



Translation of Postcard  
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From Isak Schneid in Solotvina

Solotvina, Eve of the Holy Sabbath [of the Torah reading] Shemoth 4. 1. 1935

Greetings to my dear friend Josef

I just received your card and in reply I inform you that Rabbi Hemerling of Yezipol, a relative of Akiva Hemerling, arrived here this morning as a candidate [for the Solotvina rabbinate], and tomorrow – on the holy Sabbath – he will deliver his candidacy speech. Close to 20 rabbis have sent their applications to the community [leadership] and four of them have been chosen to deliver a speech on a Sabbath. The first is the rabbi who arrived today. Naturally, the names of the others have not been publicised – the community [leadership] is keeping the information secret for the time being.

You should write immediately to the above-mentioned Rabbi of Yezipol saying that he ought not to encroach on your territory. The Rabbi of Perekhinska is also a candidate – his name is Babad. I have heard that the son-in-law of the tzadik of Monastritch is another candidate – his name is Hager, from Stanislau.

When are you coming here? See to it that you get some backing from the authorities – then you will surely be successful. Send me your reply immediately. Also on the matter about which I spoke to you, I have heard from people in the community [leadership] that they are more scared of your protest than of Rabbi Uri [Tenenzaft]’s protest. From this you can understand that you are like a bone in their throat ...

Let me have a clear reply stating what you are doing and when you intend to come

With love from your loyal friend