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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

National Chairman

Abba Hillel Silver

I send you herewith a tentative draft of the agreement between the JDC and the UPA for the 1941 UJA as of Thursday, March 27th.

National Co-Chairmen

Stephen S. Wise
*Chairman,
Administrative Committee*

Two items are still outstanding for discussion:

Louis Lipsky
*Chairman,
Executive Committee*

A. The question of how the expenses incurred by the agencies before the UJA was reconstituted shall be made.

Solomon Goldman
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We have taken the position that the UPA as well as the other agencies launched independent campaigns in good faith, and the expenditures they incurred were expenditures that normally would have been undertaken by the UJA itself. Moreover, these expenditures accrued to the benefit of the united campaign. Accordingly, the UJA should reimburse the agencies for the expenses, whatever they are.

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The JDC people have been taking the view that the UJA should not bear the expenses but that they should be pooled and each agency receive a portion in direct ratio to its share in the UJA. On this issue, as on all the other issues raised, Judge Rothenberg has really been splendid in his firmness and thoroughness.

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B. Linder still insists that the National Refugee Service shall have the right to have representatives present when the Allotment Committee meets without, however, having the power to vote. Judge Rothenberg has taken the position that the Allotment Committee consists of seven members, and that the presence of any others can only serve to change the balance. If the NRS later on wants to have a representative at a meeting of the Allotment Committee, this is a request it should submit in writing to the Allotment Committee itself; but the right to have such representative present should not be included in the agreement.

Executive Director

Henry Montor

The meeting on Thursday, March 27th, at from 2:00 to 4:00 P. M. was held at the JDC office, with Harold Linder and Joseph C. Hyman for the JDC, and Judge Rothenberg and myself for the UPA.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

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The JDC people, in accordance with the position they took at the previous meeting last Friday (March 21st) wanted to have no reference made to the fact that the NRS could not apply for any additional money to the New York UJA. They agreed that this was expressly understood and was part of the agreement for the 1941 UJA but they wanted nothing in writing. They finally yielded to Judge Rothenberg's insistence that there must be a minute at least, which would be signed by the parties, so that there could be a definite record as valid as the agreement itself to show that the NRS could not apply for any additional money to the New York UJA. Attached is a copy of the minute.

Linder is a very vigorous advocate. It took a great deal of patience on the part of Judge Rothenberg as well as good humor to wear him down.

In the meantime the auditors of the three agencies have been asked to compile statements in detail of the expenses they incurred in the conduct of their campaigns, and Coons and myself are supposed to survey these auditors' lists before submission to Judge Rothenberg and Mr. Linder for final adjudication.

Mr. Linder said he would consult with Mr. Rosenwald about the representation of the NRS people in Allotment Committee meetings.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE

AGREEMENT

Between
JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE AND UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
Constituting the 1941
UNITED JEWISH APPEAL (Inc.) FOR REFUGEES, OVERSEAS NEEDS AND PALESTINE

1. The United Jewish Appeal (Inc.) for Refugees and Overseas Needs is a continuation of the 1939 and 1940 campaign structure through the United Jewish Appeal, Inc. by means of which the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc. (J.D.C.) and the United Palestine Appeal, Inc. (U.P.A.) will, during the calendar year 1941, conduct, in the United States, a joint campaign for funds for their combined needs and those of the National Refugee Service, Inc. (N.R.S.) upon the following terms.
2. The quota of the 1941 United Jewish Appeal shall be fixed by the National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal.
3. All net funds received by the United Jewish Appeal and any of the organizations abovementioned, as a result of its 1941 campaign, are to be distributed as follows, after expenses of the National United Jewish Appeal have been deducted:
 - A. The first such funds up to \$8,800,000 are to be divided in the following proportions:

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| (a) | The N.R.S. is to receive | \$3,000,000 | |
| (b) | The J.D.C. " " " | 4,275,000 | |
| (c) | The U.P.A. " " " | <u>2,525,000</u> | <u>\$8,800,000</u> |
 - The amount for the National Refugee Service is to include its participation without special or additional allotment from the New York City and metropolitan area campaign of the United Jewish Appeal.
 - B. All net sums collected, received or raised through the United Jewish Appeal, and by or through any of the aforementioned organizations, over and above the funds disposed of by the preceding subdivisions of this paragraph shall be divided between the United Palestine Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Refugee Service at the sole and exclusive discretion of an Allotment Committee. It is distinctly understood

and agreed that the allocation of funds provided for in subdivision "A" of this paragraph shall not in any manner be regarded as a precedent or guide by the Allotment Committee in dividing any funds subject to its disposal, it being the intent and purpose hereof that the Allotment Committee shall make such division upon the basis of its own independent study.

C. Expenditures incurred by the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal in connection with the launching of their campaigns for 1941, prior to the reconstitution of the United Jewish Appeal, shall be charges upon the campaign expenses of the United Jewish Appeal, Inc. and these agencies shall be reimbursed by the 1941 United Jewish Appeal for such expenditures.

4. The aforesaid Allotment Committee shall be composed of an equal number of nominees of the Joint Distribution Committee and of the United Palestine Appeal. The Allotment Committee will also include three representatives of Welfare Fund communities, to be approved by the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal before said representatives shall become members of the Allotment Committee. In the event of a vacancy in the Allotment Committee for any reason whatsoever, the said vacancy shall be filled by a person designated in exactly the same manner as was the person whose place had become vacant. The Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal may respectively name alternates for their nominees to the Allotment Committee. The Allotment Committee shall act by a majority vote of the total number. As and when the Allotment Committee shall make grants as authorized over and above the amounts set forth in Paragraph 3A, the Treasurers of the United Jewish Appeal are authorized to make payments of such grants forthwith out of available funds.

5. Upon organization of the Allotment Committee, there shall be allocated to it from the United Jewish Appeal, Inc. an amount to be agreed upon between the parties to be used during 1941, in connection with budget studies, personnel and other overhead expenses, to the end that the said Allotment Committee shall have for consideration at its various meetings all material which may be pertinent to a thorough analysis of all matters before it. The Allotment Committee shall be named not later than April 15th and shall be requested to endeavor to make its first allotment by July 1st.
6. The traditional collections of the Jewish National Fund are not to be included in or to be considered a part of the United Jewish Appeal. However, a report of its net receipts shall be made available to the Allotment Committee. Any income received by the Jewish National Fund through allotments from Welfare Funds is to be considered income for the United Jewish Appeal.
7. Any funds paid or payable directly to the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal or the National Refugee Service as the respective beneficiaries of any Will, Estate, Testamentary Bequest or Provision and under any power of Appointment, shall be retained by the recipient thereof and not included in, or considered part of, the United Jewish Appeal.
8. The National Refugee Service shall have the right to receive and retain grants and contributions from Foundations whose charters, or established policy prior to the making of such grant specifically exclude gifts that are not to be used within the United States; and certification of such established policy by the duly authorized officers of such foundations shall be deemed conclusive. Such grants or contributions shall not be included in, or considered part of, the United Jewish Appeal. However, it is understood that this paragraph shall not be deemed to give the National Refugee Service the right to obtain grants or contributions from any Foundation or Agency which contributed funds to the

United Jewish Appeal on behalf of the National Refugee Service during the years 1939 and 1940. The National Refugee Service shall report to the Allotment Committee all funds received from whatever source with a description of the sources.

9. The United Jewish Appeal shall constitute the unified fund-raising instrument for the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service and none of the three last-mentioned organizations shall undertake separate campaigns in the United States during the year 1941, with the exceptions noted herein. If a supplementary appeal or campaign is to be initiated in the United States by any of the said three beneficiaries of the United Jewish Appeal, such a campaign or appeal must have the approval of the United Jewish Appeal and the proceeds must be reported and transmitted to it.
10. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the United Palestine Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Refugee Service agree that all funds and assets of any nature whatsoever pledged to and/or collected or received by any of them directly during the year 1940, which would in the ordinary course be credited to the 1940 United States campaign of the recipient, and/or any and all funds and assets pledged to and/or received and collected by any of them directly as a result of any 1940 United States campaign activities, shall be assigned, transferred and/or paid over to the United Jewish Appeal, Inc. and shall be considered part of the receipts of the joint campaign and subject in their entirety to the provisions hereof.
11. The two technical managing heads of the United Jewish Appeal, representing the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal respectively, shall have equal status in the direction of the activities of the United Jewish Appeal, Inc.
12. No agencies other than the United Palestine Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Refugee Service are to^{be} beneficiaries of distributions

made by the Distribution Committee; and no such other agencies shall be included in the United Jewish Appeal without the prior consent of the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal.

13. The United Jewish Appeal, Inc. undertakes to take immediate steps for such amendments of its By-Laws and Resolutions as may be necessary for the purposes of this agreement; it being understood that no changes in the manner in which the Membership, the Board of Directors, and the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal, Inc. is selected, shall be made.
14. This agreement between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal and the joint campaign which is the subject thereof, shall be deemed to have commenced on January 1st, 1941 and shall expire on December 31st, 1941; it being understood, however, that all activities thereafter directed at concluding the 1941 campaign and the collection of all pledges and subscriptions made therein shall come within the purview hereof. Any proposal for an agreement for fund-raising in a 1942 campaign shall be considered not later than October 31st, 1941.
15. All details for implementing and carrying out the foregoing agreement are in the charge of the National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, or their respective nominees. Meetings in regard to such details will be held at regular intervals.

(signed) _____
For Joint Distribution Committee

(signed) _____
For United Palestine Appeal

Referring to Paragraph A of the agreement entered into between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal this day, it is understood that the \$2,000,000 and such additional sums as may be granted by the Allotment Committee shall be deemed to include the participation of the National Refugee Service in the proceeds of the Greater New York campaign of the United Jewish Appeal.



UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, Inc.

IN BEHALF OF JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE • UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL • NATIONAL REFUGEE SERVICE
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National Chairmen

Abba Hillel Silver
Jonah B. Wise

April 2, 1941


Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are notifying Hartford in a formal manner of your kind acceptance of the invitation to be the guest speaker at the campaign opening meeting scheduled in that city on Wednesday, April 23rd. Our office will send you sufficiently in advance of the meeting the necessary information concerning the campaign situation in Hartford, as well as the details of the meeting itself.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:IDB

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April 3, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am wondering whether it would be at all possible for you to accept an invitation from Rabbi Eugene Mannheimer of Des Moines, Iowa, to visit that community to open the campaign. A special problem has arisen there in relation to the big givers and it is felt that only someone like you could meet the situation.

Under ordinary circumstances, I would not call such a community to your attention, even though it does raise \$75,000, of which some \$45,000 went to the UJA last year. They can raise even more.

Des Moines needs an injection of some Palestine sentiment and it is for that reason that I undertake to submit Des Moines for your consideration. A certain amount of feeling generated by the dissolution of the United Jewish Appeal and by the referendum discussion must be liquidated. Going to Des Moines is not like addressing a mass meeting where the results are not visible. You meet directly with the big givers who contribute on the spot.

With kindest regards, I am

*Cordially Yours,
Henry Montor*

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HM:BG

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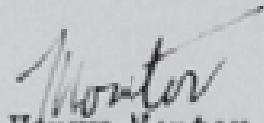
Dear Dr. Silver:

A wire was sent to Rabbi Bernard M. Dorfman of Lima to ask how it is that Lima was recorded by the Council of Federations as having approved the budgeting proposal, whereas Rabbi Dorfman told you that Lima had rejected.

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from Albert L. Negin, Secretary of the Allied Jewish Campaign of Lima, which speaks for itself.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JB
Encl.

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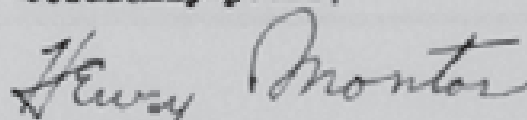
Dear Dr. Silver:

You will recall that you were interested in having Dr. Lowdermilk for a lecture in Cleveland in January. He wrote at that time that he could not be available before April 1st.

Do you wish me to follow him up for any subsequent time this Spring?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:fj

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Dear Dr. Silver:

The Milwaukee community is most anxious to have you for the opening of the campaign on May 18th. The total goal will be \$320,000. Milwaukee has the money if it can be stimulated to part with it.

Milwaukee is writing to you directly to extend its invitation. I do hope it will be possible for you to accept.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:EH

April 4, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I hope that you have succeeded in getting the action of the B'nai B'rith Board with reference to the referendum into the public press. If you cannot get it into the JTA Bulletin, the New Palestine at least should carry it. You will recall that the JDC, the HRS and the ORT made a public statement in favor of the proposals. It is of utmost importance that other agencies besides the Zionists should come out against it. The canvassing of the Board of the Central Conference of American Rabbis should also receive publicity.

With reference to Des Moines: I am afraid that I will not be able to go there. I have already scheduled myself for Detroit on May 11; St. Louis, May 5; Hartford, April 23; and Brooklyn, April 24. We have a tremendous amount of work to do here in Cleveland to make a success of our campaign. Unless there is a real emergency in a community where I can be of service, I do not believe that I shall be able to take on any more engagements for the next two months.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Gellman conducted a blitzkrieg campaign to obtain from the United Palestine Appeal the money which was allotted to Mizrahi. If he had exerted the same energy at any time during the last three years for the transfer to the United Palestine Appeal of reports on Mizrahi financial activity, his anxiety would not have arisen.

