

December 31, 2025

Senator Charles Grassley, Chairman  
Senator Richard Durbin, Ranking Member  
Senator Sheldon Whitehouse, Member  
United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary  
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators:

I write as the former lead investigator to the Senate Banking Committee's three-year investigation into the actions of the Swiss banks during the Holocaust, under Chairman Alfonse M. D'Amato, to commend your efforts to hold the Swiss banks accountable for the eighty-year cover-up of their crimes. Your work could not be more important in America's ongoing fight against the antisemitism that plagues the world today.

The actions taken by the Senate Judiciary Committee over the past several years are nothing less than remarkable, and for that Americans are immensely grateful. Bringing to light these significant historical facts through a congressional hearing is not only historic, but presents us all with an opportunity to see that the misdeeds of the Swiss banks do not escape justice.

As you know, the investigations of the 1990s predominantly focused on Jewish assets and not Nazi assets. Therefore, this is also an opportunity to further clarify history and the role those assets played as well as ensure that the truth, the full truth, finally comes to light and is no longer hidden in the dark rooms of the Swiss banks. Future generations deserve full and unfettered access to this information and it is gratifying that your commitment to this important topic continues.

In the end, it is vital for Congress to demand full accountability from the Swiss banks once and for all, instead of the deception your Committee as well as the Senate Banking Committee encountered for so long. The victims of the Third Reich and their families demand the truth after eight decades of lies and deception from the Swiss banks. They, and history itself, deserve no less.

Sincerely,



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