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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

41 EAST 42nd STREET • NEW YORK 17, N. Y. • MURRAY HILL 2-3205

September 21, 1953

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

An idea developed from a conversation which I had a few days ago with Joseph Nedava, one of the Israel journalists here. He had read "Vision and Victory" recently and expressed regret that this volume is not available to the public in Israel. We then discussed the question of a Hebrew translation. Nedava was of the opinion that there would be a good market for it in Israel and also suggested that one of the dailies might be interested in running it serially.

Do you think that some of our friends in Israel should be approached on this idea? If we decide to go ahead with it, we might wish to bring the book up to date by including some of your addresses since 1948, for which I would write new historical notes. Please let me have your views.

With warmest regards, I am

Cordially,

Harold P. Manson

HPM/mb

P.S. I just received some bad news. Our old friend Isreeli is seriously ill and has been rushed to the hospital.

September 23, 1953

Mr. Harold P. Manson
Zionist Organization of America
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, New York

My dear Harold:

Thank you for your letter of September 21st. I am distressed to learn of the serious illness of our good friend Isreeli. I hope that all will go well with him.

I am intrigued by the thought contained in your letter that my "Vision and Victory" should be made available to the reading public in Israel by having it translated into Hebrew. It would be well to explore the idea with some of our friends in Israel. Does Mr. Nedava know of a good translator or is he equipped to do the job himself?

With warmest regards, I remain

As ever yours,

AHS:dk

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

CABLE ADDRESS:
ZIONISTS, N. Y.

IN ISRAEL:
9 DANIEL FRISCH ST., TEL-AVIV
Cable Address: ZOAOUSE, TELAVIV

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October 12, 1953

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The address you requested is: HIVES

Hillel & Aviva
588 West End Avenue
Apartment 12B
New York, N. Y.



With warmest regards, I am

As ever,

Harold P. Manson

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October 13, 1953

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I was very happy to read the excerpts of your U.J.A. speech which appeared in the New York press. Your remarks on American policy towards Israel, coupled with the Z.O.A. statement that appeared on the same day, are likely to have a sobering effect in the State Department.

Neumann and I have been discussing ways in which your address can be given wider circulation. He was informed that you did not speak from a prepared text and that a tape recording was made. The U.J.A. office will not complete the written transcription of the proceedings for some weeks. We wonder therefore whether a request from you might not make your text available sooner - in time for us to make use of it.

With best wishes and warmest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Harold P. Manson

HPM/mb

P.S. You may wish to have the full text of the Z.O.A. statement which was issued on Sunday. A copy is enclosed.

TEXT OF STATEMENT BY RABBI IRVING MILLER

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1953

In a time of great confusion in world affairs, when expediency rather than principle often determines alignments between nations, men of good will are profoundly concerned with the preservation of the friendship between countries which share a common faith in democracy and aspire towards human progress. Such concern has of late been evoked with increasing frequency over American-Israel relations. During the past year there have been repeated rumors that the Administration proposes to alter our country's long-standing policy of friendship and support for Israel. We have consistently rejected such rumors and have preferred to believe that the Administration intends to abide by its own clear statements on the question, which reaffirm the traditional American policy towards Israel. However, it has become impossible to overlook certain actions of our Department of State which are likely to bring about a regrettable change in the atmosphere of American-Israel relations. These actions have produced considerable bewilderment and have encouraged anti-Israel propagandists in their efforts to make it appear that a major change of policy has in fact taken place.

Differences of opinion are, of course, bound to arise from time to time even among the friendliest of nations, and we do not regard it as feasible or even desirable that the United States and Israel should always be of one mind. Such differences have existed in the past, but they have always been resolved by the full utilization of the machinery of

diplomacy in direct talks and in the United Nations. Of late, however, our State Department appears to be conducting negotiations with Israel in the public press and in a manner which tends to prejudice Israel's case. The State Department seems to be seizing upon every opportunity that presents itself to chastise Israel publicly, evidently believing that this is the way to win Arab friendship for the United States. Such tactics would in the end prove harmful not only to American-Israel relations, but to the very purposes which our government hopes to achieve in the Arab world. Far from inducing the Arab states to agree to the peace and stability in the Middle East which our country earnestly desires, a cooler American attitude towards Israel would only encourage Arab politicians to make new war threats and to create even greater tension throughout the entire area.