At any rate, a check for \$10,000 was forwarded to the Mizrahi with the expressed hope that by May 1st the financial report which we have been asking for so long would be made available from Palestine. The refusal, up to this time, to present adequate reports is certainly a source of questioning.

In your reference to Chief Rabbi Herzog, am I to understand that you wish him invited as a guest for the next meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal on April 24th, or that a special function should be called for him. Will you be in New York at the time? Is there any date which you could suggest?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Henry Montor
Executive Director

EM:YE

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Dear Dr. Silver:

As you will have seen, the story which you telephoned me about the Executive Board of the Central Conference was issued on the day the information was received.

Simon Shetzer was in touch with me by telephone Friday afternoon. He told me of his telephone conversation with Henry Monsky who did not wish to release the resolution which was couched in such a form that it might be interpreted as being intended exclusively for the Council of Federations.

Mr. Monsky will be in New York today or tomorrow and I shall communicate with him for the purpose of obtaining a release on the resolution. It will, of course, be issued promptly and circulated widely.

I spoke to the Council office to inquire whether the Council was planning to insist upon April 1st as the final date for voting in the referendum. I pointed out that Cincinnati was planning to vote on April 7th, and asked whether that vote would have validity. I was told that this was a matter that would have to be decided by the Board of Directors of the Council at its next meeting. In the meantime the communities will have to follow their own instincts. I believe I am correct, however, in undertaking to encourage those communities, which have not yet voted, to vote, assuming that their views are opposed to the establishment of a national budgeting committee.

It will be of the utmost importance that every Zionist member of the Board of Directors of the Council attend the next meeting. I would like to suggest that when the date has been fixed you send a wire to all the Zionist members to have them meet with you in the city of the meeting for a prior caucus as to the procedures to be adopted at the Board of Directors session.

I send you herewith a detailed list of the communities entitled to vote, indicating which have approved and which have rejected the proposal. Our information in the first category may be incomplete. The figures indicate, also, which communities

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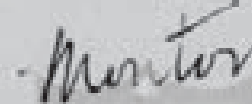
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have not yet acted, which have declined to act or have tabled.

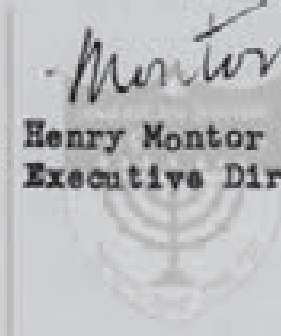
I realize, of course, the tremendous pressure upon you in connection with the Cleveland campaign, and even though I regret, I can understand your inability to take on more engagements. However, every letter that comes into the United Jewish Appeal office places one name at the head of its requirements for speakers, and that is your own. When I see this universal and unexceptionable desire to have you in the community I wonder why so much to-do was made about the battle you conducted on behalf of the minority view of the referendum and in connection with the United Palestine Appeal campaign.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director



HM:FE

April 7, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

Please let me know what available dates Dr. Lowdermilk has this month.

Please extend an invitation, in my name, to Chief Rabbi Herzog to attend the meeting of our Administrative Committee meeting on April 24.

May I call your attention to the enclosed letter of Mr. Rosenwald which is by way of the opening gun in a campaign to get priority of payment both of the first collections of the UJA up to the \$2,000,000 and then all sums over and above \$8,800,000 to meet their full budget of \$4,848,000.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

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*Chairman,
Administrative Committee*

I was interested to read the minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Greater New York campaign of the United Jewish Appeal.

Louis Lipsky
*Chairman,
Executive Committee*

I was astounded to learn that the income accruing to the JDC for Moes Chitim, that is the "special matsoth fund" of the JDC, was regarded as belonging to it exclusively. Under the same circumstances, the UPA might initiate a campaign to raise funds for Haganah, or even for a matsoth fund for Palestine. It seems to me that this requires some special consideration.

Solomon Goldman
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The Night of Stars is conducted annually, presumably for the UPA and yet the income goes completely to the United Jewish Appeal.

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David Wertheim

If the JDC is permitted to establish this precedent, it will, to my mind, make meaningless the agreement for the division of all funds to the three agencies.

I am sending a copy of this to Judge Rothenberg who is handling the negotiations with the JDC on the agreement. I hope that you will communicate with him on the subject.

Executive Director

Henry Montor

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor
Executive Director

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EXTRACT FROM MINUTES

MARCH 14, 1941 MEETING - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE GREATER NEW YORK CAMPAIGN

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL FOR REFUGEES AND OVERSEAS NEEDS

(Minutes adopted at continued Executive Meeting Friday, March 21, 1941)

A general discussion was had in relation to the Special Fund for Passover necessities being conducted by the Council of Fraternal Orders and Landsmanschaften, Jewish newspapers, congregations and retail grocers association which fund is being raised for administration by the J.D.C. Mr. I. Edwin Goldwasser pointed out that these funds were in fact not a part of general contributions to the United New York Appeal but were extra budgetary earmarked funds to be administered by the J.D.C. for the purchase of Passover necessities.

Mr. Edward M.M. Warburg pointed out that as between the J.D.C. and the N.R.S. in the United New York Appeal, it was understood that these funds were not part of United New York Appeal contributions.

Mr. Samuel Blitz stated that in 1940 there had also been a Matzoth Campaign, conducted by United Jewish Appeal, which was part of the general funds. Mr. Henry C. Bernstein gave the complete history of the formation of this special Passover necessities campaign and pointed out the essential differences between the 1941 fund and the 1940 general campaign.

Upon motion of Mr. Abraham Liebovitz, it was unanimously resolved that all contributions and pledges to the special Matzoth Fund, to be administered by the J.D.C. were not part of general campaign funds but were to be treated as earmarked funds to be turned over to the J.D.C. to be administered by them for the purchase and distribution of Passover necessities.

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JEWISH NATIONAL FUND (KEREN KAYEMETH)
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Dear Dr. Silver:

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Stephen S. Wise
*Chairman,
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I note that Mr. Bakstansky is on his way to America from London. This is in response to the invitation that was voted to be extended to him by the Executive Committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

Louis Lipsky
*Chairman,
Executive Committee*

I merely want to call attention to the fact that since the United Palestine Appeal is not having an independent campaign, Mr. Bakstansky's usefulness will be limited.

Solomon Goldman
Israel Goldstein
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Morris Rothenberg

There will be the substantial expense of transportation by Clipper from London. No arrangements have yet been made with regard to maintenance in this country.

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Charles J. Rosenbloom

I merely make note of these as a preliminary explanation for any undue expenditures which the UPA may incur.

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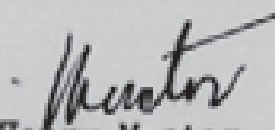
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CINCINNATI JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT VOTED BY
OVERWHELMING MAJORITY ADOPT " IN PLACE OF PROPOSAL OF
NATIONAL COUNCIL" RECOMMENDATION FOR FACT FINDING BODY ALONE.
THIS OPPOSED BY SHRODER. RESULT SHOW 62 COMMUNITIES REJECTED
COUNCIL PROPOSAL IF CINCINNATI INCLUDED. WE HAVE RECORD OF
ONLY 47 UNITED STATES COMMUNITIES ACCEPTING ALTHOUGH THIS MAY
BE AN UNDERESTIMATE REGARDS=

HENRY MONTOR

April 8, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have just looked over the list of the Administrative Committee of the UPA printed on the letterhead. I was unfavorably impressed with the unusually large number of members from is and about New York and the relatively small number from the rest of the country -- something like 85-31. That is not a wholesome set-up. I am sorry that I did not have a chance to go over the list of the Committee carefully when it was presented by the K.K. and the K.H. There are some important communities that are not even represented by a single member on the Committee.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:DK

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

41 EAST 42nd STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

April 8, 1941

Mr. Harold Linder and Honorable Morris Rothenberg
New York City

Gentlemen:

To provide you with financial data and authoritative facts on expenditures incurred by the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service, respectively, between January 1st, 1941 and March 14, 1941, inclusive, we submit herewith the following statements:

1. The accounts have been examined in detail by Mr. Abraham Keller, Accountant for the J.D.C. Campaign and the N.R.S. Campaign, and by Mr. Bernard J. Reis, C.P.A. and Accountant for the U.P.A. Campaign.
2. Herewith is a total of J.D.C.-N.R.S. and U.P.A. expenditures from January 1st to March 14, 1941, inclusive, as incurred in the national campaigns:

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| J.D.C. - N.R.S. Campaign Expenditures | \$127,836.03 |
| U.P.A. Campaign Expenditures | <u>82,840.37</u> |
| or a total of | \$210,676.40 |

3. In addition, we are advised that the U.P.A. advanced to its New York City Campaign the sum of \$50,250.80 and that the J.D.C. advanced to the Greater New York United Appeal of the J.D.C. and N.R.S. \$75,000, making a total of \$125,250.80.
4. Certain additional items may be of value to you in your consideration of these expenditures:
 - A. For the period from January 1 through March 14, 1940, the national campaign of the U.J.A. incurred expenditures amounting to \$85,000. For the period from January 1 through March 14, 1941, the U.J.A. as such did not conduct a campaign, but the separate agencies did, with the expenditures indicated above, totaling \$210,676.40.
 - B. Included in the \$210,676.40 expended by the J.D.C.-N.R.S. and the U.P.A. national campaigns from January 1 through March 14, 1941, are a number of capital assets and cash funds which will accrue to the benefit of the U.J.A., such as revolving funds, automobiles, furniture, and other property.
5. In submitting this statement, it is our belief that there may be small items not yet accounted for, which in the aggregate, together with certain adjustments that can amicably be made between the agencies, would make it expeditious that auditors have a reasonable amount at their disposal as a contingency allowance for all adjustments not thus far included in the calculations as stated, these adjustments to be approved by Messrs. Coons and Montor.

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NEW YORK, N. Y.

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It is our understanding that the national agreement for 1941 will provide that all monies received by the J.D.C., U.P.A. and N.E.S. respectively, as contributions from January 1, 1941 through March 14, 1941, will be remitted to the treasury of the U.J.A. for 1941.

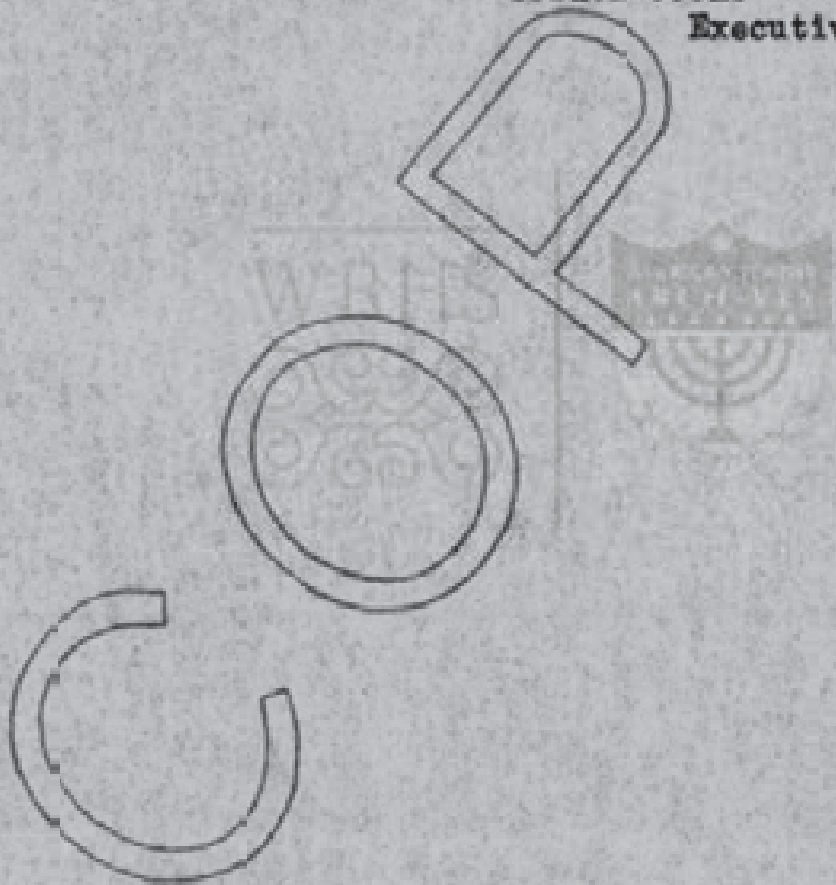
In the matter of leases and other contracts which might be subject to dispute, we respectfully submit that the Treasurers of the U.J.A. be authorized by your committee to make the necessary decisions and adjustments.

Sincerely yours,

Isidor Coons

Henry Montor

Executive Vice-Chairmen



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Dear Dr. Silver:

The Council of Federations has invited Judge Louis Levinthal to attend the next meeting of its Board of Directors. The invitation was addressed to Judge Levinthal as the nominee of the U.P.A. on the Board of Directors.

What about the decision of the U.P.A. to invite a representative of the Council of Federations to participate in our meetings of the Administrative Committee, the next of which is to be held on April 24th? Should an invitation be sent?

