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The White House

Tues. Sept. 24-1957  
5:30 P.M.

Washington, D.C.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
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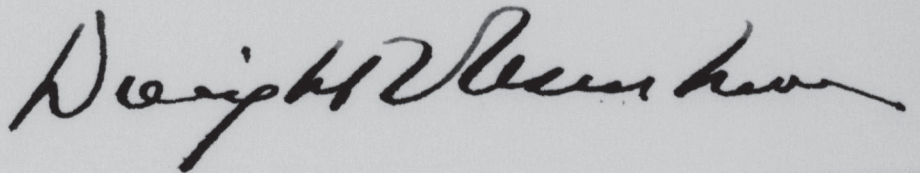
October 1, 1957.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

This is a much too delayed acknowledgment of your thoughtful message of September twenty-fourth, which I found on my desk here in Washington the night I returned to make the television talk to the country. I was, and am, most grateful for your prayers in these continuing days of trouble and uncertainty.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Dwight D. Eisenhower". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. In the background, there is a faint circular seal featuring a menorah and Hebrew text.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.