

## KOSHER CONSUMERS UNION - ב"ס "ד

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### RUBASHKIN-AGRI, KOSHER SUPREME Etc.

רמב"ם- "אבל בדברי שמים אם לא חזר בו בסתר מכלימין אותו ברבים ומפרסמים חטאו ומחזרים אותו בפניו ומבזין ומקללין אותו עד שיחזור למוטב", עכ"ל כסף משנה-פשוט

Kosher supervised by KAJ, OU, Lubavitch, Margareten, Zeilingold etc. The OU doesn't employ an onsite Mashgiach, relying totally on KAJ, Why?

Many הר"ה"ג, שליט"א are very disturbed because רבנים has undertaken to give a Hashgocha to AGRI plant without realizing the מכשול.

#### RUBASHKIN-KASHRUS "SYSTEM":

I spent 3 days in the plant a few years ago. It is very disturbing that the RUBASHKIN Management, owners & רבנים מכשירים have no interest in having anything more than basic kashrus standards, e.g.. "רוב, הפסד מרובה" etc. were many of the deciding factors, if that much!

#### "SYSTEM" OF MARKING NEVEILOS:

Rav Kohn (KAJ דיין) was satisfied with a "bluff" system where the shochet flips a light switch which turns on a light near the "בודק" so he'll know that there is a "נבילה". Which one is anybody's guess, as there is a 10-15 minute carcass travel time from the shochet to the bodek.

Note: The lunch, breakfast, coffee breaks are not the same time for the shochet and the bodek, so there are times that no bodek is there when the shochet flips the light switch.

The KAJ דיין claimed the whole time that the system is foolproof. Let me therefore quote from an October 31<sup>st</sup>, 1991 RUBASHKIN letter to the USDA inspector, "The system we have now to identify (miscuts=Neveilos) is not foolproof, for the mis-cuts we have daily". I was therefore forced to circumvent the Rav Hamachshir הר"ה"ג ר' חיים קאהן, שליט"א (KAJ דיין) by going to the USDA in Washington, DC to have the "נבילות" properly marked.

I personally videoed that when an animal was still very much alive (after shechita) they *shot it in the brain* right away & it was used as a kosher animal. It is an accepted practice by all רבנים המכשירים NOT to use such an animal.

#### Qualification of the Rav Hamachshir:

הרה"ג הרב מ. ניושלאס, זצוק"ל called me down to his house & wanted to know what I could tell him of personal experiences I had with ר' חיים קאהן (KAJ דיין) in Kashrus. I inquired of הר"ה"ג הרב מ. ניושלאס, זצוק"ל why he wants to

know? The last words he told me at that conversation were "ציר ח"ס קאפן א'ס א"ן גרוסער ק'ל א"ן אלע צנינים פון יצנות".

#### RUBASHKIN-BAIS-YOSEF system "BLUFF":

NOTE: For Sephardim non Bais-Yosef is "TREIF".

Rubashkin's so called "בית יוסף" meat is all a "BLUFF". The RUBASHKIN רב המכשיר is of the stated opinion that all of RUBASHKIN meat is "בית יוסף" & that nobody really knows what is or is not בית יוסף meat. RUBASHKIN commonly send to caterers so called בית יוסף meat for Sephardim and there will be 1 or 2 pieces marked accordingly "בית יוסף" & the rest isn't "בית יוסף".

In a recent episode, RUBASHKIN sent out a בית יוסף order that had only 1 piece marked AGRI style בית יוסף, it was sent back by the Mashgiach for a replacement order of all בית יוסף. RUBASHKIN sent the replacement order, all marked & labeled as בית יוסף. The Mashgiach refused it 'cause he put secret "markings" on the previous order, and discovered that Rubashkin sent them the same identical order again "re-labeled" בית יוסף "AGRI style". Rubashkin's so called בית יוסף meat is a consumer bluff!

It is a common RUBASHKIN practice to ship meat & poultry without the required "חותמות". When calls are made to complain & question it, they say דיין Kohn will look into it, but you may use it. "There really is NO heter!"

