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MERCANTILE DISCOUNT CORPORATION 110 SOUTH DEARBORN STREET CHICAGO A.H. ROSENBERG October 10,1938 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Cleveland, Ohio My Dear Rabbi: I am enclosing a copy of a letter that I am addressing to Mr. Henry Montor, which is self explanatory. I would be very happy to have your reaction. With kindest regards, I am Cordially yours, AHR: B

October 26, 1938 Mr. A. H. Rosenberg, Vice-President Mercantile Discount Corporation 110 South Dearborn Street Chicago, Ill. My dear Mr. Rosenberg: Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter. I have been confined to my bed for more than a week with a severe cold and my correspondence has accordingly lagged far behind. I shall be in New York in the next few days and I shall take up the matter of Mr. Greenspun with the Executive Director. In all such matters, as a rule, I like to leave the final decision with the Director who is intimately acquainted with the work of his fieldmen and who is, in the last analysis, responsible for campaign results. As National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, I am too far removed from the mechanics of the campaign to be in any position to pass sound judgment on the work of any individual employee of the organization. With all good wishes, permit me to remain Most cordially yours, AHS: BK

JAMES N. ROSENBERG 165 BROADWAY NEW YORK December 9, 1938 Mr. Henry Ittleson 1 Park Avenue, N.Y.C. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio Rabbi Jonah B. Wise 35 Fast 62nd St., N.Y.C. Mr. Henry Montor 111 Fifth Avenue, N.Y.C. Mr. Paul Baerwald 9 Fast 88th Street, N.Y.C. Mr. Joseph C. Hyman 100 Fast 42nd St., N.Y.C. Dear friends: At luncheon today Rabbis Silver and Wise, Mr. Montor and myself examined the statement which I had made at today's meeting of the decisions at which we arrived. We revised the language somewhat, adhering strictly to the decisions made. The revised memorandum, representing what all the conferees today approved, is herewith enclosed. Sincerely yours, Junes V. Reselver JNR:JC Enc.

Final - Dic. J.N.R.

December 9, 1938

AGREEMENT BETWEEN JDG AND UPA

- 1. We plan this to be a minimum \$20,000,000 campaign.
- 11. Arrangements if masible are to be worked out jointly by this group of the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. in connection with the Christian refugee committees.
- III. As between the U.P.A. and the J.D.C. we recognize certain funds must go to both bodies for immediate needs and commitments. We all recognize the necessity of providing for the National Coordinating Committee. Accordingly we agree as follows:
 - A. The first \$9,500,000 to be divided on the following proportional basis:

\$2,000,000 shall go to the National Coordinating Committee 5,000,000 for the J.D.C.

2,500,000 for the U.P.A..

- B. All amounts available for distribution thereafter shall be entirely subject to the disposition of an Allocations Committee, which is to be composed of two nominees of the U.P.A., two nominees of the J.D.C., and those four persons to select a fifth member.

 The J.D.C. and the U.P.A. may respectively name alternates as members of the Allocations Committee.
- IV. The Allocations Committee may vote an additional half million dollars to the N.C.C. on proof of need and by majority vote, but no additional amounts shall be allocated to N.C.C. excepting on unanimous vote of the Allocations Committee.
- V. The campaign shall be a united campaign with a common treasury. In appealing to all communities of the U.S. it will not be a case of the U.P.A. and J.D.C. and the N.C.C. making their individual appeals. It is to be a joint appeal for the combined needs of the agencies herein mentioned.

VI. This agreement between the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. shall be followed up by asking the respective communities throughout the United States, Welfare Fund and otherwise, to meet their quotas for the common minimum goal of \$20,000,000. All communities throughout the country shall be advised of this agreement between the J.D.C. and U.P.A.

VII. All details for implementing and carrying out the foregoing agreement are in the charge of Rabbi Jonah B. Wise and Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver or their respective nominees.