Cordially yours,

Henry Mentor
Henry Mentor
Executive Director

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Executive Director

Henry Mentor

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd Street
New York City

MEMORANDUM

April 9, 1941

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a memo addressed to me by Mr. Isidor Coons, together with relevant applications from the Statistical Bureau of Synagogue Council of America for a one-time grant of \$1,000 from the UJA.

This matter is being deferred to the next meeting of the officers of the UJA.

It would seem to me that any compliance with this request would open a Pandora's box.

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April 7th, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor

Mr. Isidor Coons

Request of Statistical Bureau of Synagogue Council of America
for One-Time Grant of \$1,000 from the U.J.A.

A committee comprising Dr. H. S. Linfield, Director of the Statistical Bureau of Synagogue Council of America; Charles P. Kramer, Chairman; and Hon. William B. Herlands, a member of the Administrative Committee, communicated recently with the J.D.C. relative to a grant to carry on their statistical program. They were referred to me as the U.J.A. makes continuous use of community and other information which this Bureau gathers.

Dr. Linfield discussed the matter with me personally and I asked him to submit a request in writing, giving all the details. A copy of the letter addressed to me by Mr. Roger W. Straus, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Synagogue Council of America, is attached herewith. Also attached is a copy of my acknowledgment to Dr. Linfield.

I am sure that you will agree with me that this is a matter that cannot be disposed of by us and should be brought to the attention of the officers and executives at their first meeting.

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April 7th, 1941

Dr. H.S. Linfield, Director
Statistical Bureau of Synagogue Council of America
1181 Broadway
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Linfield:

Thank you for the letter addressed to me as Executive Vice-Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal by Mr. Roger W. Straus, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Synagogue Council of America, in which Mr. Straus invites the United Jewish Appeal to make a one-time grant of \$1,000 so that the Statistical Bureau may continue its work of gathering statistics and data of Jews in 4,600 localities in this country.

I shall be glad to bring this matter to the attention of the officers of the United Jewish Appeal at the earliest opportunity. The transition of the independent campaigns of the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service, respectively, into a reconstituted United Jewish Appeal has delayed the organization of campaign officers, executive committees, etc. It is my hope that these officers can be selected at an early date and a meeting called promptly thereafter in order to consider many matters of importance, including the request of Mr. Roger W. Straus in behalf of the Statistical Bureau.

In the meantime, you may be assured that your request will have my personal attention, and in due course you will hear from me as to the decision of our officers.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Isidor Coons
Executive Vice-Chairman

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P.S. I am not addressing a separate letter to Mr. Straus as I am of the opinion that you will bring this letter to his attention. [am adding an extra copy for this purpose.

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STATISTICAL BUREAU
of
SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL OF AMERICA
1181 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N.Y.

March 31, 1941.

Mr. Isidor Coons, Executive Vice-Chairman
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Coons:

You are, of course, acquainted with the article in the present volume of the American Jewish Year Book, which lists, for the first time, the Jewish population of 4,600 cities and villages. This study, prepared by our director, will be periodically augmented and revised. You may also know of the United States government bulletin "Jewish Congregations," which was prepared by our Statistical Bureau. The bulletin reproduces our statistics of Jews for the principal communities of the country, and it gives a statement of the history of our people in this country, the teachings of Judaism, and our organization and work.

Your organization directly benefits from our work. You may know that about twenty years ago only about 1,500 cities and villages of our country were known to have Jewish populations. Ten years ago our Bureau published a list of 3,100 cities and villages having Jewish residents. The great increase was due partly to the continuous spread of Jews from the large to the small places, and partly to a more comprehensive census. Our latest list, mentioned above, gives 4,600 cities and villages. These lists are indispensable to your work and your nation-wide drives for funds. Many of the small communities, in the absence of these lists, would be totally unknown to you. In many other communities our enumerations serve as a basis for the organization and the work of local committees for fund-raising and other purposes. Your allocation of quotas for the Jewish communities is facilitated by these lists, if not based upon these. Indeed, our periodic enumerations of the Jews of our country and the trends that these show, influence the scope of the work of everyone of our national organizations.

Our Statistical Bureau is now engaged in preparing a complete directory of American rabbis, the first of its kind. This work, too, will no doubt, benefit your great organization.

The Statistical Bureau of the Synagogue Council of America is the major source of information concerning American Jews. As you

Mr. Isidore Coons,
Executive Vice-Chairman

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March 31, 1941.

may know, our Bureau (formerly the Jewish Statistical Bureau) collects statistics of Jews for the United States Census Bureau and for our communities, maintains a Jewish information service for government offices and the general public, and works to assure Jews proper classification in United States census work. Our Bureau is the recognized authoritative source of essential information concerning Jews, by government and by private agencies.

We feel that our work must be continued, partly because it is indispensable to the activities of our communities and our national organizations, like yours; partly because it is our duty to supply the United States Census Bureau with the statistics they demand of us, as an American religious body; and partly because our work tends to counteract the dangerous agitation to introduce a religious classification in government statistics. But in order to exist we must have the financial support of our major organizations. The American Jewish Committee has pledged \$3,500 to our budget this year, and we are now appealing to other organizations, especially those that are engaged in raising funds on a nation-wide scale. We, therefore, appeal to you for a one-time contribution of \$1,000 for the work of our Statistical Bureau, so that it may carry on its work of gathering statistics and data of Jews in 4,600 localities in our country.

Dr. Linfield informed me of the conversation he had with you last week, and I was glad to learn that you were making good use of our Jewish population statistics.

Very sincerely yours,

RWS:NA

(signed) Roger W. Straus
Chairman, Finance Committee
Synagogue Council of America

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STATISTICAL BUREAU OF SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL OF AMERICA
Summary of Pertinent Facts

Name.- The Statistical Bureau of the Synagogue Council of America, 1181 Broadway, New York, N.Y., was organized a quarter of a century ago. Officers and sponsors, on letterhead.

Object.- The Statistical Bureau gathers basic data of Jews, with a view to meeting the needs of the Jewish community and those of government statistical offices, church bodies and other public bodies that mold public opinion. Specifically, its purpose is

1. To prepare statistics of Jews for the United States surveys of religious bodies.
2. To cooperate with church statistical offices to further American religious life.
3. To collect statistics of the number and the distribution of the Jews of America.
4. To maintain directories of Jewish organizations, rabbis, etc.
5. To oppose introduction of a religious classification in government statistics.
6. To maintain a Jewish information service.

The latter service is designed to supply government offices, American religious bodies, and libraries with data of Jews as a religious body.

Achievements.- The services of the Statistical Bureau are unique. No other national organization has been engaged, or is now engaged in the activities of our Bureau, which are of great importance to the life of our American Jewish community.

1. The Bureau conducted three decennial censuses of the Jews of America, to determine the number of Jews in the states, cities, villages and rural districts.
2. The Bureau, through its director, acted as United States Special Agent to collect statistics of Jews for the United States Censuses of Religious Bodies.
3. The Bureau successfully opposed the dangerous proposal for the introduction of a religious classification in the United States population census.
4. The Bureau compiles and maintains up-to-date directories of Jewish organizations and rabbis.

Publications.- The Statistical Bureau issued a considerable number of publications. A few of the principal titles follow:

1. "Communal Organization of the Jews in the United States."
2. "State Population Census by Faiths- Meaning, Reliability and Value".
3. "Statistics of Jews and Jewish Organizations- Historical Review, 1850-1937".
4. "Jewish Congregations- Organization and Work."

The last publication was prepared by the Statistical Bureau but published by the United States Bureau of the Census. The publication gives the history of our people in this country, the teachings of Judaism, and our organization and work. It is a primary research and information source for government officials and public bodies.

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April 9, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Tenth and Ansel Roads
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

On Tuesday, April 8th, at 5:00 P.M. there was a further meeting of the committee negotiating the 1941 United Jewish Appeal agreement. There were present Judge Morris Rothenberg, Mr. Harold Linder, Mr. Joseph C. Hyman and I.

All items in the agreement have been disposed of, but two issues arose again and were not yet disposed of:

- 1) Mr. Linder again presented the demand of William Rosenwald that a representative or representatives of the National Refugee Service be entitled to sit in without vote at meetings of the Allotment Committee.
- 2) Mr. Linder insisted that there be reimbursement to the U.P.A. and the J.D.C. of expenses already incurred between January 1st and March 15th proportionate to the total income which these agencies would finally receive from the 1941 U.J.A.

Attached herewith is a copy of the letter which Mr. Coons and I addressed to Messrs. Rothenberg and Linder to describe the expenditures already incurred by the agencies constituting the United Jewish Appeal.

You will note that the U.P.A. in its national office spent \$82,840.37, which is directly chargeable to campaign activity, and that in addition \$50,250.80 was advanced by the national U.P.A. to the New York City campaign, making a total of \$133,091.17.

Mr. Linder refused to listen to any argument that the U.P.A. as well as the J.D.C. and N.R.S. had incurred expenditures in good faith to pursue their individual campaigns, and that the U.J.A. must take up these obligations unless the agencies were to be penalized.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

April 9, 1941

Mr. Linder ventured the observation, in fact the enthusiastic hope, that when the United Jewish Appeal of 1941 was concluded the most that the U.P.A. would receive would be 25% of the total. On that basis he calculated the reimbursement of expenditures as follows: total spent and advanced nationally and in New York - approximately \$335,000. The U.P.A. would be entitled to get 25% of that amount which would mean \$83,750. That means that the U.P.A. would stand to lose about \$50,000 on expenses actually incurred.

Again I must emphasize the vigorous character of Judge Rothenberg's advocacy of the U.P.A. position on both points referred to above. He simply refused to discuss the demand that the N.R.S. have representatives entitled to attend all meetings of the Allotment Committee, saying that that was the basis of the agreement and there was no point in further discussing it. He was equally adamant on the question of fairness in reimbursement for expenditures actually incurred.

At one point in the discussion Mr. Linder made one of his characteristically J.D.C. contemptuous remarks addressed to me. Judge Rothenberg flared up in an outburst of indignation that compelled Mr. Linder to apologize. Altogether, I cannot too highly praise the way in which Judge Rothenberg has handled this whole situation.

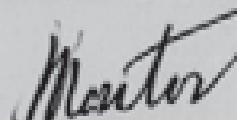
The J.D.C. people are to consider among themselves the two items still remaining open and to call Judge Rothenberg for another meeting. The J.D.C. is most anxious to have the agreement disposed of as soon as possible.

Again Mr. Hyman brought up the subject of Welfare Fund representatives on the Allotment Committee, saying that the J.D.C. would be very happy to have the members of 1940 continue into 1941. Judge Rothenberg indicated that this was still a matter for discussion since the problem had not been officially touched upon.

The J.D.C. seems to be of the opinion that the Allotment Committee can make its first decision by July 1st. From a practical point of view, I cannot see how that can possibly be done, since we will have no inkling by that time as to what we will have been allotted from the spring campaigns, much less from the fall of 1941.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Abba Hillel Silver
Jonah B. Wise

April 9, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The community of Hartford is eager to have you speak at a dinner for a few leading contributors on the evening of April 23rd just before you are scheduled to address the mass rally. Your presence at such a dinner meeting could be most valuable. You will be interested to know that the larger givers in Hartford are showing significant increases and that there is every likelihood that the goal will be achieved.

If you fly from Cleveland it will be possible for you to leave at 11:40 in the morning and reach Hartford at 5:47 in the afternoon. This schedule involves a one and a half hour wait at LaGuardia Airport. If, however, you take a train, it will be necessary to leave Cleveland the evening of the 22nd in order to arrive in sufficient time.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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CONFERENCE WITHOUT YOUR PRESENCE IS NOT POSSIBLE. COULD WE
POSSIBLY SCHEDULE YOU FOR SUCH A CONFERENCE ON MAY TWENTY
FIFTH? WOULD DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR ACCEPTANCE REGARDS=
HENRY MONTOR.

April 9, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have already informed the Milwaukee Welfare Fund that I cannot come on Sunday evening, May 18. That is the day when we close our campaign here in Cleveland.

What you write to me about the Moos Chitim matter in the New York City campaign interests me, especially since the man who made the motion to exclude the matsoth fund from the UJA was our own Mr. Abraham Liebovitz, and that the motion was unanimously passed. It would be interesting to know why Mr. Liebovitz made the motion and why our people agreed to it. How much is involved in this fund?

I am enclosing herewith a letter from Rabbi Dorfman of Lima which tries to explain the situation there with reference to the referendum.

Do you know anything about this Mr. Kiph in whose behalf a testimonial dinner is being arranged in Chicago?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Dear Dr. Silver:

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Thank you for sending me the letter issued by William Rosenwald on April 4th. It sounds like a letter intended to stampede not merely the Allotment Committee but all the communities. I refer particularly to the assumption that the "refugee problem in the United States will have a call upon the first sums collected over and above the initial \$8,800,000", which is particularly important in relation to the sentence, "We must remember that any attempt to curtail these services might endanger the position of the American Jewish community itself."

