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The Programme Director,
The Sunday Edition, CBC.

Dear Programme Director:

I wish to express our thanks for your broadcast for the moving play: " Seven Jewish Children", by Caryl Churchill, on Sunday May 3, 2009.

It was particularly heartening to hear the support for the play by Ms. Lipman, speaking on behalf of Independent Jewish Voices, a principled group that stands in opposition to the Israeli illegal and brutal occupation of Palestinian territories, that has been allowed to stand for 42 years, in defiance of international law and repeated Security Council resolutions.

The statements by your other interviewee, Howard Jacobson, calling the play anti-Semitic and justifying the war crimes committed by the Israeli armed forces in Gaza, defy credibility. It is time that Israel's apologists begin to see the facts on the ground for what they are and follow the examples of distinguished Jewish intellectuals and human rights supporters like Professors Albert Einstein and Israel Shahak, amongst many other Israeli human rights activists and human rights groups like B'Tselem.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to see the work of an enlightened author.

Yours sincerely,

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