THERE IS THE HOLOCAUST, THE SHOAH,
THE CHURBAN... ALL THAT CAN FIT IN
ONE WORD.

THE ONE THAT FITS IN A TEXTBOOK, OR A BOOK, OR A SPEECH, OR A POSTCARD.

THE ONE THAT FITS IN A FILM, A VISIT TO AUSCHWITZ, OR A MUSEUM.

OR IN YOUR MIND, YOUR HEART...
POSSIBLY IN A FAMILY MEMBER, A
FRIEND.

AND THEN THERE IS THE ONE THAT CANNOT, WILL NOT FIT - THE ONE THAT SCREAMS AS ONE SAYS IN FRENCH "ON N'EN REVIENT PAS!" WHICH MEANS BOTH "ONE DOES NOT COME BACK! " AND "ONE CANNOT BELIEVE IT!"

BELIEF THAT WHAT HAPPENED IS, LIKE ALL TRUTH, BEYOND WORDS, SPEECH AND SLOGANS. BEYOND MUSIC AND BEYOND POETRY.

BARBARIC, INHUMAN, HELL... THE INADEQUACY OF LANGUAGE CONFRONTS US, LIKE A BLACK SUN THAT WOULD BLIND US THE SECOND WE TURN TO IT.