#### RUBASHKIN-ניקור "System":

The system at RUBASHKIN is that non-Jews do the physical "ניקור" which is then checked by the "משגיח". The RUBASHKIN רב המכשיר was shown that the "משגיח לניקור" physically can't handle the load and some meat goes by without being checked. He responded "there isn't enough full time work for 2 people, only for 1 1/2 people & we can't hire half a person so we'll leave it with one Mashgiach till there is enough work for two full time people". Therefore, too often "NON-MINUKER" meat is shipped to caterers. Most customers don't know enough about ניקור-so they unknowingly use it & don't complain, so we don't even become aware of most of the tragic episodes.

#### RATIO OF KOSHER "system":

The quality of RUBASHKIN's cattle is the cheapest available in the market (per USDA inspector, "low grade") yet they have the highest ratio of "Kosher, Glatt, Bet Yosef" (including their veal) than most others. (\$\$).

#### INTIMIDATION OF SHOICHTIM "SYSTEM":

The RUBASHKIN plant has a creative way of getting kosher production up by their שוחטים ומשגיחים. If the שוחט is a production machine then RUBASHKIN pays the tuition, otherwise the שוחט must pay his own tuition for his children etc. They use other "intimidation-shtik" also.

A number of **רבנים המכשירים** rightfully insist that their kosher certified caterers kasher the kitchen equipment if any Rubashkin (including KOSHER SUPREME) products were used prior to their certified caterer's cooking there.

RUBASHKIN = **KOSHER STYLE**: There is much more to write as to why their products aren't for a "Frum Tzibur". I can't say its all Treif, but it's **Kosher style**" like 999, *Hebrew National*, *Rubashkin* .

#### **A MAJOR RUBASHKIN PROBLEM:**

Another major problem **strictly** with RUBASHKIN's beef operation is the following: RUBASHKIN owns the slaughterhouse and doesn't have sufficient access to get rid of their "טרופה" meat competitively. Rubashkin therefore made a deal with large Supermarket chains to take off their hands as much **טרופה** meat as possible, so Rubashkin will give them a special deal on the Kosher AARON'S meat. RUBASHKIN therefore has a tremendous \$\$\$ incentive to **designate** as much meat as possible as **kosher/Glatt** versus not kosher etc.

The "system of kashrus" in the RUBASHKIN plant is "**Don't have any system**" so it'll be impossible for anyone to catch & track all of the kashrus problems.

#### **What others say!**

There are many other **רבנים** who also have personal knowledge of the RUBASHKIN operation & I don't think any of them would disagree with the above conclusions.

#### **RAV WEISMANDEL'S INSPECTION & COMMENTS:**

, **מנחם מאיר ווייסמנדל**, **רה"ג ר' מנחם מאיר ווייסמנדל**, Shlita told me a few years ago (2-3?) that he was in the RUBASHKIN plant and was very unhappy. I do recall one very disturbing episode that he told me.

The RUBASHKIN plant retains as their **ראש / בודק** none other than **רב זיידעף** who worked for years for the Israeli Rabanut. **רב זיידעף** is working for RUBASHKIN for many years as the expert **בודק** etc. and gets compensated accordingly (more than the **שוב"ס**). The Israeli *Bodek-Chutz* Rav Zeidoff was removing a lung sircha by pulling in a way that the **פרי מגדים** declares as unacceptable and "Treif".

**רב ווייסמנדל** asked shockingly!

"Gevald", w-h-a-t a-r-e y-o-u d-o-i-n-g-?"

He responded "you will see it wouldn't leak with warm water". The **בודק** put in the air-hose and put in just a little bit of air (*not enough even to fill the lung, let alone blow up the lung as required*) and put on warm water "see it doesn't leak". **רה"ג ר' מנחם מאיר ווייסמנדל** took the air-hose and started blowing up the lung as

required, at that point the bodek-chutz took his knife and made a **cut** into the lung & said **יעצט בלאז די לינג**. **Note**: Once the lung is **CUT** it is impossible to blow up the lung to check it. "**מאכיל נבילות וטרופות**"!

