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Dr. Rachel Margolis
ISRAEL

Dear Dr. Margolis,

On behalf of NCSJ, an American Jewish organization that works on behalf of Jews in the former Soviet Union, we salute you for your courageous actions as an anti-Nazi partisan in Lithuania during the Second World War.

We are also deeply troubled by the Lithuanian government's continued persecution of you, and at their allegations that you committed "war crimes." This government harassment is unconscionable, especially given the record of Lithuanian collaboration with the Nazis during the Holocaust. You and other Jewish partisans who resisted the genocidal campaign of the Nazis are true heroes of your country, and of humanity. Your wartime efforts to cherish life and fight against those murderers who would extinguish it are the hallmarks of true Lithuanian patriotism.

You have and will continue to have the support of the American Jewish community in your efforts to clear your name and reputation.

Sincerely,

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