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## UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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JEWISH NATIONAL FUND (KEREN KAYEMETH)
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for your letter of October 18th outlining what happened at Pittsburgh. It is evident that the J.D.C. is not yet prepared to deal with the U.P.A. as equals. I think all are agreed that your approach to the situation represents the only feasible method of getting more money this year. That is, not to insist on ratios but on amounts.

I note that it is impossible for you to go to Schenectady in November. We shall try to make other arrangements although I know that they wanted you and counted greatly upon you to put across their campaign.

The Conference in Washington it to be held on Saturday evening, January 21st and Sunday, January 22nd. Dr. Goldstein had asked that the date of January 15th should not be used since he had an important engagement that day elsewhere. It is likely that Lady Reading will be here in time for the Washington Conference. I believe that invitations for the Conference ought to be issued now so that there can be no excuse that the invitations had come too late.

I have in mind the President of the American Jewish Committee, the President of the B'nai B'rith, and the President of the Jewish Labor Committee insofar as Jews are concerned aside from whatever personalities will be placed on the program from within our own ranks. Insofar as non-Jews are concerned what do you think of the following as possibilities: Senator Borah, Secretary Hull, Mayor La Guardia, Governor Lehman, Governor Horner, Governor Earle, Senator Bulkley, Senator Wagner, Mrs. Roosevelt.

I did not know that the Convention of the American Hebrew Congregations was to be held so close to our own or that the meeting of the Council of Federations was to take place in Baltimore co-incidentally with the U.P.A. Conference in Washington. Under the circumstances do you think we ought to take the date of January 15th and then prevail upon Dr. Goldstein to cancel whatever other engage-

ment he had for that day?

I am definitely instructing Baruch Braunstein to arrange a conference for the U.P.A. in Texas for February 28th and to arrange for the opening of the Houston campaign on March 1st and a visit to one or two other cities on March 2nd. Will you be kind enough to put these dates on your calendar as definite engagements.

I dictated a letter today before I had received your letter regarding Pittsburgh. My name is not in any way involved with the Z.O.A. Emergency Fund or with the Emergency Committee activities except for a brief note I have been asked to send to members of the Emergency Committee outlining progress.

The report I have received from Edmund Kaufmann who is receiving the money, indicates on the attached sheet the communities and allotments to the Z.O.A. Emergency Fund.

I am submitting to Dr. Wise, Mr. Lipsky and Dr. Goldstein the proposal you make with regard to our relationship to the J.D.C.

When do you think the next meeting of the Administrative Committee of the U.P.A. ought to be held?

What is your final judgment with regard to Nathan D. Kaplan? Tremendous pressure is being brought to bear from all sides.

Cordially yours,

HM:BC Enc. Henry Montor
Executive Director

P.S. Inasmuch as the list is not yet complete, it will be forwarded under separate cover.

### MEMORANDUM

October 20, 1938

To: Mr. Henry Montor

From: Mr. Louis Lipsky

It is urgent that immediate steps be taken to force a meeting with the J.B.C., otherwise the J.B.C. will undoubtedly force its way into the Taylor Committee, and put us in a subordinate position in any campaign that may be undertaken under the auspices of the Taylor

Committee.

(Signed) Louis Lipsky

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Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with the suggestions contained in your letter of October 20th, invitations will be going out to the non-Jews in the order of your preferences.

From our experience of last year I believe that the effectiveness of the Conference, at least in the eyes of the majority of the participants, is enhanced by their ability to take part in it. Every delegate to the Conference who has an opportunity to speak his mind or to make a report, however brief, feels thereafter indebted to the United Palestine Appeal.

My idea of the program is along the following lines:

Saturday evening - A general presentation of the situation in Palestine dealing with the economic developments, the security situation and particularly the relationship of the national funds to the maintenance of the Jewish position in Palestine.

Do you believe it would be valuable for just such a purpose to invite to this country a man like Joseph Baratz who, though speaking primarily in Yiddish, makes an overwhelming impression by the simplicity and the forcefulness of what he has to say? In view of the fact that he is one of the founders of Dagania and has been for the past two and a half years in the midst of the emergency and defence measures, he might be most valuable for visits to other communities. If you agree, we would have to cable him quickly. I do not know that he would be free to leave Palestine at this time.

The Saturday evening session might have addresses on the work of the Keren Hayesod and of the Keren Kayemeth by persons to be designated by the two organizations, it being distinctly understood that reports and not speeches would be involved.

The Saturday night session could also be utilized to dispose of the annual report of the United Palestine Appeal which ordinarily is presented at the Sunday morning session.

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interest in Palestine by the President of the B'nai B'rith, an officer of the Jewish Labor Committee.

You might then deliver a general review of the Palestine situation linking it to the work of the United Palestine Appeal.

We could then call upon representatives of various regions to report on what had been done in their areas. We could ask our fieldmen to designate one man who, above all others, had been most helpful to the United Palestine Appeal in the particular region.

Sunday noon could be utilized for the festive luncheon with whatever non-Jewish personality we have obtained as guest speaker. You will recall that last year Secretary Ickes was the speaker and contributed to the impressiveness of this particular sesson. However, we might decide to use Lady Reading if she can be here for the date now in mind.

The Sunday afternoon session could be a discussion from the floor on campaign techniques and problems. On that occasion we could discuss the relationship between the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee; the relationship of the United Palestine Appeal to the Welfare Funds; the relationship of the Jewish National Fund's supplementary activities to the United Palestine Appeal. This would stir the type of discussion from the floor that for many years we have not had.

I must point out that the leadership in the past has said that this type of discussion was unwanted and could not be helpful to our purposes. But from reports I have seen of numerous Joint Distribution Committee conferences and from my own experience at other meetings. I am convinced that giving an opportunity to people to speak from the floor on matters directly related to the technical aspects of the United Palestine Appeal campaigns is in the long run most helpful, particularly if there is someone in the chair who is familiar with our business and who is prepared to answer intelligently and to the point.

The Sunday afternoon session could also be used for the proclamation of our quota and for the presentation of such resolutions as had been decided upon. These resolutions would probably include greetings to the Yishub, question of immigration, appeals to Welfare Funds to assign certain minimum ratios to the United Palestine Appeal and to overseas causes, and expressing appreciation to all those associated with United Palestine Appeal work.

Sunday night - It has been traditional to have a banquet close the session on Sunday night. At this time we could hear from

### Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

the officers of the United Palestine Appeal who will not have had a chance previously to speak, and from one or two non-Jewish or Jewish personalities who may be obtained for the occasion.

Copies of the "New Palestine" reporting on the United Palestine Appeal conferences of 1937 and 1938 are attached. These will indicate the nature of the program on those occasions.

I learn from Dr. Hexter today that a meeting of the Actions Committee and of the Administrative Committee of the Jewish Agency is being summoned for London for the middle of November.

Attached herewith is a copy of a memorandum from Mr. Lipsky who urges that we take action to force a meeting with the Joint Distribution Committee. On the basis of that suggestion I have drafted the enclosed letter. Is this satisfactory to send?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

III FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

# THE SECRETARY OF STATE Washington

October 24, 1938

My dear Dr. Silver:

I wish to thank you for your letter of October twenty-first, in which you were good enough to invite me to speak at the annual conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Washington on Sunday, January fifteenth.

I am most appreciative of this kind invitation and I assure you that it would give me much pleasure to participate in your annual conference. However, for your strictly confidential information, I shall in all probability be leaving the latter part of November to attend the Pan American Conference at Lima and will not return to the United States until late in January. I am, therefore, very regretfully unable to accept your kind invitation, which I nevertheless value highly and would accept with much pleasure were it at all possible for me to do so.

I am very sorry that I am unable to send you a more favorable reply, but I feel confident that you will appreciate and understand the situation confronting me.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Cordell Hull

Dr. Abba H. Silver,

National Chairman

United Palestine Appeal

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October 25, 1938

Rabbi Melbourne Harris
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Harris:

Under separate cover there has gone forward to you one hundred copies of the Eretz Israel map, as requested in your letter of October 19th.

Within a few days you will receive a bill to cover this item.

With kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

SB: BC

Samuel Blitz Campaign Director

# The Goal For 1938: \$4,500,000

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Chio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise phoned me this morning in connection with the letter which you had sent him, asking that the United Palestine Appeal be represented at the conference called by the Joint Distribution Committee for November 13th with officers of Welfare Funds.

Rabbi Wise felt that he did not want to put into writing any answer to your letter. He indicated, however, that the Joint Distribution Committee must go through with its planned program of having a meeting with the Welfare Fund officers without the presence of other bodies. Out of that meeting will come a discussion that might conceivably involve the United Palestine Appeal, he said, but it would be more proper for the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal representatives to meet subsequent to that meeting. Although he believed that such a meeting would be held he did not feel that he was authorized as an individual to make such a commitment.

He indicated that he would write to you briefly stating that he had asked me to convey to you the contents of our telephone conversation.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM: EH

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October 28, 1938

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

HM:BG

This is just to remind you that on Thursday night, October 27th, you remarked that you wanted to write a letter to Mr. Paul Baerwald to supplement what you had written previously to Rabbi Jonah B. Wise. The address of Mr. Paul Baerwald is 120 Broadway. New York City.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. EAST MIDWOOD JEWISH CENTER 1625 OCEAN AVENUE BROOKLYN, N. Y. October 31, 1938. Dr. Abba H. Silver c/o United Palestine Appeal 111 - 5th Avenue New York, N. Y. Dear Dr. Silver: I have been informed by Mr. Harodl Jacobi of his intention to drop My. Sidney Marcus as Executive Director of the Flatbush Division of UPA and to replace him with someone else. I have discussed this metter with the members of my Executive Committee and it is their unanimous opinion that any such action will result in harm to the cause in which all of us are so vitally interested. You realize no doubt that a local community that works with an Executive Director is in a better position to judge his abilities than anyone who stands at a distance from that community. We are not convinced that anyone else would raise any more money in Flatbush and we feel that Mr. Marcus has the additional advantage of knowing the individuals and groups in our community. He has done a fine piece of work during his incumbency with us and I speak in the name of my co-workers when I say that any attempt to displace him would do a great deal of harm in the UPA. I ask you theref ore in my onw name and in the name of my co-workers to reconsider the decision to dispense with the services of Mr. Sidney Marcus. Sincerely yours, HARRY HALPERN Rabbi. HH:MK

COPY OF TELEGRAM SENT TO PLAINFIELD, N.J.

HONORABLE WILLIAM NEWCORN 220 PARK AVENUE PLAINFIELD NEW JERSEY

HAVE JUST HAD LONG EARNEST CONFERENCE WITH SIMON MARKS LEADER OF COUNCIL FOR GERMAN JEWRY AND OUTSTANDING BRITISH PHILANTHROPIST WHO ARRIVED YESTERDAY MORNING SPECIFICALLY TO DISCUSS WITH AMERICAN FRIENDS URGENT NECESSITY FORWARDING MAXIMUM SUMS FOR USE BY JEWISH AGENCY IN PALESTINE.

PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHT FOR INCREASED JEWISH IMMIGRATION INTO PALESTINE LARGELY AS RESULT OF INTENSE UNITED AMERICAN PRESSURE DURING PAST MONTH. IF JEWISH DEMANDS FOR LARGE SCALE IMMIGRATION ARE TO BE GRANTED JEWISH AGENCY MUST HAVE IMMEDIATELY UNPRECEDENTEDLY LARGE SUMS THAT WILL GUARANTEE ECONOMIC ABSORPTION REFUGEES. IN VIEW RECOGNITION OF FACT THAT PALESTINE IS CENTRAL TO SOLUTION INCREASING HOMELESSNESS EUROPEAN JEWS AND IN VIEW DISCUSSIONS NOW IN PROGRESS LONDON FOR INCREASED IMMIGRATION IMPERATIVE WE HAVE YOUR SUPPORT AND THAT OF ALL OTHER COMMUNITIES IN GETTING IMMEDIATELY NEW SUMS TO FERTILIZE MANY CHANNELS EXTENDING PALESTINES CAPACITY FOR IMMIGRATION.

WHERE WE GAVE HUNDREDS BEFORE MUST NOW GIVE THOUSANDS AND TENS OF THOUSANDS IF WE RESPOND SERIOUSLY AND SOLEMNLY TO PLIGHT OF REFUGEES. WIRE WHAT LARGE SUPPORT UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL MAY EXPECT FROM PLAINFIELD. REGARDS.

