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Rabbi Leima Minkowitz
President
Beth Rivkah Schools
310 Crown Street
Brooklyn, New York 11225

Dear Rabbi Minkowitz:

Thank you for your response to our letter regarding your institution's request for religious exemption from Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972.

The Office for Civil Rights (OCR) of the Department of Education sent you a letter on September 27, 1985, explaining that your institution is exempt from the admissions and recruitment provisions of the regulation implementing Title IX. The institution does not need a religious exemption to the admissions and recruitment provisions at Subpart C, for which it had applied, because of the exemption provided for private elementary, secondary and undergraduate institutions at 34 C.F.R. § 106.15.

On October 23, 1985, you informed OCR headquarters staff, by telephone, that no further exemption was necessary, and you withdrew the institution's request for religious exemption. Accordingly, the Office for Civil Rights has closed the religious exemption request file for Beth Rivkah Schools.

An institution may request a religious exemption from the regulation implementing Title IX at any time. Your decision to withdraw the request does not affect a determination by OCR regarding any future religious exemption request you may submit. If you have any questions in the future regarding religious exemption, please do not hesitate to contact the New York Regional Office for Civil Rights. The address is:

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Office for Civil Rights, Region II
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Sincerely yours,

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Office for Civil Rights

cc: Stanley Seidenfeld, Acting Regional Civil Rights Director, Region II