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March 3, 1988

Thank you for your recent communication concerning the status of your organization. A review by the Office of Charities Registration shows that your organization is currently authorized to claim exemption for registration because it falls into the category indicated below:

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## THE WEXNER HERITAGE FOUNDATION

Herbert A. Friedman President

Leslie H. Wexner Chairman of the Board

24 Dec 55

Dear hel-rachter Enclosed is everything I can find on the Jewselem Academy for the fiscal year April 84 - April 85. There were no deposits - no checks drewn - totally static. The belance in a statement savings account at Chemical, is \$500, 17. When you have finished preparing the filing for the above fiscal year, and are sure that I we no filing fees, etc. please prefare a bill for your services in The above amount, and I'll close The bank account by saiding you a bank check. Ments, Hech

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AMERICAN FRIENDS OF TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY Jerusalem

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, President

July 10th, 1984

Mr. Mel Zachter Loeb & Troper 270 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10016

Dear Mel,

Enclosed is form G750-497 which I received for Jerusalem Academy, for fiscal year ending March 31, 1984. There were no contributions during that fiscal year; and expenses were according to list attached.

Do we have to file a report?

If so, would you fill it in, please, and send me my copy.

Second question. What should we do about an audited report for year ending March 31, 1984? I suppose it would be good form to have one in the files. There were no Board meetings of Jerusalem Academy during the past year - so there are no directors who would be interested in receiving a report. The main thing is whether we should have one, in case some agency ever wishes to examine the files. What is your opinion?

As ever,

Herbert A. Friedman, President

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## EXPENSES PAID

## APRIL 1, 1983 - MARCH 31, 1984

1983			
April 7	Herbert A. Friedman - Reimbursement for 1982 expenses	\$ 3	3,000.00
April 9	Santini - storage		226.08
April 26	Subscription to Independent School Management		30.00
May 10	CT Corp serving as legal address		100.00
June 2	Z. O. Toren - semi-final bill	2	2,000.00
June 27	Loeb & Troper - bill, 1983 audit	]	,000.00
July 2	Z. O. Toren - final bill	1	,550.00
July 11	Santini - storage		226.08
Aug. 9	Herbert A. Friedman - Reimbursement for 1983 expenses	1	,000.00
Aug. 10	NYCF 2A filing fee		10.00
Aug. 10	G750-497 filing fee	4	25.00
Aug. 29	Herbert A. Friedman - final reimbursement 82 and 83	1	,300.00
		\$10	,468.16
Chemica	1 Bank - Service Charges on checking account		
May 4			3.00
Oct. 5 ) Nov. 3 )			3.00
Dec. 5	5		3.00
1984			
Jan. 3 ) Feb. 3 )	37 - 173		3.00
Mar. 5	4P3		14.48
		\$	29.48
	Total	\$10	,497.64
	Total	710	727.04
	Bank Balance	\$	452.96

#### TWO ALTERNATIVES

#### 1. WITH TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY

We simply need their banner, and advice from people in their School of Education. On all accounts must we have our independence - i.e. salary scale; curriculum; rules of operation; terms of hiring faculty (e.g. no tenure), etc.

#### 2. WITHOUT TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY

- a. Hire HAF
- b. Provide start-up budget for 30 months of operation (Spring 1984 -Fall 1986) before school opens
- c. Hire: Headmaster; 2 Deans, Bookkeeper; 2 secretaries
- d. Rent small office 3,000 square feet
- e. Budget

D	100 000
Rent	100,000
Other office exp.	10,000
HAF	110,000
Headmaster	50,000
Deans (40,000 each)	80,000
Bookkeeper	25,000
2 secretaries (15,000 each)	30,000
Travel	20,000
Brochures, printed matter	10,000
Telephone-telex	10,000
	445,000
All other	55,000
Round figures	500,000

### 3. DIFFERENCES WITH T. A. OR WITHOUT

a. Costs - possibly 260,000 less (i.e. HAF, rent, telephone, secretaries) with T. A.

#### BOARD STRUCTURES AND FUNCTIONS

#### A. AMUTAH

(Israel-based, non-profit, corporation-like, registered with Ministry) (of Interior.)

- 1. Holds title to land lease
- 2. Appoints operations committee and ratifies its decisions
- 3. Appoints large international Board of Governors
- 4. Meets yearly

5. Membership: Ten Israelis

and

Five Americans

Yitzhak Navon Aharon Yariv

Walter Eytan Avraham Agmon Richard Hirsch

Teddy Kollek Yuval Aloni Avraham Avichai

David Leviatan Ora Namir

Charles Schusterman Stacy Schusterman Stanley Sloane Herbert Friedman Leonard Strelitz

#### OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

- 1. Approves construction budget i.e. appoints architect; supervises bidding process; selects contractor; appoints lawyer; signs construction contract (for 30 months - Spring 1984 to Fall 1986.)
- 2. Approves start-up budget for 1985 86, before school opens.
- 3. Selects President, Headmaster, Dean of Students, Dean of Faculty, Business Manager.
- 4. Approves criteria for admissions.
- 5. Approves curriculum.
- 6. Approves code of student rules.
- 7. Approves operating budget for first year of actual operations and sets tuition fees.
- 8. Establishes Friends groups in United Kingdom, Canada, Western Europe, South Africa, Australia.
- 9. Meets quarterly.
- 10. Appoints small executive committee to function on its behalt (weekly, or as needed).
- Membership: 11.
  - a. Two appointees of Tel Aviv University President and Rector.
  - b. Four other Israelis Reshef (Head of School of Education); Yariv; Eytan; and Agmon.
  - c. Two Diaspora (one United Kingdom; one western Europe).

- d. Four Americans 2 Schusterman; 1 Sloane; 1 Friedman)
- 12. Executive Committee:
  - a. Charles Schusterman
  - b. Herbert Friedman
  - c. David Leviatan

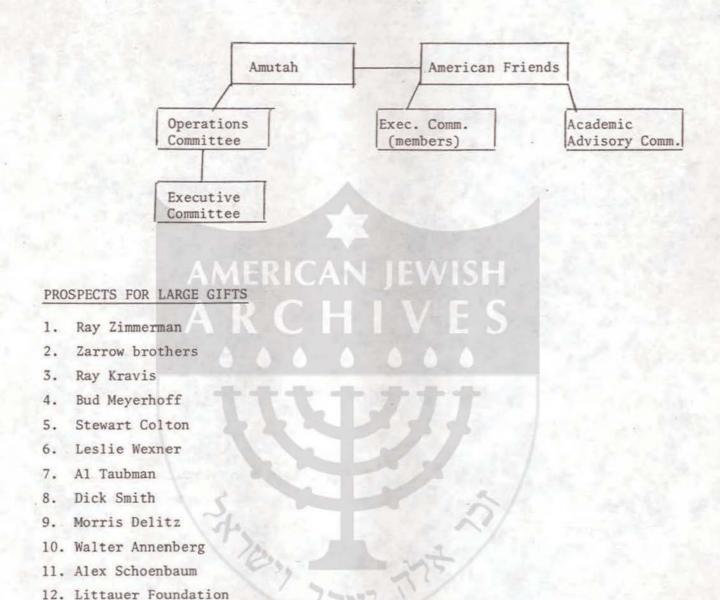
### C. ACADEMIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE (with specialties)

- 1. Theodore Sizer Harvard, Andover goals and objectives
- 2. Eliezer Shmueli Director-General, Ministry of Education Administration
- 3. Mrs. Rina Shapira former Dean, Tel Aviv School of Education
- 4. Mfs. minim College Teachers College, Columbia gifted & talented children.
- 5. Avade Shapiro Headmaster, Reali School operating a school
- 6. Gel Headmaster, Gymnasia Herzlia operating a school
- 7. Kneller Headmaster, Al-yada operating a school
- Dan Bitan Head, Dept. of Gifted and Talented, Ministry of Education, criteria for admission

#### D. AMERICAN FRIENDS BOARD

- 1. Fund-raising for construction
- 2. Fund-raising for scholarship-endowment fund
- 3. Receiving reports from operations committee and ratifying all policy decisions
- 4. Making grants to Amutah, in conformity with IRS regulations as to control, rather than conduct
- 5. Meets quarterly
- 6. Membership:
  - a. Large number (called directors) 20, 30, etc.
  - Small number (called members) 4, 5 for purposes of decisionmaking
    - 2 Schusterman
    - 1 Sloane
    - 1 Friedman

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Dear Herb,

my time-table for the next month will be as follows:

I shall be at home untill the 9. November, leaving on the 10. Nov. for London. Staying in London untill the 17. Nov. Leaving for Edinburgh on the 18. and staying untill 30. November 1983.

In London you can leave messages at my friend Eugen Rosenberg. His telephon number is:

LONDON 2625236

The telephon number in Edinburgh /Leah s/ is: 3396908 I looked through my archive and the date of the building-permit is 21. Sept. 1980. Therefore according to Moshe Cohen it is no longer valid and must be renewed. I shall discuss the procedure with Moshe Cohen and will report in letter.

For the mean time all the best and a good journey home

The whole numbers ringing from TEL-AVIV are: E. Rosenberg: 00-44-1-2625236 Leah Rosenbaum: 00-44-31-3396908

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Dear Herb,

I want to give you a more detailed explanation of the enclosed material.

First of all my fee: as you may remember we had a gentlemen s agreement that as long as it is not clear if and when building would start, I would be paid monthly expenses. As you were short of funds I tried always to adjust the expenses to your possibilities by being careful and not spending unnecessary money by paying and taking low salaries. I have always understood and you always agreed that when the building of the Academy becomes a real undertaking we will sign a proper agreement.

As you remember we made analysed schedules of your payment to me up to October 1980. From that date I only know the overall sums and have there fore to sit with my book-keeper to analyse the payments from that date onwards. As far as I can judge it is somewhere between 210,000 - \$\frac{9}{230,000}\$. I have also received payments for planning the Coference Center which now have to be deducted from the sum received. Adding to what I have already received, the 120,000-\$\frac{9}{2}\$ mentioned in the attached schedule will cover roughly the part of my fee up to issuing the plans for bids.

I hope all the other items in the enclosed material are explained.

Yours sincerely

## To the friends of the Jerusalem Academy.

In the following report I would like to give the state of the planning of the Jerusalem Academy to date and the timetable for the future:

- 1.Architectural working-drawings are practically finished, but now engineering experts must be engaged to prepare their final plans. The complete working-drawings must contain all the information needed to build the structure fit to accommodate all installations of electricity, air-conditioning, cold & hot water, heating, waste disposal, television, signalisation etc.
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- 3. Since the people who worked on the plans in the different offices /architect, structural engineer etc. / have mostly left the offices all plans have to be studied carefully by the newly engaged people in the different offices, to get aquainted with the spirit and idea of the buildings before the real work to finalize the plans can begin. This could take up to a month.
- 4.A theoretical timetable could be somewhat as follows:
  a. January 1984 signing agreements with architect and consulting engineers.
  - b. June 1984 input of engineers has gone on for 5 months and completion of working-drawings has gone on parallel in all offices and final drawings are ready. Copies are made for submission to building-contractors for bids.
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Yours sincerely Wi Toru

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These fees will be paid according to progress of planning as agreed between the architect and the engineers.