> STEPHEN S. WISE CHAIRMAN, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

November 1, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Pale time Appeal 111 Fifth Ave. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: Please send my a check for \$6.04 which covers a long distance call, postage for the months of September and October; also a check for \$25 - secretarial services for the month of October. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours. AHS: BK

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is an inquiry received from the Council of Federations dated October 31st. I also attach my reply. I trust that this is in keeping with your understanding of the matter.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:F

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS INC. 165 West 46th Street New York City October 31, 1938. Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N. Y. Dear Mr. Montor: We have had requests for information regarding the Palestine Defense Fund. This name has come to our attention before and it was our understanding that the National Labor Committee and the Zionist Organization as well as the several Jewish newspapers in the city were accepting ear-marked contributions to this fund which were transmitted to the Jewish Agency in Palestine for Defense purposes. We would very much appreciate a statement from you regarding the Defense Fund and the attitude of the United Palestine Appeal toward its fund-raising in this country. Any information you give us will be very helpful. Sincerely, CAROL KUHN CK: AS

November 2, 1938. Miss Carol Kuhn. Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. 165 West 46th Street New York, N. Y. Dear Miss Kuhn: This is in acknowledgement of your letter of October 31st. The United Palestine Appeal has no relationship to what you term the Palestine Defense Fund. The Jewish Morning Journal, a paper published in New York City, launched an appeal to its readers several months ago for the emergency needs of the Jewish Agency. This colicitation was intended for residents of New York City. Whenever requests for information came to us from outside New York City as to the nature of this appeal launched by the Jewish Morning Journal, we made it clear that it was not intended for other communities and discouraged contributions, although we do regard the Jewish Morning Journal action as praise-worthy insofar as collections in New York City are concerned. The Jewish Morning Journal appeal was concluded immediately after the High Holidays. There is another organization called the Baad Bitachon. whose Chairman is Dr. Meyer Rosoff. Mrs. Sophie Udin is Secretary. The Vasd Bitachon has no relationship to the United Palestine Appeal. My understanding is that the Vaad Bitachon has been making private appeals to individuals. We have been assured by both Dr. Rosoff and Mrs. Udin that they did not intend and would discourage public appeals within communities. The United Palestine Appeal has had occasion to point out that the purposes served by the Vaad Bitachon come within the framework of the purposes served by the United Palestine Appeal. I believe that the National Labor Committee is also soliciting funds for the purposes to which you refer. However, neither

the United Palestine Appeal nor the Zionist Organization of America has, as far as I know, given approval to such fundraising by either of these bodies for the purposes indicated.

The United Palestine Appeal continues to take the position that its effectiveness in aiding Palestine will increase if Jewish communities throughout the nation will use it as the exclusive instrument for forwarding funds for the various tasks that must be carried on in the upbuilding of the Jewish Mational Nome.

Sincerely yours.

Henry Montor Executive Director

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November 3, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: The enclosed letter of Mr. Edmund I. Kaufmann and my reply are self-explanatory. I talked with Rabbi Jonah Wise long distance upon receiving this communication from Mr. Kaufmann. Wise tried to do some considerable crawling over the telephone, suggesting that he had asked me, over the phone, that the UPA waive the 40-60 agreement which it had with the JDC. and that I had refused. He made no such request. His sole purpose was to make immediately available to the JDC a million dollars and that the JDC would make its accounting with the UPA at the close of the year when, as he said, "all of our accounting will be taken care of". I told him that if any more such communications as that received from Mr. Kaufmann come to our office and if, as a result of his telegram, confusion has been created in the minds of people with reference to the position of the UPA in the matter, that I would be compelled to issue a public statement and send telegrams to all the communities in the United States stating exactly what had transpired. If you receive any such letters or telegrams, please let me have them at once. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc. - 2

November 3, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: I do not believe that it would be advisable at this time to circularize the non-welfare fund cities for emergency contributions. This would be seized upon as a counter-play to the JDC appeal and would not be viewed with favor by the Jewish public. The JDC has, at the moment, the strong appeal of the Rish-Jewish situation and it is naturally capitalizing upon it to the fullest. I do not know how much extra money will actually be raised by the JDC. I am inclined to think that most of the money which they are receiving now as a result of their appeal is by way of advances on the 1938 or 1939 JDC allocations. Of whatever fresh money they will get, we will receive 40%. I hope that it will be a substantial sum. Within the next few weeks, you should contact the JDC Office and request a memorandum of the sums raised by the JDC as a result of its emergency appeal. You should do that most tactfully and with the clear suggestion that we are not asking for any settlement of accounts at the moment, but only as a matter of record which will help us in determining our plans for the 1939 Campaign. If, as a result of considerable advances which may be made to the JDC, remittances to the UPA slacken down substantially in the next four or six weeks, we might find it necessary to write to the welfare fund organizations reminding them that Palestine, too, is in dire need of funds and that prompt remittances are imperative. However, let us watch the situation as it develops in the next few weeks. With all good wishes, I remain Most cordially yours, AHS: BK

November 3, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: We had a very fine Balfour Day celebration last evening at the Public Music Hall. Some three thousand people were in attendance and the quality of speeches and the tone of the meeting made it perhaps the finest Zionist gathering in our history. I was particularly impressed with the addresses of Joseph B. Keenan, assistant United States attorney general, who made a special trip from Washington for the occasion, and of the Reverend Dr. Robert B. Whyte, president of the Cleveland Church Federation. The addresses are worthy of publication. I am herewith enclosing both addresses and recommend that they be published in the New Palestine. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

HM: JS

Encl.

Attached herewith is a copy of a Cablegram from Eliezer Kaplan of the Jewish Agency summarizing the needs of the Jewish Agency for 1939.

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor

Executive Director

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

III FIFTH AVENUE

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Joint budget. Kayemeth not yet, fixed stop Following may proposal to executives and probably ACS approval firstly 250,000 pounds political activity security needs including roads buildings stop After difficult negotiations allocated jointly Kofer havishuv 100,000 above purposes October November December secondly 200,000 labour housing maritime enterprises and relief including Austrian German refugees stop Expended last year 135,000 for labour housing and relief only; thirdly 100,000 for outpost settlement stop Already incurred obligations totalling 70,000 for coming year fourth 100,000 for trade industry handicrafts; fifth 200,000 agricultural colonization including middleclass settlement; sixth 220,000 immigration training cultural educational purposes religious institutions administration and others stop Disturbances severely affected educational activities consequently Vaadleumi demanding increased allocation; seventh 30,000 Kerjessod propaganda administration; eighth 150,000 for repayments including part last years emergency loan and for reserve inforeseen expenditures stop Total million and quarter stop Wide possibilities Kayemeth now open stop Programentails 700,000 pounds besides 500,000 payment on previous obligations due this year stop My delayed New Year's greetings letter follows

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

III FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

pro tem London October 31, 1938

### PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Henry Montor 111 Fifth Avenue New York City, U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Montor:

After my return from Czechoslovakia I established personal contact with the Czechoslovakian Ambassador in London, Jan Masaryk, the son of the late President, Dr. Th. Masaryk. It was already known to me that he was in sympathy with our work, on friendly terms with Dr. Weizmann and especially with the Sieff Family, but I never sought personal contact with him, although I knew his father before the War and after the War, and had acted even as his guide in Palestine.

My first conversation with Masaryk was not only interesting, but even thrilling. He told me that he had heard of and about me, that he was interested to get my inside report of how I found Czechoslovakia; he promised me every possible support in my efforts to help the refugees from the Sudetenland and Czechoslovakia, politically and financially, etc. etc. I am not going into this question here, because it does not concern my regular correspondence with you, but what I want you to know is the following:

He told me that since Czechoslovakia has become a satellite of Germany, he has lost all his interest in his country and his state. He never wants to set foot again on Czechoslovakian soil. He is very bitter about England and France, especially of course about England, and he says what interests him more than anything else in the world now is what is going to happen to the Jewish nation and to Palestine. Czechoslovakia has suffered its fate; the Jewish nation in Palestine can perhaps still be saved. He wants to put himself at our disposal. The Czechoslovak Government has asked him to continue for the time being as Ambassador in London, especially during the time of negotiations with regard to the loan to be extended by the British Government to Czechoslovakia. He could not refuse this request, but has definitely indicated to his Government that he is going to leave his work by January lst. Then he will leave the Embassy, retire into private life and probably go first to America as a free lance. He says that he has a very good name in America and it will not be difficult for him to make use of his relations and his reputation to fight for the causes which are near to his heart - humanity, democracy and the fate of the Jewish people. Whatever we want him to do, he will do.

His confession to me was really of such a sincere character that I do not doubt that he is absolutely serious about it. He had not spoken about it to anybody else, although he had been in touch with Dr. Wiezmann even during the most critical period of his country's fate. He had not mentioned what he said to me to Dr. Weizmann, as I found out in the last few days. But since then, I have been to see Masaryk more than once, and he always took up the same theme. It seems that his whole passion is concentrating on that point: how can I help the Jewish people to avoid betrayal; how can I mobilise Jews and non-Jews on their behalf.

He is an excellent English speaker, of a very commanding personality, and I do not think it would be a bad idea to use him during January at the U.P.A. Conference and during the whole drive, not only to strengthen the sympathies of non-Jews, but in order to strengthen American Jewry, and to make propaganda which will help us in our work.

You will get this letter when the American representatives on the General Council are already on their way to London, but your reply by letter or week-end cable will arrive while they are here. Let me know first your personal opinion, and tell me whether I should talk this matter over with Lipsky or whoever will be here. I need not emphasise that you must see to it that this letter and its contents remain absolutely confidential. I have not sent any report of it to Jerusalem, nor spoken to members of the Executive here because I am afraid of premature disclosure.

yours sincerely,

(signed) Leo Herrmann

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November 3, 1938

Henry Montor New York, N.Y

DO NOT BELIEVE THAT MESSAGE TO NON-WELFARE FUND CITIES AT THIS TIME WOULD BE POLITIC. LETTER FOLLOWS.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter which I have received from Herman Gessner, Chairman of the Upper Peninsula campaign, which is a combined drive on a parity basis for the Joint Distribution Committee and United Palestine Appeal.

It is apparent that Mr. Gessner feels that the money being raised in response to Rabbi Wise's emergency appeal belongs to the Joint Distribution Committee exclusively and cannot be considered as part of the fifty-fifty arrangement. Mr. Gessner is a good friend of the United Palestine Appeal and wants the U.P.A. to benefit similarly.

What do you advise?

Cordially yours.

November 4, 1938.

NEW YORK CITY

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM: F

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. THE FAIR STORE ESCANABA, MICH. November 2, 1938. Mr. Henry Montor 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N. Y. Dear Mr. Montor: I am writing you today and giving you the following information as I want to play fair with your organization. Prorefore I am enclosing copy of the telegram which I received from Rabbi Jonah Wise yesterday and also my reply to him which is self-explanatory. The results of this telegram is that money has come in, in the amount of several hundred dollars with the notation that it be sent to the JDC. I shall have to comply with their request. However, I though that perhaps your organization could find some way to offset this and I am enclosing a list of names to whom I want you to send a similar telegram. These people can contribute from \$50 to \$100 more. Please do not mention by hame in connection with these wires. The majority of the people at this time are afraid that the land which the UPA is buying will all be taken away from them and therefore would rather give to the JDC, therefore I suggest that you give them some sort of explanation in regard to this matter. I though best that they get this information direct from you. Did you get anything from my good friend, Sam Winkelman of Wausaul If not, wire Mr. Winkelman as he has promised to raise several thousands dollars and I know that I can depend on him to do so. I would appreciate hearing from you what he has done. Hoping to hear from you and trusting you will take care of the above matter. I remain Sincerely yours. HERMAN GESSNER HG:PH

November 1, 1938

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise New York City.

Dear Rabbi Wise:

It was a peculiar co-incident receiving your wire this morning as I had wired to fourteen different people in the Upper Peninsula Saturday, stating I had received a wire from you, that it was urgent that I send in what money I had on hand, and then, today I received your wire.

I am happy to say that I have already had some returns from the wires which I sent out Saturday, and as I forwarded you a remittance Saturday, I will hold the money I now have for a few days and then make another remittance, when I receive a little more.

You can see that we are leaving nothing undone here in order that we reach our quota. I would appreciate it if you would send the same wire which you sent me to the names I have attached to this letter. Do not mention me in connection with your appeal, these can give from \$50 to one hundred dollars or more, additional and perhaps your wire might have some effect on them.

If every district throughout the entire United States would do as we have been doing, you could easily raise twenty two million dollars. I figured it out last night, this is in proportion to the number of families we have in the Upper Peninsula, what we have raised up until today. There is something wrong with the way most of the country is organized. Of course, you can't do it alone, you must have support! There are not enough men who take a really active interest in the cause, who will devote their time to it. There are over four million people in the country and if each one gave \$5 you could raise twenty million dollars.

Well, I am not going to bore you any more, you know best what to do. I wish that I could help you with some of the other States, but my health will not permit me to do so. I am only allowed to be in the office a few hours each day, and devote the entire time to our cause.

I would also appreciate it if you would send a wire to Sam Winkelman of Wausau. He is the gentleman I am depending upon to help us make our quota. I know that he has put his drive on but I do not know if he has collected anything as yet.

