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> Joyce C. Kitay, Director Resources and Board Development American Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017-4014

Dear Joyce:

It was delightful having you as a luncheon partner at the JDC Board sessions. I am pleased that we had a chance to chat and it was good to learn more of your responsibilities within the JDC.

As promised, I enclose herewith a small gift to assist you in obtaining the required mezzuzot. I hope this will be of help in this most worthy project.

With every good wish and warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

December 21, 1992

TO: Fred Cohen

From: Edie Miller

Please let me have a check for \$100. from the Contingency Fund made payable to the American Joint Distribution Committee. This is a special contribution in connection with their program of aid for overseas Jewry.

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December 11, 1992

Rabbi Alex Schindler Union of American Hebrew Congregations 838 Fifth Avenue New York City 10021

Dear Alex,

How fortunate I was to have you as a luncheon companion at the Board Meetings. What a fortuitous choice of seats. I want to thank you for your generous offer towards the mezzuzot. (As you requested, please take this as the most gentle of reminders).

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Warmest regards,

Joyce C. Kitey, Director

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Elaine Winik American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Elaine:

After our IDP meeting, Ed Kaplan, from Washington, approached me to tell me that he knows of a very wealthy man in Washington who has never given anything to Jewish causes. He is a dentist, but has extensive real estate investments too, and is apparently an exceedingly wealthy man. His name is Dr. Laszlo Tauber. He dislikes Federation types, shys away from them for some reason, but is generous in many other ways. May be a Brandeis University giver, but gives mostly to non-Jewish causes. Ed Kaplan cannot approach him directly, but he does know one of the people, by the name of Socol, who could make an approach to him.

I hope you will follow up on this. I, myself, would of course be willing to go to Dr. Tauber. It also occurs to me that we have a Reform rabbi in Northern Virginia, near Washington, who is also of Hungarian parentage. Maybe he might be of use. But in any event, please take the leadership in this. I will be glad to help tangentially if at all possible.

Please keep me posted on this.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Aryeh Cooperstock Edward Kaplan ACTIVITY REPORT

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November 12, 1992 16 Heshvan 5753

VIA FAX: 9722-633-010

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Sincerely

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cc: Ray Epstein





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November 24, 1992 28 Heshvan 5753

Sylvia Hassenfeld #8A 980 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10021

Dear Sylvia:

What a charming expression of appreciation! Your token of gratitude means a great deal to me, but more importantly, I am delighted that I have had the pleasure of working with you in behalf of the Joint Distribution Committee and the superb work it undertakes. I am especially pleased that I was assigned to the IDP Committee for it really does an incredible humanitarian service wherever and whenever it is called upon.

You have led the JDC with devotion and dignity. You have every right to be pleased and proud of the manifold accomplishments this fine organization has fulfilled during the period of your presidency.

With repeated thanks, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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The war of the Jews against Fome did not begin suddenly. Ever since the death of Agrippa I and the ensuing role of the first Foman procurator, there had been many clashes of short duration between Fomans and Jews. Even in relatively quiet times the land seethed with rebellion.

The insults of the procurator Florus finally caused the explosion of Judaea against its Foman oppressors. In spite of pleading by Agrippa II, who was in Jerusalem at the time, the Jews refused to take any more of Florus's mistreatment. Agrippa also warned that Jews around the world would "be devastated by the enemy if you rebel".

Fven though several factions of Jews continued to fight among themselves, in May of the year 66 C.F. they united sufficiently to rout the Poman garrisons stationed in and around Jerusalem.

These initial Jewish victories sent shock waves throughout the Foman Empire. True to Agrippa II's prediction, Jews everywhere were murdered. In Caesarea more than 20,000 Jews were massacred in a single bloody hour. In Famascus IO,000 more were killed. And in Antioch, Alexandria, and other cities there was similar carnage.

The Pomans knew that the rebellion of this tiny nation had to be stamped out quickly, lest other provinces get the wrong idea about the strength of the empire.

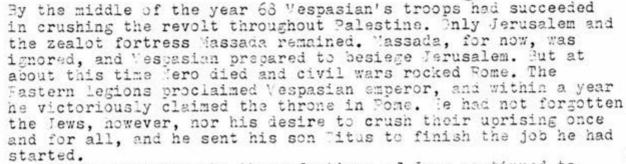
From their position in nearby Syria came Rome's I2th Legion under general Cestus Gallus, who simed to quiet the embattled Jews. But the troops were successfully repelled. When word of this defeat reached Nero in Fome, he knew how dangerous the situation had become. He called upon his most distinguished general, the aging Flavius Vespasian, who had led Rome's armies to victory in Germany and Britain.

Given the best of Pome's fighting forces and virtually unlimited power, Vespasian departed for Palestine. When he arrived his first move was to encircle Galilee, where the Jewish forces were under the command of one Joseph ben Matthias. Galilee fell within a efw months, but before it did, this Joseph surrendered to Vespasian and tried to convince his fellows to do the same. they did not. Meanwhile, Joseph befriended Vespasian and became a court follower and historian - known today as Flavius Josephus, the only Jewish historian of that time whose works survive today.





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Within Jerusalem the three factions of Jews continued to battle; the zealots under "leazar, the Sicarii (or knife-men) under Simon ben Giora, and their opposition led by John of Gisha-

Tituts's siege machines pounded the city and its walls with battering rams and huge stones. Even while Titus was at work on the outside of Jerusalem his allies, famine and plague, struck down thousands of the besieged Jews. Slowly but surely Tituts's men and machines tore down the city's three walls.

When the last wall fell the survivors holed up in the Temple compound and continued to resist for six more days. It is said that Titus had ordered the Temple itself saved, but as his troops smelled the success that had so long eluded them, they burnt it to the ground and butchered its protectors. Even after this, however, isolated pockets of resistance flickered in the Temple area, and it was a month before all were wiped out.

Few realize that throughout all of this at least four ranking Jews stood with Titus: the apostate Tiberius Alexander, of Alexandria, who was a former procurator of Judaea, was his chief of staff; Agrippa II, who commanded a large army of auxiliaries; Berenice, sister of Agrippa II, who was the mistress of itus and hoped to become his wife; and the turncoat historian, Josephus, who chronicled the campaign.

Joon Titus's final victory, Josephus wrote of the Tewish captives: The tallest and handsomest of the youths were reserved for the triumphal procession in Fome. If the rest, all over 17 were given by Titus to various provinces for gladiatorial combats with men and beasts. Those under 17 were sold. The total number of prisoners taken throughout the war amounted to 97,000. And those who perished during the entire siege from the war, pestilence and famine numbered 1,100,000".

The golden Menorah and other holy implements of the Temple were taken to Pome and put in the Roman Temple of Peace. They have long since disappeared, but we are reminded of them even









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Sincerely,

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cc: Ray Epstein

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November 2, 1992 6 Heshvan 5753

Mr. Herbert M. Singer 745 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10151

Dear Herb:

Thank you for your very kind comments on my address to the JDC Board. I am deeply grateful for your warm words of commendation and thank you taking the time to write as you did.

Indeed, I was delighted to learn of your brother's generous gift to the Endowment Fund you established for JDC and the benefit of its International Development Program. I am enclosing herewith a copy of my letter of appreciation to Edwin.

With every good wish and warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

HERBERT M. SINGER 745 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. 10151

October 16, 1992

Rabbi Alexander Schindler Union of American Hebrew Congregations 838 Fifth Avenue New York, N. Y. 10021

Dear Alex:

I did not have the opportunity to talk to you after your brilliant address to the JDC Board. Belatedly, I pay tribute to the eloquence and the effectiveness of your presentation of the IDP concepts and program.

I think you would be pleased to learn of the enclosed commitment to the Endowment.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

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HERBERT M. SINGER 745 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. 10151

October 16, 1992

Mr. Stephen D. Solender WA-Federation of Jewish Philanthropies 130 East 59th Street New York, N. N. 10022

Dear Steve:

It is with pleasure that I enclose herewith check of my brother, Edwin Singer, in the sum of \$5,000, as a first installment of a \$10,000 commitment, payable to WA-Federation.

As you will see from the enclosed letter to me dated October 13th, he directs that the funds from this commitment be placed in the Endowment which I established for JDC for the benefit of its International Development Program under my letter to you dated September 10, 1992.

Sincerely,

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cc: Mr. Edwin Singer

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Edwin Singer
FIRST CITY BANK TOWER
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DEAR HERB

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Mr. Edwin Singer First City Bank Tower Corpus Christi, TX 78477

Dear Edwin:

Your brother, Herb, as well as Aryeh Cooperstock of the JDC have told me of your generous gift to the Endowment that Herb has established for the International Development Program of the JDC. As one who serves on that important committee, I was thrilled to learn of your gift. I guess it was fate that incorrectly directed Herb's letter to Stephen Solender to you.

I can assure you that your gift has been given to a very worthy undertaking. It will be used wisely and well.

With deepest gratitude for your generous contribution and with every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Herbert M. Singer

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Dear Alex -For your information.

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Dear Mr. Singer,

We were delighted to learn from your brother Herb of your most generous contribution to the endowment he established for us. Your description of his choice of causes is a view we share; and we are honored that he has included our program among them. Herb's letter is a work of art that inspires us to still greater efforts. Please be assured that we will make every effort to continue to merit this trust and expression of confidence.

Enclosed, for your information, is a brochure describing our activities. We will keep you informed as our work continues.

With best wishes for the new year.

Sincerely,

Aryeh Cooperstock

cc. Herb Singer



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TO

Rabbi Alexander Schindler

FROM:

Tzivia Bieler

Office of Gideon Taylor

DATE:

October 28, 1992

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Gideon prepared the attached Meeting Summary in Israel and asked that I fax it to you.

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MEETING SUMMARY

TENT CITY PROJECT

Date: October 23, 1992

Present: Michael Schnieder, Ami Bergman, Gideon Taylor, Abie Nathan.

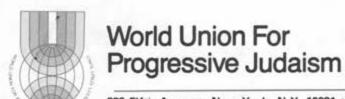
The following points were agreed regarding the implementation of this project:-

- 1. There will be 3 stages to the project:-Pre-operation Operation Follow up
- JDC will be responsible for the pre-operation in the US, namely the application for funds to the US government and liaison with the US Jewish organizations.
- 3. AN and JDC will be jointly responsible for planning of the project, preparation of the budget, and negotiation of agreements with the Kenyan authorities, UNHCR and other relevant parties.
- 4. AN will be responsible for implementation of the project on the ground. JDC will be kept fully informed of all activity and JDC staff will be present on the ground.
- The project will not commence before completion of satisfactory agreements with the appropriate authorities.
- 6. The hudget will be framed in such a way to ensure that there will be flexibility and that there will be cufficient margin to avoid overruns.
- The budget will include sufficient funds for the follow up (described below).
- D. Liaison with JDC will be through Ami Bergman.
- JDC will provide a staff-person to deal with financial issues on the ground.

- 1J. where necessary US volunteers will also be involved in the project.
- 11. There will be a follow through period of at least 3 months after the namp is turned over to UNHCR during which time JDC will maintain a presence. This might be in the form of medical personnel.

prepared: Gideon Taylor.

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October 20, 1992

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Dear Rabbi Schindler:

Thank you for sharing with me a copy of your October 16, 1992 memo to Don Day.

About five years ago I made the rounds of all the Joint Distribution Committee people to whom I had access to pursue the possibility of JDC funding for movement projects. To say it was a vain statement is an understatement. This is yet another situation where we are not, or at least were not, considered as making enough of a contribution to the "overall" Jewish community to make support of us appropriate for the JDC.

I would welcome the opportunity to make another such effort. It would be very helpful if you would ask Mrs. Tishman with whom I should speak. If I can say "Peggy Tishman suggested I call," that would probably open a door or two which would otherwise remain shut.

I suspect any monies the Conservative movement receives is in support of the Seminario. If that is not the case, than we really should be receiving our fair share!

Thank you in advance for what you are able to do!

Sincerely,

Rabbi Clifford M. Kulwin

cc: Donald S. Day



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October 20, 1992

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Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler Union of American Hebrew Congregations 838 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10021

Dear Alex:

Just a note to thank you for your memorandum on the JDC support of conservative projects in South America. I will be talking to Cliff Kulwin about it.

Warmly

Donald S. Day

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MEMORANDUM



October 16, 1992

FROM:

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

TO:

Donald Day

COPY:

Rabbi Clifford Kulwin

At the Area Committee meetings of the JDC, Peggy Tischman reported on South America and spoke of JDC support to some Conservative projects. When I questioned her about this, she indicated that the Conservative movement was the only stream of Judaism which applied for a grant.

This is something you should definitely look into with an eye to assistance for our programs in South America.

Fond regards.





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September 24, 1992 26 Elul 5752

Michael Schneider Executive Vice President American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Mike:

It took me a while to straighten out our eager beavers so far as the Somalia project is concerned. Enclosed please find a memorandum from Eric Yoffie which summarizes our position in the matter.

Thanks for your understanding. All the very best for a "shnat chayim $\ensuremath{\mathcal{W}}$ 'shalom".

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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Date: September 23, 1992

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From: Rabbi Eric Yoffie

To: Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Evely Laser Shlensky, Melvin Merians

Our letter does indeed imply more of a role for the UAHC than we have taken on. We should have been more careful in our wording.

As we discussed, our responsibilities are clear and very limited: we have undertaken a one-time fundraising effort, and we have no role -- implied or otherwise -- beyond our High Holiday appeal. We most certainly will have no connection with the AID.

As I think you know, Glenn Stein has had almost daily contacts with the JDC, and we have a clear understanding with them of what they are prepared to do, assuming adequate funding comes in. If adequate funding does not come in, all money raised will be directed to Somalia through some other channels -- such as the International Red Cross. Both our letter and the New York Times ad are making this clear.

I will keep you informed.





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September 15, 1992 17 Elul 5752

Herbert M. Singer 745 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10151

Dear Herbert:

I have a copy of your letter accompanying your gift of \$25,000 to our UJA Federation and earmarked to advance the work of JDC and particularly its International Development Program.

But, then, you have the thanks which comes from the knowledge that your gift advances a cause which is preeminently worth while.

You are a man of your word and I admire you exceedingly much.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Herbert M. Singer

HERBERT M. SINGER 745 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. 10151

September 10, 1992

Mr. Stephen D. Solender WA-Federation of Jewish Philanthropies 130 East 59th Street New York, N. Y. 10022

Dear Steve:

I am enclosing herewith my check payable to UJA-Federation in the sum of \$25,000, as the first installment of a \$50,000 commitment for the benefit of American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. (JDC), the balance to be paid in January, 1993 or before, at my discretion.

These funds are to be held as an Endowment fund for the benefit of JDC, the income from which is to be devoted to support the activities of the International Development Program (JDC-IDP) of JDC.

I am establishing this Endowment as a result of my close observation of the activities of JDC-IDP over its entire five year existence.

I have been profoundly impressed by its creativity in the selection of programs; by its ability to augment its budget with funds from government, foundations and interested individuals in its various programs; by its skill in finding the appropriate project leaders and the talent required to implement those highly diversified programs, frequently fraught with danger; and by its thoroughness in integrating and overseeing complex projects.

I have the deepest of respect for the dedication of its extraordinary staff; for its remarkable record of achievement; and for the worldwide prestige for performance which it has already earned, despite its short period of existence and its limited funding. But, more significantly, I am making this grant because of my conviction that JDC-IDP has the potential to become one of the great humanitarian institutions of the world.

Its dominant mission is not only to ameliorate, on a non-sectarian basis, the suffering of victims of natural disasters and man-made misfortunes, but also to leave the stricken community with the tools, organizational structure and trained indigenous talent to pursue a program of self-help; and thus to regenerate within the community, a spirit of hope and enterprise.

The worldwide implications in realizing this potential, would be profound. It would be a dramatic demonstration of Jewish concern for human misfortune regardless of race, creed, national origin or global location, in keeping with Biblical teaching of the kinship of all mankind. It would soften the deep seated prejudice and antagonism with which Jewish society has been plagued for a millennium.

It could also change the attitude of many governments presently unsympathetic to the Jew and to the ultimate refuge of persecuted Jews, Israel. It could become a restraining influence in manifestations of anti-semitism in governments and among people, when they consider that, in the future, disaster may strike and they will need help from every source that they can tap.

Incidental to its humanitarian objectives, JDC-IDP, through its effort to involve Israeli talent in its projects, could be (and, indeed, has already been) of significant help to Israel in advancing Israel's science, technology, trade and commerce with lands previously unfriendly; and could also be of some help in Israel's unemployment problem.

JDC-IDP could also become of important consequence to Jewish communities in our nation.

While the Jew, historically, has had a deep concern for the unfortunate in human society and has translated that concern into a rare dedication of effort and treasure in the cause of humanity, nevertheless Jewish generosity has been widely considered to be parochial and limited to the unfortunate in the Jewish community. The extraordinary generosity of Jewish philanthrophy to non-sectarian causes has, unfortunately, been considered to be given by individuals rather than as members of the Jewish community. JDC-IDP and its dramatic non-sectarian program could significantly dissolve this unfortunate image of parochialism which presently attaches to Jewish philanthrophy.

Not the least, JDC-TDP could become a mobilizer of funds (without adversely affecting the fund raising efforts of UVA) by tapping, as it already has, government funds, foundation funds and funds from Jewish and non-Jewish sources that, for one reason or another, have not contributed to UVA or will not diminish contributions to its appeals.

It is my profound hope that the rationale and the exciting potential of JDC-IDP will appeal to others who could furnish further strength and stability to this unusual project.

For those who are unfamiliar with JDC-IDP, I am annexing a statement concerning its origins, its policies and its achievements.

Many thanks for your willingness to give this program the wide coverage that it deserves.

Sincerely,

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DRAFT MEMORANDUM TO: 1DP Committee FROM: Elaine Winik and Alex Schindler DATE: September 11, 1992 RE Endowment for the JDC International Development Program It is our great pleasure inform you that Herb Singer has established an endowment for the IDP. Demonstrating what we have come to know as his profound commitment to the Jewish people and JDC in particular, and his imaginative foresight and creativity, Herb has identified IDP as a pivotal instrument in furthering our objectives. Attached

is his letter which he cogently explains the reasons for his confidence in the program.

You will note that Herb is doing this through the UJA-Federation with Steve Solender's advice, support, and consent. This demonstrates that there will be no conflict with UJA.

We are confident that you share our excitement about Herb's generous initiative and that you will help in finding ways to make the endowment grow so that IDP can continue to develop and expand.

July 10, 1992 9 Tammuz 5752

From:

Edie Miller

To:

Elaine Winik

When Aryeh's memo of July 7 on the opening of the Children's Rehabilitation Center in Armenia arrived, I immediately called him and learned he is out of the country. I left word for him to take note of the fact that September 27 is erev Rosh Hashonah.

Alex, who is just back in the country but not yet in NYC, suggested I call you. When I telephoned your home I learned you are away for about ten days. Be that as it may, you may want to consider requesting a date change for the opening so that a JDC representative might be in attendance. A program on the eve of Rosh Hashonah in such a far distant place creates difficulties for most Jews, and certainly for leaders of an American Jewish organization it would be best to seek to reschedule the official opening.

Hope all is well with you and that you are enjoying a pleasant summer. Warm regards.

TO:

Sylvia Hassenfeld, Elaine Winik, Alex Schindler, Michael Schneider

FROM:

Aryeh Cooperstock

DATE:

July 7, 1992

RE:

Opening of the Children's Rehabilitation Center, Armenia

We were informed today that we can (finally!) schedule the official opening of the Center on September 27 in Gumri (Leninakan). Obviously JDC should be represented by our leadership. There are weekly flights from Paris to Yerevan and from Sofia to Yerevan. There are also more frequent flights to Yerevan from various cities in the FSU.

Would you please tell me if and when it would be convenient to have your participation so that the appropriate arrangements can be made. Or perhaps you could suggest some alternative representation.

Thank you.

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TO:

Sylvia Hassenfeld, Elaine Winik, Alex Schindler, Michael Schneider

FROM:

Aryeh Cooperstock

DATE:

July 2, 1992

RE:

Children's Rehabilitation Center, Armenia

Construction completion of the Center is now scheduled for mid-September. Obviously, given our experience with delays so far - caused, for example, by war, blockades, a devastated economy - the date could be changed. But so far, so good.

We have to decide on a name for the Center. A Jewish name is certainly appropriate. Our original idea was to name it for Henry Morgenthau Sr.: not only might he be considered the father of JDC, but also he is a bona fide hero for the Armenians since he brought their plight at the hands of the Turks to the attention of the world. This would, however, be very unpopular with the Turkish Jewish community.

Of course it can be called the JDC Center with an appropriate explanation of who and what we are on a plaque inside. Or some name that signifies the American Jewish community. A more creative solution would be welcome.

