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September 26, 1956

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

It gives me great pleasure to advise you that the Board of Directors of the American Technion Society, at its stated meeting last night in New York, unanimously elected you a member of the Board on our Mr. Tulin's suggestion. Mr. Tulin advised us that you had kindly consented to accept membership on our Board; and I wish to tell you how glad all the officers and directors of the American Technion Society are to welcome you among us.

The work which the American Technion Society does is probably as constructive for the welfare of Israel, including especially the strengthening of its defense, as is the work of any other organization in this country. As you probably know, the Technion at Haifa trains the officers of the Israeli Army in engineering, etc., which is so vitally necessary to a modern army; and the Technion is the only place in Israel where such training can be had. Your participation in our work as a distinguished director of our Society will be an additional contribution by you to the magnificent contributions which you have heretofore made and are constantly making toward the establishment, the security and the welfare of the State of Israel.

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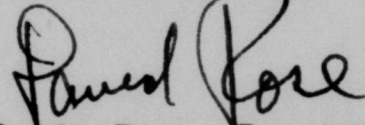
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Mr. Tulin and I plan to go to Cleveland in behalf of the American Technion Society and its program within a month or so and then hope to see you and discuss with you our work and prospects in that city. We will later arrange with you for a specific date on which to meet.

In the meanwhile, I remain, with best wishes for a Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David Rose".

David Rose, President
American Technion Society

October 9, 1956

Mr. David Rose, President
American Technion Society
1000 Fifth Avenue
New York 28, New York

My dear Mr. Rose:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of September 26 and for the information which you convey from the Board of Directors of The American Society for Technion that I have been elected a member of the Board, on the suggestion of Mr. Tulin.

I shall be very happy to serve, although my time, as you may well know, is pretty much taken up with so many other activities that I really should not take on any other additional responsibilities.

I wish the Technion and the Society every success.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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21st October, 1956.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio,
U.S.A.

Dear Dr. Silver,

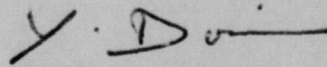
Mr. Tulin has informed us of your wholehearted co-operation in his efforts affecting the Swope Estate, of which Technion, Israel Institute of Technology will be the chief beneficiary. I wish to thank you most warmly for all that you have done in this matter.

I am delighted to learn that you have agreed to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Technion Society. I regard your affiliation with the Society as an honour and as a distinct asset to the Technion.

I hope that on a forthcoming visit to Israel you will have opportunity to visit us here in Haifa.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Yours sincerely,


General Y. Dori,
President.

ABRAHAM TULIN
COUNSELOR AT LAW
521 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

March 11, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba Hillel:

I cannot tell you how good it was to renew personal contact with you in a face-to-face talk last Thursday in Cleveland. I keenly regret that distance denies me the longed-for opportunity of meeting and exchanging views with you more often.

Your reaction to the mission which brought Mr. Rose and myself to see you at Cleveland was exactly what I hoped for and, indeed, expected. I beg to thank you warmly on behalf of, not only Mr. Rose and myself, but of all the officers and directors of the American Technion Society for your kindness to us and your understanding espousal of the cause of the Technion in your community.

I was not in the least surprised to learn from Messrs. Saltzman and Freedman, whom we saw last Thursday and Friday, respectively, that your personal espousal was absolutely necessary to the cause of the Technion in Cleveland. Both these gentlemen have agreed to support and work for that cause, but only under your continuing, active leadership. Mr. Freedman said so in so many words; Mr. Saltzman said as much indirectly. I am sure that the five or six other prominent Cleveland Jewish leaders, whose interest you stated we should enlist in order to be successful in Cleveland, will adopt the same attitude.

May I not therefore implore you to give us the benefit of your inspiring and effective leadership in Cleveland in the effort which we must make there soon on behalf of the Technion. Exactly when and how that effort should best be made we must leave to the good judgment of yourself and those whom you will associate with you in this enterprise. Mr. Rose and I stand ready to come to Cleveland again at any time that you may suggest and to place the facilities of the American Technion Society at your disposal to facilitate the carrying out of whatever plans you may adopt.

Again thanking you for your kindness to us in Cleveland, and looking forward to seeing you soon again, I remain, as ever

Yours cordially and faithfully,

Ab.

Abraham Tulin

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

March 11, 1957

P.S. I take the opportunity of enclosing a small sheet containing excerpts from recent letters of Prime Minister Ben-Gurion on the subject of the Technion's importance, in which he concludes that support of the Technion means rendering prime service to Israel.

I also take the liberty of enclosing a copy of my unabridged address on Brandeis at the last Hadassah Convention. The version which you read in the Hadassah Newsletter was badly mangled in the effort to make the address shorter for lack of space in which to print it in full.

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KING DAVID HOTEL
JERUSALEM



מלון המלך דוד
ירושלים

May 26, 1957.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

The Board of Governors of Technion, a few days ago, had the honor of electing you as one of its members. The formal notification will reach you in a few days if it has not already.

But I am writing on a more personal note. It would have done your heart good to see the thriving Institute, the students and the new buildings going up on the beautiful campus on Mount Carmel overlooking Haifa Bay.