Appreciating a line from you,

Sincerdy,

HERMAN GESSNER

November 4, 1938. Mr. Louis Lipsky 386 Fourth Avenue New York, N. Y. Dear Mr. Lipsky: I wish to protest formally, but none the less vigorously, against the attitude of the New Palestine in recent weeks to the United Palestine Appeal. The emergency situation affecting Palestine could well have been utilized to reemphasize the necessity of raising larger sums for Palestine through the United Palestine Appeal. Instead, week after week the prominence and the space given to the United Palestine Appeal in the New Palestine have diminished. I have before me the November 4th issue of the New Palestine. I have looked at page one, at page two. at page three, at page four, at page five, at page six, at page seven, at page eight, at page nine; at page ten, at page eleven and at page twelve. Incredible as it seems, no story relating to the United Palestine Appeal is used. I do see stories about Hadassah; almost a full page about the American Jewish Congress; some book reviews; the Youth Aliyah, the Aleph Zadik Aleph of Bnai Brith; a full column about the Palestine Pavilion; a half column about a testimonial of the Order Sons of Zion; and a full column about the Jewish National Fund. Frankly, I cannot understand it, nor can I attempt to explain it. Surely, you, as Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal, will agree that such an attitude to the United Palestine Appeal on the part of the official organ of the Zionist Organization of America is inexcusable. Cordially yours, Henry Montor Executive Director HM:F

November 4, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: Is there any way of knowing exactly how much the JDC has raised so far in the United States? I am not referring to the recent emergency appeal. If you can obtain these figures, I wish you would let me have them. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc. - 6

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I was informed by Philip Potash, the UPA field director for Rhode Island, that a campaign was being organized immediately in Providence. In a wire which I received from him he states that the campaign includes the American Jewish Congress.

I immediately telephoned the Boston office. Potash was not in but I spoke instead to Robert Silverman. I was emphatic that the United Palestine Appeal would not tolerate an independent campaign for the United Palestine Appeal in which the American Jewish Congress was a partner. It is not the same situation as when the United Palestine Appeal is included in a Welfare Fund in which the American Jewish Congress may be a participant.

I took this action without consulting you. I would appreciate your observations on my stand in this matter.

In the 1938 campaign the United Palestine Appeal received from Providence the sum of \$8,300. The J.D.C., in a campaign held several months later, raised approximately \$20,000. I do not think that our campaign possibilities will be particularly enhanced by having a partner, unless, of course, there were a partnership between the United Palestine Appeal and Joint Distribution Committee.

As I have told you before I believe the Providence situation is not an economic but a personal one.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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TO FACILITATE OUR PHONE DISCUSSION THIS AFTERNOON SENDING YOU PROPOSED TELEGRAM QUOTE SERIOUS MISUNDERSTANDING OR DISTORTION REGARDING POSITION OF UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL IN PRESENT EMERGENCY SITUATION REQUIRES PROMPT EXPLANATION TO FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS. WHEN NEWS OF DEPORTATION OF POLISH JEWS FROM GERMANY REACHED AMERICA LAST WEEK RABBI JONAH B WISE TELEPHONED ME AT CLEVELAND TO STATE JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE WAS CALLED UPON FOR UNUSUALLY LARGE EXPENDITURES TO MEET SITUATION. HE SUGGESTED THAT I SIGN THE TELEGRAM TO COMMITTEES FOR FUNDS TOGETHER WITH HIM. I AGREED TO DO THIS SINCE I REALIZED NECESSITY OBTAINING SUBSTANTIAL FUNDS IMMEDIATELY. AT SAME TIME I POINTED OUT AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN JDC AND UPA AT BEGINNING OF YEAR TO COVER YEAR 1938 PROVIDED THAT OF ALL FUNDS RAISED IN WELFARE FUND CITIES DIVISION ON 60-40 BASIS APPLIED. AGREEMENT SPECIFICALLY STATED IT WAS BINDING REGARDLESS OF ANY EMERGENCY DEVELOPMENTS FOR EITHER CAUSE. WHEN JDC EMPHASIZED THIS POINT DURING NEGOTIATIONS IT WAS BECAUSE OF EMERGENCY DRIVE FOR PALESTINE LAST YEAR AND POSSIBILITY EMERGENCY SITUATION FOR PALESTINE IN 1938 WHEN RABBI WISE'S TELEGRAM FOR FUNDS REACHED ME IN CLEVELAND, OF WHOSE WELFARE FUND I AM CHAIRMAN, I IMMEDIATELY SENT TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR JDC NEEDS ASKING TREASURER TO HOLD OFF AMOUNT DUE UPA DESPITE MY CHAIRMANSHIP THAT BODY. IN SOME QUARTERS IT IS FALSELY BEING MADE TO APPEAR THAT THE UPA IS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF A

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EUROPEAN SITUATION TO INCREASE ITS FUNDS. THE FACTS ARE AS FOLLOWS: THE UPA AND JDC ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR 1938 TO ELIMINATE THE FRICTION AND COMPETITION PREVAILINGN PREVIOUSLY AND TO PUT OVERSEAS FUND RAISING ON STABILIZED BASIS IN CONFORMITY WITH WELFARE FUND SYSTEM OF ONE CAMPAIGN ANNUALLY FOR ALL CAUSES. SEVERAL TIMES DURING PAST YEAR THERE HAVE COME URGENT REQUESTS FROM PALESTINE FOR IMMEDIATE LAUNCHING OF EMERGENCY FUND DRIVE OUTSIDE REGULAR UPA CAMPAIGN. THIS I HAVE CONSISTENTLY RESISTED EVEN AGAINST COUNSELMANY MY ASSOCIATES ON GROUND THAT UPA OWED DEFINITE OBLIGAT-ION JDC AND WELFARE FUND NOT TO VIOLATE LETTER AND SPIRIT OUR AGREEMENT. I HAVE NOT ONLY AVOIDED EMERGENCY DRIVE FOR UPA BUT EVEN OPPOSED EMERGENCY DRIVES LAUNCHED BY OTHER PALESTINE BODIES FOR SAME REASON OF FUND RAISING STABILITY. I DID NOT OPPOSE SUCH EMERGENCY CAMPAIGN FOR PALESTINE BECAUSE I DID NOT THINK CIRCUMSTANCES WARRANTED IT ON THE CONTRARY, I BELIEVED AND STILL BELIEVE THAT AMERICA HAS CONTRIBUTED SHAMEFULLY SMALL AMOUNTS FOR PRESERVATION MOST PRECIOUS POSSESSION OF JEWISH PEOPLE, WE HAVE MET HEROISM AND SELF SACRIFICE IN PALESTINE WITH PUNY WORDS OF COMMISSERATION. WITH JEWISH LIFE IN EUROPE BEING DEALT SHATTERING HAMMER BLOWS AMERICAN JEWRY SHOULD HAVE RUSHED TO POUR FUNDS INTO PALESTINE TO SECURE IT FOR JEWISH IMMIGRATION AS ONLY REAL SOURCE OF PERMANENT HOPE. BUT DESPITE THESE VIEWS OF MINE I HELD OFF. SOLELY BECAUSE I WISHED TO KEEP FAITH WITH JDC AND JEWISH WELFARE FUNDS BELIEVING THAT ALL NEEDS OUGHT TO BE MET OUT OF INCREASED GENEROSITY TO WELFARE FUNDS AND MORE ADEQUATE ALL LOCATIONS FROM WELFARE FUNDS. IT WOULD BE IRONIC AND UNFAIR INDEED IF THERE WERE NOW TO

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BE CHARGED TO ME THE DESIRE TO PROFIT FOR THE UPA AT THE EXPENSE OF THE JDC. I KNOW THE NEEDS OF THE JDC AND FEEL THEY MUST ELICIT MAXIMUM AMERICAN COOPERATION BUT IT IS REGRETTABLE THAT AN AGREEMENT WHICH UPA AND JDC BOTH ENTERED IN GOOD FAITH FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNTRY SHOULD NOW BE HELD AGAINST THE UPA. WHICH HAS OBSERVED IT SCRUPULOUSLY THE OVERSEAS SITUATION. IN WHICH EUROPE AND PALESTINE ARE INDISSOLUBLY LINKED, DEMANDS THOROUGH STUDY AND PROMPT ACTION BY AMERICAN JEWRY. THROUGHOUT 1939 THE UPA HAS BEEN PRESSING JDC FOR BROAD EMERGENCY DRIVE WITH COOPERATION WELFARE FUND. IN PAST TWO MONTHS I HAVE ADDRESSED THREE SEPARATE REQUESTS TO JDC OFFICERS FOR MEETING BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF TWO ORGANIZATIONS TO ACT UNITEDLY FOR BEST INTERESTS OF BOTH WITH REGARD TO QUESTION OF RATIOS BUT I REGRET TO SAY EVERY REQUEST HAS BEEN IGNORED. I BELIEVE IT NOW TIME FOR WELFARE FUND LEADERS WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR RAISING THE FUNDS FOR BOTH CAUSES TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION FOR THE TWO ENDS OF RAISING FAR GREATER SUMS FOR BOTH JDC AND UPA NEEDS AND TO PREVENT CALAMATY OF DIVISION AND DISUNITY IN AMERICAN JEWRY. I AM THEREFORE CONVENING AN EXTRA ORDINARY EMERGENCY MEETING OF WELFARE FUND LEADERS TO TAKE PLACE NEWYORKCITY SATURDAY EVENING NOV 12TH COMMODORE HOTEL, 8 OCLOCK TO ADOPT IMMEDIATE LARGE SCALE PROGRAM AFTER THROUGH FRANK CONSIDERATION ALL PROBLEMS INVOLVED. BEG YOU COME YOURSELF OR DESIGNATE OFFICIAL REPRESENT-ATIVE YOUR WELFARE FUND TO ATTEND. CANNOT EMPHASIZE TOO STRONGLY THAT FULL REPRESENTATIVE ATTENDANCE VITAL AMERICAN JEWRY ADEQUATE SOLUTION OVERSEAS PROBLEM. WIRE WHETHER YOU OR OTHER REPRESENTATIVE WILL ATTEND. ABBA HILLEL SILVER NATIONAL CHAIRMAN, UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL UNQUOTE AM IN MEANTIME VIEWS WISE LIPSKY. MONTOR.

November 7, 1938

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Ave. New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

Attached herewith is a copy of a telegram which I received this afternoon from Mr. Kaufmann, of Washington. In view of the situation, I would suggest that we refrain from sending any more letters to the communities with reference to the J.D.C. emergency drive.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK Enc.

November 7, 1938

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I approve of the position which you took with reference to Providence. The United Palestine Appeal Campaign should not be tied up with a campaign for the American Jewish Congress unless both of them are included in a general welfare fund campaign.

With reference to the New Palestine. I think it is again necessary to impress upon Mr. Lipsky that the allocation which the UPA makes to the 20A is largely due to the service which the New Palestine renders the cause of our campaign and, that being the case, it is the UPA which is actually financing the New Palestine as its organ for campaign publicity.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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November 7, 1938

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wrote to you with regard to the Providence situation.

Attached herewith is a memorandum from Potash reviewing the request for the inclusion of the American Jewish Congress in the United Palestine Appeal campaign in Providence.

What do you think?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM. SB

III FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

November 7, 1938

EXCERPT FROM MEMORANDUM RECEIVED FROM PHILIP POTASH DATED NOV. 4

"Supplementing my wire of yesterday with reference to Providence: I am glad to inform you that we had a well attended meeting last night of all our leaders and active workers and it was decided to start preparations immediately for this year's UPA. Owing to the fact that our leaders, who are also leaders of the Congress movement in Providence, made a previous promise to Dr. Wise and pledged themselves at the Congress sessions in New York to raise some money for the Congress, it was deemed wise to include the Congress in the drive, for a moderate sum of money, probably \$1000. In fact, Dr. Nahum Goldman is to be the guest of Providence at the dinner which is being planned, the definite date of which will be known in two or three days (it will most likely be held on one of these three days: Dec. 4, 12 or 18).

"The community is set to raise substantially more money than last year. In order to justify a substantial increase in the quota, it was voted to specify the Emergency Fund and the JNF as past of the campaign, thus giving the community good reason for a quota of \$20,000 to \$21,000. Please understand that this is the unanimous decision of the Providence committee and since they know the local conditions and how more money can be secured, we must accept their judgment. I hope you realize that except for the \$1,000 or thereabouts which will go to the Congress, all other monies will finally be credited to the UPA."

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November 7, 1938

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, O.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from Dr. Martin Rosenblueth and a copy of my reply thereto.

Dr. Rosenblueth, as you will note, suggests that I discuss the matter with you.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM. SB

November 7, 1938 Dr. Martin Rosenblueth Central Bureau for the Settlement of German Jews 77, Great Russell Street London, W. C. 1, England Dear Rosenblueth: In view of the enthusiasm that radiates from your letter of October 27, I wish it were possible to be more encouraging with regard to your hope that a place can be found for Mr. Meinhart Maur within the framework of the United Palestine Appeal. I am sorry to say, however, that our activities do not include the type of recitalist represented by Mr. Maur. I am turning a copy of your letter over to Mr. Morris Margulies, Secretary of the Zionist Organization of America, in the event that his organization may be able to consider Mr. Maur for the tour you have suggested. Cordially yours, Henry Montor Executive Director HM. SB

IN FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y.

#### THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE

#### CENTRAL BUREAU FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF GERMAN JEWS

77, GREAT RUSSELL STREET, LONDON, W.C. 1.

Mr. H. Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue NEW YORK CITY.

Dear Monthr:

I enclose herewith a mass of material concerning Mr, Meinhart MAUR who was at the time a well-known actor on the Berlin stage under the direction of Max Reinhard. After the events of 1933, he had of course to leave the stage, and for more than three years afterwards he placed his art - he is not only an actor, but also quite an outstanding reciter - at the disposal of the Jewish Kulturbund in Germany, with excellent success, as you will see from the enclosed presscuttings. About two years ago, he came to England, and through untiring efforts and energy he contrived to acquire so theway a knowledge of the English language that already after one year he was given contracts as film actor, and subsequently he also appeared on the London stage.

