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September 28, 1945.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Hotel Commodore
Lexington Ave. & 42nd St.
New York City.

My dear Dr. Silver:

I am terribly sorry that you were prevented by **circumstances** from attending the UPA Executive Committee meeting last Monday, and that I thereafter was unable to wait until the Emergency Committee meeting concluded, to meet with you, for I was most anxious to discuss with you fully the matter which now concerns us.

On Friday, September 21st, the Administrative Committee of the United Jewish Appeal met at the Biltmore to discuss United Jewish Appeal matters. There was full representation present from both the Joint Distribution Committee and from the United Palestine Appeal. Not the slightest intimation was given by the JDC representatives who were present (Jerry Kohn of Hartford being one of the JDC representatives) that an emergency had arisen in JDC affairs, or that a conference of community leaders had been called by JDC and was in session on that day, at which an emergency campaign for the raising of \$14,000,000.00 for JDC was being discussed.

In the late afternoon of Friday, September 21st, a delegation of community leaders - men of considerable substance - headed by Jerome Kohn of Hartford, called upon Mr. Montor at the UPA office to advise him that a conference of community leaders had been held on Thursday and on Friday, at the call of the Joint Distribution Committee, at which meeting, he, Mr. Kohn, was Chairman. At this meeting, JDC officials had in effect acknowledged justification for the criticism which has been made against them during the past months but explained all of their shortcomings as being due to lack of funds. They pictured the needs of European Jewry in such manner that the conference had decided to urge upon JDC (JDC being extremely careful, evidently, not to make the recommendation itself) that it conduct an emergency campaign forthwith for \$14,000,000.00. Since JDC had called to the attention of the community leaders the fact that the UJA agree-

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ment made it necessary for UPA to approve such an emergency campaign, the delegation headed by Mr. Kohn had hurried to the UPA to urge that approval be granted forthwith for such campaign "to save the lives of the Jews of Europe".

Mr. Montor immediately summoned a meeting of the UPA leaders for Monday, September 24th and considerable discussion there took place on the implications of any decision UPA might make. There was general agreement at this meeting that it would be impossible to reject flatly the request of the community leaders for an emergency campaign. (Mr. Goldsmith of Chicago, who had been invited by JDC to attend the conference, immediately furnished a title for the committee, namely, "Citizens' Committee for the Relief of European Jews.") It was made clear that no request had yet come from the JDC, and the organization of the Citizens' Committee seemed to be a maneuver to make it appear that the pressure for the emergency campaign came from community leaders rather than from the JDC. Obviously, it would prove impossible for the UPA to frustrate community leaders who had been stirred to the point of demanding immediate action in the direction of a fund raising effort to obtain the means to enable the JDC to "rescue human beings from death".

Considerable discussion took place at the meeting as to the possible motivation behind this JDC maneuver. Some of the suggestions were:

1. It anticipated the possibility of the UPA asking for an emergency campaign on the possible release of a large bloc of certificates.
2. It was an effort to obtain a stamp of priority on JDC needs by both community leaders and UPA.
3. It was a means of showing that the present ratio of 57-43 was unfair to the JDC.
4. It was a back door arrangement for obtaining for JDC use money from those who do not now give or who give inadequately because of the Palestine aspect of the UJA.

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5. It was motivated by a desire to absorb some of the money in New York City where Federation has announced a \$30,000,000 campaign.

I outlined a plan of procedure to our Executive Committee with which there seemed to be unanimous accord, and because of your absence from the meeting I think you should know about it. My suggestion was that the community leaders whom JDC had picked for the purpose of their meeting, should be invited by the UPA to a conference to be held immediately, at which a full discussion of the overseas needs would be held and a survey made of the totality of the Jewish tragedy and of Jewish needs.

In addition to the community leaders who had attended the JDC meeting, it was my thought that we should also invite Welfare Fund leaders who hold significant rolls in their own communities' Welfare Funds and who may be inclined to the UPA. We will thus have an opportunity of discussing the whole complex of Jewish problems before a representative group of Welfare Fund leaders. It was my thought that the meeting should be held immediately, should be adequately promoted and carefully prepared, and that you should be invited, because of the importance of the matter and despite so much pressure upon you at the moment, to make the presentation to this group.

