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Goldstein, Israel, re: Cardinal Spellman, 1951.

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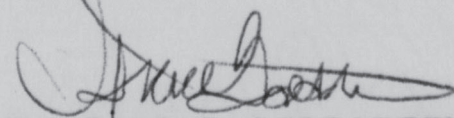
Dear Dr. Silver:

Last week I had lunch with Mr. Charles H. Silver. In the course of a general conversation, he happened to mention to me that, at your request, he had once arranged for an interview with Cardinal Spellman during the time when the Palestine Partition Resolution was before the UN, and that Cardinal Spellman had been helpful in connection with the Latin American countries at that time.

I gathered the impression that Mr. Silver had never received from you an acknowledgment of his own helpfulness. Perhaps my impression is erroneous. If not, although several years have gone by since that time, you might feel that a word from you to him, even at this time, would be in place.

It is possible that we may have to turn at some future time to Mr. Silver for some additional help with the Cardinal. I want to be sure that he is "sweet" on past relations with Zionist bodies.

Cordially yours,


DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN

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April 3, 1951

Dr. Israel Goldstein
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My dear Dr. Goldstein:

In reply to your letter of March 16th, I should like to say that while I did call on Mr. Charles H. Silver and solicited his aid at the time, especially in the matter of approaching Cardinal Spellman and through him, the representatives of some of the Latin-American countries, I do not recall that he at any time reported back to me on what he had done. I have looked through my files. I find no communication from him. Had I received a report, I certainly would not have foregone the opportunity of thanking him. As it is, I do not believe that at this late date, it would be advisable to write him a letter of thanks. I am sure that I shall have an opportunity some day in New York at some public meeting to acknowledge the services of Mr. Silver.

Very sincerely yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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