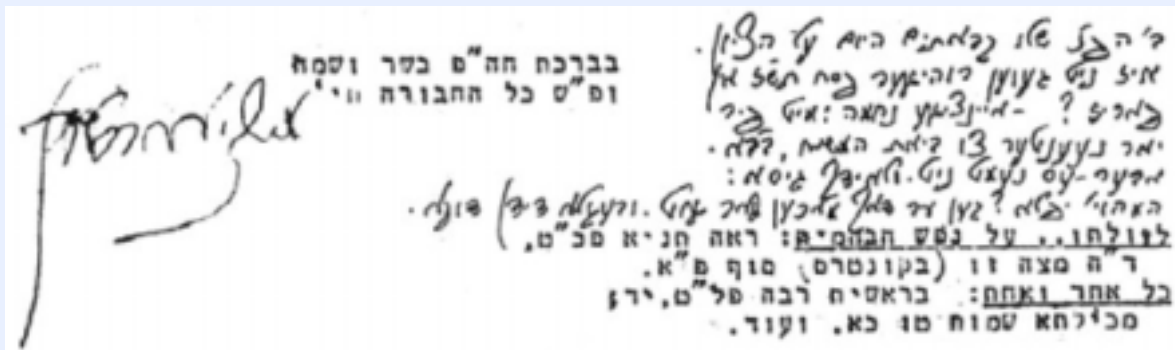




Was Better; Will be Better!

As we approach Gimmel Tammuz, the following Ksav Yad Kodesh is presented.

In 5707, the Rebbe spent Pesach in Paris, France, where he went to greet his mother after her escape from the Soviet Union. While there, he became acquainted with the chossid, Reb Bentzion Shemtov. Four years later, after the Rebbe had already accepted the nesius he wrote this postscript in a letter to Reb Bentzion, reminding him of the peaceful days in France, before the histalkus of the Friediker Rebbe. Noting the pleasant times in Paris, the Rebbe concluded that our only true comfort will be with the coming of Moshiach.



I read both of your panim by the Ohel today.

Wasn't it calmer Pesach 5707 in Paris?

The only comfort is [that] we are four years closer to the coming of Moshiach, [may it be] speedily in our days.

[Such a comfort though], is not particularly convincing.

Yet on the other hand: is there anything too difficult for Hashem? He can certainly improve the situation immensely. And may He do so quickly.

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