I call your attention to some of the comments developed at the meeting, which it was felt should be incorporated in the presentation:

1. Nature of the problem:

No effort should be made to underestimate the seriousness of the European situation and the need for urgent and immediate assistance. It was felt that it would be desirable to suggest that the JDC by requesting \$14,000,000.00 was guilty of serious understatement. The nature of the problem should be built up, the gigantic needs should be stressed and the importance of finding heroic methods should be underlined.

2. Relationship with Other Problems:

The relationship of relief to rescue should be pointed up. An examination should be made of the

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role of UNRRA, the military government, the European governments, etc.

3. Possible Governmental Intervention:

Expression of pleasure with the profound concern of welfare leaders in the problem of the Jews should be given. They should be urged to think in courageous terms in meeting this problem. Much more can be done by a delegation of the outstanding Jewish community leaders representing all shades of Jewish opinion, paying a visit at once to the State Department, the President or other important governmental officers, insisting on governmental aid for the immediate relief and rescue of Jews in Europe. Such a visit would result in saving many more lives than we could hope to save with \$14,000,000.00.^m It was pointed out that recently a Jewish delegation in Sweden was instrumental in obtaining a grant from the Swedish Government for Jewish relief and rescue that approximated the effort of Jewish fund-raising in America. If this were possible for a government like Sweden, why should it not be possible for an influential Jewish community to achieve proportionate results from an American Government that has continually expressed its concern with Jewish needs overseas?

4. Immediate 1946 Campaign for \$100,000,000:

It might be wise to examine the possibility of embarking on a 1946 UJA campaign at once for \$100,000,000.00. The profound concern expressed by the community leaders, their recognition of the urgency and scope of the problem, should result in their placing their sights considerably higher to cope with the problem.^m In view of the fact that the needs in Europe and the needs for Palestine are pressing, urgent and comprehensive, it would be wise to maintain the structure which has just been re-established in the UJA and use it for the purpose of obtaining the kind of help that the situation warrants. This may be the best solution since there is general agreement that an independent campaign will affect 1946, the energy needed to develop this campaign could be used on behalf of a full-fledged campaign for 1946, and the sense of balance established in the UJA contract would be maintained. Along these lines the entire matter might be referred by the group to the existing UJA Administrative Committee, whose function might conceivably be to deal with problems related to fund-raising for overseas needs.

I feel, that insofar as it may be possible to do so, terminology should be avoided to which unfavorable emotional, rather than rational, reaction might be anticipated in some of

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the elements who attended the JDC gathering.

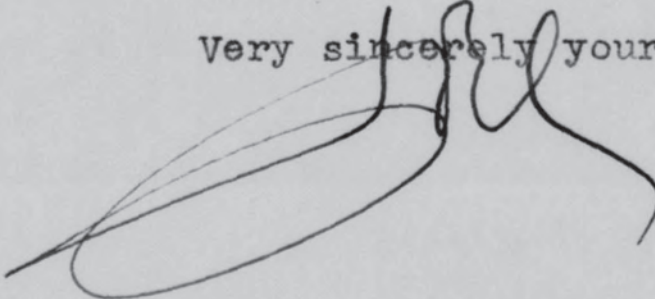
I am happy to tell you that the plan involved has already received very enthusiastic, favorable support from a great many of our own leaders in Welfare Funds from all over the country who will be present.

I can't tell you how happy I am that you agreed to make this address!

I shall be available at home if there should be any question that you may wish to discuss with me and will of course be happy to meet you anywhere in New York over the weekend so that we may go through the matter fully.

With warmest regards to Virginia and yourself from Terry and myself,

Very sincerely yours,



JG:S

P/S - I am sending a copy of this communication to the Hotel Statler in Washington, on the chance that you may pick it up there on Saturday.

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October 15, 1945

Mr. Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman
United Palestine Appeal
41 E. 42nd Street
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Henry:

I appreciate receiving your two complimentary letters of September 25 and October 5, respectively, pertaining to my memorandum of September 22, addressed to the American Zionist Emergency Council.

Of course, I knew that many, or all, of the things which came to my mind would also have occurred to the members of the AZEC; still, I thought that the ideas should be summarized on paper.

Nevertheless, it does appear that the following important steps have not yet been taken, and might well be taken as soon as possible.