Please let me have your advice as soon as possible.

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June 10, 1992 9 Sivan 5752

Mr. Herbert Singer Singer, Netter & Dowd 745 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10151

Dear Herb:

I was delighted to learn via Aryeh Cooperstock that you had made a commitment of \$50,000 for the JDC International Development Program. You know, of course, how consequential I consider this work to be. Not only is it good for the Jews, it is good for humankind. So I am admiring of you and grateful to you.

Kol Hakavod - all honor to you.

Fondly,

Alexander M. Schindler

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June 5, 1992

Michael Schneider

Mr. Herbert Singer Singer, Netter & Dowd 745 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10151

Dear Herb,

We were very pleased that Pat Gantz announced the establishment of an endowment with your personal commitment of \$50,000 for the JDC International Development Program. It is our understanding that you wish to fulfill this pledge within the year. Once your initial contribution is received and the endowment is formally established, we will be able to solicit additional funds.

This tangible expression of your support for one of our most innovative programs is another demonstration of your deep concern for the welfare of our people. Through your sensitive gift you recognize in IDP the humanitarian base of our faith as it helps all people.

Sincerely,

Neyce Kitey, Director Resources Development

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April 20, 1992 17 Nisan 5752

Theodore Comet Assoc. Executive Vice President Joint Distribution Committee, INc. 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Ted:

I have your letter of April 16th concerning your desire to bring a greater awareness of JDC to the rabbinate.

As you know, I head the <u>congregational</u> body of Reform Judaism and the contact to the rabbinate itself is better established through the CCAR. Joe Glaser is your best contact on that, and you can reach him at the offices of the Central Conference.

As far as our conventions both national and regional are concerned, we obviously have a number of workshops on World Jewry and their needs in one way or another at each of our conventions. They are arranged primarily through our international affiliates, the World Union for Progressive Judaism, and focus at least to some extent on the development of Reform Judaism in those areas. Still, there is no reason whatsoever why the JDC contributions should not be an element of that. We do draw a lot of people to these functions. Approximately, 500 to each of our 14 regional conventions and at our last National Biennial between 4500 and 5000 people were in attendance.

You are also right as far as our Camp and Youth programs are concerned and of course our school system is important too. Our curriculum does include courses on "Jews Around the World". JDC and its story ought to be a part of that if it is not already. (It was when I was Director of Education years ago).

The proper contact for our Camp and Youth work is Rabbi Allen Smith, who is here at our office at 838 Fifth Avenue. Arthur Grant, also at our national headquarters, coordinates our national and regional conventions. Rabbi Howard Bogot is our National Director of Education. Why don't you make an appointment with each of them and discuss how the JDC story can become a thread of our programming.

As far as I am concerned, you don't have to worry. I tell everyone within hearing that JDC is "the class act on American Jewish organizational life."

With warm good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

CC: Sylvia Hassenfeld Michael Schneider



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April 16, 1992

Rabbi Alexander Schindler Union of American Hebrew Congregations 838 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10021

Dear Alex:

As we are now able to talk publicly about most of JDC's global activity, we are looking at new audiences we should be reaching. An important target group identified is the Rabbinate -- for their personal edification and as potential tellers of the tale to their congregations.

The concept is not the selling of JDC, but rather raising consciousness of and deepening knowledge about the condition of world Jewry. On a narrow functional level, JDC can provide dramatic themes and anecdotal material that could enhance sermons and synagogue bulletins; on a broader plane, JDC can provide the background against which the Reform movement can view its activities overseas.

We have a close rapport with the UJA Rabbinic Cabinet and its members do receive JDC materials on a regular basis. But we would like to go beyond UJA and directly to the major instruments of the Reform movement -- U.A.H.C. and the CCAR, to explore how JDC information on world Jewry can be channeled through them; the possibilities for sessions on world Jewry at their conventions; getting on the programs of retreats; NFTY camps, etc. (you know the potential better than I do).

I'd welcome your thinking on this matter and the opportunity to discuss it with you.

Chag Sameach!

Cordially,

Theodore Comet

Associate Executive Vice President

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cc:

Sylvia Hassenfeld Michael Schneider

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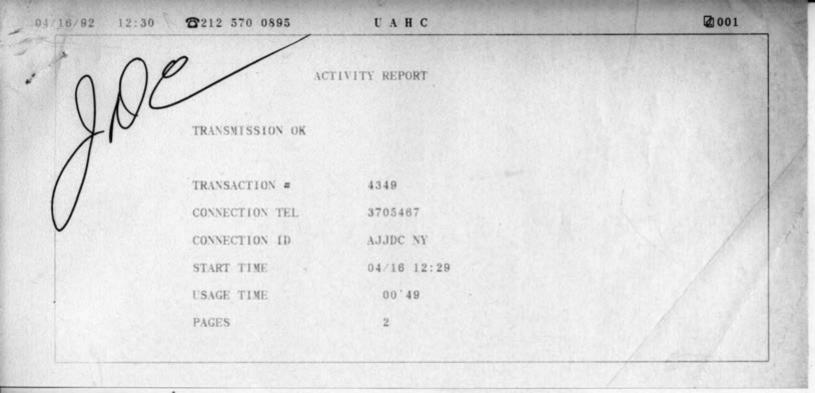
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April 16, 1992

From: Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

To: Aryeh Cooperstock

RE: JDC Statement

Enclosed is my re-draft of the JDC Mission statement. I tried to retain as much of the original as possible.

Let me have your reaction and, of course, any suggested changes.

Warm regards and have a sweet and happy Pesach.

JDC-IDP's objectives are

to advance the basic tenet of Judaism which affirms that all people, Jew and non-Jew, are members of one Family; and that the victims of natural disasters and man-made misfortunes should be aided in their need by the more fortunate members of that Family;

to provide a Jewish presence in the development programs of Third World countries and the emerging nations of Eastern Europe;

to extend such efforts particularly to lands where Jewish communities still exist, and where their status might be improved or the burden of their continuing persecution be relieved because of our activities;

to further efforts of the United States government in the pursuit of its long-established policy to bring succor to peoples who are victims of famine, diseases, and other natural or man-made disasters;

to enhance the international standing of the State of Israel wherever its foreign policy goals coincide with those of our own government;

to carry on activities in foreign lands that use Israeli products and skills and thus help not only to generate Israeli employment but also to enlarge Israel's scientific, technical and industrial capacity;

and to marshall the material resources and the talents of our own constituency to complement the free-will offerings of the larger population as well as grants provided by U.S. governmental agencies to such world-wide humanitarian undertakings.



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to provide a Jewish presence in the development programs of Third World countries and the emerging nations of Eastern Europe;

to extend such efforts particularly to lands where Jewish communities still exist, and where their status might be improved or the burden of their continuing persecution be relieved because of our activities;

to further efforts of the United States government in the pursuit of its longestablished policy to bring succor to peoples who are victims of famine, diseases, and other natural or man-made disasters:

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April 21, 1992 18 Nisan 5752

Mr. Arthur Brody American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Arthur:

I am delighted to join the former Soviet Union Area Committee of the JDC.

However, it is impossible for me to attend the meeting on May 19 as I will be in Los Angeles speaking at a dinner of the UAHC Fund for Reform Judaism. I hope you will forgive my absence and keep me posted on any and all developments which transpire in this committee.

Warm regards,

Alexander M. Schindler



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James James

April 15, 1992

Rabbi Alexander Schindler Union of American Hebrew Congregations 838 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10021

Dear Alex,

As you know, JDC's Board has mandated a restructuring of Area Committees to make them smaller and more effective as decision-making bodies. Board members are now assigned to just one Area Committee. I was pleased to learn that you were proposed for the Former Soviet Union Area Committee, and am writing to urge you to accept this assignment.

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As you are undoubtedly aware, the former Soviet Union is a major area of operation for JDC. We provide a wide gamut of services, most prominent of which is our food distribution program, both sectarian and non-sectarian.

I am sure you will find it a stimulating and satisfying experience. We, in turn, can benefit from the input of someone like you who has valuable experience in dealing with human needs.

I look forward to seeing you at our meeting on May 19, currently scheduled for 3:00 to 5:30 p.m., and hope that you will make every effort to be present. You'll soon be receiving the agenda and other information.

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If you would like to discuss the work of the committee and your role, please call me at (908) 602-1500. Should you require background material, call Searle Brajtman, JDC's Desk Officer for the former Soviet Union, at (212) 687-6200.

Sincerely,

Arthur Brody

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TO:

IDP Committee

FROM:

Elaine Winik/Alex Schindler

DATE:

March 30, 1992

RE:

IDP Czechoslovakia Project

We thought you would be interested in the attached report by Prof. Stanley Herr of the University of Maryland following his very intensive week in Prague. (Not all the expatriate instructors come for so short a stay.) You will see that he taught his specialized subject to a very receptive audience of non-lawyers; and that he learned a great deal from the experience. In fact, he is extremely enthusiastic about the Project, and expressed his desire to continue his participation in it.

Clearly, as we expected, considerable new ground is being broken with this Project; and a great deal remains to be done.

Prof. Herr mentioned several people whom you may not know: Pesach Gitelman, of JDC Israel, and Stefan Rothschild, of Akim Jerusalem, are our Project Directors; Marcia Presky is from the JDC-IDP staff.

SUMMARY REPORT ON JDC TRAINING INSTITUTE

March 15 - 22, 1992

I. Teaching Activities

Human rights, legislation, and advocacy were the focuses of my teaching assignment. For most of the students, my classes were their first systematic exposure to those subjects in relation to the disabilities field. The students, however, brought to the class a profound and intimate experience of human rights struggles from first-hand encounters. This, in turn, led to a high level of personal and intellectual engagement that produced lively exchanges and concrete written proposals for change.

The themes for the five days of teaching were:

- Day 1. International human rights, with special emphasis on the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Mentally Retarded Persons (1971), the U.N. Declaration on the rights of Disabled Persons (1975) and the U.N. Convention on the Rights of the Child (1990).
- Day 2. Human and legal rights for persons in institutions, or in the process of movement to community living, including legal concepts of the principle of the least restrictive alternative, normalization and integration.
- Day 3. Advocacy in its various modes (parental, habilitation, professional, self-advocacy, legal, etc.) and efforts to enhance autonomy and choice for persons with disabilities.
- Day 4. Recognizing and remedying discrimination and prejudice against persons with disabilities in different cultures and legal systems.
- Day 5. Evaluation of methods of fostering legal and social change in relation to contemporary Czechoslovakian realities.

adequate medical treatment and to enjoy community living with de facto parents when the natural parents rejected and become detached from their Down's Syndrome teenager.

Stefan and Pesach were helpful in many ways, including inviting the Ministry officials, arranging an interview with a leading governmental adviser on disability policy and orienting me to the group, classroom, Prague, the local Jewish community and the national context. They have a fine rapport with the students and this reservoir of good will between them (and the faculty members that came earlier) spills over to benefit the faculty member for the current week. They were kind to go out to the airport in an attempt to meet me (see recommendation 1 below) and to introduce me to a remarkable set of professionals, parents, persons with disabilities, the Israeli ambassador, and experiences.

III. Useful Contacts

I attach photocopies of the business cards of the two lawyers who came to successive classes (Jan Bebr and Anna Samkova). They are interested in the disabilities field and might be usefully consultant in the future. At a reception at the University Medical School, I was also introduced to Czech Minister of Health, Dr. Martin Bojar, and his aides for international cooperation (Dr. Katerina Ciharova) and adviser (Dr. Slavomil Hubalek). Their cards are attached as well as that of Professor Jan Pfeiffer of Charles University's Rehabilitation Clinic, who strongly encouraged me to undertake follow-up work with various named federal and republic officials in ministries of Labor and Social Affairs. Finally, Ing. Tomas Jung and Ing. Jaroslav Hruby came to our class, and in the course of our discussions invited us to send our views and recommendations to them.

Marcia Presky on the weekend (who most graciously received my calls at inconvenient hours) and my wife in Baltimore, and sending a telex message from Frankfurt were not effective means to spare us all some wasted energy and uncertainty. An agreed upon telephone point of contact in Prague would avoid that problem.

Share prior faculty reports (with their permission) or use other means to better prepare the faculty members that come afterwards.

Although I did take the initiative to call Alan Gartner before my teaching stint, it would be helpful to have a clearer idea of what teaching styles work best and what was already covered in the earlier sessions. Anything that can be done to increase continuity and build on effective approaches is clearly helpful.

Use teaching methods and schedules that maximize student participation.

Role plays, drafting tasks, and other small group exercises were very constructive learning opportunities. They tested mastery of new concepts and principles. They allowed the students to operate uninhibited by the English language, or the shyness of large class dynamics led by a "foreign expert."

Shorten the teaching day.

Eight hours even with lunch and other breaks is too much for students and faculty alike. These students as busy professionals also have other demands on their time, and the result is some fall off of afternoon attendance (always with the politest and most reasonable of excuses). This faculty member certainly found the physical and mental burden significant, especially with the jet-lag and travel delays thrown in for good measure. I know that some other faculty members had this opinion, too.

from care in large, isolated institutions often located in rural areas to care in more normal settings in population centers.

Stanley S. Herr

Baltimae March 24, 1992





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April 1, 1992 27 Adar II 5752

Herbert M. Singer 745 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10151

Dear Herb:

Thanks for sending me a copy of your newly revised JDC-IDP mission statement. You handled the problem with delicacy.

Thank you so much.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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HERBERT M. SINGER 745 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. 10151

March 27, 1992

Mr. Arych Cooperstock American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. 711 Third Avenue New York, N. Y. 10017

Dear Aryeh:

In accordance with my discussion with Alex Schindler, I have revised the first paragraph of the mission statement, which I enclose herewith.

I would appreciate your reaction to the revision and the reaction of those set forth below:

Sincerely,

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cc: Elaine Winik

HMS:df encl.

Rabbi Alexander Schindler

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February 21, 1992

Ms. Elaine Winik 103 Greenhaven Road Rye, NY 10580

Dear Elaine:

In keeping with the Review Committee recommendations, we would like to make better use of our board talents and create a better mechanism for active committee involvement. To achieve this goal, we would like this year to appoint board members to area committees and to thereby both control committee size and provide for better distribution on the various committees.

We know that many board members like the opportunity to receive up-to-date briefings on developments throughout the JDC world. We plan to initiate an all-area-forum at which updates will be presented to the full board.

Our intent is to involve board members deeply in an area and then rotate them around so that within a few years, they become more knowledgeable in-depth in many areas of our activity.

We have taken the prerogative of suggesting the enclosed list of board members for the International Development Committee. This list includes many current members of the committee and some new proposed members. I would appreciate it if you would review this proposed list and let me know your reactions before we take the next steps.

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I hope that by these changes, we will be able to achieve better area committee involvement in decision making.

With best regards.

Sincerely,

Sylvia Hassenfeld

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cc: Alex Schindler Michael Schneider

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October 9, 1991 1 Heshvan 5752

Mr. Marshall Weinberg Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Marshall:

I received a copy of the Archives Committee minutes of your September 13th meeting which I was unable to attend.

I really have nothing to add to what was decided. I would have joined with virtually every one of the decisions which were reached.

I was glad to read this report, particularly that section which related to the general background on the JDC Archives. These are in a far better state than I would have thought - surely the best of any American Jewish organization.

I agree with Herb Katzki that the oral history project be carried forward with the greatest possible speed. The sands of time flow quickly. Valuable insights might be lost.

The minutes indicate that presently interviews are conducted with former "JDC staff members." I assume that even active staff members are being interviewed. Some have served JDC for a long time and they might be able to shed light on events which happened in the past. I take it moreover, that these interviews are not just limited to JDC staff. I am certain that lay leaders involved in this work have valuable insights to offer.

This is important work and I am glad that it is in your capable hands.

With all best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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October 8, 1991

TO: Members of Archives Committee

Marshall Weinberg, Chair Dr. Martin Cherkasky Elliott Cohen Pauline Falk Harold Friedman Sylvia Hassenfeld Saul Kagan Sybil Milton Rabbi Alexander Schindler Bernice Waldman Jane Weitzmann

FROM: Denis

Denise Bernard Gluck

Enclosed are the minutes of the first meeting of the Archives Committee on Friday, September 13, 1991.

This meeting marked an historic point for JDC's archives program: the official involvement of our Board in our archives. We touched on a broad range of issues at this introductory session and will address some of them in greater depth when we meet again.

I look forward to an exciting and fruitful partnership and thank you all for your participation.

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Chair:

Marshall Weinberg

Present:

Dr. Martin Cherkasky
Elliott Cohen
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Sylvia Hassenfeld
Saul Kagan
Sybil Milton
Jane Weitzmann

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1. Introductions and Welcome

Chairman Marshall Weinberg welcomed everyone to the inaugural meeting of the Archives Committee and each person present introduced him/herself to the group. Mr. Weinberg acknowledged the committee members who could not be present: Rabbi Alexander Schindler, Bernice Waldman and Harold Friedman. The primary purpose of this first meeting was to acquaint everyone with the basic facts about the JDC archives, their potential uses and some practical problems which the committee will eventually address.

2. Role of Committee

Mr. Weinberg outlined his vision of the key roles of the Archives Committee:

- A. Preserving JDC's historical documents, both written and oral;
- B. Overseeing the use of the archives by scholars and students for the publication and dissemination of information;
- C. Guiding the use of the archives as a vital public relations tool for JDC, federations and UJA;

- D. Ensuring the proper maintenance of records for JDC's administration;
- E. Advocating the work of the archives within the overall governance structure of JDC.

3. General Background on JDC Archives

Dr. Sybil Milton, Senior Resident Historian of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, presented an objective view of the value of JDC's archives. She stated that, for research in most areas of twentieth-century Jewish life, the JDC archives is one of the richest resources, with the photo archives themselves being a fantastic resource. It has the only major collection of photos, for example, of the French transit camps during Nazi occupation. In terms of size and importance, the JDC archives rank between the Leo Baeck institute (smaller than JDC) and YIVO (slightly larger than JDC's archives) among local institutions.

Denise Gluck posed, and answered, a series of basic questions about JDC's archives:

- A. Locations of collections (New York and Jerusalem) and their respective sizes.
- B. Physical condition and security with respect to environmental hazards: conditions in New York are relatively good, while the climate in Israel poses more of a threat to paper and requires greater monitoring;
- JDC records housed out of JDC's immediate control: in other repositories, such as university libraries, and in

The possibility of reclaiming some of these scattered collections was briefly discussed. Michael Schneider suggested that we prepare an analysis of what is being stored by others whether it be microfilm conic Cherkasky. Cherkasky suggested the committee receive a summary listing of the materials held in JDC's archives. This will be prepared and distributed before the next committee meeting.

- D. Microfilming of JDC historical materials for preservation purposes: all records from 1914-1921 have been filmed, filming of 1921-1932 records is halfway completed. The major task of filming until the present is ahead.
- Insurance: our insurer has not been willing to insure the archives; Dr. Milton mentioned the existence of specialty insurers who will insure documents and artwork. She explained that the real value of this coverage is to pay for restoration of damaged materials.

F. Management & staffing: Denise Gluck is director, based in New York; one full-time staff is assigned to assist with archives and Central Files, and one half-time staff works with cataloguing and accessing photo collection. JDC Israel archives has one staff person, working between half-time and full-time; oversight of the Israel archives, in other than day-to-day issues, is provided by New York staff.

G. Objectives of archives:

- 1. Administrative: staff reference
- Research by historians, sociologists, filmmakers, exhibit designers, museums.
- 3. Legal: mostly accounting files kept for audit purposes.
- 4. Service to Jewish people by providing story of Jewish life in the twentieth century.
- H. Use: in 1990, out of 261 working days, outside researchers were in the archives on 140 days. This should be considered heavy usage relative to the size of the collection and its specialized clientele.

I. Access:

- 1. As a private institution, JDC is not legally obligated to provide access to its archives, excepting for audit purposes. However, we do provide access as a public service, and attempt to conform to legal guidelines regarding policies (e.g., equal access). As a private institution we are not bound by these guidelines and can deny access if we wish.
- 2. Access to archives by outsiders is restricted to materials over 20 years old.
- 3. Access is by application, with proper institutional affiliation identification required.
- 4. Researchers must agree to submit portions of manuscripts, before publication, which contain citations from JDC archives.
- 5. Researchers are shown catalogues of files pertinent to their research and select files, which are brought to them by archives staff. Photocopying services are provided by staff at a cost of fifteen cents per page.
- Dr. Cherkasky posed the question of access restrictions at other archives and expressed concern for what might appear to be censorship in JDC's policy. He proposed comparing policies at similar institutions and suggested the formation of a subcommittee to formalize access policy.

