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JULY 2, 1985

MR. MICHAEL KERMIAN, DIRECTOR
DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA
630 SECOND AVE.
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10016

DEAR MR. KERMIAN,

I WAS RECENTLY SURPRISED TO LEARN THAT MY RECORD ALBUM ENTITLED "FLYIN' HYE" CONTAINING POPULAR ARMENIAN SONGS AND DANCES WILL NOT BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY THROUGH THE DIOCESE BOOKSTORE. I BELIEVE THAT THIS DECISION WHICH WAS MADE BY THE BOOKSTORE'S NEW MANAGER REPRESENTS A DISSERVICE TO THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY, ARMENIAN ARTISTS, AND INDEED, THE DIOCESE BOOKSTORE.

"FLYIN' HYE" WAS RELEASED EARLIER THIS YEAR BY MONITOR RECORDS, INC. WHICH HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY MARKETING ARMENIAN RECORDINGS WORLD-WIDE FOR OVER 25 YEARS. GIVEN THEIR LENGTHY EXPERIENCE I THINK YOU WOULD AGREE THAT THE PEOPLE AT MONITOR ARE WELL QUALIFIED TO EVALUATE AND JUDGE ARMENIAN MUSICAL TASTES AND PREFERENCES.

SO THAT THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY CAN HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CHOOSE WHAT ARMENIAN ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENTS IT WILL APPRECIATE, I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT YOU EXAMINE AND REVERSE THE BOOKSTORE MANAGER'S POSITION ON THIS MATTER.

YOUR CONCERN AND COOPERATION WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

VERY TRULY YOURS,



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July 30, 1985

Mr. Robert Nishan Takoushian
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Dear Mr. Takoushian:

Thank you for your letter of July 2 regarding your new record "Flying
Hye".

Please be assured that the decision of our bookstore manager not to stock
your record is not arbitrary, but due to financial restrictions. We have
a limited budget for outside purchases, and we try to stock pertinent
items that give us a quick turnover.

I have suggested to our bookstore manager to stock a few copies of your
record on a trial basis. If the demand is there, we would not hesitate to
place a firm order with you.

Congratulations to you for your new release, and best wishes for your
success.

Very truly yours,

Michael M. Kermian
Director

cc: Mary Derderian

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