMHA Upper School, a Jewish Day School in Colorado, and attend a class in which we are activists against the genocide in Darfur. Having a prominent person and Jew such as you support this cause, gives us more and more hope each day of having this genocide soon

come to an end. The decision you made to not take part in the Olympics is a big stand, and a big decision. We all cannot thank you enough for making such an important decision. Especially knowing that your parents were Holocaust survivors, your decision can help save many lives in Darfur. Thank you very much for being such a great man. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely, Andrew Friednash

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Dear Mr. Spielberg,

Thank you so much for refraining from participating as artistic advisor of ceremonies for this year's Olympic games in Beijing, China. In turn, this courageous act will put more pressure on China to divest from the corrupt Sudanese government. We represent a small, Jewish day school in Denver, Colorado called Herzl/RMHA. We have started a program called "Change the World, it just takes cents" TM at our school. We focus our efforts on raising awareness to ourselves and to the public. Last year, we raised 25,000 dollars to build a school in Korma, Darfur. This year we are raising money to outfit a library for Darfurian refugees that have fled to Israel for security. Being Jewish, it is our responsibility to remember what happened to us in the Holocaust and make sure that it never happens again. Through our support of Darfur, and our efforts to rid the world of crimes against humanity, we are fulfilling our promise that we made some 63 years ago. We applaud you on your tremendous moral compass, and hope you continue to support the people of Darfur.

Sincerely,

Asher and Doniel Kaye

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Dear Mr. Spielberg,

I cannot thank you enough for all that you have done to help save Darfur. When people with star power like you take a stand against situations that are unjust, it helps push other people to do that as well. Again, thank you for all that you have done, and thank you for being a part of "Change the world. It just takes cents" TM!

Sincerely,

Aylah Sroloff

9th Grade

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