4. Tour of JDC Archives

The committee adjourned briefly in order to see, at first-hand, some of the workings of the archives. In the archives, they were given a demonstration of the computer program being used to catalogue the historic photo collection. Photographs from the collections, copies of books and journals containing material from JDC archives, and the annotated catalogues used to find files were all displayed to the committee.

5. Current Issues in JDC Archive Program

A. Locations of collections: The question of why JDC maintains archival facilities in two separate locations, New York and Jerusalem, was raised. Ralph Goldman related the history of this phenomenon, tracing its genesis to 1969, when a decision was reached to maintain an already functioning archive in New York and create a second one in Jerusalem, to which the archives scattered among JDC's branch offices were sent. The intention was to have copies of all original documents available in both facilities.

B. Facilities in Jerusalem: Denise Gluck summarized the archives storage situation in the JDC building and in the basement of the Ilan Home for the Handicapped in Gilo. The space in Gilo, for which we pay no rent, is subject to extreme environmental humidity and dust due to its hillside location; in addition, defective plumbing has caused one major water damage incident. We have attempted to ameliorate the environmental problems through the use of dehumidifiers and have discussed the installation of additional equipment, as well as the feasibility of sealing the floor to prevent dust dispersion.

The research facilities at Givat Joint, while more protected from environmental hazards, are lacking such basic amenities as desk space for researchers, light and proper air conditioning.

The above issues were discussed, with suggestions from the floor including investigating alternative storage facilities in less expensive parts of the country, consolidation of all JDC archives in one point, and transfer of archives to one of the university or Zionist archives. Staff will examine options and take appropriate action.

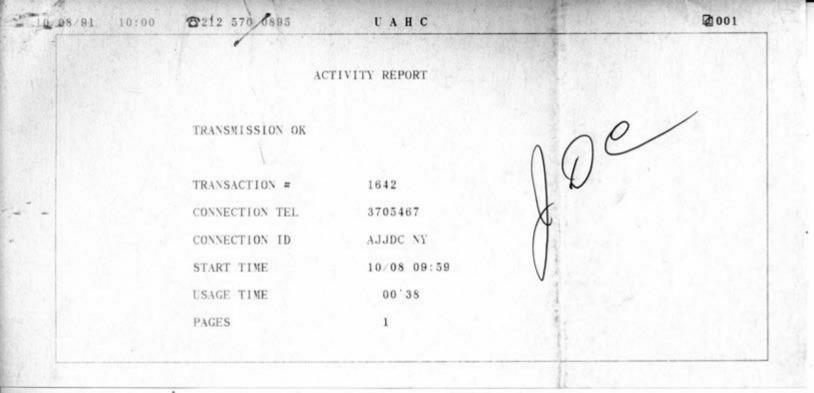
C. Oral History: Herb Katzki, who has been conducting oral history interviews of former JDC staff members, reported on this project. To date he has interviewed about 60 individuals and has transcripts of an additional 20 done by Yehuda Bauer in connection with his last book. No budget has ever been allocated for this project. Since the

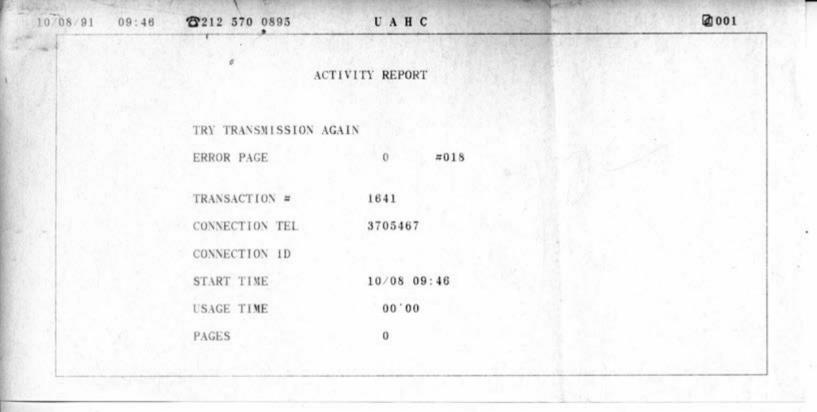
remaining potential interviewees are advanced in age, the project should continue with greater speed. To that end, staff will compile a list of additional interviewees, as well as a budget for swifter completion of the project.

Miriam Feldman said she is beginning to think of ways in which the Archives and Public Information departments can work together, especially in preparation for JDC's 80th anniversary in 1994. One project she has considered is the development of a video, including oral history interviews, about JDC history for commercial release (e.g. public television).

- D. Soviet Union and Eastern Europe: Ralph Goldman reported on the agreement he has reached with the October Revolution Archives to compile an inventory of their holdings related to JDC's activities. Once this inventory is completed, we can decide which documents we would like for JDC's archives and negotiate their reproduction.
- E. Requests for Funding of Publications: Marshall Weinberg mentioned that scholars frequently approach the JDC to fund historical research projects and suggested that the committee develop a mechanism for dealing with such requests. One idea is for us to guide the applicants to appropriate foundations or other sources of funding.

As the meeting adjourned, Sylvia Hassenfeld asked that the committee consider, for its next meeting, "how we can tie the past and present; how the archives redound to the present day."







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VIA FAX/ONE PAGE

October 8, 1991 30 Tishri 5752

Theodore Comet, Associate
Executive Vice President
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Dear Ted:

Your fax confuses me. You tell me that the CJF recommends my appointment to a JDC officership. I've never heard of one organization determining the officers of another organization. I suspect though that it is only a matter of old habits which are difficult to shuffle off. I am flattered by the invitation and I will accept only because I have the highest possible respect for The Joint Distribution Committee and its lay and professional leadership. This is a class act in the American Jewish community - on a par with the UAHC, of course.

I hope you understand the constraints of time. I do have a busy schedule but I will do what I can.

Insofar as the educational materials on JDC, by all means send them along or perhaps directly to our Education Division which is headed by Rabbi Howard Bogot. Reform Jewish day schools do offer courses on the American Jewish community and the JDC is included in this material. Still, your educational materials are likely more up to date and our education people can certainly use them.

Warm regards.

Cordially,

Alexander M. Schindler



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RELIGIOUS ACTION CENTER OF REFORM JUDAISM

October 8, 1991

Dear Alex:

Thanks so much for your advice yesterday. I felt far more confident being able to run my thoughts by someone. You're a good friend.

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This is a follow-up to our conversation about Janet Marder. I would greatly appreciate your contacting her to ask her to do two songs for Al. The sensitivity is rooted in her fear that she is being pegged as the "staff songwriter." It would be helpful to acknowledge that and promise her that we really will not treat her as such generally but that this is a special occasion.

Warmly,

David Saperste

Thanks very much for your help on this.

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September 10, 1991 2 Tishri 5752

Mr. Ted Comet American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Ted:

I have your outline of the article which you are preparing for the Wexner Foundation.

I have some minor brief comments concerning your subsection on Reform under the rubric of "Religious Organizations." To begin with, I think you ought to treat the Hebrew Union College separately. Its program is quite distinct from that of the UAHC.

Secondly, under the heading of the UAHC, or perhaps even in a separate sub-section, you ought to discuss the work of our Religious Action Center in Washington which is the vortex of our efforts in the political realm. For more information, please contact David Saperstein.

Thirdly, ARZA is misspelled. There is no T in that.

Next, the Central Conference of American Rabbis merits a special sentence or two since its efforts in this realm are worthy of it.

Finally, there is also the World Union for Progressive Judaism, our international body, which focuses largely on our Israel movement and its relationship with the American Jewish community.

Good luck with your work. I would be interested to see a final copy. Of course, my very best wishes to you for a sweet year.

Sincerely,



THE AMERICAN JEWISH JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, INC.

MEMO

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September 5, 1991

TO:

Rabbi Alexander Schindler

FROM:

Ted Comet

I was invited by the Wexner Foundation to make a presentation on the structures and mechanisms through which Israel and American Jewry interact and, given your concern about this subject, I thought you might be interested in the outline I prepared.

All the best.

Enclosure

WEXNER GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM: SUMMER INSTITUTE

STRUCTURES: ISRAEL-AMERICAN JEWRY - Theodore Comet, JDC Associate Executive Vice-President

I. Political

- President's Conference (Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations)
- 2. Community relations organizations

NJCRAC ADL American Jewish Committee American Jewish Congress B'nai Brith Jewish Labor Committee

- 3. AIPAC: Registered lobby for Israel
- PAC's: Election funds for presidential, congressional and local candidates (single issue; non-partisan)

II. CJF and the Federation System

- Federation --> UJA --> UIA --> Jewish Agency:
 - a. Relationship to government
 - b. Governance
 - c. Project renewal
- Federation --> UJA --> JDC (includes ORT)
- 3. CJF and Federation offices in Israel
- Special projects:
 - Legacy funds
 - Designated gifts
- 5. Missions to Israel
- 6. Economic Development
- 7. Relations with Olim
 - Hometown link and support
 - Mortgage and personal loan funds
- 8. Funding Israel programs for students

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III. Fund Raising Bodies

- 1. American Friends of:
 - a. Universities
 - b. Museums
 - c. Hospitals
 - d. Cities: Jerusalem and Tel Aviv
 - e. Magen David Adom
 - f. Yeshivot
- 2. Jewish National Fund
- 3. America-Israel Culture Foundation
- 4. New Israel Fund

IV. Zionist Organizations: American Zionist Federation

- Hadassah
- Zionist Organization of America
- Labor Zionist Alliance Naamat
- B'nai Zion
- Religious Zionists of America Amit Emunah
- Herut

V. Economic Development

- 1. American-Israel Chamber of Commerce
- Operation Independence
- 3. Committee for the Economic Growth of Israel
- 4. Israel Bonds

VI. Religious Organizations

- Orthodox
 - a. Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations
 - b. National Council of Young Israel .
 - c. Yeshiva University
 - d. Haredim

Religious Organizations (continued) VI.

- 2. Conservative
 - Jewish Theological Seminary; United Synagogue
 - MERCAZ
- Reform 3.

Hebrew Union College; UAHC

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- 1. American Zionist Youth Foundation
- 2. Hillel Foundation
- Youth Movements:
 - Young Judea
 - **BBYO**
 - USY (Conservative)
 - NFTY (Reform)
 - B'nai Akiva
 - Habonim
 - NCSY (Orthodox)
 - BETAR
- 4. OTZMA
- Jewish Education Authority
- World Confederation of Jewish Community Centers
- JESNA, university programs, Melitz, Hartman Institute

VIII. Peer Groups

- Israel Forum North American Forum
- Professional associations

World Conference of Jewish Communal Service

IX. Volunteer Programs

- Volunteers for Israel
- B'nai Brith 2.
- 3. Hadassah
- 4. Kibbutzim





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August 6, 1991 26 Av 5751

Mr. Alexander Grass Rite-Aid Corporation P.O. Box 3165 Harrisburg, PA 17105

Dear Alex:

Thanks so much for helping JDC and our committee regarding the purchase of gamma globulin for our Kurdish refugee project. I am glad I turned to you for help, you certainly were most responsive.

With warm good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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July 30, 1991

Michael Schneider

Mr. Alexander Grass Rite-Aid Corporation P.O. Box 3165 Harrisburg, PA 17105

Dear Alex,

Please accept our most sincere thanks for putting us in touch with your Sera-Tec Biologicals Division, and especially Mr. Joseph Rosen. No only was he most helpful and accommodating in response to our request for assistance; but also he succeeded in saving us at least \$25,000 in the purchase of the gamma globulin for our Kurdish refugee project.

By the time this letter reaches you, the material will be well on the way to relieve or even prevent serious illnesses which are so prevalent in this unfortunate population.

You will have helped us to save many lives--and you know that saving only one life is equivalent to saving the world.

Thanks again

Most cordially,

Aryeh Cooperstock

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April 11, 1991

Rabbi Alexander Schindler Union of Amer. Hebrew Congreg. 838 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10021

Dear Alexander:

Since its inception, the Resources Department has garnered some notable successes: we have provided much needed drugs for Romania, medical equipment for Tanzania, clothes for Ethiopia, etc. The department's continued achievements are dependent upon its network of contacts. In order to build a stronger and expanded base of contacts for such gifts-in-kind we need your help. Would you please tell us about any contacts you have in the area of pharmaceuticals, medical equipment, clothing, and other miscellaneous items (such as toys, balls, blankets, etc). This type of information will enable us to draw on your expertise when the need arises and thus facilitate our initiatives. As a partner in these endeavors, you play an integral role in the life of JDC and in the lives of those we help.

May I look forward to receiving your responses in time for the upcoming board meetings? Given your interest and commitment to our objectives, I am sure we can count on your participation.

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TO: UAHC REGIONAL DIRECTORS

RE: RELIEF OPERATIONS

Through the Joint Distribution Committee we have been asked to help obtain blankets to be shipped overseas for the Kurds who are suffering so greatly at this time. This is an urgent need and the blankets MUST BE NEW. Apparently there are many governmental regulations concerning shipments overseas and thus new blankets are required.

Do you have any manufacturers in your regions who might be called upon to aid in this humanitarian endeavor? Please let us know, in fact you might contact the JDC directly to determine how best to get the blankets out. The contact is:

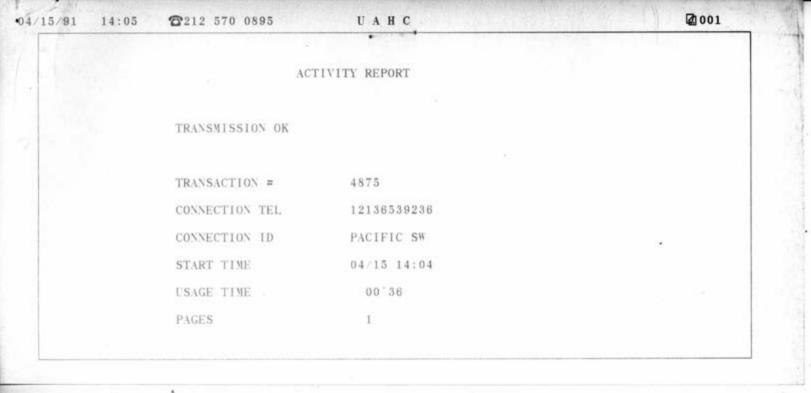
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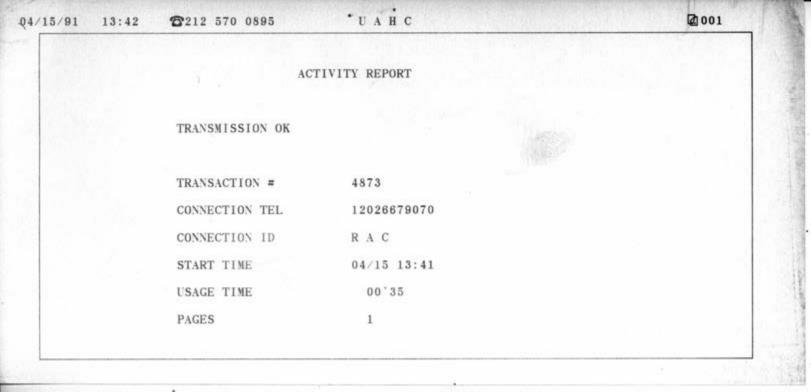
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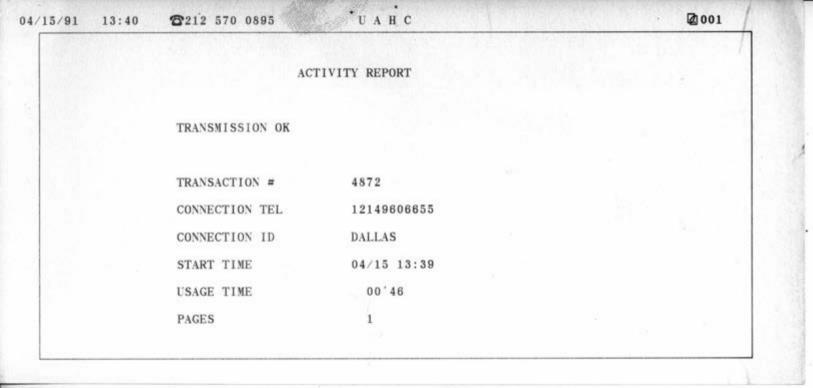
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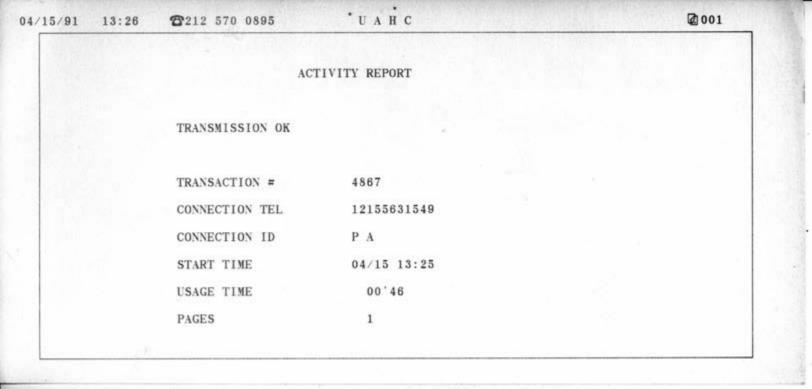
Please also note the JDC also needs contacts in the following areas: pharmaceuticals, medical equipment, clothing and miscellaneous items such as toys and balls. You might share information on these needs with me and I will get them to the JDC from this end.

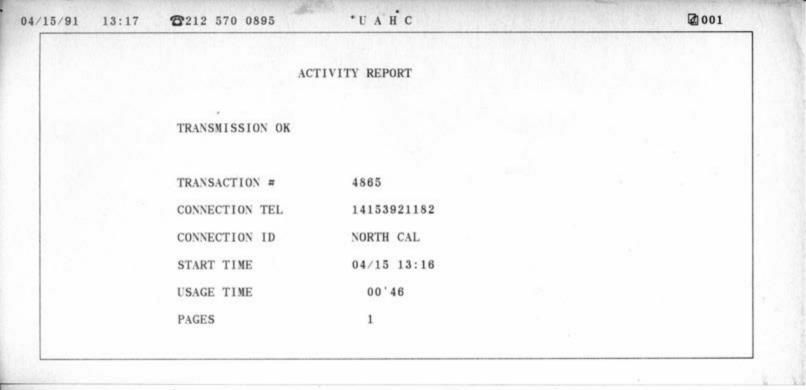
Many thanks for any assistance in you can provide in this critical quest to bring aid and comfort to a beleaguered people.