When the Administration described its policy as one of impartiality as between Israel and the Arab states, we stated that we are in full agreement with this approach and that America should respond sympathetically to the needs of all the peoples of the Middle East. However, we rejected any implication that this policy represents a change and that our country has not been impartial in the past. And we declared that American impartiality should not be translated into appeasement. Today we ask: does impartiality mean that no leader of our government shall make favorable mention of Israel in public statements, even when they are addressed to organizations which

are working in Israel's behalf? Does impartiality mean that our government should make a special point of announcing that it will not be represented at the opening of a public exhibition in Jerusalem devoted to man's conquest of the desert? Does impartiality mean that our government should put pressure on Israel to halt an important reclamation project, thereby prejudicing Israel's position before Israel has had an opportunity to present fully its side of the dispute? And does such an action do justice to the image of America as a force which is promoting progress throughout the world? Does impartiality mean that our government should continue to give serious consideration to supplying arms to the Arab states even though Arab leaders repeatedly proclaim their hopes of a "second round" with Israel?

American public opinion is becoming increasingly disturbed on this question and should have a straightforward answer. While we continue to reject the notion that the Administration is motivated by unfriendly attitudes Israel, we are fearful that some mistaken tactics will produce such an impression. This would be tragic, not only for Israel, but for our country's role as the world leader of dynamic democracy.

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October 19, 1953

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Miller entered New York Hospital today, to undergo an operation. I thought that you would wish to know who has been requested to assume some of his duties during his absence and am therefore sending you carbon copies of his memoranda on this subject.

With warmest regards, I am

As ever,

Harold P. Manson

HPM/mb

Mr. Louis Lipsky

October 19, 1953

Rabbi Irving Miller

I am entering the hospital in order to undergo an operation. I have requested Dr. Emanuel Neumann to act for me during my absence on matters relating to the American Zionist Council, including the forthcoming Zionist Assembly.

Regards.

IM/HPM/mb

(Dictated but not signed by Rabbi Miller)



Mr. Abraham Goodman and Mr. Max Bressler

October 17, 1953

Rabbi Irving Miller

I am entering the hospital in order to undergo an operation. I am requesting you to act for me during my absence by making decisions on matters which would normally be dealt with by the President of the Organization. If all goes well I should be in a position to engage in consultations and conversations with you some days from now and I hope that we shall be in regular contact with each other.

Regards.

(Dictated but not signed by Rabbi Miller)

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October 21, 1953

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

In transmitting Neumann's report of what took place at the meeting of the American Zionist Council, I neglected to mention one important matter. It was decided that an invitation to address the American Zionist Assembly should not be extended to Mr. Dulles, in view of the latest developments. I am sure that you would wish to know this, since you had been requested to convey such an invitation.

With warmest regards, I am

As ever,

Harold P. Manson

HPM/mb

ZOA REGIONAL AND DISTRICT LEADERS

THE COMMISSION ON ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST

Rabbi Leon Feuer, Chairman

Harold P. Manson, Director

1. THE RESUMPTION OF U.S. ECONOMIC AID TO ISRAEL
2. FUTURE ACTION

On Wednesday, October 28 President Eisenhower announced the resumption of American economic aid to Israel. A few hours later Secretary of State Dulles said that \$26,000,000 in financial assistance was ready to go forward for the first six months of the fiscal year that began last July 1. Both the President and Secretary of State emphasized that this action by our government followed Israel's response to a request by the president of the UN Security Council that work on the Jordan River hydroelectric project be suspended pending UN examination of the question.

Almost simultaneously with President Eisenhower's announcement, Secretary Dulles notified the press of a luncheon meeting which he had just had in his office with Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. This meeting took place at Mr. Dulles' invitation and consisted of a thorough discussion of Middle East problems. Following the luncheon, Mr. Dulles stated that Dr. Silver had been "helpful in settling the problem" of U.S. economic aid. According to the United Press, Dr. Silver then explained that he had discussed the aid to Israel problem with Mr. Dulles several times by telephone. He added that he was delighted with President Eisenhower's announcement and had expected the move.