Mr. Maur is not only a really first-class artist, but also an ardent Zionist, and I believe that we should so all we can to help him. He is most anxious to go to America, at fleast for a limited periodm but he can do so only if the United Palestine Appeal or any other likely Jewish organization in America invite him for a tour of several months for the purpose of artistic performances (recitals) in Jewish or general circles. I have myself attended such performances of Mr. Maur in Germany, and I do not hesitate to say that his art is tremeddously impressive and comparable in its effect with an excellent concert or a really good play.

I wonder whether it would be possible to arange recitation evenings of this kind within the frameworkd of the United Palestine Appeal campaign. I believe that we must always try to device new ways and means of our propaganda work.

I enclose herewith a programm under the heading "Of Jewish Honour and Greatness" for a performance which Mr. Maur had proposed to give in England. As you will see, some of the recitals were proposed in German, but Mr. Maur would, of course, be prepared to confine

his programme in America to English or English and Hebrew.

On his trip to America Mr. Maur would be accompanied by his wife, there are no children.

Naturally, the organisation which extends an invitation to Mr. Maur for such a tour, should at the same time offer him an adequate financial remuneration. As I said before, I personally am strongly in favour 66 the United Palestine Appeal seizing this opportunity, but if for some reason or other this seems impracticable, I would urge you to consider whether there are any Jewish or other institutions or bodies that might be interested to invite Mr. Maur for a tour.

His address is 44. Lancaster Gate. London W. 2. Should you write him directly. I would be grateful if you would/me have a copy.

Perhaps you would discuss the matter with Dr. Wise, Dr. Goldmann, Dr. Silver and Mr. Lipsky.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely.

Dr. Martin Rosenblueth.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been thinking of a new and effective way of calling attention to the national U.P.A. Conference to be held in Washington on January 14th and 15th.

Inasmuch as we have already made the four color plates for the cover of the NIGHT OF STARS Yearbook, there will not be any added expense to use this striking symbol of the activities of the U.P.A. in the invitation to be sent broadcast to our workers throughout the country.

Attached herewith is the layout of the proposed invitation, together with the paper which would be used for it. Would you be good enough to let me hear from you as soon as possible and to send back the enclosed material?

Cordially yours,

HM:BC Enc. Henry Montor Executive Director The Goal For 1938: \$4,500,000

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a memorandum which I have received from Dr. Wise.

Frankly I would like very much to help Pring but to use him on this regular basis is very difficult, if not impossible.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM: FW encls.

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#### MEMORANDUM

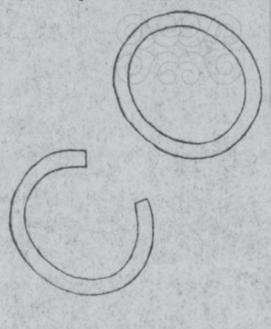
Nov. 4, 1938

To HM

From SSW

Prins was into see me. Begsthat he may be used for the next six months. He claims that excepting for perhaps one address he has worked out his indebtedness - or shall I say "Talked out". He claims that he could get along and do his work decently if he could have \$300 per month for the next six months. I asked whether he meant six addresses. He said "I am willing to give six to ten".

Is he good? Is he valuable? I think you ought to send for him and let him know wherein you think he is valuable and wherein he is not.



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a brace of correspon-

dence in regard to the Connecticut Zionist

Region.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM: EH

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

111 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

#### BANKERS NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY Montclair, New Jersey

November 1, 1938

Mr. Henry Montor, Executive Director United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York

My dear Mr. Montor:

Thanks very much for your letter of October 30, and the enclosed correspondence between you and Rabbi Greenfeld.

I wish to state that I am deeply convinced that you and the leaders of the U.P.A. are taking this matter as a mere question of an additional expenditure, and by treating the entire matter as such I certainly would be in accord with you on the question of holding back any additional expense in any territory.

But, truthfully, this situation is entirely different. We are convinced that unless we have someone in the State who would be in constant touch with our communities not only during the campaigns but who would strengthen the Zionist forces all year round; who would find new forces and new leadership to assume responsibilities for Palestine funds from which the U.P.A. would benefit a great deal, our accomplishments are going to diminish instead of increase.

It is not correct to assume that we want an allowance of approximately \$2,000 in order to strengthen the activities of the Zionist organization only.

We believe that whoever comes into the State during a campaign as a field director does cost the U.P.A. some expense. Don't you think it would be worthwhile to risk the additional expenditure that we in Connecticut feel should be incurred for the benefit of the U.P.A.?

Do you not feel that this group, in consideration of its past performances, is entitled to have your attention and cooperation with this plan and that it is worthwhile to consider the benefits that the U.P.A will derive from such an arrangement.

Suppose we put it on a purely business basis, taking the idealism and the devotion to the Cause out of it. Here is a concern that has received hundreds of thousands of dollars for a period of years through the efforts of an agency in Connecticut. This agency is proposing to invest a small sum in order to increase its income. Would it be good business to turn them down? I have my opinion.

Your attitude leads me to believe that some of you have an idea that the amount of money that the U.P.A. receives from Connecticut will be received through sources such as the Welfare Fund, combined drives, and other business deals, regardless of the attitude of the Zionists. If such is the case, it certainly is a waste of time, energy, and money to both with this group altogether.

It is interesting to note that no disciplinary action was taken, for example, in the case of the Welfare Fund in Hartford when we took from the collections our expenses, outside of the expenditure of the field director. Why would it be necessary to take disciplinary action against the State Zionist Organization if they do likewise? Are the Zionists less trustworthy than the Welfare Fund?

I assure you that the Zionists are not interested in benefiting from the U.P.A., but are very much interested in aiding the U.P.A.

I am frankly admitting that a serious situation is being created. I know the spirit prevailing among the Zionists. It is obvious that the spirit of the resolution and the spirit of your letter, speaking of disciplinary action, is bringing the fight into the open.

As for myself! I am very little werried as to what interpretation will be given of my loyalty to the U.P.A. I am fully in support of the resolution and will do my utmost to cooperate in carrying out that resolution. The national officers or the Board of the U.P.A. may be fully justified in asking for my resignation as an officer of the U.P.A., of from any other office connected with the U.P.A. I am fully prepared to do so in order to be free to carry on the fight to benefit our movement and fund-raising institutions in Connecticut.

I sincerely hope that you will realize that the request of the Connecticut Zionist Region is a justified one; that it is for the benefit of the U.P.A.; that it is worthwhile experimenting, even if it should not materialize as we hope it will. You may be in a better position to argue the case after one year's trial, and you can rest assured that if it should not turn out as we hope and plan, that the very same group will be among the first to make the necessary changes.

With best personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Abraham Goldstein

November 7, 1938

Mr. Abreham Goldstein 54 Church Street Hartford, Cohn.

Dear Mr. Goldstein

Attached herete is a copy of a letter which I have written to mabbi Greenfield, who raised a number of the points contained in your own letter of November 1st.

It is because I have so high a regard for you end for what your leadership has meant for the United Palestine Appeal that I beg you once again to consider very carefully the course of conduct that has been suggested in the Connecticut Zionist Region.

Are you planning to be in New York in the near future? I am sure that the coldness of words in a letter could be most effectively galvanized if I had an opportunity to explain to you personally the many potent reasons why assent by the United Palestine Appeal to the Connecticut plan is really impossible.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM; BH

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. November 7, 1938 Rabbi William P. Greenfield Beth El Synagogue 359 Cooke Street Waterbury, Conn. Dear Rabbi Greenfield: I do not for one moment seny the value or wisdom of intensified activity in the Connecticut Zionist Region. Do you not find it strange that it is not possible, from the whole state of Connecticut, to obtain sufficient funds to organize the Degion along the lines you plan without making deductions from or asking a contribution from the United Palestime Appeal. The United Releating Appeal is, it must be emphasized, the instrumentality to raise funds for Palestine from among both Monists and non-Zionists. Until that position is changed it cannot engage in the type of activity which you have proposed without bringing upon itself the hostility of some elements of the passunity who are not affiliated with the Zionist Organization. As you know, the United Falestine Appeal made a contribution during 1938 of \$54,000 to the Sionist Organization of America, during 1937 a similar sum was provided, during 1936 the amount was over \$110,000. These sums were given by the United Asiestine Appeal on the understanding that the Zionist Organization of American and its constituent branches were engaged in that type of year-round activity which justified a grant from the United Palestine Appeal on general grounds of aducational stimulus, but even this decision or the United Palestine Appeal has met with dissent in various quarters that are important for our income. I cite as only one example what happened this year in Chicago. The Chicago Jewish Welfere Fund, being opposed to this grant to the Zionist Organization of America, deducted from its allotment to the United Palestine Appeal ten percent of the sum alloted by the United Palestine Appeal to Zionist educational purposes. Do you not see how seriously the income of the United Palestine Appeal could be affected if non-Zionists in other parts of the country were to adopt a similar position? It may interest you to know that a prominent Zionist leader of Utica, New York, who is an officer of the United

Palestine Appeal compaign, has made formal protest against any allotment by the United Palestine Appeal to the Zionist Organization of America. The result is, then, that the United Palestine Appeal loses not only through the expenditure of the sum it grants to the Zionist Organization of America but from expenditures made by a community which feels it ought not to share in this particular item.

There are 150 Welfare Fund cities in the United States. I shall not attempt to say how many contributors in these cities are Zionists and how many non-Zionists, but we all do know that there are quite a number of non-Zionists who are represented in the Jelfare Funds as leaders and as contributors. Surely you and I and all others concerned with the maximum income for Palestine must take every precention that the funds of the United Palestine Appeal, small in comparison with our needs, must not be further reduced.

The United Falestine Appeal represents activity conducted in each community once a year either in independent drives or in combined campaigns with the Joint Distribution Committee or as part of a Welfare Fund. Expenses of various kinds are incurred in the stimulation of such campaigns. It is the leadership of men like yourself sho take a solemn responsibility for the United Palestine Appeal which makes possible whatever sums are raised in these combined drives. Each combustly deducts from the amount sent to the United Palestine Appeal, as to the Joint Distribution Committee, the expenditures of conducting the iscal drives. You are proposing that in addition to (a) expenses incurred by the national office, (b) expenses incurred by the field director the United Palestine Appeal now employs and (c) expenses incurred by local communities, whether it be saterbury, Hartford or New Haven, there should be a fourth feduction of expenses incurred in the state of Connecticut for the maintenance of a Zionist Region.

If the Zionist Region of Connecticut needs strengthening is it not fair that you demand of the Zionist Organization of America, which is receiving funds from the Daited Palestine Appeal, an amount sufficient to enable you to go forward with your campaign of enlarged activity? Is it fair that an additional burden shall be placed on the United Palestine Appeal in view of the circumstances I have related above?

The United Palestine Appeal is faced with a difficult year in 1939. It will need the understanding support of all Zioniste in equal measure. It will need the sympathetic interest and support of non-Zionists. I carnestly hope and am confident that neither you nor our other friends in the Connecticut Zionist Region will take any action which will militate against the possibility of the United Palestine appeal raising the funds it requires.

I must again emphasize that the United Palestine Appeal cannot consent to the deduction of any funds in the way you have proposed.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours.

Henry Monter Executive Director

November 2, 1938

Mr. Henry Montor
Executive Director
United Palestine Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Montor:

May I personally express my sincere regret at the type of letter which you found it necessary to send not to me but to the Connecticut Zionist Region.

We clearly understand the impossibility of the New York office of the U.P.A. being able to realize the situation in Connecticut. The Zionists of our state, good Zionists, men interested in the welfare of the U.P.A., working without pay and without glory know that the fifty thousand dollars and more raised last year in the state of Connecticut will not be raised this year unless there is a local field director. Their hearts do not permit them to see the U.P.A suffer in the state without at least making an attempt to prevent any lessening of prestige, of finances for that organization.

Your threat of disciplinary action by the national organization leaves me personally rather untouched. If it be your pleasure or the pleasure of your committee to come to Waterbury or New Haven or Hartford or any one of a dozen other cities and raise the money yourselves, it is entirely within your rights. If you expect local people to do the work, I believe that there is nothing that can prevent them from making use of some small percent for the purpose of legitimate expenses.

A director of Zionism in this state means also a canvasser for UPA funds. You may be satisfied with your connecticut field director. As for us, I shall use Waterbury as an example. We raised over three thousand dollars last year for the U.P.A. without the benefit of a single visit from your field director. We shall raise more if we have your cooperation.

I ask that your committee understand that the two thousand dollars invested will bring a return of many thousands, and will make Connecticut more fertile ground for future larger contributions. We have asked but one year's investment. Would it not be fairer to grant that to us than to quibble with and threaten those whose lives have been dedicated to the service of all Palestine endeavors.

With the hope that Connecticut will show a tremendous increase over last year in all Zionist campaigns, and that it will be done with the co-operation of all national offices, I remain

Yours truly,

W.P. Greenfeld

President

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a memorandum from Bernard Stone.

What are your views on this matter?

Cordially yours,

HM:BC

Enc.