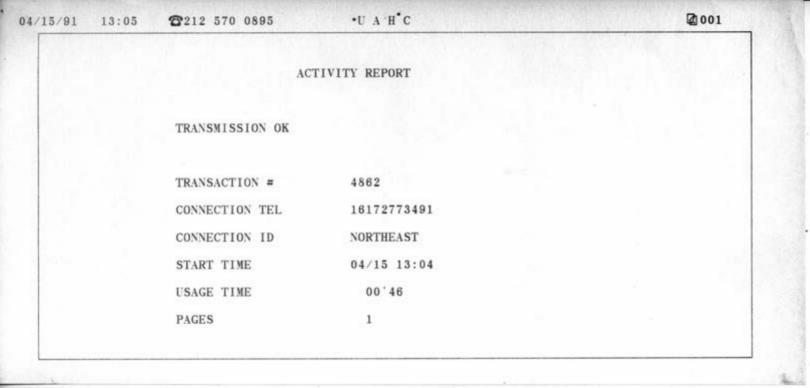


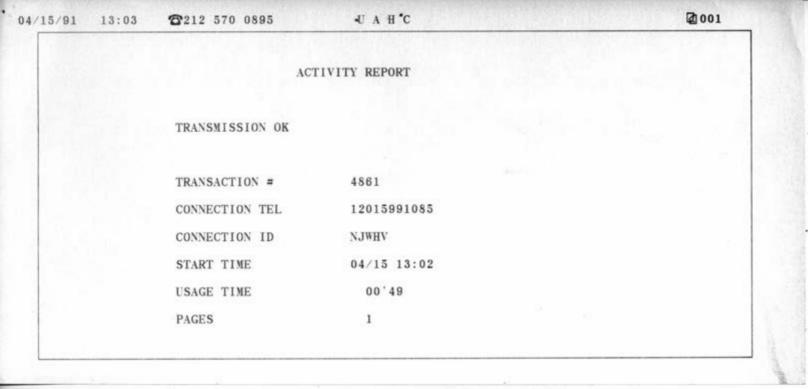


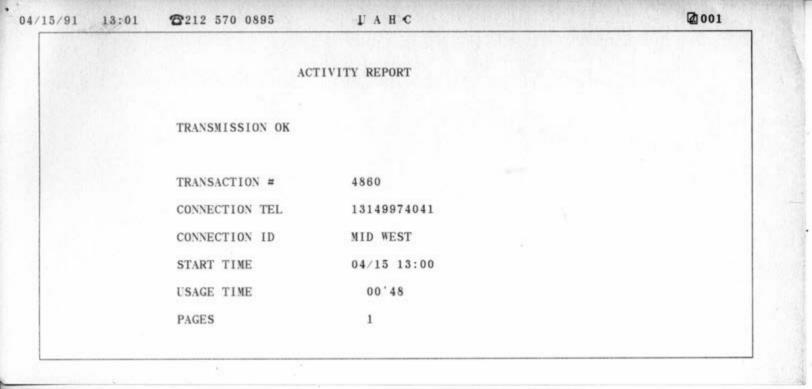


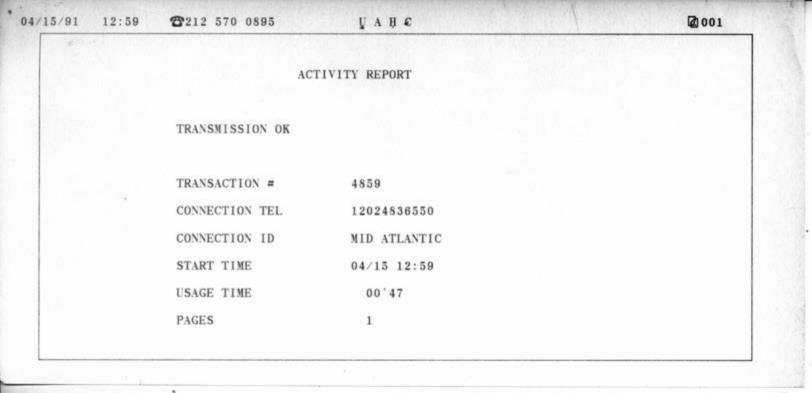


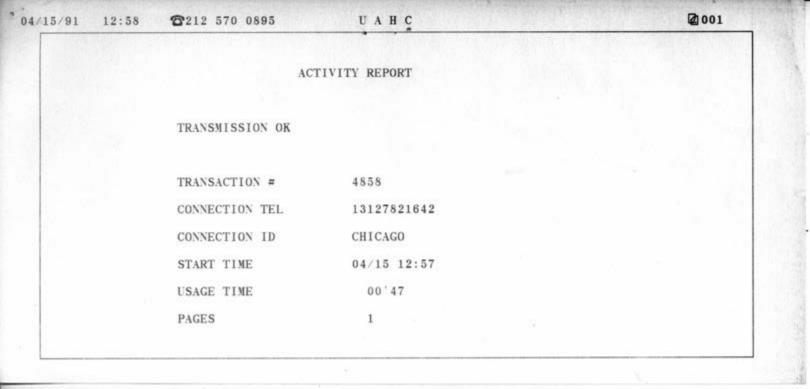


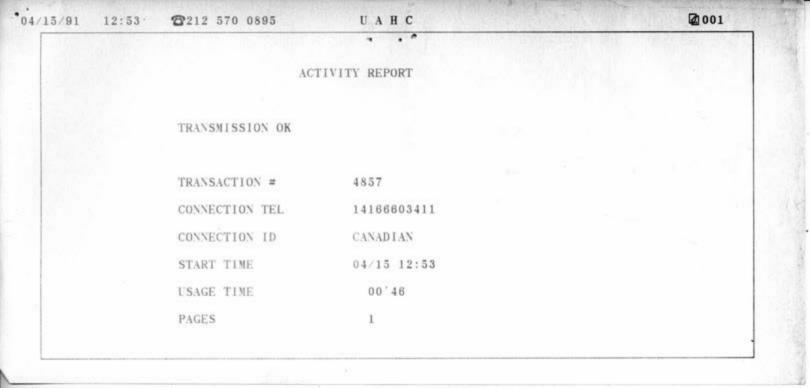
















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December 13, 1990 26 Kislev 5751

Ms Elaine K. Winik Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Elaine:

As I agreed to do at our recent Committee meeting, I got in touch with Paul Berger and questioned him concerning the possibility of doing something on America. His initial reaction was "there is really very little that is needed." But on further reflection, he felt that there is a tremendous refugee problem in the country: refugees from Iran, Iraq, refugees from the entire Middle East which places an extraordinary burden on the country. Usually, many Jews are among them, too. He feels that if a little bit could be done in that realm, it would be most appreciated both by the Turkish Government and by the Jewish community.

As far as "leveraging" is concerned, he indicates that there are a number of organizations in the realm of Turkish/American relations who might be persuaded to make donations for such an effort, whatever it might be.

Obviously, Israel is not exactly inexpert in the realm of refugee resettlement and absorption. Perhaps our three factors can be pulled together.

Clearly, this is not a priority, but something might be done, or at least could be done if we should determine to do so.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Mr. Aryeh Cooperstock

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October 16, 1990 27 Tishri 5751

Sylvia Hassenfeld
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Michael Schneider
Executive Vice President
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Dear Sylvia and Michael:

The 5751 JDC Old Manuscript Calendar is beautiful! You have created something very special and have every reason to be very proud of this particular undertaking.

I am delighted to have received so magnificent a calendar.

Rhea and I join in sending to you and all your loved ones our very best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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October 9,1990

Dear Friends:

We are pleased to send you the enclosed JDC Old Manuscript Calendar for the New Year $\chi'' J \psi D - 5751$. This is an annual tradition which draws upon our rich Jewish heritage of printed manuscripts.

This year's calendar reproduces a drawing and text from a century-old Ethiopian Torah, written in the Gez language. This Torah was recently brought to Israel by a new Ethiopian immigrant. Its journey gains an especial poignancy as some 17,000 Ethiopian Jews, provided by JDC with food, blankets, shelter, and medical care, await permission to emigrate to the Promised Land.

JDC is sending copies of the calendar to the Jewish communities it serves, including formerly "lost" communities in the Soviet Union. Jewish homes and institutions worldwide will display this beautiful and meaningful record of the year's Jewish holidays. We are delighted to share this tradition with you.

May you and your family celebrate a year laden with health and happiness.

Shana Tova,

ylvia Hassenfeld President

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October 5, 1990 16 Tishri 5751

Sylvia Hassenfeld President Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Sylvia:

That was a classy affair Tuesday night. What more can you possibly ask: good fare, good company and an altogether beautiful and gracious hostess.

Your performance in introducing us all was a real tour de force. Everyone admired you. The evening in every way followed the pattern of excellence that JDC always achieves.

Rhea joins me in sending you our thanks and our love.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Mr. Michael Schneider



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October 5, 1990 16 Tishri 5751

Daniel S. Schechter 552 Woodlawn Avenue Glencoe, IL 60022

Dear Dan:

I, too, regret that you won't be at Beth Emet when I am there just a few weeks hence now. I would have enjoyed meeting you and re-embracing you every bit as much as you might have encountering me.

By curious coincidence, just a few days ago I re-read the paper you deliverd in Seattle and my judgment of it has not altered one iota. It is really magnificent.

All the very best to you and yours for good health and life.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

DANIEL S. SCHECHTER

552 Woodlawn Ave. Glencoe, Illinois 60022

September 30,1990

Dear alex,

I know how never the congregation at Beth Emet looks forward to your October 12 visit. I regret that I will be away from the city and not able to share the privilege with them.

Sally joins me in extending best wishes to you and your family in the new year.

Sincerely

Dan



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July 16, 1990 23 Tammuz 5750

Mr. Theodore Comet Assoc. Executive Vice President American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Ted:

Thanks for the speedy manner in which you responded to Jindra Lichter. Not that this comes as a surprise to me. I have always known you to be effective, and that goes for the Joint as a whole. As I have told everyone in sight, "The JDC is a class act."

Again, my thanks.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

CC: Sylvia Hassenfeld



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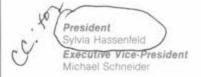
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June 28, 1990

Jindra Lichter 201 Ocean Avenue Santa Monica, CA 90402

Dear Mrs. Lichter:

I am please to send you the enclosed response from our field director regarding the important problem you raised concerning the condition of Jewish Cemeteries in Eastern Europe.

Sincerely,

Theodore Comet

Associate Executive Vice-President

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cc: Rabbi Schindler

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July 30, 1990



From: David Saperstein

cc: Alex Schindler

We are waiting to hear the results of Jerry's trip. We have the couple in Kenya ready to go and a doctor in Massachusetts (Canadian passport) also ready to go -- at his own expense. I need to tell them something as soon as possible. Furthermore, I understand that the situation is getting worse medically for the community and I hate to let things drag on.

Woody is in DC today and we are not sure when we can reach him, so I am faxing this note to you hoping to establish where we are in the process.

Thanks again for your graciousness at the last meeting. I look forward to working together.

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January 16, 1990 19 Tevet 5750

Mr. Jacob Hiatt 20 Woodhaven Lane Worcester, MA 01609

Dear Jack:

Enclosed is a response received from Linda G. Levi at the Joint Distribution Committee headquarters. She has just returned from a visit to Romania at the behest of the JDC.

Essentially, her note confirms the preliminary information which I gave you. It does not appear that there is an immediate opportunity to be of help as far as the orphans are concerned. If anything new developes, I will, of course, be in touch with you.

Fond regards, from Rhea too.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

Encl.

Mr. Arbeh Cooperstock Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017 Dear Aryeh: a few suggestions. With warm good wishes, I am,

January 18, 1990 21 Tevet 5750

I have your note in regard to notices to newspapers and I do have

You should include the Long IslanddNewsday. I was surprised to note nothing listed for the Southwest, particularly Houston and Dallas/Fort Worth. In addition, there is a good community in St. Louis.

I hope this information will be of help.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

TO:

Elaine Winik

Rabbi Alexander Schindler

FROM:

Aryeh Cooperstock

DATE:

January 12, 1990

RE:

Notices to Newspapers

The newspapers we have contacted when opening a mailbox are on the attached list. If you think others should be included, please let us know.

I am - obviously - pleased that the policy and procedures for opening a mailbox have been clarified. Now let's ensure that they are followed!

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PUBLICATIONS CONTACTS

NEW YORK

New York Times Corp. 229 West 43rd Street New York, N.Y. 10036 Circulation-1,022,899 212 556-1234

New York Post Corporation 210 South Street New York, N.Y. Circulation-690,915 212 815-8000

New York Daily News, Inc. 220 East 42nd Street New York, N.Y. 10017 Circulation-1,285,869 212 210-2100

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington Post Co. 1150 15th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20071 Circulation-761,142 202 334-6000

CALIFORNIA

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The Chronicle Publishing Co. 901 Mission Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
Circulation-568,088
415 777-1111

San Francisco Examiner 110 Fifth San Francisco, CA 94103 Circulation-144,325 415 777-2424 MR. DANIEL SCHNEIDER Foreign Editor FAX 212 556-4607

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Los Angeles Times Times Mirror Square Los Angeles, CA 90053 Circulation-1,113,459 213 237-7000 MS. KAYE KIRBY Foreign Editor FAX 213 237-4712

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The Globe Newspaper Co. 135 Morrissey Blvd. Boston, MA 02107 Circulation-502,521 617 929-2000 MR. TOM ASHBROOK Foreign Editor FAX 617 929-3186

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Chicago Tribune Co. 435 North Michigan Avenue Chicago, IL 60611 Circulation-765,371 312 222-3232 MR. MICHAEL MCGUIRE Foreign Editorial Desk FAX 312 222 3146

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(Journal and Constitution)
Atlanta Newspapers
72 Marietta Street, North West
Atlanta, Georgia 30302
Circulation-265,669
404 526-5151

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The Detroit News, Inc. 615 Lafayette Boulevard Detroit Michigan 48231 Circulation-686,787 313 222-2095 MARIE City Desk FAX 313 222-2335

FLORIDA

Miami

The Miami Herald P.O. Box 615 Miami, FL 33101 Circulation-417,923 305 350-2111 MR. WILLIAM BOBO International News Desk FAX 305 376-3508 ge

January 16, 1990 19 Tevet 5750

Mr. Argeh Cooperstock Director JDC International Development Program 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Aryeh:

First of all, thanks for the information concerning the Rumanian orphans. I will pass this information on to Jack Hiatt It doesn't look like a project which will find fulfillment - pity!

The questionnaires you sent out to our Committee members are superb. I think it will provide us with the kind of information which will enable us to make better use of them.

Once you have all the answers in, perhaps you, Elaine and I should go over this material and see if we can tap any of these people for present projects.

I didn't fill out my own questionnaire to the Committee. As you know, I am a kol bonik. I do have extensive contacts in Washington, mainly in the executive branch - State Department - the Defenge Department - and of course the White House, either directly or through our Religious Action Center in Washington.

With warm good wishes I am,

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

CC: Elaine Winik

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November 29, 1994 26 Kislev 5755

From: Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

To: Beila Matusof, JDC - Baltic States Desk Officer

cc: Michael Schneider; Michel Montreuil;

Rabbi Allan Smith

RE: 1995 Summer Camp Program

I'm sorry for the delay in responding to your fax of November 17 for the summer program at the UAHC Kutz Camp. Warwick, NY. The brochure is just off the press and I have but this copy to share with you, I'll send a few more as soon as I can.

Enclosed herewith is the brochure for this summer's NFTY Leadership Academy. There is a choice of either Academy I or II or the full program and all of the data is included in the enclosed material. May 1, 1995 is the deadline for reservations.

I leave town tomorrow for about two weeks but am in constant contact with my office by telephone so if you have any questions don't hesitate to call and I'll get back to you. Rabbi Allan Smith Director of our Youth Division can be contacted at Kutz Camp and he, too, will be available for any specific questions you might wish to pose.

MEMORANDUM

November 17, 1994

Via FAX: two pages

FROM: Ed

Edith J. Miller

TO:

Rabbi Allan Smith

COPY:

Enclosed herewith is a fax Alex just received from the JDC. Can you please let me have the information requested by Beila Matusof so that Alex can respond on his return.

Many thanks.





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FAX

TO:

Rabbi Alex Schindler

UAHC

CC:

Michael Schneider

Michel Montreuil

FROM:

Beila Matusof

RE:

Summer camp sponsorship for Latvian youngsters

FAX#.

212-570-0895

DATE:

November 17, 1994

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Dear Rabbi Schindler,

Michael Schneider asked me to follow-up on your offer to sponsor two Latvian youngsters for the 1995 summer camp program.

Community leaders in Estonia advised Michel Montreuil, our program coordinator for the Baltics, that they would be interested in sending two teenagers (over 12 years) as these would know English and be more independent than younger children. The criteria for selecting these candidates will be scholastic achievement and family situation.

The Estonian leadership would like to have the dates of the summer camp and the deadline for registration so they could proceed accordingly. I would appreciate receiving this information so I could forward it.

Sincerely,

Beila Matusof

Desk Officer - Baltic States



RESPONSE SHEET

I would like be a member of the following Area Committee: Please check. European Community Development Committee Africa and Asia Area Committee Eastern Europe Area Committee Former Soviet Union Area Committee Israel Area Committee Latin America Area Committee In addition, I would also like to be a member of the following committee(s): (No Limit) Please check. Public Information and Education IDP (non-sectarian) Resources (Fax response to Ted Comet: (212) 370-54671 Date:

MEMORANDUM

ONE PAGE FAX

November 21, 1994 18 Kislev 5755

TO: Gary Myers

From: Edie Miller

You can FAX Juliana Sharik at the following number:

372-2-438-566 c/o Cilia Laud, Director, Jewish Community of Estonia and this number is also for their telephone.

A second phone number would be 372-2-436-693 c/o Michail Beilinson, Principal of the Jewish School, Tallinn.

Best regards.

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Edie Miller Union of American Hebrew Congregations

Sent By Fax

21 November 1994

Dear Edie

Rabbi Gryn has now received a letter from Juliana Sharik, which he has sinced passed to me as the Community and Youth Co-Ordinator. However, before I am able to proceed, I need a few more details from Juliana.

In the letter she sent us, Juliana said she had received a fax from Rabbi Schindler. Unfortunately, we do not have her fax number. I would be extremely grateful if you could forward this to me as soon as possible so that we can help her out.

Yours sincerely

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Gary Myers

COMMUNITY AND YOUTH CO-ORDINATOR

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3. Juliana of November 11, 1994
8 Kisley 5755

Juliana Sharik Tammsaare tee 125-46 EE0029 Tallinn Estonia

Dear Juliana:

Your letter to Rabbi Schindler arrived at a time when he is travelling and not expected back until next week.

I am going to try to get this information to you via fax but am awaiting an Estonian number so I am also writing to tell you I have been in touch with Rabbi Hugo Gryn. It's not like him to disregard a letter. He indicates he never received your letter and it may have been directed to an incorrect address. You can reach him by mail at:

West London Synagogue 33 Seymour Place London W1H 6AT, England

Via Fax to: 011 44 71 224 8258

Your letter will certainly be brought to Rabbi Schindler's attention on his return.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Edith J. Miller Assistant to the President

The American Joint Distribution Committee

33, Rue de Miromesnil, 75008 Paris - Tel (331) 44 51 64 00 - Fax (331) 44 51 64 10

Fax No:

To : Edith Miller

From: Michel Montreuil

CC : Alex Schindler

Date: November 16

Ref : Juliana Sharik



WE ARE SENDING PAGE(S)

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Juliana Sharik can be reached at the following contacts:

- Jewish Community of Estonia Exe. Director: Ms Cilia Laud Tel & Fax: +372 2 438 566
- Jewish school in Tallinn Principal : Michail Beilinson
 Tel: +372 2 437 693 Fax : same as 1.

Tallinn is 7 hours ahead of New York.

Regards.

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To:

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Fax. No.

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From:

Rabbi Hugo Gryn

Fax. No.

071 224 8258

Date:

11th November 1994

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Dear Edie,

Posthaste I respond. I have not, repeat not, had any correspondence from Juliana Sharik. Alex mentioned that I might hear but I haven't done so. In the event that she used our Upper Berekeley Street address that could account for it. It should be West London Synagogue, 33 Seymour Place, London, Wilh 6AT.

We are getting well all the time and as the grandchildren will be here during the end of year festivities we may not be in New York for a while but Jackie has ways.....

Sorry that I can't be more forthcoming. I now await word from you or directly from Tallinn.

Very fondly,

Rabbi Hugo Gryn

Communications to be addressed to 33 SEYMOUR PLACE LONDON WIH 6AT TELEPHONE 071-723 4404 FAX 071-224 8258 Senior Robbi RASBI HUGO GEYM Associate Robbi PUBBI JACQUELINE TARICK Executing Disputes Registered Charity No. 212143





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PRESIDENT 838 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10021-7064 (212)249-0100

One Page Fax

November 11, 1994 8 Kislev 5755

To: Mische Montreuil, JDC Paris

From: Edith J. Miller

I am contacting you in behalf of Rabbi Schindler, a member of the JDC Board, as he is out of the city.

He visited Estonia this summer and in Tallinn met a Juliana Sharik. He had given her the name of a rabbi in England and she advises she has written to him but there was no response. When I made contact, he indicated he had not received her letter so I am eager to get a message to her quickly. Henrique Manes tells me you would have a name and fax number for the Jewish community contact in Estonia.

I would be most grateful if you would fax that number to me in New York at 212-570-0895.

Many thanks.

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November 3, 1994

Dear Alex,

The time is Slying and every day I'm planning to write a letter to you but ... as you see the result is really poor. Now we have three days of holidays at school, so I have some time.

Thank you very much for your fax. I wrote a letter to rabbi Hugo Gryn, but I have no answer. May be I have to call him, I don't know. If you get in touch with him, yo will you please ask him what to do. Your Everything is more or less well here but I work so much this year that I have no time at all.

How are you both ? It was such a pleasure to meet you here in Tallinn Sending Rhea and you my best regards

yours

Juliana.

PS Half an hour ago I heard about american summer camp for our children. That's wonderful! Thank you!

MEMORANDUM

ONE PAGE FAX

November 10, 1994 7 Kislev 5755

From: Edie Miller

To: Rabbi Hugo Gryn

Alex is en route to a Union Regional Biennial so I am writing to advise that he had a letter from Juliana Sharik, Tammsaare tee 125-46 EE0029, Tallinn, Estonia, indicating she had written to you but has not had a response.

Alex was in Tallinn where he met Juliana and while I have no idea of her request of you, I wanted you to know of her note to Alex.

Hope the entire Gryn family is well and look forward to Jackie popping in one day while she's here to visit the einechlach...and maybe one day she'll have time for lunch!

