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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

on behalf of JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
UNITED SERVICE FOR NEW AMERICANS



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September 15, 1949

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
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Dear Rabbi Friedman:

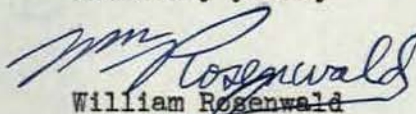
At an Emergency Conference of the United Jewish Appeal held in Washington over the past week-end, representatives of communities throughout the country met to discuss the dangerously critical cash position of the UJA and to determine upon a course of action. Reports from representatives of the Jewish Agency, the Government of Israel, and the United Jewish Appeal, made it appallingly clear that the entire machinery for the absorption of immigration into Israel was at the breaking point because of lack of funds. The leaders present were so deeply stirred by the gravity of the situation that they called upon the Jews of America to take "extraordinary action to meet an extraordinary emergency".

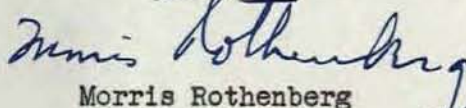
Enclosed herewith are copies of the Resolutions which were adopted by the Conference. To implement those resolutions we must mobilize for action every organized Jewish group in the country in a gigantic effort to stave off disaster. It is our feeling that the Rabbis of America, as the spiritual leaders of the community, will wish to stand in the forefront of this effort.

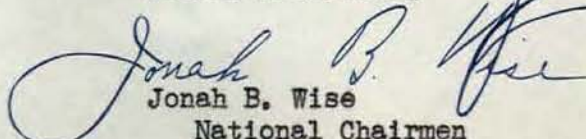
May we urge that during the coming week-end and in the weeks following you call upon the members of your Congregation, as individuals and as a group, to do their share in a crisis as grave as any we have been called upon to meet during the 10 years of the United Jewish Appeal. Following are procedures which would be most helpful at this time: (1) If your community campaign has already been held, we ask you to consult with the campaign officers to determine whether a supplementary effort can be inaugurated by your Congregation during the High Holidays; (2) If your campaign is only starting, to urge all members of the Congregation to make maximum pledges to the campaign, to pay NOW as much as possible in advance of pledges; or if they have already pledged, to pay their pledges in full.

We must count on your help at a time when the very survival of Israel is at stake. Life and death are the issues which we are called upon to resolve. No haste can be too great, no effort too large in order to halt disaster before it comes. Please let us know what you and your Congregation can do in this emergency.

Sincerely yours,


William Rosenwald


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EMERGENCY NATIONAL CONFERENCE - UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
WASHINGTON, D. C. SEPTEMBER 10-11, 1949

RESOLUTION ON CASH CRISIS

Today the economic foundations of Israel are endangered because the resources required for the absorption of the vast immigration have not been made available. We American Jews must shoulder our full share of responsibility in this common enterprise.

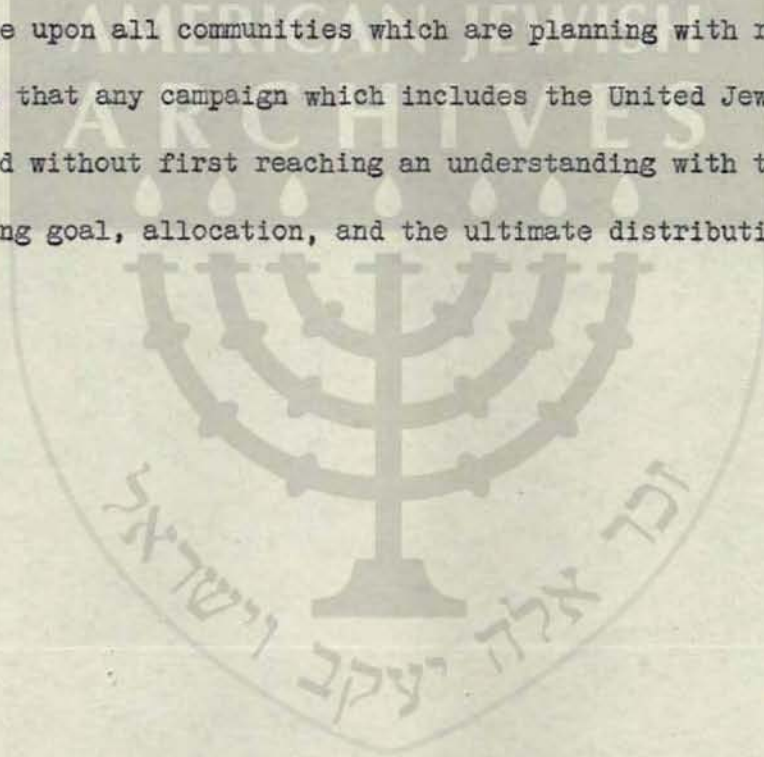
Having heard a detailed description of the financial plight of the agencies concerned with immigration into Israel and of the other agencies of the United Jewish Appeal at the Emergency National Conference of the United Jewish Appeal held in Washington, D. C. on September 10th-11th, 1949, we, the delegates assembled, call upon the Jewish community of America to take extraordinary action to meet an extraordinary emergency.

Because the life and death of individuals is at stake, we call upon every contributor to translate his pledge into cash immediately. We call upon the communities of America to mobilize all contributors for an extraordinary cash collection in order to meet the critical financial position arising from this immigration into Israel. We urge every community to provide for the United Jewish Appeal within the coming weeks the total amount that would be intended for the United Jewish Appeal as a result of the 1949 campaigns and to achieve that objective not only through cash collections but through borrowings from banks, individuals and every other source possible.

Because of the inadequacy of funds available to the United Jewish Appeal to meet critical needs, we urge all Jewish communities to conduct supplementary campaigns for the United Jewish Appeal, wherever feasible.

Wherever allotments to the United Jewish Appeal have already been made, we urge that they be reviewed and reconsidered in consultation with representatives of the United Jewish Appeal so that full consideration may be given to the critical emergency needs of the United Jewish Appeal. We urge upon all communities which have not yet made allotments for 1949 to defer such decision until representatives of the United Jewish Appeal have had an opportunity of presenting its needs, to the end that a mutually satisfactory understanding may be reached with regard to the United Jewish Appeal.

We urge upon all communities which are planning with respect to 1949 or 1950 campaigns that any campaign which includes the United Jewish Appeal shall not be launched without first reaching an understanding with the United Jewish Appeal regarding goal, allocation, and the ultimate distribution of funds raised.



EMERGENCY NATIONAL CONFERENCE - UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
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RESOLUTION ON 1950 CAMPAIGN

In view of the urgent nature of the problems facing the American Jewish community in relation to its tasks in Israel, Europe and the United States, we strongly urge upon all American Jewish communities that as regards any planning for 1950 they refrain from making any commitments, including those relating to capital funds, until after the National Conference of the United Jewish Appeal on November 25, 1949, shall have been held.

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November 3, 1950

Rabbi Herbert Friedman
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Dear Rabbi Friedman:

Although Mr. Fishzohn or I will talk to you today concerning the new program of the United Jewish Appeal in relation to the Conference which was held in Washington last week, we feel that you will want to have a copy of the resolution concerning it as soon as possible.

I am, therefore, enclosing a copy of this resolution and the Statement of Principles which were unanimously adopted. More extensive material will be in your hands early next week.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Avis Shulman

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GENERAL CHAIRMAN, UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, 165 WEST 46TH STREET, NEW YORK 19, N. Y.

November 8, 1950

Dear Rabbi Friedman:

You have undoubtedly received reports of the inspiring National Planning Conference for Israel and Jewish Rehabilitation which was held a few days ago in Washington. At this meeting more than 1,200 representatives of the Jewish communities of America and of the 45 major national Jewish organizations unanimously adopted resolutions calling for implementation of a four-point three-year program to aid Israel with a billion dollars for the immigration of 600,000 additional Jews by 1953.

The first and most immediately attainable objective projected by the Conference was an effort to bring together \$50,000,000 in cash from the communities for the United Jewish Appeal by December 31st of this year. The United Jewish Appeal and the officers of the participating organizations are doing everything in their power to succeed in this effort which is vital beyond description.

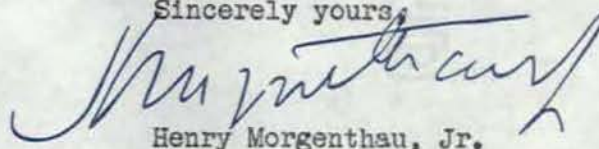
It is our combined thinking that perhaps the most effective means of bringing the importance of the drive for \$50,000,000 to the Jews of America is the cooperation of the rabbinate. For this reason I am taking the liberty of writing to you in this way and urging that at every opportunity between now and the end of the year you bring to your congregation a message stressing the urgency of achieving the goal of \$50,000,000 in cash.

Never before has American Jewry been so united on a program of action. The participation of the rabbinate will make the effort a total one. I plead with you to mention the drive for \$50,000,000 at every service for the balance of the year so that a sense of the importance of the program will permeate your community.

I shall be grateful for your assurance at the earliest possible time that you are with us in this historic task.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



Henry Morgenthau, Jr.

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
Temple Emanuel
1695 Pearl St.
Denver, Colo.

RESOLUTION ON THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
Unanimously adopted at National Planning Conference
for Israel and Jewish Rehabilitation
Sunday, October 29, 1950 - Washington, D.C.

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In full recognition of the primary importance of the United Jewish Appeal as the vehicle through which cash can most quickly be made available in substantial amounts to meet the needs in Israel, and fully appreciative of the primary role which the United Jewish Appeal will play in the total three-year program for one billion dollars, this National Planning Conference recommends most strongly to the United Jewish Appeal that it initiate and start its 1951 campaign immediately after this Conference concludes its deliberations. The Jewish communities of America through their welfare funds are similarly urged to commence their 1951 campaigns at the earliest practical time. The basic elements involved in the early start of the 1951 campaign are the immediate selection of campaign leadership in each community and the setting up of complete campaign organization. The greatest single factor in insuring the success of the forthcoming United Jewish Appeal campaigns is establishment of standards of giving in each community and throughout the country which will serve as a beacon light pointing the way to the greater generosity which is essential for the success of the UJA as part of the entire billion dollar three-year program. The United Jewish Appeal and the local welfare funds would be materially carrying through the objectives of revitalizing and strengthening the UJA by organizing, within sixty days wherever at all possible, Big Gifts meetings both on a national basis and in each city.

Having before us the four point program for the raising of one billion dollars during the next three years, and recognizing the need for the most comprehensive program of action to implement each point we nonetheless call to the attention of the American Jewish community that during the time between our decision to raise a billion dollars through these various sources and the time when large amounts can be forthcoming Israel will be faced with a desperate financial situation and in order

to meet this short-term emergency which already exists and which will become aggravated in the next three months, it is our unanimous recommendation that the Jewish communities of America through their welfare funds endeavor to make available to the United Jewish Appeal \$50,000,000 in cash by December 31, 1950.

The boldest and most ingenious new approaches, in addition to old and tried methods, must be applied within each community in order that it provide its fair share of this \$50,000,000 cash goal.

Some of the best avenues are:

(1) Payment of outstanding pledges of this and previous years' campaigns, requiring the most intensive cash collection effort within each city;

(2) Cash payments on account of forthcoming 1951 pledges;

(3) Bank borrowings;

(4) Loans from other Jewish organizations in communities which may have funds available which are not immediately needed;

(5) The making of loans by individuals or groups of individuals in each community on their personal endorsements, to be repaid from present accounts receivable or proceeds of the forthcoming campaign.