1. A public demonstration in the streets of Washington, culminating in a conference at the White House, to be attended by representatives of American Zionism, members of the Senate and the House, the presidents of the Labor Unions, and the officers and directors of the Christian Palestine Group. Perhaps it might even be possible to induce Supreme Court Justices Stone, Frankfurter and Murphy to join such a delegation to the President.
2. Some forceful plan of action by way of nation-wide publicity, including addresses in the Senate and the House, ought to be undertaken, to make it clear to the American Government and to the American People that none of the small Arab countries, who only yesterday were pro-fascist and pro-nazi, have any direct interest in Palestine - legal or economic. Even Ibn Saud, being an Arab king, has no more right to dictate the policies of Palestine than Great Britain has to dictate the policies of the United States. Besides, the League of Nations Mandate, which is still in full force and effect, as well as the agreement between Great Britain and the United States, also still effective, have made Palestine a separate political entity subject to the trusteeship of Great Britain. There is, therefore, no reason under the sun why Great Britain should negotiate with these small Arab states about the status and future of Palestine, regarding which it is legally bound to negotiate only with the Jewish Agency for Palestine.
3. A public demand, through forces and instruments in this country, whose voices are audible and are listened to, ought to be made upon the President of the United States and upon the American General Staff now occupying Germany, to load ten or fifteen American ships full of Jewish refugees, whose lives the American Occupation Forces are unable otherwise to adjust, and to move them before the winter sets in directly from Germany to Palestine. If the President of the United States believes

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October 15, 1945

Special Delivery

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It was good to see you in Washington. I hope and pray that before very long we shall have some good news for the Zionist cause.

I am writing to extend to you a most cordial invitation to be our guest of honor at the Initial Gifts Dinner of the General Jewish Committee Campaign which will take place in Providence on Sunday evening, November 25. This is the major function of our entire Campaign, and we expect an attendance of four to five hundred people.

This year we have set our Campaign goal at \$330,000, and in view of the tragic situation confronting our Jewish brethren overseas, we are most eager to go "over the top". I know that you are the person to give our community the inspiration and stimulation that it needs. This meeting will also provide an excellent means to stir up a large group of people for intelligent action in regard to the present Palestine situation.

Naturally, we shall defray all expenses in connection with your trip. I hope that you will accept this invitation, and I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible.

With best personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Archibald Silverman
Archibald Silverman

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October 18, 1945

Mr. Archibald Silverman, President
General Jewish Committee of Providence, Inc.
203 Strand Building
Providence 3, R.I.

My dear Archibald:

You know that I should be very happy to come to Providence for the campaign of the General Jewish Committee on November 25 if I were at all free to do so. But it is quite impossible for me to take on any additional obligations for the next few months. As it is, I am carrying a heavier load than I should. Perhaps at some future time I may be able to be of service to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N.Y.

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMEN

November 19, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

This is an invitation to you. But it is infinitely more than that. It is an appeal for you to give your counsel, your strength, your vision toward meeting the gravest problems involved in keeping alive the body and hope of our people abroad.

We beg of you to give the first priority in your calendar to a uniquely urgent meeting which we are summoning for Saturday night, December 15th, Sunday, December 16th and Monday, December 17th at the Hotel Chelsea, Atlantic City, New Jersey. It is the first time in the eight years of the United Jewish Appeal that such a national meeting is being called.

The leaders of American Jewry are being called together for this conference not for routine speeches but in order that we may truly have the benefit of thoroughgoing analysis and discussion of what American Jews can and ought to do to help hundreds of thousands of Jews to survive. The decisions that must be made will have far-reaching conclusions. They must therefore be made by those who have the responsibility in their own communities of making their execution possible.

Peace has not brought freedom or physical or spiritual relief to the great mass of Jews in Europe. The remnant of our people counts on American Jews to lead it through to some measure of stability and safety. To the extent that the United Jewish Appeal is the instrument through which the constructive tasks in Europe and Palestine are being met, it is the agency with which survival is bound up.