December 14, 1938 Mr. Jack Rabinovitch, Vice-President Flint Federation of Jewish Charities 207 Paterson Building Flint, Michigan My dear Mr. Rabinovitch: Let me thank you for your letter of December 7th. I have referred it to headquarters from which you will undoubtedly receive a reply. As a general principle, I believe that Jewish laymen can be far more helpful in these critical times in devoting time to raising larger sums of money for overseas relief than in indulging in criticism of routine campaign procedure which, in this particular instance, involves the organization in a negligible sum of money but which creates for it considerable good will in the country. The Community of Flint has not measured up in its giving to other communities of its size in the country and there is considerable work to be done in your community by aggressive lay-leadership. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

January 10, 1939 Mr. A. Rothenberg United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rothenberg: My 1938 Air Travel Card is no longer valid. Please arrange to get me one for 1939. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.

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VIEW OUR PAST CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM STOP VERY MUCH HOPE YOU
CAN ATTEND MEETING=

JAMES N ROSENBERG.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD)
JEWISH NATIONAL FUND (KEREN KAYEMETH)
For the Settlement in Palestine of Jews of Germany, Poland, Rumania and Other Lands

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Dear Dr. Silver:

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Encl.

This is to acknowledge your letter of February 1st.

I am enclosing, herewith, check for \$75.77 to reimburse you

for expenses incurred in connection with the U.P.A.

Please be advised that I am trying to obtain a

travel card for you from the U.J.A.

With kind personal regards, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Alex Rothenberg Controller

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ON BEHALF OF

AMERICAN JEWISH JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, INC.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL and
NATIONAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FUND, INC.

(TEMPORARY ADDRESS)

100 EAST 42d STREET NEW YORK, N. Y.

Committee in Formation

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

National Chairmen

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise

February 7, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

We are sending you herewith three bank signature cards to which you will please affix your signature where indicated. After you return these cards to us, we will obtain the signatures of Doctor Jonah B. Wise, Mr. Arthur M. Lamport and Mr. I. Edwin Goldwasser, after which these will be filed with the National City Bank, in accordance with the resolution adopted at the meeting held on February 6, 1939.

We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours very truly,

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL FOR REFUGEES AND OVERSEAS NEEDS

LR: EG enclosures

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March 7, 1939 Mr. A. Rothenberg The United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rothenberg: I used the airplane script for a round trip to Baltimore. You will undoubtedly receive word from the Pennsylvania Central Airlines. I am enclosing herewith my check for the amount of \$38.20. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

"Give Today --- Tomorrow May Be Too Late"

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for your letter of March 7th enclosing a check in the sum of \$38.20 to cover your round trip ticket from Cleveland to Baltimore, which was charged to our Airlines scrip account.

Sincerely yours.

March 10, 1939

alex Rothenberg Alex Rothenberg

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March 16, 1939 Mr. Alex Rothenberg United Palestine Appeal 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Bothenberg: I am enclosing herewith a check for \$1825 in payment for an airplane ride which I took yesterday. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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March 22nd, 1939.

Mr. William Rosenwald, 122 East 42nd Street, New York City.

My dear Mr. Rosenwald:

- • In order to spread the budgetary allowance throughout the month of March, three steps have thad to be taken. While intake has not been closed, new cases are taken on only as they present extreme destitution. The relief allowance is on a maintenance basis only, closely approaching the standard in the Home Relief budget, and for the remainder of this month even this reduced allowance is being subjected to a further 10 per cent arbitrary cut.
- ...On Monday the giving of relief had to be stopped at 11:30 A.M. The amount of the unmet need, carried forward to the next day, was \$900, as against permissible expenditures of \$1400 for that day.
- . . . Our workers are being told by members of the community, who are disturbed by this relief policy, that contributions to the pending appeal may be withheld.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Frances Taussig

Executive Director.

March 23, 1939 Mr. Alex Rothenberg United Jewish Appeal 342 Madison Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rothenberg: My traveling expenses to Boston for the United Jewish Appeal in connection with the opening of the Campaign last Sunday evening, were \$30.00. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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NATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE FUND, INC.

AN ORGANIZATION TO RECEIVE AND DISBURSE FUNDS FOR THE NATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

165 WEST 46TH STREET

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March 25, 1939.

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To: The Campaign Chairmen, and Members and Alternates of the Allocations Committee of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs.