**רב זיידעף** The expert Bodek is still working at Rubashkin for **רב ווייסמנדל** Supreme kosher.

**RAV WEISMANDEL'S's CHANGES:** I sent a fax to **ר' מנחם מאיר ווייסמנדל**, Shlita a few weeks ago asking what changes did he make in the plant & what changes he still intends to do? His response was that it's all internal, that he doesn't want to put anything in writing but I could call him. The **רב** also will not share his reports about what is going on in the kashrus Department of the Rubashkin plant. I don't understand what is the big secret of changes in an unacceptable Shechita? Unless of course no significant changes are made, then his response all adds up \$\$\$.  
In a food manufacturing facility such as a flavor house there are confidential ingredients & processes, but in a Shechita? The mere fact that there are secrets in a "schechita" is a serious concern in itself. When I once asked **ר' מנחם מאיר ווייסמנדל** if he would use Lubavitcher Shochtim? Rav Weismandel responded "לכתחילה" not, but otherwise ..... nu nu.

**רב ווייסמנדל** recently advised numerous individuals that the Rubashkin plant in general is set up beautifully, but he made some minor insignificant changes in the Agri plant, e.g. a larger chiller was installed. Is it possible that **רה"ג רב ווייסמנדל** missed the plant's overwhelming kashrus problems. **על חטא...ובלא יודעים**. Are all of us somehow being misled?

**Kashrus should not be a matter of price & convenience, as "טימטום הלב" is a very dear price to pay.**

#### **"SPECIAL PRODUCTION (label) -BLUFF"!**

In the practical world it is impossible to make a special production at RUBASHKIN! "Why"? In order to have an acceptable special kosher production you need certain requirements, among them are the following; a) that we consider the standard production as a **NON-ACCEPTABLE** production **אפילו בדיעבד**,

b) That the owners & management must have an interest in producing a truly "special kosher production", which both of the above are not applicable to the RUBASHKIN plant. It is sad, but the fact is that the RUBASHKIN management thrives in doing "געשעפט" with the "nar'ashe" consumer.

### SWITCHING LABELS? ?

I asked Rubashkin to install a bar-code system in order to keep track of each animal after it's cut up to know if it's נמלח, כשר, גלאט, בית יוסף, מנוקר, etc, besides the elimination of the stealing of carcasses from the plant. We know why they refused to install such a system; because they can't switch labels for their convenience.

RUBASHKIN commonly switches labels, as it was found on numerous occasions that on top of a non-Glatt label was stuck on a Glatt label, 'cause they were short for an order.

The Non-Jewish RUBASHKIN truck drivers have in their possession a box of different kosher labels to put on to boxes of meat as per a store's request (*I have 1 of those boxes of labels that I saw fall off a truck*).

### MARGARETEN SPECIAL PRODUCTION =labels

The MARGARETEN brand ( by Rubashkin) is a "SPECIAL PRODUCTION", yet, the cuts of meat that the MARGARETEN does NOT accept, are commonly available with Margareten "label" especially wholesale. The "Nar'asher" consumer accepts MARGARETEN product.

### Rubashkin-special production- New Rav Hamachshir:

The Shoichtim, Bodkim-were the regulars. The Nikur, salting etc- regular unacceptable system. *Oi, I almost forgot, "Special production" labels were used.*

### Rubashkin Business plan:

The "Nara'sher" consumer (and our רבני המכשירים) know that the plant always utilizes the same kashrus standards, but the "nara'sher" consumer wants a "special-label", so we'll give them a label they feel comfortable with. צצר סוחר פריט זיק וזן צצר נר קואט אין אארק !

Rubashkin decided recently to utilize רב ווייסמנדל as the plant's additional Hashgocha by utilizing the so called "Special production-label", façade. רב ווייסמנדל, Shlita evidently doesn't see the "set-up", therefore others are taking a fresh look at רב ווייסמנדל standards being utilized in his other Hashgochas. אונז פון פונזריט אונז סופציק טוויט באאלאר א אר, גייט נשט צו פוס.

It is a shame that the RUBASHKINs are utilizing the tactic of offering large sums of money to רבנים ומוסדות to get their unacceptable meat products to be used by the ציבור.

The worst scenario in kashrus has always been dealing with a "שקרן". We are confronted with individuals who have a keen ability to utilize additional lies to cover previous ones.

### HASHGOCHAS IN GENERAL:

A השגחה shouldn't automatically become one's "פוסק". A השגחה should present the facts pertaining to kashrus, so each רב can decide for his constituents if it is acceptable.