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Sanitary "	n	45,000
Electrical "	.H	21,000
Road planner	11	4,000
Landscape architect	H	10,000
Kitchen	H	11,000
Computer	H	6,000
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Soil tests	11	10,000
Land surveyor	H	4,000
Copies	11	10,000
Architect	11	120,000
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Yours sincerely

Zoi Toren

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### Estimated expenses to finish the planning of the Jerusalem Academy.

The following estimate of the expenses to finish the planning of the Jerusalem Academy 1st.stage are only a rough estimate, because the exact amount of the fees of architect and consultants will be known only after the building-contractors bits have been studied. Only than /as mentioned in report - contracts according to A.E.A. of Israel/ will the final amount of the fees be known.

I have received from the engineering consultants /structural, sanitary & electricity/ temporary estimates of their fees up to the issuing of the material for the estimates of building costs. They stipulate that these are only estimates to be corrected by actual cost of building /their part of it/ and linked to the Dolar.

These fees will be paid according to progress of planning, the last payment timed after the contractors bits have been returned and studied.

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Dear Herb,

I want to give you a more detailed explanation of the enclosed material. First of all my fee: as you may remember we had a gentlemen s agreement, that as long as it is not clear if and when building would start, I would be paid monthly expenses. As you were short of funds I tried always to adjust the expenses to your possibilities by being careful and not spending unnecessary money by paying and taking low salaries. I have always understood /you remember the statement of Mr. Agmon/ that when the building of the Academy becomes a real undertaking we will sign a proper agreement and the fee will be adjusted. As you remember we made analysed schedules of your payments to me up to October 1980. From that date I only know the allover sums and have therefore to MX sit with my book-keeper to anlyse the payments from that date onwards. As far as I can judge it is some where between 210,000 - 230,000 . The fee will be regulated according to the conditions of the contract. drawing materials, salaries are part of the fee. I have also received payments for planning the Conference Center which have to be deducted from the sum received. Adding to what I have already received, the 120,000 mentioned in the schedule will cover roughly the part of the fee due me up to issuing the material for the estimates if building costs.

Now to the building-contractor. You have to take into consideration, that at the time of signing a contract with the builder you have to pay him 30% - 50% of the estimated costs and the rest in monthly payments according to progress of construction.

To give you detailed estimates in concrete amounts is at this state of our economy hardly possible or adviçable.

Yours sincerely

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## To the Friends of the Jerusalem Academy.

In the following report I would like to give the exact state of the planning of the Jerusalem Academy to date:

- 1. The planning of the Jerusalem Academy was never brought to the state were it would have been possible to give out the material for the estimates of building costs /contractors bits/. The planning was slowed down in 1980 and completely stopped in 1981 because of lack of funds to pay the engineering experts /structual engineer, sanitary-, electricity-heating-, air-conditioning-, accoustic engineer, road-planners, landscape-architect, quantity surveyor ect./, whose plans are necessary to bring the planning to completion.
- 2.Architectual working-drawings are practically finished, but not one drawing is complete because of lack of coordination with the plans of the engineering experts who have not been engaged to prepare their final plans. To explain the matter: the complete working-drawings must contain all the information needed to build the structure fit to accommodate all the installations of electricity, air-conditioning, cold & hot water, heating, waste disposal, television, signalisation ect.
- 3. Most advanced in planning /but far from complete/ is the work of the structual engineer, because his planning was already necessary at the stage of working on the submission-plans for the building-permit. He has now to work on the details of the concrete skeleton which has to incorporate all the openings for the pipes of all the installations /electricity, heating waste ect./. Without his finalized plans the architect cannot complete the architectual details.
- 4. The plans have been in storage for 2 years. The people who worked on them in the different offices /architect, structual engineer ect. / have mostly left the offices. To start to complete the planning all the plans have to be studied carefully by the newly engaged people in the different offices to get aquainted with the spirit and idea of the buildings before the work to finalize the plans can be began. This could take up to a month. There has also to be continuous supervision by the architect and consultations and coordination with all engineering experts so that the material for the estimates may be completed as soon as possible.
- 5. If we take into consideration that adreements will be signed with the consulting engineers at the begining of January 1984 and the month to

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get aquainted with the plans, all plans, quantities and details for the printed and written material for the estimates could be ready by the end of June 1984.

6.If the project will now be seriously continued and build, it is necessary to sign contracts with the architect and all consulting experts and engineers according to the tariff of the Association of Engineers & Architects in Israel. I do not think it would be prudent to continue to work on gentlemen a greements alone. The conditions of the contracts made according to the Association of Eng. & Arch. stateclearly the obligations and privilages of both the client and the engineer or architect as well as all the legal aspects of garanties and responsibilities. The fees to be paid will be accounted on the basis of % of the estimated cost of the buildings or its appropriate parts /strutual engineer - structure ect. / After the return of the building-contractors bits, the fees will be adjusted to the amount of the real costs. All the payments made up-to-date will be accounted according to the conditions laid down in the contracts.

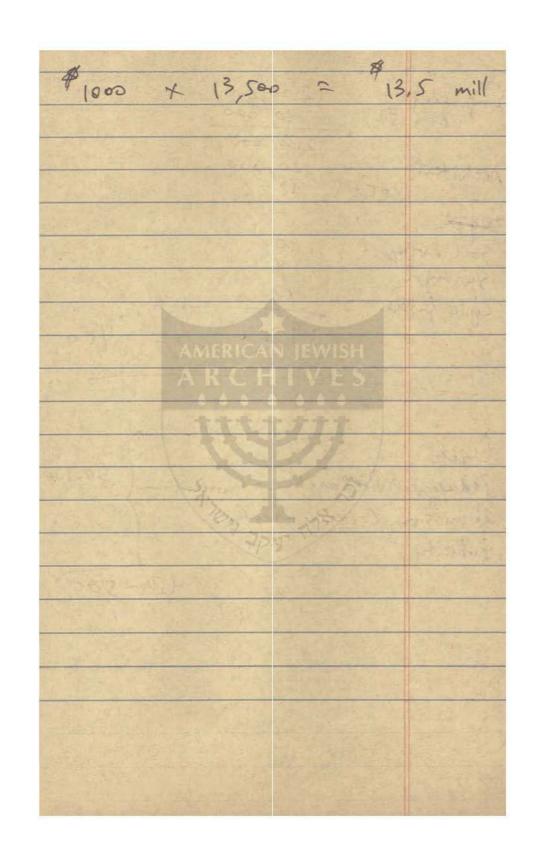
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UPDATE - - - AID TO ISRAEL

As Chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, I amended the 1984 Foreign Assistance Appropriations to increase aid to Israel to \$2.61 billion. The Long Amendment provides an increase of \$225 million in grant aid over FY 1983 and an increase of \$425 million over the Administration's request.

Also included in my appropriations bill is language expressing the sense of Congress that Egypt should live up to it's commitments under the Camp David Accord including normalization of diplomatic relations and return of the Egyptian Ambassador to Israel.

For the American Schools and Hospitals Abroad Program, my Subcommittee is providing \$30 million for FY 1984 which is an increase of \$10 million over FY 1983 and an increase of over \$22 million above the Reagan Administration's request. This important program currently provides assistance to six Israeli schools and hospitals and I expect this number to increase next year.

The next step is approval of my bill by the full Appropriations Committee and the House.

A strong, secure Israel is in the best foreign policy interests of the United States!

Warm regards,

CLARENCE D. LONG

Soft 26, 83 Wide Zacks said that Pete Milherm had spoken to him six months ego - with regrets - about Cordie will help with Pete again if recessary.

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#### AMERICAN FRIENDS OF THE JERUSALEM ACADEMY 342 Madison Avenue, Suite 1426 New York, New York 10017 (212) 687-5651

September 28th, 1983

Mr. Max S. Dresher 143 Timber Lane Glencoe, Ill. 60022

Dear Mr. Dresher,

Mr. Charles Schusterman of Tulsa, who sat next to you recently at a Technion meeting in Chicago, gave me your name and suggested I write to you.

He told me that he had spoken to you of his enthusiasm for the Jerusalem Academy and that you had seemed interested in the concept and were willing to learn more about it.

I am enclosing the brochure which gives a physical description of what is planned, as well as some of the ideology behind it. Basically, the intention is to create a secondary boarding school in Israel of the highest level, like Andover/Exeter Academies in the United States, or Eton/Winchester/Harrow Colleges in England. Students will be accepted from Israel and throughout the world who display the qualities of intellect, talent, motivation and personality which will enable them to assume leadership roles in public life. Teachers will be recruited who are in harmony with this principle of shaping character and consciously instilling a sense of obligation and responsibility.

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Professor Moshe Many

From

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman

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September 28, 1983

Mr. David Santos, Director
Office of American Schools and Hospitals Abroad
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Agency for International Development
Washington, D. C. 20523

### Dear David, AMERICAN IEWISH

Due to some very favorable developments in the field of fundraising, the Jerusalem Academy project with which you and I have been dealing for several years, is now entirely viable. One donor has come in with an offer of \$5 million dollars.

I wish to reinstate our application to ASHA for a grant in FY 84, along the same lines and under the same conditions as the previous offer was made. Since I know that applications must be in by September 30th and since the angel popped up unexpectedly just a few days ago, I am writing this letter before the deadline date simply to inform you and to "put my foot in the door" so to speak.

I shall call you within a few days, come to Washington if necessary, and fill out a new set of application blanks, if you feel that is required.

I plan to go to Israel in two weeks, and will check in with the Land Authority Administration, in order to make sure of the availability of the same piece of land. This time, David, I think we will have a go situation on our hands, and I know that you will share in the satisfaction of seeing this project get off the ground.

Sincerely,

Herbert A. Friedman, President

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October 6, 1977

Rabbi Herbert Friedman 15 IBN Gaberol St. Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Rabbi Friedman:

Through our mutual friends, Ed Ellman and Lee Javitch, the Chairman of the National Jewish Conference Center, I have heard about your very important project of the Jerusalem Academy. It is one of those ideas that makes one wish that one could take part in it directly. I write this letter as an old admirer of yours who has been so influenced by the model of the Young Leadership Cabinet which has become central to the development and framework of the National Jewish Conference Center itself.

Both Ed and Lee mentioned that you were thinking of incorporating elements of the Conference Center in the Jerusalem Academy and that you'd be interested in cooperating with the Conference Center. We also believe that there is need for a Conference Center in Israel. Obviously though we have our work cut out just to get established in the United States. Therefore we'd be eager to work with you in any mutually convenient way.