The test of the overwhelming sentiments expressed here on behalf of Israel and the measure of our determination to carry through the entire four-point three-year program for one billion dollars will be our vigor and success in carrying through within the next two months the basic and urgent responsibility of providing \$50,000,000 to the United Jewish Appeal.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

ADOPTED AT
NATIONAL PLANNING CONFERENCE FOR ISRAEL AND JEWISH REHABILITATION
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1950
HOTEL STATLER, WASHINGTON, D.C.

This National Planning Conference for Israel and Jewish Rehabilitation meeting in response to the call issued at the Jerusalem Conference, has considered problems, needs and opportunities which mark the beginning of a new era in the relationship of American Jewry to the future development of the democratic and independent State of Israel.

We, the representatives of the major national Jewish organizations and communities of the United States, take the deepest pride in the share American Jewry has had in the establishment of the State of Israel, which has brought to fulfillment in our own time the highest hopes of redeeming large masses of Jews from suffering and homelessness, and placing them on the road to human dignity and a self-respecting, productive existence.

In the two and a half years since its establishment, the State of Israel has demonstrated a devotion to the principles of democracy and human brotherhood which has served as an inspiration not only to Jews but to all other freedom loving men and women in the United States and other parts of the world.

In the midst of receiving almost 500,000 new immigrants, most of them without means, Israel has made amazing progress in industrial and agricultural development through heroic pioneering and the highest degree of self-sacrifice.

We recognize that we are still faced not only with the tasks of maintaining the relief and rehabilitation effort, but with a challenge of far greater magnitude - that of long-range planning to enable Israel to stand on its own feet economically and to make its highest contribution to the preservation of Jewry as well as to civilization as a whole. Therefore, we endorse as eminently practicable and fully attainable the proposals made in Jerusalem by Prime Minister David Ben Gurion, and agreed upon in Jerusalem by a delegation of American Jewish leaders, for a three-year program for the absorption and creative rehabilitation of large-scale immigration and for the consolidation and development of Israel's economy, requiring \$1,500,000,000. We note with admiration Israel's readiness to assume responsibility for \$500,000,000 of this sum and we hereby adopt the following Four-Point Program to obtain a billion dollars for the attainment of this three-year objective by American Jewry.

1. We believe that the American people, which is seeking to strengthen the forces of democracy in every corner of the world is eager to aid Israel as a land of affirmative democratic leadership and high moral inspiration. We therefore urge the government of the United States to help Israel through grants in aid, loans and through other forms of financial support that have been mobilized by our government to further the cause of democracy everywhere.

2. Our generation has the historic opportunity of completing the redemption of hundreds of thousands of Jews from lands where their political and economic status is precarious and their right to live freely as Jews is restricted or denied. The United Jewish Appeal, commanding the support of all American Jews, has been, and must continue to be our most potent weapon in the rescue of hundreds of thousands of our people, their rehabilitation in many lands and the settlement of the vast majority in Israel. This Conference therefore calls on all American Jews greatly to intensify their efforts on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal so that there shall be made available the increased funds required for rescue, transport, reception and the initial stages of settlement in Israel.

3. The funds available through the United Jewish Appeal can meet at most only basic relief and initial resettlement needs. Therefore the conference calls upon the Jews of the United States to provide other resources to enable Israel to realize its great opportunities for the complete absorption of the newcomers through its industrial and agricultural development. With full confidence in Israel's capacity to achieve economic stability and self-sufficiency and to fulfill all obligations it will assume, we pledge our fullest cooperation for the success of any effort that will be made by the Government of Israel to float a public loan in the United States as a means of obtaining funds for the financing of its constructive programs.

4. The progress which Israel has already registered in the development of its economic structure and the favorable conditions created by the Government of Israel for private investment should be made the basis for increased effort to encourage American investors to participate in the expansion of business enterprise which can bring profitable returns, and also serve as a vital factor in Israel's attainment of self-sufficiency.

We call for the mobilization of all forces of American Jewry and the support of the entire American nation on behalf of this program, inspired by the example of the people of Israel itself. Deeply aware of the magnitude of our responsibilities we accept them with confidence. In earlier years we contributed aid to hopes in whose fulfillment we had faith. Today we respond to Israel's appeal for cooperation in the program it has projected, resolute in the conviction that in our dedication we are serving the highest interests and ideals of Israel, of our fellow-Jews in many lands and of a free world.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
AT THE WALDORF-ASTORIA HOTEL, NEW YORK CITY, NOVEMBER 18, 1955

Preamble

We, the more than 300 representatives of American Jewish philanthropic and communal organizations, gathered at an extraordinary meeting convened by the United Jewish Appeal at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City, on Friday, November 18, 1955, after hearing a momentous statement from His Excellency Moshe Sharett, Foreign Minister of Israel, and the factual and moving reports from members of the Overseas Study Mission of the United Jewish Appeal, have caused to be drawn up and have adopted the following resolution:

The State of Israel faces its most crucial period since its War of Liberation.

Israel's people are living in a dangerous situation, with no one knowing what new perils tomorrow might bring.

At a time when its future as an independent nation is endangered, Israel refuses to close its ears to the pleas of Jews from North Africa and elsewhere who seek sanctuary within its Holy gates.

Israel has made it a point of conscience to keep its doors open to all Jews clamoring for admission.

Israel, in this hour of peril, is unable to continue to carry the major share of financing this immigration and resettlement program.

The Jews of America recognize a moral obligation and a solemn duty to give fullest possible aid and comfort to the people of Israel - and the Jews of North Africa - in their hour of grave need.

To this end the Jews of America must provide all the funds for immigration to assure a haven of refuge and safety for the Jews who are in need of it, while the people of Israel gird themselves for the arduous tasks that lie ahead. Additional funds will be required.

To carry out the foregoing purposes, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That there be constituted a United Jewish Appeal Special Fund.
2. That the sum of \$25,000,000 be contributed by the Jews of America to this Special Fund.
3. That this Special Fund be in addition to the normal United Jewish Appeal income.
4. That this Special Fund be created now - today - and that contributions to this Fund be accepted immediately.
5. That contributions to this Fund be secured in each community through the machinery of the Jewish Welfare Funds or, where there are no Welfare Funds, through whatever other organized channel exists for this purpose in the community.
6. That contributions by individuals to the Special Fund be made, and accepted, over and above and without reduction of their respective contributions to the campaigns to be conducted in 1956.
7. That, over and above the Special Fund, the Welfare Funds of America agree that the UJA share from the regular Welfare Fund campaigns to be conducted in 1956 in no case be less than the UJA share of the 1955 campaign proceeds.
8. That each Welfare Fund, and where there are no Welfare Funds, each local community accept for itself its fair share of this sum of \$25,000,000 and give its solemn pledge that it will consider it a point of honor and conscience to raise its fair share.

RESOLUTION ON SPECIAL RESCUE FUND

RESPONDING to the call of the United Jewish Appeal, we, more than 300 representatives of Jewish communities throughout the United States, met in extraordinary session at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City on December 13, 1957 to take common counsel on the problems related to the rescue and relief of fellow Jews overseas in 1958.

HAVING heard objective and profoundly moving reports on these problems by eminent leaders of American Jewry and of Israel, we declare as follows:

WHEREAS it is certain that the year 1958 will witness tens of thousands of our fellow Jews pressing on towards Israel and other free lands in quest of a life denied them in the countries where they now live;

WHEREAS the rescue and resettlement of these Jews cannot and must not be postponed;

WHEREAS the ultimate destination of most of these new immigrants will, inevitably, be the State of Israel;

WHEREAS the people of Israel are ever threatened by neighbors who are unreconciled to Israel's existence and who have been emboldened in their belligerency by the receipt of fresh and massive supplies of the most modern weapons of war;

WHEREAS in these circumstances the people of Israel must look principally to the Jews of the United States to assume the financial burden for the humanitarian work of rescue, the reception and absorption of the new refugees;

WHEREAS the people of Israel, in observance of their sacred trust, and even while preoccupied with the basic problem of sheer physical survival, have, in the first decade of their national life admitted more than 900,000 Jewish refugees

who fled from persecution, peril and tyranny -- an achievement of epic dimensions;

WHEREAS more than 200,000 post-statehood newcomers in Israel are still living in squalor in temporary and in otherwise sub-standard housing, and equal numbers are not yet fully integrated into the economic life of the country;

WHEREAS the foregoing conditions prevail because of the disparity between the swift tempo of migration to Israel and the amount of money available for the absorption of the newcomers;

WHEREAS the people of Israel are about to observe the 10th anniversary of Israel and the United Jewish Appeal is about to conduct its 20th campaign in behalf of Jews in peril and in need;

WHEREAS in keeping with the great humanitarian tradition of the Jewish people, American Jewry can best implement UJA's 20th anniversary and help the people of Israel to observe their anniversary, by making adequate provision for the refugees who will enter into Israel in 1958 and for those who have not yet been fully absorbed;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that there be constituted for 1958 a UNITED JEWISH APPEAL RESCUE FUND and to carry out the foregoing, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVE

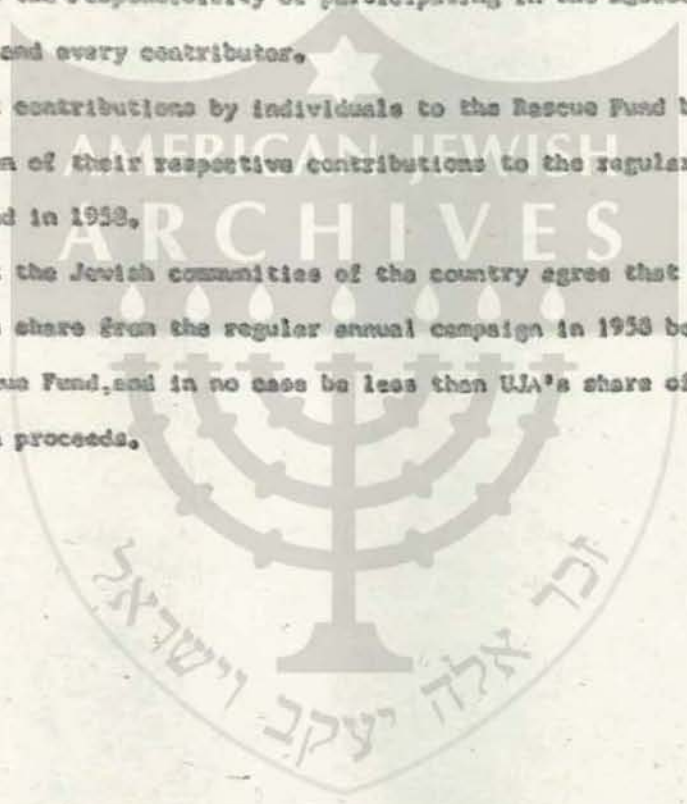
1. That the United Jewish Appeal Rescue Fund campaign be conducted by the Jewish communities of the United States corollary to the regular campaign for 1958.
2. That, in addition to their contribution to the regular campaign, the Jews of America be called on to contribute the sum of \$ _____ to the Rescue Fund.
3. That contributions to this Fund be obtained through the fund-raising facilities of the local Jewish Welfare Funds, and the Welfare Funds be called upon to provide a clear and distinct channel for such contributions.

4. That each Jewish community agrees to accept for itself a fair share of this sum of \$ _____ and make every possible effort to raise its local quota.

5. That the responsibility of participating in the Rescue Fund be placed on each and every contributor.

6. That contributions by individuals to the Rescue Fund be made without reduction of their respective contributions to the regular campaign to be conducted in 1958.

7. That the Jewish communities of the country agree that the United Jewish Appeal's share from the regular annual campaign in 1958 be over and above the Rescue Fund, and in no case be less than UJA's share of the 1957 regular campaign proceeds.



