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To:
Ms. Tamar Efrati
Coordinator for QA
Quality Assessment Division (QAD)
Council for Higher Education
Jerusalem

Dear Ms. Tamar Efrati,

Enclosed please find the responses of Prof. Ephraim Meir, Head of the Department of Mahshevet Yisrael (Jewish Philosophy) to the comments of Prof. David Novak regarding the Implementation of the recommendations of the CHE Evaluation Committee.

"Thanks for sending me the report of the Evaluation Committee of 19 March. My colleagues and I are grateful to the members of the Evaluation Committee who devoted much time and energy in reacting to our responses to their recommendations. Given our move to the Faculty of Jewish Studies, we have now a great opportunity to build interdisciplinary programs between Jewish Thought and other fields of Jewish Studies. We will continue to give our students a strong philosophical background that allows them to develop a scientific-critical attitude towards Jewish texts and ideas. Thanks to the efforts of our Rector, Prof. Haim Taitelbaum, we have now the necessary additional faculty, which makes us the Department of Jewish Thought no. 1 in Israel with a well-rounded program in Jewish Philosophy. Again, we are committed to implement all the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee and thank them wholeheartedly for their profound analysis and most helpful recommendations".

I would also like to thank the CHE committee for the helpful comments and hope to continue to improve the quality of the department in line with these comments.

Sincerely,



Prof. Miriam Faust
Vice Rector

In charge of Quality Evaluation

Cc:
Prof. Haim Taitelbaum, Rector
Prof. Eliezer Tauber, Dean, Faculty of Jewish Studies
Prof. Ephraim Meir, Head of the Department of Mahshevet Yisrael (Jewish Philosophy)