I hope that next time you are in the United States you will find time to let me know so that we can get together and explore the matter further. In the meantime I wish you great success in this very vital endeavor.

Sincerely yours,

Irving Greenberg Fuely

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Mr. Irving Greenberg,
National Jewish Conference Center,
250 W. 57 Street,
New York, N.Y. 10019.
U.S.A.

19th. October, 1977.

Dear Irivng,

Your letter of October 6, postmarked October 11, arrived today, about an hour before I started to write a letter to you. Real mental telepathy!

The purpose of my letter was to set up an appointment with you during my forth-coming visit to the U.S. I will be in New York during the week of November 7-11 inclusive, and available any time during those five days, except for Wednesday, November 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. After that week, I go on the road, on a UJA speaking tour, until December 7, when I will once again be in New York for another week.

I would like to suggest a meeting which could include all of us: Lee, Ed, Bill Hack, Morris Cohen of Boston, yourself and myself. It could be held at your office - or at the national UJA office. The agenda of the meeting is to see how we can work out a mutually convenient arrangement. I really believe that our Conference Center in Israel has a chance of rising within a few years; that your charismatic personal input could make it an attractive place to the hundreds, even thousands, of lay leaders who arrive here in a constant stream; that even before our physical facility rises we could work in improvised quarters; and a second Conference Center in the U.S. would be easier to fund after one here proved successful. Whether you agree with all this, or not, at least we have a lot to talk about.

I'm leaving here on October 30 for Munich and London, before coming to New York,

so there is no chance for your reply to reach us. Let me suggest that you contact the above-named men, find a satisfactory date, and leave a message for me at the Hotel Drake, 56th. near Park, where I will be arriving Sunday afternoon November 6. Even if you arrange a meeting for November 7, I'll be able to make it. Looking forward to seeing you,

AMERICAN JEWHISH
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Rabbi Arthur Hertzberg, a leading Jewish intellectual and professor of Jewish history at Dartmouth College, wants to establish a new aristocracy. It's his assault on assimilation.

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rthur Hertzberg, to the surprise of very few, is an elitist.

And not in any casual sense. Hertzberg is a serious, militant believer in the concept of a Jewish upper caste based on breeding and intellect rather than money, and in a country founded on the philosophy of egalitarian-ism, he sometimes finds himself beseiged by outraged advocates of social equality.

But that does not seem to phase the 66-year-old, Baltimore-born rabbi and distinguished professor of Jewish history at Dartmouth College. It is alleged that Hertzberg once proposed that the Knesset institute a House of Lords, and it is a fact that he is currently proposing — in a book to be published next year by Simon & Cabustin that IIS Learners to the common control of the c Schuster - that U.S. Jews create their own

equivalent of the WASP aristocracy that we have come to associate with names like Roosevelt, Saltonstall, Cabot and Lodge. The book, of course, is tentatively titled, The Other Brahmins.

How would Hertzberg go about creating, almost from scratch, an Old Jew network? "The only tool that is available," he said in a recent interview at his alma mater, Johns Hopkins University (B.A., 1940), "is educa-tion. We have no other. And I'm not talk-ing about why doesn't the Federation give two more percent to the day schools. You cannot create a minority ingroup using tools available only to the majority. You create a minority ingroup by creating a minority ingroup."

The natural first step in this process of

change, said Hertzberg, is the creation of exclusive schools; boarding prep schools like Choate and Groton and Phillips-Andover, the traditional bastions of white

Anglo-Saxon Protestant gentility in th United States — only Jewish. "Such a thing does not exist," he points out in the wake of an inaugural Mello Foundation lecture he had delivered a Hopkins on the subject of "The Jewish Er

rience in America: A Reassessment."
'And what is more, the third generation mainstream children of the America Jewish leadership are not in Jewis schools. Take a look at Baltimore. Who as in the day schools in Baltimore? Either th Orthodox or the children of lawyers, do tors, etc.; members of the Conservative synagogues, the middle bourgeoisie.

"You cannot find in the Baltimore da schools any of the upper level money, a even intellect. The children of John Hopkins University professors, except few who are Orthodox, and the children of the board members of the Associated, an not in the day schools. They're at Gilman

That, says Hertzberg, is execrable. The Jewish community and its leaders are no committed to such goals. Contemporary Jews want to be like everyone else; to m joice in the illusion that they're like everyone else.

everyone else.

"The average American Jew would like to be deeply Jewish without having to be in any significant sense separate from the American mainstream," said Hertzberg "He'd like to be deeply Jewish in a very American way; or 'Jewishness made easy As persuasive as Hertzberg is, and a widely respected, he is not without his dissenters. After all, the Declaration of he dependence—one of the bedrocks of on

dependence — one of the bedrocks of or social contract — says that all men as created equal, and our entire system of common law is based upon that assume tion. The very system of public education was founded upon the concept of equi

600 distinguished youngsters is to mis the most urgent point: the general illitera of even those who have been exposed it Jewish education. Such a system as Heru berg proposes can work only if it grows or of a quality Jewish education for th

But Hertzberg is, if not impatient, a least anxious to set his process in motion And it does not deflect him from his coun to suggest that elitism would appear to be antithetical to Jewish voting pattern. They have, as he acknowledged in his let ture, consistently supported social legisla

"Jews," he said, "have floated to the lef for two very hard-core reasons. One is the social inheritance. We were all brought upon the idea that a Jew doesn't do certain things. If a man is hungry, he is also

human being.

"There's also a very tough reason. Jewish 'haves' know that if there is social disorganization, the pogrom will happen to them before anybody. Therefore, we have an interest, we Jews, in seeing to it that the unwashed are not hungry. A bit of social consciousness, a bit of protection.

"Jews," he said, "should stop imagining that non-Jews do not know that they are different. In other words, let's stop this whole game of trying to pretend to our-

whole game of trying to pretend to our-selves that other people do not know us as well as we do. I think this would be an enor-mous contribution to our own psychological and political comfort. Let us, once and for all, be ourselves."

Beyond the identity factor, which ought to be a sufficient reason in itself for nurturing our uniqueness, Hertzberg feels that in the very near future, perhaps in less than a generation, Jews will cease to have some of the advantages that they have some of the advantages that they have held in this country for so long. Acceptance, he indicates, cuts both ways. Once Jews are absorbed into the mainstream, they can no longer play on the sensitivities, debts and guilt feelings of the majority. Neither will they have a corner on the excellence market. Asians already promise to supplant Jews in that department.

What is happening? Why shouldn't the coming generations of Jewish Americans continue to strive as their immigrant ancestors did, for acceptance among the top echelons of the general society; the top scholars at Harvard, the best musicians at Juilliard, the most creative artists in New

Juilliard, the most creative artists in New York, the richest financiers on Wall Street? Uh-oh. Hertzberg is appalled by the Stock Market scandals.

"The classic Jewish community venerated learning," he said. "The contemporary Jewish community venerates money. If we want that standard of values, that's fine. That means that ultimately we will dispusses."

disappear.
"We now have a community in which success lies at the top of our standard of values. That means that we succeed and we vanish. The history of post-ghetto Jewish culture is that the most successful Jews vanish from the Jewish community

within two generations.

"For instance," he said, "in England, the majority of the titled Jews, with the exception of the Rothschilds, have disappeared from the Jewish community. All of the Jewish titles are now held by their descendants, who are goyem. Except the Rothschilds.

"Why did the Rothschilds succeed in maintaining themselves as Jews? Because they never gave an inch on the idea that to be a Rothschild is to be a Jew, and to be a Jew is to be different. They never played the game.

You cannot cultivate a Jewish community unless you cultivate it through the classic modalities, and unless you cultivate what is critical to Jewish consciousness,

i.e., the sense of chosenness.
"The only thing that validates the tsores and the problems and the heartache is the sense, to use a prophetic term, that you are sense, to use a prophetic term, that you are God's suffering servant. The only point at which this whole game is worth a candle is if you are indeed, absolutely persuaded that you are right, which is the Jewish notion that we are the chosen people. This is an idea we no longer discuss. We don't know how to deal with such elitism. But Continued On Page 102





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for being Jewish.
"If being Jewish is being different from all other Americans," demanded Hertzberg, "how do you cultivate that difference? How do you make it mean-ingful? The only answer is that you have to make it meaningful out of some pervasive sense that we are indeed different.

"That means that there has to be an entirely new structure of the Jewish community. If I were in charge of the Federation in this town I would forthwith get rid of most of the recreational facilities, which supposedly cultivate Jewish togetherness, and create one Jewish boarding school. And see

what happens."

Hertzberg hastened to add that he wasn't just talking about boarding schools. They are only a focal point for his assault on assimilation, on (one senses the contempt) mediocrity. No, he said, the notion implies an entirely different, but hardly new, social structure within the Jewish

community.
"But then," he said, "education creates that kind of social structure. The only way Jews are going to survive in America is if they make a conscious choice to think of themselves as an American

On the other hand, as editor Fein reflected, "A Brahmin caste is judged less by what it knows than by what it does.'

#### **Bet Yeladim Day Care**

Bet Yeladim Day Care Center, Inc. will be opening in June 1, located in Stonehouse in the Long Reach Village Center. With Sandra Gold as director, the program will emphasize creative, experiential learning. The center is asso-ciated with the Baltimore Board of Jewish Education and is open to children ages two, three and four.

Bet Yeladim Day Care Center, Inc. is a non-profit organization and admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities. For information, call Ronnie Sanderson 596-5044, or write to P.O. Box 636, Columbia,

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THE FUTURE OF JUDAISM AND THE JEWISH PEOPLE RESTS LARGELY ON THE CALIBRE OF ITS LEADERSHIP. JEWISH COMMUNITIES THE WORLD OVER, INCLUDING THE STATE OF ISRAEL, REQUIRE LEADERS STEEPED IN GENERAL AND JEWISH CULTURE, AND DEDICATED TO THE MEANINGFUL PERPETUATION AND CONTINUOUS RENEWAL OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE.

AT PRESENT, MOST GIFTED JEWISH YOUNGSTERS EXPERIENCE THEIR EDUCATIONAL GROWTH AND FULFILMENT IN GENERAL FRAMEWORKS. FEW EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ARE GEARED PRIMARILY TO PROMOTING A SENSE OF JEWISH PUBLIC SERVICE IN ADDITION TO INTELLECTUAL EXCELLENCE, CREATIVITY AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT.

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#### The Jerusalem Academy and Conference Center

#### **FOUNDERS**

In 1977, a handful of people got together in Jerusalem and took the first stride on the road to realization. In March of that year, the Jerusalem Society for the Advancement of Education and Culture was registered with the Israel Ministry of the Interior as a non-profit society. Its co-founders are Herbert Friedman, former Executive Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and Hertzel Fishman, Advisor to the Ministry of Education and Culture. They serve as Chairman and Deputy Chairman, respectively, of the Society's Executive Council.