Henry Montor

Executive Director

#### JEWISH WELFARE FUND 128 North Wells Street Chicago

November 8, 1938

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York City

Dear Abba:

I have seen the letter which you addressed to Ulysses S. Schwartz, who, by the way, is no longer Chairman of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago. Mr. Herbert M. Lautmann is the Chairman, and has been Chairman for the last six months.

I don't understand your letter. Perhaps I don't understand it because no question has arisen here in Chicago with respect to the recent Polish emergency that would make us feel that the U.P.A. was trying to profit from this emergency at the expense of the J.D.C. Hence, I don't know just what to do with your letter. I have sent it on to Herbert Lautmann so that he may know about it, and I have written him that I have asked you for further information.

When Rabbi Jonah B. Wise's telegram came to us, I called him on the long distance phone and told him that it would be impossible for us to have an emergency appeal for the J.D.C. at this time, because that would mitigate against the success of a Welfare Fund drive which we hope to hold early next year. Under the circumstances, I thought the best thing that we should do, and in this the Welfare Fund Board agreed, would be to send him funds that we had in the bank, as much as we could spare at this time, against our current allocation to the J.D.C. We sent \$25,000 of such funds. This seemed to be agreeable, in accordance with the telephone conversation that I had with Rabbi Wise.

I don't know what has happened elsewhere to have precipitated your letter. I am just wondering whether, if your letter is sent to Funds like our own where there does not seem to be a problem, it won't precipitate a lot of difficulties that need not have arisen. Perhaps a letter of this sort should have been sent only to places where misunderstanding and false impressions did exist.

I should be grateful to you for further information on the subject.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) Samuel A. Goldsmith

Secretary

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. MILWAUKEE JEWISH WELFARE FUND, INC. 421 Brumder Building 135 W. Wells Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin November 8, 1938 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York City Dear Rabbi Silver: Your favor of the 6th inst. acknowledged and it is indeed highly regretable that any misunderstanding or erroneous impression has arisen in the present emergency situation. again emphasizes the need for the utmost endeavor being made to bring the dominant fund raising agencies in the present emergency situation. together for a common understanding. You recall a short time ago I wrote to in detail as to may position in this regard and copy of which letter was also transmitted to the American Joint Distribution Committee, the National Coordinating Committee, the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds, and its president and executive secretary. It appears, in order to accomplish any movement for cooperation and coordination it perhaps will be necessary the separate welfare fund organizations must be mobilized to take a firm position for the possible accomplishment of this end. The cooperative spirit of the United Palestine Appeal in this present emergency and in its steadfastness not to undermine the welfare fund structure is to be highly commended upon. While it appears I can do nothing more to further such a possible jointure, nevertheless if at eny time you desire to call upon me, please do not hesitate to do so. Yours very truly. MILWAUKEE JEWISH WELFARE FUND. Inc. (Signed) N. M. S. Stein NMS; RR President

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Blitz tells me that he is beginning to have difficulties in New York City. The Joint Distribution Committee has begun to launch emergency drives in a number of trades which have for several years been conducted on a combined basis between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal. In other words, the Joint Distribution Committee is using New York as the battle ground to divorce itself completely from the United Palestine Appeal.

It is evident that the Joint Distribution Committee is unscrupulous in the methods it is following, being concerned only with the funds which it needs and wants to have. In self protection the United Palestine Appeal will have to know where it stands because if the United Palestine Appeal is not to be completely destroyed in New York City it will have at once to emphasize the needs and claims of Palestine.

It would be most helpful if you could come to New York at an early date in connection with the meeting which it is essential to call of the officers for the 1939 campaign in New York City.

Is there any prospect of your attending the Pennsylvania conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Harrisburg on November 20?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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November 10, 1938

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a memorandum to me from Samuel Blitz in regard to the Hebrew University and the desire of Mr. Lamport to meet with you when you are next in New York.

Perhaps it makes no difference where the money raised by the United Palestine Appeal goes so long as it goes to Palestine. I do not went to be a sectarian about these matters, but nevertheless I do have a greater loyalty to the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth than to other institutions in Palestine.

From that point of view, then, I cannot agree that giving \$25,000.00 to the American friends of the Hebrew University represents a contribution to the success of the New York campaign, even though in itself the contribution may be justified.

We have been jockeyed into the position of giving this money on the ground that the Joint Distribution Committee gives \$12,500.00 a year and we ought not to permit the Joint Distribution Committee to let it be said that it gives more to the Hebrew University than does the United Palestine Appeal.

Cordially yours.

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM: FW encls.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You recently gave me the dates of February 28, March 1st and March 2nd, for a tour of Texas. I find however that it will be impossible to take advantage of your presence in Texas for a state conference for the United Palestine Appeal, since there cannot be a state-wide conference on any day except Sunday.

Is it possible to set saide a few days in which Sunday would be included?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM: FW

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a check in the amount of \$31.04, representing \$6.04 for reimbursement for a long distance call and postage for September and October, and \$25.00 for secretarial services for the month of October.

Cordially yours,

HM: BC

Henry Montor Executive Director

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Louis Nizer, whom you may recall as one of the officers of the New York campaign and a leading theatrical attorney, has spoken to me about Harry Hershfield, the noted cartoonist.

It seems that Hershfield is in a position which requires additional financial support so that he is prepared to go out on a tour for the United Palestine Appeal. There is involved a sum of money which, on a year-round basis, would probably be around \$7,500.

I imagine that Mr. Hershfield would be helpful in some communities because of his reputation which still continues because of his cartoons. I don't know, however, how communities in general would respond. He is a combination of the humorous and also the touchingly serious. I must confess that the financial angle makes the proposition less attractive than it would be without that burden.

What do you think?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM: BC

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

III FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

#### MEMORANDUM

November 9, 1938

To: Mr. Henry Montor

From: Mr. Samuel Blitz

Mr. Arthur M. Lamport spoke to be regarding the continuation of our arrangements with the Hebrew University for next year. I informed Mr. Lamport that these arrangements being in the nature of an allocation of funds is not within the province of the New York Compittee but is a matter to be taken up with the National Administration.

Mr. Lamport requests that we arrange an appointment for him with Dr. Silver onhis next visit to New York to discuss this matter.



UNITED PACESTINE APPEAL

111 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

# COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS, INC. 165 West 46th Street New York City

November 9, 1938

United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York City

Att: Mr. Henry Montor, Executive Director

Gentlemen:

In the development of plans for the General Assembly to be held in Baltimore, January 21-23, 1939, our Program Committee has suggested that we set aside several open periods. These would be available to several national and overseas agencies for special meetings addressed to our audience of representatives of welfare funds and federations. I am writing to you to inform you of this proposal and to ask you to let us know whether your organization would like to take advantage of this opportunity. We want to arrange the program with as few concurrent meetings as possible.

Our regular program begins on Saturday evening, January 21, with a public session. The general topic of this session will be the problems of Jewry in the disorganization of Europe and the outlook for readjustment. All of Sunday including morning, luncheon, afternoon and evening sessions will be meetings of delegates to the Council to discuss welfare fund policies in times of crisis, camps in possibilities for continuing and emergency needs and related questions. On Monday, we should like to reserve the luncheon period for our own program but the morning and afternoon sessions are open. The evening session which closes the Conference will be a dinner meeting and will be devoted to a discussion of social security, voluntary social work and a developing public welfare program, in relation to the continuing tasks of federation.

Except for the Saturday evening and Monday evening sessions, we are not scheduling any speakers or papers. We are planning to have a working conference, discussing basic questions, exchanging views of local organizations and if possible, arriving at a consensus of opinion. At these business sessions, we hope also to have the local and national representatives of the important national and overseas as encies present and available for questions and discussion but there will be no opportunity for extended presentation of material. It is for this purpose that the Monday sessions are provided.

For the sessions on Monday, it may become necessary to divide the marning and afternoon time into two sections each. In that case, several of the agencies whose programs are related might cooperate in order to obtain a more extended period for their program.

If there is any additional information on our Assembly plans needed in reaching your decisions, let me know.

Very sincerely,

H. L. Lurie

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
HIT FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y

November 10, 1938

Mr. H. L. Lurie, Executive Director Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds 165 West 46th Street New York City

Dear Mr. Aprie:

The United Palestine Appeal will be happy to take part in any program or series of programs that is to be arranged by the General Assembly of the Council to present a clear picture of the work of the United Palestine Appeal as one of the major overseas agencies.

we shall be glad to place at your disposal such material and such reports as may best meet the requirements you have in mind for a fruitful session.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM: EH

November 10, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: With reference to Harry Hershfield, Meinhart Maur and others: - it is clear that the UPA can not become the dumping ground for all unemployed and deserving people. I think our good friends are imposing too much upon the UPA. Our funds are limited and we must hand-pick those people who can most effectively serve our Campaign. I was opposed, you will recall, to putting even Van Paassen on a salary basis. Whatever speakers or other talent we require from time to time we should engage and pay, but we cannot and should not build up a year-round salaried group of speakers. There are Jewish lecture bureau organizations in the field. I understand. and such people ought to be presented to the American Jewish public through these bureaus. Should the UPA, from time to time, have need of their services, we, too, shall be able to engage their talent from such bureaus. The position which we took in the case of Mr. Nathan Kaplan should be universally applied. I agree with you that we should have a meeting of the Administrative Committee. I am free on Monday, November 21. Please arrange for a meeting on that evening. It will not be possible for me to go to Harrisburg on November 20. with reference to Texas: if a Sunday is needed for my tour of Texas, the only time I can sat aside would be March 12, 13 and 14. That may be too late for the Texas campaign. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Elkan Voorsanger came into the office yesterday. He seemed interested in the possibility of an affiliation with the United Palestine Appeal. I cannot see, however, how he could fit into our organization unless we were prepared to revise substantially upwards our estimate of the amounts which the United Palestine Appeal ought to pay its field representatives. When he spoke of remuneration he made reference to the figure of \$9,000. Thereafter I kept very silent.

Cordially yours.

Min. Ton

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM: F

November 11, 1938. Mr. Isidor Coons Joint Distribution Committee 100 East 42nd Street New York, N. Y. Dear Coons! You end I have made it a practice not to lay too great emphasis upon the zealousness of field representatives of either cause. I feel sure, however, that you will wish to know of the embarrassment that has been caused us by remarks attributed to your field representative, Mr. Amateau. In Charleston, West Va. and Welch, West Va. he is alleged to have said that Dr. Silver had stated that the United Palestine Appeal had so much funds for which it had no use that they were lying idle in the bank. In view of the fact that the United Palestine Appeal has within recent weeks borrowed large sums to meet demands from Jerusalem, it is obvious that there could be no accuracy to the statement. Undoubtedly, you will wish to inquire as to whether Mr. Amateau actually made the remark attributed to him. Cordially yours. Henry Montor Executive Director HM:F

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter

from Irvin Bettmen of St. Louis, with a suggested

reply .

Sincerely yours,

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM:FW encls.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF SAINT LOUIS 3636 Page Boulevard St. Louis, Mo. IRVIN BETTMAN, President 1234 Washington Avenue ember 9, 1938 Dr. Abba Hillel Silver United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York City, N.Y. My dear Dr. Silver: I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 6th. I regret sinderely this continuing controversy between the U.P.A. and the J.D. I hope someone can find a method of settling it. I/suggest a National Budget Committee made up of impartial men who will be able to pass on this situation on a basis of actual facts. I will be glad to do everything I can to help this committee. I feel all of us in Welfare cities are thoroughly disgusted with this continuing controversy. Very truly yours, (signed) Irvin Bettman IB: JWV

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### CONFIDENTIAL

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I believe that the subject matter in the attached private and confidential personal note to me from Leo Herrmann is of such importance that I ought to give you the complete text to serve as guidance.

My own conviction is that to announce Masaryk for the Washington Conference and to be able to use him in our work would be a tremendous asset. You have seen from what has been happening in Charleston how much more pressure and influence we will have to bring to bear on public opinion to emphasize that it is unjust to think of the United Palestine Appeal and Joint Distribution Committee in numerical terms as though one acted in behalf of 450,000 and the other of 6,000,000 people.

Herrmann asks that I cable him so that he can take the matter up immediately with Masaryk. May I hear from you by wire?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM:EH Encl.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a telegram addressed to you by Judge Sloss of San Francisco. I should regard the tone of this letter as particularly healthy inasmuch as it comes from San Francisco, supposed to be the citadel of non-Zionists.

Attached also is a copy of a letter from Charles W. Morris, head of the Jewish Community Council of Louisville.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM: FE

COPY OF TELEGRAM FROM SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.
November 12, 1938

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER 111 FIFTH AVE.

THANKS FOR YOUR LETTER WITH ILLUMINATING EXPLANATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN JDC. AND UPA. ON WHICH I WAS NOT FULLY INFORMED STOP SO FAR AS I AM AWARE NOBODY HERE HAS MADE CHARGES OF UNFAIRNESS OR IMPROPRIETY AGAINST YOUR ORGANIZATION STOP IMPRESSED WITH DESIRABILITY OF JOINT CONFERENCE OF WELFARE FUNDS JDC. AND UPA. PROPOSED BY YOU AND HAVE EXPRESSED MY APPROVAL IN TELEGRAM TO JDC. HEAD

M. C. SLOSS

CHARLES W. MORRIS

Louisville, Ky.

