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LOUIS E. LEVINthal  
606 CITY HALL  
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April 6, 1948.

Honorable J. Howard McGrath,  
United States Senate,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator McGrath:

Many thanks for your letter of March 24th.

I am aware of your genuine interest in the problem concerning which I wrote you. I fear, however, that unless something is done speedily to remedy the situation, it will be too late.

I am enclosing copy of a letter I have written to my friend, David L. Lawrence, Chairman of the Pennsylvania State Democratic Committee, and I respectfully urge that you give consideration to the suggestion contained in it.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

LOUIS E. LEVINthal



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April 6, 1948.

Honorable David L. Lawrence,  
Mayor, City of Pittsburgh,  
Pennsylvania.

Dear Dave:

I am grateful for your prompt reply to my letter, and I am aware of your genuine interest in the Palestine problem, concerning which I wrote you. I fear, however, that time is really of the essence and if you intend to go over the subject with the President, you should do so in the next few days and before our State Department commits itself any further to a mistaken policy.

I hope you will not mind my suggesting that what should be done at once is to revoke the embargo on arms to the beleaguered Jews of Palestine, so that they may defend themselves against the aggression of the Mufti and his henchmen. Furthermore, in the Special Assembly of the United Nations called for April 16th, our government should refrain from exerting any pressure on the delegates from other nations, and should make it clear that every member state of the United Nations is free to vote on the merits of the case. I am convinced that if this be the attitude of our government, the decision of November 29th will not be reversed. Our government will in this way be credited with having fairly presented the issue to the Assembly and having permitted the Assembly to make its free decision, without any diplomatic or other pressure from us. If this be done, I am certain that more than one-third of the members of the United Nations will adhere to the decision of November 29th.

It is my personal opinion that if this be the outcome of the Special Assembly's deliberations, our government and its leaders will earn the grateful appreciation of not only the Jews of America, but of the hundreds of thousands of liberal, progressive Americans of all faiths who for more than twenty-five years have ardently supported the Zionist movement.

With kind personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



## MEMORANDUM

FROM Judge Levinthal  
TO Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

April 7, 1948

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing herewith copies of letters which I have sent to Senator McGrath and David L. Lawrence, Mayor of the City of Pittsburgh, which are self-explanatory.

With kind regards,

*R. F. L.*





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May 25, 1948

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York City

My dear Dr. Silver:

As an expression of our solidarity with the youth of the State of Israel, a Chag Habikurim Festival will be held on Sunday, June 20th, at the Central Park Mall, commencing at 10:30 A. M.

This event is being sponsored by the Jewish Educators Council of the Jewish National Fund in cooperation with the Jewish Education Committee of New York and other bodies. This is an educational event to commemorate the festival of the First Fruits. A pageant will be given in which our Youth will participate. The program includes patriotic exercises.

A cordial invitation is extended to you to serve as a sponsor. I trust that you will wish to lend your name to this undertaking so as to stimulate wider interest in the effort to bring home to our young people the significance of the creation of the Republic of Israel.

Will you be good enough to indicate in the enclosed card your acceptance.

Sincerely yours,

*Morris Rothenberg*  
Morris Rothenberg  
President

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