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**UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
1959 SPECIAL FUND FOR \$100,000,000
TO MEET GREAT HUMAN NEEDS
TO SAVE LIVES**

AS ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE DELEGATES TO THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL 21st ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE

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AMERICAN JEWISH

WE, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF JEWISH COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, assembled at the 21st Annual Conference of the United Jewish Appeal, at the Statler Hilton Hotel, in New York on December 12, 1958, recall with profound gratitude that through the United Jewish Appeal American Jewry has been able to help in the rescue of more than 1,300,000 fellow Jews and in bringing relief to twice that number within the past two decades.

We shall be faithful to our heritage as Jews and worthy of our blessings as citizens of a great democracy only if we seize the historic opportunity to continue our mission of rescue and relief, by dedicating ourselves to the tasks which lie ahead.

On the eve of 1959, we find ourselves confronted with a challenge unsurpassed by any which has faced us in recent years. Thousands of our fellow Jews are streaming into Israel monthly, principally from Eastern Europe, and there is every likelihood that this migration will increase in volume during the forthcoming year.

Moreover, the funds heretofore provided for the absorption of the 920,000 immigrants who have come to Israel in the past decade have been far short of the amounts required to achieve this objective. This has caused the accumulation of a huge backlog of unmet needs which, in turn, has resulted in postponing the full integration of several hundred thousand newcomers into the life of the country. Foremost among these needs is adequate housing for more than 110,000 immigrants who have been forced to live in hovels and temporary shelters which are shockingly unfit for human habitation, indispensable social services for many people, and livestock and equipment which Israel's 482 new agricultural settlements require to gain economic self-sufficiency.

INSPIRED by the example of the great sacrifices being made by the people of Israel in the absorption of the new immigrants while taxing themselves to the limit to keep their country secure against the threat of their hostile neighbors;

CONVINCED that the American Jewish community must assume the major financial responsibility to maintain the lifeline to Israel and other free lands for those in search of a life denied them in the lands where they now live, and must assume the further responsibility to eliminate the backlog of unmet needs and thus accelerate the full absorption of all the newcomers in Israel; and

CERTAIN that to achieve these objectives the Jews of America must make an extraordinary effort in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal during 1959;

WE HEREBY RESOLVE that the 1959 campaigns of America's Jewish communities be so conducted as to raise more money, and to yield greatly increased results to the United Jewish Appeal, so that the work of its chief beneficiary agencies may go forward with full support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT in keeping with this resolution there be constituted for 1959 a United Jewish Appeal Special Fund.

To carry out the foregoing, **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

AMERICAN JEWISH ARCHIVES

1. That the United Jewish Appeal Special Fund be organized by the Jewish communities of the United States auxiliary to the regular campaign for 1959.
2. That, in addition to their contribution to the regular campaign, the Jews of America be called on to contribute the sum of \$100,000,000 to the Special Fund.
3. That contributions to this Fund be obtained through the fund raising facilities of the local Jewish Welfare Funds, and the Welfare Funds be called upon to provide a clear and distinct channel for such contributions.
4. That each Jewish community agrees to accept for itself a fair share of this sum of \$100,000,000 and make every possible effort to raise its local quota.
5. That the responsibility of participating in the Special Fund be placed on each and every synagogue.
6. That contributions by individuals to the Special Fund be made without reduction of their respective contributions to the regular campaign to be conducted in 1959.
7. That the leaders of the communities' Federations and Welfare Funds confer with the leaders of the United Jewish Appeal to the end that the United Jewish Appeal shall receive a fair and equitable share of the proceeds of the communities' 1959 regular campaign.
8. That each Jewish community of the country agrees that the Special Fund be over and above the United Jewish Appeal's fair share from the regular annual campaign in 1959.

1959 UJA Regular Campaign budgetary needs—\$105,000,000—to maintain needed welfare and absorption aid to more than half a million men, women and children, including recent immigrants to Israel, displaced Jews in Europe and Jewish youth, and refugees in the U.S., through UJA's member agencies: the United Jewish Appeal Jewish Agency, Joint Distribution Committee and M. Y. Am. for New Americans.

RESOLUTION

Adopted at New Jersey State UJA Leadership Conference
Held at Essex House, Newark, N. J., Sunday, November 29, 1959

WE, the representatives of Jewish communities of the State of New Jersey, assembled at a Leadership Conference at the Essex House, Newark, N. J., Sunday, November 29, 1959, wish to record our deep anxiety over the plight of thousands of Jewish men, women and children in Europe, North Africa, the Moslem countries and in Israel in need of assistance to survive;

WE WISH to record also our profound pride in Israel's development to date, as well as our equally profound concern about the vast unmet human need that still exists in Israel, needs that have arisen from the problem of absorbing into that young democracy's economic, political and social life the thousands of immigrants who have come there in recent years with high hopes of achieving peace and security for themselves and their families;

WE KNOW, despite the great progress that has been made in helping newcomers to build a new life in Israel, that many thousands of Jewish men, women and children have been forced to live in shantytowns, tent cities and temporary dwellings far longer than they should, and we are further aware that inadequate housing is not only an eyesore upon the landscape, but a danger to the community life of Israel and a source of unstable family living which eventually leads to the destruction of families and the spread of emotional disturbance among its members;

WE KNOW that many thousands of Jewish men, women and children who settled, with great expectations for the future, in agricultural communities in Israel, cannot function as they should because of the lack of an adequate water supply, live stock and basic essential equipment necessary to engage in productive farming;

WE ARE CONVINCED that this situation has been brought about by the lack of sufficient funds to meet these very real and desperate needs, needs which must be met if the people of Israel are to move forward and if Jewish men, women and children in distress in other lands are to survive;

WE ARE CONVINCED that the Jewish communities of New Jersey must rededicate themselves to the task of raising in 1960 their share of the funds required to meet these needs so that the promise of a decent way of life may be made real for the newcomers to Israel and those yet to come from other lands.

CERTAIN that to achieve these objectives the Jews of New Jersey must make an extraordinary effort in 1960, we, the representatives of communities assembled at the New Jersey Leadership Conference of the United Jewish Appeal hereby RESOLVE:

That the 1960 campaigns in New Jersey be conducted so as to raise more money and so yield greatly increased results to the United Jewish Appeal so that the work of its beneficiary agencies may be carried on with full support;

AND WE FURTHER RESOLVE that we go on record endorsing the recommendation of the recently returned Overseas Study Mission which will recommend to the National Conference of the United Jewish Appeal meeting in New York on December 11, 12, and 13, that there be constituted a 1960 UJA Special Fund.

To carry out the foregoing, we further resolve:

1. THAT the communities of New Jersey undertake their campaigns with complete and early planning and in full cooperation with representatives of the United Jewish Appeal;

2. THAT the communities of New Jersey receive all the resources of the United Jewish Appeal. This means the involvement of United Jewish Appeal national leadership in the priming and conducting of the initial gift phase of a campaign; the broad usage of important speakers supplied by the National office; aid in setting a good campaign climate in a community by whatever method is mutually agreed upon; a full and complete effort by both community and United Jewish Appeal to secure maximum results in each community;

3. THAT the United Jewish Appeal shall provide more trained field personnel to fully assist the communities in working up good campaign programs; that such personnel will be provided at the right time; that the National Office will make every effort to meet the requests of the communities for lay leadership, speakers and publicity;

4. THAT the communities organize their campaigns in such a fashion as to afford every Jew in every community the opportunity of discharging his responsibility to the United Jewish Appeal, and at the level fully appropriate with his ability to give;

5. THAT a United Jewish Appeal New Jersey State Cabinet composed of key lay leadership be formed whose responsibility will be to meet regularly and examine carefully the campaigns of the state with an eye to help implement this resolution;

6. AND THAT we as Jews do acknowledge the age-old command to be our brother's keeper, the command of Zedukah, and do solemnly pledge ourselves to fully and sincerely implement this document and the resolutions therein.

RESOLUTION

SPECIAL FUND

WE, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF JEWISH COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, have assembled at the 22nd Annual Conference of the United Jewish Appeal, at the Statler Hilton Hotel, in New York City, on December 11 - 13, 1959, to consider the needs that the UJA will have to meet in 1960 and to formulate plans to meet these needs.

The needs are clear.

One of the most urgent and pressing problems which has ever confronted the UJA is the grave need of approximately 400,000 Jews in Israel who are part of the nearly one million fellow Jews whom we helped rescue and bring to Israel within the past decade. Generous as our contributions have been and though they have been augmented by admirable support from the heavily-taxed people of Israel, the tragic fact is that there have not been sufficient funds to accomplish the absorption of these 400,000 into the life of the country.

- (a) Some 90,000 are still living in the squalor of the maabarot and in other miserable slum dwellings.
- (b) Many other thousands live in farm settlements which are not self-sustaining because they are deficient in irrigation, livestock, and a large variety of essential buildings, equipment and machinery.
- (c) A great number of the settlers on the incompletd farm communities, and others, who must be trained or re-trained, are, by the circumstances in which they find themselves, forced into make-work projects where their earnings are hardly sufficient to sustain life.

We owe these people a special debt of honor because when we helped bring them to Israel we did so with the understanding that we would give them not only the precious gift of freedom but also the opportunity for a life of dignity. Such life is possible only if we provide the additional funds needed to give these people decent homes and the means to become self-sufficient.

In addition to the needs of those who have already come to Israel, there is the continuous immigration of the present. Jews are coming into Israel in substantial numbers, from Europe, Africa and Asia. We must make sure that when these new immigrants reach their destination, their absorption into the life of the country is completed with the minimum of delay. This, in itself, will require vast outlays of money.

Furthermore, there is another reason why the immediate absorption of the past and present immigrants is most urgent. There is always before us the question of the future. Experience has taught us to expect the upsurge in immigration resulting from the sudden raising of barriers that are presently closed. We know now that if this should materialize we will, as in the past, respond to the call of these fellow Jews for help. At the same time we must realize that unless we have made adequate provision for those who came to Israel before, a new mass influx into Israel will necessarily mean prolonged suffering for those who came before and new suffering for those who will yet come.

We further recognize that all of these needs set forth above are in addition to our commitments to fellow Jews in need in twenty-five countries other than Israel, whose only hope lies in the help we provide.

It is apparent from the foregoing that an extraordinary effort on the part of the Jews of America will be required in 1960 to meet the needs which press upon us. Only if we make this effort shall we discharge our obligations to our fellow Jews in need and enable the heroic people of Israel to maintain Israel as a true haven for distressed Jews everywhere.

We, therefore, RESOLVE, that there be constituted for 1960 a UNITED JEWISH APPEAL SPECIAL FUND, and, in implementation of this resolution, be it further resolved:

1. That the United Jewish Appeal Special Fund ^{Immigration} campaign be conducted by the Jewish communities of the United States corollary to the regular campaign for 1960.
2. That, in addition to their contribution to the regular campaign, the Jews of America be called on to contribute to an extent even greater than in previous years.
3. That contributions to this Fund be obtained through the fund-raising facilities of the local Jewish Welfare Funds, and the Welfare Funds be called upon to provide a clear and distinct channel for such contributions, ^{via} ~~through the~~ ^{separate cards} ~~cards~~ ^{through}.
4. That the responsibility ~~of~~ ^{of} participating in the Special Fund be placed on each and every contributor.
5. That contributions by individuals to the Special Fund be made without reduction of their respective contributions to the regular campaign to be conducted in 1960.
6. That the leaders of the communities' Federations and Welfare Funds ^{and be referred to the} ~~confer with the leaders of the United Jewish Appeal, to the end that~~ the United Jewish Appeal shall receive a fair and equitable share of the proceeds of the communities' 1960 regular campaign.
7. That each Jewish community of the country agrees that the Special Fund be over and above the United Jewish Appeal's fair share from the regular annual campaign in 1960.

