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Dear,

I am indebted to you for
your speedy and effective action.
Also I am
pleased that you delayed any
final decision re. your own
status. I reiterate: stay in
there pitchin'!!

Sammy called me; asked
him to put the Kogan-Kotler
people in touch with me.
said he would do so.

Want to get this off soon.
Let me know when you are
planning to come. We'll
build some programs masterly
around your presence.

I'll be going to L.A.
probably around Mar 10-15.
Will just before Pesach.

— David
Klich

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לשכת המזכיר הכללי

24th January, 1982

Rabbi Alexander Schindler,
UAHC,
838 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Alex,

I talked with Steve on the phone yesterday morning and was overwhelmingly pleased to learn that you both have agreed to contribute \$250,000 from UAHC funds for the Youth Center in Jerusalem. The contribution is significant both in terms of the amount and in terms of what it symbolizes, and I am indeed extremely grateful for both factors.

Immediately upon receiving the word from Steve, I communicated with Gerry Daniel, Dick Scheuer and Joy Ungerleider, all three of whom were very moved and impressed. In my extended conversation with Joy, I think we are back on the track. In the meantime, we have also received some additional funds from South Africa toward the Youth Hostel, funds that will eventually total 100,000 Rand, and that is also a good sign. We also have some additional prospects.

As far as Joy is concerned, she is not now talking about asking for a return of her money. The basic question is whether she will make another significant contribution. That we will know when I meet with her on her trip to Israel next week. Of course, even if she does make an additional contribution, according to Dick Scheuer and Safdie, that will not be enough to complete the Youth Hostel and we shall therefore have to continue the process of solicitation. I will be coming to the States in March, and will be doing everything possible to line up some more contributions. I assume that you will be here in February for the Agency meetings. If so, we will want to have some meetings with some of the "big machers" who are Reform Jews in regard to contributions for the Center. Otherwise, let me know and we can communicate by letter or phone.

Steve Schafer and our staff, Allan Levine, Hank Skirball and Dave Forman, have been very helpful and will continue to be instrumental in formulating our plans and developing the programs. And we all should be grateful to them for their tremendous dedication and effective leadership. Steve reiterated what you and I have also talked about, that we have to insure control over building costs, administrative expenses, etc., so that our expenditures are independent of the College expenses. Also we are making provisions, as per his suggestion, for a feasibility study.

Thank you again. I believe that our dream is one step closer, though we still have a long way to go.

cc. Gerard Daniel
✓ Rabbi Stephen Schafer
Rabbi Allan Levine
Rabbi Hank Skirball
Rabbi David Forman

Bivracha,

Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch

MEMORANDUM

From Rabbi Stephen Schafer

Date 4/27/82

To Mr. Gerald Daniel

Copies Rabbi Alexander Schindler, Mr. Dov Gilon,
Rabbi Richard Hirsch, Rabbi Allan Levine, Rabbi Allan Smith

Subject WUPJ Youth Center, Jerusalem

Pursuant to our meeting this morning, I am sending to you what I believe are the basic needs for a viable Youth Center - Hostel in Jerusalem. This is a revision of Rabbi Smith's memo of March 15, 1982. Also, I am enclosing an estimated budget.

Rabbi Smith and I estimate the cost of the entire building to be \$2,800,000. We know that a four-star hotel to be built now is estimated at under \$1000 a square meter. It will be necessary to impress the architect with the cost parameters.

I have reflected on our conversation concerning program space in relation to dormitory space. Without adequate program space and staff offices, it does not make sense to me to build a youth hostel in the "high rent district." You will note that the facilities include staff offices and program space.

We believe the budget submitted by Mr. David Frishman is unrealistic for the WUPJ project. We believe that the building will operate at a deficit of \$110,000 to \$140,000 per year. Therefore, if we are right about building costs, approximately \$800,000 additional will be necessary to invest for income to cover operations deficit.

Again, I urge you to consult with Rabbi Schindler as soon as possible, in order to resolve the issues involving the current fiscal relationship of the WUPJ and the UAHC.

I regret that it will be impossible for me to meet with you in Israel during the last week of May. If the meeting can be arranged earlier in May, perhaps between May 15 and May 20, I will be there. If I am not at the meeting, Mr. Dov Gilon will represent me. He is the operations manager for the UAHC Youth Programs in Israel. He can be reached at 12 Ma'ayan, Givatyim. His telephone number is (03) 310 338, or through our Jerusalem office (02) 246-195.



Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10021 (212) 249-0100

1. RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES

25 rooms with bathroom @ 30 sq. m. 6 per room = 150 people	750 sq. m.
2 bedroom housekeeper's apt.	80 sq. m.
3 bedroom manager's apt.	100 sq. m.
4 rooms for staff 2 to 4 people per room @ 30 sq. m.	120 sq. m.

TOTAL NET AREA

TOTAL GROSS AREA (40% circulation)

1050 sq. m.

1450 sq.

2. ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

Manager	15 sq. m.
Meeting Room	30 sq. m.
Assistant Manager	15 sq. m.
Secretary, Bookkeeper, Reception Desk	30 sq. m.
Housekeeper	15 sq. m.
2 WC	20 sq. m.

TOTAL NET AREA

TOTAL GROSS AREA (40% circulation)

125 sq. m.

175 sq.

3. SERVICES

Storage: general storage	45 sq. m.
workshop & storage	45 sq. m.
storage @ each floor 20 sq.	40 sq. m.
SUBTOTAL	130 sq. m.

Laundry: house laundry	45 sq. m.
coin operated laundry	10 sq. m.
SUBTOTAL	55 sq. m.

Shelter: shelter @.4 sq/person	
(250 people)	100 sq. m.
bathrooms	30 sq. m.
mini kitchens	15 sq. m.
food storage	15 sq. m.
SUBTOTAL	160 sq. m.

TOTAL NET AREA

TOTAL GROSS AREA (20% circulation)

345 sq. m.

415 sq. m.

4. CULTURAL & EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

2 classrooms 20 people @ 40 sq. m.	80 sq. m.	
1 classroom 40 people @ 90 sq. m.	<u>90 sq. m.</u>	
TOTAL NET AREA	170 sq. m.	
TOTAL GROSS AREA (20% circulation)		240 sq. m.

5. DINING ROOM AND KITCHEN

Dining room for 160 people @ 1.5 sq. m./person	240 sq. m.	
1 Dining room for 40 people @ 1.5 sq. m./person	<u>60 sq. m.</u>	
SUBTOTAL	300 sq. m.	
Kitchen storage & staff area	100 sq. m.	
Servicing area	50 sq. m.	
Food preparation area @ kitchens)	<u>100 sq. m.</u>	
SUBTOTAL	250 sq. m.	
TOTAL NET AREA	550 sq. m.	
TOTAL GROSS AREA (20% circulation)		660 sq. m.

6. CLEANING STAFF (lockers/wc/etc.) 12 people 50 sq. m. 60 sq. m.

7. MECHANICAL 100 sq. m. 130 sq. m.

8. OFFICES OF ISRAELI, AMERICAN, INTERNATIONAL YOUTH PROGRAMS

5 offices @ 15 sq. m.	75 sq. m.	
5 offices @ 12 sq. m.	60 sq. m.	
2 secretarial offices (a) 30 sq. m.		
(b) 20 sq. m.]	50 sq. m.	
Conference Room	25 sq. m.	
Storage Area	<u>30 sq. m.</u>	
TOTAL NET AREA	240 sq. m.	
TOTAL GROSS AREA (40% circulation)		340 sq. m.

TOTAL NET AREA FOR YOUTH HOSTEL 2,630 sq. m.

TOTAL GROSS AREA FOR YOUTH HOSTEL 3,470 sq. m.

INCOME:

15,000 bed nights		
7,500 full board @ 15.00	=	\$ 112,500
7,500 bed & breakfast @ 9.00	=	67,500
Total		<u>\$ 180,000</u>

EXPENSES:

Administration

Director	\$ 15,000
Bookkeeper	10,000
Secretary	10,000
House mother	10,000
Telephone	7,000
Postage	3,500
Supplies	750
Public Relations	1,500
Equipment repair	500
Misc.	1,000
	<u>\$ 59,250</u>

Commissary

Dietician	\$ 10,000
Cook	12,500
Cook's helper 3 @ 5,000	15,000
Food	40,000
Equipment purchase	2,500
Equipment repair	1,500
Misc.	1,000
	<u>\$ 82,500</u>

Housekeeping

Housekeeper	\$ 10,000
Maids 3 @ 5,000	15,000
Porter	5,000
Cleaning supplies	1,500
Equipment purchase	1,000
Equipment repair	500
Linen	1,000
Laundry	7,000
Misc.	500
	<u>\$ 41,500</u>

Plant Operation

Supervisor	\$ 12,000
Handyman	6,500
Gardener	5,000
Light	15,000
Heat	12,000
Maintenance supplies	6,000
Repairs	4,000
Truck & auto	10,000
Misc.	5,000
	<u>\$ 75,000</u>

Employee Benefits \$ 55,000

Insurance \$ 20,000

SUMMARY: EXPENSES

ADMINISTRATION	\$ 59,250
COMMISSARY	82,500
HOUSEKEEPING	41,500
PLANT OPERATION	75,000
BENEFITS	55,000
INSURANCE	20,000
	<u>\$ 333,250</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$ 333,250
TOTAL INCOME 180,000

PROJECTED ANNUAL DEFICIT: \$ 153,250

Note: The theoretical number of bed nights per year is 54,750. Rental income is guestimated in this projection at about 28% occupancy. With 50% occupancy, income could be far above cost.



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January 27, 1981

Rabbi Alexander Schindler
U. A. H. C.
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y. 10021

Dear Alex:

I had a lengthy memorandum prepared for you in reply to your January 13th letter to me. Since then, however, we have had our meeting and I trust the oral clarification made sets this gift for the Youth Hostel in its historical perspective and clearly defines the areas of responsibility.

Ours was a good meeting. I trust we shall be able to plan together in the future those projects which affect the total welfare of our movement. Partnerships are not always easy, but they are in the last analysis, both in commerce and in institutional life, the way major transactions and achievements come about.

Sincerely,

Alfred Gottschalk

AG: rws

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Fente
Woff*



WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

האיגוד העולמי ליהדות מתקדמת

Office of the President

Please reply to Box "F"
New Rochelle, NY 10801

January 16, 1981
ddt-789

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

Dear Alex:

Thank you for the copy of your letter to Fred Gottschalk regarding the Ungerleider gift. Just a few comments:

A condition for this gift to the World Union via the HUC Escrow Fund was an undertaking by the World Union to make its best efforts to raise additional funds for the construction of a Youth Hostel for use by young people from all over the world. I gave this undertaking, on behalf of the World Union, without which this gift would not have been forthcoming.

I felt strongly with the representatives of the College, who participated in the talks with Mrs. Ungerleider, that this project should be shared with the UAHC Youth Department since the College has no direct interest in a Youth Hostel. After all, the main but not the only beneficiaries will be North American Youth and most funds would have to come from North American Reform Jewish Contributors.

The gift thus was accepted and received by the World Union and we are delighted that there is a strong interest by the Youth Department of UAHC for this Hostel. A close cooperation, therefore, seems indicated and I look forward to a partnership with the UAHC and a few other World Union constituents in this important project.

Rabbi Schindler

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January 16, 1981

We already told Joy Ungerleider that this gift would not suffice for a naming gift, but have given her in writing a "right of first refusal" to raise her gift to the level of a naming gift.

I am leaving for Europe on February 3rd and would suggest a meeting in which also your Youth Department people should participate as early as possible, especially since you now had a chance to review the plans and principles for the project with Dick Hirsch.

My best personal regards.

Sincerely,


Gerard Daniel

GD/ddt

CC: Dr. Alfred Gottschalk
Rabbi Richard Hirsch
Mr. Donald Day
Rabbi Stephen Schafer
Mr. Matthew Ross
Dr. Jules Backman
Mr. Richard Scheuer



WJF

MINUTES OF MEETING ON JERUSALEM WORLD CENTER
HELD IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 1979

Present: Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, Dr. Uri Herscher, Rabbi Alexander Schindler, Mr. Theodore Broido, Rabbi Richard Hirsch, and Rabbi Ira Youdovin.

The matter of the Jerusalem World Center was thoroughly discussed by all who participated in the meeting and after a lengthy discussion the following principles were agreed to:

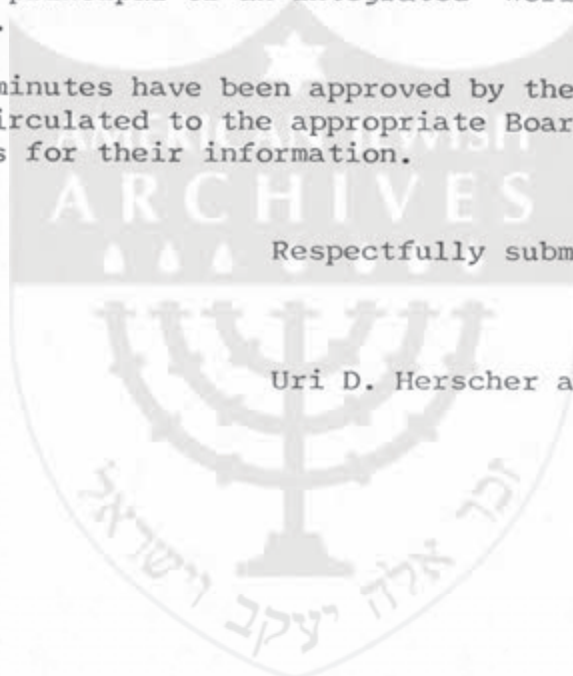
- 1) That immediate steps must be taken to recast the priority program plans for the World Center with a view towards making any changes since the preliminary drawings were prepared by Safdi.
- 2) That a decision would have to be reached in the near future regarding the choice of architect, i.e. to decide whether to retain Safdi or to find another architect.
- 3) That a decision will have to be reached as to when architectural plans should be revised in accordance with the priorities determined in #1 above.
- 4) It is to be ascertained whether or not a "land use plan" should be presented to the Jerusalem Planning Commission in the near future and whether or not the filing of such a land use plan ties us to using the present drawings and present architect. If the latter be the case, we should delay filing any plans with the Jerusalem Planning Commission for the moment.
- 5) It was agreed that each institution, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and World Union would attempt separately to raise the funds for their designated separate building needs as will be determined by the program priority plan mentioned above.
- 6) On a formula yet to be determined as each institution raises funds for a particular building or unit of the Center, two sums of money will be set aside and kept in a joint fund: one amount to be held as an endowment for maintenance of the entire Center, and the other amount to be a joint account for building the common facilities, i.e., underground mechanical work, sewers, electrical work, etc. as is determined necessary.

