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CONFERENCE OF PRESIDENTS OF MAJOR AMERICAN JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS

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Statement of Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, Chairman AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS: Oct. 19, 1976

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Women's League for Conservative Judaism

World Zionist Organization American Section, Inc.

Zionist Organization of America

The Jewish community does not consider the matter

of General Brown to be closed.

Rather, we strongly believe that his reckless and irresponsible statments represent a challenge to the fundamental precepts of American foreign policy towards its allies and to the bipartisan commitment of the American people in support of the security and survival of the State of Israel.

Gen. Brown's statements also represent a dangerous intrusion of the military into the domain of public police, which our form of government clearly assigns to civilian authority.

We call on the President publicly to censure General Brown and to repudiate the views he has expressed, lest there be any doub that the dangerous course of action he recommends has any sanction whats coever in the current Administration.

October 21, 1976

Mr. L. Kenneth Rosett 1440 Broadway New York, N.Y. 10018

Dear Ken:

Many thanks for sharing with me your wire to the Assestant Secretary of Defense on the Brown matter. I'll be interested in the response you receive.

Fondest regards from house to house.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

L. KENNETH ROSETT 1440 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10018

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October 18, 1976

Rabbi Alexander Schindler President UAHC 838 Fifth Avenue New York, New York

Dear Alex:

Here's a copy of a wire I sent today about General Brown's latest idiocy. It is pretty clear (I think) and is in the kind of language easilyuunderstood by denizens of the Pentagon. I should know because I did 13 USAF - Reserve summer tours there.

Can this matter be pursued effectively by either our UAHC Social Action Center or by your council of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations?

Will share the reply from DOD with you.

Regards.

cc: Mr. Matthew Ross

LK Rosett

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ISSUE OF NEW YORK TIMES REGARDING GENERAL GEORGE S. BROWN'S

STATEMENT ABOUT SUPPORT OF ISRAELI ARMY. IF REPORT IS CORRECT,

INFORM ME AT MY HOME ADDRESS PAREN 191 ALBEMARLE ROAD, WHITE PLAINS

NEW YORK 10605 PAREN XMMXEXXXXXX PROMPTLY OF ACTION WHICH DOD WILL

EITHER RECOMMEND OR WILL TAKE IN THIS MATTER

LOUIS K. ROSETT COLONEL USAFR FV-446623

October 28, 1976

Mr. David E. Molish, President Brith Sholom 1235 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, Pa. 19107

Dear Mr. Molish:

Thank you for your wire expressing your concern in regard to General Brown. I am grateful to you for sharing your thoughts with me.

As the Chairman of the Presidents' Conference, I must speak for the consensus of the constituency. I'm sure you can appreciate that fact. Even when my own personal views differs my statements for the Conference must be in accord with the determination of the majority. And in the case of General Brown's latest remarks it was the consenses opinion which was represented in my statement to the press.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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BE VIEWED AS AS AFFRONT TO THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IN
VIEW OF BROWN'S RECORD OFPATHOLOGICAL PREJUDICE
AGAINST JEWS WHICH RENDERS HIM UNFIT TO MAKE CRITICAL
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FAILURE OF JEWISH LEADERSHIP TO INSIST ON BROWN'S

PISMISSAL WILL JEOPARDIZE OUR FUTURE EFFECTIVENESS
AS AN INSTRUMENT TO SECURE REDRESS OF OUR GRIEVANCES AND
IMPAIR THE FAITH OF THE JEWSIH COMMUNITY IN OUR
ABILITY TO ACT WITH WISDON AND COURAGE TO PROTECT
THEIR INTERESTS
OUR ORGANIZATION IS COMMITTED TO ALL ACTION NECESSARY
TO SECURE BROWN'S REMOVAL AND REWSTABLISH OUR
CREDIBILITY WITH THE JEWISH PEOPLE WE REPRESENT

DAVID E MOLISH NATIONAL PRESIDENT BRITH SHOLOM 1235 CHESTNUT ST PHILDELPHIA PA 19107