Joe

Tarry Terner

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The American Joint Distribution Committee

33, Rue de Miromesnil, 75008 Paris - Tel (331) 44 51 64 00 - Fax (331) 44 51 64 10

Fax No:

To : Beila Matusof

From : Michel Montreuil

CC : Alex Schindler

Michael Schneider

Date: November 16

Ref : Summer camps - Estonia



WE ARE SENDING PAGE(S) IN ADDITION TO THIS COVER SHEET

Alex Schindler offered to sponsor two placements from Estonia on the 1995 summer camp program. I met last week with the community & the Jewish school leaders in Tallinn and asked them to define the most suitable age for the 2 candidates.

We will probably have teenagers (minimum 12-13 years old) for reasons of language and autonomy. The nomination will be decided on scholastic achievements and family situation, and therefore it is still early to identify these 2 children/teenagers.

Let me know the dates and deadlines for inscriptions to the above program so we can settle all matters in due time.

Regards.



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October 12, 1994 7 Heshvan 5755

Michael Harris Director - UKJAID 33 Seymour Place London W1H 6AT England

Dear Michael:

A few days after I wrote to you following a conversation with Irv Cramer of MAZON, he called to indicate what had transpired in England. I want to make sure that you are aware of the facts.

Someone placed an ad in the British Press in the name of MAZON and the ad included a London telephone number. Irv Cramer told me he had spoken with the people in England, they know who the individual is who decided to go into business on his own and you should know that there was nothing at all official on the part of MAZON.

As a matter of fact, the person who placed the ad had been into the MAZON office some years ago seeking funding for an international project and they turned him down. I guess he just decided to go into business for himself.

I trust this information will be of interest to you and I did want to make sure the record was clarified.

With fond good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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October 3, 1994 28 Tishri 5755

Michael Harris, Director UKJAID 33 Seymour Place London W1H 6AT England

Dear Michael:

MAZON is an outstanding American organization. It is a domestic anti-hunger agency which merits the great support which it receives from all streams of American Judaism, including the Union and the Reform movement. When we bill Board and committee members for meals we request a 3% contribution for MAZON. We have also sought to dispense with lavish floral arrangements at formal dinners and luncheons in order to provide gifts for MAZON.

I have checked with the Executive Director, Irv Cramer, and he advises that MAZON has <u>not</u> established a center in London nor do they intend to do so. I don't know the source of your information but I am assured it is not correct. Heaven knows the task of caring for the hungry in our own country is enormous enough without American organizations seeking to operate in other lands.

I hope this information will be of help to you and UKJAID.

Your good wishes for the New Year are fully reciprocated to you and your dear ones as well as the members of your Council.

With warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Irving Cramer

UNITED KINGDOM JEWISH AID & INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

PLEASE NOTE NEW ADDRESS:

33 SEYMOUR PLACE LONDON, W1H 6AT PHONE: 071-723 3442 FAX: 071-723 3445

22 September 1994

Rabbi A Schindler Union of American Hebrew Congregations 38 Fifth Avenue NEW YORK NY 10021 USA

Dear Rabbi Schindler

Please accept our best wishes for 5755 from myself and members of our Council and we do hope all is well with you and your family.

We would also appreciate an assessment from you concerning MAZON under the Chair of Rabbi Mark Loeb, with the national office based in Los Angeles. The reason for this request is that this time last year we wrote to Rabbi Loeb and had a reply from Irving Cramer, the Executive-Director, in which he describes MAZON as a domestic anti-hunger agency. The reason we are querying this is the announcement this month that MAZON is being established in London and they have announced an appeal for Rwandan relief. As you know UKJAID has joined with the Jewish Coalition for Rwandan Refugees and we have now for three months been appealing to Jews of this country for financial support. It does not appear that MAZON is a member of the Coalition and we are trying to establish why they are suddenly trying to set up in London. Any advice you can give us on this subject will be much appreciated.

Yours sincerely, and with good wishes for 5755,

Michael Harris

Director

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June 7, 1994 28 Sivan 5754

Mr. Eiton Dermon 52 Ponds Circle Wayne, NJ 07470

Dear Mr. Dermon:

Rabbi Schindler is away from the office for a long series of meetings from which he will not return until mid-July. I am therefore writing to acknowledge your message of June 6 and suggest that you contact:

Mr. Michael Schneider American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

212-687-6200

They are currently having a Board meeting in Washington so it will be difficult to reach Mr. Schneider. Perhaps you can call him or make contact with him next week.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Edith J. Miller Assistant to the President

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June 6, 1994

Att: RABBI A. SCHINDLER

My name is Eiton Dermon and I am involved in arcade business in East Europe and one of my associates in Romania contacted me and asked that I contact you. He has connections with the Servian-Yugoslav government and the Jewish Community there and he asked me to contact you in order to deliver a secret message. He would like to meet with you and would like to know how to go about this in order to deliver the message personally.

Please let me know how and where and when they can meet with you.

My fax no. is 201-628-6957 and Tel. no. is 201-628-6927. My address is 52 Ponds Circle, Wayne, NJ 07470.

Thanking you in advance for your kind consideration.

Very truly yours,

Eiton Dermon

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PLEASE NOTE NEW ADDRESS:

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To all members of the Council of UK Jewish Aid.

In connection with the next meeting of the Council, to be held on Thursday, 2 June at 5 p.m. I have been asked to send you the enclosed:

- a) Draft accounts for the year ending 31 December, 1993
- b) A copy of the report prepared by the Chairman on his recent visit to the clinic at Bindura, Zimbabwe.

I shall look forward to seeing you at the meeting, apart from those members who have already given their apologies, and if you wish to make any enquiries about the accounts in advance of the meeting please let know.

Finally I apologise to any members who have tried to leave a message on the telephone, owing to building work in the office, the answerphone has not been working properly, I hope this will soon be rectified.

Michael Harris, Director.

24 May, 1994.

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DRAFT 2 12/05/94 ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1993

UK JEWISH ACTION FOR AID AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1993

DRAFT 2 12/05/94

		1993	1992
		£	£
INCOME			
General donations ODA Grants Specific appeal donations Investment income - Bank interest gross ROJECT MANAGEMENT	\$ 0	23,662 154,067 14,576 5,172	10,148 45,000 33,937 2,148
		214,595	91,233
ALLOCATIONS AND EXPENDITURE			
Direct charitable allocations		(145,038)	(61,271)
Fund raising and publicity expenses		(5,498)	(5,185)
Administration expenses	4	(9,470)	(1,854)
DIFFERENCE Surplus for the period		54,589	22,923
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS BROUGHT FORWARD		38,069	15,146
FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		£92,658	£38,069

UK JEWISH ACTION FOR AID AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARRANTEE)

BALANCE SHEET

AT 31ST DECEMBER 1993

		DRAFT 2 12/05/94
	1993 £	<u>1992</u>
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at bank and in hand	105,389	49,655
Creditors	(12,731)	(11,586)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	£92,658	£38,069
FUNDS		
General funds Designated funds	40,053 52,605	9,069 29,000
	£92,658	£38,069

ZIMBABWE EYE TREATMENT AND TRAINING PROGRAMME MONITORING VISIT 18th to 23rd APRIL 1994

BACKGROUND

This development aid project was first proposed to UKJAID by JDC/IDP in 1991. In June 1992 UKJAID received notification from ODA of a grant of £165,000, 50% of the total cost of the project.

There were many alarms, excursions, delays and contradictory directives from our JDC/IDP partners. Ultimately the start-up date of 1 March 1993 was notified. Hence at the time of the monitoring visit the project was at the half way stage.

The planned execution of the project had to be altered because there was a considerable lapse in time between its conception by JDC/IDP in 1989/90, and Spring 1993 when it started. One major change was the establishment of a four year ophthalmology programme at the University of Zimbabwe Medical School.

This change presented a serious impediment to the project's original plan which included a training programme for two Zimbabwe general practitioners. This was intended to relieve the dearth of Zimbabwean opthalmologists. This vital educational and knowledge sharing dimension was at the same time to have helped to ensure the projects' sustainability.

REVISED OBJECTIVES

- (i) To establish an comprehensive ophthalmology clinic and eyeglass production unit at Bindura Hospital.
- (ii) To train Zimbabwe doctors and nursing staff in modern procedures of ophthalmic surgery and medicine.
- (iii) To establish an effective outreach programme to bring quality curative and preventative eye care to the 2 million people of Mashonaland Central Province in Zimbabwe.

EXECUTION

Three days were spent with the project, attending a clinic in Bindura, observing operations (accompanied by

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Mr Philip Starr a London ophthalmic surgeon) and travelling with the outreach programme the further 50 miles from Bindura to a village community in Boushu.

All three objectives of the programme are being pursued to a greater or lesser extent. The outreach programme is now active, but the internship programme for the Zimbabwe trainee ophthalmologists is not yet in place. Without local ophthalmologists and interns watching live surgery and participating, the benefits of the programme will prove to have been restricted and will not sustain.

Whilst it is impossible to evaluate the quality of the treatment being afforded the appreciation of the dedication of Mrs Mercia Brest, a volunteer from within the very small Harare Jewish community who has made the project happen, must be recorded. Similarly, we must record and commend the dedication and commitment of Dr Yair Porges who has been seconded to the project from Rambam hospital in Haifa.

He is working in difficult circumstances. He daily travels to Bindura (50 miles away) and back often at night, although he is cautioned against night driving.

On the day we visited the outreach programme we left Harare at 6.30 am, travelled to Bindura Hospital where we hitched the pod (the mobile clinic) onto the Range Rover. Both these capital items, it should be noted were procured with part of the funds provided by the ODA.

From the hospital we then drove another 40 miles to the Chakonda Community Centre in Boushu. During the day 100 patients were seen. They included 26 patients who were booked for cataract operations, 23 were suffering from allergic conjunctivitis, and a further 23 had optical aberrations (myopia and hypermetropia).

Late that evening we drove back through an unseasonal heavy rain storm. Back at Bindura we had to unhitch the pod and then drive back to Harare arriving back at 9.30 pm. Early the following morning Dr Porges drove back to Bindura Hospital and there had to perform an emergency operation!

Dr Porges is assisted by a very loyal and able staff, Sister Maggie Nyakabumbue, Nurse Richard Kadzire and Nursing assistant Matope. They are all very enthusiastic and benefitting from Dr Porges' careful management and leadership.

FOLLOW UP There appear to be two major immediate tasks for Mrs Brest supported by the local Jewish community: to get staff for the clinic's (potential 7-bed) ward. This is needed both for medical reasons and because without it, the University will not send interns. (ii) to try and ensure the sustainability of the project, which in turn means that the authorities recruit and find budget for an ophthalmologist (who might be one of the interns referred to above) by the end of Dr Porgess' tour, ie by March 1994. LESSONS FOR UKJAID This is UKJAID's first development project. Hence it is important to monitor it and learn from it. as far as could be ascertained, this project was at its inception suggested to the authorities in Harare rather than it having been requested by them. This explains in part some of the past and present

- (i) as far as could be ascertained, this project was at its inception suggested to the authorities in Harare rather than it having been requested by them. This explains in part some of the past and present difficulties being experienced. Recipients of project aid must feel that they share in the ownership of the projects. Projects are more likely to enjoy sustainability if initially they are generated by the recipient communities and meet their perceived most urgent needs. (The more urgent medical needs and health problems in Zimbabwe as described to me are: help with Aids, cholera, dysentry and birth control).
- (ii) Mr Starr's visit was much appreciated and valued both by Mrs Brest and Dr Porges. The value of UKJAID's approach of utilising professional volunteer assessors (advisors) was endorsed.
- (iii) Some items of equipment we were directed to purchase (some of which were queried at the time) are redundant. There is for example, unused, expensive vitrectomy and ultrasound phako emulsification equipment. Its effective use requires a year's training under supervision.
- (iv) This visit reinforced the view that development aid agencies working in the health sector are likely to make a more useful input with preventative medicine projects rather than in treatment of individual cases, appreciated though it is. (This it should be stressed of course does not apply in the case of epidemics).
- (v) UKJAID should not be merely major funders of joint projects. We must be actively engaged in the management and/or supervision of them as is infact now happening in the Trauma Relief Training programme. This to some extent

accounts for its success. Additionally UKJAID's participation must be appropriately acknowledged.

- (vi) A donation 100 pairs of frames from an UKJAID supporter was greatly appreciated by the eyeglass production unit. We should endeavour to make further and similar donations.
- (vii) In view of the other similar projects in Zimbabwe, UKJAID's suggestion of a seminar to share professional and aid management experiences with other authorities and providers should be pursued.

Ansel Harris May 1994 JAC

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PLEASE NOTE NEW ADDRESS:

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President Union of American Hebrew Congregations
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31 March 1994

Leer Alex

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

I reply immediately (and regrettably at length) to your rapid response to my cri de coeur for which I am very grateful. I so respond quickly so as to get the matter behind us. I have not yet heard from Michael Schneider, he has been in touch with our Michael Harris. So doubtless I will hear from him in due course.

I ofcourse appreciate both your considerable commitments and the fact that as a quasi executive chairman, I am much closer to the minutiae than you in your position. But please bear with me for I think our experience may not be unique. To quote Scarlett Epstein writing to her old friend Michael Schneider last year "what worries me is whether she (Ms Manes) displays similar attitudes in her correspondence and relationship with Third Worlders".

I must put the record straight on three points.

Firstly, you are in no sense at fault. At our meeting on 21st June 1993, Michael invited me to attend your meetings. After our September Council meeting I wrote to you, on his nomination, had been elected to our Council. I wrote "we are pleased that the long gestation period, you raised the matter in March, is now settled with the cross representation of chairmen on each others Boards". All this was long before your visit.

Secondly, in suggesting my people (I have only one part timer, Michael Harris) have been remiss, Ms Manes is quite wrong and in my view has misguided you. Yvonne Aghassipour on our behalf had raised our non receipt of the papers for the October meeting. She was not given the explanation you were offered. It was only two months after a letter from you and Elaine had gone out accompanying summaries of that meeting that we, through Yvonne's intervention, received our copy.

Thirdly, as I pointed out in my earlier letter, this issue is one of a "series of serious, unfortunate and counter-productive manifestations in the last year".

In the light of misinformation with which you have been provided in this instance, let me, at risk of over burdening you, offer a brief case study.

In January 1993, following discussions in Israel on various embryonic projects, we wrote inviting IDP participation in any or all of them. They were:

(i) A Women's farming project in Uganda

(ii) A Trauma Treatment project in the former Yugoslavia

(iii) An Education project (in conjunction with Reuben Feuerstein)

After frequent enquiries we were advised in June 1993, that for various reasons IDP would not join in any of them. However when in London we met for the first time, Michael Schneider expressed his suprise that we neither knew of his interest in a Trauma project nor further that he had allocated \$60,000 towards it.

During the meeting you attended, our Director advised that that very morning we had received notification from the Rich Foundation of a grant of \$35,000 towards the Education project. You responded that we should liaise with IDP New York for they were engaged in what seemed to be a clone project. We ofcourse have done so.

I am sorry to have had to provide you with this detail. I am even sorrier that you are no longer co-chairman. Hurry on back. On your return I would be willing to express my view as to how and why this episode has recurred.

Let me close with a personal note. Reciprocating your warm words, Lea and I are enriched by the friendship that is generating between us. We are very appreciative that you are able to spend some of your time with us. We look forward to our next meeting. Then, inter alia we can talk of the Holocaust Memorial Centre in Washington. Our "machuteinisteh" was recently there. Her repsonse was very moving, poetic and spiritual. I have a reservation.

Ansel Harris (Chairman)

Fraked 7/30 2:15 PM



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March 30, 1994 18 Nisan 5754

VIA FAX: 011-44-71-431-3786

Mr. Ansel Harris Chairman UKJAID

Dear Ansel:

Mea culpa! Mea maxima culpa! The fault is entirely mine, for you see almost immediately on my return, I went on another whirlwind trip which took me to six cities across the land where I made oodles of speeches and tried to raise oodles of money - the former more successfully so than the latter.

Be that as it may, because of that, I have not yet had a chance to talk with Henryka to tell her the details of our conversation, although I did send her a brief message via the telephone that all seems to be in order. But I did not tell her of our mutual agreement to exchange the dates of our meetings so that you could make it here too.

I just called Henryka. She is not at the office, but will doubtlessly call me the moment she gets there and then I will see to it that she will fax you the June date. Certainly you should be invited to be there.

As a matter of fact, the June session (which I may be unable to attend) will be held in Washington, DC attendant upon the JDC Board meetings. That might be an interesting journey for you, if you only see the Holocaust Memorial Center.

Ansel Harris March 30, 1994 Page 2

I am glad that your Israel journey was successful and that mutual cooperation - which we all desire - has been fruitful in its effect.

I do want to thank you once again for your warm hospitality while we were in London. Your theater tastes are exquisite and we will certainly rely on you in the future.

By the by, I am no longer Co-Chairman of the JDC/IDP Committee having been rotated off the Board as per its By-Laws. But I will be back within the year.

With warm good wishes to your charming wife, from Rhea too, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

PS: Enryka just called. She says that meeting notices have been sent to your office all along.

Apparently, your people are remiss in passing them along to you. Henceforth, she will send them to your home and also via Yvonne.

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Rabbi Alex Schindler Co-chairman JDC-IDP Committee President Union of American Hebrew Congregations

FAX 0101 212 570 0895

29th March 1994

Dear Alex

I write to you because of the understanding that has developed between us, although it is in response to a communication from Elaine. It is written more in sorrow, though I cannot pretend there is not on this occasion, some anger which I am sure you will understand.

I was very interested to receive Elaine's memo of 15 March, but at the same time not a little distressed. For from it I learned that there had been yet another meeting of the IDP committee (7th March) of which yet again I had not been notified and to which, yet again, I was not invited. I also learned that there is to be another meeting in at an unspecified date in June.

And all this despite assurances, which in themselves should not even have been necessary. Surely a member of a committee should receive all the relevant papers (not only post hoc summaries). Ca va sans dire.

We told you when you were here that we recognise our small role in your activities. But you also assured the meeting that we are regarded by yourselves as full partners.

So I do regret having to write this letter. Since Michael's visit last June, my personal dialogues with yourself, your recent attendance at the meeting of our Council as a reciprocal member of it, IDPs joining with us in the successful Trauma programme, we did anticipate that this type of letter would have been a thing of the past. But sadly, it seems, the IDP office has deemed it otherwise.

So I do hope this time, to hear very shortly of the date of the June meeting and its anticipated duration. As we

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have growing connections in the States with inter alia the UN specialised agencies, such a trip can be made cost effective by arranging discussions and meetings with other agencies at the same time. Hence my urgent need to know the date of the IDP meeting so that I can plan the whole trip.

I hope when I come I can have a session with yourselves to spell out the series of serious, unfortunate and counter-productive manifestations in the last year of which this is the latest. I have desisted raising this matter before in the hope that they would go away. After the October fiasco, (you will recall I was not invited and your summary dated 16th November was only forwarded to me after Yvonne Aghassipour's intervention, in January!), we did hope and anticipate that there would be no recurrence. I am deeply disappointed.

But let me close on an upbeat note.

Concurrent with your "very exciting" meeting on 7 March, I was in Israel monitoring, for a couple of days, the Trauma Treatment Training Programme. As I have written both to Michael and Yechiel bar Chaim in Paris, it was very successful. Additionally it was a manifestation of the close and effective co-operation when good will exists. It ensures that our energies are spent on those matters the helping with which is our raison d'etre, and not on having to write letters like this.

I have written in similar vein to Michael.

With warmest personal greetings to Reha and yourself,

Yours sincerely

Ansel Harris (Chairman)

ps currently, since our move last week to an address that will be familiar to you, our fax is not working. If you so wish, please reply to my home fax, 071 431 3786

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FAX

TO:

Kenneth Rubens

011-44-71-487-4171

FROM:

Henryka Manes

DATE:

February 25, 1994

Dear Kenneth:

To follow up on my last memo, I am enclosing our coordinator's answer to Michael Harris' outburst. As you will note, the misunderstanding stems from the fact that the manufacturer in London received a piece of equipment which he thought came from us (when it didn't). So the confusion had nothing to do with us at all.

You will also note that Mercia is a perfectly clear-thinking, collected person and certainly not the "idiot" that Michael described. It is regrettable that a simple misunderstanding becomes high drama and a name-calling situation when it could have been clarifled earlier, had Michael copied us on his correspondence to Mercia. What this amounts to is a great deal of unnecessary aggravation, unpleasantness and unprofessional exchanges.

The Zimbabwe project is already a very difficult one, and additional, uncalled for aggravation from partners who should, in fact, be supportive is extremely hard to deal with.

This is all I have to say on that subject.

My trip to China was fascinating. I felt privileged to visit places which few foreigners are invited to see -- such as hospitals, old age homes, schools for children with disabilities, and workers clubs. We identified a group we would like to work with, but I understand that the negotiation process with Chinese officialdom is very complicated and slow. We hope we can succeed.