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- 7) Each institution is free to proceed with its own unit or units as the funds are raised, recognizing, however, the need for total and complete coordination and cooperation so that buildings are built and infrastructure completed in a way that is most economical for all concerned.
- 8) Implicit in all the above, is the continuation of a joint World Center Coordinating Committee consisting of both professional and lay representatives who will consult and coordinate every step of the way so that, while each institution will have responsibility for its own units, the end result will not violate the principal of an integrated World Center for world Jewry.
- 9) Once these minutes have been approved by the participants, they should be circulated to the appropriate Boards of each of the institutions for their information.

Respectfully submitted,

Uri D. Herscher and Theodore K. Broido



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31ST July, 1979

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MEMORANDUM

from: Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch

to: Rabbi Alexander Schindler

copies to: Mr. Gerard Daniel, Mr. Ted Broido, Rabbi Ira Youdovin

I talked to Ted the other day on the phone regarding a letter from Gerry Daniel on the matter of the Jerusalem Center.

Gerry had written to me as follows:

"Fred Gottschalk called to congratulate and ask when we could give him our more specific requirements for the Jerusalem Center. He stated that HUC is clear about their plans and they know what they want. He also stated that Alex Schindler would want only a Synagogue (?) for the UAHC part in the complex. They would like to be clear on this subject prior to the Jerusalem Conference. Dick Scheuer is coordinating the work and for obvious reasons (money) Fred is anxious to have us participate in the planning.

I made it clear to him that at this moment the Synagogue Building Program is our money priority. There seems to be some pressure by Kollek to produce finite plans for the Jerusalem Center but we still have a six year time period for building. Fred stressed that soon after the inauguration of the college in New York they would energetically start on a fundraising program for their portion of the Center."

The above is a perfect instance of the kind of difficulty we will be getting in to should separate fundraising drives be initiated. We have all agreed from the very beginning that there should be separate administration of separate quarters. However, I have been and continue to be adamantly opposed to a separate fundraising effort. It will inject a tremendous divisiveness within the movement. We will be at each other's throats and we will tear apart our laymen.

In addition to the question of future contributions, we will also become involved in controversy over previous contributions. For example: the College has received a contribution of \$500,000 from Leon Ell. I have discussed the matter with Leon a number of times and he discussed it with me, thinking I was part of the team. However, the minute you begin the process of dividing up the funds, the College will claim the \$500,000 contribution, and we will be off and running.

I hope the above will persuade you to reconsider your own position on this matter. In any case, you have agreed that before any policy becomes final we will have to have the mutual concurrence of the lay leadership of both the College and the Union. Now that we have a person of Gerry's stature and orientation and interests, I believe that he should become integrally involved in whatever discussions we have.

I therefore urge you to set up a meeting with our key lay leadership in which Gerry Daniel will participate. You had talked about meeting with Matt Ross and perhaps Gil Tillis. That meeting should be set up some time during the week of September 9. Ira and Ted have my schedule.



Woff

CONFIDENTIAL

September 10, 1979

Rabbi David H. Wice
Congregation Rodeph Shalom
615 No. Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA. 19123

Dear David:

Thank you for your letter of September 7 in regard to Buzzy's letter to Mr. Ezekiel. You are right. The WUPJ should not be blamed by Buzzy. He ought to write to Ezekiel and explain. Why don't you ask him to do so directly. I'm sure he will.

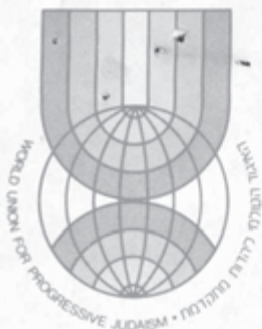
Ira indicates a response has not yet been forthcoming from India in regard to the pulpit. I told Ira that Bernie Zlotowitz could serve them, provided the leadership of his Region is amenable.

Rhea joins me in sending fondest regards to you and Sophie and our warm good wishes for a sweet and fulfilling New Year.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

cc: Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch



WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

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North American Board

September 7, 1979

CONFIDENTIAL

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10021

Dear Alex:

It is with deep concern that I call your attention to the second paragraph of the attached letter from Rabbi Bogage to Mr. Ezekiel. The facts are that the World Union did, indeed, make sufficient budget available for Buzz Bogage's trip and he was informed of this during late August. Shortly thereafter, Buzz telephoned Ira Youdovin to inform him that due to personal financial difficulties he was opting for a holiday pulpit in his region. This is perfectly fine, but there is no excuse for putting the onus on the World Union, particularly as we, together with NFTS, funded a similar trip two years ago.

Also omitted from the letter is the fact that NFTS made available \$1000 for this year's trip. Lest this letter conclude on an unpleasant note, may I take this opportunity to join with Sophie in wishing you and Rhea a New Year of Peace, health, happiness and blessing.

Faithfully,

David
Rabbi David H. Wice

P.S. Bernie Zlotowitz has indicated his availability to take Buzz's place in India this year. Pending your approval, we will endeavor to make the necessary arrangements with the leadership in Bombay.

cc: Mrs. Norma Levitt
Miss Jane Evans
Miss Eleanor Schwartz
Rabbi Richard Hirsch

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*Deborah,
You are right! W.U. should not
be blamed by Buzz. He ought
to write Ezekiel + explain.
Why don't you ask him to do
so directly. I am sure he will
reciprocate good
wishes*

FOR YOUR
INFORMATION

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September 4, 1979

Mr. E. H. Ezekiel
Secretary - The Jewish Religious Union
Rodeph Shalom
Bombay, India

Dear Enoch:

It is with great regret and sadness that I write this note to you to inform you that we will not be together for the High Holy Day season. I regret that I will not be able to be with you to renew the friendships which I made on my past visit and to conduct the services for your beautiful and worthy group of people.

Many complications have arisen in the availability of an adequate amount of funds necessary for me to travel from Miami, Florida, USA to Bombay, India. Your beautiful letters and the advance promise of 5,000 rupees is a magnificent gesture, but our beloved WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM did not have enough money to insure travel and the additional necessary funds for safe lodging. I urge you to save the 5,000 rupee grant and add additional for next year in order to make our visit a reality. It is important for me to bring new prayerbooks for the Sabbath and the High Holy Days and to bring additional materials to make the visit worth while. We have to plan far in advance so I can send some material by freight.

Please extend my best regards to your brother and your whole family. Please say special hello and shalom to all of the members of the Temple. Please tell Abraham Judea that I would like to hear from him as he makes his move to Israel. I look forward to being able to see all the people for the High Holy Day season 1980. I hope that Mr. David Zion will be strong enough to lead services. I send my best regards to him. All good wishes for continued success of the Jewish Religious Union.

Sincerely,


Rabbi Lewis E. Roysage

February 3, 1976

Rabbi Alfred Gottschalk
President, HUC-JIR
3101 Clifton Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45220

Dear Fred:

In regard to the lists from Herb, if you are referring to the "A-B-C-D-E" lists of prospects, those have been shared with you by the WUPJ office. If you require another copy just let Ira know.

If you are referring to the people Herb saw during his recent visit, I haven't got the list. Herb is to send Ira a memo with details but to date it hasn't been received. Of course, I will see that it is shared with you when it arrives.

I've shared your letter of the 29th of January with Matt and we'll let you have our reactions to Herb's suggestion when we've had an opportunity to discuss the matter.

Fondest regards.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

RABBI RICHARD G. HIRSCH

Please make
copies for Mr. Tilles,
Mr. Shapiro &
Rabbi Yondovici
Thanks

SRB

Wick - At our last joint begg' meeting the youth hostel idea was kept "open".

The World Union For Progressive Judaism
13 King David Street
Jerusalem, Israel

December 5, 1973

Mr. Richard J. Scheuer
880 Third Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10022
U.S.A.

Dear Dick,

Thank you for the copy of your letter of November 28 to Moshe Safdie and Associates.

I was surprised to note that you wrote "the youth hostel was not presently authorized and the plan for the new land will not at this time develop a youth hostel". You will recall that we had some discussion concerning this matter when you were here and we indicated, as per the attached memo, what had transpired. If I remember, you yourself reacted positively to the idea, as did Prof. Spicehandler. I myself do not know whether or not we should include the youth hostel, but at the very least, the matter should be discussed by the full policy committee before we tell the architect that the youth hostel will not be incorporated as part of our plan.

When we met with Attorney Spaer last time, he asked how many square metres we were planning to build. When we told him, he was quite surprised and said that we could not expect the Government to give us so much land for such a small amount of building and we had better think in terms of demonstrating our need for the land by presenting plans incorporating more metrage. If this is so, then I think, whether or not we actually build a youth hostel, we should include something like it in our plans.

In any case I do think this is a matter which should be brought before the policy committee when it next meets.

It was good being with you at the Biennial in New York and I am especially appreciative of your participating in the World Union luncheon. Your support is most encouraging.

When are you coming to visit us?

Shalom, U'vracha

Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch

c.c. Rabbi A. Gottschalk, Prof. Spicehandler

Rabbi A. Schindler, Mr. Gil Tilles, Mr. A. Shapiro

World Union For Progressive Judaism
13 King David Street
Jerusalem, Israel

October 29th, 1973

File

Rabbi Alfred Gottschalk
Clifton Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45220
U S A

Dear Fred,

I have your letter of October 1st, concerning the memo received from Moshe Safdie. I also have Alex Schindler's memo to me of October 12th, relating to the same subject.

Unfortunately a misunderstanding has developed due to a lack of communication caused by the war. The sequence of events is as follows: Late in August, after you had left, I met with Hank Skirball and Al Levine to go over the plans for our World Center. They suggested that we think in terms of a hostel for NFTY and other youth. I was impressed with the validity of their recommendation, discussed the matter with Ezra who also wholeheartedly endorsed the idea. Ezra and I met with Mr. Safdie and in Ezra's presence I told him about the idea, stressing that the idea was not approved, since we had not had an opportunity to bring the matter before the policy committee. However I wanted him to know that there was a possibility that we might suggest some such program. It was clearly understood that a decision was yet to be made on this matter and his letter of September 24 so indicates.

In the meantime I knew that Dick Scheuer and Gill Tilles were coming to Israel and in order to discuss the matter with them, I asked Hank Skirball to prepare a memo, a copy of which is enclosed. Unfortunately the war intervened and Gill Tilles never arrived. However, Ezra and I discussed the matter with Dick Scheuer, who also seemed positive about the recommendation.

The next steps is first to discuss the matter with the UAHC staff and then, if they approve of the idea, to bring the matter before the Policy Committee. By the time you receive this letter Ezra will have arrived and I hope that it will be possible to arrange for a meeting of the Policy Committee, sometime during the Biennial. We should also have a meeting of the Jerusalem Building Center Committee.

I assure you that in all actions taken. Ezra and I were fully cognizant of the policies established by the Committee. I am sure that Ezra will corroborate this. He has already informed me that immediately after receipt of your letter he discussed this with you by phone.

I look forward to seeing you in New York.

Shalom U'vracha

P.S. To Rabbi Gottschalk & Rabbi A. Schindler only
While I am on the matter of official communication, would you please see that I get copies of all correspondence sent to either Safdie or Herbert Friedman or anyone else - on the original. There have been several instances where letters have been sent and this does not make for good and proper coordination.

MEMORANDUM

Date September 21, 1973

From Rabbi Henry F. Skirball

To Rabbi Richard Hirsch

Copy for information of cc: Rabbis Stephen A. Schafer, Allan Levine

Subject Beit NFTY

I. Need: During the summers the availability of space for youth groups and individual youth in the Jerusalem area is becoming more and more scarce. Already in the winter of 1973 we found it impossible to find space for the summer of 1973. Even hotels in East Jerusalem and in the Old City of Jerusalem --in themselves quite undesirable for our needs-- are now becoming booked well in advance. The prices are also going so high as to make it unfeasible economically to hold groups in Jerusalem as long as they should remain there from an educational point of view. There is also a problem of freedom of movement wherein youth are asked to behave like adults with regard to noise, bed time hours etc. Many buildings also have curfews. There has also been a security problem in many buildings wherein thefts and molestation become not uncommon occurrences. The tightness of space is now spreading out to the other seasons of the year as well.

Last year the Conservative Movement purchased a compound of buildings in the centre of the city and made one of them into a youth hostel known as Beit Atid, named after its college age youth movement in the United States. This hostel was used both by the movement and by independents and was full for the entire summer fulfilling a great need within the city. It redounded to the credit of the Conservative Movement and tied many independents into their activities since they were in the physical structure of the Conservative Movement.

II. Basic Proposal:

It is proposed that a "Beit NFTY" be constructed on the land designated for the new World Centre of the World Union for Progressive Judaism, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Hebrew Union College. The building will be located at the rear "eastern" end of the lot with a separate entrance from the rest of the World Centre. The building would be of rugged simple construction and would contain dormitory space (rooms for 6-10 people each) for 100 people in Stage I. When and if the need arose perhaps another storey or another wing could be added on doubling the capacity. There would be community toilet and shower facilities, i.e. not private ones for each room. There would also be a lounge with snack bar, a game room, a dining room, a very well equipped basic kitchen (perhaps adjoining both buildings so that it could be used for preparing food to be served in either building), a small administrative office, public toilet facilities, public pay phones and public showers. Most probably the need for class rooms and meeting rooms would be met by existing class rooms and meeting rooms in the other buildings of the complex. There also should be quarters for counselors and staff.