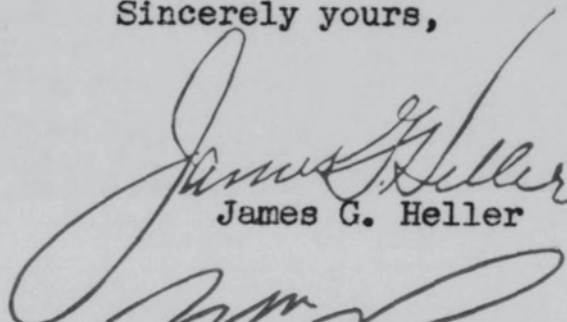
We have invited a number of leading Jews of various European countries to come here by plane especially for this meeting so that our planning may be based on their appraisal of the current situation. Time is running out for many of our people.

You are one of the few who, because of the place you hold in American Jewish life, are in a position to help significantly in drafting the blueprint for our program in 1946, a decisive year in the fate of our people. If the limited number of American Jews who are being invited to this private conference will attend, we hope to be able to fulfill the responsibility that destiny has assigned to us.

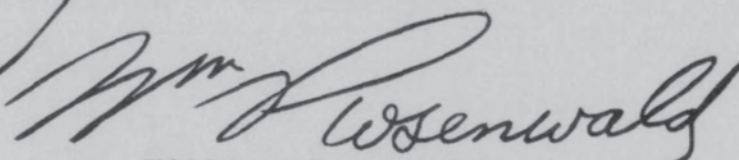
We are confident you understand the extraordinary importance we attach to your presence. Never in all the years of the United Jewish Appeal has there been such vital need for your personal counsel.

Please assure us by filing the enclosed telegram with Western Union that we may count on your participation.

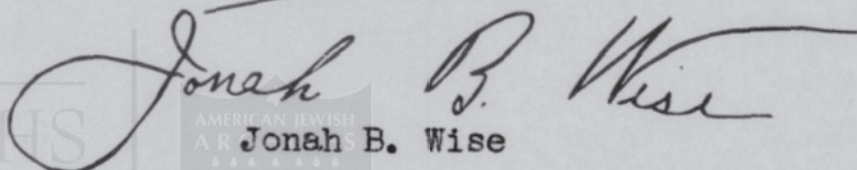
Sincerely yours,



James G. Heller



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COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS, INC.

165 West 46th Street

New York 19, N. Y.

December 26, 1945

Mr. Henry Montor
Mr. Isidor Coons
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, the following is a summary of the various suggestions which arose in the course of our discussion of inter-agency and welfare fund cooperation in connection with 1946 campaigns:

1. The possibility of 1946 fund raising and functional agreements entered into by the related Palestinian agencies with the UPA, and of European agencies with the JDC.

2. Financial integration of these related agencies within the UJA without initial agreements on relationships. This would mean that the UJA would include other European and Palestinian organizations in joint fund raising - in other words, an enlarged UJA.

3. A third possibility would be a Contingency Fund set up by the UJA and administered by a Committee in which the welfare funds and the various national agencies have confidence. National organizations and welfare funds would be told that in view of the UJA's recommendation to freeze welfare fund grants to them at 1945 levels, those agencies which have legitimate increases in their programs would be able to turn to this Contingency Fund for subsidies to total income received from welfare funds and other sources in 1946. It is assumed that national and overseas agencies agreeing to this suggestion would not intensify their promotional fund raising campaigns over the methods used in 1945. Illustrative of the need for flexibility was the fact that in the brief period since the Atlantic City Conference the requirements of one UJA agency, the National Refugee Service, already had changed to the point where a substantial increase over 1945 might be required. This was equally true or possible for other agencies.

4. Another suggestion was that the UJA meet with other national and overseas organizations to discuss possible methods of resolving at least some questions of relationships on a national level to cushion the communities insofar as possible against pressures and controversies which would affect successful fund raising. It was known that already some of these agencies are increasing their field staffs to counteract the pressure of the UJA by additional pressure of their own. To the extent that questions could be resolved nationally the chances of successful fund raising in each community would be improved. Possibilities were an agreement with some or several national agencies contemplating capital fund campaigns that they would not seek to hold such drives in 1946 or would hold their campaigns in the Fall

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We also discussed the program for Sunday evening, February 10, at our General Assembly and asked your assistance in the selection of speakers to cover the European, Palestinian, and the American refugee programs. You will recall that some of the names mentioned were Herbert Lehman or Isador Lubin for the European picture, and Eliezer Kaplan, Rabbi A. H. Silver, or Robert R. Nathan on Palestine.

