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

ON BEHALF OF

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January 25, 1940

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of the draft of the agreement containing language changes decided upon at the conference today at which were present Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, Joseph C. Hyman, Joseph Schwartz and Isidor Coons for the Joint Distribution Committee, and Mr. Lipsky and myself for the United Palestine Appeal.

Copies of this are being sent over to the Joint Distribution Committee so that some action can be taken by them at an early opportunity.

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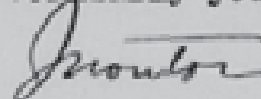
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and officers

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:EH  
Encl.

**\$20,000,000 is the National Goal for 1939**



UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

MEMORANDUM

October 11, 1940

To: SSW

From: RM

Your memorandum of October 10th on the broad and fundamental subject of representation in the State Department leads me to write you on what may seem an irrelevant subject and a contradiction of the point you make in your own memorandum.

I do not think that agitating for the retention of Sam Caplan within the framework of the Zionist Organization of America is unworthy of any effort it has cost. A Zionist leadership, which is concerned with the creation of a sound functioning machinery cannot permit personal antagonisms to interfere with employment standards in the organization.

I hold that the ZOA or anybody in the Zionist movement has the right to remove at will persons who occupy policy-making posts if the chief executive of that organization feels that he wants another policy effectuated.

At the same time, however, any person of competence in the Zionist movement should be retained in some other niche in the Zionist movement to which his experience and his capacity entitle him, even though the post may not be a policy-making one.

How many men has the Zionist movement brought within its fold in the past twenty years who are today ably representing the Zionist movement with courage with dignity and with eloquence either of spirit or of word?

The Zionist movement by its system of personal preferences has expressed by leadership has encouraged lickspittles and sycophants, and has always penalized the courageous person who has been prepared to express his own convictions, which were not personally motivated but arose out of a profound and passionate desire to improve the cause of Zionism.

How does the Zionist movement expect to encourage the entrance into or the retention in the Zionist movement of capable men who want to feel that, while they are doing a competent job, no one on earth can dislodge them; and if they are dislodged it is to be done by fair consideration of the status they have won by years of service. One can be a Tom Girdler to brain workers as well as to steel workers.

I regard the case of Sam Caplan as the most important that has yet arisen within the Zionist movement insofar as the entire personnel is concerned. It has been decided that Caplan should not be managing editor of the "New Palestine." That decision I can respect and understand because managing editorship of the "New Palestine" is a policy-

making post. But Sam Caplan has been associated with the Zionist movement for more than twenty years. He has a fund of knowledge of our internal affairs it took many years to acquire. He is personally agreeable and modest. He has skill in many directions. I believe that he was removed solely because he was a friend of Mr. Lipsky's. If that is the only criterion by which men are to be judged, perhaps I am next on the list of those against whom charges are to be directed. I owe much to Mr. Lipsky for the encouragement he has given to me within the Zionist movement, and I am proud of any confidence he may have in me.

The case of Sam Caplan has created in the entire Zionist personnel a sense of insecurity and uncertainty because all of us deeply believe that the action against him arises out of personal motives and not out of true consideration of the facts concerned.

I must say to you in all frankness that since the case of Sam Caplan arose I have been wondering whether at this stage I ought not to reconsider my whole relationship with the Zionist movement and seek a place in some other cause or work in which there would not always be overhanging me a doubt whether it is only by merit that my retention within this movement is possible.

Even if it means arousing the aggressive reaction of men who do nothing for the Zionist movement the year round except to vent their personal prejudices at election times, I shall continue to agitate not for Sam Caplan but for the principle involved in the action that has been taken against him.

Social justice is a phrase that is invoked even by Adolph Hitler. It is a phrase which has no meaning whatever unless it is given application in the relationships between human beings, particularly those engaged in the same cause.

Do I venture too much on your friendship for me in urging that you make the case of Sam Caplan part of your program of social justice, for in defending Sam Caplan you will not be championing an individual -- you will be enheartening all men of competence within the Zionist movement by reassuring them that men can remain in the Zionist movement as long as they are physically, spiritually and technically able to carry on with their tasks, either in one category or another.

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WARBURG INQUIRES WHETHER IT WOULD BE JUST AS SATISFACTORY  
TO HOLD MEETING ON THURSDAY OCTOBER THIRTY FIRST IN  
AFTERNOON INSTEAD OF EVENING. PLEASE WIRE=  
MONTOR.