All the best to you and your family, and a happy Purim.

*ALEX SCHINDLEN	From H. MANES-FY
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Ms Henryka Manes Deputy Director JDC International Development Program 711 Third Avenue - 10th Floor New York, NY 10017

21 Fobruary 1994

Dear Henryka,

RE: OPHTHALMOSCOPE AND CORRESPONDENCE WITH MICHAEL HARRIS AND MYSELF.

I THINK THIE WAS A GENUINE ERROR ON BOTH OUR PARTS. MICHAEL WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT WE HAD RETURNED AN OPHTHALMOSCOPE TO KEELER AND WE WERE UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY HAD SENT ONE ON TO US. ON OUR PART, THIS MEANT ASKING THE CUSTOMS AND FREIGHT CLEARANCE OFFICES ON A REGULAR BASIS AS TO ITS WHEREABOUTS. THIS IS A CUMBERSOME TASK AND TAKES TIME.

AT NO STAGE WAS I UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT THE OPHTHALMOSCOPE THAT HICHAEL WAS ALLUDING TO, WAS ONE THAT WE HAD RETURNED TO KEELER. SIMPLY BECAUSE TAIK HAD, NOT RETURNED THIS EQUIPMENT TO THEM EVER. SO IF KEELER HAVE RECEIVED AN OPHTHALMOSCOPE, IT WAS NOT ONE SENT TO THEM BY US. NEITHER TAIR NOR I HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THIS BRING THE CASE.

IF THIS HAS CAUSED MICHAEL ANGER AND RAGE, IT HAS BY THE SAME MEASURE CAUSED US AN EQUAL AMOUNT OF FRUSTRATION, AND EXPENDITURE OF TIME AND PATIENCE.

I REGRET THIS FOR ALL CONCERNED AND CAN ONLY HOPE THAT THIS WILL NOT OCCUR IN THE FUTURE.

SINCERELY.

MERCIA BREST LOCAL PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR

Zimbabwean funding and implementing project partners are: the Ministry of Mosth of the Republic of Zimbabwe: the University of Zimbabwa Medical School: the Agricultural Development Authority (ADA); the Zimbabwe Council for the Blind, and Zimbabwe Jawistr Ald for Russ! Development (ZIMJARO). The foreign project partner in funding and implementation is United Kingdom and Linder and Implementation of the United Kingdom Additional funders include the Rish Foundation (France), the Rash Foundation (Israel), and an Anonymous (E) Foundation.

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February 16, 1994 5 Adar 5754

Ambassador Milton A. Wolf, President American Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017-4014

Dear Milton:

My interest in the work of the JDC has not waned because I no longer serve on the Board. I had hoped to attend the forthcoming Board meeting for I am deeply impressed by the superb service JDC renders world-wide and I am eager to continue to be involved.

Alas, the March 6-7, 1994 meetings are in direct conflict with the UAHC's budget sessions, dates which were set some months ago. So, as much I had hoped to be at the various JDC meetings I fear it will not be possible. As you can appreciate, my UAHC responsibilities must take precedence.

My absence thus is of necessity rather than any lack of interest on my part!

With every good wish for wonderful meetings and with warm regards, $\ensuremath{\mathsf{I}}$ am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Michael Schneider

JDC BOARD MEETINGS MARCH 6-7, 1994

PLEASE INDICATE YOUR ATTENDANCE BELOW AND RETURN THIS SHEET TO JDC.

	(Please Print)
Name	
_	Unfortunately I will be unable to attend the March meetings.
_	*Enclosed is my check for \$65.00 for the Board Dinner.
	Board Meeting
	Budget and Finance Committee (CLOSED MEETING)
	Lunch
	Europe Community Development Committee
_	Resources Committee
_	IDP Committee
_	Public Information and Education Committee
Mond	ay, March 7 At JDC Headquarters, 711 Third Avenue, 7th Floor
_	Board Dinner *
_	Former Soviet Union Area Committee
-	Africa and Asia Area Committee
_	Eastern Europe Area Committee
_	Lunch
-	Lunch Israel Area Committee Back for My
_	Investment Committee (CLOSED MEETING)
-	Latin America Co-Chairs (CLOSED MEETING)
_	Property Reclamation Committee (CLOSED MEETING)
—	Chairman's Committee (CLOSED MEETING)
Sund	ay, March 6 At UJA Federation of N.Y., 130 East 59th Street

JDC SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS MARCH 6-7, 1994

Sunday, March 6	At UJA Federation of N.Y., 130 East 59th Street
8:00 - 9:00 a.m.	Chairman's Committee (CLOSED MEETING)
9:15 - 10:45 a.m.	Property Reclamation Committee (CLOSED MEETING)
9:30 - 10:45 a.m.	Latin America Co-Chairs (CLOSED MEETING)
11:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Investment Committee (CLOSED MEETING) Israel Area Committee
1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:30 - 3:00 p.m.	Eastern Europe Area Committee
3:15 - 4:30 p.m.	Africa and Asia Area Committee
4:45 - 6:15 p.m.	Former Soviet Union Area Committee
7:30p.m.	Board Dinner
Monday, March 7	At JDC Headquarters, 711 Third Avenue, 7th Floor
8:00 - 9:30 a.m.	Public Information and Education Committee
9:45 - 11:15 a.m.	IDP Committee - 7th Floor Resources Committee - 12th Floor, JCRC Boardroom
11:30 - 12:30 p.m.	Europe Community Development Committee
12:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 - 2:30 p.m.	Budget and Finance Committee (CLOSED MEETING)
2:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Board Meeting

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February 8, 1994 27 Shevat 5754

Accounting Department
American Jewish Joint Distribution
Committee, Inc.
711 Third Avenue
New York, Ny 10017

Attn: E. Fuchs

In regard to your February 2nd billing for December 1993 Luncheon, while I did attend the Luncheon, please note that I paid for the Dinner the evening before and did not attend. Therefore, I felt that my \$65.00 check for Dinner would cover the cost of the Luncheon.

I trust this manner of handling meets with your approval.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



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DATE Feb. 2, 1994

To: Rabbi Alexander Schindler

Union of Amer. Hebrew Congreg.

838 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10021

RE: December 1993 Luncheon

JDC has made payments in your behalf, as detailed below, and would appreciate receiving reimbursement at your convenience. If there is any additional information you require, please contact the undersigned.

Luncheon

\$65.00

Very truly yours,

Accounting Department



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January 20, 1994 8 Shevat 5754

Mr. Michael Harris Director UKJAID 44A New Cavendish Street London, W1M 7LG England

Dear Mr. Harris:

Your letter arrived when Rabbi Schindler was out of town. However, when I spoke to him by phone he asked me to let you know that he would be arriving on the 25th and staying until March 2nd. He is coming to London from Jerusalem. He has reservations at the Athenaeum Hotel in Picadilly.

He also wanted you to know that Ansel Harris has invited them to the theater and he assumes that it is after the meeting that same night. If this is not so, please let him know.

I hope this information is helpful to you.

Sincerely,

Marian Brewer Rabbi Schindler's office



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5 January 1994

Rabbi Schindler Union of American Hebrew Congregations 838 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10021-7064

Dear Rabbi Schindler,

I have been asked by Ansel, who is presently in Israel, to thank you for your letter of 14 December and note with interest your travel plans. Your arrangements could not have been more convenient for us because the next meeting of our Council has been fixed for Tuesday 1 March in our office at 5 pm. I think you might agree that we have been very far seeing.

We would very much appreciate it if you would confirm your exact travel plans and your hotel location and if you would let us know whether you will be free after the meeting, which should end at around 6.30pm.

Yours sincerely,

Skaren

PP Michael Harris Director

December 1, 1993 17 Kislev 5754

From: Edith J. Miller

To: JDC

The enclosed check for #65.00 will cover Rabbi Alexander Schindler's reservation for the Board dinner on December 7.

November 9, 1993

From: Edie Miller

To: Paul Rockfeld

Please let me have a check for \$65.00, payable to the American Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. This is to cover charge for their Board dinner on December 7 which Alex plans to attend.

Have check sent to me for transmittal. Thanks.

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Ambassador Milton A. Wolf President JDC Henryka Manès Acting Director JDC-IDP

Michael Schneider Executive Vice-President JDC

MEMORANDUM

TO:

IDP Committee

FROM:

Elaine Winik and Alex Schindler

DATE:

November 16, 1993

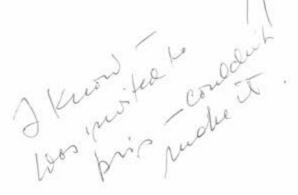
RE:

Committee Meeting Summary

Enclosed, for your information, is a summary of our October 18th meeting. We hope those of you who could not attend will join us next time.

Also enclosed is the latest update on our eye treatment project in Zimbabwe.

For those of you who haven't heard the happy news, IDP's Acting Director Henryka Manès recently became the mother of a baby boy, Jonathan Aryeh. We know you will join us in wishing her "mazel tov".





JDC INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING - OCTOBER 18, 1993 SUMMARY

CURRENT PROJECTS

Zimbabwe

Although conceived in 1989 and funded in 1991, our eye treatment project was delayed by the Ministry of Health's procrastination in signing the Letter of Agreement. It took almost one year to secure a signature which was finally obtained on September 13, 1993, just hours before the historic Israeli/Palestinian handshake. Our temporary clinic opened less than ten days later and, since then, almost 100 patients a week are being treated. Surgery will begin today, October 18th.

Our field partners at Bindura Hospital are most unlike our Ministry of Health partners. While MOH representatives used every obstructionist tactic possible, our Bindura partners, unbeknownst to us, took the initiative and began working on the permanent clinic ahead of the MOH. The projected completion date is January 1994.

In addition to the clinic, the project consists of a Mobile Eye Unit which will provide the same services as the clinic, including basic surgery, to remote rurual areas; outreach programs to promote the clinic's services (Day Camps), and a training program for the Bindura and rural medical staff. Our clinic was designated as one of the medical facilities for welcoming Zimbabwean ophthalmology students to their compulsory six-month rural internship. The Israeli ophthalmologist, Dr. Yair Porges, Director of our Project, will teach in the University of Zimbabwe's newly-established Ophthalmology Program. Dr. Miller, his supervisor at Haifa's Rambam Hospital, will teach master classes in specialized surgery.

Our Zimbabwean funding and implementing partners are: the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Zimbabwe; the University of Zimbabwe Medical School; the Agricultural Development Authority (ADA); the Zimbabwe Council for the Blind; and Zimbabwe Jewish Aid for Rural Development (ZIMJARD). Our foreign partner in funding and implementation is United Kingdom Jewish Aid for International Development (UKJAID), funded by a grant by the Overseas Development Administration of the United Kingdom. Additional funders include the Rich Foundation (Israel), the Rashi Foundation (France), and the Anonymous (E) Foundation (USA).

Czech Republic

A Washington representative from USAID (United States Agency for International Development), who recently visited our Project to help the disabled, gave it a rave review. We are confident that our request to extend the Project through December 1994 will be granted. During the Project's third year, we plan to develop a program for the physically disabled and to offer a workshop to strengthen local non-governmental organizations (NGOs) which specialize in helping individuals with disabilities.

Hungary

Although we terminated our Project early due to political turmoil, the eight medical teams we trained took it upon themselves to train ten other teams. There are now 18 functioning multi-disciplinary teams offering home care to 300 of the elderly in Budapest's Eighth District. According to a recent independent evaluation of our Project, the program is functioning well and saves the Eighth District two-thirds of its previous medical costs for the elderly.

The new Mayor has been most apologetic and conciliatory, hoping to restart the Project. Because USAID terminated funding of this project, this is no longer possible. But the JDC Hungary Country Director and JDC-IDP agree that some link needs to be re-established with the Hungarian professionals to help them fill in the gaps created by the premature termination of the Project.

<u>Armenia</u>

Our official USAID involvement in this Project ended on September 30, 1993, when we handed over the Aryeh Cooperstock-JDC Children's Rehabilitation Center to the local staff. By that time, the Center was treating 250 children a week, and had expanded into adult therapy. It is now the regional physical therapy center for northern Armenia.

We have established very special ties with the Armenian staff and will continue to offer help and supervision when necessary.

Somalia

Within a Coalition of eighteen Jewish organizations, we provided the International Rescue Committee, an NGO already working in Somalia, with four mobile medical units to service the population of Bardera. These units are accompanied on their visits by United Nations soldiers.

Later, we provided funds for IRC to take over the main Bardera hospital and provide comprehensive medical care in that region. Recently, responding to a request from UNHCR (United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees) and in partnership with Abie Nathan, the Coalition set up a Tent City in Kenya for Somalis who are seriously ill. The Ruiru camp was completed and turned over to the UNHCR on September 9th and opened to refugees on September 18th. It can accommodate 300 individuals.

Funds remain in the Open Mailbox and may be used for resettlement of refugees returning to Somalia.

Former Yugoslavia

JDC is continuing its non-sectarian aid in Sarajevo with food kitchens, the distribution of pharmaceuticals, and medical treatment. As many as 44 checkpoints, each manned by a separate faction, must be passed by our supply trucks.

Recently, JDC brought 27 more people out of Sarajevo. The Bosnians insisted that they be Jewish and either children or the elderly. However, JDC is trying to rescue another 350, of all ages and denominations, with a special focus on undernourished children.

We are also discussing the possibility of a joint JDC-UKJAID mother/child trauma program in the former Yugoslavia.

Hungary/Dental

During October, a week-long program took place in Budapest with two aims: to demonstrate how oral hygiene courses could be included in Hungarian dental school curriculums and how oral hygiene programs could be brought to Hungarian public schools.

With the help of the American dental fraternity Alpha Omega (which was so instrumental in our Morocco project), two American and two Israeli professors of dentistry participated in the workshop. One of them will return to advise and adjust once the oral hygiene programs have been instituted.

UPCOMING PROJECTS

India

The World Bank has asked that we set up a program bringing agricultural and rural development aid to villages uprooted by the Bank's major dam project in that area.

Some 400 villages were affected and, after we do a small introductory survey in early 1994, the Bank has suggested we request funding from them for a two-to-three year program.

Vietnam

Two Israeli agricultural experts will visit Ho Chi Minh University in January '94 to advise on poultry raising and vegetable growing.

Uganda

An earlier visit by a nurse-nutritionist and early childhood expert was so successful that village women have built their own school, complete with kitchen and clinic. They've asked that the experts return to teach first aid, continue the teacher training program, and determine if a toy-making operation is viable. The proposal we submitted to a foundation has been positively received, and our experts plan a February visit.

FUTURE PROJECTS

Morocco

The Moroccan Ministry of Health has expressed interest in two programs, to provide midwife training (85% of Moroccan women give birth unattended, resulting in a high mortality rate for both mother and child), and to help illegitimate children abandoned at birth.

Holland

Henryka Manès and Alberto Senderey, of JDC's Paris office, attended a meeting in the Hague to assess the possibility of a European non-sectarian entity similar to JDC-IDP. We are also looking into the possibility of European Community funding for our programs.

China

We will visit Shanghai and Kai Feng in January to see if community centers, similar to those in Israel, can be developed. Daycare facilities are especially needed as the burgeoning Chinese population of "only children" require intensive training in social skills.

It was explained to the Committee that as many as ten projects may be in development at any one time, but that only one or two may come to fruition. (On the other hand, it's always possible that all ten will find funding.)

It was suggested that all JDC Chairs also be made ex-officio members of the JDC-IDP Committee.

BUDGET

The JDC-IDP budget proposal of \$160,000, to be used for project development, was unanimously approved by the Committee and will be presented to the JDC Budget Committee in December.

WE THOUGHT YOU WOULD ALSO ENJOY THE REPORT SUBMITTED BY OUR CZECH PROGRAM OFFICER ABOUT HER RECENT TRIP TO 2 CLAS (COMMUNITY LIVING ARRANGEMENTS) IN PRAGUE.

Observations at the DUHA CLAs: Program Officer Marcia Presky

Visit to Murmanska CLA

I visited Murmanska on the first day of work for Jitka, the first ever in her life. She proudly told me that her boss was pleased with her work. Ivana Simunkova placed her in a job cleaning at "New York Pizza," where Petr also works.

When asked about her typical day, Jitka ran through her routine: washing herself, combing her hair, getting dressed, eating breakfast, going to work. Jitka spends week-ends with her sick father. Her favorite television shows are children's fairy tales about royalty. Jitka is able to go shopping for food with another resident.

Most meals are prepared in the apartment, and I was treated to an apple crepe- which was much better than I could make! The kitchen seemed well-stocked with utensils, appliances, and food. I was shown prized personal possessions, such as photographs of residents' families and work produced at the sheltered workshop.

Each day, the residents make their own beds and tidy up their rooms, and they turn down their beds at night. All the residents know how to use the phone in the event of an emergency.

I interviewed Marie, a Counselor at Murmanska. She has worked at the CLA for three months, and likes it very much. She particularly enjoys seeing the residents' progress mastering important tasks such as washing their own clothes. Marie told me that although there is no night duty here, by the time the Counselors arrive in the morning, the residents have already washed, dressed, and eaten breakfast. if there is a problem, Ivana Simunkova is called for advice. In case of an emergency, Marie feels confident that she can handle it on her own by calling the proper authorities.

Visit to Janskeho CLA:

The Counselors of Janskeho are Jana Priskova, Ales Pucherna, and Ruzena Hvezdova. Jana Priskova began work in the CLAs in September, 1992, formerly having worked in DOMOV DUHA and an SPMP facility. She especially enjoys the diversity of tasks and talking with the parents and guardians of the residents. She also likes the trips to the mountains and weekends in the country.

Ms. Priskova noted progress by the residents during their stay in the CLA: Honza now cleans himself, and the apartment, regularly. However, Ms. Priskova and the other Counselors remarked that there are no set rules in the apartment. Although Ms. Simunkova feels that none are needed in Murmanska, the lack of cooperation of the residents at Janskeho indicates a need for more structure. This is now underway.

Petr works at "New York Pizza," and is also the chef of the apartment. He will host a birthday party later this month (September), and proudly showed us his guest list of about ten people.

All of the residents share in the care of their pet, a dog called Anita.

JDC INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ZIMBABWE EYE TREATMENT PROJECT 1993-1995

UPDATE VI - OCTOBER-NOVEMBER, 1993

INTRODUCTION

As reported in the September update, the project agreement was finally signed on August 25, 1993. A formal ratification ceremony took place on Monday, September 13th, at the Ministry of Health in Harare. On the very same day, only moments later, another compact was being signed in Washington, D.C.: that between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization. September 13th was obviously a propitious date for agreement-signing! In his prepared remarks, Zimbabwean Minister of Health Dr. Timothy Stamps quipped that "the road to this agreement was almost as difficult as that of Israel and the PLO."

Dr. Stamps went on to say that the Jewish people have always manifested great generosity towards Zimbabwe, and he expressed his gratitude to JDC and the local Jewish community. The ceremony was attended by officials of the participating government organizations and was covered in the local press.

Now that the project is finally under way, our updates, to be issued quarterly, will follow the format below, reporting on the progress towards fulfilling its stated objectives.

OBJECTIVE ONE: To establish a comprehensive Ophthalmology Clinic at Bindura Hospital.

Current Report:

Equipment and Construction: Temporary and Permanent Clinics

Our clinic has been open since September 21st in temporary quarters at Bindura Hospital. Construction on our permanent space began last month, and we anticipate completion by December 1st.

Alcon Surgical, Inc., of Ft. Worth, Texas, recently donated a supply of badly-needed eye drops which were unavailable in Zimbabwe. We thank them for their continuing generosity.

With the exception of a few exchanges and adjustments, all equipment is in place.

Personnel

The clinic is presently staffed by three nurses and three student nurses. In his latest report from the field, Dr. Yair Porges, Project Medical Director, writes that Maggie, the head nurse, is "very, very good...I couldn't wish better for us. She knows a lot about ophthalmology because she worked in the Eye Unit in Harare for 2 1/2 years. She is very efficient...and I am glad that she is part of the project."

The full staff complement of one nurse-ophthalmologist, 3 nurses, 3 student nurses, and 1 nurse's aid will be in place shortly.

Dr. Porges reports that all parties are working well together. He had special praise for the administrators of Bindura Hospital for their exemplary cooperation and initiative.

Patient Care

During the first week of operations, Dr. Porges saw over 100 patients. Volume continues to be heavy, and as the local population becomes aware of the clinic's existence, patient load will no doubt increase.

A typical week at the clinic is as follows:

Monday:

Surgery

Tuesday:

Out-patient clinic

Wednesday:

Surgery

Thursday:

Out-patient clinic

Outreach activities (projected)

Friday:

A.M. Out-patient clinic

P.M. Lectures and teaching for hospital staff.