### "מפני מה נכנס יהוד-ה"....?

A few years ago (when he was going up in kashrus) I asked רב Shlita "הרה"ג ר' מנחם מאיר ווייסמנדל "what will prevent רב ווייסמנדל from seeing the \$\$\$ Dollars and doing what many others have done in kashrus by lowering their standards?"

רב ווייסמנדל responded "I know that you Rav Shain are on guard for these types of things, so you'll watch me."

**NOTE:** There is absolutely no truth to any statement "that I hung up the phone on רב ווייסמנדל when he called me to discuss Rubashkin!" I just can't give up in bringing this מכשול to the ציבור, "זה התפקיד שלי".

The best thing for the Kosher Consumer is there should be as many kosher purveyors as possible but NOT at the price of Kashrus "חס ושלום".

Every responsible individual in Kashrus is "מתפלל" not to have the "נסיון" of financial gains that outweigh kashrus concerns.

### Rockland Kosher

used to be a very reliable kosher butcher. Now it is selling the RUBASHKIN products unbeknown to the Consumer (Where is "חשן משפט" ?) therefore it is time to find other sources for your meats & poultry. The owner of Rockland kosher is the "ראש הקהל" of כת-וויניץ. I don't know him personally, therefore, any רבנים who can have a "השפעה" on him that he shouldn't carry Rubashkin, would be a "מסיר מכשול דרבים."

As stated, some רבנים מכשירים require their caterers prior to making the affair, to kasher all facilities that used Rubashkin products. The Sephardim especially must now find a new source for their בית יוסף meat products as well, including cold cuts etc. We are cognizant of the inconvenience this causes to the educated kosher consumer.

"...Pick up a phone to רבנים & to your constituents, mispalilim, Caterers & to the owner of Rockland kosher-845-425-2266 Fax 845-425-2371 etc. One should therefore not purchase anything at Rockland Kosher, in Monsey, NY

We must be very astute & realize that we are dealing with individuals who have absolutely no problem in stating an outright lie without blinking. They may make false claims, don't be misled.

The statement that רב ווייסמנדל is not utilizing Lubavitch Shoichtim or that some שוחטים wives have shaved their heads (like they do in India) for financial reasons (even if you believe them) etc is all irrelevant to the acceptance of the finished product in a Heimishe home. Don't be the "nar'asher" consumer they cater to.

### PETA pictures!

I'm sure that you are familiar with the PETA Organization that wants to ban שחיטה in the USA.

Among some of the serious concerns that appear in their pictures is the removal of the **קנה** / trachea immediately after the Shechita. The information that we have obtained are from sources that must remain anonymous for obvious reasons is as follows; (**שוחטים**) **ובודקים** may be unaware of the true reason it's done).

In order to overcome the shortage of kosher & Glatt animals, Agri & KAJ's **דיין** have opted to utilize some uncommon avenues that are nevertheless brought in Halacha, e.g. "**נעבד הריאה**", an animal / "goy" damaged the lung, besides the standard "**הפסד מרובה**" etc.

The **ריאה** / lung in an animal is an organ that constantly expands & contracts in the cavity of the animal. The **ריאה** is a relatively free-hanging organ attached to the animal mostly by the tissue & muscle of the **קנה** / trachea, and slightly to other areas by some membranes. Once one cuts the supporting tissue & muscles around the **קנה** it is basically detached easily from the animal with a good pull or via a meat hook.

**שחיטה** while the animal is still in the shechita position, a non-jewish worker (the **שוחט** leaves the room) utilizes an 8 inch (approx) knife to enlarge the opening around the **קנה** / trachea & also cutting into the "diaphragm/**טרפס** area. He then use a meat-hook to grab & pull the **קנה**/trachea a few inches & cutting off the **קנה**/trachea near the lung.

The concerns are that by making the cut along the diaphragm / **טרפס** area & around the trachea one may (in)advertently also puncture the lung. The knife is inserted quite deeply into the neck area thereby risking cutting the **סירכות** of the upper lung lobes. **שמלה חדשה**

Another serious concern is that by hooking & pulling on the trachea it will rip and dislodge the **סירכות** / adhesions that go from the lung to the **צלעות** and / or also some **סירכות** on the lung itself and then having the \$\$ opportunity to call it Glatt or at least kosher.