Our mutual friend Abe Tulin was given an Honorary Doctorate, as was Gerard Swope and Julius Fohs. A most impressive Electrical Engineering Building was dedicated, a corner stone was laid for a new Technical High School; altogether there was a most exhilarating atmosphere to everything.

KING DAVID HOTEL
JERUSALEM



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ירושלים

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The contrast between last October and to-day is unbelievable. There is a feeling of self confidence and spirits are high.

It is good to have been here.

I hope this is all an earnest of the best that is yet to be.

Sincerely,

David Rose



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סמכנו:

HAIFA.

26th May, 1957

ח'ס'ה.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

I have the honour to inform you that at its annual meeting on May 22, the Board of Governors of the Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, unanimously decided to elect you a member of the Board for a full term of three years.

We are deeply gratified that in this way you will be brought into closer formal relationship with the Technion. Mr. Tulin has told us of your interest and your valuable assistance; it is good to know that we may enjoy such additional advice and assistance as you may be able to render as a member of the Board.

Meetings are held annually, usually in the month of May, and I hope that next year you may find it possible to be present, particularly since the meeting will coincide with local celebrations on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the State.

Within a few weeks we shall send you a set of the minutes of the recent Board meeting, and from time to time thereafter additional reports and information on the progress of the Institute. Should you have any questions, I hope you will not hesitate to communicate with us.

Sincerely yours,

Moshe Landau

Moshe Landau
Chairman, Board of Governors

June 13, 1957

Dr. Moshe Landau
Chairman, Board of Governors
Technion
P.O.B. 4910
Haifa, Israel

My dear Dr. Landau:

Permit me to thank you for your letter of May 26th and for the information which it contains.

I am highly honored that the Board of Governors of the Technion has elected me a member of that body. I shall be happy to serve.

I am looking forward to the earliest opportunity to visit the Technion.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:sl

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

ABRAHAM TULIN
COUNSELOR AT LAW
521 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

June 28, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba Hillel:

I have recently returned from a trip to Israel, on which Mr. Gerard Swope and his daughter accompanied me, with more than the usual inspiration for further work and effort on behalf of our cause. The continuing miracle of Israel's life and growth is unfolding at an accelerated pace. It shows itself not only in the material development of the country in many fields - agriculture, roads, afforestation, irrigation, industry, buildings, new settlements, etc. etc., but most especially in the magnificent morale and spirit of the people. The thought kept recurring to me throughout my travels in Israel that these wonderful people, each of whom seems to be driven by a sense of personal mission and responsibility, are the same kind of people that we have in the Ghettos of large cities both here and abroad, whose lives do not begin to have the dignity and spiritual quality or the sense of pride and achievement that the Israelis seem to have.

I have also come back with the strengthened conviction that the Technion is one of the cornerstones of Israel's present achievement and future promise. Ben Gurion emphasized this both privately and publicly in recent weeks; and he is right. Our Technion engineers and scientists are already responsible for a very large part of the security and material progress which the country has made and is making; and the need for more highly trained Technion engineers and scientists for both the security and prosperity of the land is obvious to all discerning eyes. In this respect my own convictions have been fortified by statements made to me by Dr. Lincoln Hale, the retiring head of the U. S. technical assistance team in Israel, and by Mr. Haggerty, his successor, both of whom stressed to me the vital importance of more and more technicians trained at the Technion for the continuing development of the country and its resources. No other educational institution in Israel can provide this vital need.

It gave me particular pleasure to nominate you for membership on the Board of Governors of the Technion at our session in May and to join with all my fellow-members of the Board in unanimously electing you. General Dori and the entire Board feel that your accession to our ranks is a distinct gain for the Technion and Israel.

ABRAHAM TULIN
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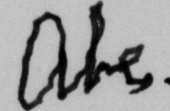
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

June 28, 1957

I congratulate you on your election and welcome you most heartily into the devoted family of the Technion.

This is, of course, vacation time when very little can be done to forward our work for the Technion. But it is the time for planning such work when the vacation period is over. I beg of you and earnestly hope that you will arrange for a fruitful campaign for the Technion in Cleveland at the earliest date possible this Fall. You, more than anyone else, are the key to the success of that campaign.

Yours cordially,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Abe.", is positioned above the typed name.

Abraham Tulin

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Undated

The Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, is still one of the cornerstones of Israel's development. Its laboratories and its workshops, its scientific and its technical staff are constantly at the disposal of industry, Government and the Defense Forces of the nation. Even more important to the State is the steady supply of highly trained engineers and men and women of science who are educated at the Technion.

THE measure of a nation's security may be gauged in terms of its ability to keep abreast of the skills of technology. It is for that reason that we value so highly the Technion, where the youth of Israel obtain their education in engineering and the fields of applied science.

THE present move to enlarged quarters at Technion City will soon make it possible to accommodate more of Israel's youth in their search for higher education — a search which of late has been frustrated for many because of the lack of adequate facilities. As the needs of the State expand, we shall continue to demand of the Technion that more and still more of our young people be provided with the technological training so necessary for our survival.

WE stand, too, at the threshold of great new developments in the fields of atomic energy for peaceful purposes, and we look to the Technion to make available the steady supply of trained manpower which is vital to supplement all our other efforts. In your support of the Technion, therefore, you are rendering prime service to Israel.

E. Ben-Gurion

Prime Minister of Israel

We look to the Technion



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