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

In the discussion held on Tuesday by Judge Rothenberg, Harold Linder, Joseph Hyman and myself, there was an interesting revelation of what the Joint Distribution Committee expects as to the action of the Allotment Committee. Mr. Linder felt that the maximum that the United Palestine Appeal would get out of the total income of the United Jewish Appeal, including the prospective allotment from the Allotment Committee, would be 25%. It seemed a rather presumptuous statement to make, but apparently that is the line along which these people are thinking.

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I am checking with Dr. Lowdermilk as to the dates he might have available during the month of May.

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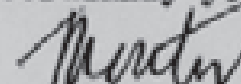
Chief Rabbi Herzog has been invited to the meeting of the United Palestine Appeal Administrative Committee on April 24th.

Executive Director

Henry Montor

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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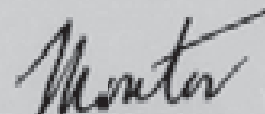
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Tenth and Ansel Roads
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Herewith enclosed is a check for \$63.54 representing reimbursement for long-distance calls and telegrams for February and March, and secretarial services for March.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

If the communities of America are to be stirred to a new understanding of their responsibility to the United Jewish Appeal every important occasion must be utilized to present the message of the United Jewish Appeal.

Mr. Coons and I feel that the Biennial Council Session of the Union of Hebrew Congregations at Detroit at the end of this month offers an outstanding opportunity for bringing before leaders from all parts of the United States an understanding of the obligations of the United Jewish Appeal and the necessity of greater generosity.

Would it not be possible for you and Rabbi Wise to urge the inclusion on the program of an address devoted specifically and exclusively to the United Jewish Appeal? After all, it is the greatest project that has yet been undertaken by American Jewry.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

The Council of Federations has invited Judge Louis Levinthal to attend the next meeting of its Board of Directors. The invitation was addressed to Judge Levinthal as the nominee of the U.P.A. on the Board of Directors.

What about the decision of the U.P.A. to invite a representative of the Council of Federations to participate in our meetings of the Administrative Committee, the next of which is to be held on April 24th? Should an invitation be sent?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am glad that you commented as you did on the membership list of the Administrative Committee of the U.P.A. For years now I have been trying to point out that the only way in which we can increase our strength is to give people in leading communities throughout the country a sense of identification with us. But the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth still think that their address is on East Broadway.

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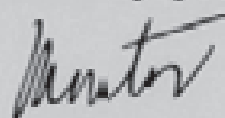
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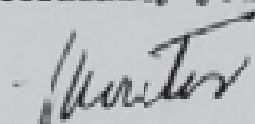
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a memorandum by Bernard Reis on the subject of U.P.A. expenditures in connection with the negotiations now in progress on the agreement for the 1941 United Jewish Appeal, in relation to reimbursement for expenses incurred before the reconstitution.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


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BERNARD REIS & COMPANY
10 East 40th St.
New York City

April 9, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York City

Dear Henry Montor:

The total expenses of the U.P.A. in connection with the campaign consist of the following:

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| National | \$ 63,840.37 |
| New York | <u>50,250.80</u> |
| <u>Total</u> | <u>\$133,091.17</u> |

Included in these expenses are the following items which should be considered as capital expenditures:

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| National Office: | |
| Furniture and Fixtures | \$ 2,343.60 |
| Automobiles | 3,683.50 |
| Advances to Fieldmen | 2,818.50 |
| Preparation of Films | <u>1,031.39</u> |
| Total - National Office | <u>\$ 9,876.99</u> |

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|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| New York Office: | |
| Addressograph Department | \$ 6,384.79 |
| Deposit - Blossom Time Ball | 100.00 |
| Furniture and Fixtures | 3,715.18 |
| Prepaid Rent - May and June | <u>1,800.00</u> |
| Total - New York Office | <u>\$ 11,999.97</u> |

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| Total Capital Expenditures | <u><u>\$ 21,876.96</u></u> |
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It will therefore be seen that the total expenditures for the U.P.A. are made up as follows:

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| Total Expenditures - National and New York | | \$133,091.17 |
| Less: Capital Expenditures | \$21,876.96 | |
| Cash on Hand - New York U.P.A. | <u>10,970.30</u> | <u>32,847.26</u> |
| Total Expenditures Other Than Capital Items | | \$100,243.91 |

To show you how ridiculous is any charge that the U.P.A. has been lavish in its expenditures, may I point out to you the nature of the larger items that were included in the form of expenditures:

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| Washington Conference | \$ 6,383.24 |
| Fieldmen's Salaries and Expenses | 25,929.24 |
| Speakers' Fees and Expenses | 2,195.87 |
| Salaries other than Fieldman - National Office | 13,633.25 |

I made a casual survey of the expenses of the J.D.C. and I am perfectly willing to have you go to bat as to whether the U.P.A. wasted any money. I would first like to go through the J.D.C. expenditures.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Bernard J. Reis

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

Louisville Conference of Jewish Organizations
500 Marion E. Taylor Building
Louisville, Kentucky

April 10, 1941

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Ave.
New York City

Dear Dr. Silver:

I enclose herewith a copy of my letter to the Jewish National Fund under date of March 27, and a copy of the reply dated April 3, 1941.

The letter from the Jewish National Fund raises a serious question. Every diverting effort for independent funds, solicited in this community, adds to our difficulties in raising sufficient money to cover the needs of the U. J. A. As you know, we have just completed a four months' intensive drive to collect some \$70,000 for the Appeal. Apparently the Jewish National Fund has an independent arrangement with the U. J. A. which enables the former to violate the letter and the spirit not only of our agreement with the U. J. A. but also of our agreement with the Jewish National Fund, itself.

I do not intend to engage in any acrimonious correspondence with the Jewish National Fund. Unless that organization will assure us that it will not make independent solicitations in Louisville, our Committee will be obliged to ascertain the amounts so collected and, in our next campaign, make the necessary adjustments occasioned thereby.

I am sure that you will understand my position in this matter. We have the kindest regards for the Jewish National Fund but we cannot permit one of our constituent organizations to make independent canvasses by mail and deny that right to the other thirty organizations who are abiding by their agreement.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. M. N. Fisher for his information.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Charles W. Morris

CMW:LH
cc to:
Mr. M. N. Fisher

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JEWISH NATIONAL FUND OF AMERICA

41 East 42nd St.

New York City

April 8, 1941

Mr. Charles W. Morris, Chairman
Louisville Conference of Jewish Organizations
600 Marion E. Taylor Bldg.
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Morris:

Upon my return to the city, I find your letter of March 27th, which was acknowledged by the office.

The Jewish National Fund, of course, is one of the beneficiaries of the United Jewish Appeal. However, we have a right, under the terms of the agreement, to carry on our traditional Jewish National Fund program. We quote clause #6 of the agreement, as follows: "The traditional collections of the J.N.F. are not to be included in or to be considered a part of the United Jewish Appeal. However, a report of its net receipts shall be made available to the Allotment Committee if requested." Our Purim appeal is one of our oldest traditional fund-raising efforts. We address our appeal to a limited number of people throughout the United States which includes only those who have been sympathetic to our cause. We do not solicit any community as a whole.

Sincerely yours,

sd. Mendel N. Fisher
Executive Director

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Copy of our letter to the Jewish National Fund

March 27, 1941

Jewish National Fund
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

I am returning your letter to me, in order that you will know to what I refer.

I have no recollection of having received the stamps; and I am sure that I did not receive them or else I would have written you sooner.

The Jewish National Fund is a part of the United Palestine Appeal. The Louisville Conference of Jewish Organizations has just completed an extensive campaign for the purpose of raising funds for your organization. I have in my file an application of the Jewish National Fund for membership in the Louisville Conference of Jewish Organizations. In that application, your Agency guarantees that it will neither directly nor indirectly solicit funds in the city of Louisville. Apparently this guarantee has been ignored, and I would appreciate assurances from you either that you desire to withdraw as a member of the Louisville Conference of Jewish Organizations, or else that no further solicitation will be made in this community without the prior consent of the Conference.

Very truly yours,

Charles W. Morris
Chairman

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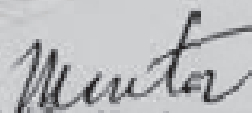
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter addressed to you by Judge Louis Levinthal.

Do you wish to authorize me to present such a report as he requests?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HN: FCB

REPORT OF Harry Seeve
COMMUNITY Columbus

DATE OF REPORT 4/13/41
DATE OF CONTACT 4/9/41

Individuals Contacted

Edwin J. Schanfarber
Dr. B. W. Abramson

150 East Broad St.
139 S. Grant St.

When Schanfarber first consented to take the Conference Chairmanship, he impressed me with the fact that he did not want to devote too much time to it. However, when I called him on Tuesday to get his permission to use his signature on our invitation he asked me to put into writing all of the details connected with the conference, preparations, program, etc. I made out an outline of the Conference, listing the purposes, the correspondence to be used in preparing for the affair and the tentative program. As per our arrangement I visited his office the next morning. I was astounded at the interest he had begun to show in the conference. What I had mistaken for vanity at our first meeting turned out to be a supreme confidence in his own importance. He assured me that he had no intention of wasting his time on a program that did not promise to be a huge success. You already know of his activities in connection with the arrangements for the program.

I have found Schanfarber a most impressive personality. There is no question as to the value of his participation. Everyone with whom I have discussed the conference has taken the same attitude. As a matter of fact they have almost all used the same words. "You couldn't get a better man for the conference. You are assured of a successful conference." He is held in great esteem by all elements of the community. He also wields a great influence both in Columbus and throughout the state. He is a sort of liaison officer between all of the groups in the community. There is no pretense in his Palestine sympathy. It is unfortunate that he has not affirmed it openly before. The wealthy orthodox members of the community respect him highly and want to please him. Because he belongs to the so-called assimilationist group, they assumed that he was anti-Palestine or at the most indifferent, therefore, they in turn did not become too greatly interested in the Zionist ideal. I refer particularly to two orthodox "big-givers", the Yenkin family and the Goldberg family.

On the other hand he exerts a great deal of influence in the other groups. I think he would sincerely like to use his influence to win them over to his way of thinking. As a matter of fact during our conversation on Wednesday morning he volunteered the remark, "Columbus is a very poor community for U.P.A." and that the conference together with his participation would go a long way towards changing that picture. It is quite possible that he is typical of his class about whom there may have been a great deal of misunderstanding. I have found that those in the community who are furthest from him socially understand him less and deem him as assimilationist, whereas, those who are closer to him understand his attitude. He has one characteristic which I think is rare among lay fund-raisers. Most lay leaders consider the organizations that do the fund-raising a necessary evil, and they have little patience with the differences that arise between these organizations. Schanfarber is one of the few I have met who associate the organization completely with its purpose.

On the whole I find that I am getting a great deal of personal satisfaction out of our association. He has been very gracious and has used his influence with some of the organizations to get them to cooperate with us.

Dr. Abramson is the embodiment of the American Jewish Congress, the Zionist organization and Hebraic culture of the community. He is in the medical profession and I'm afraid not too greatly respected by those in the community who reserve their esteem for success. He is well-read and intelligent and in spite of his lack of success is greatly respected by the middle and lower class in Columbus. During our conversation he suggested Alfred Benesch of Cleveland for the State Chairmanship of the U.P.A. Council. Do you know anything about Benesch?



REPORT OF Harry Seeve

DATE OF REPORT 4/13/41

COMMUNITY Columbus

DATE OF CONTACT 4/10/41

Individuals Contacted

Rabbi Mordecai Hirschsprung
Mrs. William Schiff

568 S. 18th St.
211 S. Cassingham St.

From Rabbi Hirschsprung I learned about the orthodox part of the community. Few of the affluent ones are enthusiastic Zionists. Hirschsprung is typical of the orthodox rabbinate. He is very uncertain of his position which at best is merely that of a ceremonial servant of his ruthless congregation. He exerts little influence in his congregation. Although he is both a member of Mizrahi and the Zionist organizations, the extent of his activity consists of a perpetual race with the other orthodox rabbi for the petty stationery honors that come with organizations.

Mrs. William Schiff is at present the president of the Council of Jewish Women of Columbus. She is at the same time one of the outstanding members of the Columbus Hadassah chapter. She is a very charming and sensible woman with a thoroughly Jewish background. She promises to be very helpful in enlisting the cooperation of the Council.

I had already contacted the president of the Hadassah, Mrs. Bernard Feitlinger, who had promised the assistance of that organization.

There is a strong Mizrahi group in the community of which a Mr. David Schwartz is president. He is a brother-in-law of the Zionist president. Everyone considers him a "very fine" man. I shall try to contact him when I return to Columbus.

I contacted both the president and the secretary of the Pioneer Women, Mrs. H. Friedland and Mrs. L. Marks. Neither of them seemed to understand our purpose but it's for Palestine and they are invited so they will do whatever they can. Incidentally, the other orthodox rabbi seems to feel that Hirschsprung is outstripping him in honors so he's trying to organize another Mizrahi group. He is also a member of the Agudah. I'll tell you more about him when I meet him. His name is Greenwald.

April 14, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I would suggest that you write a report on behalf of the UPA for presentation at the Administrative Council of the ZOA.

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from Rabbi Isserman. Do you know anything farther about this meeting to which I have been invited and which I have accepted? Rabbi Isserman writes that this meeting is not being sponsored by the Welfare Fund. On the other hand he writes that this is the official opening of the Welfare Fund campaign. Is the Welfare Fund planning another opening meeting of their campaign? I have, as yet, not received an official invitation from the chairman of the Welfare Fund of St. Louis.