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Gentlemen:

As you know, the original budget of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc., submitted for inclusion in the United Jewish Appeal, estimated that our needs would be between \$2,000,000.00 and \$2,500,000.00 in 1939. The budget which was prepared in January, (a copy of which is enclosed), practically confirmed this estimate. It showed a total of \$3,034,000.00, and included a working fund of \$400,000.00 with which to start the year 1940. Since then, however, certain unforeseen circumstances have arisen. Recent developments, here and abroad, have affected our work to such an extent, that it now becomes apparent that this amount will be entirely inadequate. After careful consideration of all the factors involved, it would seem that no less than \$4,000,000.00 will be necessary to enable the National Coordinating Committee Fund to carry on its work, without drastically curtailing its activities.

Following is a brief outline of the circumstances AGENCIES RECEIVING APPROPRIATIONS and developments, as a result of which, unexpected demands are being made upon the resources of the National Coordinating Committee Fund:

> 1. It was decided in January that the National Coordinating Committee will, as of January 1, 1939, have to take care of many of those persons arriving from other countries in Central and Eastern Europe (in addition to those from Germany, for whom the National Coordinating Committee was originally established). Among the many new categories of people coming to us for assistance, are American citizens who have resided for many years abroad. Forced by circumstances to return here, they are arriving destitute, in some instances not even speaking English,

EMERGENCY COMMITTEE IN AID OF DISPLACED FOREIGN PHYSICIANS

GREATER NEW YORK COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR GERMAN REFUGEES

NATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR AID TO REFUGEES AND EMIGRANTS
COMING FROM GERMANY

AND OTHERS

To: The Campaign Chairmen, and Members and Alternates of the Allocations Committee of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs. March 25, 1939. and they, thus, present all the problems of newlyarrived immigrants. It was also decided that the National Coordinating Committee would pay for all persons in transit through the United States to other countries. (Professor Chamberlain, in a letter of February 9th, indicated the effect these decisions would have upon our budgetary requirements.) 2. It now appears that the Cuban burden will be greater than was anticipated. We shall not be able to speed up the return to the United States of those people sent down from here, as was originally expected. Although the number of such people is small, the cumulative demands upon us will be considerable. 3. People are now arriving substantially without any personal resources or means of support. For many reasons (such as, for instance, a change in financial circumstances since signing the affidavit), the affiant today does not seem to be as wellequipped, as heretofore, to assume his responsibility toward the refugee he has helped to come here. Consequently, emergency relief must be given. In addition, those who arrived previously are now exhausting their resources. Whereas it was anticipated that there would be some increase over the rate of expenditure of last November (when the original estimate for 1939 was made), it could not have been expected that, by April the relief burden would be doubled, as now appears likely. If this rate of increase continues, as it seems to be doing, the fall months may see a burden three or four times as great as the November rate. 4. Resettlement has become one of the most important aspects of our work. With greater numbers of people coming to the United States, and the acuteness of the relief problem in New York City, resettlement must be attempted on a much larger scale than heretofore. Pressure is being brought from all sides to do this. The expansion of this program depends largely on the funds at our disposal.