III. Usage:

The building would be more than filled by NFTY groups during the summer. This would preclude the need of using the YMCA and would give the groups more freedom for their programming and more privacy. The location of course is ideal being within walking distance both of the centre of West Jerusalem and the Old City.

For the balance of the year the building could be used for housing IFTY conclaves during the vacations of Succot Hannukah and Pesach and would house EIE meetings, NFTY groups during the months of December and possibly early January, the NFTY winter program for high school graduates during the months of February and March and future programs sponsored by the Reform Youth Movements would have priority in the building. This would include perhaps Winter programming for Reform Jewish youth from South Africa and Australia -- possibly even South America. Second priority would go to Reform Congregations who have special youth programs throughout the year. Third priority would go to groups sent to us by the Jewish Agency, the Ministry of Tourism etc. Fourth priority would go to individuals in Jerusalem who would use it like a youth hostel. This would include members of the various one year programs and 6 month programs who are in Jerusalem for the weekend. It is estimated that during the early years that total occupancy on a full year basis should run between 60 and 85%.

IV. Staff.

In addition to the regular youth staff already engaged to coordinate all Reform Jewish Youth Programs in Israel additional personnel would be needed in this building as follows:

1. administrator
2. secretary-receptionist
3. cleaning staff perhaps combined with food serving staff
4. building and grounds staff perhaps combined with security staff
5. food preparation staff

During high seasons when the building is full with groups many of these workers will be kept on a full time basis. During lower seasons they will be brought in only as needed. There is a possibility that along with quarters for the groups' counselors and teachers there might be permanent staff quarters for a Rabbinic student and his wife or other personnel who would be of a more permanent nature.

V. Budget.

At this point it is difficult to propose a meaningful budget since inflation is proceeding at such a rapid pace in Israel. What can be said is that most youth hostels in Israel run at a profit. This could not be guaranteed in our case and if possible the donor or donors of such a building should include in their gift a substantial maintenance gift the interest of which could be used to defray costs of maintenance, repairs replacements etc.

VI. Open Questions.

There are still of course many open questions such as

1. the elaborateness of food
2. whether the food would be purchased and prepared by our staff or brought in by a catered service
3. the degree of general programming for individuals.
4. the overall price structure --whether discounts will be given to present or past NFTYites etc.

VII. Conclusion

The building could be known as Beit NFTY (providing this met with the approval of the donor/s) and all NFTYites would know that they have their home in Jerusalem. It would be a central place where NFTYites could find out which other NFTYites were in Jerusalem or in the country. It would be a meeting place, a place to pick up mail, a place to take a shower, a place to get help and touring advice. It might be that NFTY in America would like to take this on as a project and even raise some funds for refurbishing.

Amey F. Hulse

October 23, 1973

Mr. Gilbert Tilles
7600 Jericho Turnpike
Woodbury, N.Y. 11797

Dear Gil:

This response to your letter of October 5th will be awaiting your return from what I hope was a relaxing trip for you and Rose.

As you can well imagine, relaxing is something we've been denied these past weeks. The staff has been working at an unbelievable pace and when you get back you'll hear of all that was done by the UAHC and its personnel and congregations in terms of the Middle East crisis. Last minute Biennial details are also being set and as you can appreciate it's a gigantic task.

The schedule for Biennial is just so full I don't see where we can fit in a meeting of the Jerusalem Building Committee. I would suggest that you be in touch with Phil Rosen on your return and brief him and then we can determine a meeting date for the post-Biennial period when all of us can sit together without interruption for the required time. Also, in view of events in Israel I believe we should hold this discussion off until there is a real cease-fire.

Looking forward to seeing you soon and with fondest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler
President-Elect

*Edie has
Hove set up
meeting
Alex.*

October 5, 1973

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

Dear Alex:

I just received the enclosed letter from Harry concerning the Jerusalem Building Committee. I think he is quite right.

Would it be possible to schedule a committee meeting on the afternoon of November 8th before the UAHC board meeting? Would 3:30 P.M. be O.K.? If so, please have Edie set up the necessary machinery such as the meeting place, notices, etc.

If the time that I suggested is not appropriate, and if you can think of a better one, please contact Miss Bertini at my office and see if it fits into my schedule. As you know, I will be abroad until about the second of November.

Warm regards,

Sincerely,

Gilbert Tilles

GT/lis
Encl.

Union of American Hebrew Congregations

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October 1, 1973

Mr. Gilbert Tilles
7600 Jericho Turnpike
Woodbury, New York 11797

Dear Gil:

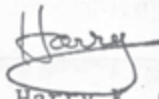
I was with Phil Rosen recently and, during the course of our conversation, he indicated that he has not heard any news about the Jerusalem Building Committee for quite some time. So, to satisfy his desire for some kind of a report, won't you please call him to bring him up to date?

Thanks for your cooperation. I do appreciate it.

This note gives me an opportunity to wish you and Rose once again, from Elizabeth and me, the very best for the new year.

With warm regards,

Cordially,


Harry K. Gutmann

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October 9, 1973

To the Members of the Board of Governors
Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

Dear Friend:

There is enclosed a copy of the Agenda of the next Board of Governors meeting on Thursday, November 8, 1973, at our New York School.

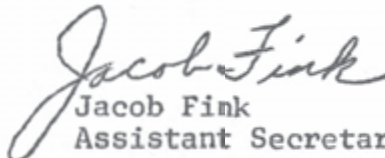
A schedule of the committee meetings that will be called to convene on Wednesday, November 7 (the day preceding our Board meeting), is also attached. If your name does not appear on a committee which is meeting, you are cordially invited to attend any meeting you desire.

The business of the Board meeting should be concluded by 3:30 P.M. Therefore, will you please arrange your travel schedule so that you may be able to remain for the entire proceedings.

It is our sincere hope that you will make every effort to be present. Will you please advise me on the enclosed card whether we may count on your presence so that we may make the necessary arrangements.

Warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,


Jacob Fink
Assistant Secretary

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Meeting of Board of Governors
Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion

Thursday, November 8, 1973

at 9:00 A.M.

New York School Building

(40 West 68th Street)

Luncheon at 12:00 Noon

Judge Theodore Tannenwald, Jr., Chairman

A G E N D A

1. Invocation
2. Approval of Minutes, Board of Governors Meeting of May 31, 1973
3. Report of Nominating Committee - Judge Arlin M. Adams, Chairman
4. Induction of New Board Members - Dr. Alfred Gottschalk
5. Report of the President - Dr. Alfred Gottschalk
6. Report on Progress of Reform Jewish Appeal - Mr. Sol Levites,
General Chairman
7. Report of Standing Committees:
 - a) Endowment Fund - Mr. Robert S. Adler, Chairman
 - b) Bequests and Legacies - Mr. Simon Lazarus, Jr., Chairman
 - c) Budget - Mr. Herbert R. Bloch, Jr., Chairman
 - d) Executive Committee - Judge Theodore Tannenwald, Jr., Chairman
 - e) Building and Grounds - Mr. Richard J. Scheuer, Vice Chairman
 - f) Cooperation with N.F.T.S. - Mrs. David W. Klau, Chairman
 - g) Faculty - Mr. Isadore E. Millstone, Chairman
 - h) Legal - Mr. Robert P. Goldman, Chairman
 - i) Library - Mrs. David W. Klau, Chairman
 - j) Museum - Mr. Jack H. Skirball, Chairman
 - k) Public Relations - Mrs. Alfred R. Bachrach, Chairman
 - l) Student Affairs - Mr. Henry H. Hersch, Chairman
 - m) Student Financial Aid - Mr. Richard J. Mack, Chairman
 - n) Frank L. Weil Institute for Studies in Religion and the Humanities -
Mr. Eli Goldston, Chairman
 - o) California School - Board of Overseers - Mr. Martin Gang, Chairman
 - p) Jerusalem School - Board of Overseers - Mr. Richard J. Scheuer,
Chairman
 - q) New York School - Board of Overseers - Mr. Michael Roth, Chairman

8. Report of Board of Fellows - Mr. Burton M. Joseph, Chairman
9. Report of Joint Committees:
 - a) Pension - Mr. Philip G. Barach, Chairman
 - b) HUC Press - Rabbi Samuel E. Karff, Chairman
 - c) Student Welfare and Hygiene - Dr. Hiram B. Weiss, Chairman
 - d) Dormitory - Mrs. David M. Levitt, Chairman
10. Report of the Special Committees:
 - a) Centennial Celebration - Mr. S. I. Kopald, Jr., Chairman
 - b) Other
11. Report of the President of the Board of U.A.H.C. -
Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath
12. Report of the President of the N.F.T.S. - Mrs. David M. Levitt
13. Report of the President of the N.F.T.B. - Mr. Morton L. Kemper
14. Report of the President of the C.C.A.R. - Rabbi Robert I. Kahn
15. Report of the Chairman of the Rabbinic Board of Alumni Overseers -
Rabbi Nathan A. Perilman
16. Report of the President of the Rabbinic Alumni Association -
Rabbi Max A. Shapiro
17. Report of the President of the Student Association
18. New Business
19. Date and Place of Next Meeting: February 13-14, 1974 - Los Angeles,
California
20. Benediction

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SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

at the New York School

The following committees will meet:

Tuesday, November 6, 1973

Endowment Committee 5:00 P.M.

Wednesday, November 7, 1973

Faculty 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Museum 9:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

Budget 10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

Lunch 12:00 Noon - 1:00 P.M.

(Centennial Celebration 1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.
(Public Relations

(Student Affairs 2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.
(Student Aid

Rabbinic Alumni 3:00 P.M.

Legal 3:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Tuesday, November 6

ENDOWMENT

5:00 P.M.

Robert S. Adler, Chairman

Jules Backman
Herbert R. Bloch, Jr.
Henri L. Bromberg, Jr.

Isadore Millstone
Charles I. Petschek

9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

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9:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.MUSEUM

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10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.BUDGET

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 Michael Roth
 Alfred I. Soltz
 Paul M. Steinberg
 David Steine
 Sol S. Weiner
 Alfred Wolf
 Herbert Zafren

1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.*JOINT MEETING*CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

S. L. Kopald, Jr., Chairman

Mrs. Alfred R. Bachrach
 Fritz Bamberger
 Abraham S. Braude
 Martin Cohen
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 Mrs. David M. Levitt
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 Sidney Meyers
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 Michael Roth
 Jack H. Skirball
 David Steine
 Bernard Weinberg
 Alfred Wolf

1:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.*JOINT MEETING*PUBLIC RELATIONS

Mrs. Alfred R. Bachrach, Chairman

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 Richard J. Mack

Earl Morse
 Jordan Pearlson
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 Alfred I. Soltz
 Jack H. Skirball

2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.*JOINT MEETING*STUDENT AFFAIRS

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2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.*JOINT MEETING*STUDENT AID

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3:00 P.M.RABBINIC ALUMNI

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3:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.LEGAL

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October 4, 1973

Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, President
Hebrew Union College
3101 Clifton Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45220

Dear Fred:

Re: Letter from Mr. Moshe Safdie 9/24/73.

1) Minutes

Is it appropriate for Mr. Safdie to receive the minutes of the meetings he indicates as having taken place May 17th and June 14th? If it is appropriate, who has these minutes and can send them to Mr. Safdi?

2) Youth Hostel

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If Mr. Safdie's comments imply that this facility should be located on the north side of the plot the College presently has under lease, we should perhaps at this time limit the design expenses to the schematic planning phase. This is certainly a matter for joint decision.

3) Synagogue- Auditorium

On the question of separating the synagogue and the auditorium I would like to see the alternatives more fully developed in the schematic planning phase.

Since I am leaving for Israel for two weeks on Sunday, I will discuss these questions with Dean Spicehandler and Dick Hirsch. If Mr. Safdi is to receive any minutes I would like whatever office has them to send them. I will not write Mr. Safdi until I have some answers for him on these points.

Cordially,

Richard J. Scheuer

RJS:fl

Enclosures

cc: Rabbi A. Schindler, Mr. G. Tilles,
Rabbi R. Hirsch, Dean E. Spicehandler

Moshe Safdie & Associates
Architects, Planners

Mr. Richard J. Scheuer
880 3rd Ave.
7th Floor
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Dick:

Re: Hebrew Union College, Jerusalem

For the last few weeks we have been working on the program analysis, site investigation and schematic design for the new buildings in Jerusalem. Before my departure on my trip to China, I wanted to give you a full Progress Report.

Contract:

I received in late July, a draft contract for Mr. Gross. Our attorneys have reviewed it and in early August, I forwarded our comments and suggestions to Mr. Gross. I assume it is now in the works, and that we will receive an amended contract in the near future.

Meetings in Israel:

I had two meetings in Israel at the end of August. One with Dr. Gottschalk, Dean Spicehandler, and Rabbi Hirsh. The second with Rabbi Hirsh and Dean Spicehandler. I was given a memorandum, outlining in detail the Union's program as distinct from the College's requirements. In the first meeting, I was told that a number of work sessions had taken place between the College and the Union to discuss the program. We would appreciate receiving the minutes of these meetings, which I believe are dated May 17th and June 14th.

The Union Program:

There are a number of factors that have emerged in analysing the Union program, on which we would like your comments. Rabbi Hirsh has included as an option, a Hostel and Youth

2) Center accommodating some eighty to one hundred boys and girls. In analysing the site and in attempting to group the buildings so that both the College and Union have their identities, the location of the hostel raises the following question: Should it be located close to the Reception Centre and other facilities of the Union, or should it be located adjacent to the faculty and students' residences of the College? I am inclined to relate it to the latter. We would appreciate some direction on this.

