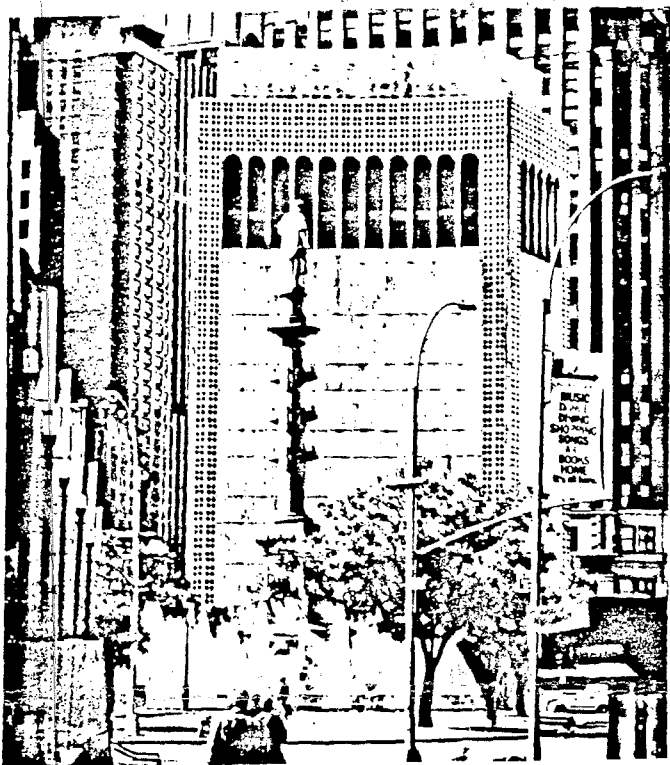
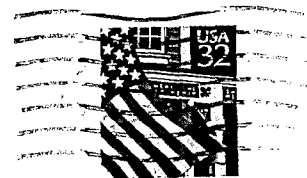
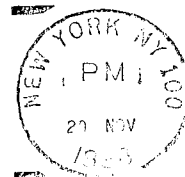


Whether the site, 2 Columbus Circle, retains the existing structure or is used to build a 30-story hotel will effect all the residents of the area. Congestion is now unbearable around Columbus Circle. Traffic doesn't move. Fire engines and ambulances just stand with sirens blasting. Added development only makes things worse. New York City has a problem with air quality and with sewage plants that run over capacity. We need less density and thorough planning for the future development and infrastructure of our City.



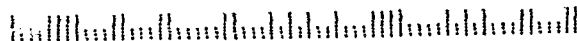
DONALD TRUMP  
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COMMITTEE FOR ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND DEVELOPMENT INC.

November 18, 1998

Dear Friends,

This needs your immediate attention.

The City intends to dispose of 2 Columbus Circle, the Huntington Hartford Museum, by the end of the year. There are two proposals the City is now considering, either Donald Trump or the Dahesh Museum. The Museum which has a world class collection of 19<sup>th</sup> century classical art, will preserve the existing Edward Durell Stone structure.

There are many individuals, civic and preservation organizations who think landmarking is in order, such as Hugh Hardy, noted architect, Robert A. M. Stern, Dean of the Yale School of Architecture, and the Historic Districts Council. If the City chooses Dahesh, the building will be preserved. Among the many supporters of the Dahesh in the Art world are such notables as Brooke Astor, James Draper, curator, Metropolitan Museum of Art and Mary Ann Stevens, curator, Royal Academy in London. ←

The City was given 2 Columbus Circle by Gulf and Western in the mid-seventies. It is a building of imaginative and unique design (some call it a gem) that is ideally suited to the plot made by the cross streets. The interior was designed as an art museum and a world class museum wishes to acquire it. New Yorkers overwhelmingly want to retain the structure and use it for its intended purpose. Financial gain should not be the only concern of the City Administration. Furthermore, the City has already sold too much real estate. Too many zoning changes have been made to accommodate overpowering skyscrapers.

Our elected officials have written letters in support of the Museum. (See page 2 of this newsletter.) What we need now is for individual citizens to write to the City administration and all the newspapers and talk shows expressing their preference. Write a long letter or a one-liner. "Please select the Dahesh Museum as the next occupant of 2 Columbus Circle."

Write to:

Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, City Hall, New York, NY 10007

Randy Levine, Deputy Mayor, City Hall, New York, NY 10007

Joseph Rose, Director of City Planning, 22 Reade Street, New York, NY 10007

Charles Millard, Director, Economic Development Corp,  
110 William Street, New York, NY 10038

This is not only a matter of aesthetics, but also one of development overkill and suffocating density.

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November 18, 1998  
Dear Mayor Giuliani:

We are writing about the disposition of property at 2 Columbus Circle.

It has come to our attention that the site is now actively under consideration for sale by the City to one of two bidders, and that the City intends to make a decision soon. We respectfully ask that the elected officials and Columbus Circle Tri-Board Task force be briefed on what is currently being considered for the site and have an opportunity to respond before a decision is made.

We would like to see the building at the site preserved. Many believe it should be landmarked. We feel the building should house a worthy cultural institution, as it was originally intended to do. We understand that the Dahesh Museum has submitted such a proposal.

We look forward to your response.

Very truly yours,

Assembly Member Richard N. Gottfried  
Assembly Member Scott Stringer  
State Senator Franz Leichter  
State Senator Catherine Abate

U. S. Representative Jerrold L. Nadler  
U. S. Representative Carolyn Maloney  
Council Member Ronnie Eldridge  
Council Member Thomas K. Duane has sent his  
own long and detailed letter to the Mayor.