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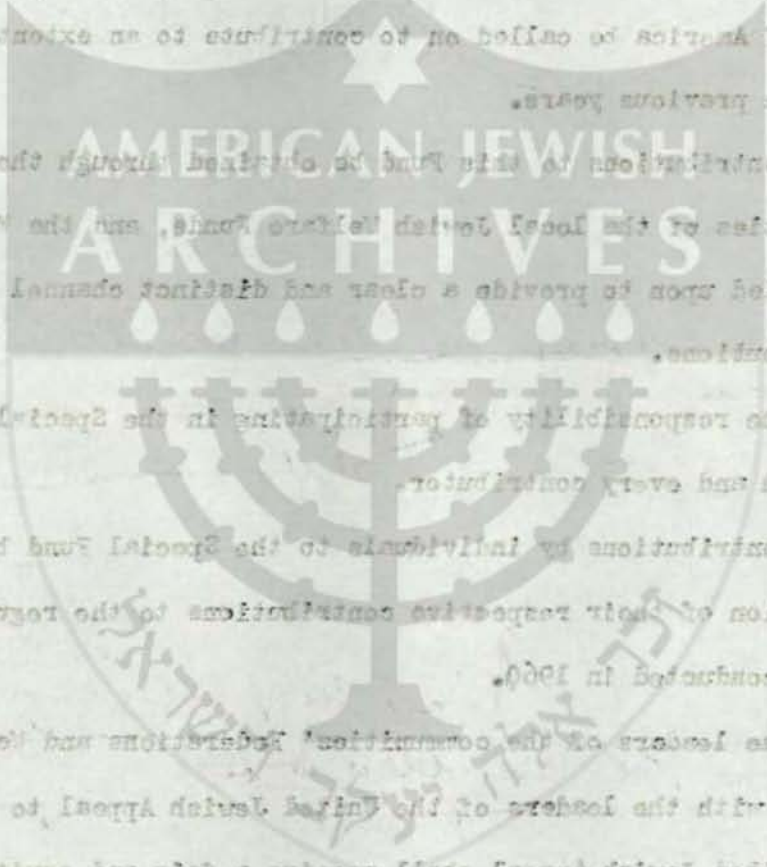
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1. That the United Jewish Appeal Special Fund campaign be conducted by the Jewish Committee of the United Jewish Appeal, and in implementation of this resolution, be it further resolved:

2. That, in addition to their contribution to the regular campaign, Jews of America be called on to contribute to an extent over-estimated in previous years.

3. That contributions to this fund be solicited through the fund-raising activities of the local Jewish Federations, and the United Jewish Appeal be called upon to provide a clear and distinct channel for such contributions.

4. That the responsibility of participating in the Special Fund be placed on each and every contributor.

5. That contributions by individuals to the Special Fund be made without reduction of their respective contributions to the regular campaign to be conducted in 1960.

6. That the leaders of the community, Federations and United Jewish Appeal be called upon to cooperate with the leaders of the United Jewish Appeal to the extent that the United Jewish Appeal shall receive a fair and equitable share of the proceeds of the community's 1960 regular campaign.

7. That each Jewish community of the country agree that the Special Fund be over and above the United Jewish Appeal's fair share from the regular annual campaign in 1960.

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RESOLUTION

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The 22nd Annual Conference of the United Jewish Appeal, convened at the Statler Hilton Hotel, New York City, on December 11 - 13, 1959, takes this occasion to express profound appreciation to the people of Israel for the inspiration they have provided in the great task shared with American Jewry of maintaining for well over a decade now a haven for Jews in distress or danger anywhere in the world. They have fulfilled their role in this partnership in the face of tremendous obstacles including the past ravages of nature on their land and the present menace of the nations that surround them.

We are stimulated to a renewed sense of dedication to our mutual endeavor by the knowledge of their unrelenting sacrificial devotion to it. We recognize that there exists today in their always troubled area of the world a moment at least of abated alarm. We welcome this period of relative calm, and hope we will be joined by American Jews everywhere in grasping it as an opportunity in which substantial assistance quickly provided can be expected to yield especially bountiful results.

Our hearts are warmer and our dreams are brighter as a result of the stupendous feats that the people of Israel have accomplished on their land. We pledge to continue with a mighty effort to maintain our part of our partnership with them to hold the doors of Israel open wide for all liberty-seeking Jews who wish to enter, as well as to assist in making all those who come productive and at home in their new country.

RESOLUTION

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We, who are assembled at the 22nd Annual Conference of the United Jewish Appeal at the Statler Hilton Hotel in New York City on December 11-13, 1959, have been impressed and heartened by the amount of cash which has been remitted to the United Jewish Appeal during the year 1959. We realize that this is the result of great effort and perseverance on the part of many community leaders throughout the country and we are deeply appreciative of this effort. However, we must take cognizance of the fact that there still remains a considerable amount of cash outstanding. Every dollar of this remaining sum is critically needed by the United Jewish Appeal.

We urge the Jewish communities throughout the country to convert the outstanding pledges into cash in the shortest possible time and to remit this cash to the United Jewish Appeal at once. Such action on the part of the communities is essential for two purposes:

- ONE, to enable the constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal to pursue their vital work; and
- TWO, to insure maximum success of the 1960 campaign.

RESOLUTION

We, the representatives of thirty (30) Jewish Communities from the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin, have assembled for the Mid-West Leadership Institute of the Central States Region of the United Jewish Appeal at the Moraine Hotel on February 12 - 14, 1960, to consider the needs that the United Jewish Appeal will have to meet in 1961 and to formulate plans to meet these needs.

The needs are clear.

One of the most urgent and pressing problems which has been confronted the United Jewish Appeal is the grave need of approximately 350,000 Jews in Israel who are part of the nearly one million fellow Jews whom we helped rescue and bring to Israel within the past decade. Generous as our contributions have been and though they have been augmented by generous support from the heavily-taxed people of Israel, the tragic fact is that there have not been sufficient funds to accomplish the absorption of these 350,000 into the life of the country.

- (a) Some 80,000 are still living in the squalor of the moshavot and in other miserable slum dwellings.
- (b) Many other thousands live in barren settlements which are not self-sustaining because they are deficient in irrigation, livestock, and a large variety of essential buildings, equipment and machinery.
- (c) A great number of the settlers on the incomplete farm communities, and others, who must be trained or re-trained, are, by the circumstances in which they find themselves, forced into make-work projects where their earnings are hardly sufficient to sustain life.

We owe these people a special debt of honor because when we helped bring them to Israel we did so with the understanding that we would give them not only the precious gift of freedom but also the opportunity for a life of dignity. Such life is possible only if we provide the additional funds needed to give these people decent homes and the means to become self-sufficient.

In addition to the needs of those who have already come to Israel, there is the continuous immigration of the present. Jews are coming into Israel in substantial numbers, from Europe, Africa and Asia. We must make sure that when these new immigrants reach their destination, their absorption into the life of the country is completed with the minimum of delay. This, in itself, will require vast outlays of money.

Furthermore, there is another reason why the immediate absorption of the past and present immigrants is most urgent. There is always before us the question of the future. Experience has taught us to expect the upsurge in immigration resulting from the sudden raising of barriers that are presently closed. We know now that if this should materialize we will, as in the past, respond to the call of these fellow Jews for help. At the same time we must realize that unless we have made adequate provision for those who came to Israel before, a new mass influx into Israel will necessarily mean prolonged suffering for those who came before and are suffering for those who will yet come.

We further recognize that all of these needs set forth above are in addition to our commitments to fellow Jews in need in twenty-five countries other than Israel, whose only hope lies in the help we provide.

It is apparent from the foregoing that an extraordinary effort on the part of the Jews of America will be required in 1960 to meet the needs which press upon us. Only if we make this effort shall we discharge our obligations to our fellow Jews in need and enable the heroic people of Israel to maintain Israel as a true haven for distressed Jews everywhere.

We, therefore, resolve to endorse in full the resolution of the Annual Meeting of the United Jewish Appeal held on December 11 - 13, 1959 constituting a Special Fund for 1960 corollary to the Regular Campaign.

RESOLUTION

1961 U.J.A. GOAL

WE, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF JEWISH COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, have assembled at the 23rd Annual Conference of the United Jewish Appeal, at the Statler Hilton Hotel, in New York City, on December 9-11, 1960, to review and evaluate the needs that the UJA will have to meet in 1961 and to formulate plans to meet them.

In this context we have considered (1) the total needs of fellow Jews in Israel and in other lands who will require help in 1961 from the constituent and beneficiary organizations of the UJA; and (2) the proportionate share of this total burden that American Jewry can and must assume.

We commend this method of determining the minimum goal for the 1961 UJA campaign as a rational approach to the question of the commitment that American Jewry must make in behalf of fellow Jews in search of freedom or in need of the basic necessities of life.

The salient facts which emerge from our deliberations are clear and unequivocal. What is at stake is the life and welfare of more than a half million of our fellow Jews in Israel and in other lands. Thus,

1.

The Jewish Agency for Israel in Jerusalem will be required to spend more than \$100 million for the transportation and absorption of the tens of thousands who will be coming into Israel during 1961 and for the completion of the absorption of more than 300,000 of the million Jews who came to Israel in previous years. The Jewish Agency for Israel is duty-bound to help remove the last vestiges of the maabarot and slum housing in Israel and replace them with decent housing for the immigrants. It is also under a solemn obligation to render viable the farm settlements which have been established for the newcomers in

Israel. The further postponement of the completion of these farm settlements can only lead to their disintegration, with inevitable disastrous personal consequences to the settlers and many social problems for the state of Israel.

The newly reorganized Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc. headed by a group of distinguished American Jewish leaders, has selected from the foregoing budget particular activities and programs of immigration and absorption which amount to \$51,095,000, and has requested that American Jewry accept the responsibility for providing that sum as its share of that budget.

2.

The American Joint Distribution Committee will require a minimum of \$28,775,000 to enable it to provide indispensable services to the sick, the aged and the handicapped immigrants in Israel; food, medical care and education to tens of thousands of children in the Moslem lands; assistance to the Jewish communities in countries in Central Europe overrun by the Nazis; and life-sustaining forms of help to fellow Jews in many other lands. The JDC expects to receive \$11,575,000 from other sources, and has requested that American Jewry assume the responsibility for supplying the balance of \$17,200,000.

3.

The New York Association for New Americans, which depends upon the UJA for its entire income, will require a minimum of \$700,000 to meet the elementary needs of the Jews who have settled in the New York Metropolitan area or who will settle there during 1961.

4.

The United Hias Service will require a minimum of \$245,000 from the UJA, to supplement its income from its regular sources, so that it may give the necessary assistance to Jews who during 1961 will immigrate to lands other than Israel.

5.

The administrative expenses of the UJA for the year 1961 will be approximately \$3,500,000.

These facts have lead us to two conclusions which we regard as inescapable: One, that the total sums budgeted by the constituent and beneficiary organizations of the UJA are the very minimum that must be spent in 1961 to cover the aggregate indispensable needs during the year; and two, that American Jewry must supply, as the very minimum, such portions of these budgets as the respective organizations have requested of it.

Only if we, the Jews of America, provide the initiative by assuming our just share of the total burden of caring for our fellow Jews, will the great and historic programs of life-saving and life-rebuilding undertaken by our generation go forward, will the lifeline to Israel be meaningfully kept open, will we have proven that we are worthy of our Jewish heritage and of the many blessings which we enjoy as citizens of this free land, and will we have kept faith with ourselves.