The other question relates to the double use of the synagogue and the auditorium. I understand that you have now decided to proceed with a hall accommodating 350 people extendable to 500, which would serve both for worship and as an auditorium. In view of the fact that the Union expects the synagogue to become representative and symbolic of a centre of Reform Judaism, this sets rather demanding requirements. On the other hand, a synagogue and auditorium are not really compatible spaces. The synagogue requires volume, height, daylight, possibly view, intimate non-directional seating and accoustics. The auditorium requires good sightlines, directional seating, controlled light, low reverberation accoustics, etc. If the function of the synagogue was not primary, I would think the two functions could be integrated in one room, but in view of the above, it would seem to me that this integration will result in either the synagogue or the auditorium, or both suffering. I, therefore, recommend that the Union and the College should carefully weigh the possibility of separating these functions. I am fully aware that this has serious economic repercussions. A separate auditorium would require approximately 550 square meters, which at 2,000 IL. a meter, as a minimum for the auditorium, would cost 1,100,000 IL. We have space on the site for this duplication. We would appreciate your guidance on this after consideration of all the factors involved.

Program Analysis:

We have made diagrams representing the organizational structure of both the Union and College (independently) shown on the enclosed sketches. These attempt to establish the relationship between the component parts of each institution. We then have made several attempts at integrating the two diagrams as they will be on the site and relate these to our

Mr. Richard J. Scheuer
September 24, 1973
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site constraints. (Enclosed Sketch)

It is apparent that the Administration wing of the College must be related to the public, as is the case for the Reception Center of the Union. Relating this fact to the actual site we are moving towards the conclusion that the Rau building should be converted to accommodate the administrative facilities of the College, rather than reconverted to its original residential use. These thoughts are tentative, but we would very much appreciate having your thoughts.

We are presently carrying out a three-dimensional space allocation analysis, to determine the optimum siting of the components of the total complex. These are being documented and we hope to develop a recommendation by the end of October. At that time, both the subtleties of the program and the various alternatives will be discussed in depth with all concerned.

Project Managers:

I understand you will be interviewing Project Managers during October. I will be arriving back from my trip to Israel around the 7th of November, and I would appreciate it if the final decision could be deferred, so that I could review it on my return.

Scheduling:

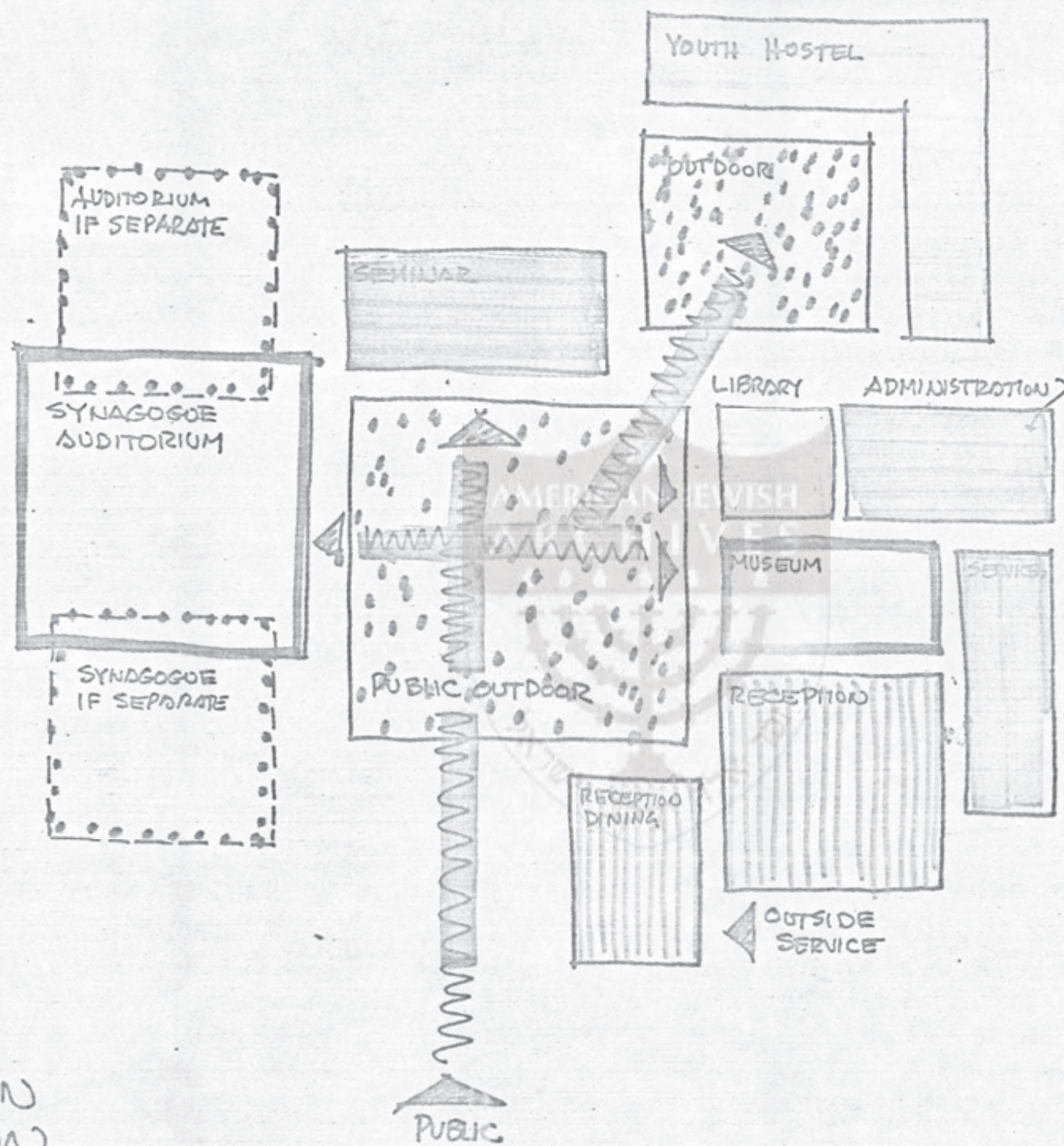
I will have further meetings in Israel next week and in early November. I suggest we work towards comprehensive review sessions in New York at the end of November. Bill Gillitt and Pierre Larose of my office in Montreal might be sending further material for your response in my absence.

Best personal regards,

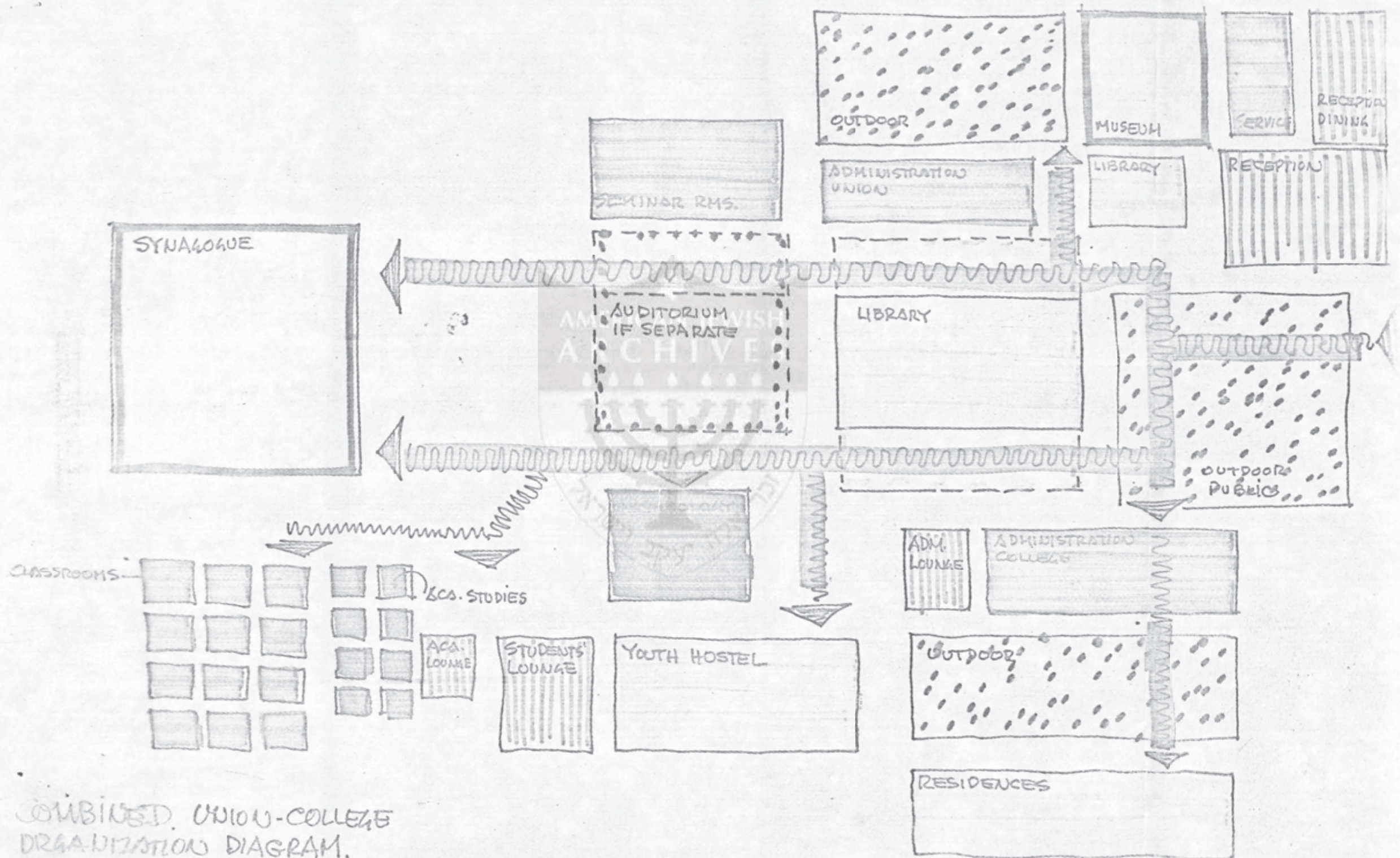
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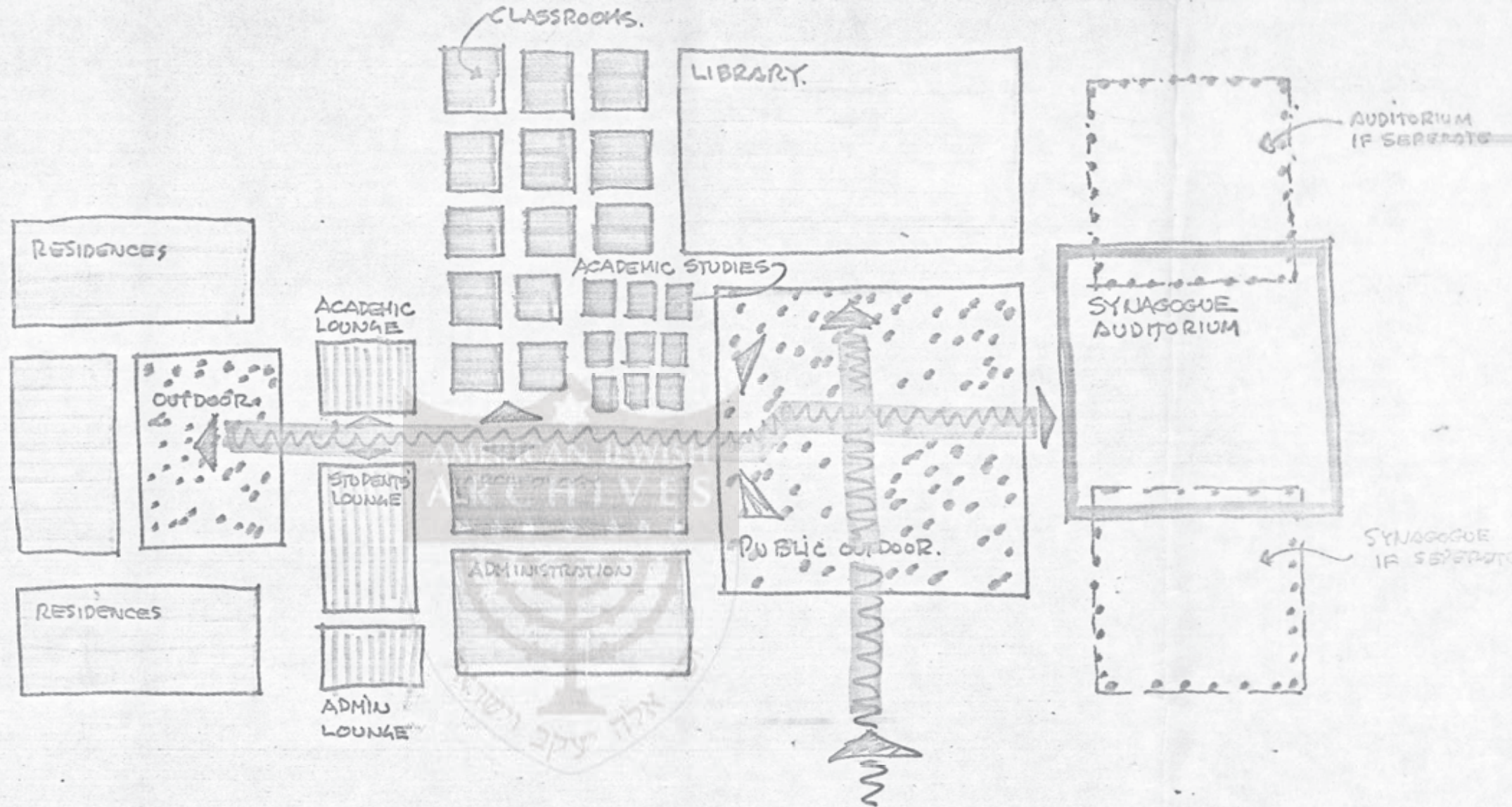
CC: Dr. A. Gottschalk, Rabbi A. Schindler, Mr. G. Tilles
Rabbi R. Hirsh, Dean E. Spicehandler



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January 17, 1979

Dr. Uri Herscher
Hebrew Union College
3101 Clifton Avenue
Cincinnati, Oh. 45220

Dear Uri:

Enclosed please find our check for \$10,000.00 in payment of our half of attorney Arnold Spaer's bill in connection with the World Education Center in Jerusalem.