October 25, 1940

A.	Actual pledges to the 1940 campaign as of this date from	
	1. The campaign outside of New York	\$ 7,140,869.72
	2. The campaign in New York City	\$ 4,941,759.96
B.	The additional anticipated pledges from outside New York City	\$ 1,774,800.28
	from New York City	\$ 198,240.04
	(Through December 31, 1940)	
C.	The total of pledges anticipated for 1940 from national	\$ 8,915,670.00
	New York City	\$ 5,140,000.00
	Total	\$14,055,670.00
D.	1. Shrinkage estimated from the National campaign on the basis of campaign expenditures incurred locally, campaign expenditures incurred nationally and shrinkage for other anticipated or unanticipated reasons	\$ 665,000.00
\$110,000. deducted for Ort from Gross N. Y. Pledges	2. The shrinkage anticipated from New York City on account of campaign expenditures, and shrinkage in collections	\$ 920,000.00
	Total net cash anticipated by the national UJA from the New York UJA, including the amount for the NRS	\$ 4,220,000.00 ✓
	3. The total net cash which the UJA may anticipate from national and New York after the above indicated deductions and allowances have been made	\$12,470,670.00
E.	Cash received from national as of this date	\$ 4,091,460.76
	Cash received from New York as of this date, including the cash for the NRS	\$ 3,260,000.00
	Cash anticipated for the balance of 1940 from the national	\$ 1,200,000.00
	Cash anticipated for the balance of 1940 from New York	\$ 220,000.00
Bank Balance -	Total Cash in hand	\$ 93,000.00
	Anticipated cash from January 1st through December 31st, 1940 on account of 1940	\$ 8,751,000.00

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—DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN

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Henry Montor

October 28, 1940.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from Mr. Hawley, President of the Union, which will have to be submitted for action to the next meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

I certainly think it warranted that the United Palestine Appeal should agree to such a provision in its Union contract. As a matter of fact, it affects one person who is at the present time on the staff of the United Palestine Appeal.

Cordially yours,

*Montor*  
Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:ET



UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL  
41 E. 42 Street  
New York, N. Y.

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

October 29, 1940

FROM: HENRY MONTOR

Knowing your interest in a breakdown of the figures of the national and of the New York City campaign, I have had compiled statistics showing the national and New York City participation in the United Jewish Appeal pledge and cash income.



HM:BG  
Enc.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

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Henry Montor

Your letter of October 28th, with respect to the minutes of the meeting of the National Co-Chairmen with the New York officers, crossed with mine in which I shared your doubts that the minutes represented the actual proceedings.

If there is to be a single instrumentality in New York which is to represent also the United Palestine Appeal in its fund-raising, these are some of the points which, it seems to me, must be incorporated in an agreement covering the New York situation. I do not think that we should permit the same chaotic, flexible situation to exist as obtained in 1939 and 1938:

1. The officers and personnel of the United Jewish Appeal in New York City are to be subject to the approval of the National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. The names of officers and suggestions for personnel are to be submitted to the National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal prior to the selection and notification of such officers;

2. The quota to be established by the New York City UJA and the beneficiaries to be included in the New York City UJA, are to be subject to the approval of the National Chairman of the UPA, and are to be submitted to him in advance of action;

3. The National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal shall have the right to designate at his discretion representatives of the United Palestine Appeal as officers and on all functioning committees of the New York City United Jewish Appeal, for the purpose of safeguarding the interests of the United Palestine Appeal and of making more effective the cooperation of the United Palestine Appeal in the New York United Jewish Appeal;

4. All records of the New York City United Jewish Appeal are to be the property of the United Palestine Appeal during and following the active campaign period, due regard being had for the elimination of overlapping activities, the final decision resting with the United Palestine Appeal;

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

October 29, 1940

5. Arrangements to be made for the permanent functioning of a united campaign machinery in New York City to include also the United Palestine Appeal shall provide for the following:

(a) Permanent representation in an official capacity of the United Palestine Appeal through designation of such representatives by the National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal;

(b) Definition of the functions and authority of an Executive Committee which shall control all policies and activities of the New York City United Jewish Appeal, the National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal to designate the representatives of the United Palestine Appeal on such an executive committee.

6. No arrangements shall be made for the disbursement of funds raised by the New York City United Jewish Appeal which shall give priority to any other organization as against the United Palestine Appeal in the matter of the time of the allotment of funds;

7. Proper provision shall be made within the United Palestine Appeal for the inclusion of executive personnel designated by the United Palestine Appeal and for the effective presentation through all available media of the needs and achievements of the United Palestine Appeal with respect to the Palestine upbuilding program.

What are your observations on the above points?

Cordially yours,

*Henry Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:fe



UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

EXCHANGE OF CABLES

OCTOBER 30, 1940.

KAPLAN  
JEWISH AGENCY  
JERUSALEM

UNDERSTAND HERZOG COMING UNITED STATES FOR SPECIAL DRIVE.  
WOULD REGARD THIS AS SERIOUS BLOW OUR FUND RAISING EFFORTS  
CAN HE BE RESTRAINED ADVISE

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NOVEMBER 5, 1940

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(et 11.5.40)

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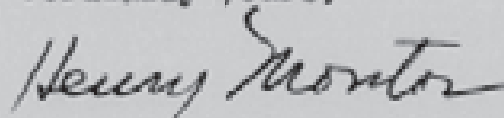
Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from the secretary to Miss Clare Boothe about her possible visit to Cleveland. I am following it up; or is this too long to wait?

