



Moments

HATARAS NEDARIM

Erev Rosh Hashanah

20 ELUL 5775, 15 VEPEDIN, 19 JEN 205921

1. The 24 hours before the onset of Rosh Hashanah were some of the busiest of the year in 770. The morning started early, with *selichos* beginning at an early hour. The Rebbe would then go to *mikvah*, and return to 770 for *shacharis*.

לזכות

הילדה החיילת בצבאות ה'

ח' מושקא תחי'

לאריכות ימים ושנים טובות

נולדה ביום הש"ק בהעלותך,

ט"ז סיון ה'תשע"ז

ולזכות הורי'

הרה"ת ר' אהרן מנחם מענדל

וזוגתו מרת שיינא ברכה שי' קופפר

נדפס ע"י זקני'

הרה"ת יצחק יהודה

וזוגתו מרת חנה שיחיו קופפר

הרה"ת ר' נפתלי

וזוגתו מרת נחמה שיחיו פרלשטיין



2. As *Shacharis* came to a close, a group of rabbonim and elder Chassidim gathered on the Rebbe's davening *bima*. They would act as the *beis din* for the Rebbe's *hataras nedarim*.



3. Still in tallis and tefillin, the Rebbe would turn to the *beis din* and say the *hataras nedarim*.



29 ELUL 5737, LEVI FREIDIN via JEM 21072




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4. This is the earliest known picture of *hataras nedarim*, taken Erev Rosh Hashanah 5726 in the small *zal* upstairs near the Rebbe's room. Until Chof-Beis Shevat 5748, the Rebbe would daven privately in his room, but this was one of the few times the Rebbe would join the *minyan* for *shacharis*. This was one of the rare opportunities the Rebbe was seen in public with tallis and tefillin.







5. If the upcoming year would be a *shnas hashemitah* (and at times also at the end of *shsmithah*), the Rebbe would say the *nusach hapruzbul* following *hataras nedarim*.

This picture is from Erev Rosh Hashanah 5746, which was erev *shnas hashemitah*.

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6. Before the Rebbe turned to leave, he thanked the *minyan* that made up the *beis din* with a “*Yasher koach*,” wishing them a *kesiva vachasima tova*.

A large, dense crowd of Chassidim is gathered, many wearing black hats and GoPro cameras mounted on their foreheads. The scene is filled with people of various ages, including men, women, and children, all looking towards the center of the gathering. The atmosphere appears to be one of anticipation and devotion.

7. On Erev Rosh Hashanah closing the year 5751, the Rebbe unexpectedly began saying a *sicha* following *hataras nedarim*, and after stepping down from the *bima* to leave the shul, he continued the *sicha*!



29 ELUL 5751, LEVI FREIDIN via JEM 157945