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To The District Court Vilnius, Lithuania

I have viewed the current version of Saulius Berzinis's film "Petrified time" on the Holocaust in Sheduva, Lithuania. It is aesthetically a magnificently produced film. I cannot remember seeing any other film of a "Shtetl" in Lithuania, that so accurately captured the physicality and intellectual mood of what a Lithuanian town once looked like in contrast to what it looks like today in its modern form. Saulius Berzinis is a cinematic artist and filmmaker perhaps without peer in modern Lithuania. His study of Sheduva is a major contribution to both art and history.

Sincerely yours,

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