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Professor David Roskies The Jewish Theological Seminary 3080 Broadway New York, New York 10027

Dear David:

Here, at last, are two reports on your manuscript. There is much here that will please you. And there is something for me too: both readers think the book is wonderful but too long. It was very satisfying to see two scholars (of quite different expertise and temperament, as you will guess) sharing my enthusiasm for "Creative Betrayal"--for what the book accomplishes as well as the engaging way you present your material. At the same time, they share my concern about the length. You already know how strongly I feel that the book has to be cut significantly--at least by a third--for its own health and welfare.

So much for assessments; I want now to discuss this project with our editorial board. Would you let me have a response to these two reports that I can show them? Essentially what I am asking is: which of these comments would cause you to do what kind of revising.

With all best,

Sincerely,

Margaretta Fulton General Editor for the Humanities