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### 55 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

January 19th, 1919

Rabbi A. H. Silver, The Temple, Cleveland, Chio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I had hoped that I should see you in New York this week in accordance with your telegram to me.

#752 Post-Office Bldg., until next Friday night or Saturday, when I return to New York.

Because of your inability to come on a Sunday, the Chicago Committee has fixed the Palestine Restoration Fund dinner for Monday, February 17th. Of course, we count on your coming.

You did not answer my question about your sending a personal letter to everyone who was at the "elief dinner, asking them to come and hear you talk on Zionism. If you approve the general idea, I will frame a suggestion of my ideas on the subject and send it to you. I cannot portray to you the difficulty in getting our rich Jews, such as were assembled there, to come to anything Zionistic. It will take something more than the announcement that you are going to talk, to bring them, but I feel very sure that a great many will answer a personal request.

Now, another thing. Dr. Stephen S. Wise is due to sail on the 22nd. That means that he will be here about the 31st. We are planning a tremendous Palestine Restoration meeting in his honor, on Sunday, February 2nd, at Carnegie Hall. You, as his colleague, in intellectual sympathy with him both on Zionism and on Judaism, are the one man most fitted to welcome him on behalf of American Jewry and to stir the vast audience for the Restoration Fund. I know your difficulty in getting away on a Sunday, but you were going to occupy his pulpit, and I feel sure that your congregation will give you leave of absence for this greeting, instead of for the pulpit for one Sunday.

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Rabbi A. H. Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Won't you please write or wire me at once, on receipt of this, to my Chicago address?

In the hope of the New Zion, I remain

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to New York and missed the opportunity of seeing you. I was compelled at the last minute to change my plane.

Constitute has fixed for the Palestine Resteration meeting- Housey, Prompty 17th. I shall be very happy to come.

of course, I have no hesitance at all in senting a personal letter to the men who were present at the Relief dinner. If you will draft a letter and send it to me, I think I shall use it.

Now, with reference to the meeting of welcome to Dr. Wise. I find it almost impossible to break away for that Sunday, February End, much as I should love to be progent at the meeting and participate in the program. I feel, however, that the mete presence of Dr. Wise at this meeting would be sufficient to make a success of the Restoration Fund appeal.

mith kindest regards,