Having reached these conclusions, WE DO HEREBY RESOLVE:

1. That for 1961, the United Jewish Appeal mount an extraordinary campaign which shall surpass the combined results of the 1960 Regular and Special Fund effort
2. That the goal for this campaign shall be \$72,740,000 and that this shall be accepted as the minimum which must be raised in behalf of the UJA during 1961.
3. That in recognition of the indispensable needs, the Jews of America be urged to contribute in greater amounts than heretofore.
4. That each community undertake to raise, for the United Jewish Appeal, its proper portion of the sum necessary to be reached beyond the 1960 Regular and Special Fund allotments.
5. That each Federation or Welfare Fund meet promptly with the United Jewish Appeal to the end that the local campaign goals and objectives include the assigned UJA quota, representing the required increase for the indispensable needs, and to mutually determine what proportion of the 1961 campaign proceeds, at all levels of achievement, shall be allocated to the United Jewish Appeal.

RESOLUTION

We, representatives of organized Jewish communities in the major cities of the United States, have assembled in an Extraordinary Session in New York City on March 26, 1961, to consider a plan for the liquidation of the debts which Jewish communities in the United States contracted in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal and the debt of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc.

From the time the State of Israel was established the needs related to the absorption of the new immigrants who have streamed into Israel have constantly outrun the funds which the Jewish Agency for Israel in Jerusalem received from the UJA and from other philanthropic sources. To make up for the disparity between funds required and funds raised, the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., on its own behalf, and certain organized Jewish communities in the United States on behalf of the UJA, borrowed vast sums of money from commercial banks in the United States, the present aggregate balance of which is approximately \$65,000,000.

We are thoroughly convinced that these loans, when contracted, were vital to the discharge of our responsibilities to the people we were instrumental in bringing to Israel. We further hold that the fact that these loans were extended without collateral is a most glowing tribute to the integrity and responsibility of the American Jewish community, as well as a manifestation of sympathetic interest and public service on the part of the banks that extended the loans.

Helpful as these loans have been, they, nevertheless, call for schedules of repayment which now siphon off almost all of the proceeds available to the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc. from the current campaigns and leave practically no money for the support of our life-saving and life-rebuilding work in Israel.

The solution that has been offered for this problem is that the balance of \$65,000,000 due on these debts be liquidated by refunding them with loans made by the Jewish communities, together with the UJA, on the following uniform terms:

- (a) The loan is to be for a period of two years.
- (b) During the two-year period, repayment will be at the rate of 10 percent per

annum of the original amount of the loan with payments made by the communities on a monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis.

- (c) At the end of two years the communities will request the banks to renew the loan for the outstanding 80 percent, on the basis of continued payments of 10 percent per annum of the original loan.

It is our unanimous judgment that the plan presented to us is sound and should be implemented.

IN CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING, WE DO HEREBY RESOLVE:

One: That the above mentioned plan for the liquidation of the outstanding indebtedness of approximately \$65,000,000 which consists of debts of the Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc. and debts which the Jewish communities have contracted in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, be approved.

Two: That in the discharge of our humanitarian mission in Israel, we, as representatives of our respective communities, assume for our communities the responsibility for negotiating refunding or new loans in sums, representing for our communities, our fair share of the total of \$65,000,000.

Three: That Jewish communities throughout the country, not represented at this conference, be called upon to assume the responsibility for negotiating refunding or new loans in amounts representing, for them, their fair share of the total of \$65,000,000.

Four: That the Jewish communities involved in this effort promptly convene their respective bodies empowered to take action in such matters and thereafter, in consultation with the United Jewish Appeal, undertake to negotiate the loans in question.

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RESOLUTION

NATIONAL EXTRAORDINARY CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 27, 1961

WE, leaders from major Jewish communities in the United States, gathered at the Biltmore Hotel in New York City, this 27th day of September, 1961, wish to declare to the American Jewish community at large:

We have come together in an Extraordinary National Conference of the UJA, in a gathering necessitated by fresh developments that affect the lives and futures of great numbers of our fellow-Jews overseas and in Israel...

We have been apprised that a noteworthy increase in the immigration of Jews overseas presents American Jews with an historic and welcome opportunity to assist large numbers of newcomers to take up new lives in Israel and other lands...

We have learned that the developments thus far have already put the greatest strain on the people of Israel and on the Jewish Agency, since the needs of newcomers already in Israel far outstrip the funds available for their absorption, housing and effective incorporation into Israel life...

We have learned too, that the same developments have already imposed great fresh burdens on the Joint Distribution Committee's overseas and Israel programs and that the JDC is unable to meet the full measure of these obligations with the funds now available to it...

We have learned too, that the people of Israel are undertaking to increase their already heavy financial obligations by undertaking compulsory loans and other measures, in an effort to meet the costs of the present and anticipated immigration..

Finally, we have come to the belief that, in all conscience, American Jewry which has always responded to the challenge to save and build lives must now play its full share in meeting this latest challenge, even as it supports many other activities for the welfare of our fellow-Jews at home and abroad.

Having reached these conclusions, WE DO HEREBY RESOLVE:

That there be constituted for the year 1962 a UJA SPECIAL FUND, and in implementation of this resolution, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

1. That the United Jewish Appeal Special Fund campaign be conducted by the Jewish communities of the United States corollary to the regular campaign for 1962.
2. That contributions to this Fund be obtained through the fund-raising facilities of the local Jewish Welfare Funds, and the Welfare Funds be called upon to provide a clear and distinct channel for such contributions either through two-line cards or through separate cards.
3. That the responsibility for participation in the Special Fund be placed on each and every contributor.
4. That contributions by individuals to the Special Fund be made without reduction of their respective contributions to the regular campaign to be conducted in 1962.
5. That all the proceeds of the Special Fund be remitted to the United Jewish Appeal.
6. That each Jewish community of the country agrees that the Special Fund be over and above the United Jewish Appeal's fair share from the regular annual campaign in 1962.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be submitted to the Annual Conference of the UJA to be convened in New York City on December 10-12, 1961, with the recommendation that the Conference ratify this resolution,

RESOLUTION

24TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE

DECEMBER 11, 1961

WE, the representatives from major Jewish communities in the United States, gathered at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City, this 11th day of December, 1961, wish to declare to the American Jewish community at large:

We have been apprised that a noteworthy increase in the immigration of Jews overseas presents American Jews with a historic and welcome opportunity to assist large numbers of newcomers to take up new lives in Israel and other lands...

We have learned that the developments thus far have already put the greatest strain on the people of Israel and on the Jewish Agency, since the needs of newcomers already in Israel far outstrip the funds available for their absorption, housing and effective incorporation into Israel life...

We have learned too, that the same developments have already imposed great fresh burdens on the Joint Distribution Committee's overseas and Israel programs and that the JDC is unable to meet the full measure of these obligations with the funds now available to it...

We have learned too, that the people of Israel are undertaking to increase their already heavy financial obligations by undertaking compulsory loans and increased taxes, in an effort to meet the costs of the present and anticipated immigration...

Finally, we have come to the belief that, in all conscience, American Jewry which has always responded to the challenge to save and build lives must now play its full share in meeting this latest challenge, even as it supports many other activities for the welfare of our fellow-Jews at home and abroad.

Having reached these conclusions, WE DO HEREBY RESOLVE:

That there be constituted for the year 1962 a UJA SPECIAL FUND of \$35,000,000 and in implementation of this resolution, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

1. That the United Jewish Appeal Special Fund campaign be conducted by the Jewish communities of the United States simultaneously with and in addition to the regular campaign for 1962.

2. That contributions to this Fund be obtained through the fund-raising facilities of the local Jewish Welfare Funds, and the Welfare Funds be called upon to provide a clear and distinct channel for such contributions either through two-line cards or through separate cards.

3. That the responsibility for participation in the Special Fund be placed on each and every contributor.

4. That contributions by individuals to the 1962 Special Fund be made without reduction of their respective contributions to the 1961 campaign.

5. That all the proceeds of the Special Fund be remitted to the United Jewish Appeal.

6. That each Jewish community of the country agrees that the Special Fund be over and above the United Jewish Appeal's fair share from the regular annual campaign in 1962.

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RESOLUTION OF UJA SPECIAL FUND

ADOPTED BY THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE
OF THE LABOR ZIONIST MOVEMENT
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1962

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We, the members of the Coordinating Committee of the Labor Zionist Movement in America, consisting of representatives of the four national bodies comprising the movement, namely the Labor Zionist Organization; Yarbanc, the Labor Zionist Fraternal Order; Pioneer Women, the Labor Zionist Women's Organization and "Ezbonis", the Labor Zionist youth movement, met in New York City on Monday, January 8, 1962 and took common counsel on what we, acting separately through our respective organizations, and, collectively, as a Movement, might do to help the UJA in achieving its goal in its 1962 campaign.

In full possession of the facts that relate to this historic campaign, we unanimously agreed that it was our solemn obligation to give the maximum support to this campaign. In keeping with this decision,

WE DO HEREBY give unqualified endorsement to the 1962 UJA campaign and especially to the \$35,000,000 UJA Special Fund which American Jewry has undertaken to raise in 1962 over and above the \$60,000,000 in the regular UJA campaign; and

WE DO HEREBY call upon every member of the Labor Zionist Movement throughout the United States to consider it his moral duty to contribute a minimum of 50% more to the Special Fund without reducing his gift to the regular campaign; and to give of his time and of his energies in work on behalf of the 1962 campaign.

The imperative need for the UJA Special Fund should be clear to every member of the Labor Zionist Movement. Although the sources of the current migration to Israel cannot be publicized, we all know where the Jews are coming from, the great numbers that are involved in this migration, and the importance of rescuing our fellow Jews while we have the opportunity to do so.

As Labor Zionists, familiar with the staggering problems concerning Israel, we also know that the people of Israel, weighed down with the burdens of heavy taxes, to which there has been recently added a compulsory immigration loan, cannot be expected to assume the additional cost of new migration. The fact is that since statehood the people of Israel have consistently borne a greater share of the cost of absorption of the new immigrants than we, the Jews of America, have, both proportionately and in absolute terms.

We cannot ask the people of Israel to do more, and they cannot, without jeopardizing their vital interests as a nation, do more. The help for the increase in cost involved in the new migration must as a matter of justice be borne by the Jews of America. That is the reason for the 1962 UJA Special Fund and that is the reason it is entitled to our full support.

In this fateful year of 1962, we cannot conceive of a single member of the Labor Zionist Movement, who does not make, as a matter of conscience, an adequate contribution to the UJA campaign and who does not participate in the historic process of saving Jewish lives through an additional maximum contribution to the 1962 UJA Special Fund. Only by sacrificial giving and by the intensive participation in the campaign, can we, in our various communities, hope to inspire the other sections of the Jewish population to follow our example and thus to insure the success of the campaign on which the very life and freedom of tens of thousands of our fellow Jews depend.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF PRESIDENTS

This year American Jewry is observing the 25th Anniversary of the United Jewish Appeal.

Born in one of the darkest hours of Jewish history and nurtured by the bond of kinship which unites every Jew with his fellow Jew, the United Jewish Appeal represents the finest expression of the heart and soul of American Jewry.

Through the United Jewish Appeal the Jews of America of every shade of opinion and walk of life have shown their abiding commitment to values which are of the very essence of the Jewish faith. Accordingly, they gave vast sums of money which rescued thousands of Jews in Hitler-dominated Europe, sustained the life and hope of tens of thousands in ghettos, concentration camps and hideouts, provided more than one and a half million Jews in many lands with the basic necessities of life, and as the crowning achievement, transplanted more than one and a half million Jews to Israel and other democratic lands.

