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January 21, 1958

Rabbi Dr. A. H. Silver
The Temple
E. 105 St. & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing this letter to you because of the very important development of matters in connection with the Hebrew University that have taken place as a result of the recent news concerning Mount Scopus. I know you will understand the reasons that I have marked this letter "Confidential" and why I do not enter into all the details in writing.

You will be aware of the fact that we have had our plans prepared for the most important building on the new campus of the University, that for the National and University Library. With the development of our campus, and the centralization of more and more of our teaching and research there, the need to have the Library established as soon as possible had, in any case, become very urgent. Work had already been started and the digging of the foundation completed.

In the first stage, we are planning to erect a building which will house a million and a quarter books, and all the very important archives and manuscripts which belong to the University. Our Library, of course, is not only the Library of the University, but as the National Library, serves the whole of the State of Israel.

We are now suddenly faced with a unique opportunity, as well as an urgent challenge. For some ten years we have been at tremendous disadvantage because over one-half million books and periodicals were isolated on Mount Scopus. As a result of the recent United Nations arrangements, we will now be able to bring these books into town. This apart, apparently, from equipment and other things. The challenge now is for us to erect in the shortest possible time the Library building which can house these books, as well as the approximate one-half million volumes that we have accumulated in recent years in the city of Jerusalem. I need not stress the implications of our being unable to house the books and archives from Scopus for which we have been pressing so hard.

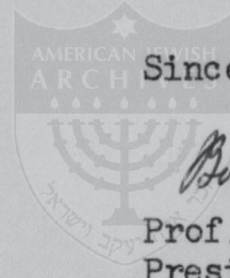
Rabbi Dr. A. H. Silver

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January 21, 1958

I am happy, as I am sure you will be, to know that all the plans and necessary preparations are ready for the commencement of the building. The challenge is for us to find the means whereby we can complete the first stage of the building within one year, and the whole building in a period of two years. This can be done if our friends will make a supreme effort. The factor on which everything now revolves is the financial one.

We must, firstly, make an immediate drive for the collection of outstanding pledges for the Library and, secondly, make an all-out effort to raise the additional sums which will enable us to build the Library. I am certain that you as a member of the Board will understand without my going into further detail the vital importance to the University, to Israel as a whole, as well as, even in a wider sphere, to our being able to start construction immediately and complete it as soon as possible. This can be done if the members of the Board are prepared to make a special effort in this connection. I am sure that we will have your full cooperation.



Sincerely,

Benjamin Mazar
Prof. Benjamin Mazar,
President.

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:RABBI A H SILVER:

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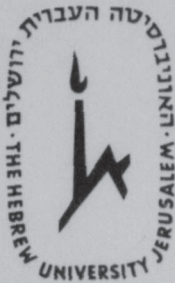
TO MR. GEORGE S. WISE

CHAIRMAN BOARD OF GOVERNORS
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WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND SPECIAL MEETING OF BOARD OF
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ABBA HILLEL SILVER





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Dear Dr. Silver:

We have been asked by the President of the Hebrew University, Professor Benjamin Mazar, to bring to your urgent attention the program for the Board of Governors' meeting. You have received previously a telegram from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Dr. George S. Wise, announcing this meeting.

PROGRAM

April 24th - State of Israel Independence Day. Celebrations to be held in the Stadium on the University Campus.

April 25th - Board of Governors' meeting, 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. Luncheon on the Campus

April 26th - Afternoon: Reception at the home of the President of Israel.
Evening: Official Dinner at the Hebrew University.

April 27th - Afternoon: Celebrations - Official Dedication of the New Campus of the University.
Evening: Official opening of the George and Florence Wise Auditorium - Academic Program Planned.

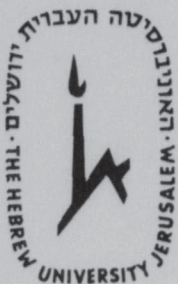
If you have not yet decided to attend the Governors' meeting in Jerusalem, it would be appreciated if you would make known your decision at your earliest convenience. Please address your answer to Dr. Wise, Melchor Ocampo, 463, Mexico 5, D. F., Mexico. The University authorities are eager to ensure accommodations and reservations for your participation.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Frederick R. Lachman
Executive Vice President.

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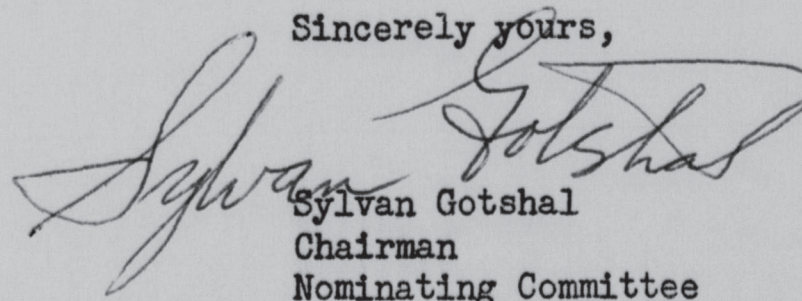
At a membership meeting to be held on May 20th, 1958, a new Board of Directors of the American Friends of the Hebrew University will be elected. The Nominating Committee is preparing the slate of candidates for this election.

You have been a member of the Board of Directors in the past and it is the earnest hope of the Nominating Committee that you will accept reelection to the Board. I would greatly appreciate it if you would let me have your acceptance on the enclosed post card.

You are thoroughly familiar with the achievements and problems of the Hebrew University and the activities of our organization. During his recent stay in the United States the Hebrew University's President, Professor Benjamin Mazar, made a very urgent appeal to us to intensify and increase our activities. To enable the American Friends of the Hebrew University to do what is expected and needed, a strong Board of Directors, composed of dedicated people, is necessary. We are sure you will want to join us again for the coming period.

Looking forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience and with best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,


Sylvan Gotshal
Chairman
Nominating Committee

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Dear Dr. Silver,

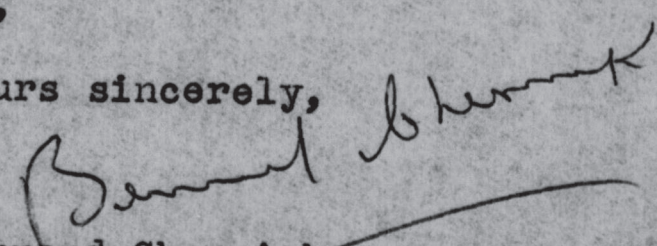
It was a great pleasure for us to have had you with us at the Hebrew University during your recent stay in Israel. I only regret that having made an appointment with you one evening, with a view to showing you the campus, the next day I was unfortunately in bed with a heavy cold, which kept me away from the University that day and for several subsequently.

I do hope that you enjoyed the more detailed view of the campus that you had an opportunity of receiving during your visit. We have been greatly privileged in the fact that you have been giving us of your time to help mobilise additional support for our work. We were glad that you had the satisfaction of seeing some of the tangible results of the efforts that you and other friends in the United States have made on our behalf.

I am enclosing a few photos of the ceremonies in which you participated, which I thought you might like to have.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,


Bernard Cherrick.

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