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ADDRESS -- UJA YOUNG LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE H. E. AVRAHAM HARMAN, AMBASSADOR OF ISRAEL TO THE UNITED STATES NOVEMBER 19, 1960 MR. TARACHNIK

I understand that you had an analysis from Rabbi Friedman about the past eighty years of Jewish history, and I would like to pick up from that point and say a few things.

I think that in the past eighty years we had two very serious reverses in Jewish life and two very, very positive and hopeful advances.

The first reverse was the cutting off of Russian Jewry from the body of the Jewish people about forty years ago. That was a serious blow to the course of Jewish history and the course of Jewish development. I don't think that the final word has been said on that particular subject. I think that our history moves in very devious ways. But it has been a serious reversal.

And the second, of course, was what happened during the Nazi period.

The two great advances in Jewish life in this period have been, first, the creation of the State of Israel in 1948, preceded by about two or three generations of very tough pioneering work. And against that background I would like to say just a few things about the role of American Jewry in the shaping of Jewish life, particularly in the last forty years or so. Because I think it is vital to grasp this if we are to plan for the Jewish future.

United States Jewry emerged as an international Jewish factor during the First World War. It emerged in those days in two very important forms. It emerged the first time as a political factor shaping Jewish life.

Justice Brandeis, through his leadership in the American Zionist movement, together with his associates, Justice Frankfurter and others, played a very important, perhaps, decisive role in the events that led to the Balfour Declaration and to the Palestine Mandate and to the appearance of Jews at the Peace Conference after World War I.

At that time, too, the political significance of an American Jewry was reflecting itself in the deep concern which we Jews were showing at that time -- beginning from that time -- in the lot of the Jews whose status was being menaced in various parts of the world.

The second form in which you emerged at that time as a growing force on the world Jewish scene, was through the creation of the American Joint Distribution Committee.

Now, since those days, about forty years ago, the role of American Jewry on the international Jewish scene has been growing, and you played a decisive role during World War II and afterwards in bringing help to Jews in need of it and after World War II in pushing forward the reconstruction of the Jewish people after the Nazi period.

I think that any observer of world Jewish life today must come to the conclusion that the two dominant, constructive forces active on the Jewish scene today are the Jewish community of the United States of America and the Jewish community of

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Name	Year	# of Meetings
Justice Shimon Agranat	1953	8
Gershon Agron	1949 1951 1956	6 2 1
Yigal Allon	1956 1959	29 14
Joshua Almog	1958	16
Gershon Avner	1958 1959 1961	VISH 22 13 2
Ehud Avriel	1955	13
Lt. Col. Mordecai Bar-On	1961	27
Israel Barzilai	1958 1959	1 5 cities (community visits)
Itzhak Ben Aharon	1956	14
Mayor Oved Ben-Ami	1952 1957	11 3
Amos Ben Gurion	1949	0/ 1
David Ben Gurion	1951	1
Mordechai Bentov	1959	3 cities (community visits)
Col. Mina Ben-Zvi	1957	15
Rabbi Morton M. Berman	1959	31
Ruth Berman	1948 1956	6 25
Dr. Avraham Biran	1958 1962 1963	23 2 cities (community visits) 18
Raphael Blumenfeld	1958 1960	18 23

Name	Year	# of Meetings
Noah Brand	1950 1951	29 18
Daniel Brisker	1958	53
Arthur Broza	1958 1962	19 7
Dr. Joseph Burg	1959	4 cities (community visits)
Yosef Carmel	1961	14
David Carmon	1957	22
Dr. Bernard M. Casper	ERICA ₁₉₅₈ EWI	19
Bernard Cherrick	1957	E S 16 16
Isaac Chizik	1952	7
Joe Davis	1955	19
Reuven Dafni	1948 1951 1957 1959	26 18 23 25 plus 5 cities (community visits) 5 cities
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Moshe Dayan	1961	12
Ruth Dayan	1952	9
Yael Dayan	1961 1962	33 34
Amb. Abba Eban	1961 1964	6
Dr. Benjamin Eliav	1959	9 cities (community visits)
Col, Gideon Elrom	1958	22
Levi Eshkol	1948 1953 1954 1959	8 1 1
	1962	1

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Name	Year	# of Meetings
Zvi Garcy	1962	46
Solomon Glover	1963	13
Mrs. Hannah Gordon	1959	26
Meir Grossman	1959	7 cities (community visits)
David Hacohen AMER	1948 1949 1953 1959	55 26 14 5 cities (community visits)
Ezra Haddad	1952	27
Judge Emanuel Halevi	1957	E 5 20
Ishar Harari	1953	7
Gideon Hausner	1958	20
Col. Chaim Herzog	1956 1962	1 12
Avraham Harman	1959	1 (UJA Nat'l Conf.)
Rachel Hubner	1958	23
Dr. Dov. Joseph	1950 1957 1958 1959 1960	10 9 1 1
Dr. Giora Josephthal	1950 1952 1954 1955 1956 1961	23 1 20 13 6 3
Banjamin Kaplan	1957 1958	ll cities (community visits)

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Name	Year	# of Meetings
Katriel Katz	1959	6
Rolf Kneller	1957	14 cities (community visits)
	1958	34
Akiva Kohane	1963	5
Teddy Kollek	1954	8
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	1961	7
Gen. Chaim Laskov	1957	23
	1961	23
Jack Lavie	1958	VISH 21
"Eva" Loew	1960	32
Uri Marinov	1956	7
Golda Meir	1948	48
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Lt. Col. Aharon Nachsbon	1957	7
Moshe Nacht	1957	12 cities
		(community visits)
	1958	16
Dita Natzor	1960	40
Arjeh Nesher	1958	34
	1959	20 plus
	1960	6 (community visits) 27
Yosef Nevo	1957	ll cities
	70/0	(community visits)
	1963	14

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Year	# of Meetings
1956	12
1958	2
1961 1962 1964	8 18 12
1959	43
1953	20
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1963	16 cities (community visits)
1954	8
1955	13
1948 1949 1952 1957 1958 1960 1961 1962 1963	13 12 6 1 11 2 1 16 3
1958	21 plus 5 cities (community visits)
1958	24
1960	29
1955 1956	22 27
1957	7 cities (community visits
1954 1956	10 15
1959	26
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