This record is a tribute to American Jewry, especially to the men and women throughout the country who by their example inspired their communities to achieve records of giving unsurpassed in the history of private philanthropy. Above all what has been achieved is a tribute to the people of Israel who at great personal sacrifice kept open their doors to fellow Jews in search of freedom and matched the efforts of American Jewry in absorbing newcomers.

Recognizing the crucial importance of the work of the agencies which receive their support from the United Jewish Appeal in rescuing our fellow Jews from countries in which Jews find life intolerable and recognizing further the importance of their work in the rebuilding of Jewish lives in

Israel and in other lands, the Conference of Presidents appeals to the organizations whose Presidents are members of the Conference to assist nationally in the meaningful observance of the 25th Anniversary of the United Jewish Appeal, and through its affiliated bodies, help in the observance of the 25th Anniversary in Jewish communities throughout the country, thus enabling the United Jewish Appeal effectively to meet its challenges and opportunities in the years ahead.



DRAFT RESOLUTION

This year American Jewry is observing the 25th Anniversary of the United Jewish Appeal.

Moved by the mounting tragedy which confronted European Jewry on the eve of World War II, the Jews of America pooled their moral and spiritual resources and their strength and brought the United Jewish Appeal into being to meet the Nazi threat to Jewish survival.

The United Jewish Appeal has for the past quarter of a century been the instrument through which American Jewry has engaged in one of the greatest privately-financed rescue and life-rebuilding operations in the history of mankind. With the outpouring of funds provided by American Jewry the United Jewish Appeal, through its constituent agencies, the United Israel Appeal, the American Joint Distribution Committee, the New York Association for New Americans and the United Hias Service, rescued thousands of Jews from Hitler-dominated Europe, sustained the life and hope of tens of thousands in ghettos, concentration camps and hide-outs, provided more than one and a half million Jews in many lands with the basic necessities of life, and, as the crowning achievement, transplanted more than one and half million Jews to Israel and other democratic lands.

Recognizing these achievements and realizing that the problems to which the United Jewish Appeal has addressed itself are far from solved, it is the sense of.....that the United Jewish Appeal must continue to receive the full support of American Jewry.

The.....calls upon all its affiliates to participate in the observance of the 25th Anniversary in their respective communities to the end that the UJA may gain added strength in this Anniversary year for its important responsibilities in the years ahead.

RESOLUTION
UNITED JEWISH APPEAL 6th STUDY MISSION
Adopted Oct. 30, 1963 - Hotel Acadia, Haifa, Israel

We, the 145 members of the United Jewish Appeal's 6th Study Mission, constituting the largest study mission of UJA national and communal leaders ever to come to Europe and Israel, have just completed our inquiry of the overseas needs of the Joint Distribution Committee and the Jewish Agency.

The frame of reference for this inquiry was first provided by our experience in the two focal points of Jewish need today - France and Israel. In the former country we saw the tragic problems created by the very rapid influx of 150,000 refugees from North Africa: the shortage of housing, penniless families struggling to stay together, the undernourished children, the disillusioned youth and the new Jewish ghettos that are springing up at an alarming rate in the slums of Paris, Marseilles and Toulouse.

We have seen in Israel "a nation geared physically and spiritually" to the task of absorbing the thousands of newcomers that are arriving each month. Here the ma'abarot have been almost totally liquidated, replaced by new dynamic towns in the development areas where the immigrant can be swiftly absorbed. We have seen the newcomer and his family move into a modern flat in such a development project within hours of his arrival, fortified by the knowledge that Israel is not only providing him with a home but hopefully will provide him with a job, an elementary school education for his children and medical and rehabilitation care.

As a result of the upheavals that are taking place in many parts of the world, Israel represents the only hope of survival for hundreds of thousands of Jews now living in these countries.

Therefore, the most important conclusion that we have drawn from our own survey, and our consultations with the leaders of the Government, the Jewish Agency and the JDC, is that the range of UJA's work - particularly on behalf of the countless thousands forced to flee their homes and the newcomers in Israel - must continue with renewed vigor, rescue those who can be saved, and continue the work of reconstruction and absorption.

The challenge and the opportunity that this poses to us - the most prosperous Jewish community in the world - make it imperative that the National goal which the United Jewish Appeal should adopt for 1963 should be concentrated with those needs and one that will reflect fully and accurately American Jewry's economic capabilities.

Therefore, at this critical juncture in our history of overseas aid, we

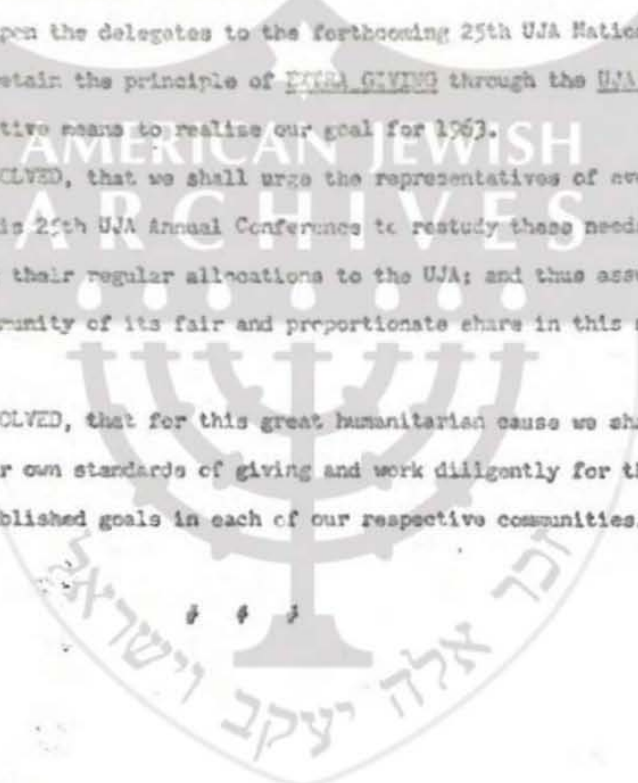
RESOLVE to return to our communities, determined to mobilize maximum support for the adoption of such goal that will be commensurate with the needs of the constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal, and with the economic potential of the American Jewish communities to support such a goal.

These are irreducible needs. Therefore we

RESOLVE to urge upon the delegates to the forthcoming 25th UJA National Annual Conference to retain the principle of EXTRA GIVING through the UJA SPECIAL FUND as the most effective means to realize our goal for 1963.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that we shall urge the representatives of every community attending this 25th UJA Annual Conference to re-study these needs with a view toward increasing their regular allocations to the UJA; and thus assure the assumption by each community of its fair and proportionate share in this national responsibility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that for this great humanitarian cause we shall do our utmost to raise our own standards of giving and work diligently for the fulfillment of the established goals in each of our respective communities.



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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL 25TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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NEW YORK CITY

DECEMBER 9, 1962

We, the delegates to the United Jewish Appeal's historic 25th Annual Conference, constituting one of the largest bodies of American Jewish leaders ever to come together in a meeting of the UJA, and representing almost every American Jewish community in the land, have just completed three days of study of the overseas needs of the agencies of the United Jewish Appeal.

The frame of reference of our inquiry was provided by two focal points of Jewish needs today - France and Israel.

In the former country we have learned of the tragic problems created by the very rapid influx of 160,000 refugees from North Africa; the shortage of housing, the thousands of penniless families struggling to stay together, the undernourished children, the disillusioned youth, and the new Jewish ghettos that are springing up at an alarming rate in the slums of Paris, Marseilles and Toulons.

All of these represent tremendously increased responsibilities for the Joint Distribution Committee.

We have learned, too, the facts concerning the great upsurge of Jewish immigration into Israel, and of the heroic measures the government and the people there are taking to absorb these thousands of newcomers as quickly as they arrive.

Of the ma'abarot that have been almost totally liquidated - replaced by dynamic new towns in development areas where the immigrant can be swiftly absorbed.

How Israel is not only providing each new immigrant with a home within hours of his arrival, but also with a job, free elementary school education for his children, and the medical and rehabilitation care his family might need.

But we have learned, too, that as great as our contributions have been during this period, we are today meeting only one third of the costs of this immigrant absorption; that the government and the people of Israel are being forced to shoulder more than we morally have the right to expect of them.

Also, that neither they nor us, can expect any respite. Rather, as a result of the upheavals that are taking place in many parts of the world, thousands more Jews are being forced to seek their way to Israel.

The most important conclusions that we have drawn from our deliberations, and from the briefings by the leaders of the Government of Israel, the Jewish Agency and the Joint Distribution Committee, is that the range of UJA's work must continue with renewed vigor in 1963 on behalf of the countless thousands who are
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forced to flee their homes, and for the vital work of construction and immigrant absorption in Israel, France and other free lands that are providing permanent havens for them.

It is our conviction, therefore, that the only realistic and moral course of action open to American Jewry at this critical juncture in UJA's 25-year history of overseas aid lies in the adoption of a national campaign goal that will reflect -- fully and accurately -- American Jewry's economic capabilities and potential for generous giving.

Therefore, we earnestly and wholeheartedly endorse and ratify the following goals for the United Jewish Appeal in 1963:

\$60,000,000 to cover the regular budgets of the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Israel Appeal - the Jewish Agency for Israel, New York, Inc.; NYANA and the UNITED HIAS SERVICE which will enable these agencies to meet the foreseeable and ongoing needs that are within their areas of Jewish responsibilities;

\$36,000,000 as a SPECIAL FUND to meet the emergencies and crises in all the areas of Jewish rescue and lifesaving. While these cannot be foreseen, they can surely be anticipated as our experiences over the past six years have shown.

Having taken this step, we must assure the UJA agencies that our Jewish communities will do all in their power to mobilize their utmost support on behalf of this 1963 national UJA goal of \$96,000,000 - the irreducible minimum they must have to give maximum meaningfulness to their life-saving efforts on behalf of nearly 600,000 Jews in need or in danger in 28 countries.

Therefore, to assure the assumption by each Jewish community of its fair and proportionate share in this national responsibility, we urge the Jewish communities of America to

RESOLVE to increase their regular allocations to the UJA; and

FURTHER RESOLVE to accept the individual quotas which the United Jewish Appeal will set forth as their reasonable responsibility toward the achievement, nationally, of the SPECIAL FUND of \$36,000,000.

And in support of their community efforts on behalf of this \$96,000,000 objective, we call upon every Jewish contributor to

RESOLVE to raise his own standard of giving to that part of his local campaign from which the UJA receives its regular allocation;

FURTHER, to give an EXTRA GIFT toward the realization of his community's SPECIAL FUND quota.

Also, we, the delegates to this historic 25th Anniversary Conference, DO FIRMLY PLEDGE AND RESOLVE to set an example for our fellow Jews by raising our own standards of giving, and by working diligently for the fulfillment of the established goals in each of our respective communities.

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My resolution*

19 December, 1963

TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND CAMPAIGN CHAIRMEN

Dear Friend:

The recent UJA 26th Annual National Conference was marked by a profound spirit of rededication. Responding to the massive overseas responsibilities that confront the United Jewish Appeal in the year ahead, the 2,000 delegates from Jewish communities throughout the United States unanimously passed the enclosed resolution calling for a 1964 Regular Campaign goal of \$69,000,000 and a goal of \$36,000,000 for the Special Fund.

Enclosed, in addition to the resolution, is a copy of the UJA 1964 Budget, which presents the budgetary requirements of the UJA's constituent agencies for the year ahead.

This budget book when properly utilized really can provide all the material, both human interest and factual, necessary to serve as a basis for the 1964 UJA campaign. It reveals the heart of the campaign and spells out our objectives in dollars and cents.