Partner & Governmental Relations

As reported above, the project agreement has been ratified by all the partners and all the formalities completed.

OBJECTIVE TWO: To train Zimbabwean medical professionals in modern procedures of ophthalmological surgery and medicine.

Current Report:

Training of Ophthalmic Assistant, Nurses, and Nurse's Aides Seconded to the Project

As mentioned above, three nurses and three student nurses have been assigned to the Project and are working in the Bindura Clinic. In mid-October, Dr. Porges began weekly teaching sessions to complement their on-the-job training, lecturing on the anatomy and physiology of the eye. The curriculum is a broad survey of ophthalmic medicine and surgery, covering such topics as eye trauma and emergencies, cataract surgery, diseases of the eye, and primary care and screening. Naturally, as doctors and nurse's aids join the project, the material covered will be adapted to the level of each professional group.

Teaching and Residency arrangement with University of Zimbabwe

The University of Zimbabwe Medical School recently instituted an ophthalmology specialty in its curriculum. Dovetailing with the goals and objectives of our Eye Treatment Project, second-year students in the program will serve a six-month residency at the Bindura Eye Clinic. While benefitting from hands-on training under the supervision of Dr. Porges, they will enable the clinic to treat a greater number of patients without incurring additional staff costs.

Dr. Porges will also be lecturing at the medical school on a regular basis.

Other Professional Activities

Dr. Porges recently lectured at a medical workshop in Mt. Darwin, a remote area near the Zambezi Valley. Invited to speak on the topic of his choice, he chose the treatment of eye trauma because of the prevalence of such injuries and the critical importance of their first-line emergency care.

Late in August, Dr. Porges attended a conference of eye surgeons in Durban, South Africa. It was attended by over three hundred ophthalmologists from all over the world. The keynote speaker, Dr. Maurice John of Jeffersonville, Indiana, is among the foremost experts in cataract surgery. In addition to learning of the latest developments in the field, Dr. Porges met a number of ophthalmologists practicing in southern Africa, establishing valuable professional contacts.

OBJECTIVE THREE: To establish an effective outreach program bringing quality curative and preventative eye care to the two million people of the Mashonaland Central Province of Zimbabwe.

Current Report:

Mobile Eye Unit

The Mobile Eye Unit vehicle and equipment are in place. We anticipate that the first visit to the field will take place in November.

Centres for Primary Care: Patient Care and Training of Village Health Workers Day Camps

These project components will be the last to be implemented. Once the Eye Clinic at Bindura is fully staffed and in permanent quarters, Dr. Porges and his staff will be able to turn their attention to remote area outreach training and basic patient care. Dr. Porges estimates that this will take place within the next 3-4 months.

Our Zimbabwean funding and implementing partners are: the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Zimbabwe; the University of Zimbabwe Medical School; the Agricultural Development Authority (ADA); the Zimbabwe Council for the Blind; and Zimbabwe Jewish Aid for Rural Development (ZIMJARD). Our foreign partner in funding and implementation is United Kingdom Jewish Aid for International Development (UKJAID), funded by a grant by the Overseas Development Administration of the United Kingdom. Additional funders include the Rich Foundation (France), the Rashi Foundation (Israel), and an Anonymous (E) Foundation.





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MEMORANDUM

October 13, 1993

FROM:

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

TO:

Michael Schneider

I received the enclosed fax today. Is this something the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee should be involved in?

Warm regards.





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The current situation of former Soviet Jewish refugees in Sweden

After the Soviet Union collapsed, some Jews from Russia and other former republics came to Sweden, where they now live as refugees. Numbering some 450, of whom half are children, they still await a final decision. Many have been waiting 1-2 years. A few have been refused and served with deportation notices. Deportations have taken place while other refugees have gone into hiding. The only applications that have been accepted with regard to this group relate to individuals with a close relative (i.e. son or daughter etc) already living legally in Sweden.

Before 1991, applications from Soviet Jewish refugees in Sweden were granted. After the 1968 anti-Semitic campaign in Poland, Sweden accepted several thousand Polish Jews. Other European countries with Russian Jewish refugees such as Denmark, Germany, Italy, Belgium etc. have not adopted a policy of any deportations.

Swedish authorities have examined the claims of persecution advanced by the refugees and have conceded that although anti-Semitic attacks on Jews and their properties are commonplace, there is no evidence that such persecution is being orchestrated by the state, as was formerly the case, albeit in a much different form. The anti-Semitism that exists, as best evidenced by the many right-wing newspapers openly on sale, is merely part of the general social climate and as such is not sufficient to motivate the granting of asylum.

A similar attitude seems to prevail regarding the Kosovo Albanians who had also sought refuge in Sweden. Having made enquiries in Belgrade, the Swedish representative returned home having been assured by the rulers of rump Jugoslavia that Albanians in Kosovo were not persecuted. Despite the ban on the use of the Albanian in the schools there and well-documented reports to the contrary in reliable Western media.

Some Swedish commentators have suggested that this apparent change of policy is motivated by the need to make for a large number of refugees, primarily Bosnians, from regions of armed conflict and it cannot be denied that per head Sweden has accepted more refugees from this area than any other country.

However, for Jews this policy of deportations and the blanket wording employed on deportation notices has overtones of the 1930s when German Jews were refused entry to Sweden and other countries on similar grounds.

Two questions thus arise:

- a) Why does Sweden differ from other countries in not accepting that these Jewish refugees fears are well-grounded enough for them be classified as refugees as defined in UN conventions?
- b) Why has Sweden decided to implement a unilateral policy of deporting asylumseekers back to the countries from which they have fied?

Answers to these questions are urgently needed.

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TO:

Rabbi Alex Schindler

FROM:

Gideon Taylor

RE:

Medical Projects - Northern Border

DATE:

August 6, 1993

I spoke with Michael on the Issue.

We are currently making inquiries in Israel. The issue is complex because it involves different bodies -- Foreign Ministry, Defense Ministry, Prime Minister's office.

We will get back to you once we have some clear feedback.

Best wishes.

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1) Re: CHINA, Community Centers Project

Following the proper consultations with our Chair, Vice Chair and Michael, I am pleased to Inform you that we have the go ahead for this project.

Please provide the following: a detailed description of the programs offered in the community center in Israel that will serve as the model, including information on the population served (who, how many), staffing requirements, and the way in which the programs function.

Please provide a draft for a budget. Please supply the budget according to the following budget categories: Salaries, Fringe Benefits, Travel (local and international), Expendable Supplies, Non-expendable Equipment, and Services (such as rent, translation, etc.) Alex Schindler cautioned that we must take all expenses into account so as to devise a realistic budget. As we discussed, IDP will contribute \$ 15,000.

Please call me so we can discuss this further.

2) Establishing a sister organization in Europe.

As you will recall, we settled for two possible countries: Holland and Sweden. Dan Lack pointed out that Sweden is not yet a full member of the EC, thus we should concentrate on Holland. Alex Schindler suggested that I call Rabbi Soetendorp who, as you know, is an important leader in the Dutch Jewish community. Rabbi Soetendorp was a friend of Aryeh's and they have discussed this subject in the past.

Tspoke with Rabbi Soetendorp today, and he is eager to pursue this subject and will call me back at the end of this week after discussing it with his colleagues.

You also had someone in mind. Were you able to contact that person?

I may be going to Holland in September and would like you to join me. Would you send me your schedule for September and October?

Many thanks. Warm regards.

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August 3, 1993 16 Av 5753

Dr. Steven Huberman, Executive Director for Planning and Research American Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017-4014

Dear Steve:

Kol Hakovod on your article "Preparing For The Jewish Future." It is a most instructive piece and I am grateful to you for sharing it with me.

I hope you are enjoying a pleasant and rewarding Summer. With warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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RE: PREPARING FOR THE JEWISH FUTURE

Dear Alex:

I thought you would like to read the attached article - Preparing For The Jewish Future.

This essay describes some of the critical issues facing the American Jewish community. I analyze the complexity of intermarriage, the changing nature of Jewish belief and practice, Jewish economic trends, and discuss how to increase our financial resources.

I would be most interested in your comments on this piece. I hope you are having an excellent summer.

All the best.

Cordially,

Steven Huberman, Ph.D. Executive Director For Planning and Research

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Irving Cramer, Director MAZON 2940 Westwood Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90064-4120

Dear Irv:

The joint grant from MAZON and the JDC to the Jewish community of Sarajevo is a magnificent venture. I am exceedingly proud of both organizations as well as the Jews of Sarajevo who opted to remain in their own community and undertake deeds of loving kindness. They are an example for us all!

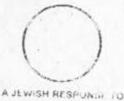
Kol Hakovod! It is wonderful that JDC, one of the Jewish community's oldest organizations, has joined hands with Mazon, one of the newest, in a superb humanitarian effort. As a member of the JDC Executive, I am proud of this shared action.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler





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July 20, 1993

Alex Schindler JDC International Development Program 711 Third Ave. New York, NY 10017

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Dear Alex:

I thought in that you are on the executive committee of the JDC it would be of particular interest to you to know that MAZON has just made what we consider to be an extraordinary grant. We have just provided \$50,000 to the Jewish community in Sarajevo, in partnership with the Joint Distribution Committee.

That community, numbering approximately 1,000, is doing some quite wonderful work. I send along to you a letter that I have written recently to many hundreds of rabbis across this country both announcing and explaining our action, and I wanted to share the letter with you.

Best personal regards,

Irving Cramer Executive Director

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Dear Rabbi

Mi Yamut Umi Yichyeh?

That is precisely the language and the thought we put forth last November in writing to tell you that, in addition to the hundreds of grants and millions of dollars that MAZON provides to sustain those who are hungry in the United States, we felt compelled to seek opportunities to bring aid to Somalia and Bosnia-Herzegovina.

We said we would act only if we could find a safe, responsible way to provide lifegiving help. We also said that while MAZON does not do special emergency appeals, it was clear that unless we raised additional dollars, we would essentially be taking food from one hungry, desperate person to provide it to yet another. It is to say that those hungry in the United States would in effect be subsidizing our efforts to reach out to these other troubled areas of the world.

I assume you are well aware that we found the means to bring help to Somalia and, through a therapeutic feeding program, literally saved the lives of 667 children who otherwise would have perished. A great many of you, and thousands of your congregants, contributed to our efforts. We cannot authoritatively attest to the future well-being of the children that we helped, but we are certain of their current physical well being, as a result of the aid we were able to provide last fall.

Further, and most important, in November of 1992 we wrote you the following:

"Today a sufe road to Bosnia-Herzegovina is not open. Therefore we cannot responsibly bring aid to those who suffer almost every kind of human deprivation. We will watch carefully and act the first moment that we can."

Thankfully, that moment is now upon us, and in that connection there is a story to tell:

In Sarajevo, the Jewish community was given the option several months ago of leaving for Israel under the auspices of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. While several hundred opted to leave, approximately 1,000 decided to stay. Their reasons were two fold. Individually and collectively, they realize that the Sarajevo Jewish community is 500 years old and disbanding it would mean pulling up very deep roots. In addition, they felt a responsibility to others in Sarajevo who had been helpful and protective of the Jewish community at various times of their distress. Most Jews have not only remained in Sarajevo, obviously at their own peril, but they have done two additional things. They have begun a feeding center that is now providing

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family four packages to hundreds and hundreds of families each week and they have set up three pharmacies which provide approximately 20 percent of all the medicines dispensed in Sarajevo. These services are provided on a nonsectarian basis and totally free of charge.

When we learned of this extraordinary human drama, we of course wanted to help. But MAZON never loses sight of the ability to actually deliver on the promises we make to those who fund our efforts. Therefore, we have sought out an effective, reliable way to aid these heroic efforts. With the cooperation of the Joint Distribution Committee, a relationship has been developed with the U.N. High Commission on kerugees, which has flown more than 3,692 successful flights to bring aid to Sarajevo. UNHCR has agreed to fig in supplies to the lewish community for distribution to the whole of Sarajevo, thus avoiding the treacherous land routes.

With air transport now available, MAZON has entered into a partnership with the Jowish community of Sarajevo. Our board of directors has authorized an initial grant of \$50,000 to be spent immediately to purchase "family food packages," which consist of items such as rice, beef, oil, chicken soup, spaghetti and butter. Each package (the estimated cost of which is \$25) will feed a family of four for 2-3 weeks. The food items in these packages are bought in bulk and at a discount from various sources in Europe.

I hope and pray that you will make this announcement to your congregation both from the bima on Shabbat as well as in your newsletter, and that you will tell your many congregants who have expressed frustration at their individual inability to help in Bosnia-Herzegovina. Please tell them that 100 percent of any dollars they may wish to send to MAZON, earmarked for Sarajevo, will be provided as described above. MAZON will take no overhead expenses for this special endeavor. If there are discretionary funds available to us, we of course would appreciate receiving them.

This is an effort of extraordinary human scope and thus we are taking what for us are extraordinary measures to provide help. Perhaps for a moment it is wise to worry less about what is beyond our grasp than to concentrate on doing what we can. Please help us provide the means to what we can do ease the suffering of so many.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Mark Loeb

Chair, MAZON Board of Directors

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RABBI ALEXANDER M. SCHINDLER UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS
Via Fax/ 1 Page PRESIDENT 838 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10021-7064 (212)249-0100

January 6, 1993 13 Tevet 5753

From: Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

TO: Ansel Harris

Alas, I will not be able to attend the WUPJ Israel meeting in March. As it is, I will be in Israel thrice in the next few months, in addition to extensive travel across the United States and even down to Mexico. I'm sorry. Be sure to give my warm good wishes to Maria, whom I chanced to encounter at the Matisse exhibit some weeks ago.

Thank you for your efforts, though abortive, to change the meeting of your Council. That surely would have been the best but, as I indicated, I will be going back to Israel in mid-June and then again in late June and could conceivably travel via the United Kingdom, either going or coming. To be precise, my Israel meetings are set for June 16-19 and June 27-July 1.

I still plan to be in London from the 16th to 18th of February and while dinner is out, unfortunately. Mmy wife has already committed me for two nights -- followed by theatre, which, to tell you the truth, is one of the major reasons why I stop off in London so frequently. There's no reason why we can't have an informal meeting at breakfast or lunch on Wednesday the 17th. Please call me at the Athenaeum Hotel where we will be staying.

Warm regards.

FROM LEA HARRIS

23 Ferncroft Avenue Hampstead NW3 7PG

Tel: 071-794 1399 Fax: 071-431 3786

Rabbi Alexander M Schindler President UAHC

6th January 1992

fax: 0101 212 570 0095

Dear Rabbi Schindler

Your faxed letter of 29th December was awaiting my return from Israel, two days ago. Whilst there I had the pleasure of a serendiptous meeting with your Ami Bergman of whose existence I was not previously aware. As his major involvement is your IDP programme, and as all our development programmes involve Israelis, this was additionally a very useful and constructive meeting.

By happy co-incidence a letter from a mutual long standing friend, Maria Bamberger, was also awaitng my return. My friendship with Maria goes back over forty years when I was first living and working in Jerusalem. Subsequently a close friendship developed with the much missed Fritz. He infact not only advised me on up-to-date material to help me teach my children when they were growing up but gave us many titles.

Aware of this friendship I thought it would be pleasant to have a personal chat when you were here. I still hope that will be possible.

Regarding your imminent visit to the UK, I was glad to get your confirmation of the dates of your proposed visit as 16-18 February. I had hoped to move our Council meeting to accommodate your visit. But I learned on my return that unfortunately our vital Honorary Director, Prof T Scarlett Epstein will be on a mission in Assam from 23rd January till end February. Sadly also I learned that our Honorary Administrator (we are all at this stage volunteers, I am Honorary Executive Chairman) has to go into hospital for the removal of a malignant tumour at the end of the week and so ofcourse will be hors de combat for a few weeks. That is the bad news.

However I learn from Maria that she will be in Jerusalem mid-March for the meeting of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, and that she expects to see you there. I wonder whether in the changed circumstances described in the previous paragraph, you could stop off in the UK either going there or coming back, so that we can hope to ensure that the major players are available to meet with you. I do hope so.

As I said in my previous letter "it is easier to arrange a meeting of two people". So although the February meeting with the Council is now not a proposition, I do hope that during your projected visit we can meet. I am free on two of the evenings you suggest, 16th & 18th. We would be very happy if you could join us for dinner.

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely

Amsel Harris

(Chairman, UK Jewish Aid).

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VIA FAX: 011-44-071-383-4810

December 29, 1992 Tevet 5753

Mr. Ansel Harris U.K. Jewish Aid & International Development 23 Ferncroft Avenue London NW3 7PG ENGLAND

Dear Mr. Harris:

I am sorry you got a garbled message concerning my projected London journey. As things stand now, I will be available for a meeting on the 16th, 17th or 18th of February. In fact, I will be leaving New York on February 15th. Unfortunately, even if I were to take a morning flight, and on the Concord to boot, I could not get there for your Council meeting at 5:00 PM. I simply cannot leave on the night of the 14th. I am scheduled to give a major address late that evening for a meeting of Jewish Youth on Ellis Island and cannot get to JFK in time for the latest London flight.

Is there any way in which your Council members might be persuaded to postpone their February meeting for a day or two, that is to say, for Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday at 5:00 PM. I could be in attendance then, as well as other JDC leaders whom I would persuade to come with me.

While I would be delighted to meet with you for a "private conversation." I think it would be better if we were to resolve this matter with everyone in attendance.

Given our shared goals, there is no reason under the sun why we cannot find a way of cooperating toward its attainment.

With warm good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Aryeh Cooperstock

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23 Ferncroft Avenue London NW3 7PG Tel: 071 794 1399

Rabbi Alex Schlinder Co-Chairman JDC/IDP Advisory Committee 711 Third Avenue NEW YORK NY10017 U.S.A.



21 December 1992

Doar Rabbi Schlinder

I was delighted to hear from Kenneth Rubens that you will be shortly visiting Europe and that we will have an opportunity of meeting.

I have in fact received a number of conflicting messages as to dates. The latest is you will be in London between 11th to 14th February. As there seems to be some flexibility in this and in the hope there still is, could I suggest as follows.

We have a scheduled meeting of our Council at 5.00 p.m. on February 15th. Were you able to so arrange your schedule that you could attend that meeting I would happily revise the agenda and have only one a talk (rom happily revise the agenda and have only one, a talk (ron you and a discussion with you. However, if that is not possible I will try and arrange a meeting on Sunday morning 14th February.

I will be returning from Israel on 4 January. If you would care to telephone me at 071 794 1399 after that date we could perhaps agree and finalise something. With your volatile schedule this may be easier than by letter. Whatever transpires I will welcome a private conversation with yourself personally whilst you are here. It is easier to arrange a meeting of two people:

I do look forward to hearing from you and meeting with you in due course.

Yours sincerely

Ansel Harris

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MEMORANDUM

April 26, 1993



FROM:

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

TO:

American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee

COPY:

Enclosed herewith is my check for \$100.00 to be applied to the Elaine Winik Fund for the Development of Leadership of Women in Israel.

To all concerned, thank you so much for determining to celebrate Elaine's special birthday in so meaningful a manner.

MEMORANDUM

March 29, 1993

FROM:

Edith J. Miller

TO:

Fred Cohen

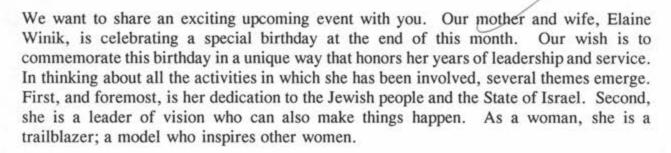
COPY:

Please give me a check for \$100.00 for the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee which I will forward to them. This is to be a gift for the "Elaine Winik Fund for the Development of Leadership of Women in Israel".

March 15, 1993

Rabbi Alexander Schindler Union of Amer. Hebrew Congreg. 838 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10021

Dear Alexander,



Send from to fresh tank

We are honoring our mother and wife with the endowment of a special fund at the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. This fund, "The Elaine Winik Fund for the Development of Leadership of Women in Israel", will enable JDC-Israel to carry out a series of workshops on "Women in Israeli Government." These workshops will focus on overcoming obstacles faced by women as they advance to senior positions. They will involve men and women from the upper echelons of Israeli government. We are very excited about this fund and feel that it supports the values and ideals that Elaine has worked so hard to promote.

We believe that the workshops will make an important contribution to Israeli life, and we invite you to become a part of this wonderful birthday SURPRISE. If you would like to be part of this gift, please send your contribution to The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, 711 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10017, and designate the gift for "Elaine Winik Fund for the Development of Leadership of Women in Israel."