In sending this check, I feel the obligation to repeat the caution voiced by the Chairman of our Law Committee, Mr. J. Jacques Stone, concurred in by Matthew H. Ross, that in the future, we would appreciate being consulted on joint bills prior to their approval and payment, rather than after the fact. I believe this will become even more important when we get into the actual development of the property, where the costs will be of geometrically greater proportion and if it is to be a joint enterprise, there ought to be full consultation prior, not after, agreement is reached.

I know you agree with us in this regard and will exercise due caution in the future. In any event, here is the check.

With kindest personal regards.

Cordially,

Theodore K. Broido

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. Matthew H. Ross
Mr. J. Jacques Stone
✓ Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

MEMORANDUM

From Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
To Rabbi Ira Youdovin
Copies
Subject LETTER OF January 2, 1979 to Simon Weil

Date January 8, 1979

With whom did you discuss paragraph #3 of the above noted letter regarding a one million dollar gift for the naming of the synagogue? Was this authorized? Once it is named it will be difficult to obtain additional gifts for the building. Did you mean the sanctuary rather than the synagogue? Please also note this is a joint venture with the HUC-JIR and they will certainly want to consider the situation before we take action.

The wording was deliberately ambiguous. Simon is under the impression that the gift from Harry Vise he helped us get some years ago was for the Sanctuary. This is certainly not the case (not for \$200,000!) and I wanted to avoid that hassle now.

Simon is a wonderful man but getting on in years and no longer as precise in his thinking as he once was. Let's get this initial contact with the prospect and coordinate our strongest approach for a definite commitment.

In any event, the entire matter now awaits Simon's return to Nashville sometime in the late Spring. To get things moving again, we'll have to re-institute contact.



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Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

January 8, 1979

Rabbi Ira Youdovin

LETTER OF January 2, 1979 to Simon Weil

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Mr. Simon Weil
Ranch House Inn
5600 North Central
Phoenix, Arizona 85013

Dear Simon:

I trust that this letter finds you well and settling happily into the Arizona sunshine. It was so nice being with you in Nashville and enjoying your wonderful collection of fine art.

It has taken me this long to send detailed information concerning the projected Zinman gift because I wanted to be absolutely sure that we can deliver on what we promise. I am particularly aware of your emphasis on a project that can be undertaken immediately and which can bear the name of the donor.

For a gift of \$1 million, the synagogue in the World Educational Center in Jerusalem could be named. As you may recall, this sanctuary will be erected on the extreme eastern edge of the property, quite close to the walls of the Old City and overlooking that historic capital of the Jewish People. The architects plans contemplate a large window in the rear of the pulpit area through which worshippers will actually gaze upon the Old City during their prayers. No other synagogue in the world will share this location. It is a unique opportunity for a Jew to attach his name, or the name of a loved one, to Jewish history.

A gift of this magnitude would stimulate immediate work on the project.

For a gift of a lesser amount, a memorial could be established in part of the sanctuary, or elsewhere in the Center. Among the other facilities will be a building housing the International Headquarters of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. Located in Jerusalem, this will be the world center of our Reform Movement.

I understand that you intended to proceed with this upon your return to Nashville. If there is anything I can do in the interim, please do not hesitate to ask.

As you probably know, the CCAR convention will be held in Phoenix in March. I look forward to seeing you then.

Shalom,

Rabbi Ira S. Youdovin

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Be. Rabbi Schindler.



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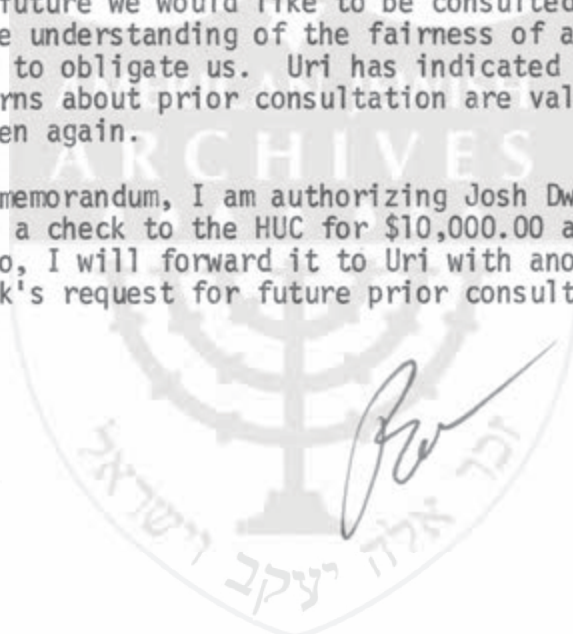
From Theodore K. Broido
To Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
Copies Mr. Matthew H. Ross, Mr. J. Jacques Stone
Subject

Date 12/28/78

Matt Ross has reviewed with Jack Stone and me the matter of the bill from attorney Arnold Spaer in the amount of \$20,000.00 in connection with the work on the Israel Land property.

After several discussions, Jack Stone and Matt Ross have come to the conclusion that the bill is reasonable and that we are obligated to pay our half, i.e. \$10,000.00. Jack Stone has written to Uri Herscher, at Matt's request, indicating that we will pay our half of the bill, but that in the future we would like to be consulted prior to the payment of or the understanding of the fairness of any bill which is in any way going to obligate us. Uri has indicated to me that Jack's and Matt's concerns about prior consultation are valid and that it will not happen again.

By copy of this memorandum, I am authorizing Josh Dwork, at Matt's request, to draw a check to the HUC for \$10,000.00 as soon as possible. When Josh does so, I will forward it to Uri with another letter, underscoring Jack's request for future prior consultation, etc.



5th October, 1978

MEMORANDUM

from: Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch
to: Rabbi Alfred Gottschalk, Rabbi Alexander Schindler
copies to: Mr. Theodor Broido, Rabbi Uri Herscher, Professor Ezra Spicehandler,
Rabbi Ira Youdovin
subject: A Summary of our Meeting on Tuesday September 19, 1978, regarding the
World Educational Center for Progressive Judaism

1. The monetary situation was reviewed. The following contributions have been received in cash and pledges for the Joint Fund:

<u>Through the UAHC</u>	\$100,000 - Kivie Kaplan
	\$200,000 - Harry Vise
<u>Through the HUC-JIR</u>	\$100,000 - Iz Millstone (\$25,000 paid)
	\$100,000 - Feinstein Fund (\$25,000 paid)
	\$ 50,000 - Benjamin Swig
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$550,000</u>

The College will assume responsibility for collecting the remaining ~~funds~~ from those who contributed to the Joint Fund through the College.

In addition there is the Meyerhoff pledge of \$500,000, whose status is questionable. Fred Gottschalk is to follow through on this.

2. Architectural Plans. It was agreed that the architectural plans should be reviewed by the College and the Union-World Union, in the light of developments and program needs which have become manifest during the last five years. A meeting will be held of the joint planning team as soon as possible. Since your travel schedules are not clear and I intend to be in the United States the week prior to the CCAR Convention, I hereby suggest that we meet either in New York or Phoenix some time during the week of March 20 in New York or at the CCAR Convention the following week, when I assume that all of us will be present. Each team should come to the joint committee with its reviewed recommendations and hopefully at that time we will be able to formulate a final plan which can then be presented to the architect.

We also discussed the advisability of continuing to retain the services of Moshe Safdie, since considerable criticism has been heard concerning the exorbitant expenditures which his plans have entailed in other projects. However, the consensus was that at this time nothing be done to alter our relationship.

It is my suggestion that we continue with Mr. Safdie, at least until after we have gone through the above-mentioned review of plans, and at that time can make a determination.

3. Administration of buildings to be erected. We engaged in discussions concerning the operating and maintenance costs of facilities to be erected. It was generally agreed that the College would assume responsibility for its primary facilities (Library, Administration, Classrooms, Archaeology, etc.) and the Union-World Union would assume responsibility for its facilities (Synagogue, Administration, Conference Rooms, Hostel, etc.).

The consensus was that each institution would assume responsibility for its own costs. There would be a system of shared costs worked out for joint use of all facilities, very much along the lines employed by the UAHC with the various affiliates housed at 838 Fifth Avenue.

4. Future fundraising efforts. We discussed the possibility of engaging a professional fundraiser, but it was agreed that it was premature to do so at this time.

There was discussion concerning two alternate ways of raising funds within a coordinated campaign: 1) each institution, the College-Institute and the Union-World Union, would raise funds separately under the umbrella framework, or 2) the present system would be continued of a joint campaign with no division made between institutions in terms of fundraising responsibility.

There was no consensus reached on this question and I therefore recommend that further discussion be held in abeyance until we next meet. In the meantime, the present status continues, namely we have one campaign undertaken jointly, as reflected in the board agreements re. Friedman, and in previous memos of understanding.

It is my recommendation that, in addition to those to whom copies of this memo are being sent, when we next meet concerning the building plans and fundraising, we involve some of our key lay leadership. Recommendations for the above additions are Chairman of the Board of the College, of the Union, and Gerard Daniel representing the World Union leadership.

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MEMORANDUM

TO Dr. A. Gottschalk

Date May 9, 1978

From Dr. E. Spicehandler

Enclosed please find Spaer's approved translation of the
Ehrlich letter.



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Translation from the Hebrew

Ministry of Finance

8th Adar B 5738
17th March 1978

Mr. A. Gottschalk
President
Hebrew Union College
King David Street
Jerusalem

Pursuant to the decision of the late P. Sapir of August 1975, I hereby confirm participation of the Government against donations which will be transferred here for Hebrew Union College.

Government's participation will be in accordance with current practice and is conditional on approval of the plans by the Ministry of Education and Culture.

Yours faithfully,

S. Ehrlich

c.c. Mr. Arthur Friedman, Cincinnati
Department of Construction, Ministry of Education and Culture

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16th April, 1978

Professor Alfred Gottschalk
President
Hebrew Union College
3101 Clifton Avenue
Cincinnati
Ohio 45220
U.S.A.



Dear Sir,

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 20th March, 1978.

The signed copies of the Contract have been forwarded to the Lands Administration for signature.

We shall let you know of such progress as the matter makes.

Yours faithfully,

Handwritten signature of Arnold Spaer

Arnold Spaer
SPAER, TOUSSIA-COHEN & CO.

c.c. Mr. Henry Hersch

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March 17, 1978

Minister of the Treasury

To
Mr. A. Gottschalk
President, Hebrew Union College
King David St Jerusalem

In accordance with a decision made by P. Sapir blessed his memory
I hereby confirm the government's participation against contributions
which shall be transferred to Israel for the Hebrew Union College.

The government's participation will be according to accepted
procedures and it is conditioned on the approval of the programs
by the Ministry of Education and Culture.

Respectfully,

S. Ehrlich

cc: Mr. Arthur Friedman, Cincinnati
Dept of construction, Ministry of Education & Culture.

HEBREW UNION COLLEGE - JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION

CLIFTON AVENUE, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45220

February 24, 1978

Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch
World Union for Progressive Judaism
13 King David Street
Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Dick:

I am sure that by now you have been informed of the decision of our Board of Governors and of the Union Board of Trustees to proceed with the signing of the lease. The problems raised in the lease have been satisfactorily answered and we are now in the process of having the Government of Israel ready to reconfirm their agreement to match expended funds subject to the conditions set forth in the Pinchas Sapir letter to me of August 5, 1975.

Recently Jules Backman, Alex Schindler, Matt Ross and I met to discuss our next step vis-a-vis the World Education Center since reaffirmation was reached that the World Education Center is essentially a project of the Union and the College with the World Union and the CCAR participating members.

I am sure that by now Alex and Jules have briefed you on all of the above, but I thought I should put it on record for your files.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

Alfred Gottschalk
President

AG:rws

cc: Rabbi Alexander Schindler
Mr. Matthew H. Ross

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January 27, 1978

Honorable Simha Erlich
Minister of Finance
Hakirya
Jerusalem

Dear Mr. Minister,

Thank you for discussing with Rabbi Kronish and me the important matter affecting the Jerusalem Branch of Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion.

We know that both Dr. Gottschalk and Rabbi Schindler will be pleased to hear from you re-affirming the Government's policy of matching funds of the Jerusalem Branch of the college in its building program as set forth at the time the late Pinhas Sapir served as the Finance Minister.

Again, many thanks for your time and kind attention. I look forward to hearing from you.

With all best wishes.

Respectfully,


Arthur H. Friedman

cc. Rabbi Leon Kronish
Dr. Alfred Gottschalk

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12th March, 1978

Professor Alfred Gottschalk,
HUC-JIR,
3101 Clifton Avenue,
Cincinnati, Ohio 45220

Dear Fred,

Thank you for your letter of February 24, in which you inform me of the very welcome decision reached by HUC-JIR Board of Governors and UAHC Board of Trustees in regards to the signing of the lease. I, of course, was delighted to hear of the news first-hand from Jules Backman, Uri Herscher, Alex Schindler and Ted Broido.

Now we have to proceed with the next step, the actual signing of the lease, the processing of the architectural drawings, their submission to the proper authorities, and the raising of the funds.

I assume that Uri and Dick Scheuer have given you a full report of our meeting with Mr. Spaer.

Alex
Mike ✓
It may be desirable for us to convene a meeting of our full advisory group on this matter to discuss both the architectural plans and the fundraising program. You and Alex should take the initiative in setting a time for this. If necessary, I will be glad to come to the States.

I assume that at this time you have had a complete report on the World Zionist Congress. It was one big "balagan" in general, but our delegation had a sense of achievement and I believe that it represents a kind of turning point in the history of our movement and its relationship to the World Zionist Organization in specific and Israel in general.

We were pleased that such a large representation from the College participated actively. Jules Backman and Dick Scheuer were present at every session (unfortunately Jules was sick part of the time, but he was a real "gibor" and played down his illness), and of course Uri, Ezra and Mike Meyer were effective and active participants. All in all, it was a fine and I hope formative experience for our movement as well as for the Zionist movement.