Please inform me what financial commitments were incurred by the Committee on Referendum for Budgeting. I should like to make a contribution to help it defray its expenses.

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from Mr. Leo J. Rabinowitz and my answer to him. He mentions you in his letter. You might wish to answer him yourself.

With reference to the Biennial Convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, I would suggest that you ask Rabbi Jonah Wise to get in touch with the officers of the Union. He is closer to them than I am.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Send the following telegram, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Henry Munster
41 E. 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

4-15-41

Would appreciate definite word about Lowdermilk's visit to Cleveland. Please have him suggest a few dates.

Silver

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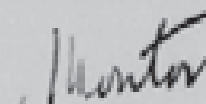
As you know, the United Palestine Appeal now has four men specifically doing field work for the U.P.A. These are Jacob Rich who handles Wisconsin, Michigan and Indiana, Rabbi Harry Seeve who is handling Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia, Matthew Huttner who is doing Pennsylvania, and Herman Getzoff who is doing the Southwest. Each of them is a young man with a great deal of patience and devotion as well as enthusiasm. In them I believe we have the makings of a sound program.

I thought you would be particularly interested in a typical report from Rabbi Seeve dealing with the Columbus situation. All of these men report to me every day or so on the contacts they have made and on the results they have obtained.

I call your attention to the question from Rabbi Seeve as to whether Alfred Benesch of Cleveland would make a good State Chairman for the U.P.A. in Ohio. What is your answer to that question, since I do not know Mr. Benesch?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JB
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April 16, 1941

Rabbi Harry Seeve

Mr. Henry Mentor

This will acknowledge your memorandum on Columbus, particularly in your analysis of the background and interest of Mr. Schanfarber.

Mr. Silverman has been in touch with you on the details of the program. I am hoping that the sessions will be of such a nature as to win permanent friends for the U.P.A. in Columbus and throughout the state.

We have been discussing the possibility of giving you some assistance in view of the fact that you will have to telescope so much within so short a time.

Mr. Silverman will probably be in touch with you with the suggestion that Mr. Matthew Muttner be relieved temporarily of his duties in the Eastern Pennsylvania area, to be rushed out to Columbus to handle in your behalf the office details which include correspondence, checking on the program, making physical arrangements, etc., and that this would leave you free to travel into the various Ohio communities to build up attendance for the conference. With such personalities as Dr. Silver, Sir Norman Angell, and Rabbi Heller as attractions, not to speak of the sponsorship of Mr. Schanfarber, the Columbus session on May 4th ought to please everyone, and especially Mr. Schanfarber.

I shall advise you later as to Alfred Benesch.

HM:JB

April 16, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

There is an article in the April issue of the Jewish Digest called "Behind the Re-United Jewish Appeal". It is written by a Mr. Alvin M. Levy. Do you know who this Levy is?

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:

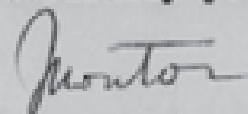
Attached hereto is a copy of a letter
from Mr. Philip Hoffman, the attorney for the
United Jewish Appeal.

The essence of his letter is: When can
a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United
Jewish Appeal be held to make the decisions necessary
for the legal and technical functioning of the
United Jewish Appeal?

What date is convenient for you?

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:EH
Encl.

April 16, 1941

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Campaign Opening- April 23rd.

Digest- Hartford, Conn.

(Jewish Population-23,360)

The 1941 Hartford Jewish Welfare Fund campaign will be inaugurated on April 23rd. A total goal of \$165,960 has been set, with the UJA included for \$112,000.

The following are officers of the campaign:

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Jerome H. Kohn, }
Edward A. Suisman } Special Gifts Chairmen
I. Oscar Levine, Chairman, Unit A
Wilton Mahum, Chairman, Unit B
Mrs. David T. Weinerman }
Mrs. Allan S. Goodman } Women's Division Chairmen
Morris Jodeloff, Treasurer
Leo Gallin, Executive Secretary

1940 - A total of \$118,530 was raised toward a goal of \$141,301. UJA was allocated \$85,510.

April 17, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

The General Bulletin sent out by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds states that "Reports from more than 60 agencies approving the proposal have been received." It does not say how many agencies disapproved. Nor does it say how many of the agencies approving were from Canada. Would it be possible to obtain a list from the Council prior to the meeting of the Board of Directors next month?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

\$12,000,000 War Emergency Campaign

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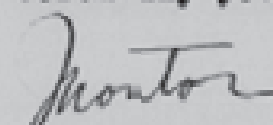
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of the Auditor's Report of the United Jewish Appeal for 1939.

You will note that as of the current date the United Palestine Appeal has received \$3,882,833 on account of the \$4,000,000 allotment for 1939. I do not believe that either the United Palestine Appeal or the Joint Distribution Committee will receive the balances due them, at least to any substantial extent.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH
Encl.

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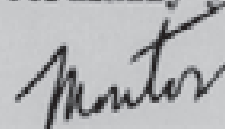
I have communicated with St. Louis with regard to your visit there May 5th. I had not been aware of the circumstances to which Rabbi Isserman refers. I had assumed that this was a formal opening of the 1941 St. Louis campaign.

Upon receipt of explicit word from St. Louis, I shall advise you. However, I have asked St. Louis to approach you directly through its constituted officers on this matter.

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter which I have addressed to Mr. Leo J. Rabinowitz.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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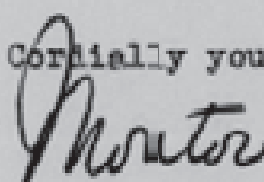
Dear Dr. Silver:

The details of the campaign opening dinner and mass meeting in Hartford on Wednesday April 23rd are contained in the attached blank. You may also be interested in the campaign data on Hartford which I am enclosing herewith.

May I ask you to be good enough to inform Mr. Leo Gallin whose address is 1026 Main Street, of your travel plans and the time of your arrival. In a letter which Mr. Gallin wrote us he suggested that if you travel via New York Central Railway, he will meet you in Springfield, Massachusetts and drive you from that city to Hartford. I am writing him today that he will hear from you within the next day or two.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Mentor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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Enc. - 2

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Telephone
Vanderbilt 6-209C

SPEAKER'S INFORMATION BLANK

NAME OF SPEAKER Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
DATE OF MEETING April 23, 1941 6 p.m. Dinner Daylight
HOOR 8 p.m. Meeting Standard
PLACE OF MEETING Bushnell Memorial Hall
CITY Hartford STATE Conn.
AUSPICES Hartford Jewish Welfare Fund
PERSONS IN CHARGE Barney Rapaport, Chairman
Leo Gallin, Exec. Sec'y
Address
OBJECT OF MEETING Opening 1941 drive
NATURE OF MEETING Mass Mtg: 3000 to 5000 expected

X Mass Meeting X
Formal
Dinner Meeting
Informal- X
Initial Gifts

DIRECTIONS _____

(Signed) Leo Gallin
Name

1026 Main
Street

Hartford, Conn.
City

April 17, 1941

Mr. Leo J. Rabinowitz
1220 Mills Tower
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Rabinowitz:

Dr. Silver was kind enough to let me see a copy of your letter to him of April 7th.

I recognize that in making the observations you do, you are animated solely by concern for the growth of the Zionist movement in San Francisco and the strengthening of the interests of Palestine. All who are familiar with the history of Zionist activities in San Francisco know how much you have done in bad times as well as good to keep alive the Zionist spirit in a city which is not especially famous for its love of Zion.

However, there seems to have been a misunderstanding in connection with the visit to San Francisco of Dr. Silver. I should like to approach it from two angles:

First, may I point out that the United Palestine Appeal showed its concern for the development of regular contact between the West Coast and its national headquarters through the appointment of a Field Representative in the person of Mr. Bernard Stone, whose headquarters are located in Los Angeles. As far as our records indicate, Mr. Stone has visited San Francisco on numerous occasions. He has consulted with all the officers and our friends in connection with programs to be undertaken. My recollection is that he has always sought counsel and solicited cooperation. Whether it was in connection with representation on behalf of the United Palestine Appeal or in describing the background of the national budgeting committee, to which you refer, he was acting as the spokesman for the National Office.

If then you feel that you have not been kept sufficiently informed by national headquarters, you are, in effect, telling us that the representative appointed by the United Palestine Appeal for the West Coast is not coming up to your expectations or is not fulfilling the responsibilities which he owes to you and to us. One recognizes that in the distance which separates

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the West Coast from the East, there is likely to be a confusion of purpose. That is why, recognizing the importance of the Jewish population of the West Coast cities, we undertook the financial responsibility for maintaining a headquarters and for designating a representative who would be our liaison officer.

It would be a source of deep regret to me to learn that you, of whom Mr. Stone has always spoken with the highest regard and with whose work I, too, am familiar, were to point out that in this purpose which we tried to achieve we have failed.

Secondly, as an extension of this direct contact between national headquarters and the West Coast, a Region of the United Palestine Appeal was established. I recall the Conference which was held in San Francisco last November with the participation of Dr. Nahum Goldmann and Judge Morris Rothenberg. Rabbi Saul White was elected Chairman of that Region. I have had official correspondence with him. Rabbi White, at our urgent invitation came East and attended the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal. We had also urged him to attend the Atlanta session of the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds. To our regret he left the East before the session began. From the correspondence which I have had with Mr. Stone, it would seem to me that in the planning of Dr. Silver's visit to San Francisco, he was in contact with the Zionist or United Palestine Appeal officers. If I have not maintained regular contact with you, it is because I have assumed you wished Rabbi White to be the key through whom our official relations were to be continued.

Our purpose is to strengthen the bonds between San Francisco and New York. I am glad, therefore, that you were as frank and forthright as you were in your letter of April 7th to Dr. Silver. I am sure that you can appreciate Dr. Silver's own reaction, when a few moments before the intended meeting, he was called by a group of Zionists and asked to meet with them. This certainly could have been, and should have been avoided. If we in the United Palestine Appeal have failed, either through the national headquarters or through our Field Representative, we want to place our finger on the sore spot and heal it as quickly as possible.

We all are aware of the fact that whatever strength the United Palestine Appeal has comes from the leaders in each community and not from national headquarters.

I would appreciate your real kindness in advising me whether the service which we believe has been established in linking New York with San Francisco has failed of realization.

As you have undoubtedly heard by this time from Mr. Bernard Stone, plans are being laid for the visit by Dr. Weizmann to the West Coast. We do not know exactly, at this time, when that visit is to take place. Originally he was scheduled to arrive in Los Angeles on May 20th. In the meantime, this has been

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Mr. Leo J. Rabinowitz
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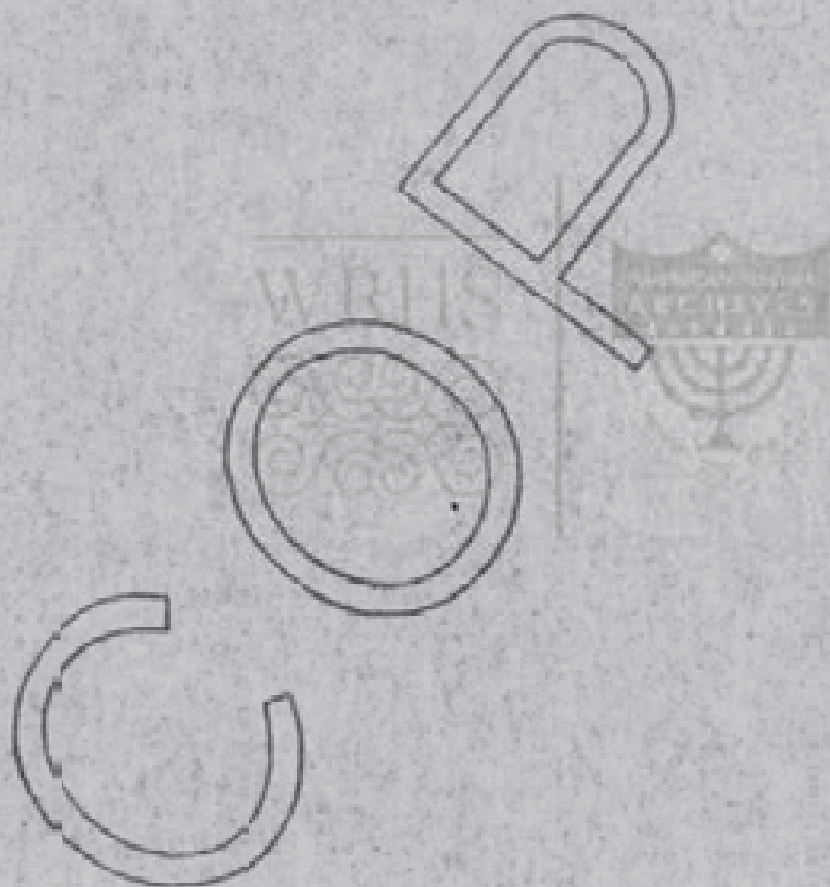
postponed to May 27th. International events and the problems which occupy Dr. Weizmann's time while on the East Coast do not permit so far in advance the fixing of a definitive schedule; but Mr. Stone should be in touch with you and our other friends.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE



April 19, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Ave.
New York City

My dear Mr. Montor:

In reply to your letter of April 16th, I would suggest that there be no meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal convoked until after the agreement is signed.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Mr. Henry Montor
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SILVER

April 20, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

Mr. Alfred Benesch would be an excellent man as State Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal of Ohio. He is highly regarded in the community and throughout the State. Either Mr. Benesch or Mr. Schanfarber would be excellent material.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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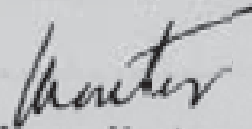
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am making inquiry of Mr. Israel Sieff as to whether he can be in Cleveland any time during the first part of May or earlier if possible.

