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Eisenhower, Dwight D., 1956-1963.

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Telegram

November 7, 1956

THE PRESIDENT
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

PERMIT ME TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR REMARKABLE VICTORY AND ^{the American}
^{people} ~~OURSELVES~~ ON THE PRIVILEGE OF HAVING THE BENEFIT OF YOUR ^{dedicated} LEADERSHIP FOR
ANOTHER TERM AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES. MAY THE FATHER OF
NATIONS GIVE YOU THE STRENGTH TO GUIDE ^{our} ~~THE~~ BELOVED COUNTRY AND
MANKIND ALONG THE WAYS OF JUST ^{ice,} PEACE AND FREEDOM WHICH ARE SO DEAR
TO YOU.



ABBA HILLEL SILVER



THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 16, 1956

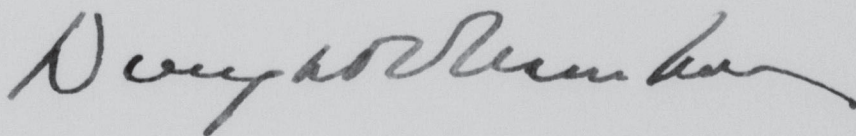
Dear Rabbi Silver:

For some inexplicable reason, your telegram of felicitations on the result of the election did not reach my desk until this morning. I regret the delay -- and I assure you my appreciation of the sentiments the message contains is not in the slightest diminished.

At the same time, may I tell you that for the last two weeks, at least, your efforts in connection with the Mid East crisis have been much on my mind. I know you are as deeply concerned as am I, and as hopeful, that a peaceful solution to the difficulties there may be achieved. I am personally grateful to you for all you have done -- and what you will, I know, continue to do toward that end.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dwight D. Eisenhower", with a long, sweeping flourish at the end.

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

LEWIS L. STRAUSS

Mercury Building
1925 K Street, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.
15 August 1963

Dear Doctor Silver:

It has occurred to several friends of General Eisenhower who were among his guests at stag dinners at the White House that it would be appropriate were we now to reciprocate his hospitality. In the belief that a congenial and memorable occasion would result, an informal committee secured the General's acceptance of an invitation to spend a day and evening with us in an advance celebration of his birthday. The day selected is October 12th and the place will be the Hershey Hotel at Hershey, Pennsylvania.

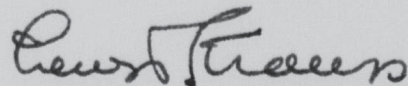
The General will arrive in time for a round of golf in the morning, visit with us during the afternoon, and then we will all dine together convivially and most informally (business clothes) in the evening.

As you were among his guests, you may like to be with us and it is hoped that this early notice will make it possible for you to arrange your schedule to do so. Please let me know (by return mail, if possible) whether you can join us and, in the event that you can, enclose your check for \$25.00 drawn to the order of "Treasurer of Dinner Party". This will cover the cost of the dinner and a birthday remembrance, the existence of which is to be confidential.

No doubt many will wish to stay overnight. The Hotel Hershey can accommodate 150 guests. There are two good hotels in Harrisburg, and convenient transportation to these will be available. If you so wish, a hotel reservation will be made for you -- in which case please indicate whether you prefer to stay at Hershey or Harrisburg.

Hoping to see you on what will be a very happy occasion, and meanwhile with cordial regards, I am

Faithfully yours,



For the Committee:
Herbert Brownell
Charles S. Garland
Lewis L. Strauss
Roy Wilkinson, Jr.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street
Silver Park
Cleveland, Ohio

August 30, 1963

My dear Mr. Strauss:

Please pardon the long delay in acknowledging your kind letter of August 15th. I have been away from the city and my correspondence has lagged.

I think it is a beautiful idea to spend a day with General Eisenhower in an advance celebration of his birthday. I should be very happy to be with you on that occasion but, unfortunately, I must be in the pulpit the next morning. It is the opening of our Sunday morning season and I must deny myself the pleasure of being with you and General Eisenhower on that day.

With all good wishes and hoping that you will have a very happy day on October 12th, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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