I am sure that you and your campaign officers will want to review the budget carefully. Please let us know if you would like additional copies.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

Herbert A. Friedman

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Executive Vice-Chairman

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RESOLUTION

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL 26TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

NEW YORK HILTON HOTEL

NEW YORK CITY

DECEMBER 8, 1963

WE, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF AMERICA'S JEWISH COMMUNITIES, in attendance at the 26th Annual National Conference of the United Jewish Appeal;

HAVING HEARD THE INSPIRING NEWS OF LARGE NUMBERS of new immigrants reaching the shores of Israel;

HAVING BEEN INFORMED BY RESPONSIBLE AND AUTHORITATIVE LEADERS of the vital tasks which remain to be done in order to absorb fully the new immigrants into the economic and social fabric of the country;

HAVE REACHED CERTAIN CONCLUSIONS which we wish to shape with our fellow Jews in the United States.

FIRST AND FOREMOST, we have been inspired by what Israel has achieved during the brief span of its fifteen years of statehood. There our fellow Jews, heretofore the cruel victims of tyranny and oppression, are walking with heads erect, rearing their families in an atmosphere of dignity and freedom, and singularly dedicated to the task of building a nation which is already a source of inspiration to Jews wherever they live and promises to be a light to the whole world.

AT THE SAME TIME we learned of the vastness of the needs involving many of the new immigrants in Israel. These needs, primarily in the area of immigrant absorption, have persisted because, notwithstanding the large sums that have been contributed to the UJA, our funds have not kept pace with the even larger needs presented by the great cause we have espoused.

THIS CONFERENCE HAS REVEALED TO US that in the forthcoming year the immigration into Israel will exceed even the large immigration of the current year.

It has further revealed the urgency of our commitments outside of Israel -- in France where thousands of Jews uprooted by political upheavals in their North African homelands have sought refuge; in other countries where Jews have never recovered from the ill effects of the Hitler persecution; and in behalf of the multitude of Jews on the move toward Israel and other havens of freedom. These needs will be greater in 1964, and more costly to meet.

As a result of this exhaustive review of Jewish overseas needs, it is our conviction that: as AMERICAN JEWS WE CANNOT -- WE DARE NOT -- SHIFT ANY MORE OF THE INCREASED COSTS of immigrant reception and absorption to the people of Israel, burdened as they are by the tremendous cost of preserving their own security and the greatest portion of the cost of housing and absorbing the new immigrants.

In 1964 we must do everything in our power to correct this imbalance.

WE MUST PROVIDE INCREASED FUNDS both to help keep the life-line to Israel open, and to give real meaning to the rescue and welfare of those who have not yet taken root in Israel.

WE MUST PROVIDE INCREASED FUNDS to enable the American Joint Distribution Committee and the other agencies which derive their support from the UJA to meet our obligations to our fellow Jews in need in other parts of the world.

WE MUST TREAT THESE INCREASED OBLIGATIONS not as increased burdens but as increased opportunities to advance the great mission of the redemption of our people. This is a mission to which our generation and, particularly, we the Jews of America, grateful for what we have, have heretofore applied ourselves with so much heart and so much soul.

TO ACHIEVE THESE ENDS, we earnestly and wholeheartedly endorse and ratify the following goals for the United Jewish Appeal in 1964:

\$69,000,000 to cover the regular budgets of the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Israel Appeal-Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., and NYANA, an amount which will enable these agencies to meet the foreseeable and ongoing needs that are within their areas of Jewish responsibilities:

\$36,000,000 as a SPECIAL FUND to meet the extra immigration to Israel and other emergency needs. In this Special Fund the United Hias Service, Jewry's world-wide migration agency, will also participate.

Having taken these steps, we must assure the UJA that our Jewish communities will do all in their power to mobilize their utmost support on behalf of the 1964 national UJA goal of \$105,000,000. This will give maximum meaning to the life-saving and life-building efforts on behalf of more than 750,000 Jews in need or in oppression in 31 countries.

Therefore, to assure the assumption by each American Jewish community of its fair and proportionate share in this national responsibility, we urge that they:

RESOLVE to increase their regular allocations to the UJA: and

FURTHER RESOLVE to participate in the SPECIAL FUND of \$36,000,000 in a manner which each community shall decide for itself.

In support of these community efforts on behalf of this \$105,000,000 goal, we call upon every contributor to:

RESOLVE to raise his own standard of giving to his local campaign;

FURTHER, to give an EXTRA GIFT toward the realization of his community's SPECIAL FUND.

Also, we, the delegates to this 26th Annual National Conference, DO FIRMLY PLEDGE AND RESOLVE to set an example for our fellow Jews by raising our own standards of giving, and by working diligently for the fulfillment of the established goals in each of our respective communities.

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Resolution

July 27, 1964

TO: Council of Jewish Federations & Welfare Funds

FROM: UJA Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal, after much study at the three day retreat held on June 5-7, 1964, has resolved that a Special Fund of \$38,400,000 be raised in 1965 over and above the regular campaign goal of \$71,000,000. The UJA leadership has further resolved to pursue with vigor the implementation of the 1965 Special Fund in every community in the United States. This decision is based on the analysis that the projected income of the 1965 Regular Campaign will not raise sufficient funds to meet the budgetary needs of the major constituent agencies of the UJA.

With the cessation at the end of 1964 of the \$7,500,000 annual allotment to the JDC from the Claims Conference on German Reparations, a situation of grave urgency exists for the continuation of the life-saving work of the JDC.

The Jewish Agency for Israel continues to face enormous financial difficulties which threaten to undermine its operations in the crucial areas of immigration and absorption. By the most conservative estimates, 1965 promises to be the fourth successive year of large scale immigration to Israel, with the total exceeding 60,000. In addition, the costs involved in this "quiet aliyah" continue to mount. Yet, Israel is determined not to abandon the policy of accepting every Jew who can be rescued from countries of oppression.

The Jewish Agency also lacks the resources to absorb close to one quarter of a million men, women and children who remain underhoused, underemployed, and undereducated after having been brought to Israel with the help of the UJA. The social, moral and economic consequences of this "crisis of absorption" are of no small dimension when considered in the light of Israel's continuous struggle for survival.

The UJA remains the primary and major source of dollar income for the Jewish Agency and the only source for the JDC in 1965. The Executive Committee firmly believes that the Special Fund is the best instrument to raise vitally needed additional income in 1965.

Since 1956, the Special Fund has provided the extra sum of \$99,700,000 to the UJA. A detailed analysis reveals that in almost all communities where, during the period 1957-1964, the Special Fund was gradually eliminated or "consolidated", the UJA lost sorely needed extra income.

It is therefore, imperative that in 1965 the Special Fund be vigorously re-instated on a nationwide basis. The UJA asks that each community adopt a 1965 Special Fund goal to be raised over and above its allocation to the UJA Regular Campaign. Moreover, the UJA strongly urges the use of a separate pledge card, or a two-line pledge card, so that every contributor will have an opportunity to designate a separate and additional pledge for the 1965 UJA Special Fund.

The official representatives of the CJFWF will soon make an intensive on-the-spot study overseas of the immigration and absorption programs of the Jewish Agency and the vast network of JDC operations in Europe and Moslem countries. We are confident that as a result of the Council's Study Mission findings, and its sense of historic responsibility, that the CJFWF General Assembly, to be convened in St. Louis this Fall, will support the Resolution of the UJA Executive Committee to conduct a Special Fund in 1965.

Herbert A. Friedman
Executive Vice-Chairman

Joseph Meyerhoff
General Chairman

RESOLUTION

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL 27TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

NEW YORK HILTON HOTEL

NEW YORK CITY

DECEMBER 10-13, 1964

PREAMBLE

We, the representatives of the Jewish communities of the United States, entrusted with the task of setting the vital objectives of the United Jewish Appeal's 1965 Nationwide Campaign, have been in attendance at the UJA's Annual National Conference in New York City, December 10-13, 1964.

During this significant and intensive period we have heard the responsible leaders of the Jewish Agency for Israel and of the Joint Distribution Committee -- the constituent agencies of the UJA whose vast programs of humanitarian aid affect the fate and future of nearly three-quarter of a million Jewish men, women and children in Israel and in 28 other overseas lands.

We have heard a description of the needs of these Agencies, have asked searching questions, reviewed the budgets, and we fully recognize that they represent the minimum funds these agencies require in order to carry out their lifesaving and life-building programs for all the needy and distressed Jews in their areas of operation.

We have studied the official report and recommendations submitted by the top leadership groups who participated in the Tenth Annual United Jewish Appeal Study Mission of October, 1964, and their observations of the tremendous needs the Jews in Israel, Europe and the Moslem countries served to confirm the knowledge and information we obtained during the sessions of this Conference.

These are the major observations and conclusions we wish to share with our fellow Jews:

I. ISRAEL

The great upsurge of Jewish immigration which has brought 250,000 newcomers into Israel during the past four years shows no sign of lessening. There is every indication that immigration will continue throughout 1965 at the same rate.

While we rejoice in the knowledge that the exit doors in many lands remain open for thousands of oppressed Jews, we must also remain aware of the fact that past, present and ongoing immigrations -- coupled with persistent shortages in voluntary contributions for this immigrant rescue and absorption -- are gravely endangering the programs of the Jewish Agency.

Particularly, because the level of giving by the Jews of the United States has remained at a plateau during this four-year period, the Jewish Agency has been forced to resort to emergency bank borrowings, and the Israel taxpayer has had to assume a share vastly disproportionate to his means in order to meet the immense costs involved in transporting, receiving, housing, restoring and rehabilitating these scores of thousands of newcomers. Both for humanitarian reasons and for the sake of Israel's future, we cannot -- we dare not -- permit this situation to continue into 1965.

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II. OUTSIDE ISRAEL

The tremendous relief and welfare programs conducted by the JDC are the main sources of hope and help for 410,000 Jews in Europe, North Africa, the Middle East and Asia. In fact, only the JDC's presence in France, where 200,000 Jewish refugees have sought haven and where 55,000 of them are still dependent on JDC aid, has prevented the situation there from turning into utter chaos. In North Africa and in Iran, 80,000 Jews exist only by the grace of the aid they receive from JDC. In Israel, the JDC-MALBEN network of hospitals and custodial care institutions, homes for the aged and its far-ranging medical programs, which are caring for 50,000 immigrants, is faced for the first time since 1958 with a waiting list of needy elderly, sick or disabled newcomers.

III. LOSS OF INCOME

The Joint Distribution Committee, this greatest and most honored of American Jewish humanitarian agencies faces, in 1965, one of the gravest crises in its fifty year history due to the loss of \$7,000,000 in income by reason of the termination of funds from the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany.

The Jewish Agency's immigrant absorption program in Israel is also due to be seriously affected by the diminution of vital state assistance since Government-to-Government reparations from Germany, which has been averaging \$55-60 million annually, also comes to an end in 1964.

RESOLUTION

As responsible Jews, we dare not permit this serious loss of funds to curtail the programs in 1965 of Agencies so basic to Jewish survival and redemption.

Therefore, BE IT RESOLVED that we must provide increased funds in 1965 both to keep the lifeline to Israel open, to provide for the total social and economic absorption of all who come to that country in search of freedom and security, and to enable the UJA-supported programs to continue to provide welfare and rehabilitation aid on the scale commensurate with the needs of the 410,000 Jewish men, women and children suffering adversity, oppression and even danger in many parts of the world.