The reaction of the Zionist Organization of America to these momentous developments is contained in a statement issued by Rabbi Irving Miller, President of the Organization. Rabbi Miller said:

"We welcome the President's announcement of the resumption of American economic aid to Israel. This rectifies a mistaken action of our State Department which should never have been taken. Our government now has a great opportunity to bring about a constructive and final solution of Middle East problems by working for peace between Israel and the Arab states. It is our profound hope that our government will exert every effort in this direction - in the current discussion of the Palestine issue at the United Nations and in pursuing American policy in the Middle East."

Our Great Responsibility

This statement should make it plain that our task is far from over. Our duty as Americans and as Zionists is clear: we must do everything in our power to ensure that our government pursues a Middle East policy which will hasten peace between Israel and the Arab states and at the same time advance the best interests of American democracy in that part of the world.

To Dr. Silver

This will be in the mails
tomorrow. October 29, 1953
HPM

Moreover, we must never forget that the enemies of Israel - in and out of government - will now redouble their attempts to bend American policy in an anti-Israel direction. They are well-organized and heavily-financed, and they have powerful propaganda machinery at their ~~dis~~ disposal. In the words of Dr. Emanuel Neumann: "The formidable and urgent ~~task~~ task which confronts the friends of Israel and ~~all~~ ~~men~~ all men of good will is nothing less than this - to rescue the fabric of America - Israel friendship from malevolent hands intent upon tearing it to shreds."

You can take it for granted that during the coming weeks and months there will be intensified efforts to confuse and mislead American public opinion on the part of the American Friends of the Middle East, the American Council for Judaism and the Arab embassies and consulates in this country; and you can be equally certain that these efforts will be aided and abetted by publications like Time and Life, by columnists like Arthur Krock and by radio commentators like H.V. Kaltenborn.

We may also expect the Arab states to make new threats and to provoke new tensions. On the very day that President Eisenhower's restoration of economic aid to Israel was published, there were press reports that the Arabs are rapidly increasing their armed forces.

Clearly, our work of public relations and education must go on with increased strength and effectiveness. The directives on this subject which have been issued by the American Zionist Council and by us are more pertinent than ever. We must act now to avert the recurrence of emergencies in the future!

Regards.

HPM/mb

October 30, 1953

Mr. David Oppenheim
95-11 69th Avenue
Forest Hills, L.I., N. Y.

Dear Mr. Oppenheim:

Thank you very much for sending us the resolution adopted by the Forest Hills Zionist District with respect to recalling Dr. Abba Hillel Silver to active leadership of the Movement.

As you know, a similar action was taken last Sunday by the Administrative Council of the ZOA. I shall of course communicate your resolution to Dr. Silver.

With best wishes and kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Harold P. Manson

HPM/mb

cc: Dr. Silver

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November 5, 1953

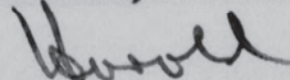
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The enclosed was transmitted to us
by J. Abe Liff, President of the Ohio
Valley Region.

With warmest regards, I am

As ever,


Harold P. Manson

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The group also resolved that "Dr. Abba Hillel Silver be drafted into active leadership in the Zionist Movement", with a special feeling that the position wherein he could do the most good would be as head of the American Zionist Council.



Memorandum

To: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

June 29, 1954

From: Harold P. Manson

Subject:

Just to let you know that my address for the month of July will be:

Fair Harbor
Fire Island, N.Y.

Warmest regards.



Harold

HPM/br

June 29, 1954

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Mortimer May, President
Zionist Organization of America
425 Chestnut
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. May:

It was a very great pleasure to talk with you over lunch yesterday and to learn some of your plans and hopes for the Movement. Your approach was truly refreshing, and I am more certain than ever that the Z.O.A. has chosen wisely.

I have now had an opportunity to discuss the proposed re-organization of the Z.O.A.'s public relations work with yourself, Emanuel Neumann, Abe Goodman, and over the telephone with Dr. Silver. It has been suggested that I set down the most important features of the projected arrangement from my point of view, and I shall attempt to do so at this time.