After the above procedures, it is practically impossible to check the lungs properly for Glatt or **סירכות**. First of all, the trachea which is utilized to blow up the lung is gone, as it was cut off. Second of all, there may be in all likelihood a cut in the lung from the knife used to enlarge the area to facilitate the removal of the trachea. Thirdly, there are no **סירכות** per se. At AGRI the **בודק פנים** has a paper with the shape of a lung that is marked for the **בודק חוץ**. ONLY places that are marked on the diagram are checked visually.

The Rabanut of Israel that did unknowingly on & off permit Rubashkin products, now has banned them. Now you know the rest of the story "why they forcibly remove the **קנה** / trachea right after **שחיטה**".

One **רב המכשיר** is attempting to cover himself by claiming by his "kosher supreme" (labeled!) shechita they only cut off part of the trachea without hooking & pulling. A good try, if it would only be half true.

The reasons given by some plant **רבנים** for removing the trachea including ; blood-shot prevention, less pain to the animal, removal of the sweet breads etc may be true. Nevertheless, all of the serious **מכשולים** & severe kashrus consequences must take precedence.

The "Weinberg-pen" allows a **שחיטה מונחת**, which is the preferred method of **שחיטה** throughout history. The design of this pen's head restrainer is not proper. The metal bar should come way below the neck's **שחיטה** area. The **שוחט** is obviously afraid of nicking his knife on the metal bar, so he must do a controlled **שחיטה** with 7-8 **הולכות והובאות** (a possibility of **שהייה** exists). An experienced **שוחט** utilizes 1-2 **הולכות והובאות**. Because of this "controlled-cut" the **שוחט** obviously is not severing all of the arteries, requiring an unacceptable "2nd cut". Severing all neck arteries causes an almost immediate total collapse of the animal.

Additionally, the **שוחט**, if he is right handed, should be standing on the right side of the animal, & a lefty on the left side (facing the head), thereby enabling a wide open cut including severing of all of the arteries. Electric prods are not a tool to be used at all prior to a kosher slaughter. The **שוחט** should always disable the hydraulic head control while he's doing the **שחיטה** so the operator can't unintentionally move the head.

Some 6-7 months ago a **שוחט** from a prominent "Torah-community" was invited to see the beautiful "Rubashkin system" of **שחיטה**. He was impressed by the "show" (**הצגה**). Now when the **שוחט** saw the PETA pictures he was aghast! While he was there they weren't ripping tracheas, animals weren't walking, thrashing around after the **שחיטה** etc. "I was taken for a ride! How can I believe "anything" I saw?" The Israeli Rabanut's representatives claim they never saw many of the unacceptable items depicted on the PETA pictures. I guess ARK, Kehila, KCL, Chaim Berlin etc. weren't concerned about these unacceptable practices, As the **רבה מורים ואין הרבה פרי מגדים בפתחה** says **הרבה מורים ואין הרבה פרי מגדים בפתחה**. Not every one who pretends to be a **מומחה** is

indeed a **מומחה**. As the saying goes the **שוחט** has 1 knife for the **שחיטה** & another one for the **רובל**.  
The **חתם סופר**, **צוק"ל** says that his Rabbinical Court always visited the **שחיטה** unannounced (NO appointments) **בכל יום יהיו בגדיך לבנים וכו'**

After I visited a **בית השחיטה** (with an appointment) & reported my findings to **הרה"ג ר' משה פיינשטיין**, **צוק"ל**, Reb Moshe instructed me to go back a second time but this time "go without an appointment" and report back as to what changes, if any, I observe? I returned to Reb Moshe after the visit, and explained the significant changes that I observed from "with an appointment to without an appointment". He instructed me **לצל"ח** **שנאור קאטלר אין א"ן מאמץ אל ד' ש'יה לאו צו נשט נוצן אפילו אוו צו אל א הפסד ארובה**.

In a **בית השחיטה** significant changes can be instituted at short notice, therefore a **שחיטה** should have (within reason) an open door policy. **וד"ל**

One Kosher certifier prides itself that at none of their certified **שחיטות** do they have any of the Rubashkin problems. Nevertheless they approved their certified establishments to purchase Rubashkin beef, provided that they do some additional *nikur*. Rubashkin did the required additional *nikur*, but they did the *nikur* after the salting. NOTE: *Nikur* is properly done prior to the salting process.