Nov. 11, 1938

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver 111 Fifth Avenue New York City.

Dear Dr. Silver:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 6.

We appreciate the situation in which the United Palestine Appeal presently finds itself.

I think you will find that the Louisville Conference of Jewish Organizations will fully consider and protect the rights of the United Palestine Appeal in our forthcoming campaign.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Charles W. Morris

# UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

You may be interested in this memorandum from Mintz referring to sentiment for the J.D.C.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM: F

### REPORT OF MEYER S. MINTZ

November 10, 1938

I think I should tell you that the telegram sent by Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, appealing for an additional \$1,000 to cope with the Polish-German refugee situation, has made a tremendous impression among the leaders in New Jersey. I haven't the time now to give you a complete picture, but will give you a couple of incidents which characterize the situation.

1. While speaking to Mr. W. S. Luria of Toms River N.J. he told me of a meeting that they held, immediately following the receipt of the telegram, and in spite of the fact that the campaign in Toms River was practically completed a few weeks ago, there were a number of the committee members who were in favor of upsetting the original definite decision to divide the money on a 40-40-2- basis (20% to the Gewerkshaften) and instead send 50% to the IDC. Moreover, Mr. Luria himself, who was urgent in his advocacy of equality between the UPA and JDC, told me that "I confess that I was one of those who urged that the JDC get more in view of the present situation."

Fortunately, we have a few good Zionists in Toms River, and they did not allow the original allocation to be upset.

- 2. Van Paasen, whom I met in Atlantic City, told me that at a meeting of the Men's Club of one of the temples in Jersey City, which he addressed, they raised, on the spot, the sum of approximately \$1,000 in response to Jonah B. Wise's telegram.
- 3. What happened in Hackensack you already know. The people were so impressed with the plight of the German-Polish refugees that nothing I said in favor of parity would influence them.
- 4. Last Sunday while in Bayonne, a number of our own friends told me that they felt that the JDB was entitled to a larger allocation. These same people told me that while the Allocations Committee decided to give 25% to other agencies (not to exceed the sum of \$2,500 there was no positive decision as yet on the distribution of the remaining 75%, as between the UPA and JDC. I was not present at the Allocations Committee meeting, because they preferred that no representatives should be there, and the report that I had previously, was that they decided to divide the money on an equal basis. I will, of course, do all in my power to assure an equal division in Bayonne, but I have a feeling that there will be trouble.

November 14, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: The people from Birmingham, Alabama have been after me by telegram, long distance telephone and letter for some time now. I finally capitulated and I accepted their invitation to open their campaign on Monday evening, January 16, 1939. This will be the day following our National Conference in Washington. Is there anything which I ought to know about Birmingham? Have you definitely scheduled the Administrative Committee meeting for next Monday? I shall be glad to see Mr. Lamport next Monday or Tuesday morning with reference to the Hebrew University. I am not in favor of making any allocations to them for next year. They were of no help to us at all this year. I had a telegram from the Mizrachi organization asking for an interview with me this week in Cleveland. I suggested that they wait until next Monday and see me in New York. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

November 15, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: I am enclosing herewith the telegram which I sent this afternoon to Mr. Baerwald. With reference to the cable from London about advancing the date of our Conference - I think that it would be a mistake to do it. The indefiniteness with relation to the time when the proposed discussions will take place in London do not justify us in shifting our date. We need time to prepare for our Conference. We are counting on certain outstanding figures to come to us from abroad in January to attend the Conference and we want our Conference to be as ne r to the 1939 Campaign as possible. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

An emergency meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal is to be held on Tuesday evening, November 22nd at 8 P.M. at the office of the United Palestine Appeal, 111 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

The situation in Palestine, the developments in Europe and the relationship between the United Palestine Appeal and other fund-raising organizations in the United States make imperative the taking of common counsel so that the United Palestine Appeal may play its proper part in meeting the grave problems that have arisen.

You are urged to cancel whatever other appointments you may have made for the evening of Tuesday, November 22nd in order to attend the United Palestine Appeal Administrative Committee meeting, for which Dr. Silver, National Chairman, is coming from Cleveland.

Henry Montor
Executive Director

P.S. Please note that the meeting will start at 8 P.M. promptly. Please use the entrance to the building at 5 East 18th Street, New York City.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Following is a report showing what has been raised in Birmingham, Ala. since 1936:

1936

\$3,550.

1937

4,000.

1938 (Emergency Fund)

Birmingham has a Jewish population of 4,200. Richmond, Va. which has 6,500 gave in 1938 to the United Palestine Appeal the sum of \$11,000. Wilmington, Del. which has 3,900 is giving us approximately \$6,000 this year. Undoubtedly Birmingham can give on a much larger scale since it does not have the poor Jewish community that some of the other cities in the North and East have.

Cordially yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter and an attachment received from Meyer Weisgal of the Palestine Pavilion.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM: F

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR JEWISH PALESTINE PARTICIPATION AT THE NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR 1939 EMPIRE STATE BUILDING NEW YORK CITY November 11, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N. Y. Dear Mr. Montor: I know of the interest of your organization in the Palestine Pavilion at the World's Fair. I am therefore writing to ask your cooperation. It is important that our people from coast to coast be informed and educated as to the significance of the Jewish Palestine Pavilion. Knowing that you and representatives of your organization have opportunity to speak before Jewish audiences from time to time, I am enclosing herewith a draft of a letter which I would ask you to please circularize among the leaders and speakers of your group. You are of course at liberty to change this letter as you see fit, but the main thing is to urge upon your people that they should discuss the Palestine Pavilion in their speeches and propaganda whenever the occasion lends itself to such discussion. The enclosed booklet will be of interest to you. Thanking you in advance for your cooperation, I remain Very sincerely yours, (Signed) Meyer W. Weisgal Director MWW: ES encl. P.S. This is a form letter.

# FORM LETTER TO BE SENT TO SPEAKERS OF UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

Dear Mr....:

The United Palestine Appeal is, as you know, deeply interested in the success of the Jewish Palestine Pavilion. We not only have accepted membership on the American Committee for Jewish Palestine Participation at the New York World's Fair 1939, but are committed to carry a substantial part of the responsibility for the realization of this undertaking, which at this time more than ever is of vital importance to our work for the upbuilding of Palestine.

You, as a public figure who comes in contact with Zionist audiences throughout the country, can be of great assistance to the Jewish Palestine Pavilion by emphasizing in all your public addresses the significance of Zionist representation at the New York World's Fair.

I therefore arge you to do so, and thus to facilitate the work the United Palestine Appeal has undertaken in connection with the Jewish Palestine Pavilion.

Cordially yours,

DR. ABBA HILLEL LIVER National Chairman The Goal For 1938: \$4,500,000 PALESTINE APPEAL PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD) JEWISH NATIONAL FUND (KEREN KAYEMETH) EMERGENCY FUND (MIFAL BITZARON) OF THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE For the Settlement in Palestine of Jews of Germany, Poland, Rumania and Other Lands 111 FIFTH AVE: CABLE ADDRESS-PALFUND

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from Samuel Goldmith of Chicago.

He seems pretty determined that 1938 shall be a clean page insofar as contributions to the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee from the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago are concerned.

Cordially yours,

November 18, 1938

NEW YORK CITY

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM. SB

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. THE JEWISH. WELFARE 128 North Wells Street FUND Chicago, Ill November 15, 1938 Rabbi Abba Hilled Silver United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York City Dear Abba: I have your letter of November 10th, for which I thank you. With regard to the Chicago Jewish Welfare Fund drive this year, we have already had such a drive in the Spring of 1938. It is ture that we notified both the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. that this was in payment of 1937 obligations, and that in 1937 we paid for 1936 obligations. As a matter of fact, the Welfare Fund and the United Jewish Appeal here is only three years old. For years before 1935 our community did nothing or very little for either the J/D.C. or the U.P.A. Nothing really in an organized fashion was done until we had a United Jewish appeal in 1935. That campaign was held very late in the year and ran into the year 1936, and we were, I think, impensely generous in saying that we were meeting onligations that our community had for 1935 through the proceeds of such a campaign. Thereafter we came to be one year behind in meeting our obligations. I think the situation will have to be rectified in the coming year. Nothing is really being lost by either the U.P.A. or the J.D. C., since they have received money in every year beginning in 1936, and since in 1935 each of the organizations received money much too late to help them appreciably with their 1935 obligations. By rectifying this situation this coming year, I mean that we shall go on a 1939 basis, and thereafter, so long as at least these emergency conditions obtain, we shall raise money year by year and pay it in the year raised. This will be feasible to a certain extent because of the tremendous needs now of the J/D.C., or rather the tremendous needs arising out of the current situation among the Jewish communities of Europe, particularly of Germany. These conditions will probably require the raising of every large sums throughout the country, and it is going to be quite out of the question for us to to think in terms of our obligations for 1938 (when we are going to raise money in 1939), and, at the same time, think of 1939 ohligations. We will have to think in terms of one campaign and one fund for the U.P.A. and the J.D. C, with a division between the two organizations that gives due regard to emergency needs and to the element of jus tice.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver November 15, 1938 Your budget is in no way handicapped this year, nor was it in any of the past three years, including this year, since, as I have didicated, you have received very substantial and, in comparison with other cities, notably New York and Philadelphia, very generous gifts in each of these years from Chicago. The above, of course, is merely a personal opinion on my part. It is not an official expression of the Welfare Fund Board. The Welfare Fund Board has not officially acted as yet on the campaign, or on the allotment to the J.D. C, and the U.P.A. when the campaign is held. It is, however, officially including both the J/D.C. and the U.P.A. in the next Welfare Bund campaign when that is held. With kindest greetings, Cordially yours, SAMUEL A. GOLDSMITH SAG: K SECRETARY.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

In the event that you want additional problems to investigate, I attach herewith a copy of a letter which Mr. Silverman sent to Dr. Wise, forwarding a copy to me.

Cordially yours,

NEW YORK CITY

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM: F

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

III FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Nov. 14, 1938.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise Parc Vendome West 57th St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Wise; -

On October 11th I wrote you the enclosed letter with regard to George Greenspun. I wrote to Dr. Goldman and Mr. Lipsky and have since spoken to both. Lipsky is very much upset about Montor's determination to "unload" Greenspun, and had promised to insist on action by the full U.P.A. Committee, but he has since of course left for Europe and nothing further can be done in that direction until he returns. I also spoke to Goldman and he too is very much disturbed about the method being employed to get rid of Greenspun, and felt that if any action looking to a dismissal of Greenspun was to be taken, it should be done only at a regular meeting of the U.P.A. That has always been our procedure in the past. No Executive Director, and even no Chairman, has ever had the authority to summarily dismiss a worker that has been in the service for so long as has George Greenspun.

You know George. He has been an ehtnusiastic supporter of yours. Whenever opportunity has arisen he has helped the Congress and the Zionist Organization. It is my firm opinion that George Greenspun is one of the outstanding effective organizers, not only in the U.P.A., but in this line of work. He is so considered not only by those that have had occasion to work with him in the Keren Hayesod, the American Palestine Campaign, the United Palestine Appeal, but other agencies that have had occasion to employ his services. will, I am sure, gladly come forward and unqualifiedly confirm my estimate of his ability and integrity.

From the rumblings that I have been able to pick up, an attempt is being made to "assassinate" his character and integrity. I had hoped that I might discuss this matter with you when you visited Troy, and one of my main purposes in awayting you in Albany was with that in mind, but I found that your time schedule for that evening was pretty well filled, and at the station, because of the Committee that awaited you, I did not want to intrude with a discussion of the Greenspun case.

With all due respect to the ability in certain directions of Montor, I want to unhesitatingly say that his handling of personnel, whether it is office or field, is impulsive and in most instances, as can be proven by investigation, unjustified.

- 2 -November 14, 1938 Dr. Stephen S. Wise, N.Y. In the Greenspun case the capital punishment being meted out, for whatever the charge that Montor has in mind, is certainly not commensurate with the alleged "crime" that Greenspun must be guilty of in Montor's mind. Dr. Goldmen is the President of the mid-West Zionist Region, a position to which hw was selected before he was elected President of the Z.O.A. and he and the leaders of the Chicago Region, men like Rosenberg and others, have availed themselves of the presence of Greenspun in their midst, and he has been, as correspondence from Rosenberg and others indicate, most helpful to them in their Zionist work. Rosenberg has written a long letter of protest against the proposed action by Montor and in that letter he has been very profuse in his appreciation for the very fine services that Greenspun has rendered in Chicago and the mid-West Region. I am sure that your sense of justice will cause you to stay the contemplated "assassination" of a loyal and faithful worker who has served us for over a period of fifteen years. I am sure that such action ought to be left to Hitler and we should not countenance any such competition in our own midst. The letters that I wrote you and Lipsky and Goldman, I sent to Montor. and I intend to send a copy of this letter to him also. This will provide him with ample ground for further "purge". Rabbi Silver, of course, is backing Montor and that is understandable when we know that Greenspun was so active and loyal to Goldman in the last convention fight. I hope that you will excuse the rambling of this letter and that you will do something to prevent what I consider to be a very grave injustice. The worst criminal is given a hearing and an opportunity to defent himself. The least you can do is see to it that that is done. Very sincerely yours. Robert Silverman

November 16, 1938

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

You may recall that prior to your departure for Antwerp, I mentioned to you the case of Israel Seamon and requested you to speak to some of the officials of the Keren Hayesod in his behalf. I wonder whether you had time to contact anyone about the matter. If so, will you let me know who it was so that I can tell my young relative in Palestine whom to contact with?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a confidential cablegram that reached us today which indicates most clearly that the program which Ambassador Kennedy is presenting to the British Government has Palestine as one of its main features.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Following the meeting yesterday noon, in the office of Myron Taylor, in which Dr. Wise, Simon Marks, Harry Sachar and I participated, Mr. Marks telephoned Joseph Hyman of the JDC, communicating to him the view of Mr. Taylor that the publication of the proposed advertisement would be premature. Mr. Hyman said he would convey this to his associates. Mr. Marks then met Mr. Baerwald at 2:30, and after a long conversation was unable to convince Mr. Baerwald that the idea was wrong.