1. The Z.O.A. will establish a Department of Public Information, which will include all existing departments in the sphere of public relations, publicity, education and publications. The new department will seek to provide centralized direction and guidance to all of these activities, and to coordinate them under a single overall program having specific objectives. Among the existing departments, the following would be included as divisions of the new Public Information Department: Commission on Israel and the Middle East, Public Relations, Publications (the three official organs now being published or whatever publications may replace them), Program and Education and Speakers' and Artists' Bureau. It should be added that close coordination with the publications program of the World Zionist Affairs Department will be necessary to ensure smooth operations. Moreover, the general interests of the Organization would be well served if the campaign literature of other departments were carefully scrutinized by the Public Information Department prior to its distribution.

2. The activities described above would be carried out under my direction and the executives of the various divisions concerned would be

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responsible to me. It has been suggested that I have the title of Executive Co-Chairman or Executive Vice-Chairman of the Department. Such a formula would be acceptable to me. It should not be necessary to add that my opinion may be of some value in connection with appointments to the committees involved. (I was rather astonished to learn the appointees to the Commission on Israel and the Middle East only after their names were presented to the Convention.) I don't believe that this type of work is facilitated by a large number of committees and appointments.

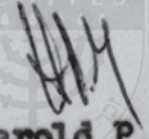
3. It is understood that I would, in addition, be available to render special assistance to the President, whenever required.

4. Salary: an annual salary of \$12,000, plus the continuation of my present expense fund of \$2,000 per year.

I have not sought to provide a complete blueprint for the operations of the new department at this time, but I shall be giving further serious thought to the matter during my vacation. I hope to have some concrete suggestions by July 8th, when I plan to return to New York for the Inner Committee meeting. I trust that you will in the meantime consider what I have set down here, and I assume that you will have no objection to my forwarding copies of this letter to Mr. Goodman, Dr. Neumann and Dr. Silver.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,


Harold P. Manson

HPM/br

cc: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver ✓
Dr. Emanuel Neumann
Mr. Abraham Goodman

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TELEGRAM - August 31, 1954

Mr. Harold Manson
ZOA
145 East 32nd Street
New York

Date of September 8 would be acceptable if the other
meeting to which you refer is not held around that time.
Otherwise suggest Monday, December 20, or Tuesday, Jan. 4.

Regards

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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HAROLD MANSON

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

145 EAST 32ND ST

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Dr. Emanuel Neumann

September 8, 1954

Harold P. Manson

1. As you know, I had a luncheon meeting with Ira Hirschmann today. I believe that you will wish to learn the results of our conversation. While I am aware of the mixed feelings towards Hirschmann within our circles and the view that he is primarily interested in promoting himself, I am at the same time aware that he has excellent connections and can be of considerable help to us in our work. The specific results of our talk are:
 - a) I gave him a memorandum on the arming of the Arab States, which I prepared in collaboration with Abe Harman, and which Hirschmann is transmitting to Adlai Stevenson. He appears to be on very friendly terms with Stevenson, with whom he met last week in Chicago. His report of Stevenson's attitude was not very encouraging and checked with the information which we have received from other quarters. He believes however, that Stevenson is by no means unfriendly and that if he is effectively supplied with the proper material, especially during the next two months, he may be induced to make a public statement in support of our position. I hope that the Harman-Manson memorandum will serve this purpose and shall inform you of Stevenson's reaction, which Hirschmann promised to convey to me.
 - b) Hirschmann agreed to release "trial balloons" in our behalf among various officials of the State Department with whom he evidently remains on good terms personally.
 - c) I shall provide him with guidance, material, etc. for a book on U.S. policy in the Middle East which he is writing and which Scribner's will publish.
 - d) He promised to help our information program in general, particularly by utilizing his connections in the radio and television fields.
 - e) If I wish him to serve on our projected "public ^{relations} advisory ~~relations~~ council", he will be glad to do so.
2. Of course you know that F.D.R., Jr. will be speaking at the Convention of the Manhattan Region on Sunday, September 12th. I have transmitted

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the following material to him via the Courlands, who evidently have good connections in his office, and hope that it will determine what he will say in his address:

- a) A statement on the ZOA and its role;
- b) A revised version of the background memorandum that was prepared for Stevenson;
- c) The excerpts of your address at the NAC meeting (so that he will know the stand that was taken vis-a-vis the Administration from a Zionist platform).

