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Recommendation regarding Peter Kovacs Rosenbluth's application for a Claims Conference Film Grant.

The American Civil War was a major event in US history which left its mark that is still felt today. One result was a high degree of anti-Semitism that in 1896 led to the creation of the Hebrew Union Veterans Association, now the Jewish War Veterans of the USA. Its goal was to show the American public that American Jews fought by the thousands on both sides of that bloody conflict.

Using still images and video to create his excellent documentary, "The Jewish 48'ers", Mr. Rosenbluth created a film that tells the history of another group of Jews who fought for freedom in the various European revolutions of 1848 but following their defeat left for a new life in America only to fight in that Civil War on the side of the Union.

His storytelling and the quality of that documentary, provided a previously unknown aspect of the Jew as soldier, and the technical skill he is bringing his new project, "From Heroes to Sentenced," a documentary describing the fate of Central European Jews who fought honorably for their counties in World War I only to meet their fate in the Holocaust shows that Mr. Rosenbluth has the ability and capability to bring to life yet another previously untold story of the Jew as citizen and soldier.

I strongly recommend that he be awarded the grant for which he is applying.

Respectfully,

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