May I suggest that you telephone him or telegraph him from Cleveland to strengthen my contact with him for this particular engagement.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

Israel M. Sieff
c/o Marks & Spencer Sales Corporation
1450 Broadway
New York, N. Y.

Telephone: Pennsylvania 6-2340

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✓ Thru. May 1
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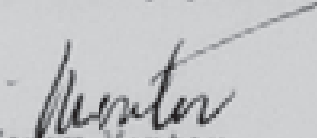
Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your suggestion, copies of your letter of April 17th are being forwarded to several of our officers so that we can ascertain their point of view on the procedure with respect to the NRS.

There can be no doubt about it that the officers of both the JDC and NRS expect that the UPA will get no more funds out of the 1941 UJA. That was clear from the attitude of Mr. Linder during his negotiations with Judge Rothenberg.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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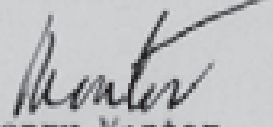
Dear Dr. Silver:

The office of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds would not even give me a paper drinking cup if there were water in profusion and I were dying of thirst.

This is in answer to your question as to whether I might obtain from the office of the Council a list of those who have voted for the majority proposal. We have even found that girls in the UPA office calling the Council office for normal routine information have been answered most shabbily.

Under the circumstances I think that the only way in which such information would be given would be through a request from you as a member of the Board of the Council. I would not be too surprised, however, if they do not even answer your request.

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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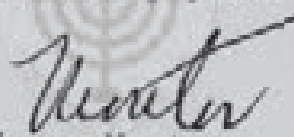
Henry Montor

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have not seen the article in the April issue of the "Jewish Digest" to which you refer. I do not know of any Alvin M. Levy but will endeavor to find out if that is a genuine name.

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE

April 22, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I do not think that it would be advisable to send a letter of protest to the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds about the bulletin which it issued announcing the results of the referendum. I assume that the bulletin was issued because of an earlier bulletin issued by our group announcing that the country had voted down the proposals. This action on our part was ill-advised. The formal announcement should have been left to the Council.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BK

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

MEMORANDUM

Dr. Silver
April 23, 1941

TO: Mr. Isidor Coons

FROM: Henry Montor

I have seen a memorandum dated April 11th to Mr. Steinglass from Mr. Slobodin, the publicity director of the JDC.

I cannot believe that Mr. Slobodin reflects anyone's views except his own in his attempt to judge what may or may not be said by the UJA with respect to Palestine. You may want to call Mr. Slobodin's attention to the fact that he is invading a field which is not properly his own.

In the memorandum Mr. Slobodin has paragraphs as follows:

"In several places, among them the third line from the bottom on page 18, and the thirteenth line from the top on page 19, the term 'Jewish homeland in Palestine' is used. It was agreed between us some time ago that this phraseology might be used in publicity material for the Yiddish and Anglo-Jewish press, but it was at the same time distinctly understood that decision was reserved as to its use in material for the general or secular press and that Mr. Warburg wished to be consulted about such use. So far as this office is aware, there has been no such consultation in this case although the Publicity Manual is intended for general and secular use."

"Also in the same section, paragraph 6 is factually inaccurate. Palestine has not received the largest number of Jewish refugees unless immigration to Palestine since 1933 is counted as 'flight of refugees from Nazi oppression', which is not the case. The United States has received more refugee immigration."

HM:KH

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

41 EAST 42nd STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

April 25, 1941.

Mr. Joseph Bahral
P.O. Box 92
Jerusalem, Palestine

Dear Mr. Bahral:

This will acknowledge your letter dated March 24, 1941, to which was attached the consolidated account of income and expenditure for the month of January, 1941. There are certain observations which I wish to make that apply ~~equally to the consolidated account~~ for the period from October through December, 1940.

(1) I assume that you have seen the questions on accounting and the directions as to accounting and reporting procedure that were transmitted through Dr. Bernard Joseph, both as to the form of reporting and the substance. May I suggest that in addition to the consolidated accounts that are now being forwarded that there be monthly balance sheets as well as summaries, that is, indicating the cash on hand or deficit on January 1, 1941, the expenditures in January, the income in that month, and the cash and/or deficit or accumulated deficit on January 31, 1941. If this cannot be done on a consolidated basis, at least it might be tried for each individual institution.

(2) In your report on "Contributions", may I suggest that this be broken down into more specific figures, that is, how much was received on account of 1940, 1939, and how much on account of previous years. This may and perhaps will be difficult for your accountants, in view of the likelihood that the various countries, including the United States, do not provide you with sufficient material for such specifications, but I would suggest that you instruct all agencies which raise money for Palestine to indicate on which account remittances are being forwarded—whether on account of 1939, 1940, 1941 or for previous campaigns.

The Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal is supposed to base its decision on the distribution of funds on the amounts available to each of the constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal in the current calendar year. Therefore, it should not take into consideration the funds being spent in Palestine from income of previous years. It does not do so in connection with the accounts of the Joint Distribution Committee. The Jewish Agency should therefore instruct the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth in the United States and else-

Where to indicate on account of what period remittances are being made. This can then be reflected in your breakdown of "Contributions" in the monthly statement and other reports.

(3) We do not claim credit for the Central Bureau in our applications to the Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal, you will note, except to the extent to which the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth may participate with funds to the Central Bureau. It is necessary that we know how much was received from Hadassah or any other source, but it is not our intention to take credit for these sums with the Allotment Committee. We should know, however, what the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth did contribute to the Central Bureau through their funds, in order that we may claim full credit therefor with the Allotment Committee.

(4) Under the category "Service charges", there appears a credit to the Palestine Foundation Fund, "dividends and interest, LP162.815." From whom were these dividends received? Does the interest represent a loan by the Palestine Foundation Fund to an individual? If so, what was the amount of the loan? What is the term of the loan?

(5) Under "grants and participations", the sum of LP120.604 is given to the Immigration Department. Since this appears under the heading of "Income", the item is very misleading, inasmuch as this would seem to be an item of disbursement. Would you please explain this discrepancy more fully?

(6) "Participation from private land purchasers"--LP6,574. What does this item mean? Does the sum represent contributions, loans, or gifts?

(7) "Leasehold rent, LP764.078". Does this figure mean that the Jewish National Fund received this amount on the rental for all its holdings, or only a part thereof? If it is for the whole, why is the sum so small? This item should be clarified.

(8) The sum of LP8,040 is given for "realization of investment". Since this is a comparatively large sum it is essential that we know more about the nature of the investment on which this amount was realized. May this be considered in the nature of regular income? Was it derived from the sale of land, securities? Was the investment in Palestine, or abroad?

(9) Please furnish us with a description of the loans made by the Jewish National Fund as evidenced by the item LP53,974.538. We should know where the money was borrowed--whether from a bank or banks, individuals, or sellers of land. What is the interest rate? What is the term? What is the total of Jewish National Fund Loans? When do they mature respectively? Are there annual interest and/or amortization charges?

(10) "Special earmarked funds". In the January account there is the receipt from South Africa of LP1,000 for Wizo. How does this item effect the Keren Hayesod budget? Is it earmarked merely for transfer to Wizo, or was it for some other specific purpose?

(11) "Immigration and Training". What is the average cost of transportation per capital? What is the average loan to an immigrant? Are these loans retrievable? How are they registered as assets by the Jewish Agency? What is the average cost of medical treatment, sick insurance? How many people are covered thereby?

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(12) "Tents--LP321." How many tents were purchased for this sum? Where have they been placed? For whose use are they intended?

(13) LP115 is given as the cost of training abroad. Where is the training given, that is, in what countries? I assume that the training is for agricultural work, but inasmuch as this item is not clarified, it would not be possible to state that this is so, until word is received from you confirming this, or explaining the exact nature of the training.

(14) "Administration expenses--Palestine offices abroad". Where are these offices located? Are these really "administration" expenses in terms of overhead, or does the item comprise actual "service" in terms of social service workers as important to immigration as transportation itself? Is it not inaccurate, therefore, to refer to these as "administration" costs?

(15) The sum of LP1,003 is given as having been paid for refugees' fares. How many refugees were thus taken care of? Whence did they come? Does the Jewish Agency include in its reports such amounts as the United Palestine Appeal spent (\$35,000) thus far, on account of transportation? The Jewish Agency received the reports of the United Palestine Appeal and those of the Keren Hayesod, as well. The Jewish Agency should claim credit for such items, and incorporate them in its books, in order that we may ask for and obtain credit therefor through the Allotment Committee, and also in order to show accurately totality of Palestine expenditures.

(16) The Jewish National Fund expended LP30,847.806 for land purchase. How many dunams were purchased for this sum? How many dunams of old land, and how many of new land did this amount pay for? What is the average cost of a dunam of land in 1941? What is the maximum cost for a dunam of land? What is the minimum cost? Where is the land which was purchased for this sum located? How much land has been purchased by the Jewish National Fund since October 1, 1940?

Please segregate the item, "loans to settlements, investments--LP1,590. What was the purpose of the loans? What was the nature of the investments? What is a plantation? How many people are given work through afforestation? How many trees have been planted by the Jewish National Fund since the afforestation projects were planned? How many trees have been planted since October 1, 1940?

(17) "--to settlers of villages, etc." What was the purpose of this assistance by the Jewish Agency? How many individuals have been affected by such aid?

(18) The agricultural experiment station shows a cost of LP2,609.284. How many individuals are employed by the station? What is the nature of their services?

(19) The item entitled "administration and general expenses" of the colonization department and the technical department should, it seems to me, be broken down, in order that we may know more specifically the nature of this charge of LP1,270. How many people are involved in each department? What is the nature of the work they perform? What is a general expense? What is the administration involved?

(20) Please explain what the item, "relief works through Bitzur--LP668.573" means. Does it indicate a loss on guarantees? Over how long a period, if this is the explanation? What were the total guarantees? What was the nature of the "relief works" stimulated? How many people were assisted directly and/or indirectly?

(21) What was the nature of the expense necessary to secure employment on Government public works? How many people were thus aided? How did the Jewish Agency expend these funds?

(22) How many "labor exchanges" are there? Where are they located? How many people were affected? Does the Jewish Agency bear sole responsibility for such exchanges? If not, who else contributes to their upkeep? How much does it cost the other groups responsible for the labor exchanges?

(23) How many were trained for vocations? What trades were taught? In what institutions were the training courses given? Are the vocational training groups the sole financial responsibility of the Jewish Agency? Who selects the applicants for training? Are the trainees then placed in industry by the Jewish Agency, or is there a tie-up between the labor exchanges and vocational training centres?

(24) What is the average per capita loan to rural laborers for auxiliary farms? What is the purpose of such loans? Is there any security therefor? What is the probability of repayment?

(25) Where are the "refugee labor camps"? How many persons are affected? Where are they located?

(26) How many fishermen have been trained? Where is the training given? How are they trained? What purpose does "administration expense" serve? Does it cover overhead, instructors, social service work? This item should be clarified.

(27) It seems to me that the category "Urban Settlement, Trade, Industry and Investments" is much too broad in scope, and it would be more intelligible to the average layman if it were broken down. Why, for example, should not "urban settlement" appear as a sub-head under "Labor and Housing", or under "agricultural settlement", and which could then include certain other items now classified as "labor and housing"? Could not an item such as "loans to rural laborers for auxiliary farms" be, at times under the category of "urban settlement"?

(28) Please explain the nature of the item "on account participation in loans for industrial recovery--(LP4,000)". Does this indicate a loss taken on guarantees? What were the loans for? What was the total sum involved? Who benefitted therefrom? How many individuals were affected? How much of the LP4,000 is recoverable?

(29) Why was the payment of LP1,177 to A.P.B. in 5700 on account of a guarantee made? Is this a total loss? What was the full guarantee? For what purpose was it made? To whom was it given, and how was it secured, either collaterally, or otherwise?

(30) Please enlarge upon the item of "technical instruction, information, etc." To whom was the instruction given? In what subjects? What kind of information was given, and to whom? What was the research, topically, and for whom was it done? To whom were grants given, and why? Please indicate whether the administration expenses incurred were in the nature of office or field administration.

(31) Please let us know to how many artisans were small loans given, the average loan per capita, and whether or not they are repaid in due course. What percentage of the loans made are not repaid?

(32) Does the item of LP700 for investments in Marine Trust indicate the purchase of more shares? What is the amount of the Jewish Agency's investment therein?

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At this time? What is the total investment of Marine Trust? What additional commitments to Marine Trust does the Jewish Agency still carry? Over how long a period is the commitment spread? What is the amount of the annual or other instalments? To whom are such commitments payable? What is the purpose thereof?