Mr. Baerwald telephoned Mr. Taylor and said that the only purpose of the advertisement was to put on record the names of organizations already in the field, and to take advantage of the deep interest which existed at this particular moment.

Mr. Taylor replied that he would not attempt to set up his judgment against that of Mr. Baerwald.

Until 6:30 last night, everything was prepared for the advertisement to be inserted in The New York Times and the Herald-Tribune. Throughout the day, Dr. Wise worked like a cyclone, seeing and telephoning many people with regard to the advertisement. He finally spoke to Sol Stroock, on the ground that the matter was of such importance as to warrant the interest of the General Council for Jewish Rights, since a public statement was involved. Mr. Stroock, too, agreed that the publication might be premature, and that at least until there was unity on the subject the advertisement should not appear. Working under this terrific pressure, Dr. Wise finally secured the abandonment of the ad in today's paper.

This morning there was another meeting and telephone consultations, in which the participants included Sol Stroock, Edward Greenebaum, Jonah Wise, Edward Warburg, James Rosenberg and Joseph Hyman. It was decided to prepare an entirely new text and to insert a quarter page advertisement in every New York City paper, it being understood that the sole purpose of the advertisement was not to obtain money, but to give public notice to incipient organizations that there was no need for the creation of new bodies to deal with the situation,

Dr. Silver -2be included. on your way to Kansas City.

and that established organizations were in the field.

Attached herewith is the text of the advertisement as it was included in a press release issued under the auspices of the American Committee for Christian German refugees.

Dr. Wise felt that, under the circumstances, and particularly in view of your own remarks yesterday, the U.P.A. ought to

I tried to reach you on the 'phone today, but you were

Did you wire Mr. Baerwald as to when you plan to meet Are you planning to have anyone else with you -Judge Rothenberg, for example, or Dr. Wise or anyone else?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM/RW Encl.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

III FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

"The following statement", said Frank Ritchie, Director of the American Committee for Christian German Refugees, "has today been issued to the people of the United States":

"The tragedy which has overwhelmed not only Jews, but also Catholics and Protestants in Germany, is of so vast a scope that the aid ofvarious governments has become a matter of vital importance. This fact has become widely recognized. Meantime private philanthropy must do what may be possible in this emergency. Many people throughout the United States have evinced a desire, through proper channels, to give aid to the sufferers.

"We, therefore, deem it appropriate to announce that the undersigned organizations are in the field rendering succor. We are urgently in need of funds to carry on this work of humanity. Checks should be forwarded to any one or more of the undersigned organizations, to be expended by them respectively.

"This statement is made for the information of countless Americans who are eager to give immediate aid, pending the development and announcement of plans for permanent settlement for the refugees."

It is a joint statement by the United Palestine Appeal, the Committee for Catholic Refugees from Germany, the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, and the American Committee for Christian German Refugees. "The statement", said Mr. Ritchie, "speaks for itself".

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I did speak about Israel Seamon to Leo Herrmann when I was in Antwerp this summer. He undertook to make recommendations to Jerusalem. I have heard nothing further in the matter.

I am communicating with him immediately to find out what has been done in a practical way.

Very cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM/RW

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I should like to report briefly on the outcome of "Night of Stars".

The show itself was the finest edition of the entire "Night of Stars" series. The general impression that it created reflects a great deal of credit on Blitz. You will probably want to say a word of commendation to him.

Cordially yours,

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which I have sent to Mr. Lurie of the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds. I assume that you have received a copy of the report to which reference is made.

I have noticed with particular interest the report of expenditures of the Joint Distribution Committee during the years 1936 and 1937, insofar as fund-raising expenses are concerned. In 1937 the Joint Distribution Committee, merely for its fundraising campaign in this country, expended the sum of approximately \$400,000. During the same period the United Palestine Appeal spent approximately \$135,000. Considering the fact that our goals are the same and that even though the Joint Distribution Committee receives larger funds it is still necessary to maintain the same kind of machinery for the campaigns of the United Palestine Appeal, it is obvious that the percentage of expense of the United Palestine Appeal is less than that of the Joint Distribution Committee. How amusing it is that the impression is widespread that in comparison with the Joint Distribution Committee the United Palestine Appeal "squanders its funds".

Cordially yours.

Executive Director

HM: EH Encl.

November 18, 1938

Mr. Harry L. Lurie Council of Federations and Welfare Funds 165 West 46th St. New York City

Dear Mr. Lurie:

I herewith submit a formal complaint against the methods and practices of accounting used in the summary for 1937 issued by the Committee on National Jewish Problems of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

I have in mind particularly pages 10 and 11, which purport to be statements of the income and expenditure of the United Palestine Appeal for the year 1937. As your office can testify, the United Palestine Appeal has cooperated with you continuously and unreservedly in supplying all figures with regard to our activities that you wished to have. Nevertheless I do not see these official and authoritative statements reflected in the report which you have published which, I am sorry to say, will harm the United Palestine Appeal even though that was not your intention, I am sure.

In the first place you report that the total income of the United Palestine Appeal for 1937 was \$1,351,760. I have carefully examined the auditor's report of the United Palestine Appeal for 1937; the letter which I submitted on October 14th to Blanche Renard, itemizing the income of the United Palestine Appeal, as well as other material submitted to your office from time to time and nowhere can I find justification for the figures which you have included in your report.

You have stated on page 11 that "it is reported that as of May 1, 1938, there was pledged \$2,243,609". Inasmuch as this is the figure of income for the United Palestine Appeal for the year 1937 I do not understand why the lesser figures, lesser in fact by almost half, should have been used in such a way as to create the impression that the total income of the United Palestine Appeal for the year 1937 was only \$1,351,760.

Merely by way of contrast I have examined page 14 of the report, which lists the total income of the Joint Distribution Committee for 1937 as \$3,297,903. No distinction is made in the Joint Distribution Committee report between what you characterize as "total income" and any other figure of income.

As you know, laymen or even experts, studying a volume such as you have prepared, cannot help but receive the impression that the total income of the United Palestine Appeal for 1937 was \$1,351,760 as compared with \$3,297,903. The comparison is invidious not because of prestige, which is thoroughly unimportant, but because of the practical use, or rather misuse, which might be made of these comparative figures in some communities.

Under the circumstances, therefore, I must, to my great regret, at least until I receive official directions from the officers of the United Palestine Appeal to the contrary, withhold from you any figures related to the United Palestine Appeal unless I am given assurance that you will publish no figures until the verbatim text of reports concerning the United Palestine Appeal are submitted to me for approval.

May I point out another inaccuracy, minor in character, but nevertheless indicative of the haste with which the report seems to have been compiled, in the use of the title, "American Palestine Campaign" to describe the organization which is incorporated as Palestine Foundation Fund, Inc., and which is one of the partners of the United Palestine Appeal.

I regret that in a report to which many people look for accurate guidance figures and material should have been used which were not only incomplete but incorrect. I feel sure that you share my regret.

Cordially yours.

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM:EH

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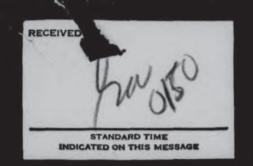
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, O.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from Joe Weingarten of Houston, Texas in reply to the general letter which you addressed to the key leaders in the Welfare Fund citieis.

I also attach herewith a draft for a reply.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM. SB

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

III FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

JOE WEINGARTEN

HOUSTON, TEXAS.

November 12, 1938

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue- New York City, N.Y

Dear Rabbi:

I agree with you that the telegram as sent out was most unfortunately worded. Frankly, as enthusiastic a Zionist as I am, nevertheless I got a shock from the wording of this telegram. It seemed to me, as evidently others have charged, that the U.P.A. was taking advantage of the situation. I further felt that if the emergency was a great as I had every reason to believe it was, that the J.D. C. should not only have been allowed, but encouraged to make the appeal for the J.D. C. only have been allowed, but encouraged to make the appeal for the J.D.C. needs and for those alone. However, if there was an emergency likewise in Palestine, which I can well believe, then the telegram should have so stated and an appeal have been made for emergency funds for both causes without any statement as to division or ratios, which really seemed out of place in this proposition.

Referring to your suggestion reg arding a conference to discuss the situation, I cannot understand why this should not be held. An exchange of ideas would no doubt be helpful, whatever the final action taken might be.

I fully agree with you that the response of the Jews to the present situation is miserable indeed and that a vigorous call for additional funds should have been made or at least should be made without any further delay.

A few of us here have taken it upon ourselves to call a local meeting to discuss the advisability of a special appeal for emergency funds to include not only the J.D.C. but Palestine and funds for the Aliyah as well.

Trusting that no time will be lost in getting the various groups of Jewry to cooperate for the common good in these tragic times, with kindest personal regards, I beg to remain

Most sincerely

Joe Weingarten

# ANNUAL CHANUKAH BANQUET of JEWISH NATIONAL FUND COUNCIL

November 22, 1938

FELLOW JEW:

The past year has shocked the world with the rape of Austria and the betrayal of Czechoslovakia. Thus, two more Jewish communities are delivered over to the anti-Semitic lusts of a Hitler. Even the small Jewish settlement in Italy has not escaped. The Evian Conference has been unable to find a country able, ready or willing to absorb the flood of desperate refugees who are driven out, leaving all their possessions behind them.

Once again we must turn to Palestine as our principal hope and refuge. To meet the situation it is imperative greatly to increase the land available for Jewish settlement. Arab terrorism and economic depression have almost completely stopped private land purchase. Hence, the Jewish National Fund is practically the only instrument now available to obtain the additional land so urgently required. Land prices have fallen. Much land is offered. All that is lacking is the material resources.

On Sunday, December 18, 1938, the Newish National Fund Council of Los Angeles, will conduct, as in previous years, its annual Chanukah Banquet at the Hebrew Sheltering Home for the Aged, at which funds will be raised for the planting of trees and the acquisition of land through inscriptions in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund in Palestine.

A Special Committee has been appointed whose duty it is to make you acquainted with the vital needs of the hour. The most urgent of these needs is the acquisition of large tracts of land. We have no right to ask our Government to intercede with Great Britain to allow immigrants to come in unless we are prepared to provide the funds to purchase land required for these immigrants.

Announcement will be made at the banquet of the sums raised, as well as the names of those contributing. It is, therefore, necessary to send all contributions in without delay and that the response be as generous as possible.

Kindly make your reservations for the banquet soon as only a limited number of tickets are available.

Sincerely yours,

Samuel Surkis Chairman, Special Committee Gustave L. Goldstein General Chairman

Theodore Strimling Chairman, Jewish National Fund Council

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith are letters addressed to you by Dr. Cyrus Adler, one in connection with the National Conference at Washington on January 15th, and the other referring to the Seaboard Regional Conference held last Sunday.

These letters have not been acknowledged by this office.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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November 23, 1938,

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Joe Weingarten of Houston, Texas, is anxious to know whether you could come to Houston early in February instead of in March, as you suggested.

Could you let me know promptly so that I

could wire to Weingarten?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM/RW

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NEW YORK, N. Y.

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November 23, 1938

Dr. Stephen S. Wise Chairman, UPA 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Wise:

Referring to your letter of November 16, I am sorry that the misunderstanding happened; but it is entirely my fault. I had more irons in the fire than I could handle, as I have been supervising the construction of a new building, in addition to my other duties; but sympathy co-religionist prompted me to make the drive before I was relieved from some of my other work.

I did not suray the organization as I should and thought that the U.P.AL administered from the funds of the J.D.C. and left those that subscribed under the same impression. I now understand that the two are separate and distinct organizations. I would appreciate if you would divide the amount, that has already been remitted, between the J.D.C. and U.P.A. funds, and in the future, I will send the checks one-half to each.

Although my next amount pledged was supposed to be paid three months from the date of first remittance, I am, nereby sending you check for \$50.00 (Fifty Dollars) to U.P.A., and \$50.00 (Fifty Dollars) to J.D.C. and a copy of this letter for you to forward to the chairman of the J.D.C. with the \$50 check enclosed and the one-nalf that has already been remitted.

I wish to state again that the misunderstanding was my fault and not Dr. Braunstein's. He wasnot in any way what-so-ever to blame for the misunderstanding.