We shall appreciate hearing from you on this at your earliest convenience.

Cordially,

/s/ H. L. Lurie

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Executive Director

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December 31, 1945

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Knowing how burdened you are, I want to keep calls on your time to a minimum. However, there are certain cases in which your personal aid is indispensable.

The purpose of this letter is to ask your cooperation in the case of Mr. Emanuel Gratenstein, head of the Majestic Laundry, New Haven, Connecticut. His business telephone number is 8-0123. His home telephone number is 5-5789. Mr. Gratenstein is the largest potential contributor in New Haven. The United Jewish Appeal is this year asking New Haven to give \$600,000 toward the \$100,000,000 goal. It is a huge sum for New Haven, but if a man like Mr. Gratenstein would start the ball rolling with the kind of very big gifts he can make it would make the amount possible.

In New Haven it is felt that Mr. Gratenstein has a higher regard for you than for any American Jewish personality. You spent some time with him when you visited New Haven in the spring of 1945. He remembers that meeting vividly and recalls it frequently.

We would be very grateful if you could, in the coming week or so, telephone Mr. Gratenstein and tell him of your keen interest in the success of the 1946 \$100,000,000 campaign. You might suggest to him that his leadership in New Haven is essential if the campaign is to realize its essential goal. You might ask him to do you the personal favor of inviting a group of the key people of New Haven to his home in order to set the tone of thinking for 1946. Some important personality from the United Jewish Appeal could come down to meet with him and his friends. That could be the keystone for a successful drive.

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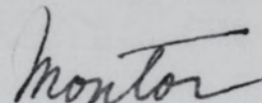
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This year the most unprecedented things will have to be done to get American Jews to think in the new terms of \$100,000,000 giving. I know that a telephone call from you in Cleveland to Mr. Gratenstein would affect him in the right direction.

I would appreciate it immensely if you could let me know the results of your conversation with Mr. Gratenstein.

With many thanks and with kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:ER



UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

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M E M O R A N D U M

January 2, 1946

To: Members of Administrative Committee of UJA

From: Mr. Isidor Coons
Mr. Henry Montor

Subject: Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds

Attached herewith is a letter we have received from Harry L. Lurie, Executive Director of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. It summarizes suggestions made by Messrs. Lurie and Philip Bernstein, his assistant, at a meeting with us on December 24th. This item will be placed on the agenda for our next meeting.

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

January 3, 1946

Mr. Samuel Goldhamer, Executive Director
Jewish Welfare Federation
Room 320, Chester-Twelfth Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Goldhamer:

Mr. Edwin L. McFalls, of 2640 St. James Parkway, Cleveland, sent me a contribution of \$500 on December 22 for the relief of unfortunate people abroad, and requested me to endorse the amount to one or more funds with which I am identified which are used for that purpose. I am sending this contribution of \$500 to the United Jewish Appeal and am enclosing herewith my check for that amount made out to the United Jewish Appeal.

Please acknowledge the receipt of this contribution to Mr. McFalls.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver

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HARRY A. LEVY
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

January 9, 1946

Jewish Welfare Fund
Chester-Twelfth Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

Gentlemen:

Miss Theresa Steiner of 1243 Parkwood Drive,
Cleveland, Ohio, asked me to transmit to you the
enclosed U.S. Savings Bond, Series F, Number D534531F,
as her contribution to the United Jewish Appeal. Please
acknowledge same to her.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

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NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

January 18, 1946

Mr. Henry A. Rucker, President
Jewish Welfare Fund of Cleveland
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Rucker:

The United Jewish Appeal has undertaken the most solemn responsibility for Jewish survival in the history of our people. It was given a mandate to raise \$100,000,000 in 1946. Only through unprecedented generosity and extraordinary massing of resources will the remaining Jews of Europe be enabled to survive 1946. This is the crucial year to strengthen and support their will to live.

On December 15-17, 1945, over 600 representatives of Jewish communities met in Atlantic City, at the first National Conference ever called by the United Jewish Appeal. The great Jewish spokesmen who came here from their ruined and destitute countries in Europe and from Palestine with its message of hope and freedom, mingled with the leaders of our own country. Out of the union of voices emerged a declaration of faith in ourselves and in our courageous willingness to do everything in our power so that that remnant of Israel in Europe would be assured life and hope. Based upon the authentic reports of the needs, resolutions were unanimously adopted by the community representatives in attendance, that the national goal of the United Jewish Appeal for 1946 must be \$100,000,000, and that a Committee on Community Quotas be appointed to request each community to assume its proportionate share of the total responsibility.