(33) What purpose is served by the investment in Tel Aviv Development Company? What is this company? What is the total investment by the Jewish Agency? How much has been invested by others? What commitments does the Jewish Agency have to the Tel Aviv Development Company, and for how long a period do they extend? How many persons benefit from the activities of this company?

(34) To how many unemployed was relief given in the periods covered by the consolidated accounts? What is the amount of relief per capita? per week? Why are there committees outside Vaad Leumi for relief of Polish, Roumanian, etc. refugees? What is the total spent for relief in a month, or in any other fiscal period? How much thereof is spent by Vaad Leumi? How much is expended for relief by the Government? What is the differentiation between "relief to unemployed", "relief", and "relief works through Bitzur Company"?

(35) You state that LP809 was spent on account of the participation in the education budget of Vaad Leumi. What is the total Vaad Leumi budget for Education? Who provides the balance? What is the Jewish Agency's total commitment in this respect? How much has been spent since October 1, 1940? How many people have been affected thereby—pupils, teachers, institutions, etc.,?

(36) It would be extremely helpful if it were possible to break down the items under National Organization and Security, such as "land, "Arab affairs", "President's expenses" and "emergency preparations". What is the nature of the payment on account of guarantee granted to A.P.B. in 5700 of LP200, which appears in the category of "Political Department"? Why do not all the guarantees so paid appear in one heading? What was the total amount of the guarantee, and for what purpose was it given? What is the amount of the obligation still outstanding? For how long a period is it to run?

(37) Please break down the category entitled "Administration and General Expenses". How does the item "administration of Jewish Agency" differ from the item listed previously as "administration expenses? The same question is put with respect to the other funds.

(38) Under debt repayments it is necessary to know what loans were covered by the payments of principal and of interest. What is the total amount of each loan, to whom is it payable, what is the date of maturity, and what security, if any, was given in each instance?

In connection with the loans of the Jewish National Fund, it is necessary that we know, in addition to the above, to what extent are the payments made directly for the purpose of land purchase on previous commitments, and to what extent it involves the meeting of bank obligations. To what extent are items for "debt repayment" offsets to "land purchase"?

With reference to the headings used in the accounts: Why is transportation to places of work placed under the category of immigration and training, as well as under labor and housing? The same query is raised in connection with medical treatment. Since refugee assistance and relief are two new important items in the budget, should not the new headings be created under which all such expenditures could be credited.

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For Example:

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| Transportation of immigrants and loans - - - - - | LP | 403 |
| Medical Treatment - - - - - | | 128 |
| Tents- - - - - | | 331 |
| Refugees' Fares- - - - - | | 1,003 |
| Assistance to refugees of Patria - - - - - | | 1,355 |
| Refugee labor camps- - - - - | | 589 |

These items among others easily could be classified under "REFUGEE ASSISTANCE". There undoubtedly are other items which could be included, but which, for lack of comprehensive breakdown, are not discernible from the accounts.

Thus, also, why not include under "RELIEF" the item of relief works through Bitzur, LP568?

In general, I believe the headings under which the consolidated accounts have been prepared should be increased.

Is the category "Labor and Housing", as so entitled, really meaningful, since all activities help labor? Buildings and tents for LP1,299 appear under labor and housing, and also under immigration and training.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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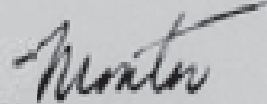
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a memorandum sent to me by Mr. Louis Lipsky in comment on your letter on the N.R.S.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
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MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Henry Montor

From: Mr. Louis Lipsky

In connection with the letter written by Dr. Silver, dated April 17th, dealing with the problem of the National Refugee Service:-

I think this question ~~is important~~ enough to warrant a discussion at a meeting either of the Executive or of the Administrative Committee. Should we decide to raise the issue, the problem that will face us will be where and through whom? Whenever such questions are raised, there are no entries in the controversial field, and the burden of carrying the discussion is left to two or three people who are never given support by others, and who have to carry the responsibility and the odium that comes from stirring up discussions that are usually regarded as trouble-making. What Dr. Silver says in his letter is absolutely true, but will that truth be supported by the ZOA, the Hadassah or even by leading officials of the UPA?

The whole position needs to be rediscussed at a meeting, and I urge that either a special meeting be called for this purpose, or that it be placed on the agenda of the meeting on Thursday.

(signed) Louis Lipsky

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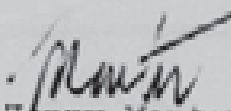
Dear Dr. Silver:

I suppose in the rush of your many activities you didn't have an opportunity to look at my letter of April 9th, a copy of which is herewith enclosed.

What shall we do about subsequent Administrative Committee meetings of the UPA as regards the Council?

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


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Executive Director

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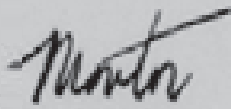
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending you herewith a list of the people who have remitted to the Committee on the Referendum, showing the amounts that they have forwarded.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
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| Rabbi Simon Greenberg Philadelphia, Pa. | 4/15 | <u>10.00</u> | \$ 25.00 |
| B. C. Rudolph Syracuse, N. Y. | 4/17 | <u>10.00</u> | 10.00 |
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| Rabbi Aaron Shapiro Augusta, Ga. | 4/23 | 5.00 | |
| Saul Abrams Providence, R. I. | 4/23 | 5.00 | 10.00 |
| Herman P. Taulman Dallas, Texas | 4/24 | 50.00 | |
| Hon. Louis E. Levinthal Philadelphia, Pa. | 4/24 | 10.00 | 60.00 |
| Morris Simon Washington, D. C. | 4/25 | 25.00 | |
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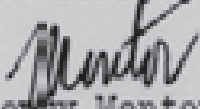
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter addressed to Rabbi Jonah B. Wise from Samuel A. Goldsmith of Chicago, together with covering memos and letters.

I do not understand what has been the nature of the discussion between some people in New York and some people in Chicago. Probably, however, it is James H. Becker who is an active officer of the J.D.C. and spends most of his time in New York, who is familiar with the facts involved.

With best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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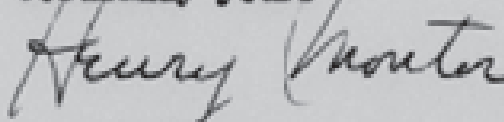
You, doubtless, have received the telegraphic invitation issued to you by the St. Louis community to address its meeting on Monday, May 5th.

Attached hereto for your information are the details regarding the function which you are to address, and a digest on the campaign situation in St. Louis.

We have advised Mr. Samuel Gerson, 3636 Page Boulevard, St. Louis that you will communicate with him directly regarding the time of your arrival.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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PERSONS IN CHARGE Rabbi Ferdinand Isserman

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Address

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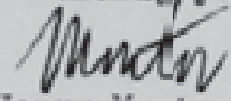
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Dear Dr. Silver:

A meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal is being called for Friday, May 9 at 4 P.M., to take advantage of your presence in the city that day to address the Amusement Industry for the United Jewish Appeal.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially, yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd Street
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MEMORANDUM

April 28, 1941

To: Dr. A. H. Silver

From: Mr. Henry Montor

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter which Rabbi Jonah B. Wise has sent to Dr. Stephen S. Wise apparently as one of ten men to whom the invitation was addressed.

When this subject was discussed at the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal on April 24th, the facts disclosed at that time did not point out that the Executive Committee of the New York United Jewish Appeal had authorized Rabbi Jonah B. Wise to take the action which he did.

This makes the nature of the Committee far more interesting as revealing the place of the U.P.A. in the New York U.J.A.

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M E M O R A N D U M

APRIL 29, 1941

TO Mr. Henry Montor
FROM Mr. Isidor Coons
SUBJECT Officers for the 1941 National U.J.A.

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, National Chairman, through me, submits the following names, approved by the J.D.C., to represent the J.D.C. among the officers of the 1941 National U.J.A.:

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Mrs. Roger W. Straus

As promptly as the U.P.A. has a similar list for consideration I shall be glad to submit it to Rabbi Wise. I am handing you this list with the thought that you would wish to discuss it with Rabbi Silver. I would further suggest that if both Chairmen agree upon the officers nominated, they be requested to issue joint invitations to all concerned for acceptance as officers and executive committee members.

(signed) Isidor Coons

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April 30, 1941

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Campaign Opening - May 5th

Digest - St. Louis, Mo.

(Jewish Population - 51,000)

1941 - The UJA has made formal application for an allotment of \$500,000 from the Jewish Welfare Fund campaign of St. Louis. The 1941 campaign is scheduled to open officially on May 5th for a goal of \$526,043 of which \$300,000 has been allocated the UJA.

This year's goal is \$33,000 less than the 1940 budget and approximately the same as the actual amount raised last year. The UJA allocation this year represents a decrease of \$21,000 as compared with 1940. According to Charles M. Rice, Chairman of the Budget Committee, this action was prompted by the need to keep the 1941 budget in line with the actual total raised in 1940. If the campaign goal is not reached, all non-local agencies are to receive a proportionate cut. Mr. Rice also intimated that the decision to decrease the UJA's allotment this year was made on the theory that St. Louis has been contributing too much in proportion to amounts contributed by comparable cities.

In a letter dated April 29th, Mr. Coons took exception to Mr. Rice's comment that St. Louis was contributing too much, pointing out that Cincinnati with a Jewish population of 21,800, as against St. Louis' population of 51,000, contributed \$190,000, and that San Francisco with a Jewish population of only 41,000 contributed \$350,000 in 1939 and 1940. He also pointed out that the UJA was reconstituted because American Jewish communities are eager to preserve unity. If the reconstitution means only a decrease in the scale of giving from communities, he emphasized, then the reunited campaign would not have served its purpose.

Dr. Weizmann attended a big gifts dinner here on April 20th; no appeal for funds was made. Mr. Montor will meet with leaders on May 7th; he addressed the Budget Committee in February.

The following are the campaign officers:

Edward G. Platt, Chairman
Charles M. Rice, Chairman Budget Committee
Irving Edison & Charles H. Stix, Vice-Chairmen
Alvin D. Goldman, Treasurer
Benjamin M. Loeb, Chairman Big Gifts & Exec. Committees
Willard Levy, Chairman Men's Division
Samuel Gerson, Campaign Director
Earl Susman, Chairman of Intermediate Special Gifts Division
Mrs. I. D. Kline, Chairman Women's Special Division

Jesse A. Wolfert is President, and Samuel Gerson Executive Director of the Welfare Fund.

1940- UJA has received its allocation of \$321,600 in full out of the total raised of \$526,000.

1939- UJA received \$325,000 out of a total of approximately \$507,000.

April 30, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a check for
\$50 for the Committee on Referendum for Budgeting.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

\$12,000,000 War Emergency Campaign

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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May 1, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Ben M. Dreyer, who has been appointed Chairman of the 1941 Canton Jewish Welfare Fund campaign, has been pleading with us to use whatever influence is available to secure your acceptance of the Canton community's invitation for you to open its campaign, at your convenience, in the latter part of May.

Canton, as you know better than I, has been a problem community for the last few years. It is at last getting on its feet. I think your acceptance of this invitation would be the one act necessary to restabilize them. It would be of great advantage not merely to the current campaign and to the allotment to the WJA, but to the general campaign structure.

Mr. Dreyer is planning to see you at Columbus on Sunday in the hope of securing your promise in person.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BG

May 1, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

While I was in Hartford, I received a contribution of ten dollars from Mrs. Abraham Grobard, 72 Mansfield Street. She does not wish this contribution to be credited to Hartford or mention made of it in Hartford. Please acknowledge the receipt of this contribution directly to her.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.

May 1, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I believe that I have replied to your query about the attendance of the representatives of the Council of Federations at our meetings. I think that the Council representatives should be advised of the meetings and should be invited to attend.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd Street
New York City

MEMORANDUM

May 2, 1941

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a memorandum from Mr. Coons describing the names of the officers whom the JDC has selected for the official roster of the UJA for 1941.

Shall action by the UPA await the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the UPA on May 9th?

I also attach a list of the officers chosen by the UPA for the UJA roster in 1940.

I should like to suggest that as additional Co-Chairmen representing the UPA, in view of the fact that the JDC has selected two additional people, there be named Mr. Edmund I. Kaufmann, who is also a Co-Chairman of the UPA.

On the Executive Committee, as on the list of Honorary Chairmen, the UPA will undoubtedly wish to add some names.

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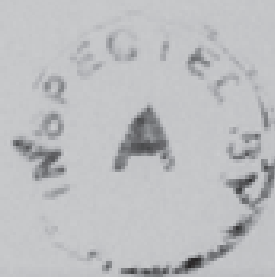
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HENRY MONTOR.

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May 3, 1941

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received this morning from Mr. Warburg, and a copy of my reply. Please inform Judge Rothenberg of this correspondence. I do not know where to reach him, as the letter indicates that he is out of the city.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RR

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Tenth and Ansel Roads
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from Mr. Abraham J. Brachman of Forth Worth, Texas, and a reply sent to him by Mr. Herman P. Taubman of Dallas, who has taken a very important role in creating friends for the U.P.A. Council in the Southwest. I thought you would be interested in the reverberations of the U.P.A. field effort.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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PORT WORTH ZIONIST DISTRICT
706 Trinity Building
Fort Worth, Tex.