To: The Campaign Chairmen, and Members and Alternates of the Allocations Committee of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs. -3-March 25, 1939. 5. The March budgetary requests from all the affiliated agencies, received before the Czecho-Slovakian crisis, show that even the expanded relief and service budgets, mentioned above, will be inadequate. The Czecho-Slovakian crisis will, undoubtedly, place further burdens upon us. The effects are already noticeable with regard to demands for service made by American citizens. It is also within the realm of possibility, that further developments in Europe will present additional problems for the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. An attempt is now being made to increase the efficiency of our organization. All possible measures are being utilized to decrease the financial burden of the relief problem, and such efforts will be continued. Nevertheless, although effecting every possible economy, and making every attempt to have affiants assume their responsibility, we are faced with the following alternatives: stopping intake of new cases (which may make these individuals subject to deportation, and by so doing, tempt them into sub-standard jobs which may cause the kind of community repercussion which we are so anxious to avoid), reducing relief allotments below any accepted subsistence relief budget standard, cutting down on adjustment, immigration, and other advisory services (including resettlement), or taking a combination of these steps. The effect of any one of these steps may reflect adversely on the public's response to our appeal. More important is the effect such curtailment might have upon public opinion in this country. The United States has been absorbing the greatest number of refugees. No refugee has been permitted to become a public charge, and emigration to this country has been handled, thus far, without incurring any hostility or unpleasantness, such as has occured in other refugee countries. It seems to us, from our contacts in different parts of the country, that there should be no modification of this policy. In addition, it is especially important, at this time, that the situation should not be permitted to get out-of-hand, lest we impair the confidence of the authorities, and the good-will of officials, friends, and potential givers, as well as that of the general public. There is a great possibility, because of present developments throughout the world, that we in America may be faced with the decision as to whether the refugees in the United States should not be given prior consideration to those abroad. It seems to us that our primary responsibility is to those in the United States, for only if we safeguard the situation here, can we continue to give help abroad. In the light of the growing requirements, and the constant and increasing urgency of our needs, it is necessary that we know, at the earliest To: The Campaign Chairmen, and Members and Alternates of the Allocations Committee of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs. -4-March 25, 1939. possible moment, what amount we may count on in 1939 (including the necessary working fund with which to start the year 1940). The last budgetary figures for the National Coordinating Committee Fund, as given in the January budget, show a need of \$3,034,000.00. For the reasons outlined in the preceding paragraphs, it would seem that at least \$4,000,000.00 will be necessary for our minimum requirements. It is especially important that we, immediately, be in a position to determine our current permissable rate of expenditure. It would be very much appreciated if, as soon as the Allocations Committee is formed and can meet, you would advise us as to the amount we may expect in 1939. Should you wish us to appear before you, or if there are any other steps which we should take to facilitate our getting guidance, we would welcome the opportunity to cooperate. With thanks, in advance, for your attention to this matter, and looking forward to hearing from you, we are, Yours, Joseph V. Chambulai Joseph P. Chamberlain, Chairman National Coordinating Committee for Aid to Refugees and Emigrants Coming from Germany. my (osenwalo William Rosenwald, President National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. (Enclosures)

WILLIAM ROSENWALD
122 EAST 42 P STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

March 25, 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, 246 East 105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

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With kind regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

(Denwald)

Enc.

WILLIAM ROSENWALD 122 EAST 42 P STREET NEW YORK, N. Y.

March 27, 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, 246 East 105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

After further consideration, it appeared that, if the members of the Allocations Committee of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs wish to convey copies of the enclosed letter to their alternates, the decision as to whether or not this should be done, when this should be done, and comments to the alternates, (if any), should be handled by the members of the Allocations Committee.

Accordingly, I am enclosing two signed copies of the attached letter for this purpose, in case you should wish to use them. Your judgment will surely be the wisest in connection with the points raised in the preceding paragraph, knowing that you will wish to think through these points in such a way as to have the splendid viewpoint which you expressed, prevail.

With kind regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

March 27, 1939 Mr. William Rosenwald 122 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rosenwald: Thank you for your kind letter of March 25. I have transmitted the memorandum which you sent me to Dr. Goldman with the enclosed covering letter. With all good wishes and hoping to see you at the Governor Lehman meeting in New York City on April 2, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.

April 1, 1939 Mr. Alex Rothenberg United Jewish Appeal 342 Madison Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rothenberg: In connection with my trip through Texas, I did not use the flight ticket from Ft. Worth to El Paso. Instead of that, I used the Railroad. You might try to obtain a refund ffom the American Airlines on this part of the trip. My traveling expenses over and above the transporation which you provided, were \$25. In some of the communities, the local committees took care of my hotel bill. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.

April 5, 1939 Mr. Alex Rothenberg United Jewish Appeal 342 Madison Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rothenberg: My expenses involved in attending the New York City conference of the United Jewish Appeal, last Sunday, were \$40.00. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

TELEPHONE LONGACRE 3 - 3905 WILLIAM ROSENWALD PRESIDENT DAVID HAYS SULZBERGER VICE-PRESIDENT

NATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE FUND, INC.

AN ORGANIZATION TO RECEIVE AND DISBURSE FUNDS FOR THE NATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE AND RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

165 WEST 46TH STREET

NEW YORK CITY

Please address any reply concerning this to far. William Rosenwald 122 East 42nd Street New York City

April 13, 1939.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. 246 East 105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It would be very much appreciated if you would let me know when you next plan to be in New We are anxious to hold a small meeting to discuss the matter about which I wrote you on March 25th.

It is understood, of course, that no meeting of the Allocations Committee of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs can be held until the fifth member is elected. Nevertheless. it would be most helpful to have an informal, preliminary meeting of a few individuals, including yourself. We want the benefit of your advice.