Other members of the Society include:

Mrs. Ayala Zaks Abramov, Governor, International Museums

Mr. Avraham Agmon, Director General "Delek" Mr. Avraham Avihai, Chairman, Keren Hayesod

Mr. Walter Eytan, former Chairman of the Broadcasting Authority

Mr. Erwin Frenkel, Editor, "Jerusalem Post"

Mr. Teddy Kollek, Mayor of Jerusalem

Mr. Chaim Laskov, former Chief of Staff, Israeli Defense Forces

Mr. Israel Pollack, Director General of "Polgat"

Mr. Eliezer Shavit, Israel Representative, Education Fund of the U.J.A.

Mr. Aharon Yariv, Director, Institute for Strategic Studies, Tel Aviv University

The Hon. Yitshak Navon, President of the State of Israel, was a founding member of the Society and served on the Board of Trustees until his election to his present high office.

#### OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENT

The Jerusalem Society was established with the enthusiastic endorsement and encouragement of the then Minister of Education and Culture, Mr. Aharon Yadlin, who also requested the Israel Lands Authority to allocate, on reasonable terms, a 450 dunam (115 acre) area near Tsur Hadassah - Mevo Betar, 26 km (16 miles) from Jerusalem. Israel's current Minister of Education and Culture, Mr. Zevulun Hammer, has wholeheartedly reaffirmed his support for the project.

#### DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE

Mr. Zvi Toren, a distinguished architect from Tel Aviv, has been retained to draft architectural plans for the educational-cultural community. A detailed design has already been approved by the planning authorities at the local and regional level.

The projected community is scheduled to be built in four stages, the first to be completed by the summer of 1982. At that time, the Conference Center's facilities will be ready to accommodate the first resident guests and in September 1982, the Jerusalem Academy will open its doors to pupils in grades nine and ten. During each successive year, an additional grade will be added to the school and corresponding facilities to the Conference Center.

#### SOURCES OF SUPPORT

Building and endowment funds, as well as "seed money" for this unique educational complex are being solicited throughout the world. A network "Friends" will be organized on every continent to help build, develop, organize and maintain this exciting and singular project. Presently, tax-exempt supportive organizations exist in England and the U.S.A. An application has been made to the State Department for an A.I.D. grant.

#### The Jerusalem Academy

#### ACADEMIC SPONSORSHIP

An International Academic Council now in formation will advise the Society with respect to the policies and curricula of the Jerusalem Academy and Conference Center.

Its members to date include:

Raymond Aron (France), Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales
Saul Bellow (U.S.A.), Nobel Laureate in Literature, University of Chicago
Abba Eban (Israel), former Minister of Education and former Minister of
Foreign Affairs, Visiting Professor at Columbia University and the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton

Henry Rosovsky (U.S.A.), Dean, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University

Eugene Rostow (U.S.A.), former Under Secretary of State, Professor, Yale University Law School

Theodore Sizer (U.S.A.), Headmaster, Phillips Andover Academy John Thorn (England), Headmaster, Winchester College

The Society's Standing Committee on Education is headed by Seymour Fox, Dean, School of Education, Hebrew University.

#### STUDENT BODY

The Jerusalem Academy is a co-educational residential school for 480 carefully selected youngsters in grades 9 - 12. They will be chosen on the basis of a recognized leadership potential, school recommendations and intelligence scores. Half of them will come from Israel, the other half from the Diaspora. Each dormitory room will house one Israeli student and one student from abroad. The mutual influence upon one another will strengthen the concept of a "single Jewish people".

Qualified students from low-income families will be guaranteed scholarship assistance.

#### FACULTY

The permanent teaching staff at the Academy will reside on the premises in faculty homes. The faculty will be comprised of highly motivated individuals from Israel and the Diaspora who are exciting and competent teachers, sensitive and creative mentors, and committed and idealistic Jews. Each staff member will

be carefully chosen with a view to serving as a personal model for the pupils, and contributing to the creation of an exciting educational climate at the Academy.

#### CURRICULUM

The projected secondary school will aim to be one of the very best educational institutions in the world. The unique purpose of the school, its exceptional teachers, and the excellence of its curriculum, will readily enable its graduates to find acceptance at the finest institutions of higher learning anywhere in the world.

The curriculum will incorporate strong liberal arts and science components and a distinctive Judaic element; it will be implemented in small classes and encourage independent study and dialogue with teachers and peers.

#### **AESTHETICS**

The Academy will seek to cultivate in its student body an appreciation of the arts through a broad program of music, visual arts, drama and dance. The magnificent scenic view surrounding the site, the beauty of the campus and the architectural design of its buildings will provide a stimulating aesthetic environment conducive to enriching the pupils' creative efforts.

#### JEWISH TRADITION

The Academy will emphasize respect for the pluralistic development of the Jewish tradition. It will seek to strengthen the positive Jewish identity of its students by their participation in practices and rituals which have reflected the basic historic pattern of Judaism from time immemorial, while at the same time stressing the intellectual, moral and idealistic content of the Jewish heritage.

#### CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

In addition to the pursuit of excellence in academic studies, participation in individual sports and in group athletics, involvement in a wide variety of extra-curricular activities, sharing in programs of social work and in various work experiences, the Academy will seek to cultivate desirable character traits in its student body, such as personal integrity, initiative, self-reliance, mutual support and caring, responsibility and accountability.

#### STUDENTS FROM ABROAD

It is hoped that qualified pupils from the Diaspora will enroll for the entire four-year secondary school period. Nonetheless, when feasible, the Academy will also consider applications for shorter periods. While integrating themselves into the Academy's ethos and curriculum, these pupils will be offered special programs in keeping with their academic interests and requirements. No pupil from abroad will lose any school credits as a result of his or her studies at the Academy. Hebrew will be the language of instruction for the entire student body, but in basic required subjects, pupils from abroad will also be taught in English when necessary.

#### ACADEMY'S UNIQUENESS

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#### The Jerusalem Conference Center

#### **PURPOSE**

An International Conference Center with 150 spacious guest rooms will share the beautiful campus with the Jerusalem Academy. It will operate throughout the year and cater to both Israelis, and Jewish and non-Jewish visitors from abroad, serving as a common meeting ground for all. In addition to the broad scope of its cultural activities, the Center will sponsor specific programs aimed at strengthening Jewish identity and the unity of the Jewish people.

#### PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES

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The Conference Center will sponsor forums, lectures and short courses on general cultural, Jewish and Israeli subjects; art exhibits, and music, dance and drama festivals; seminars and conferences designed to strengthen the organic relationship between world Jewry and Israel; a permanent exhibit depicting the stages of Jewish history and the development of the State of Israel; meetings with authors, scholars and public figures; inter-religious and inter-cultural forums; workshops and guest participation in the visual and performing arts, including painting, ceramics, crafts, choral groups, music ensembles, folk dancing; recitals; athletics including swimming, tennis, handball, group sports; chess and bridge tournaments.

The Jerusalem Conference Center will seek to encourage the production of original works bearing themes relevant to Israel and the Jewish world - plays, instrumental and choral compositions, modern dance, poetry, art, films. It will serve as an international showcase for such creative efforts.

#### SPECIAL GROUP INTERESTS

Throughout the year special Israeli groups will be able to use the Center's facilities to conduct week-long or shorter period seminars and workshops for their members, such as educators, doctors, lawyers, workers' councils, municipal officials, civic and volunteer groups. Study missions to Israel from abroad, including United Jewish Appeal, Keren Hayesod, Israel Bonds, synagogue sponsored groups, affiliates of national Jewish organizations, Federation Executives, Hebrew school principals, teachers and lay leaders, will also be able to focus their activities within the center. The Conference Center will operate its own shuttle service to and from Jerusalem to supplement public transportation, while organized groups will be able to include the Center as part of their itinerary in Israel.

#### LEADERSHIP RENEWAL

In addition to group involvement in the activities of the Jerusalem Conference Center, individual Jewish leaders from Israel and the Diaspora will be able to benefit from the Center's ongoing programs and its creative atmosphere to recharge their own batteries of learning and inspiration, so that they might serve more efficiently in their own positions of communal responsibility. A section of the Center's facilities will be reserved for individuals from abroad spending their sabbaticals in Israel, who may wish to engage in systematic artistic creativity, or in study and dialogue in matters affecting the Jewish world.

#### INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL CAMPUS

Since there are now almost one million tourists visiting Israel each year, the Jerusalem Conference Center will serve as a stimulating social and cultural campus for visitors from abroad, especially those who toured Israel previously. Guests from overseas will benefit from the Center personally and directly because they, their families and friends can participate actively in its programs and facilities. Here they can meet and mingle with Israelis, and with Jews from all over the world, and share in forging cultural and social ties. The Center will also serve as a cultural and social retreat for some of the several thousand foreign students attending Israeli universities, and for volunteers from abroad who work in Israeli settlements.

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Gentlemen:

Accounting Period Ending: December 31
Form 990 Required: ☑ Yes ☐ No
Advance Ruling Period Ends: December 31, 1981

Based on the information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Because you are a newly created organization, we are not now making a final determination of your foundation status under section 509(a) of the Code. However, we have determined that you can reasonably be expected to be a publicly supported organization of the type described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and 509(a)(1).

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You are not liable for social security (FICA) taxes unless you file a waiver of exemption certificate as provided in the Federal Insurance Contributions Act. You are not liable for the taxes imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Organizations that are not private foundations are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other Federal excise taxes. If you have any questions concerning these taxes, please let us know.

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation is changed, you should let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your status. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

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You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

cc: Peter H. Jakes, Peter W. Schmidt, c/o Willkie, Farr and Gallagher

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I have been dreaming about this project for many years. As you know, I am not an idle dreamer. The land has been allocated, we have the first architectural plans and renderings, and now I have come to the United States with my family in order to find partners to bring the dream to realization.

There are three crucial areas where I need your help:

- Seed money is required in order to enable us to continue our planning (i.e. further architectural and engineering studies) and operations. Can you personally make a tax-deductible contribution in the range of \$250 to \$1,000, or help obtain such amounts from friends? Checks should be made payable to "American Friends of the Jerusalem Academy".
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## **Shedding That Preppy Image**

At age 200, Andover reaches out "to youth from every quarter"

n 1778 Samuel Phillips, a 26-year-old gunpowder manufacturer concerned about the "decay of virtue, public and private," began a school with a noble idea: to teach "the great end and real business of living." The school itself was more humble: 13 students, ages six to 30, enrolled under the tutelage of Calvinist Eliphalet ("Elephant") Pearson in a converted carpenter's shop in Andover, Mass. "On Monday the scholars recite what they can remember of the sermons heard on the Lord's day previous," wrote Pearson in 1780. "On Saturday the bills are paid and the punishments administered."