I shall keep you posted on further developments.

Warmest regards.

HPM/br

cc: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver ✓
Mortimer May
Rabbi Leon I. Feuer
Abraham Goodman
Jacques Torczyner
Harry Torczyner
Dr. Sidney Marks
Ernest E. Barbarash



MEMORANDUM

Dr. Emanuel Neumann
and Mr. Abraham Goodman

September 9, 1954

Harold P. Hanson

You will, I am sure, be interested in the attached correspondence between Jack Alkow, Harris Levine and myself.

A word of explanation: Ein Hod was an abandoned Arab village not far from Haifa until a year or so ago. It was about to be torn down because of the Arab infiltrators who had been roosting there. This was stopped by the artist Marcel Janco, who asked the government to permit him to found an artists' village. In a matter of months the houses were leased and the village settled. I gather that it is already a bustling community, and Janco, who was elected Mayor, has projected plans for a ceramics industry and other crafts. However, the village has no political party sponsorship and the artist inhabitants have not been able to obtain essential services — particularly a water supply.

Harris Levine and Abe Tuvim visited Ein Hod and their enthusiasm produced the plan which is outlined in Alkow's letter. I understand that Elias Epstein and other of our General Zionist friends in Israel are equally enthusiastic about the project. (This will probably be the first time that a reservoir will be built with paintings.)

As I point out in my letter to Alkow, I have until now done nothing about Ein Hod from the ZOA office because Marcel Janco happens to be my father-in-law. But now that Levine and Tuvim have taken the initiative on behalf of B'nai Zion I have no further inhibitions on the subject.

I do believe that we should get behind this.

Warmest regards.

HIM/br
encl.

Dear Dr. Silver,
You may be
interested in this
story.
Warmest regards,
Harold

September 9, 1954

Mr. Jacob M. Alkow
ZOA House
26 Ibn Gabirol Street
Tel Aviv, Israel

Dear Jack:

I was very happy to receive your letter of August 31st together with the copy of your letter to Harris Levine of September 1st.

You have probably been wondering why I have thus far done nothing about putting the weight of my office in the ZOA behind a project as wonderful as Ein Hod, particularly since the guiding spirit of the venture is my father-in-law, Marcel Janco. (Indeed, he must think that I'm a hell of a son-in-law, though he is too much of a gentleman to say so.) The simple truth is that I have not made use of my official capacity in this matter precisely because the founder of Ein Hod is my father-in-law, even though the project would have been a "natural" for the ZOA. Perhaps I have been too "correct", as some of our friends tell me, but there it is.

However, now that the initiative has been taken by Harris Levine and Abe Tuvim, on behalf of B'nai Zion, I have no hesitation about becoming actively involved in promoting Ein Hod and requesting the leadership of the ZOA to get behind this very important cultural development. I have already taken steps in this direction: I told the whole story - from the way Janco founded Ein Hod to the projected plans for the exhibition at the ZOA House and in New York under B'nai Zion's auspices - to Moshe Brilliant of the New York Times, who was very excited about the whole thing and promised that either he or Gilroy would do a big feature story. Moreover, the picture editor of the Times told Brilliant that he would like some good photographs to accompany the story. Brilliant is probably back in Israel by now and will no doubt be in touch with Janco, Elias Epstein and yourself, as he promised. It would probably be best to have the Times story pegged to the opening of the exhibition at the ZOA House, and I assume that my father-in-law will be back from Paris before then.

I am communicating all of the necessary information to Emanuel Neumann, Abe Goodman and other friends here, together with the request that they give every encouragement to the project. I have, of course, been in regular touch with Abe Tuvim and Harris Levine since their return to New York. Both of them are determined to go ahead with the plans that were outlined and to make a success of the effort.

Please let me know of any other specific service that I can render beyond

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Jacob M. Alkow

September 9, 1954

what I have already done.

I have been observing with increasing satisfaction reports of the activities at the ZOA House, and send you my warmest congratulations on your fine efforts.