If you would give me several alternate dates, plans will be made for such a meeting.

With kind regards, and looking forward to hearing from you, I am,

Cordially yours.

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL (Inc.) FOR REFUGEES AND OVERSEAS NEEDS

ON BEHALF OF

AMERICAN JEWISH JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, INC.
UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL and
NATIONAL CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FUND, INC.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Rabbi Jonah B. Wise National Chairmen 342 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y.

Committee in Formation

April 14, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed please find check drawn to your order in the amount of \$82.73. This represents reimbursement for expenses incurred in connection with the Sunday meeting, April 2nd, in the sum of \$40.00, and an additional sum of \$42.73 representing miscellaneous items expended by you.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

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April 17, 1939 Mr. William Rosenwald 122 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rosenwald: Let me thank you for your kind letter of April 13. I plan to be in New York on Thursday, April 27, and I will be free during the afternoon. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

April 19, 1939 Mr. Alex Rothenberg 342 Madison Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rothenberg: My epxenses involved in attending the opening meeting of the United Jewish Appeal in Detroit, Last Sunday, over and above the script, were \$15. I went on from Detroit to Montreal for the United Jewish Appeal of Canada so that there is no return traveling expense. I took the plan from Buffalo to Cleveland on my way back from Montreal, which should not be charged to the United Jewish Appeal. I used only half of the script for I got off at Erie. I am returning the unredeemed part of it. Please deduct from the check which you are to send me, the plane expense from Buffalo to Erie as I shall charge that to the Canadians. This is all involved finance, but I am sure you will straighten it out. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.

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Please address any reply concerning this to Mr. William Rosenwald 122 East 42nd Street New York City WILLIAM ROSENWALD 122 EAST 42 P STREET NEW YORK, N. Y. April 26, 1939. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, East 105th Street at Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Rabbi Silver: Following my telegram of April 21, Mr. Henry Ittleson has very kindly arranged a luncheon meeting to discuss certain problems of mutual interest, and has requested me to extend an invitation to you. The luncheon will take place at Mr. Ittleson's office, One Park Avenue, on Thursday, May 4, at twelve-thirty. It would be appreciated if you would let me know whether you will be able to attend. For your convenience in replying, an extra copy of this letter is enclosed. With kind regards, and looking forward to hearing from you, I am, Mosenwald Cordially yours, co: Mr. Henry Ittleson, Sr.

April 28, 1939 Mr. William Rosenwald 122 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rosenwald: Let me thank you for your kind note of April 26. I shall be very happy to have luncheon with you and Mr. Ittleson on Thursday, May 4th. Looking forward with pleasure to seeing you, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

May 5, 1939 Mr. Alex Rothenberg United Jewish Appeal for Refugees 342 Madison Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rothenberg: On the occasion of my visit to New York on April 27th, I incurred expenses amounting to \$16. On my visit to New York to attend the Executive Meeting of the United Jewish Appeal and to open the Campaign in Newark, my traveling and hotel expenses amounted to \$40. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

WILLIAM ROSENWALD 122 EAST 42 NP STREET NEW YORK, N. Y.

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May 25, 1939

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105 Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The incorporators of the National Refugee Service, Inc. were very pleased to learn of your willingness to serve as one of its Directors, and look forward to receiving your acknowledgment of this note as a confirmation of your verbal acceptance of our invitation to join us on the Board.

You will undoubtedly be interested in reading Mr. Greenstein's report, a copy of which is being sent to you.

With kind personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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June 11, 1939 Mr. William Rosenwald 122 East 42nd Street New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rosenwald: In reply to your kind letter of May 25, permit me to say that I shall be very happy to serve as one of the Directors of the National Refugee Service, Inc. Thank you also for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of Mr. Greenstein's report which I have read with a great deal of interest. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

17 3 71 47 5 14 125 RECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

June 13, 1939 Mr. Samuel I. Rosenman Room 514 125 Park Avenue New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Rosenman: I thank you for your telegram of June 13. I greatly regret that I will be unable to attend the Conference on Saturday. I am leaving tonight for Washington to attend the sessions of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. I must return to Cleveland on Friday to attend to congregational duties over the week-end and to complete our preparations for going abroad. We are leaving Cleveland Sunday night. I shall be at the Commodore Hotel on Monday, Should you wish to communica e with me. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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Notes on Budgetary Requirements of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. and its Supported Organizations

In the preparation of the 1939 budget of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. and its supported organizations, amounting to \$3,034,900., due consideration was given to the necessary expansion of our national program and activities on behalf of the refugees, who, for the first time since 1933, will reach the maximum immigration allowed under the quota from greater Germany, namely 27,370. In addition, some refugees come from greater Germany under other quotas, further enlarging our problem.