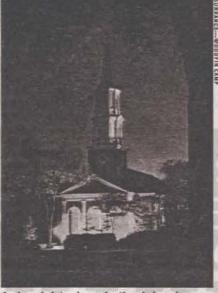
This week Phillips Academy, better known as Andover, will celebrate its 200th birthday with well-deserved pomp. Andover is in the top rank of American preparatory schools—and in the forefront of their effort to become more than sheltered preserves for rich men's sons. TIME's Evan Thomas, a 1969 alumnus, revisited Andover and reported:

Set amidst 450 acres of sweeping lawns and arching elms, Andover brims with history. Paul Revere engraved its seal; John Hancock signed its charter; George Washington addressed the school in 1789 (on horseback). English classes meet in a cupolaed schoolhouse designed by Charles Bulfinch in 1819; red brick Georgian-style buildings, many built through the beneficence of a Morgan partner in the 1920s, grace the campus.



Stargazing from the school's observatory

Age and wealth, breadth and excellence.



Andover's interdenominational chapel
A waning of "muscular Christianity."

In addition to legions of capitalists, the school has produced public servants like Henry Stimson and George Bush. Yale, the Los Angeles Times and New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art are all headed by Andover graduates. Other alumni include the Rev. William Sloane Coffin, Dr. Benjamin Spock, Tarzan Creator Edgar Rice Burroughs, Actor Jack Lemmon. Humphrey Bogart never got his diploma; he was kicked out in 1918 for "incontrollably high spirits."

The nation's oldest incorporated independent school, Andover goes from ninth through twelfth grade. Its 683 boys and 405 girls come from 45 states and 14 foreign countries. About 6% of the students are black or Hispanic; there are also students like the coal miner's daughter who was unable to sleep in her dormitory bed because she was used to sleeping on the floor (the school lent her a sleeping bag).

ndover, nonetheless, is not exactly an academic Ellis Island. Some 14% of the students are alumni children. Next year's tuition will come to \$4,975, more than most American families can pay, and the student roster lists some blue-chip names, among them, John F. Kennedy Jr. But this year Andover handed out \$1 million in financial aid to 30% of its students, and the full tuition charge is still only half of what it costs to educate each student. A \$57 million endowment and \$600,000 in annual alumni giving make up the difference. In 1976 the school also began a \$50 million fund-raising campaign. Andover needs the money, says Headmaster Theodore Sizer, to maintain diversity and excellence in an era of high inflation and soft stock markets. A boyish-looking former dean of Harvard's Graduate School of Education, Sizer, 45, remembers that, as an undergraduate at Yale in the early '50s, he "frankly resented" Andover boys. "They came arms linked," says Sizer, "and left arms linked." At Harvard, his focus was mostly on education in public high schools. Since coming to Andover as its twelfth headmaster in 1972, he has worked hard at fulfilling its charter: to be ever equally open to youth of requisite qualifications from every quarter." He set up Short Term Institutes, which bring some 95 high school students a year to Andover for intensive six- to ten-week seminars in a single subject, and an accelerated math and science program for minority students at the school's 700-student sum-



Disc jockey broadcasting over Andover's student-run radio station

An opportunity to learn "the great end and real business of living."

#### Education

mer session. With middle-class families facing ever increasing tuition costs, Andover is taking more and more of their chil-

dren for just a year or two.

Though a few faculty members grumble that Sizer is "using the school as a laboratory for his social experiments," others applaud him. Sizer likes to recall Andover's greatest benefactors: John Watzek, an immigrant's son who spent only a year at the school in 1910 but gave it \$5.8 million between 1958 and 1973; Walter Leeds, who came to Andover in 1905 on scholarship and was kicked out nine months later, yet remembered the school in his will last year to the tune of \$5 million

ndover's reputation as a national and A "democratic" school is not new. Moreover, it is shared by Andover's great rival and sister school, Phillips Exeter Academy (965 students, \$47 million endowment), founded by Samuel Phillips' uncle, John Phillips, in 1781. But for years, democratic was the last word used to describe most New England boarding

schools. No longer. Other first-line schools-St. Paul's (497 students, \$46 million endowment), Groton (300 students, \$17.7 million), Deerfield (558, \$21 million), Lawrenceville (700, \$24 million), Hotchkiss (478, \$10.4 million), and Choate Rosemary Hall (920, \$11.7 million)-have also sought a wider range of students. Limited resources, rather than any residue of snobbery, keep them from reaching further. Inflation has forced all of them into massive money-raising efforts and budget tightening. The admissions picture is more bullish, thanks partly to the declining quality of public schools. Applications are up at top prep schools, and the percentage of children in private schools around the country has been increasing.

The biggest change in New England boarding schools is, in a word, girls. Since

1970 Andover, Exeter, St. Paul's, Groton, Hotchkiss, Middlesex and St. Mark's have all gone coed. With the girls came the easing of once strict daily regimens. Traditionally, schools such as Groton and St. Paul's tried to imbue their boys with a "muscular Christianity" through spartan rigor in almost monastic isolation. Chapel at these Episcopal Church schools was required every day and twice on Sunday; supervision was so strict that at Groton, seventh-graders were given black marks for going out in the rain without rubber overshoes, and eleventh-graders had to ask permission to go to the bathroom during study hours. Then came the virulent student discontent of the late '60s. After some bitter rear-guard struggles, the schools emerged with female students (of the top schools, only Deerfield and Lawrenceville remain all male) and far more freedom: relaxed dress codes; fewer required chapels, meals and study halls; more weekends away. "We treat them like human beings now," says Exeter Principal Stephen Kurtz, "not just as pupils."

At Andover rules have been whittled down to the "essentials." Except for taking drugs, drinking liquor or engaging in sexual intercourse, students can do what they want where they want, as long as they meet class and athletic appointments and return to their dormitories by 10 p.m. (11 p.m. for seniors). Even room visiting between the sexes is now permitted, though it is limited to a couple of hours

in the early evening.

The result is a cheerful, creative, motley-looking student body. Beating Exeter in football and hockey is no longer the student body's chief interest; Andover, like other schools, has seen an explosion of interest in art, music, drama and dance. Boy-girl friendships are easygoing, though formal dating is rare and romances do not last long in the fishbowl of a residential school. "The school used to be rigorous but humorless," says English Department Head Kelly Wise. "Now there is more laughter and joy and excitement than there was a few years ago." And every bit as much schoolwork. The days when more than half of Andover's senior class sailed into Yale or Harvard are long gone. Andover still gets 40% of its seniors into Ivy League schools, but the competition for "thick letters" on "Black Monday"-the day in mid-April when Ivy acceptances arrive-is still fierce.

hether or not they make it into Harvard, as 42 did this year, Andover's 376 seniors will be well prepared for college. In classes averaging fewer than twelve students, the school's first-rate faculty drills home such basics as English competence, a writing course required of all entering students. After fulfilling a rigorous core of requirements, students can choose electives ranging from infinite series and differential equations to

calligraphy.

At their best, the electives have the intensity and ferment of Kelly Wise's novel and drama course. Wise's teaching style is vastly different from that of Georgie Hinman, a legendary Latin teacher of an earlier Andover who stabbed penknives into his peg leg to express disapproval and made students flush bad translations down the toilet. Wise, in contrast, has a more casual attitude toward the 14 seniors in his class. "I don't act as a sage," says Wise. "Sometimes I lie and dissemble and distort to provoke them, to make it impossible for them to sit there neutrally." He succeeds. The class bubbies on about a Flannery O'Connor story. oblivious to a bright spring morning outside and even to the end-of-class buzzer. "I don't sandbag or bluff them." says Wise, "I try to challenge them."

So does the venerable but still vigorous school that Sam Phillips founded 200 years ago with his gunpowder profits and his grand hopes.

#### Kudos: Round 2

Boston University G. William Miller. LL.D., chairman, Federal Reserve Board.

Ella Fitzgerald, L.H.D., singer:

Denison University Cyrus Eaton, L.H.D., industrialist. Far-seeing financier and industrial planner; beloved guardian of higher education; world-renowned worker for trade, peace and understanding among nations.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute I.M. Pei. D.F.A., architect.

Rutgers University Eudora Welty, Litt.D., writer. You have confirmed our instinctive knowledge that while our battles are all ultimately "losing battles," it is in them that we affirm the mixture of folly and dignity that makes us human.

Swarthmore College Margaret Kuhn. L.H.D., Grav Panthers leader, For making it possible in a still young nation to celebrate old age.

University of Massachusetts James Baldwin, L.H.D., writer.

Mike Wallace, L.H.D., CBS News correspondent

W. Arthur Garrity, LL.D., federal district judge.

University of Notre Dame William F. Buckley, LL.D., author, editor. A stowaway foretopman on the ship of state; a.

franc-tireur for the West and Christendom; a Burke, a Roland, a Quixote, with a whiff of Falstaff and a swing of the snickersnee.

University of Pennsylvania Art Buchwald, LL.D. humorist.

Patricia Harris, LL.D., Secretary of

Wayne State University Douglas Fraser. L.H.D., president of the United Auto Workers.

Yale University Joseph Brodsky, Litt.D.,

Nancy Hanks, L.H.D., former chairman, National Endowment for the Arts. Meyer Schapiro, L.H.D., scholar. Gershom Scholem, D.D., philosopher.

#### TRANSCRIPT OF A TAPE RECORDING

This is Herbert Friedman speaking.

You have heard me say over and over that the power of the Jewish people lies in its moral quality. That is the four thousand year secret of our survival. The physical and material strength manifested during the last two generations enabled us to build the State of Israel, without which we would have indeed perished as a people. But exactly as we glory in the new-found independence, so do we know that reliance on arms alone will not lead us to success in our unique mission. Our destiny has been to search for life's moral purpose and to transmit these values to mankind. The hallmark of our genius always was to hold aloft the vision of an ideal society based upon the worthwhileness of man. This depended on expanding the knowledge and molding the character of our people in a moral direction.

The way we achieved this was through the schools we built.