If you have any questions about the above, please feel free to contact Margot Helphand at (503)686-8200 or Penny Goldsmith at (212)750-4110 or at home at (914)967-5141 and remember, THIS IS A SURPRISE.

Margot Helphand Penny Goldsmith Peter Siris Norman Winik JAP /

April 9, 1993 18 Nisan 5753

Ambassador Milton A. Wolf, President American Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Milton:

I hope you and you dear ones are enjoying a sweet Passover.

Much to my regret I am unable to attend the May Board meeting because of long standing commitments. My daughter is a rabbinic student at the Los Angeles campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion and will receive her Masters Degree in Hebrew Literature on May 10. It is my happy task to confirm all of the degrees granted, including Judy's. I shall not return to New York immediately as I have a speaking engagement over the following week-end.

I know you will understand and forgive my absence, it certainly does not indicate any diminution of my great interest in the work of the JDC!

With warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler



THE AMERICAN JEWISH JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, INC.

MEMO

April 5, 1993

To:

JDC Board of Directors and Special Invitees

From:

Ambassador Milton A. Wolf

Re:

May 11-12, 1993 Board Meetings

I am pleased to send you the enclosed schedule for the May 11-12, 1993 JDC board meetings. Given the positive feedback we had in March, we are continuing with this format of consecutive meetings of Area Committees which will be open to observers. The October Budget Workshops will be closed sessions.

I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a happy Passover.

MW:mm Enclosure

JDC SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS MAY 11-12, 1993

Tuesday, May 11 - At JDC Headquarters, 7th Floor

11:00 - 12:30 p.m. Resources Committee

12:30 - 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Soviet Union Area Committee

3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Israel Area Committee

IDP Committee

5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Latin America Area Committee

Wednesday, May 12 - At the New York Helmsley Hotel, 212 East 42nd Street

8:00 - 9:30 a.m Public Information and Education Committee

9:30 - 10:15 a.m. Europe Community Development Committee

10:15 - 11:45 p.m. Board Meeting

12:00 - 2:30 p.m. Semi-Annual Meeting



THE AMERICAN JEWISH JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, INC.

MEETING NOTICE

BOARD DINNER

TUESDAY, MAY 11, 1993 7:30 P.M.

LOCATION: TO BE ANNOUNCED

Dear

Please accept our deep gratitude for your contribution to the Arych Cooperstock Fund. Thanks to people like you, and goal has been reached and C.C. Cooperstock's education is ussuedd.

Aryen and C.C. had an unusually close and special relationship -knowing that his son's future is secure would have given Arych great huppiness.

It is a wonderful tribute to Aryen that so many people so generously offered to help C.C. when he no longer could.

Again, many thanks.

Sincerely yours,

Elaine Winik

Alex Schladler

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March 22, 1993 29 Adar 5753

Mr. Theodore Comet American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Ted:

Thanks for sending me a copy of Milton Wolf's remarks before the JDC Board. I am deeply grateful to you.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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March 11, 1993 18 Adar 5753

Her Excellency, the Israel Ambassador Colette Avital Consul General of Israel 800 Second Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Colette:

It was good being with you at the JDC Dinner. Your presentation was excellent, it is always an inspiration to hear your message. I am deeply grateful for the lift home. It was most gracious of you.

With every good wish and warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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March 5, 1993

BY FAX: 011-44-71-431-3786 AND MAILED

Mr. Ansel Harris M.B.A. Partners 23 Ferncroft Avenue Hampstead NW3 7PG, England

Dear Ansel,

Alex Schindler has reported on his visit to London and his meeting with UKJAID. He was impressed by your obvious enthusiasm for "the cause" and, of course, we are all looking forward to a continuing, perhaps deepening relationship.

Regarding our nominating a JDC representative to your Board, could you please let me know how often it meets and whether you have an annual calendar of such meetings for 1993. This will help us to determine who we can delegate for the slot you are offering.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

Michael Schneider

Executive Vice-President

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CC: Milton A. Wolf

Alexander Schindler

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March 5, 1993 12 Adar 5753

Elaine Winik American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Elaine:

Jack Spitzer, of Mercer Island. Washington, wanted to be sure that Alex knew of his contribution to the Aryeh Cooperstock Fund so he directed his check to our office. I enclose it herewith.

JDC undoubtedly has some kind of a form, but since he sent the check to Alex, we will send a thank you from this end.

With warm regards, I am

Sincerely.

Edith J. Miller Assistant to the President





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March 5, 1993 12 Adar 5753

Jack J. Spitzer 9725 SE 36th Street #304 Mercer Island, WA 98040

Dear Jack:

I have just received the generous check you have forwarded for JDC's Arveh Cooperstock Fund. I am directing it to the JDC, but want to thank you for your thoughtful gift. I assure you it is deeply appreciated.

I hope all is well with you and Charlotte, Rhea joins me in sending fondest regards from house to house.

Sincerely.

Alexander M. Schindler



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February 10, 1993

Dear JDC Colleagues:

We are still in a state of shock over the sudden and tragic death of Aryeh Cooperstock. It is a great loss -- to his family, to us and to the entire Jewish world.

While our thoughts are filled with how much he sought to do for others, we would like to do something on his behalf. We are therefore establishing a fund to enable his friends to do for his family what he can no longer do. If you would like to participate, please make your check payable to the "Aryeh Cooperstock Fund" and mail to us at JDC.

May Aryeh's memory be a blessing.

Elaine Winik

Rabbi Alexander Schindler

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Rabbi Alexander M Schindler President UAHC 838 Fifth Avenue New York NY 10021 USA

25th February 1993

Dear Alex

I hope you don't find that appellation too familiar after but one meeting: one enjoyable meeting that I hope proves to be the first of many.

I found it a useful exchange of views and I am confident you will convey to your colleagues at the IDP some idea of my weltanschaung and approach. I will certainly convey to my colleagues on our Council both the quality of our dialogue and your suggestion. Be assured whatever the outcome of that suggestion, I will continue to work on a policy of mutuality, recognising at the same time, as I spelt out, the enormous difference in size, means and experience of our parallel organisations.

We touched on many other issues including Jewish Education and its importance. I enclose one of the Spiro Institute's current brochures. This is an issue that deeply engages Lea and myself. It is our belief that much of this community's contributions to Israel would be far more effective for the Jewish People if much of it were recycled back for Jewish education here. Without it there will be no ready to identify with Israel abd support it in other ways than financial, a support which plays a decreasing role in meeting Israel's needs.

Do let us know when you are next coming through (you suggested in June). Lea and I would very much like for you and Mrs Schindler to be our guests at the theatre.

With every good wish

Yours sincerely

Ansel Harris

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March 2, 1993



FROM:

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

TO:

Elaine Winik, Milton Wolf, Michael Schneider,

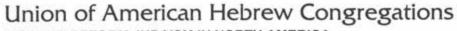
Henryka Manes

As you know, I stopped in London enroute to Israel and met with several of the UKJAID Board people, three to be precise: Anselm Harris, Kenneth Rubens, and Eva Mitchell.

Kenneth, you know - he comes to our Board meetings with a measure of regularity. Anselm is the present Chairman of UKJAID. Eva is an active member of their Board. She was once the Executive of the Central British Fund, is a leader of Liberal Judaism in the UK, exceedingly capable and well respected in the larger London Jewish community; over the years I have come to value her good judgment.

Here are my impressions:

- Anselm is something of an odd duck - not nearly as debonair as Rubens, a bit of a loner, strong-willed, but an enthusiast for the cause and determined to put UKJAID on the map.
- 2. Though he often acts as if UKJAID were his personal domain, he nonetheless enjoys the wide support of his fellow Board members, and this essentially for three reasons:
 - (a) He is willing to give it the time, and he has, acting more like a pro than a volunteer.
 - (b) He has good contacts with like institutions. He was Treasurer of Oxfam (a bigger deal in the UK than it is here in the US, so I have been told). This gave him access to major charitable trusts, which he has been willing to exploit for UKJAID.
 - (c) He also has extensive contacts in government circles which enabled him to gain the several grants which furthered JDP-IDP projects in the past.



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- 3. His Board and its procedures are rather loose. When I asked him how many Board members UKJAID has, he replied: "I quess around twenty, more or less . . . some come then drop out, others join . . . " He did indicate that he intends to regularize all this.
- 4. He values his association with JDC and is bent on strengthening it, recognizing that this partnership is an enabling force; he lacks the resources and staff to act independently. But he does want UKJAID to have its own identity and to be considered something more than just a funding source for JDP, which means, of course, that he wants to be involved from the beginning to the end in any JDC project which they agree to back.
- 5. Arych Cooperstock, z.l., was a member of the UKJAID Board. Anselm agreed to propose that there be a permanent JDC seat on his Board, which will be ours to fill by either a professional or a lay leader, as we may determine from time to time.
- 6. UKJAID is cutting its ties with CBF completely. Its offices will be housed elsewhere - in the building of one of those private charitable trusts to which I alluded (in 2b above). They also just employed a part-time professional, a retired business executive, who is willing to serve some three days a week (for a stipend). I didn't make note of his name; I believe it is Michael Harris.

That's about the size of it. Obviously, we should maintain these ties, but because of the present looseness of the situation, it would be well if we were to attend their meeting with a measure of regularity if only to make sure that procedures are more formally established, particularly in the financial realm. I have no reason whatsoever to suspect anything, but this kind of casual arrangement is disquieting on general principle.



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February 22, 1993 1 Adar 5753

Mr. Michael Schneider Executive Vice President American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Mr. Schneider:

I tried to reach you by telephone this morning but was advised that you are out of the country. I am therefore taking the liberty of sharing with you, by means of this letter, a message from Rabbi Schindler.

He is now in Israel, but wanted you to know that while he was in London he met with Ansel Harris and a Mr. Reubens, as well as Eva Mitchell of the UKJAID (I hope I have those initials correct). They are holding a seat for a JDC representative and expect the JDC to determine the person, be it the acting director or a law leader.

Rabbi Schindler returns to his desk next week and you will receive a more detailed report from him.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Edith J. Miller Assistant to the President

cc: Elaine Winick

MEMORANDUM

TO: JDC-IDP Committee

FROM: \ Aryen Cooperstock

DATE: February 3, 1993

RE: Vietnam and Cambodia

Last month Ami Bergman and I went to Vietnam and Cambodia to explore the possibility of initiating projects in those countries. Both are high priorities for Israel. And both need all the help they can get.

Vietnam

This is a poor country of 70 million people still recovering - with great difficulty - from many years of war. But there is a palpable energy, an eagerness to develop and learn from others, a poignant desire to be open to and befriend the West: especially the United States. "When the embargo is lifted..." is a common, wistful prefix to many conversations.

We established contact with the University of Agriculture and Forestry in Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon - which is what most people still call it) where the idea of Israeli technical assistance was enthusiastically welcomed. They specifically asked for advice about increasing vegetable yields, goat raising, corn and soybean production, dairy, and poultry for their experimental farm. They accepted our suggestion that the rural cooperative VAC be included in our projected assistance. VAC is an acronym for an ancient Vietnamese agricultural tradition where each farm is a complete ecosystem in itself, with a garden, some animals, and a fish pond, each depending on the others. While the interdependence has considerable merit, the system could benefit from Israeli techniques and efficiencies.

The Israeli Ministry of Agriculture will identify two specialists who will spend 3-4 weeks in Vietnam, both to give the desired advice and to write a proposal for a large scale project which we will then submit to funding sources. The University will provide housing, food, and local transportation to ensure that this will be a partnership and not simply a gift. This is a policy whose value has been clearly demonstrated in other projects.

Another contact we made was with the Institute of Agricultural Science of South

Vietnam which is part of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry. There, too, the prospect of cooperation with Israel was eagerly endorsed. Despite their relative isolation, the Vietnamese scientists were knowledgeable about Israeli agricultural superiority. Ami will inform the Volcani Institute about this institution and its interest in developing relationships.

Cambodia

Our overwhelming impression upon landing at Phnom Penh airport was that the United Nations had taken over the country. Dozens of helicopters and wide-bodied cargo aircraft (Hercules and their equivalent), painted white with a huge "UN" on each of them, dominated the landscape. Although we knew of the UN presence, this was far more than we expected; but that was only the beginning. More will be said about the UN later.

Compared to the energetic Vietnamese, the Khmer (the main ethnic group of Cambodia) are manifestly languid. Not only seemingly endless war, but also the autogenocide in which over a million people were reportedly murdered by the Khmer Rouge, have resulted in a general condition of malaise and hopelessness. In this country major economic, social, and psychological resuscitation are required.

The first thing we went to see was the Genocide Museum. Last November, I visited Terezenstadt, in Czechoslovakia, with the JDC mission. My emotional turmoil was the same seeing another horrible reminder of inhumanity: torture instruments and torture chambers, death machines, tiny cells where people were chained to the floor, stories of people slaughtered only because they wore glasses (ergo considered intellectuals). A gruesome Cambodian feature in the museum is a map of the country covered completely with human skulls. No matter how much one hears about such things, seeing the reality is still wrenching. No other reason was necessary to justify our presence. This is the closest counterpart to our Holocaust.

Colleagues from the International Rescue Committee arranged our visits to Battambong, Bavel (they did not know that this is the Hebrew for Babylon), the Thman Khol Internal Displaced Persons' (I was not pleased that they're called "IDPs"!) Camp, Kampong Chhnang (yes, it has two h's), and Kampong Leng. To get to these places we travelled many hours by air, over terrible roads, by small boat, and by motor scooters. Living conditions, especially in the displaced persons' camp, are among the worst I have seen anywhere. The rice harvest was more-or-less completed; so the fields were brown and barren - those that were not full of mines. By contrast, the markets were well-stocked; but prices are high for most of the population. Nutrition levels are low, incidence of disease is high.

IRC is implementing health training and sanitation projects, as is the Catholic Relief

Services. Rather than initiating independent activities, we decided it would be more logical to supplement and complement theirs with Israeli medical personnel and agricultural components as a practical method of JDC-IDP involvement. There are many things that can be done in dry land farming, for instance, and in introducing better methods of cultivation that would greatly improve many lives. This cooperative approach was encouraged by the resident USAID representatives who welcomed JDC involvement in Cambodia. They also liked the consortium approach to development which we told them has worked so effectively in Armenia. USAID funding is available for further work in Cambodia.

IRC has been working with the regional hospital in Kampong Chhnang which has also been assisted by the Swedish Red Cross. For a developing country, it is remarkably clean and well-run; and could be a useful model for other medical facilities. The provincial Ministry of Health asked if we could send them general surgeons and orthopaedic surgeons for brief training sessions. This possibility will be explored in Israel.

United Nations Development Program, one of the myriad UN agencies there, when told of the kinds of work we were interested in, asked us to find them an irrigation expert to begin work immediately. We are in the process of recruiting one from Israel. So much more food could be grown if an irrigation system were developed.

UNTAC - the United Nations Transitional Authority for Cambodia - has a staff of 22,000: 16,000 military and 6,000 civilians. For every 1.6 persons there is one vehicle. In addition to the helicopters and airplanes mentioned above, there are sedans, jeeps, trucks, land rovers, tanker trucks. All of them apparently come from Japan. UNTAC's budget is \$2 billion. I asked a German policeman in a UN uniform what he is doing. His reply: "the best I can." When I persisted and asked "what are you doing the best you can at?" he really couldn't answer. A Tunisian soldier was delighted to be in Cambodia since his pay was considerably higher than what he gets at home. Senior UN officials refused to come to Cambodia unless they received per diems of \$145 in addition to housing. The average annual per capita income in Cambodia is less that \$145!

When we visited Mr. Behrooz Sadry, Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Cambodia, in his luxurious office in Phom Penh, he described UNTAC's mission: it is to organize and supervise the elections which are to take place in April or May; and to ensure the peace. He assured us that all UNTAC's soldiers and civilians knew why they were there and were committed to their tasks. He did not think that such a massive UN presence - which has caused rents to escalate precipitously and inflated prices for virtually everything - would ruin the Cambodian economy and have dire consequences once UNTAC leaves the country. I told him

that we planned humanitarian assistance for Cambodia and would like access to some of their \$2 billion. He explained that **that** money was not for Cambodia itself but for UNTAC's operations in Cambodia - salaries, per diems, travel, housing, etc. Considering the needs of that unfortunate country and those desperate people I found his answer, and the UNTAC use of international funds, obscene. We politely thanked him for his briefing.

The Khmer Rouge are boycotting the elections, and peace is elusive with regular skirmishes initiated by both the Khmer Rouge and Government forces. People continue to lose limbs or get maimed as they step on the numerous mines. Returning refugees live in squalid camps. Most meaningful development, limited as it is, is carried out by NGOs. So it is questionable if any useful purpose is being served by UNTAC, especially for \$2 billion.

There was a donors' pledging conference in Tokyo sometime last year at which over \$828 million was pledged for development assistance to Cambodia. Only some \$10 million has been committed, yet it was not possible for us to determine what it is being used for and by whom. Mr. Sadry has an Economic Adviser on his staff whose full-time responsibility is to inform each of the donors about what the others are doing. Each donor country is to determine what it would fund. A data base has been developed which could tell us where our activities might fit or possibly be funded; but the Adviser could not find his copy.

We will try to send an irrigation expert and some surgeons; and develop specific proposals with IRC and CRS to help Cambodia.

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Arych Cooperstock American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 711 Third Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Aryeh:

The enclosed memorandum is self-explanatory. After further discussion, it represents not only Eric's view. but the view of our Social Action people and mine.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Fondly,

Alexander M. Schindler





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Elaine Winik 103 Greenhaven Road Rye, NY 10580

Dear Elaine:

The enclosed memorandum is self-explanatory. After further discussion, it represents not only Eric's view, but the view of our Social Action people and mine.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Fondly,

Alexander M. Schindler

MEMORANDUM



January 28, 1993

FROM:

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

TO:

Rabbi Eric Yoffie

COPY:

Thanks for reviewing the JDC memo. I will relay your judgment to Aryeh Cooperstock and Elaine Winik and probably also to Michael Schneider when I see him early next week.

I assume you will assert this position when you meet with the Somalia Relief Coordinating Committee.

Thanks again.



MEMORANDUM

From

Rabbi Eric Yoffie

Date

1/27/93

To

Rabbi Alexander Schindler

I reviewed the JDC memo. My clear preference would be for the Mobile Medical Unit. If that is not possible, none of the other proposals is especially attractive, and I would want to look into contributing directly to another NGO -- perhaps Doctors without Borders, or the medical group that Mazon is working with.



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January 13, 1993

FROM:

Edith J. Miller

TO:

Ted Comet

COPY:

Ambassador Wolf's invitation to Alex for the JDC Board Mission to Poland arrived today, during Alex's absence. He will not be back at his desk until the end of the month and I just wanted you to know that he will not be able to join the Mission. It sounds like it will be a very meaningful and momentus journey. Unfortunately, Alex already has two speaking engagements during the period of the Mission and simply cannot reschedule them.

With warm regards.

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TO:	Ted Comet
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	(In order to ensure room accommodations, please reply by January 15.)
	I/we are interested in joining the JDC Board Mission to Poland April 16-19, 1993 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto uprising.
	Name: (Please print)



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January 8, 1993

Re:

JDC Board Mission to Poland

April 16-19, 1993

Dear Board Member:

I would like to invite you to join me on a JDC Board Mission to Poland to mark the 50th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. Our program will begin in Warsaw on Friday, April 16 and conclude Monday evening, April 19.

While there, we will be participating in a series of commemorations sponsored by the Polish and Israeli governments as well as international Jewish organizations. Large contingents of leaders are expected from all over the world.

In addition to the anniversary ceremonies, we will examine some of the JDC-supported programs that are helping the present day Jewish community to rediscover its Jewish heritage: the Jewish Historical Institute, the new Youth Club at the Lauder Center, young adult intellectual leadership groups, and the Association of Holocaust Survivors (Hidden Children).

We will also inaugurate the JDC-initiated Jewish Educational Resource Center, which will be operated in partnership with the Jewish Agency and the local Jewish community.

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The fate of Polish Jewry and the Warsaw Ghetto survivors are an important part of JDC history. It was JDC that brought food into the ghetto by every conceivable method, and the list of ghetto heroes is replete with names of JDC staff who remained to the bitter end.

It is therefore most appropriate for JDC to be part of this anniversary commemoration. Our presence in Poland today and our continuing efforts on behalf of aging survivors, as well as the younger generation, makes our participation in the April ceremonies even more important.

For those who wish to extend their stay in Eastern Europe, arrangements can be made to visit additional sites in Poland or to go to Budapest for a first hand view of JDC's involvement in the renaissance of that Jewish community.

I therefore look forward to having you join me on this mission, and since accommodations are limited, urge you to contact Ted Comet as soon as possible to indicate your interest.

Sincerely,

Ambassador Milton A. Wolf

President

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