Hoping that you will adjust the matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Max A. Shilling

cc: Isador Coon, N. Y.
Mr. Mollison, Dallas, Tex.

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CHARLESTON WESTVIRGINIA WILL CONDUCT SEPARATE CAMPAIGN ESSENTIAL WE MAKE EXAMPLE THAT COMMUNITY THEY ANXIOUS START EARLIEST DATE DECEMBER AVAILABLE YOUR CALENDAR WANT TO PHONE THEM FRIDAY REGARDS

MONTOR...

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. S. A. LANTOR South Boston, Va. November 24, 1938 Dear Sir: Mr. Albert J. Amateau, of the J.D.C. Campaign, advised me today that the money raised here and mailed to you was not for the German refugees, but for Palestine relief. It was our under-standing that the money sent you was for German refugees and I beg you please to give me the desired information as soon as possible. Yours respectfully, S. A. Lantor

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November 25, 1938

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Onio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You wanted me to remind you about writing a letter to Justice Brandeis about the Washington meeting.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

The group in Milwaukee would like to meet with you for lunch on December 15th when you are planning to visit that community for an evening address. May I confirm the date to them and inform them what train you are taking so that they can meet you at the station?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM:EH

#### MEMORANDUM

November 25, 1938

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Henry Montor

The following is a copy of a cablegram that has come from Lionel de Rothschild of England:

LONDON, NOV. 28, 1938

WISE UPA AMERICA ZIONIST NEWYORKCITY

ANGLO JEWISH COMMUNITY HAVE LAUNCHED NEW APPEAL AIMING
AT TWO MILLION POUNDS TO RESCUE JEWISH VICTIMS GERMAN
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COUNTRY TO BE MADE PUBLIC AT MEETING CALLED BY LORD
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PLEASE ADVISE US YOUR ACTION

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November 27, 1938 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: Enclosed herewith is a copy of a letter from Mr. Julius Livingston, of Tulsa and Rabbi Silver's reply; also a letter from Mr. Joseph E. Grosberg, of Schenectady. Very sincerely yours, BJK Enc. - 3 Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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November 28, 1938

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a telegram from Rapbi Edward L. Israel of Baltimore. We cannot have the meeting on the 7th since that would be too close to the New Year. The 22nd is out because that is the date of the meeting of the National Council.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM: EH

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. Dr. Silver November 28, 1938 Mr. David Frankel 18 South Stockton Street Trenton, New Jersey Dear Mr. Frankel: In reply to your letter of Nevember 26th may I say that Dr. Silver has always insisted that it was not percentages and ratios which mattered, but the actual amount of money raised. I do not know that Dr. Silver has ever declared publicly that the United Palestine Appeal should receive a lesser percentage than 40% in relationship to the 60% for the Joint Distribution Committee. It is quite likely, however, that if the buge sums that are possible for America to raise, would be forthcoming. Dr. Silver would agree to a ratio that would meet Palestine needs and also the needs of the Joint Distribution Committee. But until these far larger sums are forthcoming and until an agreement between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Relesting Appeal for that purpose is reached. the United Palestine Appeal will certainly not accept less than 40%. Sincerely yours, Henry Montor Executive Director HM: FE

# TRENTON DISTRICT ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA Eighteen South Stockton St. TRENTON, N. J.

November 26, 1938

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 - 5th Avenue New York City

Dear Mr. Montor:

I did not get a reply to my specific question about an alleged recent remark attributed to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, that at the present time, the Joint Distribution Committee should receive a larger percentage than last year's 60-40%. I should like a prompt reply to this, if possible.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) David Frankel

November 28, 1938

HENRY MONTOR
UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
111 FIFTH AVENUE

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EDWARD L ISRAEL

November 29, 1938

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I received the invitation to the Washington Conference and it looks good. How much progress have you made with the program? Is Masaryk coming, and Lady Erleigh? Whom else have you procured?

The letter signed by Jacobi and sent to the members of our Council is a very good one.

I read both in the New York papers and here about the Campaign of the United Palestine Appeal. It was not quite definite and I am wondering whether this announcement was to be our first call for the 1939 Campaign.

Have you heard anything further from the JDC? I think you might get in touch with Lurie and remind him that the sense of the meeting held last week was that two representatives of the UPA and two of the JDC meet within a fortnight to arrive at a final decision. It might be well for him or for Mr. Shroder to contact Mr. Baerwald to arrange for such a meeting. It would be well if such a meeting were held on the morning or afternoon of December 8. This would save me a special trip to New York.

With reference to the group in Milwaukee you would like me to meet with for luncheon the day I am to address the Milwaukee Forum - I am not sure that I will arrive in time for a luncheon meeting. I am speaking in another city the evening before.

With reference to Charleston - Before I decide whether I want to go there, the e are a few things that I would like to know. First, is the JDC campaign already on?

-2-Henry Montor November 29, 1938 If so, have the Zionists of Charleston notified the Jewish Community of Charleston that the United Palestine Appeal is not part of that campaign and that it will hold its own campaign at a specified date? What guaranty is there that if I go down there a substantially larger sum of money will be raised than would have been raised by a joint campaign? It would not be wise for me, as chairman of the UPA to risk a failure which would, of course, be capitalized by JDC representatives throughout the country. It is therefore all important that if I am to visit Charleston an extensive Carran announcement be made by our representative there in anticipation of my coming and that most, if not all of the goal be on hand the day of my visit. If Charleston is to be a test case for us, we cannot afford to risk a failure. I received, yesterday, the enclosed telegram from Providence. Is the UPA included in this campaign for relief of distress minorities in Germany? And if so, on what ratio? Who of our people are connected with this effort? With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.

Dr. Silve UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL III FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y. November 29, 1938 Mr. Isidor Coons Joint Distribution Committee 100 East 42nd Street New York City Dear Coons: Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which we have received from S. A. hantor of South Boston, Virginia. It was addressed to Simon Levin, our field director, who has headquarters at Baltimere. It is passing strange that Mr. Amateau's name should again arise in correspondence between us. Is it not possible that each organization can emphasize its own very just claims and great needs without minimizing those of the others? I think that the Joint Distribution Committee has the atmost need of the cooperation of American Jewry and am hopeful that it will receive it to the fullest extent. I take it for granted that you feel the same way about the United Palestine Appeal. I would appreciate any action that you feel is made necessary by the enclosed letter from Lantor. am very glad to enclose also a copy of a letter from Mr. Max A. Shilling of El Dorado, Arkansas. You will recall that you wrote to me recently with the information that Dr. Braunstein had misinformed the leader of the campaign with respect to the purposes to which the money was to be put. You will see from the enclosed letter that, as I had indicated previously, Dr. Braunstein was completely innocent in this whole matter. A check for \$50, which was enclosed and intended for the Joint Distribution Committee, is also enclosed. I am instructing our bookkeeper to draw a check for the balance of the share of the Joint Distribution Committee in this campaign. Cordially yours. Henry Montor HM: EH Executive Director



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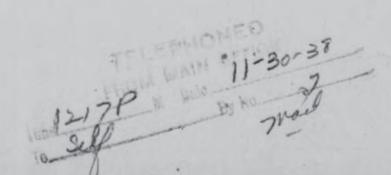
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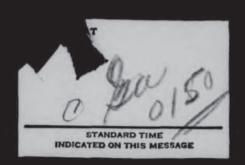
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Dear Dr. Silver:

The purpose of the news story regarding the 1939 campaign of the United Palestine Appeal was merely to give notice to the Joint Distribution Committee that we were alert to their actions and that they could not count upon a prostrate United Palestine Appeal, to go riding in on a unilateral campaign for the Joint Distribution Committee. This news story, together with messages that were sent out to one thousand leaders in New York, have had their desired effect.

The Joint Distribution Committee had been trying to organize emergency drives exclusively for the Joint Distribution Committee, of course. This has gone forward with the organization of the 1939 campaign on an emergency basis and quite a number of trades are now being developed. I have attended several of these trade meetings and found what must be most distressing to the Joint Distribution Committee, that is a willingness to give the utmost consideration to the United Palestine Appeal. At a meeting of the Hosiery Industry leaders last night I found that a 50-50 agreement of division as between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal was attainable without the slightest struggle.

The average Jew in New York who is not handicapped by too much money is willing to listen to reason. Blitz feels, as does Arthur Lamport, that to do anything beyond 60-40 even in New York City would not bear any great results insofar as actual money for the United Palestine Appeal is concerned and would, on the other hand, diminish the prestige of Palestine for the future, particularly when the immigration opportunities are definitely in sight.

Fortunately, the situation in Charleston has been ironed out and the United Palestine Appeal has won. They have decided on a quote of \$18,000, \$6,000 to be used for all other causes, including local charities, and \$11,000 is to be set aside for the Joint Distribution Committee and United Palestine Appeal on a 60-40 distribution. The balance of \$1,000 is to be left to the discretion of the local committee as to how it is to be used. I feel in view of the long controversy we had on the

subject and in view particularly of the weakness of some of our contributing forces in the community that this was a fine outcome of a long discussion.

I talked by telephone to Mrs. Archibald Silverman in regard to the subject matter of the telegram which you received from Providence. I was amazed to discover that meither the United Palestine Appeal nor the Joint Distribution Committee is at this time part of the campaign. I do not know whether it is the fault of the "goyim" or of our Jewish friends. Mrs. Silverman explained to me that the four agencies now involved in the campaign include Youth Aliyah into Palestine, settlement of German Jewish children in the United States, the Catholic refugee organization and the Protestant refugee organization.

When I suggested that the United Palestine Appeal and Joint Distribution Committee must obviously be part of such a campaign I was told by Mrs. Silverman that when the United Palestine Appeal had definite settlement plans which could be submitted for action by the local committee the request would be earnestly considered. I explained to Mrs. Silverman that the Joint Distribution Committee and United Palestine Appeal had been considering a nationwide non-sectarian campaign on exactly the lines of the Providence campaign, and that such a campaign would be impossible on top of the one being launched in Providence, without the Joint Distribution Committee and United Palestine Appeal.

For the time being, however, the decision, distorted as it is, is definite.

The action in Providence indicates what the country is ready for. Providence has adopted a \$150,000 goal. Because the Joint Distribution Committee and United Palestine Appeal are not ready for combined action with respect to such campaigns there will be all kinds of organizations, important and unimportant, benefitting from the sympathy that should be channeled for the two major avenues of help.

Under the circumstances I do not see how you can accept the Providence invitation unless you were to telegraph Mrs. Silverman that you would come on the condition that the United Palestine Appeal and Joint Distribution Committee were made part of this great campaign.

There is a United Palestine Appeal campaign in progress in Providence at this time and the results so far reported are better than last year's. I am hopeful that my fears expressed to Mrs. Silverman that the larger campaign might interfere with the United Palestine Appeal drive will be groundless.

There is to be a meeting of the New York State Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Utica, New York, on December 11th. Is it at all possible for you to be present?

Cordially yours,

Henry Monton

Executive Director

## The Goal For 1938: \$4,500,000

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a memorandum which I received from Dr. Wise. I am sure you will be interested in its contents.

Cordially yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I spoke to Harry Lurie today. He informs me that the Joint Distribution Committee and the New York Federation are discussing a combined drive for 1939 in New York City. My information is that the Joint Distribution Committee is objecting to the inclusion of the United Palestine Appeal in such a drive. However, other members of the committee dealing with the problem are said to favor the inclusion of the United Palestine Appeal.

The sub-committee of the New York Federation which is going into the problem includes Howard Lehman, a lawyer of Cook, Nathan, Lehman and Greenman, Paul Felix Warburg and Ira Younker.

When Mr. Lurie phoned me today I told him of the decision made last night by the meeting which was attended by Dr. Wise, Judge Rothenberg, Dr. Goldstein, Arthur Lamport, Blitz and myself, for the purpose of considering Joint Distribution Committee-United Palestine Appeal relations. He suggested that we wait for a few days and if no invitation to discuss the situation further were received from the Joint Distribution Committee I should write a formal note to Mr. Shroder in Cincinnati and send a copy to him, asking that the Council of Federations convene immediately a meeting of leaders of Welfare Funds throughout the country to discuss the United Palestine Appeal-Joint Distribution Committee problem.

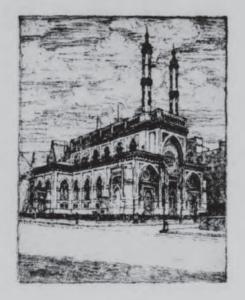
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RABBIS

James G.Heller

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November 30th, 1938.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver 111 Fifth Avenue New York, New York.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I received your invitation to attend the meeting of the United Palestine Appeal at Washington.

I regret that I shall not be able to come. Many of our colleagues also will not be able to attend because the Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations is scheduled to open its session on the same date in Cincinnati. It would be a pity that so many of the active men who should be attending the United Palestine Appeal meeting should have a conflict in dates and since the expenses for the Union meeting are generally paid by the constituent congregations, they will probably attend the Union meeting. Personally I regret it very much. As a host of the convention I cannot, of course, absent myself yet I feel that I should like to attend this year.

Please let me know if anything can yet be done to change the date of the meeting in Washington.

With best wishes and warmest regards from house to house, I am,

Yours most sincerely,

SW: CE