I'm coming to you now with a simple but sublime idea, to build a school in Israel which we shall call the Jerusalem Academy. Situated on a hill top in the Judean mountains 25 kms. from the center of the capitol, near the valley where David met Goliath, in the heart of our Biblical homeland, the campus will cover about 100 acres, containing a world of its own, dormitories, study halls, laboratories, faculty residences, libraries, synagogue, sport fields and amphitheater. The school will be built as a residential, co-educational secondary school for 480 boys and girls of ages 14-18, geared to academic excellence and leadership training. It will aim to develop in its students sound scholarship, desirable character and self-reliance, as well as a commitment to work for the good of the Jewish people and mankind. The students will become immersed in an intellectual atmosphere which will enable them to understand and to love the heritage of their people, and its contribution to mankind. All of this, of course, will be in addition to the regular academic courses of study required for admission to any of the great universities in the world. The intermingling of Jewish and general studies in a common high-level curriculum is a natural framework for students of high intelligence, who are likely to become leaders in the Jewish world. Half the students will be from within Israel and the other half from the diaspora all over the world. Students will be carefully selected, based on scholastic and intelligence scores, recommendations and interviews. Each student will belong to and live in one of eight dormitory clusters. Each cluster will be headed by a dean assisted by 4 faculty members who will serve as dormitory counsellors. The Israeli student and the diaspora student will share rooms together, thus coming to

understand each other's psychology and language, establishing life long friendships. The mutual influence upon one another will be educationally beneficial, and the concept of one united Jewish people will become very real. Teachers and students together will manage their own affairs. The dormitory cluster will create the intimate atmosphere of a small community in which everyone knows everyone else, and where responsibility will be shared by all.

Faculty members will combine their teaching duties with the role of advisors, and will be accessible in the dormitory, at athletics and extra curricular activities, at meals and in the evenings. Each student will be assigned to a counsellor. The ratio of teacher to student will be about 1 to 12, an almost perfect tutorial situation. There will be no more than 20 students in each class and many of the seminars will be much smaller than that. The curriculum will combine a required core of liberal arts, plus Hebraic studies, plus many electives designed to fit the interests and the capabilities of the individual student. Hebrew language and literature, civilization, bible, philosophy, religion, all basic subjects of a deep intensive Jewish learning, will be offered hand in hand with English language and culture, foreign languages, science, mathematics, history -- all the subjects required for a student who graduates from this school to enter any one of the great universities in the world, Yale or Harvard, Oxford of Cambridge, the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, or the Sorbonne in Paris. Every student, I am sure, will qualify to enter any university of his choice.

Athletics will figure prominently in the curriculum. At least 2 hours every afternoon will be devoted to individual or intramural sports. A full program of social events will take place, movies, dances, concerts, plays. There will be frequent trips throughout Israel of course, and there will be trips to Europe during the years of the student's stay at the school. The Sabbath will be a major institution at the Jerusalem Academy. It will be spent in prayer, song, ceremony, Jewish culture and recreation. Guest speakers will come. Celebrations will be created. The Jewish traditions will be honored and developed at the Jerusalem Academy. The dietary laws will be observed.

The unique advantages of this school are very clear. It will provide the high standard of general education which the student could receive at the best private secondary school anywhere in the world, <u>plus</u> the full, rich Jewish education and personal experience in Israel he could not get anywhere else other than at this school, <u>plus</u> an emphasis on commitment and service to the Jewish people, which may in the long run be the highest educational gain of all.

For this school will shape the student's Jewish identity and develop a positive attitude towards the performance of duty on behalf of the Jewish people and the Jewish State.

Sharing the campus with the Academy will be an international Conference Center which will operate throughout the year. The Center will have 150 guest rooms and a youth hostel, and will offer art, social and sport facilities which will enable couples and entire families to benefit from its activities. Israelis will be able to frequent the Center, especially over weekends, holidays and vacation periods, while tourists will be able to use the Center as a base while they are in Israel. The Conference Center will sponsor forums, lectures, and short courses on general, cultural Jewish and Israeli subjects. There will be all sorts of workshops in painting, ceramics, choral groups, music, folk dance, recitals, art exhibitions and drama festivals. There will be seminars and conferences designed to strengthen the organic relationship between world Jewry and Israel. There will be meetings with authors, scholars, and public figures. There will be an endless variety of cultural, educational, recreational services available to those who will come to the Center. Throughout the year there will be Israeli groups using the Center's facilities for retreats and seminars. There will be study missions to Israel from abroad, whether they be United Jewish Appeal, Israel Bonds, Keren Hayesod, Synagogues, all national and international Jewish organizations. And perhaps most important of all the Center will serve as a place where individual Jewish leaders, both from within Israel and the diaspora, will be able to come for personal spiritual renewal, to recharge their own batteries of learning and inspiration so that they might serve more effectively in their positions of communal responsibility.

The Jerusalem Academy with its accompanying Conference Center has met with the approval of all the authorities in Israel to whom I've presented the idea. The previous Minister of Education approved the project almost a year ago, vigorously supportive of the whole idea. The new Minister of Education, a man of religious inclination, enthusiastically said that he saw in this project a possibility of bringing Judaism to large numbers of secular students and their families. The Ministry of the Interior and the Ministry of Finance have approved, the Israel Government Land Authority has approved. All the requisite legalities have been finished. In the United States, the Internal Revenue Service has granted tax deductibility to "The American Friends of the Jerusalem Academy and Conference Center". We've now reached the point where it is necessary to gather the seed money which is essential to move the project from concept to reality.

The seed money required is about \$250,000, which is needed for a variety of work. Studies that must be done on the site, include boring of the rock, climatological studies, aerial topographic studies, surveys, and all of the necessary documentation and licenses which have to be aquired in order to begin a building project of this magnitude. The architectural team needs a year or a year and a half to do the detailed drawings. Over 500,000 square feet of space must be built, and this will take hundreds and hundreds of pages of blue-prints. Brochures have to be printed, curriculum studies have to be done, a small office in Jerusalem has to be maintained, fund raising trips abroad have to be taken. No one person is being asked for a very large amount of money, at this stage. Some people have already given \$10,000, and some people have given \$1,000. That's the range of contribution we are seeking. Leonard Bell was kind enough and believed in this project enough to write the first letter to a selected list of men whose sense of vision and inspiration, whose deep ideological beliefs and convictions, whose love for Israel and whose belief in the Jewish people would be strong enough to motivate them to lend the first support to this project.

I don't want to put this idea on a personal basis. Nevertheless, I've had it in the back of my mind for 25 years, and have worked on it <u>hard</u> now, to bring it to the point at which it now stands. There is a saying that an institution is but the lengthened shadow of a man. So, in this case if you feel that the dreams which I have given to you in the past and which I am offering to you now, have any worth, and can be concretized into any lasting value -- now is the time to come forward with the small help which is required.

The Ben Gurions of the future can come from this school. The community and Federation leaders of every Jewish community in the world can come from this school — these leaders will be your sons and daughters. If you can sense the vision which is implicit in this, if you can feel by intuition how the Jewish people will benefit from the fruits to be reaped by shaping the best of our youth, if you can feel that this is your personal project in Israel, something which you will be building, something which you will use, then you will share this dream with me. And if you do, then I would appreciate whatever you can do to make it a reality, so that it will take root and grow in the beautiful soil of a lovely mountain hillside outside the city of Jerusalem, devoting itself to the eternal task of shaping the moral quality of the Jewish people and the land of Israel.

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#### Statement of Plan and Purpose of the School

The plan calls for the creation of a Boarding School for 480 gifted and highly motivated students, boys and girls, ages 14 - 18, covering grades 9 - 12, in which they will receive an education no other school in the world can offer.

Half of the students will come from Israel, half from the countries of the Diaspora. All students will live in dormitories, which will have a few single and double rooms, but will consist mainly of four-student suites. Two Israeli and two Diaspora students will share the unit. Each type of student has a different mentality, each has much to learn from the other. Through common experience, strong links will develop between them and their families, cementing the sense of unity of the Jewish people.

The <u>educational</u> purpose of the school is to give students the intellectual equipment that will enable every graduate to qualify for the university of his choice anywhere in the world, including the most renowned institutions of higher learning. The <u>Jewish</u> purpose of the school is to provide a total immersion in Jewish identification backed up by knowledge of the Bible, history, religion and philosophy. Knowledge and self-knowledge will lead to that deep sense of commitment to the preservation and continued flourishing of Judaism and Israel which is the quintessential reason for the school's existance.

The broad <u>cultural</u> purpose of the school is to expose the student to a full range of experiences in all spheres of human endeavor, to open his mind to the possibilities and challenges of the 21st Century, to impart the value of good manners, personal ethical conduct and responsibility. In short, the shaping of character and the building of leaders is the primary objective.

This threefold purpose can only be achieved with the help of a superior faculty, full use of every hour which the closed environment of a boarding school can provide, plentifully endowed programs and a broad planning perspective.

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The faculty will be the best that can be recruited in Israel and abroad, consisting of teachers who are charismatic, exciting, innovative, motivated in the classroom and willing to assume a personal tutorial relationship with the individual student. Free housing for the teachers and their families on campus and good salaries will provide material incentives. By living on campus, inviting students to their houses, sharing with them sport, games, field trips and a cup of tea, faculty persons will exert a beneficial influence in shaping the student's character, help develop a sense of values, define the goals and be able to make full use of the opportunity to elate, inspire and ennoble. Without minimizing the work accomplished by the teacher in the classroom, his/her effect outside of it will probably be even more significant.

In addition to the permanent faculty, there will be a constant flow of visiting teachers. Some will be Israeli university professors brought in for a special lecture or a full day of study devoted to a specific subject; others will be world famous educators and scientists from abroad who will enlarge the students' horizons; others will be prominent personalities from the world of the arts, sports, literature or politics, who will come to the campus for a school-wide event.

Classes will be kept small: 12 - 15 students to a section, at most. They will sit around an oval table with their teacher, not only listening to his lecture, but engaging in a stimulating dialogue on the subject taught. Each student will have a personal tutorial relationship to a faculty person. This relationship will be continuously tested and changed until the very best interreaction can be obtained, even a bond of love if possible, between student and tutor. The tutor will be counselor, guide, confidant and will serve in loco parentis, as a friend and model.

Languages of instruction will be both Hebrew and English, the object being to enable every student to become fluent in both languages. In addition, other languages will be offered - French, German, Russian and Arabic. Students who enter without knowledge of either English or Hebrew will attend special

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preparatory courses in these languages.

The school will be built in the Judean Hills, about 25 minutes by car from the city of Jerusalem, inside the pre-1967 borders. Housing facilities will be available on campus for visiting parents. The chosen location offers a broad vista of rolling hills, with the new settlements of Gush Etzion visible on a neighboring range, and the valley of Elah, where David fought Goliath, just a short distance away.

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Proximity to the city will enable the school to take advantage of all the historic, religious and cultural opportunities which Jerusalem, and only Jerusalem, offers. At the same time, the distance from the city will enable students and faculty to live and work among the unspoiled natural beauty of the countryside. Thus, in tranquil isolation, but touched by the emotional influence of the Eternal City's nearness, young people from all over the world will come together for four years of study, absorbing the knowledge accumulated by mankind and the faith and wisdom of their own people.

It will be a group of very special young people who, upon graduation from this school, will step out into a lifetime of service to the Jewish people and the land of Israel, armed with the knowledge that true strength lies in moral quality and intellectual integrity.

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# FACT SHEET ON THE JERUSALEM ACADEMY AND CONFERENCE CENTER

Re: Application to A.S.H.A. (A.I.D.) for grant in fiscal 1980 of \$1.8 million for construction of Stage One.