This Committee on Community Quotas, having fully considered all the factors involved, made its recommendations on the distribution of responsibility of raising \$100,000,000 as fairly as is possible in the light of the extraordinary job that must be done this year if we are to meet the challenge addressed to American Jewry. The Committee on Community Quotas joins with the officers of the United Jewish Appeal in urgently requesting that your community adopt as its quota for 1946 at least the sum of \$2,000,000.

The community representatives at the Atlantic City Conference, as well as the officers of the United Jewish Appeal, gave the most serious consideration to the question of the 1946 goal. They recognized that in 1945 some \$35,000,000 was contributed and that to reach \$100,000,000 there would have to be the greatest outpouring of generosity history has ever known. At the same time they were overwhelmed by the reality and the

validity of the requirements. The ending of the war had brought not only a full revelation of the horrors of 5,700,000 Jewish deaths, but a deeper understanding of the unbelievably tragic conditions under which the remaining 1,300,000 Jews live now -- under liberation. They were aware also of the striving of countless Jews in Europe to find a pathway to Palestine, where already a community has been established which gives pride and confidence to Jews everywhere. They took cognizance of our responsibility towards the refugees finding a haven in the United States. Actually the known budgetary requirements of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service had to be compressed so that a goal of \$100,000,000 might be fixed as the objective of our united and historic effort.

Since then it has been most heartening to learn of the intention of the United States Government to admit Jewish refugees into this country, under existing immigration laws, in far greater number than during the war years. This emphasizes the fact that the \$100,000,000 goal in relation to the responsibilities that must be met by the United Jewish Appeal agencies represents an absolute minimum.

Already there have been striking indications that the men and women who were at the National Conference in Atlantic City did not merely adopt a resolution aiming at \$100,000,000 without an understanding of the realistic action to be taken. Many individuals on returning to their communities have already committed themselves to make extraordinary gifts in 1946. The standards of such gifts are abundant justification for the new level of community quotas. Already a number of communities have established quotas adapted to the new goal.

You will receive under separate cover in support of this formal request a summary of the budgets to be financed in 1946 by the United Jewish Appeal, as well as a financial statement. We also send you as a matter of record the several resolutions adopted at the Atlantic City Conference on December 15-17, 1945.

We urge that a prompt meeting of your Board of Directors be held so that one or more spokesmen of the United Jewish Appeal might come to you to discuss in every detail the nature of the requirements and of your community's responsibility toward them. We earnestly request that this be a matter for a meeting of the complete Board of Directors because of the unprecedented character of the financial responsibilities that face us and you. We feel that you will not wish to take any action toward establishment of a community quota or toward planning the campaign as a whole without giving the United Jewish Appeal the benefit of this prompt meeting with your Board.

So that our responsible officers, who are ready to give of their time and energy as never before as part of their contribution to this historic campaign, may be given ample notice of such a meeting, it would be most thoughtful on your part if you could advise us by letter or telegram of several alternative dates when it is possible for your Board of Directors to meet with us.

You may be assured that the United Jewish Appeal stands ready to render every possible cooperative service for the success of your 1946 campaign.

With best wishes, we are

Cordially yours,

James G. Heller

HRW:RPT

William Rosenwald

National Chairmen

Jonah B. Wise

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Mr. Charles Rosenbloom
c/o UPA
41 E. 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

MY DEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS UPON YOUR ELECTION TO THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE UPA. I WISH YOU EVERY SUCCESS IN THE GREAT TASKS WHICH LIE AHEAD OF YOU. I KNOW THAT YOU WILL BRING DISTINCTION DEVOTION AND LEADERSHIP TO THIS GREAT AGENCY UPON WHICH SO MUCH OF OUR WORK IN PALESTINE DEPENDS. I CONGRATULATE ALSO THE UPA.