Bella joins in sending regards to Dee.

Bivracha,

Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch

cc. Professor Jules Backman ✓
Rabbi Alexander Schindler ✓
Mr. Matthew H. Ross

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Office of Executive Director

לשכת המזכיר הכללי

15th January, 1978

MEMORANDUM

from: Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch

to: Dr. Jules Bachman, Professor Alfred Gottschalk, Mr. Matthew Ross,
Rabbi Alexander Schindler

subject: Land Acquisition by HUC for World Educational Center for
Progressive Judaism

Following our very constructive meeting at the Biennial, I have now reviewed the correspondence by Mr. Henry H. Hersh, September 21, 1977 to Dr. Gottschalk, the letter of J. Jacques Stone to Matthew H. Ross, November 3, 1977, the response of Mr. Spaer, 26 December 1977 to Henry H. Hersh. I have had several conversations with Rabbis Gottschalk and Schindler, Mr. Spaer and Professor Spicehandler and, on the basis of these conversations and correspondence, I have reached the following conclusions, which I am hereby transmitting to you, in the hope that the necessary action will be taken.

1. Now is the propitious time to consummate the lease agreement with the Israel Lands Administration. The Israeli political situation is highly volatile. We have had no direct personal contact with the new administration of the Israel Lands Authority except through Mr. Spaer, and there are liable to be significant changes in the near future, depending on what happens with both the international and internal political situation.

Should a peace agreement be formulated, there will be tremendous pressure for the erection of hotels and other facilities for tourists in Jerusalem. The land adjacent to the College is still the most prized piece of real estate in all of Jerusalem and there will undoubtedly be tremendous pressures for its exploitation, if it appears that we are not serious about its utilisation. Should those pressures come, we are likely to find ourselves in a weaker position later on than now. The present close collaboration between Rabbi Schindler and Mr. Begin can and should be exploited to the fullest. This may change in the future, when Rabbi Schindler is no longer the chairman of the Presidents' Conference.

2. The differences of opinion between the lawyers concerning the interpretation of the development agreement.

Mr. Spaer is the most knowledgeable as a result of his high degree of competency and long experience with the Israel Lands Authority. Both in his letter of 26 December and in his oral communications with us, he has indicated that the few remaining items can be amicably and quickly resolved, both to our satisfaction and to that of the Lands Authority. However, if both the College and Union legal counsellors are still concerned, then it appears that the best way to resolve the matter should be to convene a meeting between the lawyers, either for Mr. Spaer to come to

New York or ask one or both of the representatives of the Union and College to come to Israel to resolve the matter and together to go with Mr. Spaer to the Lands Authority to resolve any remaining differences.

Mr. Spaer has given assurance in paragraph A 1 of his recent letter and also orally that nothing in the proposed new agreement affects the present land owned by the College, except for the period of lease. There is therefore no danger whatsoever that, should we not implement the agreement on the additional land, we would lose the present site. I find it difficult to believe that despite Mr. Spaer's assurances there still remains a question on this matter, but here, too, this can and should be resolved by a thorough discussion between the parties involved.

3. The period of the lease agreement and our implementation of it. After all the negotiations which have been undertaken to secure the eight year period, it would be highly inappropriate for us to ask for an extension. Besides, according to the agreement, we have a period of three years to present development and construction plans and a period of six years to begin the actual building. Mr. Spaer has assured all of us that these dates are flexible and that once we have signed the contract, should a delay be necessary either because we have not raised the money or have not agreed upon the development plans, then an extension can be obtained.

The alternative of signing the lease at this time is to keep procrastinating, using as a pretext the inability of agreeing upon the legal terms of the development agreement. However, we thereby run the risk of eventually losing both this most valuable piece of property and the potential of a major institution which will have a significant impact on the character of Israel and of our movement in the United States and around the world.

When confronted by the above two alternatives, I believe that it would be a tragic historical error if we did not proceed forthwith to resolve whatever differences there are on the legal side and strive to attain the signing of the lease within the shortest possible time.

To reiterate, I think the best way to resolve the problem would be for the lawyers to come to Israel to meet with Mr. Spaer, but if that cannot be done then Mr. Spaer would be willing to come to the United States. I also consider the matter so important that I would be willing to come specially for this purpose, to finalize this and all other matters.

Please consult with each other and communicate with me as to what is your decision.

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26th December, 1977

Mr. Henry H. Hersh
Messrs. Paxton & Seasongood
1700 Central Trust Tower
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

Re: Israel Land Authority - HUC

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 10th November, 1977. Here are my comments on the two enclosures to your letter. Insofar as both enclosures mention the same points, I shall try and refer to it only once.

A. Your letter of the 21st September, 1977 to Dr. Gottschalk.

1. The proposed Development and Lease Agreements refer only to the additional land. The existing lease is a separate document with different conditions, which has already been registered as required in the Land Registry. Nothing in the proposed new Agreements affects it, except for the period of lease which will be the same both for the land originally leased and the additional land the subject of the two proposed Agreements. Since, as stated, long-term leases are registered in this country in the Land Registry, no question or doubt can arise on this score.
2. Para. 1 of your letter concerning the Development Agreement: Taxes and development expenses, present and future, are imposed by law on the holder of a long-term lease and hence the provision in question only repeats what the law provides anyhow. The extent of these taxes and development expenses does not depend on the Lessor but on Treasury assessments which can be appealed if excessive. Moreover, the intended Lessees would be largely tax exempt.
3. Clause 2 of your letter concerning the Development Agreement: Your comment is correct and theoretically the Lands Administration can object to the plans for any reason they may consider sufficient. However, in practice this is not to be anticipated. The main purpose of this clause, which is standard, is to prevent underdevelopment.
4. Clause 3 of your letter concerning the Development Agreement: Para. 6(A) of the Development Agreement provides for a waiver by the promoter concerning claims arising out of the state of the land or otherwise. Obviously this is justified since we are expected to have examined the land prior to signature of the Agreement. It is just a repetition of the rule *caveat emptor*.

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c.c. Dr. A. Gottschalk
Prof. Ezra Spiechandler

B. Letter of Mr. Stone of the 3rd November, 1977 to Mr. Ross

- a) The distinction between the land originally leased and the land now to be leased has already been dealt with above and, to our mind, requires no further elaboration. There is no doubt that any default of our clients under the new Agreements will not have the slightest effect on the existing lease which, as stated, is registered in the Land Registry.
- b) Para. 2: This has already been dealt with above. There will be a separate Deed changing the period of the registered Lease so as to bring it into line with the period envisaged by the new Lease. This, to our mind, should be left to the time when the Development Agreement has been carried out and the new Lease is about to be registered.
- c) Para. 3: The situation is correctly described. No right to execution and registration of a Lease will accrue before the buildings are completed as per the Development Agreement, as the Lands Administration is not willing to lease vacant land or land which has not been developed in accordance with the project for which it is being allocated.
- d) Para. 4: The matter of periods has been negotiated for years and the eight years' period was achieved with great effort. We have throughout been urging that planning go ahead without waiting for signature of the Agreements and we are not at all certain that an extension of the period in question can be obtained at this stage. On the other hand, it will probably be obtainable at a later stage when some progress in planning, licensing, preparations for building etc. have taken place.
- e) Para. 5: The only squatters remaining on the land are a family occupying a three-room hut. A judgment for vacation has been given against them some time back but has not so far been executed. There seems to be no reasonable doubt that these squatters can be evicted, at most upon provision of alternative accommodation.
- f) We do not understand what Mr. Stone proposes concerning the Israeli Consul. The Consul surely is not at all involved in this matter which has in the past been negotiated on the highest level in the Lands Administration in Jerusalem. Of course it is theoretically possible to reopen these negotiations, however you are no doubt aware that this land situated in the heart of Jerusalem has been coveted more than once by promoters of hotel buildings and that some of it was allocated to this project only with great difficulty after having previously been promised to other developers. The agreement arrived at hardly involves HUC in payment for the land, enables it to use the land for buildings to serve it and affiliated bodies and includes only a minimum of the usual onerous provisions contained in the standard contract required to be executed by parties obtaining public land. If, at some future date, extensions of time become necessary, we do not anticipate that it will be impossible to obtain them, but at this stage we would urge that the Agreement be executed without further delay and, what is no less important, that planning for submission to the licensing authorities be completed as soon as possible. In this respect time is important because one cannot indefinitely keep open an available plot of land in the best part of built-up Jerusalem.

We shall be grateful to hear from you further in the matter and, as far as additional explanations are required, we are, of course, at your disposal.

Yours faithfully,


Arnold Spaer

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Office of Executive Director

לשכת המזכיר הכללי

23rd May, 1976

MEMO

6/1/76 *X*
from: Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch

to: Rabbi Alexander Schindler

copies to: Mr. Robert L. Adler, Mr. Joshue Dwork, Mr. Earl Morse,
Rabbi Jacob Shankman, Rabbi David Wice, Rabbi Ira Youdovin

subject: repaying the debt of the World Union to the UAHC

This is to summarise my understanding of the discussions which took place regarding the debt of the World Union to the UAHC.

The World Union will reimburse, during the calendar year 1976, an amount of \$25,000 to the UAHC.

Thereafter, there will be annual payments on the debt in each of the four succeeding years, with the intention of liquidating the debt by 1980.

The UAHC, on its part, will favourably consider raising its annual contribution to the Union, beginning with the fiscal year 1977/78. (Since I did not participate in the discussion on this latter matter, I do not know what exactly was agreed upon. However, the World Union asked the Union to give full consideration to the fact that for a number of years the UAHC contribution to the World Union was reduced below the original \$25,000 commitment. The UAHC is asked to take into consideration the amount of this reduction over the years, and also to give consideration to the inflation. The recommendation is, therefore, that the UAHC contribution to the World Union be raised to \$30,000).
Note to Josh Dwork: Would you please review the records and let me know what the UAHC contributions to the WUPJ were for each of the last fifteen years.

An item which has not yet been resolved, is the back-debt of Harel Synagogue, which still remains open on the books both of the Union and of the World Union.

For the record, please indicate to me if this is an accurate summary of the understanding between us. In the meantime, I have started the ball rolling on obtaining the funds for the initial payment of \$25,000.

You should have them no later than the end of the summer.

RGH

*conferred to
Shankman
my*

היברו יוניון קולג' - ירושלים

HEBREW UNION COLLEGE - JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
JERUSALEM

MEMORANDUM

file

TO Dr. Alfred Gottschalk

From Dr. Ezra Spicehandler

May 13, 1976

Dear Fred,

I am enclosing the latest correspondence with the Israel Land Authority.

I believe it is self explanatory, with the major points of contention now being narrowed as to the date when the "clock begins".

As you will note, the first letter is dated February 27. There has been some delay in obtaining the entire correspondence from Spaer's office, and I therefore withheld the material until it was complete.

I saw Spaer at the Rabin's during the board meeting of the Israel Museum on Tuesday evening. He has received no further response despite his continued urgings.

I have only sent Dick Hirsch copies of the material, and I leave it to your decision as to its further distribution.

E. S.

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MAY 19 1976

Spaer , Toussia Cohen
Advocates & Notaries

S/H77(2)/7/1

February 27, 1976

Mr A. Karni, attorney
Assistant legal advisor
Israel Land Authority
Shamai St, 6
Jerusalem

Dear Sir

Subject: Hebrew Union College

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter R/JM/6(15) of 27 inst regarding the above mentioned.

Although we are still surprized that very little comes out of your office, we fail to understand, after many fruitless efforts, how 1976 plus 196 years add up to 2003. Even if we were to add 196 years to 1954 (it bears of course no relevance to the case) we still do not understand how to get to the year 2003.

Maybe, you'll be able to explain to us these new rules of arithmetic, that by the way, do not make progress in this matter possible.

Sincerely,

Arnold Spaer(-)

cc: 1. A.Sapir, Legal advisor, Israel Land Authority
2. M. Zorea, Director of the Israel Land Authority

4/ה77(2)/7/ל

27 בפברואר 1976

לכבוד

מר א. קרבי, עו"ד,
סגן היועץ המשפטי,
מינהל סקר קפי ישראל,
רחוב שמאי 6,
ירושלים.

א. ב.,

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המכון הישראלי לזיכרון קולג'

הנני לאשר קביעת מכתב ס"ר/ימ/6(15) סה-27 נח.ז. בענין

הר"ל.

אם כי מעט מאד היוצא מכב' עוד מפליאנו, הרי על אף טאמזים
מרוכזים ביותר לא התכלו להבין איך 1976 ועוד 196 שנה יכולות להסת
גל 2003. גם אם לצורך 196 שנה לתאריך 1954 (באין לו כמובן כל מייכות
לשנין) לא התכלו להבין איך מגיעים לשנה 2003.

אולי כב' ירצה להסביר כללי אריסטוקרטיקה חזקים, אלה בדרך
אגב לא עשויים לקדם את התפול בענין זה?

בכבוד רב,

אדוולד טפאר
טפאר, תוסייה-כהן ושות'

העמק:

1. עו"ד א. ספיר,
היועץ המשפטי, מ.מ.י.

2. האלוף זורע,
מנהל מ.מ.י.

State of Israel

Israel Land Authority
Office of the Legal Advisor

February 29, 1976

Special delivery by hand

Mr. A. Spaer , Attorney
P.O, Box 750
Jerusalem

Dear Sir,

Subject : Hebrew Union College
Our letter of February 27, 1976

To our great regret, there was an error in the above mentioned letter, and the correct date should be August 31, 2150 instead of August 31, 2003.

Sincerely

A. Karni, Attorney
Assistant Legal Advisor

cc: Mr. A. Sapir, Legal Advisor

מדינת ישראל

מינהל מקרקעי ישראל
יחידה: לשכת היועץ המשפטי
ירושלים

דחוף-ביד

תאריך: כח' אדר א' חשל"ו
29 בפברואר 1976

מספר: ר/ים/6(15)

לכבוד
מר א' שפאר, עו"ד
ח.ד. 750
ירושלים

א. נ.

