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American Zionist Council, 1956-1957.

AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL

342 MADISON AVENUE

• TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-1160 •

NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

Cable Address: AMZIONIST

September 5, 1956

Miss Sophia Levine
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Miss Levine:

This will acknowledge your letter of August 29th with enclosures, regarding Dr. Sayegh's appearance in Akron, Ohio.

We were advised by our regional representative in Chicago, Mr. Ben-Zion Emanuel, about this meeting several weeks ago and he has been trying to secure a return platform so that the case for Israel could be presented. We will keep you posted with regard to the person who will represent Israel and the date when the meeting will be held.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Rebecca Winograd
Rebecca Winograd, Director
Speakers' Bureau

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cc: Mr. Ben-Zion Emanuel

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December 4, 1956

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

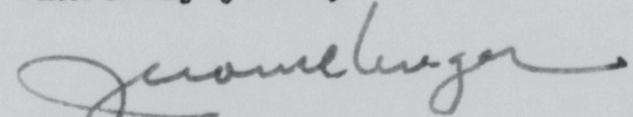
I did not know if our colleague, Rabbi Alan S. Green, had told you about my plan to purchase 2500 copies of your November 4 address at The Temple, but Harold Manson has shared with me his letter of November 29, from which I gather that you know.

I am making 300 copies of our 2500, available to Mr. Manson, free of charge. It is quite possible that he will want to order more for the ZOA. The balance I plan to distribute to Christian clergymen (outside of Cleveland), army chaplains, and a local chairman in 400 communities throughout the United States.

I need not say, of course, what an incisive analysis the address is. I am grateful that Alan sent it to me.

With fondest regards to Mrs. Silver, yourself, and the boys and their families, I am

Sincerely yours,



Rabbi Jerome Unger
Executive Director

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ME IN AFFECTIONATE BIRTHDAY GREETINGS MAY THIS DAY BE
JOYFUL FOR YOU AND YOUR DEAR ONES IN RECOLLECTION OF
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RABBI JEROME UNGER=

February 8, 1957

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Rabbi Jerome Unger
American Zionist Council
342 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

My dear Jerry:

Thank you for your gracious telegram on the occasion of my birthday and please extend my thanks also to the members of your staff. I deeply appreciate the good wishes.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

Cable Address: AMZIONIST

February 27, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road & 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We fully understood the logic and wisdom of your decision in not coming to the Madison Square Garden meeting on Monday evening, February 25.

The decision to hold this meeting was taken at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, February 22. Although we had the obstacle of the holiday weekend (Washington's Birthday) and the Sabbath intervening, with only one working day, we were able to hold a highly successful demonstration. Cooperating, were all the Zionist groups, American Jewish Congress, American Trade Union Council for Labor Israel, Jewish War Veterans of the U.S., The New York Board of Rabbis, and the Metropolitan Council of the B'nai B'rith. The Garden was packed with a crowd estimated at between sixteen and eighteen thousand. Indeed, the police closed the doors at 7:30 P.M. and turned away a couple of thousand -- for what reason I do not know.

Enclosed is a release including excerpts from many of the messages and a few of the addresses. Rabbi Miller set the tone with his opening address which was really very good. Dean Pike delivered an exciting address and had the audience cheering and whistling with enthusiasm. Senators Douglas and Javits delivered fine speeches. There were others, which you will see from the release, of a high order.

Good messages were received from governors, senators, congressmen, the national commander of the American Legion, and many others.

Coverage through all the media of communication was good. The Metropolitan press and the press throughout the country, to a large extent, carried the story. Channels 2,4,5 and 7, on TV, carried the story on their regular Monday night newscasts and sent it out over the networks (CBS actually gave 3 minutes of a 12-minute newscast to the Garden demonstration). All the radio networks carried the story. Indeed, this coverage lasted on Monday and Tuesday. I, myself, listened to CBS radio news broadcast on Tuesday morning, February 26, at 7:45 A.M. On a 15-minute broadcast, the station gave 5 minutes, or one third of its coverage, to the news of the Garden demonstration.

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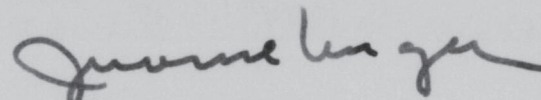
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February 27, 1957

We are quite worn out with the effort, but are gratified by the good public response it has generated. We feel it was an important job which had to be done, and are happy that it was successful.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



Rabbi Jerome Unger
Executive Director

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AMERICAN ZIONIST COUNCIL
342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN
RABBI IRVING MILLER

April 9, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road & 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

As you know, Israel will celebrate the ninth anniversary of its independence on May 5th and 6th this year.

We have thought it particularly fitting that the American Zionist Council, in cooperation with other Jewish organizations, sponsor an outdoor celebration on Sunday, May 5th, at two o'clock in the afternoon, on the Mall in Central Park, New York City. The program will consist of songs, dances and appropriate ceremonies. We have invited Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Governor Averell Harriman and Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas to address the assemblage which we anticipate will include over 25,000 people.

We would be particularly gratified if you would be our guest and deliver a principal address that afternoon. Except for representatives of the State of Israel, you would be the sole Jewish speaker.

Accordingly, we extend to you a sincere and cordial invitation.

I look forward to receiving a favorable reply as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Irving Miller
Rabbi Irving Miller
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April 11, 1957

Rabbi Irving Miller, Chairman
American Zionist Council
342 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

My dear Rabbi Miller:

I greatly appreciate your invitation to participate in the Independence Day Anniversary program on Sunday May 5th.

I wish I were free to come as I would be most happy to speak on that occasion. Unfortunately, many commitments here in Cleveland for that day necessitate my remaining here.

I trust that the meeting will be eminently successful and a great demonstration in defense of the rights and security of Israel.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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