MOST CORDIALLY YOURS

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

THE TEMPLE ANSEL RD EAST 105 GA 9642=

IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONVERSATION THIS MORNING LIST OF INVITEES TO FEBRUARY 24 MEETING AT WASHINGTON WHICH WILL HEAR ADDRESSES BY BERNARD BARUCH. HERBERT BAYARD SWOPE HERBERT M LEHMAN HENRY MORGENTHAU, JR. ROBERT NATHAN INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING FROM WHO NO REPLIES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED SIDNEY N AMSTER MEYER FINE EUGENE HALLE H. A. KANGESSER MILTON KLEIN, DAVID KLINEMAN BERT L KLEIN ERWIN KLINEMAN RICHARD KOHN ISIDOR KURTZ JOSEPH LAMPL A M LUNTZ HIRAM RIVITZ HARRY STONE IRVING STONE JACOB STONE MORRIS STONE JULIUS TUTEUR WALTER WEIL HARRY WIESENBERGER RALPH WIESENBERGER S D WISE. THE FOLLOWING REPLIED AND SAID THAT COULD NOT COME N L DAUBY SYLVESTER W FLESHEIM AND EMERY KLEINEMAN NOT A SINGLE PERSON HAS YET INDICATED HE IS COMING FROM CLEVELAND. IT WOULD BE MOST VALUABLE IF YOU COULD CALL AND URGE ATTENDANCE AT WHAT SHOULD BE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING. GIFTS ESTABLISHED AT WASHINGTON SHOULD CREATE PROPER STANDARD FOR CLEVELAND CAMPAIGN WHICH IS TO FOLLOW. WARM REGARDS=

CHARLES J ROSENBLOOM.

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER THE TEMPLE=

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DUPLICATE OF TELEPHONED TELEGRAM

WE HAVE TODAY SENT FOLLOWING WIRE TO COCHAIRMAN OF CLEVELAND
JEWISH WELFARE FUND APPEAL QUOTE WE STRONGLY URGE THAT
WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS AN OPPORTUNITY BE GIVEN TO AN OFFICIAL
DELEGATION OF THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL TO MEET WITH THE
APPROPRIATE OFFICERS OF THE JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION OF
CLEVELAND TO CONSULT MUTUALLY ON CLEVELANDS RESPONSIBILITY TO
THE \$100,000,000 CAMPAIGN WE ARE GLAD TO REPORT THAT ALL
OTHER MAJOR COMMUNITIES HAVE PROVIDED SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY WE
ARE CONFIDENT THAT CLEVELAND WHICH HAS ALWAYS EXPRESSED ITS
UNDERSTANDING WILL LIKEWISE PROVIDE MOST EFFECTIVE OCCASION
TO DISCUSS SITUATION PLEASE ADVISE MOST APPROPRIATE TIME FOR
MEETING UNQUOTE

=CHARLES J ROSENBLOOM WILLIAM ROSENWALD RABBI JONAH

B WISE NATIONAL CHAIRMEN UNITED JEWISH APPEAL 342
MADISON AVENUE.

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

=DLR THE TEMPLE ANSEL RD=

VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO CALL LUNCHEON
MEETING FOR TWELVE OCLOCK MARCH NINETEENTH. INVITATIONS
WILL GO TO PROSPECTIVE LARGE GIVERS IN ZIONIST GROUP.
MOST CONTRIBUTIONS WASHINGTON CONFERENCE WERE YOUR HELP
TO IMPROVE. IMPOSSIBLE FOR MONTOR AND ME TO COME TO
CLEVELAND MARCH SIXTH OR SEVENTH. WOULD APPRECIATE
YOUR INFLUENCE IN GETTING COMMUNITY TO ACCEPT SUBSTANTIAL
QUOTE FOR UNITED JEWISH APPEAL. REGARDS=
CHARLES ROSENBLOOM.



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on behalf of

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March 26, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

May I express personally and not merely officially the deep appreciation for your presence at and message to the regional conference of the United Jewish Appeal held in Cleveland on Sunday.

Your deeply moving address was a source of the greatest encouragement to all those present. It gave to the men and women attending the conference an overwhelming sense of the urgency of the task which they were being asked to undertake.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:BG

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342 MADISON AVENUE
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WILL ASSUREDLY ATTEND UJA CONFERENCE. PLEASE RESERVE HOTEL ROOM.

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