

Sar V'gadol Nafal Hayom Hazeh B'Yisroel

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Photo: Maran Rav Chaim ZTVKL signing a letter this week at Agudas Yisroel of America's request, encouraging people to increase their Torah learning this Purim in response to the Ukrainian crisis.

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With broken hearts and tear-filled eyes we must share the terrible news of the petirah of Maran Rav Chaim Kanievsky, *zecher tzaddik v'kadosh l'verachah*. Rav Chaim's influence on the Torah world was unparalleled. He was known widely as the Sar HaTorah and was seen as the preeminent Torah authority and posek acharon for Klal Yisroel.

Mah nomar u'mah nedaber. Rav Chaim's greatness cannot be captured in a few words; our loss is incalculable. This is a time for introspection, when each and every one of us should recognize the special achrayus we have to strengthen ourselves in Torah, to collectively fill in some small measure the terrible void created by the petirah of Maran Rav Chaim.

T'hei nishmaso tzerurah bitzror hachayim.