The National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. itself, which is purely the fiscal and fund distributing organization to our supported agencies, will require for its administrative and auditing activities, an estimated sum of \$39,000.

Our estimate for the National Coordinating Committee amounting to \$766,000., includes \$372,000. for immigration service, repatriation and general expenses involved in assisting the refugees with immigration aid, (enabling refugees with transit visas to find temporary or permanent residence in nearby Central and South American countries), relations with committees in those lands, and maintaining relations with groups and individuals interested in particular refugee cases. For our resettlement program, which calls for 5,000 units to be distributed throughout the country in 1939, we have calculated our 1939 needs at \$394,000. Whereas we worked with about 250 local refugee committees in the United States in 1938, we shall increase this number to 500 in 1939. This resettlement program involves among other things, the payment of transportation of the refugees and their effects to their ultimate destinations in the United States.

The Greater New York Coordinating Committee's activities in 1939 will require, we had estimated, \$1,006,900. This committee, through the Jewish Social Service Association, the Jewish Family Welfare Society, the New York and Brooklyn Sections of

the National Council of Jewish Women, is handling the various problems of assistance, employment, retraining, naturalization and immigration service for refugees in New York.

In addition, we are handling special categories of refugees, such as rabbis and musicians. A number of projects furthering the absorption and placement of these and other groups of refugees are now being worked out and will be a part of our program.

Since New York is practically the only port of entry for German refugees, the Greater New York Coordinating Committee has to carry the burden of the initial work with the refugees after their arrival. The resettlement work of the National Coordinating Committee also draws heavily on the activities of the Greater New York Coordinating Committee in selecting and preparing clients for resettlement.

Since the statistical analysis of our needs was made, on which this budget was based, we find that the rate of increase in our burden is such as to make even this budget an inadequate one.

To provide for an increase in our volume of work, principally in view of the increased immigration, and also because the immigrants arriving since November 1938 are virtually without financial resources, we have included a sum of \$400,000. We have also set up a contingency reserve of \$150,000. in line with approved budgetary practice followed by other organizations, to provide for emergencies and other unpredictable situations.

Past experience, particularly the early months of 1939, have demonstrated the prudence of including a provision to enable us to begin our activities in 1940, for at least two months. Should there be a united Jewish campaign again in 1940, it will be several months before we might expect allocations from the 1940 campaign; hence we have set up the sum of \$400,000. to enable us to carry on our activities during the first two months of 1940.

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ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1 9 3 9

FOR THE NATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE FUND, INC. AND SUPPORTED ORGANIZATIONS

National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc.:	
Administration and auditing of all	A 70 000
supported organizations	. \$ 39,000.
National Coordinating Committee:	
*Immigration service, repatriation,	
and general expenses\$372,000.	
Resettlement Division	
Total	766,000.
* Greater New York Coordinating Committee	1,006,900.
Estimated subventions toward budgets of committees	
for Scholars, Physicians and other special categories	
of refugees and subventions to other organizations	273,000.
Estimated requirements to provide for increase in	
volume of work due to cumulative effect of continued	
immigration and to provide for increased expenditures	
due to the fact that since November 1938 emigres from	
Greater Germany must leave virtually without funds or	
property	400,000.
Contingency reserve	150,000.
Working fund required to carry work in 1940	
until funds become available from 1940 campaign	400,000.
Grand Total	. \$3,034,900.

^{*} These figures are based on the situation as of January 31, 1939.

The above budget represents the minimum requirements to meet the needs faced by the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc., whose ability to meet this budget depends on the resources made available from the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs to the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc.

On request, further details will be submitted to the proper officers and committees of Welfare Funds or of other campaign organizations to which the United Jewish Appeal applies. Such a request should be addressed to the offices of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs, marked for the attention of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc.

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD

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The original of this was signed by William Rosenwald

oc: Mr. Henry Ittleson, Sr.

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