5/444(1)

הגדון: היברו יוניון קולג'
מכתבנו: מיום 27.2.76

במכתבנו הנ"ל נפלה טעות, ובמקום 31.8.2003 צריך
להיות 31.8.2150.

בכבוד רב,

א' קרני, עו"ד
סגן היועץ המשפטי

העתק עו"ד א' ספיר, היועץ המשפטי, כאן

Spaer, Toussia Cohen
Advocates & Notaries

S/H77(2)/7/1

March 2, 1976

Mr. A. Karni, Attorney
Assistant Legal Advisor
Israel Land Authority
Shamai St. 6
Jerusalem

Dear Sir,

Subject: Hebrew Union College

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter R/JM/6(15) of February 29, 1976 regarding the subject mentioned above.

We are happy that an attempt has been made to adjust your calculations, although you have only succeeded in part.

We understand that the lease arrangements will be for four periods of 49 years, as of their registration dates.

In any case, we shall be glad to know if now the registration of the four lease periods has been approved, or has nothing been done as yet in that matter.

Sincerely

Arnold Spaer

cc: Mr. A. Sapir

ג/ה77(2)/7/ל

2 במרץ 1976



לכבוד
מר א. קרני, עו"ד,
סגן היועץ המשפטי,
מינהל מקרקעי ישראל,
רחוב שמאי 6,
ירושלים.

א. נ.,

הנדון: היברו יוניון קולג'

הנני לאשר קבלת מכתבך מס' ר/ימ/6(15) סה-1976.2.29
בענין ה"ל.

מכתבו מביעה בסיון להקן את היטובי כב' את כי הצליח
רק חלקית.

לפי הנומרו ההסדר הוא שהחכירות יהיו לארבעה תקופות
של 49 שנה החל מרינומן.

מכל מקום בשמח לדעה האש כעת אושר רכוש ארבעה החכירות
הנ"ל או שמא הדבר עדיין לא התקדם.

בכבוד רב,

ארנולד טפאר

הפוזק: מר א. ספיר,

טפאר, תוסייה-כהן ושות'

State of Israel

Israel Land Authority
Office of the Legal Advisor

March 17, 1976

Mr A. Spaer, Attorney
P.O.Box 750
Jerusalem

Dear Sir,

Subject: Hebrew Union College

Your letter of March 2, and our letter of Feb.29,1976

1. We understand that the agreement was that the lease periods for the additional land requested by the HUC (including three additional lease periods) and the lease periods of the area already leased to the Institute (including three additional lease periods) - will terminate on August 31,2150, namely, after four lease periods, each of 49 years, of the area in lease today, a lease which began on September 1st, 1954.
2. The meeting of the Council of the Israel Land Authority, scheduled for March 1st, 1976, has been postponed at the last moment, therefore, the above mentioned agreement will be brought up for the council's approval at its next meeting on March 29, 1976.

Respectfully,

A. Karni
Assistant Legal Advisor

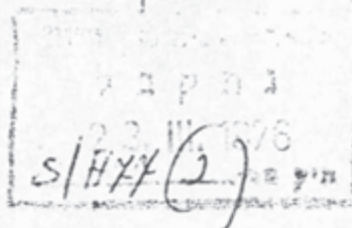
cc: Mr. M. Zorea, Director of Authority
Mr. A. Sapir, Legal Advisor

מדינת ישראל

מינהל מקרקעי ישראל
יחידה: לשכת היועץ המשפטי
ירושלים

תאריך: ט' באדר ב' חשל"ו
17 במרס 1976

מספר:



לכבוד
עו"ד א' שפאר
ח"ד 750
ירושלים

א. נ.,

הנדון: מוסד היברו יוניון קולג'
מכתבס: מ-2.3.76 מכתבנו מ-29.2.76

1. אנו הבנו כי ההסדר הוא שחקופות החכירה של השטח הנוסף המבוקש על ידי המוסד (לרבות שלוש חקופות החכירה הנוספות שלו), וחקופות החכירה של השטח המוכר כיום למוסד (לרבות שלוש חקופות החכירה הנוספות שלו) - יסתיימו ביום 31.8.2150, היינו בחוס 4 חקופות חכירה, כל אחת בת 49 שנים, של השטח המוכר למוסד כיום, חכירה שההלה ב-1.9.1954.
2. ישיבת מועצה מקרקעי ישראל שנועדה ל-1.3.76 נדחתה ברגע האחרון, לכן יובא ההסדר הנ"ל לאישורה לישיבתה הבאה ב-29.3.76.

בכבוד רב,

א' קרני, עו"ד
סגן היועץ המשפטי

העחק: מר מ' זורע, מנהל המינהל, כאן
עו"ד א' ספיר, היועץ המשפטי, כאן

Spaer Toussia Cohen

S/H77(2)/7/1

March 26, 1976

Mr. A. Karni, Attorney
Legal Advisors office
Israel Land Authority
Shamai St. 6
Jerusalem

Dear Sir,

Subject : Hebrew Union College

This is to acknowledge your letter of 17 inst. regarding the above.

As you know, we do not accept your proposal in para 1 of this letter, but we would like to suggest that we leave this small discrepancy to the end of the proceedings.

We regret that approval has not yet been obtained even of the proposal as you have worded it. As a result we have lost 3 months in which there was no progress.

Please inform us immediately as soon as the proposals have been approved, so that we may then try to draw up the necessary documents and once and for all make some progress.

Respectfully

A Spaer

cc: Mr. A Sapir, Legal Advisor Israel Land Authority
Mr. M. Zorea , Director of Israel Land Authority

ש/הדד(2)/7/7

26 במרץ 1976



לכבוד
מר א. קרבי, עו"ד,
לשכת היועץ המשפטי,
מינהל מקרקעי ישראל,
רחוב שמאי 6,
ירושלים.

א. נ.

הנדון: היברו יוג'ונן קולג'

הננו לאשר קבלת מכתבך מה-17 בח.ז. בענין ה"ל.

כידוע לך אין אנו מקבלים את האסור בסעיף 1 למכתבך, אך אנו מציעים שאת הפער הקטן הזה יש להשאיר לסוף הטפול.

מאד הצטערנו שגם לגבי ההצעה כפי שכתב' הנייה סרס הושג האסור כך ששוב הלכו לאבוד כסלוחה הודשים מבלי שהושגה התקדמות.

נבקש להודיעונו מיד כשהדבר יאונר כדי שנוכל אז לנסות ולנסח את המסמכים הדרושים כדי פעם ולתמיד להתקדם בענין זה.

בכבוד רב,

אדנולד שפאר
שפאר, חוסייה-כהן ושות'

העתק:

1. מר א. ספיר,
היועץ המשפטי, מ.מ.י.

2. מר מ. זורע,
מנהל מ.מ.י.

State of Israel

Israel Land Authority
Office of the Legal Advisor

March 31st, 1976
R/JM/6(15)

Mr. A. Spaer, attorney
P.O.Box 750
Jerusalem

Dear Sir,

Subject: Hebrew Union College
your letter of March 26, 1976

In our letter to you of March 17, 1976 we informed you of the agreement which we shall recommend for approval of the council of the Israel Land Authority at its session of March 29, 1976.

Prior to the session of the council we did not receive your reaction to our letter, and on its session of March 29, the council approved the aforementioned agreement.

Today, March 31, our office received your letter dated March 26, and in which you inform us that you do not accept the conditions stated in the above mentioned letter.

Subject to the decision of the council regarding the agreement, and in continuance of the discussions of which we began, we agree to the proposal you made in the last paragraph of your letter, namely: "to try to formulate the necessary documents so that once and for all we can make some progress in the matter", and we await them.

Respectfully

A. Karni, Attorney
Assistant Legal Advisor

cc: Mr. M. Zorea, Director
of the Authority
Mr. A. Sapir, Legal Advisor

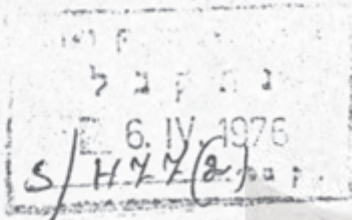
מדינת ישראל

מינהל מקרקעי ישראל
יחידה: לשכת היועץ המשפטי
ירושלים

תאריך: כס' באדר ב' תשל"ו
31 במרס 1976
מספר: ר/ימ/6(15)

לכבוד
מר א' שפאר, עו"ד
ח"ד 750
ירושלים

א. נ.



הנדון: היברו יוניון קולג'
סימוכין: מכחכם מ-26.3.76

במכתבנו אליכם מ-17.3.76 הודענוכם על ההסדר שאת אישורו נבקש ממועצה מקרקעי ישראל בישיבה ב-29.3.76.

עד לישיבת המועצה לא באה כל גובה מצדכם למכתבנו זה ובישיבה ב-29.3.76 אישרה המועצה ההסדר האמור.

היום, 31.3.76, נתקבל במשרדנו מכתבכם הנושא תאריך 26.3.76, ובו הנכם מודיעים לנו כי אינכם מקבלים את האמור במכתבנו הנ"ל.

בכפוף להחלטת המועצה בדבר ההסדר, ובהמשך לדיונים שהחילוננו בהם - אנו מסכימים להצעתכם שבפסקה האחרונה במכתבכם היינו, "לנסות לנסח את הסמכים הדרושים כדי פעם ולתמיד להתקדם בעניין זה", וממחינים להם.

בכבוד רב,

א' קרני, עו"ד
סגן היועץ המשפטי

העחק: מר מ' זורע, מנהל המינהל, כאן
מר א' ספיר, היועץ המשפטי, כאן

Spaer, Toussia Cohen & Co
Advocates and Notaries
S/H77(2)/7/L

April 7, 1976

Mr. A. Karni, Attorney
Assistant Legal Advisor
Israel Land Authority
Shamai St. 6
Jerusalem

Dear Sir,

Subject: Hebrew Union College

We acknowledge receipt of your letter No R/JM/6(15) of March 31 in the above mentioned matter.

In order to give you a full picture of the facts: your letter of March 17 reached us on March 23, and was answered on March 26. Would to God that henceforth you, sir, will respond to communications as rapidly.

There is no basis whatsoever to your statement that only in our letter of March 26 did we object to the method in which you calculated the time periods, a method which seems to be peculiarly your own. This we did in our letter of February 27 and of March 2, 1976. It is a wonder that their contents were not absorbed.

We now wait to hear from Mr. Sapir regarding future action.

Respectfully

Arnold Spaer(-)

cc: Mr. M. Zorea, Director of the Authority
Mr. A. Sapir, Legal Advisor, Israel Land Authority

ט/הדד(2)/7/ל

7 באפריל 1976



לכבוד
מר א. קרבי, עו"ד,
סגן היועץ המשפטי,
מינהל מקרקעי ישראל,
רחוב נמאי 6,
ירושלים.

א. נ.

הנדון: היברו יוניון קולג'

הנבו לאשר קבלת סכתנר מס' ר/ים/6(15) מיום 31.3.1976 בענין ה"ל.

כדי להטלים את הפרובות סכתנר מה-17.3.1976 הגיע אליצו ב-23.3.1976 והוא בעזה ב-26.3.1976. הלואי ולהבא כב' ישיב על סכתנים באחד קצב.

אין סחד לסענה סרק בסכתנר מה-26.3.1976 הסתייגו סחסוב המועדים הסיוחד על כב'. זאת עשיצו כנר בסכתנר מה-27.2.1976 ובסכתנר מה-2.3.1976. פלא סתוכנר לא בקלט כאילו.

אנו סחכים לססוע סמר ספיר על הסעך הספול.

בכבוד רב,

העתק:

1. סר ס. זורע, סנהל הסינהל, ט.ס.י.

2. סר א. ספיר, היועץ המשפטי, מינהל מקרקעי ישראל, ירושלים

ארגולד ספאר
ספאר, תוססיה-כהן ושות'

Spaer, Toussia Cohen
Advocates & Notaries

S/H77(2)/7/L

April 7, 1976

Personal

Mr. Avishai Sapir
Legal Advisor
Israel Land Authority
Shamai St. 6
Jerusalem

Dear Sir,

Subject : Hebrew Union College

It is of course clear to me that I have no right to determine which attorney should represent the Land Authority.

At the same time, it is quite clear that if Mr. Karni will continue to handle our negotiations, they shall never be concluded.

I would be most grateful to you if you will find a way of doing this yourself, or if not, to assign this task to another attorney on the staff of the Land Authority.

I will be happy to hear when it will be possible to meet with you in order to advance to complete the matter.

Respectfully

Arnold Spaer(-)

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7 באפריל 1976

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לכבוד
מר אבישי ספיר,
היועץ המשפטי,
מינהל מקרקעי ישראל,
רחוב שמאי 6,
ירושלים.

א. ב. ג.

הנדון: היברו יוניון קולג'

ברור לי לגמרי שאין לי כל זכות לקבוע איזה עורך-דין
ייצג את המינהל.

יחד עם זאת ברור לגמרי שאם הספול בענין הנ"ל ישאר
בידיו של מר קרבי לא יסתיים לעולם.

מאד אודה לך באם תמצא דרך לספל בענין בעצמך, או אחרת,
להסיל את הספול על עורך-דין אחר של המינהל.

אסמח לשמוע מתי ניתן להפגש כדי לנסות ולהתקדם לקראת

גמר.

בכבוד רב,

ארנולד שפאר

שפאר, תוסייה-כהן ושות'

State of Israel

Israel Land Authority
Office of the Legal Advisor

April 12, 1976
R/JM/6(15)

Mr. A. Spaer, Attorney
P.O.Box 750
Jerusalem

Dear Sir

Subject : Hebrew Union College

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 7, 1976 which arrived today, April 12, 1976.

Mr. Sapir is on vacation and will soon be returning, and I assume that you will hear from him concerning the handling of the matter, as per your request.