With best regards, I am

Cordially,

Harold P. Manson

HPM/br



September 1, 1954

Dr. Harris Levine
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Harris,

Due to the pressure of my work at the ZOA House I was unable to get to Ein Hod until last Friday afternoon. After spending a full day with Janco, Mokadi and other artists my conviction has been confirmed that the project that we discussed pertaining to help the artists colony is not only very desirable from a humanitarian point of view, but is also most desirable from a national point of view. No one group, of a similar size settled on abandoned Arab land in Israel, can do as much for the cultural life of our community and for tourism as this one group can do.

Since our approach is not entirely from a sentimental point of view I therefore, all heartedly, urge you to obtain the guaranteed amount of approximately \$3000 so that I, in turn, may obtain immediately for Ein Hod a sum of approximately IL.6000-7000 for the building of a water reservoir.

In consideration of the amount of \$3000 I will supply you with a group of works of art by the most distinguished artists of the colony that will be reasonably valued in America at at least 100% above the amount of the \$3000.

I have concluded with our friends of Ein Hod that I will select, together with two other impartial art experts from among the ten leading artists, paintings that will go to America, for an exhibition. In addition to these paintings we will take from all of the other artists which, alongside of the collection that will go to America, will be exhibited here in our ZOA House for sale to the Israeli public. The greater part of the income from the sale of all these paintings will go for the communal benefit of the artists. colony, the balance will be given to the artist individually.

It is very likely that the collection that I will send to you will be worth three and four times the amount of the guaranteed sum that we need immediately to start the work at Ein Hod. It is therefore understood that after retaining the \$3000 that we will advance to Ein Hod, the balance will be turned over to Ein Hod for their further needs and improvements such as electricity, lecture halls etc.

Should the Bnai Zion come into the picture the way we had discussed it here in Israel, I should like a letter from Bnai Zion recognizing our ZOA House and myself in respect of this project in the same way that we are recognized and tied up with ZOA in all activities and projects. I should also like you to please mention this to Dr. Neuman and Abe Goodman.

Within the next few weeks I hope to be able to prepare a little prospectus.

Sincerely yours,

Jacob M. Alkow
Chairman Program and Planning Committee

JMA/me

August 31, 1954

Mr. Harold Manson
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Harold,

Our mutual friend, Abe Tuvim, aroused my interest for the wonderful undertaking of Ein Hod for which your esteemed father-in-law is responsible.

When Abe Tuvim asked me how to raise enough money to obtain water for Ein Hod I suggested to him the plan concerning which I have written to Dr. Levine, copy of which is enclosed.

Dr. Levine was very enthusiastic and promised me to arrange for a fair exhibition in New York for the sale of the paintings that we will send them.

We are of course interested in raising every dollar we can for a project that has no equal in all of Israel. The poor group has been floundering for over a year. I am now devoting a great deal of the spare time I can get for the project. I am going to spend the next week-end there and help them get themselves organized. I am doing this largely because of the selflessness and sincerity with which Janco, Mokadi and others are devoting themselves to Ein Hod.

I am sure that I can count on your help. Please get in touch with Abe Tuvim and Dr. Levine so that we can reach the first vital step in the development of Ein Hod. I am afraid that if you will not help them quickly enough much of the labour and self sacrifice and love will be wasted.

It is impossible for them to carry on without water, light and the simplest amenities of life.

Janco just phoned me again and asked me to try and find someone to take Abe's picture to America. Please tell them I will do this as soon as I can.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

Jacob M. Alkow
Chairman Program and Planning Committee

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have received from Hy Schulson a copy of his letter to you on the past record of George V. Allen. You will recall that I had a vague recollection of him in connection with the Near East Division of the State Department, but was not in possession of the facts. If Schulson's report is correct, not much will be accomplished by the replacement of Byroade with Allen. However, I am always prepared to hope that this will not be the case.

You have undoubtedly been seeing the evidence of my initial efforts in behalf of the new Department of Public Information. There are many things that I would like to discuss with you in connection with this and other matters, and I wonder whether you are planning to be in these parts in the near future.

I received a report that you are being invited to open a Lecture Forum under the auspices of the American Zionist Council. If the Council communicates with you along these lines, I wonder whether you would mind letting me know about it before you convey your reply?

With warmest regards, I am

As Ever,

Harold P. Manson

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