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In Memoriam, Ambassador Richard Schifter

It is with deep sadness that we must inform you that our beloved founder and Chairman, Ambassador Richard Schifter, passed away on Saturday, October 3rd at the age of 97. During his long and eventful life, Ambassador Schifter touched and impacted the lives of millions of people. Before he founded and led AJIRI, he made historic contributions to the United States, to the Jewish People, and to humanity. His work on behalf of human rights is recognized all over the globe. As a soldier, attorney, diplomat and public servant, he made the world a better place in many ways. His tireless and dynamic work on behalf of AJIRI's unique mission continued literally through his final days. Our merger with B'nai B'rith International, which was very important to him, will insure that his legacy and his work will continue. While his life's work on such a grand scale in so many areas will be long remembered and appreciated, to those of us who worked with him and knew him personally, his qualities as a stellar human being, and as a kind, decent man, a role model, and personal inspiration will shine even more brightly.

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