Respectfully
with best wishes for Happy Holiday

A. Karni, Attorney
Assistant Legal Advisor

מדינת ישראל

מינהל מקרקעי ישראל
יחידה: לשכת היועץ - המשפטי
ירושלים

תאריך: יב' בניסן תשל"ו
12 באפריל 1976

מספר: ר/ימ/6(15)

לכבוד
מר א' שפאר, עו"ד
ח"ד 750
ירושלים

א. ג.,

הנדון: היברו יוניון קולג'

הננו לאשר קבלת מכתבכם מ-7.4.76 שהגיענו היום, 12.4.76.

מר ספיר הנמצא כיום בחופשה, עתיד לחזור ממנה בהקדם ואני
שקוב, כי חסמנו ממנו על המשך הטפול, כבקשתכם.

בכבוד רב
ובברכה חג שמח

א' קרני, עו"ד
סגן היועץ המשפטי

Spaer, Toussia-Cohen & CO
Advocates & Notaries

Jerusalem 22 April 76
S/h77(2)/7/L

Prof Spicehandler
Hebrew Union College
King David St. 13
Jerusalem

Dear Sir

Subject : Israel Land Authority

Following our conversation of April 13, we forward to you the following zeroxed material :

1. The letter of the assistant legal advisor of the Israel Land Authority of 31 March, 1976.
2. Our response of April 7, 1976.
3. Our letter of the same date to the legal advisor.
4. The letter of the assistant legal advisor of the 12th of this inst.

As soon as the matter progresses we will of course inform you.

Sincerely
(-) Arnold Spaer

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 ירושלים.

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הנדון: מינהל מקרקעי ישראל

בעקבות שיחתנו מה-18 בח.ז. אנו מצ"ב צלומים והעתקים דלקמן:

1. מכתב סגן היועץ המשפטי למינהל מקרקעי ישראל מ-31.3.1976;
2. תשובתנו מה-7.4.1976;
3. מכתבנו מאותו תאריך ליועץ המשפטי;
4. מכתב סגן היועץ המשפטי מה-12 בח.ז.

מיד כשהדבר יתקדם נוודיעך.

נכבוד רב,
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ROBERT L. ADLER
PRESIDENT

April 23, 1976

Mr. Herbert A. Friedman
World Education Center
13 King David Street
Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Herb:

I just realized I never got around to answering your letter of February 18th and wish to apologize for not having gotten back to you sooner, though I know Fred and Alex have been in touch with you.

As you know, the College wanted to drop our activities except for those "leads" which could be generated quietly and I plan on keeping my ears open in that respect. In view of this, nothing was done on the suggestion of hiring a U.S. director.

I would think we have to build up a committee of lay leaders with some responsibilities spelled out, but I am at a loss for leadership.

The man who I had in mind at our meeting was Ed Bergman who at one time was on the H.U.C. board and who recently merged his business with American Can Company. He is now the largest stockholder of American Can and would not only be capable of a leadership role, but could make a commitment as well. Unfortunately by the time I got back to Chicago, he had been "hooked" by the University of Chicago and would not do anything further at this time.

My present plans are to be in Israel for the World Union meetings in November. I originally was going to take a mission next week but my in-laws, the Schrayers, are going to lead a group of Chicagoans instead.

I hope this finds all well with you and yours,

Best regards,

Robert L. Adler

RLA:bg

May 30, 1973

Mr. Matthew H. Ross
245 Park Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10017

Dear Matt:

I appreciate your thoughts on how the World Center should be operated. From my perspective, I would prefer Option #2, that is to say to operate the Center without the intervention of a separate entity and it is essentially for two reasons:

a/ We really have separate and distinct activities which only the responsible bodies are competent to administer. The College-Institute program involves rabbinic studies, archeological research and the like, which our people are not competent to administer. Conversely, our programs involve such matters as youth tours, seminars for educators, high school exchange programs and the like, in which we have a good deal of expertise, which we are now operating all over and which should be seen as part and parcel of our larger programs in youth and education.

b/ I am also convinced that if a separate legal entity is established it will take on a dynamic of its own and our history has taught us that such third forces tend to be inimical to the good relationship between our respective institutions. As a case in point, in the last years of the operation of the Combined Campaign-RJA, in which I was involved, while it was still divorced from the UAHC and the College-Institute and operated independently as it were, its leaders played one institution against the other and submitted themselves to the administration of neither.

I'm glad that you will be at the June 4th meeting and this matter will undoubtedly be discussed and we can all put our "2¢" in together.

With repeated thanks and appreciation for all that you do and are, and with warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler
President-Elect

HEBREW UNION COLLEGE - JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
CLIFTON AVENUE, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45220

file
January 30, 1976

Mr. Philip M. Klutznick
875 North Michigan Avenue
Suite 4044
Chicago, Illinois 60611

Dear Phil:

It was, as always, a pleasure to see you and, more than that, to have the opportunity of being with you at the meeting dealing with the World Education Center for Progressive Judaism. Your seminal contributions helped to focus our discussion, and for this we are all very grateful.

I was distressed at your distress when you learned, apparently for the first time, that the College-Institute was embarking upon a Centennial Fund campaign for \$18,000,000, which campaign has been announced and operative for some time, and monies have been collected for it. Herbert Friedman, of course, knew of this; and since we have been clearing names, it was agreed that your name should be one which would be solicited for the World Education Center. I am, however, rather astounded that Herb did not see fit to inform you that the Centennial Fund campaign was in progress. Before Herb left for Israel, he and I talked again, and I told him of my unhappiness with his not having mentioned to you the Centennial Fund campaign, since you are the last person in the world that I would want to have surprised in the manner in which you indeed were surprised.

In the same discussion with Herb, he indicated that he did not feel it prudent to include the \$2,000,000 in the College's \$18,000,000 campaign but that we should proceed to raise the sums necessary so that our Jerusalem programs, which we now totally finance and for which we expend over one-half million dollars annually, could remain adequately funded.

It is clear that history has caught us in a dilemma. As I indicated to you in the earlier part of the meeting, when Herb first was engaged to help us raise funds for this project, it was his belief that he could do this alone, did not require an organization, nor would he find it necessary to tap the Reform Movement for support. Clearly, this plan did not work out due to a number of factors, not the least of which was the advent of the Yom Kippur War which placed our entire fund raising problem for the World Education

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Mr. Philip M. Klutznick - Cont'd
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Center in a different prospective.

Your recommendation to add \$2,000,000 to the Centennial Fund for the World Education Center Building will be discussed by us at our Board of Governors meeting in February, and we will hopefully reach a conclusion at that time.

Phil, we are all together in our common purposes and are presently trying to work our way out of the situation which we did not create but with which we must live.

I trust to your great understanding and empathy and remain yours as always,

Sincerely,

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cc: Dr. Jules Backman
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November 4, 1974

Mr. Nat Hess
World Union for Progressive Judaism
Jerusalem

Dear Nat:

Prior to your departure for New York, I would like to congratulate you on behalf of myself and all our friends on the Board of Har-El Synagogue on a great accomplishment: the re-possession of the upper floor in the Union-owned building above Har-El Synagogue.

The agreement with the upstairs tenant, concluded by you, Dick and Mat Ross, during his brief stay here, on behalf of the World Union, means that as of January 1, 1975, the entire Har-El building and the one dunam plot surrounding it reverts to full Union ownership. You made the right decision at the right moment and as a result, the Union now is in complete possession of a very valuable one dunam downtown plot with a good building and an excellent potential for improvement in the future.

The immediate result is that the upstairs floor can now be rented out at about five times the previous rent, which was a "protected" rent. The long range effect is that the World Union will be able to plan a good sized commercial or residential building above the Synagogue, thus, adding significantly to the Union's assets in Jerusalem and to its current income. As a result of the upstairs tenant's vacating his floor, it has become considerably easier to come to some agreement with the other private tenant in the building adjoining Har-El Synagogue (Architect Brutzkus), and I estimate that it should now be possible to get him to vacate his floor with compensation not exceeding \$ 50,000 - \$ 55,000. That will leave only the two floors in the adjoining building occupied by the Jewish Agency, Youth Aliyah Department and with this tenant, political pressure from New York may be almost as effective as financial compensation. With both buildings, thus, completely in the Union's possession without protected tenants who could submit claims and court cases, you will be able to dispose of a choice corner site of almost two dunams, one block from Jerusalem's Hamashbir's Department Store and largest office building, now under construction; one block from the busiest section of King George Avenue and at the same time, only one block from Yeshurun Synagogue, Jerusalem's largest orthodox house of worship; and two and a half blocks from Mechal Shlomo, the seat of the orthodox chief rabbis. Until

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Mr. Nat Hess

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November 4, 1974

architect's plans for the best utilization of the site have been drawn up, it would be idle to speculate on the value of this site, once it is ready for re-development. Suffice it to say, that a dunam in the nearby residential area of Rehavia today sells at close to IL 2,000,000. With the added advantage of commercial areas for shops or offices, the full potential of this plot is limited only by the number of floors and the number of rooms which the municipal authorities will approve.

Your feat this week may turn out to be the beginning of a major and most significant project of the World Union and the Israel Movement, for the strengthening of both and for the growth of Progressive Judaism in Jerusalem and in Israel.

Sincerely yours,

Werner M. Loval

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CC Rabbi Richard Hirsch



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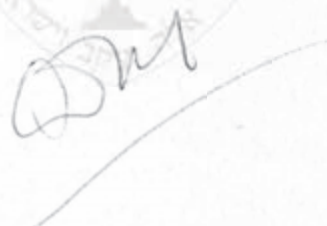
TO Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler

Date 9th January 1976

From Ezra Spicehandler

When Herbert Friedman drew up the attached Memorandum of Understanding, he inadvertently omitted your name and that of Dr. Gottschalk.

Best regards.



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HEBREW UNION COLLEGE - JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
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December 22, 1975

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

SUBJECT: Israel Government Matching Grants to World Education Center for Progressive Judaism.

1. This memorandum is based upon a letter of Mr. Pinhas Sapir, ^{Is}, to Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, dated 5 August 1975; and a conversation of Dean Ezra Spicehandler and Rabbi Richard Hirsch with Mr. Aviad Yaffe, M.K., held on 5 December 1975.
2. Mr. Yaffe indicated that the government would honour the Sapir letter, and stated three operating principles:
 - a. That the pledges received by the World Education Center be in amounts over \$100,000.
 - b. That evidence be presented of the transfer of funds to Israel and their conversion to Israeli currency.
 - c. That there be presented to the Treasury evidence in support of claims for matching grants.
3. Regarding the above principles, it is agreed:
 - a. That evidence of pledges received shall consist of letters of commitment from donors, cancelled checks of donors, testamentary evidence from wills and bequests, transfers of property (such as stocks, bonds, real estate, Israel Bonds, jewellery, works of art,) or any items of real value which are customarily received as pledges and payments.
 - b. That evidence of funds transferred to Israel shall consist of bank deposit slips, telegraphic transfers from banks in the U.S. to banks in Israel, instructions by responsible boards, officers or agents of any of the organisations named below authorising transfer of institutional funds; or any other legal method by which funds are transferred to Israel.
 - c. That evidence in support of claims for matching grants shall consist of copies of bills paid or receipts of bills paid or bills requesting payment. Claims shall refer to all monies spent in Israel, including land acquisition, architects's fees, construction costs, furniture, administration (i.e. fund-raising and public relations) legal fees, stamps, registration and all other costs normally involved in the construction of a project of this nature.
4. The organisations referred to in 3b above are:

Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
Central Conference of American Rabbis
World Union for Progressive Judaism.

22/12/75
Date

Adi Yaffe

Richard Hirsch

Ezra Spicehandler

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Jerusalem Center
file*

January 21, 1976

Mr. Matthew H. Ross
Blumberg, Singer, Ross,
Gottesman & Gordon
245 Park Avenue
New York N.Y. 10017

Dear Matt:

Ted Broido has referred Fred Gottschalk's letter
to me.

The attached document is a translation of the
Hebrew memo in question, made by Elad Peled at
our request in October, 1973.

Best regards.

Shalom,

Rabbi Ira S. Youdovin
Director

cc: Mr. Ted Broido

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28 December 1975

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Dr. Alfred Gottschalk
Hebrew Union College
Clifton Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45220
U.S.A.

Dear Dr. Gottschalk,

Re: Lease of additional land for Hebrew Union College

I refer to the meeting held on December 5, 1975 with you and Messrs. Schindler, Hirsch and Spicehandler, concerning the above matter.

I again explained why I have been pressing you to proceed with the early preparation of building plans for this land, when it seems clear to me that a lease will be granted in due course.

As requested by you, I wish to confirm that the object clause of the lease which will be signed with the Israel Lands Administration on completion of the building operations has been agreed upon to be non-commercial user by Hebrew Union College and another body certified by the Ministry of Education and Culture, or being connected with it. That Ministry has already certified in a letter dated the 10th October 1973, copy of which is attached, that the following bodies and organisations are so connected, and they accordingly come within the scope of the above purpose clause:

World Union for Progressive Judaism
Central Conference for American Rabbis
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods
National Federation of Temple Youth
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

As I explained, all material questions outstanding with the Lands Administration have practically been finalised and what remains to do is the formal drawing-up of the lease to be attached to the development contract. Such lease will enter into effect upon completion of the buildings as envisaged by the development contract, the terms of which have already been settled.

It was agreed that I will receive final instructions as to whether you are agreeable to the leases of the new property and the old property to run for four consecutive 49 year periods. In this respect we are also still waiting for final approval by the Lands Administration.

Yours sincerely,


Arnold Spaer

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cc: Prof. Spicehandler
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- 1) World Union for Progressive Judaism
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Mr. Micha Talmon
Israel Land Authority
Jerusalem

Subject: Organizations Associated with the Hebrew Union College

My letter of 18.9.73

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In the above letter we inadvertently omitted the names of the institutions associated with the Hebrew Union College which were confirmed on the basis of information received by me as being non-commercial educational-cultural institutions. The following are the names of the organizations:

- 1) World Union for Progressive Judaism
 - 2) Central Conference of American Rabbis
 - 3) Union of American Hebrew Congregations
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- 1) National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods
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