HISTORY: In March 1977 the non-profit Society for the Advancement of Education and Culture was founded with the aim to build and maintain a high school with residential facilities modeled on Andover and Exeter, and, on the same campus, a conference center patterned after Aspen, Arden House and Harrison House.

The Society's founders are Rabbi Herbert Friedman, former Executive Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and Hertzel Fishman, Advisor to the Israel Ministry of Education and Culture, who serve as Chairman and Deputy Chairman, respectively. Both are American citizens.

DEVELOPMENT: The Israel Lands Authority has agreed to allocate II2 acres of land near Jerusalem for the purpose. The land will have to be purchased.

Site utilization plans; studies of electricity, water supply and sewage disposal; and detailed architectural drawings for Stage One of the building program have been completed. Construction work is due to begin in the spring of 1980 and the first I20 students are scheduled to be accepted in September 1982. Stage One will consist of two dormitories, eight faculty apartments, one classroom building, a dining hall and three staff cottages.

THE JERUSALEM ACADEMY: At its completion 480 students will comprise the full complement of the boarding school. The school will be co-educational and non-sectarian. Scholastic excellence will be the only criterion for admission. Scholarships will be available to any student requiring financial assistance.

The majority of the students will be non-American citizens and the curriculum will be developed to give them an intensive appreciation of American history and government, the ethical basis of American democracy, perspective of American culture, values of American society and a feeling for what constitutes American greatness. English will be the first language for many students, and a second language for all the students.

Qualified students will be accepted regardless of race, creed, sex or nationality, in keeping with the principles governing a democratic, pluralistic and open society to which Israel adheres. The school will open its doors to youngsters from Arab countries, should they wish to apply, and will also make scholarships available to those who require it. The Academy can thus become a crucible in which Israelis, including Jews, Christians and Moslems, as well as students from abroad will be formed in a common humanitarian outlook. Close personal ties will develop and will become a solid base for peace and understanding when the graduates will rise to the positions of responsibility in their respective

nations and communities for which the school prepares them.

The Jerusalem Academy will be the only secondary school in the entire Middle Eastern region to combine scholastic excellence, enabling graduates to be accepted by the best universities in the U.S.A. and in the Western world, with an active conscious striving for the ideals of democracy, freedom and goodwill.

The faculty will consist of competent and highly motivated educators, both U.S. citizens and other nationals who have either been graduated from or studied at U.S. institutions.

An international academic council will serve in an advisory capacity in matters relating to curriculum. To date the following persons of repute have agreed to be members:

Raymond Aron (France), Professor, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales

Saul Bellow (U.S.A.), Nobel Laureate in Literature, University of Chicago

Abba Eban (Israel), former Minister of Education and former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Visiting Professor at Colombia University and the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton University

Henry Rosovsky (U.S.A.), Dean, Faculty of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University

Eugene Rostow (U.S.A.), former Under Secretary of State, Professor, Yale University School of Law

Theodore Sizer (U.S.A.), Headmaster, Phillips Andover Academy

John Thorn (England), Headmaster, Winchester College

THE CONFERENCE CENTER: The programming at the Conference Center, which will also cater to a majority of non-Americans, will bring to the participants lectures and short courses on American democracy and foreign affairs, literature, music, drama, films and other intellectual and cultural achievements. It will provide seminar facilities for groups from all over the world, non-Jews and Jews, and will serve as a forum for international and interfaith dialogues, with emphasis on Arab-Israeli reconciliation.

SOURCES OF SUPPORT: The cost of Stage One of the educational complex will come to approximately \$9 million. In September 1978 an application for \$1.8 million (20% of the total estimated cost) of A.I.D. funds was submitted to the office of American Schools and Hospitals abroad, State Department. The sponsoring organizations, first and foremost the "American Friends of the Jerusalem Academy and Conference Center", will raise the largest part (80%) of the construction costs and all the endowment funds, for scholarships.

RATIONALE: The Academy and Conference Center are unique. No similar institution exists in Israel or in the entire Middle Eastern region. They are bound to make a significant contribution to the growth of democracy, to the appreciation of American values and to international understanding.

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THE JERUSALEM ACADEMY — is a co-educational, non-sectarian high school with residential facilities, modeled on Andover and Exeter, to be built on 112 acres of land already rented from the Israel Lands Authority. When completed it will accommodate 480 students.

Construction is due to begin in the summer of 1980 and the first 120 students in grades 9 and 10 are scheduled to be accepted in September, 1982.

Construction costs are estimated at \$9 million. The A.S.H.A. grant would thus cover 20% of the cost. The remaining 80% will be raised from private sources by the sponsoring organization, plus 100% of the needed scholarship funds.

ADMISSION CRITERIA -- Scholastic excellence and good character will be the only criteria for admission. Scholarships will be available to any student requiring financial assistance. No applicant will be turned away only because of inability to pay tuition and board.

Qualified students will be accepted regardless of race, creed, sex, or nationality. The school will open its doors to youngsters from Arab countries who would wish to apply and will make scholarships available also to them. The Academy hopes to become a crucible in which Israelis, including Jews, Christians and Moslems, as well as students from abroad will be formed in a common humanitarian outlook. Close personal ties will develop and will become a solid base for peace and understanding when the graduates will rise to the positions of responsibility in their respective countries and communities for which the school prepares them.

CURRICULUM — The majority of students will be non-American citizens, and the curriculum will give them an intensive appreciation of American history, and government, the ethical basis of American democracy and a perspective of American culture, values and greatness. English will be the first language of many students, and a second language for all the students.

The Jerusalem Academy will be the only secondary school in the entire Middle Eastern region to combine scholastic excellence, enabling graduates to be accepted by the best universities of the Western world, with an active conscious striving for the ideals of democracy, freedom and international goodwill.

In Israel the institution will be maintained by a non-profit organization, the "Society for the Advancement of Education and Culture", whose President Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, former Executive Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, is also the President of the American sponsoring organization. Rabbi Friedman is an American Citizen.

THE CONFERENCE CENTER -- will serve as a forum for international and inter-faith dialogues, with emphasis on Arab-Israel reconciliation. No funding from A.I.D. has been requested for the Center.

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#### STATEMENT OF PLAN AND PURPOSE OF BOARDING SCHOOL

The plan is to create a Boarding School for 480 students, ages 14 - 18, covering grades 9 - 12, to be called the Jerusalem Academy. Half of the students will come from Israel and half from the Diaspora communities. All students will live in the dormitories, two students in a room, one Israeli one Diaspora. It is hoped that strong links will develop between them and their families, which will last for a lifetime. Each has a different mentality, and each has much to learn from the other.

The educational purpose of the school is to provide a superior curriculum, with a very wide variety of extra-curricular activies, and a full program of sports, which will enable every graduate to qualify for the university of his choice anywhere in the world.

The Jewish purpose of the school is to provide a total sense of Jewish identification and self-pride, backed up by a knowledge of Bible, history, religion, philosophy. The combination of knowledge and pride will lead to that deep sense of commitment to the survival of Jews, Judaism and Israel which is one of the chief reasons for the school's existence.

The broad cultural purpose of the school is to expose the student to a full range of experiences in the major art fields; to open his mind to the possibilities of the 21st. century; to develop his manners and personal conduct as a gentleman; to give him self-confidence and bearing.

These three purposes can only be achieved through a superior faculty; full use of every hour, which is possible in the closed environment of a dormitory school; plentiful expenditure on program; and a very broad planning perspective.

The faculty will be the best which can be recruited in Israel and abroad. Housing to be provided on the campus for each faculty family, plus good salaries, will hopefully be sufficient to overcome material problems. What remains is to find the teachers who are charismatic, exciting, motivated in the classroom, and willing to assume personal tutorial relationships with the individual students who will be assigned to them outside the classroom. By living on campus, inviting students into their houses, sharing sports, field trips and a cup of tea, the faculty will have a continuous effect in shaping the character of the students, developing their sense of values, define the goals, and in every conceivable way, serving to elate, inspire and ennoble. Without minimizing the work that the teacher will do in the classroom, his effect outside of it will probably be even more signi icant.

In addition to the permanent faculty, there will be a constant flow of visiting teachers. Some will be Israeli university professors brought for a special study lecture or a full study day on a specific subject; others will be world famous professors from abroad who can enlarge our students' horizons; others will be stellar personalities in the arts or sports or literature or politics who will come to the campus for a school-wide event.

Classes will be small - 20 students to a section. Each student will have a personal tutorial relationship to a faculty person. This relationship will be tested and changed until the very best reaction can be obtained, even love if possible, between student and tutor. The tutor will be counsellor, guide, confidant and will serve in loco parentis, as friend and model.

Languages of instruction will be both Hebrew and English, the object being to enable every student to become fluently bi-lingual. In addition, other modern languages will be offered - probably French, German and Russian. Obviously arrangements will have to be made for students (i.e. from Latin America or Western Europe) who enter without knowledge of either English or Hebrew, but these will probably be individual cases, and will be dealt with accordingly.

The school will be built in the Judean Hills, about 25 minutes by car from the city of Jerusalem. Housing facilities will be provided on campus for parents who come to visit their children. The planned location offers a broad vista of rolling hills, with the new settlements of Gush Etzion visible on a parallel range of hills not far away, and the Valley of Elah, where David fought Goliath, just a five minute drive.

Proximity to the city will enable us to take advantage of all the historic, religious and cultural facilities which Jerusalem offers. At the same time, the short drive from the city will enable us to live and work amid the wild beauty and trees of the natural country-side. Thus, in relative isolation, but within the emotional shadow of the Eternal City, young Jews from all over the world will come together for years of study, soaking up the universal knowledge of mankind, and the particularistic faith and knowledge of their own people. All this, combined with sports and arts, should make them very special young people, who will march forward into a lifetime of service to the Jewish people and the land of Israel.

## THE JERUSALEM SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE

#### FOUNDERS

In March, 1977, The Jerusalem Society for the Advancement of Education and Culture was registered with the Israel Ministry of the Interior as a non-profit, Ottoman Society. Its co-founders are Herbert Friedman, former Executive Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and Hertzel Fishman, Advisor to the Ministry of Education and Culture. They serve as Chairman and Deputy Chairman, respectively, of the Society's Executive Council.

The initial members of the Society include:

Avrham Agmon, Director General of "Delek"

Gershon Avner, former Secretary to the Government

Walter Eytan, Chairman of the Broadcasting Authority

Hertzel Fishman, Advisor to the Ministry of Education and Culture

Erwin Frenkel, Editor of the "Jerusalem Post"

Herbert Friedman, Former Executive Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal

Teddy Kollek, Mayor of Jerusalem

Yitzhak Navon, Member of the Knesset

Israel Pollack, Director General of "Polgat"

Eliezer Shavit, Israel Representative of the Education Fund of the United Jewish Appeal

Eliezer Shmueli, Director General of the Ministry of Education and Culture

#### PURPOSE

The two main purposes of the Jerusalem Society are to build and maintain near Jerusalem a secondary school with residential facilities for gifted youth from Israel and the Diaspora; and on the same campus to build and maintain a creative conference center which will serve both Israelis and Jews from abroad.

#### OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENT

The Jerusalem Society was established after having received the enthusiastic endorsement and encouragement of the Minister of Education and Culture, Mr. Aharon Yadlin, who also requested the Israel Lands Authority to allocate to the Society, on reasonable terms, a 500 dunam area near Tsur Hadassah-Mevo Betar, 26 km. from Jerusalem, on which to build its school and conference center.

In August 1977, shortly after the Israeli national elections, the approval of the Ministry of Education and Culture for the project was wholeheartedly reaffirmed by the new Minister, Mr. Zevulun Hammer.

#### DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE

Mr. Z. Toren, distinguished architect from Tel Aviv, was named by the Society to begin drafting architectural plans for the educational-cultural community. His first detailed design will be ready for submission by mid-1978. The projected community is scheduled to be built in five stages, the first to be completed by the summer of 1981. At that time, the Conference Center's facilities will be ready to accommodate the first resident guests in addition to daily visitors, and in September 1981, the Jerusalem Academy will open its doors to half of the projected number of pupils in grades nine and ten. During each successive year, an additional grade will be added to the school and corresponding facilities to the Conference Center. At each stage, appropriate academic, residential, social and athletic facilities will enlarge the scope of the community.

#### SOURCES OF SUPPORT

Building and endowment funds for the educational and cultural community will be solicited throughout the world. A network of "Friends of the Jerusalem Society for the Advancement of Education and Culture" will be organized on every continent to help build, develop and maintain this exciting and singular project. This network of "Friends" will also assist in recruiting qualified pupils for the Academy and in publicizing the Conference Center. In the autumn of 1977, tax-exempt status was granted by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service to the "American Friends of the Jerusalem Academy and Conference Center".

#### **ADDRESS**

The address of the Jerusalem Society for the Advancement of Education and Culture is: 17 Abarbanel Street, Jerusalem, Israel. Its Jerusalem telephone number is: 67728.

#### RATIONALE

The future of Judaism and the Jewish people rests largely on the calibre of its leadership. Jewish communities the world over, including the State of Israel, require future leaders steeped in general and Jewish culture, and dedicated to the meaningful perpetuation and continuous renewal of the Jewish people.

At present, most gifted Jewish youngsters experience their educational growth and fulfilment in general, non-Jewish frameworks, and organized Jewry remains bereft of their talents and potential leadership. Few Jewish educational institutions are geared primarily to promoting a sense of Jewish leadership and public service in addition to intellectual

excellence, creativity and character development. Many societies have knowingly sought to educate and cultivate their leaders in the classrooms of independent schools which, in the course of time, have become famous for the high calibre of their graduates. The time has come for the Jewish people to have its own unique educational institution to serve a similar purpose. The Jerusalem Academy will be devoted to the training and education of outstanding Jewish youth for leadership roles in Jewish life, as well as in the life of the general community wherever such individuals will eventually establish their homes.

The projected secondary school will aim to be one of the very best educational institutions in the world. It is anticipated that the unique purpose of the school, its exceptional teachers, and the excellence of its curriculum, will readily enable its graduates to find acceptance at the finest institutions of higher learning anywhere in the world. While operating under the supervision of the Israel Ministry of Education and Culture, the Academy will have its own Board of Governors, and will enjoy financial support from sources throughout the world.

#### STUDENT BODY

The Jerusalem Academy is a co-educational residential school for 480 carefully selected youngsters in grades 9 - 12. They will be chosen on the basis of a recognized leadership potential, school recommendations and intelligence scores. Half of them will come from Israel, the other half from the Diaspora. Each dormitory room will house one Israeli student and one student from abroad. The mutual influence upon one another will be most beneficial, and the concept of a "single Jewish people" will be strengthened and developed.

#### FACULTY

The permanent teaching staff at the Academy will reside on the premises in faculty homes. The faculty will be comprised of highly motivated individuals from Israel and the Diaspora who are exciting and competent teachers, sensitive and creative mentors, and committed and idealistic Jews. Each staff member will be carefully chosen with a view to serving as a personal model for the pupils, and contributing to the creation of the positive educational climate at the Academy.

#### CURRICULUM

The curriculum will incorporate strong liberal arts and science components, and a distinctive Judaic element, and will be implemented in small classes. It will encourage self-study, resourcefulness, dialogue with teachers and peers, open-minded inquiry, and logical thinking.

#### INDEPENDENT STUDY

Beyond the minimal common core curriculum for each grade, pupils will be encouraged to pursue independent studies under the direction and supervision of understanding teachers In addition to the permanent teaching staff which will reside on the campus, the Academy will benefit from excellent instructors of both secondary and university level who will serve as visiting faculty. Such outstanding teachers may be Israelis or invited visitors from abroad.

#### **AESTHETICS**

The Academy will seek to cultivate in its student body an appreciation for the arts through a sensitive program of music, visual arts, drama and dance. The magnificent scenic view, the beauty of the campus and the architectural design of its buildings will provide a stimulating aesthetic environment for the pupils' creative efforts.

#### JEWISH TRADITION

The Academy will emphasize respect for the pluralistic development of the Jewish tradition. It will seek to strengthen the positive Jewish identity of its students by thei participation in practices and rituals which have reflected the basic historic pattern of Judaism from time immemorial, while at the same time stressing the intellectual, moral and idealistic content of the Jewish heritage.

#### CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

In addition to the pursuit of excellence in academic studies, participation in individual sports and in group athletics, involvement in a wide variety of extra-curricular activities, sharing in programs of social work and in various work experiences, the Academy will seek to cultivate desirable character traits in its student body, e.g. personal integrity, initiative, self-reliance, mutual support and caring, responsibility and accountability. It will especially seek to develop a dedicated commitment to service to the Jewish people.

#### LOCATION

Situated in the Judean Hills near several rural settlements, the Academy's 500 dunam campus is being built only 26 kms. from Jerusalem and 38 kms. from Tel Aviv. The pupils will benefit from the cultural and social activities in these major cities, and visisting lectures and cultural groups will frequent the campus.

#### STUDENTS FROM ABROAD

It is hoped that qualified pupils from the Diaspora will enroll for the entire four-year secondary school period. Nonetheless, when feasible, the Academy will also consider applicants for shorter periods. While integrating themselves into the Academy's ethos and curriculum, these pupils will be offered special programs in keeping with their academic interests and requirements. No pupil from abroad will lose any school credits as a result of his or her studies at the Academy. Hebrew will be the language of instruction for the entire student body, but in basic required subjects pupils from abroad will also be taught in English, if necessary. Regarding other languages, efforts will be made to provide tutorial assistance.

#### ACADEMY'S UNIQUENESS

The geographic uniqueness of the Jerusalem Academy lies in its location in Israel, the land of the Bible, the cradle of monotheism, the country of momentous historic experiences. Israel today is probably the most exciting society in the world in terms of cultural pluralism, religious diversity, social integration and political dynamics. It is a unique human laboratory where West and East meet, where Jews from a hundred different backgrounds and levels of development are forging a sovereign nation, where new patterns of meaningful Judaism are being developed. The Academy's location will enable its pupils to study the Bible on sites where biblical events took place, to join in archeological digs, participate in study trips to places which are landmarks in human culture, and share in creative experiences which reflect the singular ethos of modern Israel.

#### THE JERUSALEM CONFERENCE CENTER

#### PURPOSE

An international Conference Center with 150 spacious guest rooms will share the beautiful campus with the Jerusalem Academy. It will operate throughout the year, and cater to both Israelis, and Jewish and non-Jewish visitors from abroad, serving as a common meeting ground for all. In addition to the broad scope of its cultural activities, the Center will sponsor specific programs aimed at strengthening Jewish identity, and the unity of the Jewish people.

#### PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES

The Center's excellent residential, conference, art, social and sports facilities will enable couples and entire families to benefit from its activities. Israelis will be able to frequent the Center as guests, over weekends, holidays and vacation periods, while tourists will be able to use the Center as a base in Israel, or spend part of their stay in the country enjoying its programs.

The Conference Center will sponsor forums, lectures and short courses on general cultural, Jewish and Israeli subjects; art exhibits, and music, dance and drama festivals; seminars and conferences designed to strengthen the organic relationship between world Jewry and Israel; a permanent exhibit depicting the stages of Jewish history and the development of the State of Israel; meetings with authors, scholars and public figures; inter-religious and inter-cultural forums; workshops and guest participation in the visual and performing arts, including painting, ceramics, crafts, choral groups, music ensembles, folk dancing; recitals; athletics including swimming, tennis, handball, group sports; chess and bridge tournaments.

The Jerusalem Conference Center will seek to encourage the production of original works bearing themes relevant to Israel and the Jewish world - plays, instrumental and choral compositions, modern dance, poetry, art, films. It will serve as an international showcase for such creative efforts.

#### SPECIAL GROUP INTERESTS

Throughout the year special Israeli groups will be able to use the Center's facilities to conduct week-long or shorter-period seminars and workshops for their members, such as educators, doctors, lawyers, workers' councils, municipal officials, civic and volunteer groups. Study Missions to Israel from abroad, including United Jewish Appeal, Keren Hayesod, Israel Bonds, synagogue sponsored groups, affiliates of national Jewish organizations, Federation executives, Hebrew school principals, teachers and lay leaders,

will also be able to focus their activities within the Center. The Conference Center will operate its own shuttle service to and from Jerusalem to supplement public transportation, while organized tour groups will be able to include the Center as part of their itinerary in Israel.

#### LEADERSHIP RENEWAL

In addition to group involvement in the activities of the Jerusalem Conference Center, individual Jewish leaders from Israel and the Diaspora will be able to benefit from the Center's ongoing programs and its creative atmosphere to recharge their own batteries of learning and inspiration, so that they might serve more effectively in their own positions of communal responsibility. A section of the Center's facilities will be reserved for individuals from abroad spending their sabbaticals in Israel, who may wish to engage in systematic artistic creativity, or in study and dialogue in matters affecting the Jewish world.

#### INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL CAMPUS

Since there are now almost one million tourists visiting Israel each year, the Jerusalem Conference Center will serve as a stimulating social and cultural campus for visitors from abroad, especially those who toured Israel previously. Guests from overseas will benefit from the Center personally and directly because they, their families and friends can participate actively in its programs and facilities. Here they can meet and mingle with Israelis, and with Jews from all over the world, and share in forging cultural and social ties. The Center will also serve as a cultural and social retreat for some of the several thousand foreign students attending Israeli universities, and for volunteers from abroad who work in Israeli settlements.