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Description

This collection contains material pertaining to the life, career, and activities of Henri Temianka, violin virtuoso, conductor, music teacher, and author. Materials include correspondence, concert programs and flyers, music scores, photographs, and books.

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September 6, 1984

Letter to the Editor
Los Angeles Times
Times Mirror Square
Los Angeles, California 90053

Dear Sir:

I do not believe that race and politics should be allowed to dictate the choice of concert programs. Neither do I believe in half-told stories. After reporting the New York Philharmonic's cancellation of its concerts in Malaysia because officials there objected to the inclusion of a work by the Jewish composer Ernest Bloch, the Times, in its Calendar Section on Wednesday, September 5, reports that the orchestra's concerts in Thailand did not include Bloch's music. The casual reader is likely to conclude that Zubin Mehta did some hasty back-pedaling. This is hardly Zubin's style. Since Malaysia objected to one Jewish composer, Mehta scheduled three of them in Thailand, namely Leonard Bernstein, Aaron Copland and George Gershwin.

I can think of no better way to "heal political differences."

Yours sincerely,

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HENRI TEMIANKA

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