April 25, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
41 East 42nd St.
New York City

Dear Mr. Montor:

When I wrote Mr. Kaufman it was exactly Mr. Getzoff's visit that I had in mind. The crux of your letter of the 17th lies perhaps in these words, "Repairing the ravages of our neglect in the past."

It is my point that the most criminal neglect in the past has been the neglect of those who are Zionists, in the attempt to corral those who take peculiar pride in holding themselves aloof.

It is my specific point that Mr. Getzoff's undertaking, as far as Fort Worth is concerned, is an attempt to cast reflection upon the Zionist Organization. I and those of us who have led the District will admit to no such reflection, except insofar as there is an inherent deficiency in American Zionism which is inherent as well in the U.P.A.

As I told Mr. Getzoff, in Texas Zionists and U.P.A. are synonymous. The attempt made by your organization to supersede the existing Zionist activity will only bring an unfavorable reaction. You seem to have lost sight of the fact that the main weakness in Jewish life in the past decade has been just that attempt of one group always to run away from and supersede and cast reflection upon the group to which it previously belonged so that disloyalty has become the badge. That disloyalty is exactly what I have been combatting for twenty years and I shall not cease to combat it now. That has been the core of your activity and that of your representatives, ill disguised thought it has attempted to be.

Yours,

(Signed) Abraham J. Brachman

I am sending copies of this letter to U.P.A. and Zionists in Texas -
Taubman, Novy, David White, Weingarten, Bender, may send to Edmund
Kaufmann.

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Dallas, Texas
April 28, 1941

Mr. A. J. Brachman
706 Trinity Bldg.
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Brachman:

I am in receipt of copy of your letter of April 25th written Mr. Montor. From this copy it appears you have had some prior correspondence with Mr. Kaufmann, President of the Zionist Organization and Mr. Montor, Executive Director of the UPA. Not being familiar with the correspondence nor the conversation you have had with Mr. Getzoff, makes it rather difficult for me to make an intelligent expression.

Since you have been kind enough to send me copy of your letter, I am taking the liberty of expressing my personal and sincere opinion.

Frankly, I have expected some backfiring from the "Old Guard Zionists" if and when an Eastern representative, designated to work with the Southwestern Council, should happen to be misunderstood. However, I am rather surprised it would come from you because I was confident you fully understood the aims and purpose of the creation of the United Palestine Council.

I know of no one in the Southwest, connected with the United Palestine Council, who had any thought or aim to work against the Zionist organization or any other pro Palestine organization. In accordance with my understanding, the creation of a Council would definitely help the Zionist movement in every respect. It would facilitate the coordination of all organizations in their efforts toward greater accomplishments.

Such organization, naturally, would count in great numbers and would be in a better position to overcome a great many obstacles which are constantly placed in the path of Zionist progress.

You will have to recognize the fact that due to current happenings in the world, the Zionist problem is by far greater than ever in the history of Jewish life. Therefore, I feel it is the duty of every self-respecting Jew to interest himself in the great needs of Palestine rather than allow, as in the past, a handful of people to struggle with a problem which belongs to ALL Jews.

When I refer to a "handful" of people I definitely mean the old guard Zionist organization; to this I might add their name should be mentioned with reverence rather than criticism because if it had not been for those who struggled with this problem, we would not have had anything to talk about. However unfair it was in the past for the rank and file Jewry to remain on the sidelines, we must recognize the fact that evidently it was the "Act of God" which permitted the handful of foresighted Jews to have ample time to plan and carry on their struggle.


American Jewry must recognize the fact that whatever help Palestine enjoyed from other sources, has definitely stopped and it is the solemn duty of American Jewry to act quickly with a strong determination that Palestine is the only hope for world Jewry and to obtain the proper and needed support, it is very imperative that a strong Council representing all pro Palestine individuals and organizations be organized with the sole intention of strengthening all work, rather than hampering anyone.

I am confident I am voicing the sincere opinion of the National leadership, as well as all the leadership in the Southwest, that there has never been any thought in any one's mind to in any way interfere with the work and progress of the Zionist movement. I may personally assure you I would have nothing to do with any movement whatsoever if it had such motives.

I trust this will clear up the misunderstanding which evidently came about through some error and when you fully familiarize yourself with the work of the United Palestine Council, you will be one of our leaders and strong supporters.

Sincerely,

(Sgd) E.P.T.



MEMORANDUM

Date May 8, 1941

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Henry Montor

Subject

Attached hereto is a copy of a report showing the status of the
Greater New York Campaign as of May 1, 1941.

HM:BG
Enc.

Henry Montor

cc: Dr. Silver

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GREATER NEW YORK CAMPAIGN

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

May 1, 1941

| | <u>PLEDGES</u> | <u>COLLECTIONS</u> | <u>DESIGNATIONS</u> | <u>UNPAID PLEDGES</u> |
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| | \$2,093,663.68 | \$652,378.23 | \$61,121.90 | \$1,380,163.55 |
| <u>PLEDGES TO RAISE</u> | | | | |
| | 264,145.00 | 3,660.00 | 12,843.01 | 247,636.99 |
| <u>TOTAL</u> | <u>\$2,357,808.68</u> | <u>\$656,038.23</u> | <u>\$73,969.91</u> | <u>\$1,627,800.54</u> |

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May 9, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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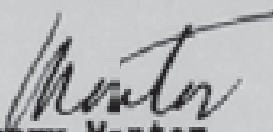
Dear Dr. Silver:

I have written some notes on the subject of the referendum on the national budgeting committee proposal which is to be considered at the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds on May 17 and 18.

Naturally these figures are subject to correction as are the figures compiled by the Council itself; but they do not by any means indicate that the proposal for the establishment of a national budgeting committee has either won by a great margin or even won at all.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Mentor
Executive Director

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Send the following telegram, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

May 12th 1941

HENRY MONTOR
UPA
N.Y.

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IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR ME TO ATTEND COUNCIL MEETING NEXT SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. MUST BE IN MY OWN PULPIT SUNDAY AS WELL AS WEDDINGS AT WHICH I MUST OFFICIATE. WROTE TO COUNCIL SOME TIME AGO OBJECTING TO MEETINGS ON SATURDAY. WOULD SUGGEST THAT CHARLES ROSENBLOOM INVITE PEOPLE MENTIONED IN YOUR LETTER CALLING THEM TO CACUS IN HIS PRIOR TO COUNCIL MEETINGS. AS SOON AS I HEAR FROM BLAUSTEIN I WILL COMMUNICATE WITH YOU AND ROSENBLOOM GIVING MY REACTIONS TO HIS PROPOSALS.

SILVER.

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May 12, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The following are members of the Board of Directors of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, who might be considered friendly in connection with the discussion of the proposal to establish a national budgeting committee:

Joseph Goldstein, 19 Main St., W., Columbus, Ohio
Henry Monsky, Omaha National Bank Bldg., Omaha, Neb.
Charles J. Rosenbloom, 521 Union Trust Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Edwin J. Schanfarber, 150 E. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio

I believe that Regional Chairmen of the Council may also attend the meetings of the Board of Directors. Benjamin Eisenstein, Regional Chairman for New York and Ontario, who lives in Schenectady, New York (c/o State Rug & Linoleum Co., 961 Emmet Street) is a very good Zionist.

Dr. E. J. Gordon, Regional Chairman for the East Central States, who lives in Columbus, Ohio (662 East Town Street), is not a Zionist but together with Mr. Schanfarber has resented the pressure applied to put over the national budgeting committee idea. In Columbus the proposal was rejected 16 to 0.

In addition to those mentioned above, Judge Louis E. Levinthal (606 City Hall, Philadelphia, Pa.) is entitled, as a representative of the United Palestine Appeal, to attend meetings of the Board.

Might it not be helpful if you were to wire the people listed here asking them to meet with you for a caucus in your hotel room on Saturday morning, May 17th, so that, whether you can stay for all the sessions or not, at least a program of action might be worked out? I do hope, however, that some arrangement will be made whereby you might possibly attend all the sessions of the meeting.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Louis Lipsky
*Chairman,
Executive Committee*

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which I drafted for you under the date of April 16th addressed to Mr. Charles W. Morris of Louisville.

Solomon Goldman
Israel Goldstein
Edmund I. Kaufmann
Morris Rothenberg

I should appreciate it greatly if you would advise me whether this letter was sent to Mr. Morris so we may place the copy in our files.

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

With kindest regards, I am

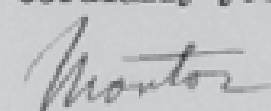
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April 16, 1941

Mr. Charles W. Morris
Morris and Carlove
600 Marion E. Taylor Building
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Morris:

This will acknowledge your letter of April 10th together with copies of correspondence exchanged between yourself and Mr. Mendel Fisher, Executive Director of the Jewish National Fund.

The traditional collections of the Jewish National Fund, which have been in progress for some thirty-eight years, have played an important role in linking the masses of Jews with the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine. That factor was recognized when the United Jewish Appeal was constituted in 1939. Thus the Jewish National Fund was permitted to engage in the small traditional collections which provide a link between the very small givers and the ideal of the rebuilt Homeland.

It has been our experience that traditional collections involving the blue and white boxes, the stamps sold in the synagogues during Jewish holidays and similar devices involving small sums of money have not adversely affected our Welfare Fund structures. They have obtained supplementary income from people to whom, unfortunately, we in our great Welfare Fund mechanisms have not yet been able to penetrate.

Knowing that you have always had the greatest sympathy with the Palestine rebuilding program as well as with efforts to advance it, I am sure you will recognize the special situation affecting the Jewish National Fund which the officers of the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal took into consideration when they formed the United Jewish Appeal.

With kind regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

AHS:WEE

May 12, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I returned this morning from Detroit where I opened the Campaign last evening. It was a great and inspiring meeting.

This noon, Chief Rabbi Herzog addressed the Cleveland Campaign Organization. He made a splendid impression. In Detroit they told me that he had made an equally good impression there.

If I recall correctly, we decided at the meeting before last of the UPA, to authorize the Executive Committee to fix the amount which the UPA will give to Dr. Herzog's special fund. He asked, you will recall, for \$50,000. I suggest that the Executive Committee meet before Dr. Herzog leaves for Palestine which I understand will be around the 20th of this month. Whatever amount the Executive Committee will determine will be agreeable to me. It should not be niggardly. Personally, I would suggest the full amount - \$50,000.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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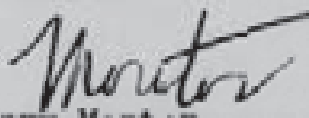
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a list of officers of the United Jewish Appeal as provided by the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal. On the right hand side is the list of officers as provided by the Joint Distribution Committee.

Will you please advise me whether you wish any people added to the list of Honorary Chairmen or elsewhere.

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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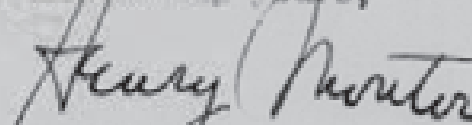
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is another copy of the letter addressed to you and Rabbi Wise by Sidney Hollander. Do you wish it acknowledged in any way, either by myself or by you?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
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Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds
Inc.
165 West 46 Street, New York, N. Y.

May 3rd, 1941

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Rabbi Jonah B. Wise,
National Chairmen,
United Jewish Appeal,
250 West 57th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Rabbis Silver and Wise:

It is our understanding
that the organization of the United Jewish Appeal for 1941
is being planned along the lines of the 1940 organization,
and that there will be an Allotment Committee similar to
that of last year.

In 1940, as President of the
COUNCIL, I was asked to suggest the names of represen-
tatives for the welfare fund members of the Allotment Com-
mittee. Please let me know if we can render similar
service in the event that the non-agency members of the
1940 Allotment Committee are not available for 1941.

Kindest regards to you
both!

Cordially,

(signed) Sidney Hollander
President

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\$12,000,000 War Emergency Campaign

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD)
JEWISH NATIONAL FUND (KEREN KAYEMETH)
For the Defense and Upbuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine

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May 13, 1941

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It is required that the Class B members who constitute the representatives of the United Palestine Appeal on the United Jewish Appeal, Inc. shall appoint someone to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Arthur H. Lampert, who was one of the Co-Treasurers of the United Jewish Appeal and Treasurer of the United Palestine Appeal.

Inasmuch as Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom is Treasurer of the United Palestine Appeal and has been named Co-Treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal, it is practicable that he shall be appointed as a Class B member of the Corporation. The other Class B. members are as follows: Mr. Louis Lipsky, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Dr. Solomon Goldman, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Mr. Louis P. Rucker.

Will you be kind enough to sign and return the enclosed sheet for our records and for those of the Corporation.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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HAVE YOU ANY ADDITIONAL NAMES TO SUGGEST FOR OFFICERS TO
REPRESENT UPA ON UJA BEYOND THOSE AGREED UPON AT MEETING
OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE LAST FRIDAY. SHALL I SUBMIT
THESE NAMES AS ADOPTED FRIDAY TO UJA OFFICE SO THAT LETTERHEAD
MAY BE MADE UP REGARDS=

HENRY MONTOR.