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**WIESENTHAL CENTER DENOUNCES “SICK” HUMOR WHICH INSULTS
HOLOCAUST VICTIMS IN LEADING ESTONIAN NEWS WEEKLY *EESTI EKSPRESS***

Jerusalem-The Simon Wiesenthal Center expressed a deep sense of disgust in response to a “sick attempt at humor” in the most recent issue of the popular Estonian news weekly *Eesti Ekspress*.

In a statement issued here today by its chief Nazi-hunter, Israel director Dr. Efraim Zuroff, the Center denounced in the strongest terms a fake ad which appeared in the “humor pages” of the magazine with a photograph of concentration camp inmates under the heading: “One, two, three: Dr. Mengele’s diet pills work miracles on you. There were no fatties in Buchenwald.”

According to Zuroff:

“It is incomprehensible that a leading and ostensibly-respectable news weekly in a country which is a member in good standing in the European Union will publish such a perverted attempt at humor at the expense of the Nazis’ millions of victims. Apparently, the editors at *Eesti Ekspress* were disappointed that the Estonian gas company Gas Term Eesti had to remove an ad published less than a month ago, which featured a photo of the entrance to the Auschwitz death camp to advertise their gas products. What can one expect in a country which glorifies its SS veterans and failed to prosecute a single one of its many Nazi collaborators?”