The **משגיח** who notified the kosher certifier that the additional required *nikur* it is being done (against their guidelines) was "fired" Rubashkin's **רב המכשיר** style, even though he had a large family **קע"ה** & no other **פרנסה**. Now mashgichim & shoichtim know the rules (even a fish wouldn't be in trouble if he kept his mouth shut).

Have no doubt for a moment that the **שובי"ם** are under strict orders to adhere to the **חז"ל** of **שתיקה**.

It's common for the Rubashkin plant to slaughter on **ערב שבת** **וי"ט וחיה"מ**, when do they do the *nikur* & salting? after 3 days, or the non-Jews do it? (They have the kosher-labels!)

It is grave enough that one should seriously consider kashering their utensils. We have no doubt that many Rabonim **מבקשי האמת** are advising their constituents to kasher their keilim without making a "tumult".

The Margareten, Rav Weismandel, Rav Hatchuel, Lubavitch, KAJ, Zeilingold, Spiegel, Steinmetz etc are going to claim they each have a "special-run" & aren't involved in the regular production. One of the

problems is that none of the workers in the plant are aware of any special productions & procedures "bluff", only "which label to attach".

**DON'T FOR A MOMENT BELIEVE ANY ADS THAT STATE "their-Special production" IS DIFFERENT.**

שמלה חדשה- הסכמת אחרונים- אצל לנטע כדי שינתקו הסירכות ע"י נענוע, אין להקל בשום מקום, דאין אנו בקיאין האך היא הנענוע, ובמקומות שנהגו לאסור בכל סירכות, אפילו ניתקת בקל או ע"י נפחת הריאה, מנהגא הוא - ואין להקל להם.

פרי חדש בשם תשובות רד"ז - נהגו בקלת מקומות: . . . תופס בקנה ומושך אותו למעלה זכה, [meat hook] וכן ללדדים. ולריך שיעשה באופן שזרור שלא יהיה סירכות מנתקות בתנועה זו, ואין לעשות כן כי אם במקום שנהגו.

יש ליזהר שלא להניח אלל העכו"ם צין שחיטה לצדיקה בלא שומר, דשמא [קח\*] יכניס העכו"ם ידו וינתק הסירכות. אצל אם רגילין העכו"ם צכך, אסורה אפילו צדיעצד מן [שך] הסתם, דהוה ליה כמצטל תקנת הצדיקה. ( וצספר דמשק אליעזר: דאפילו צטצה ישראל יש לחוש לכתחילה, אם יש עליו חששא קלת, עכ"ל)

מטה אשר [קח\*] יכניס. ר"ל שיכניס ידו דרך בית הלואר וינתק הסירכות במקום שידו מגעת, ויש ליזהר בזה אף צטצחי ישראל כל אשר לא אמון צם, כתצ צשלחן גצוה: דהוא הנהיג צירושלם תוצצ"א, שלא יכניס הנכרי סכינו קודם הצדיקה דרך הגרון לחתוך סציצ הקנה והושט, כדי שיהיה נוח לו להוציא הריאה, דשמה יכתוך חיזה סירכה שצאוות עליונות.

כף החיים-אות לה' וז"ל וסיים דהצצר תלוי על מי שיש צידו למחות לצטל המנהג הרע הזה ואם אין ידם משנת השוחט הצודק יטריף אותה צידים ואין צזה משום אוסר את המותר יעו"ש

שמלה חדשה- וכל שאינו נזהר בכל זה, הוא מאכיל טריפות לישראל. ולכן אין למנות כי אם צודק כשר וירא ה'.

מטה אשר- ולא יטעה עלמו ע"י רמאות הנופת, שהאדימו פניו והוא כסיר נפות, ורוח לפוני"ת אינה מנשבת.

עיין ג"כ בר"ן, בדרכי תשובה- וכו'. ודעת קדושים, בית דוד, ספרי מהרש"ם ועוד..... בנוגע להחששות החמורות הנ"ל, ר"ל, וד"ל.