Therefore, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to advance this sacred work to which the American Jewish community has been so deeply dedicated for the past 27 years, we set and ratify the following as the minimum goals of the nationwide United Jewish appeal in 1965:

\$71,000,000 for the Regular Budgets of the United Israel Appeal-Jewish Agency for Israel, Inc., the Joint Distribution Committee, and the New York Association for New Americans to enable them to meet the ongoing needs in their areas of responsibility;

\$38,400,000 as a Special Fund to meet the extraordinary and other emergency needs that are foreseeable in the areas of rescue, immigration, and absorption and to bolster vital phases of ongoing programs which are endangered by losses in reparation funds just cited. The United Hias Service, Jewry's worldwide migration agency, will also participate in this Special Fund.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that every Jewish community in the United States be called upon to resolutely and staunchly give every possible assistance and support, both moral and financial, to the leaders of the United Jewish Appeal in their efforts to achieve these goals which total \$109,400,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we call upon the Welfare Funds, Federations, Community Councils and other authoritative fund-raising and fund-dispensing bodies of our Jewish communities to adopt the following course of action:

- I. Set the largest dollar goal possible, one substantially greater in amount than in 1964, in order to fully cover the Regular Budgets of the Jewish Agency and the Joint Distribution Committee; and
- II. Provide for a United Jewish Appeal Special Fund large enough to meet not only the extraordinary immigration to Israel but also to enable the Joint Distribution Committee to continue its work without curtailment;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as Delegates to this historic 27th Annual National United Jewish Appeal Conference we do firmly pledge to:

- (A) Raise our own standard of giving as a first step to stimulate the same standards of increased giving by our fellow contributors to our community campaigns;
- (B) Give dedicated service as leaders and workers so as to assure the fulfillment of the established goals in each of our respective communities; and
- (C) By precept and example encourage extra leadership gifts to assure the success of the Special Fund, so as to give fullest vitality to the UJA-supported programs of relief, rehabilitation, rescue and immigrant absorption.

III

RESOLUTION

Because of the needs that were described at this meeting of the UJA Executive Committee, and as documented by the Jewish Agency, Inc., and the Joint Distribution Committee, it is hereby resolved by this meeting that additional funds shall be sought by the 1966 UJA Campaign mainly through a more vigorous conduct of a Special Fund.

The main approach on behalf of this extra fund is to be made through the approximately twenty major Jewish communities of America. Conversations are to be held with the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds to enlist their support.

Further discussions are to be held by the UJA Administration to determine the application of various techniques which this Committee has suggested, -- such as --

- Individual visits to communities by teams of Executive Committee members --
- The holding of a Conference in September --
- Activation of the UJA Campaign Cabinet at its June Meeting --
- And other techniques.

Onchiota, May 22, 1965

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The following is the complete text of the February 17 resolution passed unanimously by the Rabbinic Mission to Israel (February 11 to 18, 1969) held under the aegis of the United Jewish Appeal.

On the eve of our departure from Israel, the Mission of 100 Rabbis expresses to the people of Israel and to the United Jewish Appeal, its profound gratitude for a religious experience that has informed us, taught us and reassured us.

We found here a people who, in the face of daily threats to its existence and the necessity of standing ready to defend its life, yet pursue the works of peace. Here is confirmation of Judaism's millennial search for peace and the people united in response to Isaiah's challenge and summary of our faith:

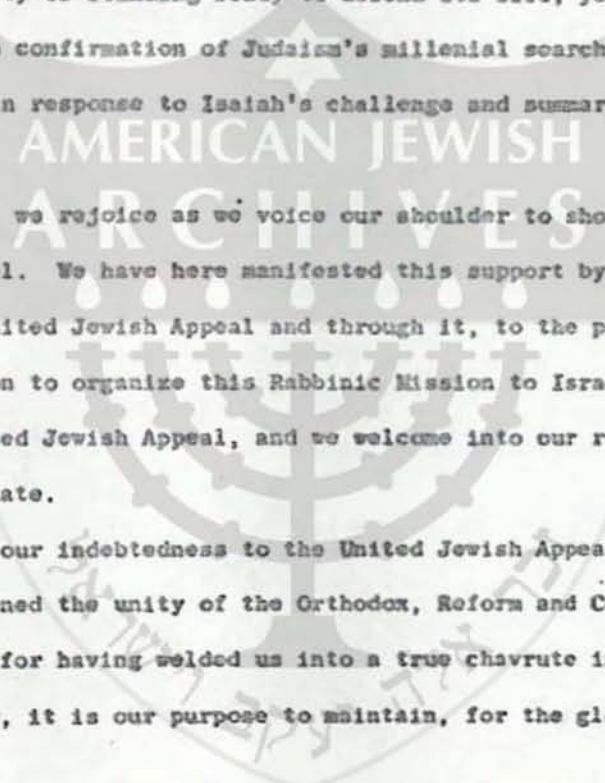
Dirshun Shalom:

Therefore, we rejoice as we voice our shoulder to shoulder support of the people of Israel. We have here manifested this support by subscribing our own gifts to the United Jewish Appeal and through it, to the people of Israel. We feel called upon to organize this Rabbinic Mission to Israel into a spiritual arm of the United Jewish Appeal, and we welcome into our ranks, the entire American Rabbinate.

We record our indebtedness to the United Jewish Appeal and to Israel for having enlightened the unity of the Orthodox, Reform and Conservative American Rabbinate, and for having welded us into a true chavruve in support of Israel.

This unity, it is our purpose to maintain, for the glory of God, Israel and Torah.

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RESOLUTION

ISRAEL

The 22nd Annual Conference of the United Jewish Appeal, convened at the Statler Hilton Hotel, New York City, on December 11 - 13, 1959, takes this occasion to express profound appreciation to the people of Israel for the inspiration they have provided in the great task shared with American Jewry of maintaining for well over a decade now a haven for Jews in distress or danger anywhere in the world. They have fulfilled their role in this partnership in the face of tremendous obstacles including the past ravages of nature on their land and the present menace of the nations that surround them.

We are stimulated to a renewed sense of dedication to our mutual endeavor by the knowledge of their unrelenting sacrificial devotion to it. We recognize that there exists today in their always troubled area of the world a moment at least of abated alarm. We welcome this period of relative calm, and hope we will be joined by American Jews everywhere in grasping it as an opportunity in which substantial assistance quickly provided can be expected to yield especially bountiful results.

Our hearts are warmer and our dreams are brighter as a result of the stupendous feats that the people of Israel have accomplished on their land. We pledge to continue with a mighty effort to maintain our part of our partnership with them to hold the doors of Israel open wide for all liberty-seeking Jews who wish to enter, as well as to assist in making all those who come productive and at home in their new country.

RESOLUTION

CASH

We, who are assembled at the 22nd Annual Conference of the United Jewish Appeal at the Statler Hilton Hotel in New York City on December 11-13, 1959, have been impressed and heartened by the amount of cash which has been remitted to the United Jewish Appeal during the year 1959. We realize that this is the result of great effort and perseverance on the part of many community leaders throughout the country and we are deeply appreciative of this effort. However, we must take cognizance of the fact that there still remains a considerable amount of cash outstanding. Every dollar of this remaining sum is critically needed by the United Jewish Appeal.

We urge the Jewish communities throughout the country to convert the outstanding pledges into cash in the shortest possible time and to remit this cash to the United Jewish Appeal at once. Such action on the part of the communities is essential for two purposes:

- ONE, to enable the constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal to pursue their vital work; and
- TWO, to insure maximum success of the 1960 campaign.

RESOLUTION

EARLY AND VIGOROUS CAMPAIGNS

The 22nd Annual Conference of the United Jewish Appeal, convened at the Statler Hilton Hotel, New York City, on December 11 - 13, 1959, strongly recommends to the Jewish communities throughout the United States that they conduct early and vigorous campaigns in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal in 1960. Repeated experience has shown that campaigns that are launched early and that are prosecuted with vigor are, from every standpoint, the most effective campaigns.

Such campaigns are especially needed in 1960 because the aggregate needs which the UJA is required to meet in 1960 are of such dimensions and urgency as to make it as critical as any year in the history of the UJA.

The Conference expresses its confidence in the leadership of the communities that they will recognize both the challenges and the opportunities for service which the year 1960 presents and that, in planning and conducting their campaigns, they will be guided by the principles set forth in this resolution.

RESOLUTION

SPECIAL FUND

WE, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF JEWISH COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, have assembled at the 22nd Annual Conference of the United Jewish Appeal, at the Statler Hilton Hotel, in New York City, on December 11 - 13, 1959, to consider the needs that the UJA will have to meet in 1960 and to formulate plans to meet these needs.

The needs are clear.

One of the most urgent and pressing problems which has ever confronted the UJA is the grave need of approximately 400,000 Jews in Israel who are part of the nearly one million fellow Jews whom we helped rescue and bring to Israel within the past decade. Generous as our contributions have been and though they have been augmented by admirable support from the heavily-taxed people of Israel, the tragic fact is that there have not been sufficient funds to accomplish the absorption of these 400,000 into the life of the country.

- (a) Some 90,000 are still living in the squalor of the maabarot and in other miserable slum dwellings.
- (b) Many other thousands live in farm settlements which are not self-sustaining because they are deficient in irrigation, livestock, and a large variety of essential buildings, equipment and machinery.
- (c) A great number of the settlers on the incompletd farm communities, and others, who must be trained or re-trained, are, by the circumstances in which they find themselves, forced into make-work projects where their earnings are hardly sufficient to sustain life.

We owe these people a special debt of honor because when we helped bring them to Israel we did so with the understanding that we would give them not only the precious gift of freedom but also the opportunity for a life of dignity. Such life is possible only if we provide the additional funds needed to give these people decent homes and the means to become self-sufficient.

In addition to the needs of those who have already come to Israel, there is the continuous immigration of the present. Jews are coming into Israel in substantial numbers, from Europe, Africa and Asia. We must make sure that when these new immigrants reach their destination, their absorption into the life of the country is completed with the minimum of delay. This, in itself, will require vast outlays of money.

Furthermore, there is another reason why the immediate absorption of the past and present immigrants is most urgent. There is always before us the question of the future. Experience has taught us to expect the upsurge in immigration resulting from the sudden raising of barriers that are presently closed. We know now that if this should materialize we will, as in the past, respond to the call of these fellow Jews for help. At the same time we must realize that unless we have made adequate provision for those who came to Israel before, a new mass influx into Israel will necessarily mean prolonged suffering for those who came before and new suffering for those who will yet come.

We further recognize that all of these needs set forth above are in addition to our commitments to fellow Jews in need in twenty-five countries other than Israel, whose only hope lies in the help we provide.

It is apparent from the foregoing that an extraordinary effort on the part of the Jews of America will be required in 1960 to meet the needs which press upon us. Only if we make this effort shall we discharge our obligations to our fellow Jews in need and enable the heroic people of Israel to maintain Israel as a true haven for distressed Jews everywhere.

We, therefore, RESOLVE, that there be constituted for 1960 a UNITED JEWISH APPEAL SPECIAL FUND, and, in implementation of this resolution, be it further resolved:

1. That the United Jewish Appeal Special Fund campaign be conducted by the Jewish communities of the United States corollary to the regular campaign for 1960.
2. That, in addition to their contribution to the regular campaign, the Jews of America be called on to contribute to an extent even greater than in previous years.
3. That contributions to this Fund be obtained through the fund-raising facilities of the local Jewish Welfare Funds, and the Welfare Funds be called upon to provide a clear and distinct channel for such contributions.
4. That the responsibility of participating in the Special Fund be placed on each and every contributor.
5. That contributions by individuals to the Special Fund be made without reduction of their respective contributions to the regular campaign to be conducted in 1960.
6. That the leaders of the communities' Federations and Welfare Funds confer with the leaders of the United Jewish Appeal to the end that the United Jewish Appeal shall receive a fair and equitable share of the proceeds of the communities' 1960 regular campaign.
7. That each Jewish community of the country agrees that the Special Fund be over and above the United Jewish Appeal's fair share from the regular annual campaign in 1960.

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