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Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 E 42nd Street New York City

Dear Montor:

I am writing to you frankly and straight from the shoulder. As I told you last week, I understand that the U.P.A.-U.J.A. have justifiable claims upon the New Palestine. I am conscious enough of the Zionist set-up in this country to realize that the funds expect a considerable amount of space and publicity in the publication, and fully appreciating the need for such publicity. I am most anxious to place my services and the paper at your disposal.

Why is it necessary for me to reiterate these things now? The first issue of The New Palestine has just come off the press, and I find that due to the pressure of publication and the difficulties occasioned by the change in format and removal to Washington this week, several items which had already been set in type and which were scheduled to appear were not included.

I am losing no time to acquaint you with these facts, less you or anybody else harbor any false apprehensions about my attitude toward the U.P.A.-U.J.A. If you are honest and appreciate my sincerity, you will understand why this has happened.

My desire to cooperate with you will be made manifest on many occasions during the year, and I am confident that our relationship will be a most cordial one.

Incidentally, I am doing my best to make The New Palestine a live, newsy and readable publication which will be welcomed by its readers, thus enhancing in large measure its value to you as a publicity medium.

Sincerely yours,

Alpert (signed)
Carl Alpert
Managing Editor

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December 13, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, E. 105th St. at Ansel Rd., Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that at the Annual Meeting of the National Council of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc., held on Monday, December 9th, 1940, in New York City, you were re-elected a member of the Council in Class A, the term of which extends to April 1944.

As you undoubtedly know, the class designations refer only to the date of expiration of membership. In order that there may be opportunity for rotation among the members of the National Council, we have for many years followed the procedure of dividing the membership into three classes which are designated A, B, and C -- according to the year of their expiration. In other words, the term of office of one-third of the National Council membership expires each year. Needless to say, there is no distinction or priority as between the various classes.

With the election of new members, the National Council now consists of about 2,850 leading men and women throughout the United States and Canada. The Chairman of the National Council is Mr. James H. Becker of Chicago; the Vice-Chairman of Mr. Albert H. Lieberman of Philadelphia. It is a source of great satisfaction to us that you are a member of this body.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours

Moses A. Leavitt

Secretary

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