There are many additional sources to quote but we only quoted a few to provide a basis of some concerns. At Agri all of the above concerns are being violated, in addition to the **ניקור, מליחה, בשר שנתעלם, חותמות** problems that are deliberately out of control, therefore one should be **מה דר** and kasher their **כלים**.

On **הנוכה** a number of **רבניס מכשירס** unjustly publicized a misleading ad. The ad was intended to proclaim that the **שחיטה** shown on the PETA pictures was considered basically kosher. But the **מכשול לרבים** that the **פחו כמים** ad caused is incomprehensible. The ad also indicated at least to the kosher consumer that the system of **שחיטה & kashrus** at AGRI-Rubashkin is at an acceptable standard, without ever visiting the plant & observing first hand.

The **רבנים** that signed should have known the **מכשול לרבים** this ad may cause. They should have addressed their letter of approval to the plant, USDA & PETA only, not to the **ציבור** at large .

It is known to many of the **חותמים** that there are many serious problems at Rubashkin (regardless of whose label is attached) from the **שוחטים** through the actual **חותמות, בשר שנתעלם, וכו'. ניקור, מליחה, בדיקות, שחיטה**

**Rubashkin's "Kosher Supreme" under רב הרה"ג** proclaimed **ווייסמנדל, שליט"א**

**\$\$\$ Mission accomplished \$\$\$!**

**The cold facts & the basic הלכה verdict, "It was a mission impossible, that failed the טימטום הלב resulting in ! ציבור החרדי**

"Learn how to withstand animosity, and to weather unpopularity, and carry on the struggle, to uphold Hashem's ideals". **הרב שמעון שוואב, זצוק"ל**

**ר' שרגא פייוול מענדעלאוויץ ז"ל** writes—"I accuse the very great **רבנים מכשירים** don't you see what has become of our youth? Don't you know that our children have become gamblers, gangsters, candidates for the electric chair, etc only because they've been raised on **"נבילות וטריפות ר"ל**"

"However, there is a conspiracy of silence with respect to 'Treif' meat sold under the seal of unqualified, so-called 'Rabbis', who affix a totally worthless seal of approval...., perhaps, they are unwilling to demean the honor of the Rabbinate". ..The honor of the Rabbis is

also dear to me, but the honor of the Torah, which is relegated to the ash heap, and the honor of the truth, which is trampled underfoot are much more dear to me—and *where there is desecration of G-D's name, we do not give honor to the Rabbis.*"

**הרב שרגא פייוול מענדעלאוויץ, זצוק"ל**

Fellow Jews, have you no fear for the great and terrible Day of Judgment? In that day you will no longer be able to come up with excuses (e.g. "I didn't know") or with a shrug of the shoulder. (R' Shraga Feivel Mendelowitz Z"L)

The **ע"פ מסורת** has been guided all the years **עם ישראל**. We are being confronted lately with others who are attempting to side track us from the **מסורת**, claiming that in our day & age we can be a **מחדש**. They don't realize that **חדש אסור מן התורה (ח"ס)**.

Once one sidesteps the **מסורת**, history has shown time & again they ultimately become **ר"ל מינים ואפיקורסים**. To give a **השגחה** to a plant that has always skirted our **מסורת** is being negligent in preserving **כלל ישראל** existence.

*"The truth must be heard, even if the public does not like the sound of it, whatever the circumstances, regardless of consequences, the truth must be stated-loudly, clearly and unequivocally".*

**הרה"ג ר' אהרן קוטלר, זצוק"ל**

Kosher consumers shouldn't consider Rubashkin as an acceptable product just because a "Torah-community" based kosher certifying agency allows Rubashkin products. They allow questionable products due to a general lack of **סיעתא דשמיא**.

Among those who encouraged me to go into the field of kashrus were **רה"ג ר' שניאור קוטלר, ר' יעקב קמיניצקי, ר' משה פיינשטיין** בע"ה סיעתא דשמיא ב"ה זוכה & I was therefore **זצוק"ל**, in the field of kashrus.

**The bottom line is, the KAJ's דיין קאהן in conjunction with the Rubashkin's orchestrated all of the problems. Now they also employ רב הרה"ג the Rav of Nitra (who is a prominent member of התאחדות הרבנים) to join them in furthering the deception of the חרדי.**

**ו' צ' ע' / , אשרה בטבת תשס"ה**