Additional information that has since come to my attention states that she is not a very good speaker. Of course she has an excellent name.

Attached herewith also is a letter from Mr. Archibald MacLeish, which puts him out of the running for Cleveland.

Incidentally, should we invite MacLeish to the United Palestine Appeal Conference in Washington? He is an excellent speaker and has something to say, but I cannot be sure if he can accept such an invitation.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:fe

C O P Y

The Waldorf Astoria  
New York

October 25, 1940

Dear Mr. Montor:

Your letter of October 23rd has reached Miss Boothe when she is so extremely busy that only the most urgent matters can be brought to her attention.

As your letter invites her to lecture at the Temple in Cleveland on December 22nd, I trust a week or ten days delay in Miss Boothe's reply will cause you no inconvenience.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Isabel Hill  
Secretary to  
MISS CLARE BOOTHE

C O P Y

THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS  
Washington

Office of the Librarian

October 25, 1940

Dear Mr. Montor:

I think I don't need to tell you that I would say "Yes" if I possibly could. The simple fact, however, is that I have reached a limit of time available to me and have almost reached the limit of energy.

I appreciate your asking me to come -- indeed I am very much moved by your letter. But I must, nevertheless, most regretfully decline.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed)

Archibald MacLeish  
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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

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NAHUM GOLDMANN WAS SCHEDULED TO ADDRESS SANFRANCISCO CONFERENCE UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL DECEMBER ONE. HE HAS CANCELLED THIS DATE BECAUSE HE IS LEAVING FOR SOUTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE OF CONGRESS. THIS PUTS UPA IN TERRIBLE POSITION BECAUSE THIS IS SECOND TIME THIS YEAR ZIONIST LEADERSHIP HAS DISAPPOINTED SANFRANCISCO FIRST WHEN WEIZMANN DEFINITELY SCHEDULED TO BE THERE FAILED TO KEEP TO SCHEDULE AND NOW GOLDMANN. IN VIEW POSSIBILITY OF 1941 UPA SITUATION IT IS VOTAL THE SANFRANCISCO CONFERENCE BE SUCCESS. WOULD BEG MOST URGENTLY THAT IF YOU PERSONALLY COULD REVISE YOUR PLANS IN ORDER BE SANFRANCISCO DECEMBER 1 IT WOULD ELECTRIFY WEST COAST. BUT SINCE THIS SEEMS UNLIKELY IN VIEW YOUR SCHEDULE COULD YOU SEND TELEGRAM TODAY TO DAVID BEN GURION HOEL WINTHROP NEWYORKCITY AS FOLLOWS QUOTE/UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL. HOLDING FIRST REGIONAL CONFERENCE IN SANFRANCISCO IN HOUR HISTORY. IN VIEW OF POSSIBILITY OF UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL CAMPAIGN IN 1941 AND PARTICULARLY IN VIEW ATTITUDE SANFRANCISCO HAS LONG DISPLAYED TOWARD ZIONIST MOVEMENT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE INVALUABLE ASSET OUR ENTIRE PROGRAM IF YOU WOULD CONSENT PARTICIPATE SANFRANCISCO CONFERENCE SUNDAY DECEMBER ONE. ORIGINALLY NAHUM GOLDMANN HAD BEEN SCHEDULED BUT UNDERSTAND HE MUST LEAVE FOR SOUTH AMERICAN CONFERENCE. WOULD APPRECIATE TO-UTMOST YOUR HELP THIS INSTANCE REGARDS UNQUOTE. IN VIEW BENGURIONS HIGH RECORD FOR YOU BELIEVE ONLY APPEAL FROM YOU ON AFORESAID BASIS CAN GET TO ACCEPT REGARDS=

HENRY MONTOR=

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HAVE JUST BEEN INFORMED THAT KEREN HAYESOD BOARD MEETING SET FOR  
FOUR OCLOCK PM WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER THIRTEEN WHICH WOULD CONFLICT  
WITH UPA MEETING AT APPROXIMATELY SAME TIME TWO ALTERNATIVES  
PRESENT THEMSELVES EITHER TO URGE KEREN HAYESOD POSTPONE MEETING  
UNTIL ABOUT FIVE THIRTY OR ELSE SET MEETING UPA AT NOON WHICH  
WOULD NOT INSURE GOOD ATTENDANCE I FEEL FIRST ALTERNATIVE BETTER  
COULD YOU WIRE CHARLES RESS 41 EAST 42 STREET NEWYORKCITY URGING  
KEREN HAYESOD MEETING POSTPONEMENT UNTIL FIVE THIRTY SO THAT UPA  
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HENRY MONTOR.

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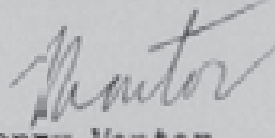
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Elisha Friedman asks whether you can attend a meeting of the Allotment Committee on Friday, November 22nd, or any day of the week beginning Monday, November 25th. (u) —

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

  
Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:EH

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter addressed to the United Palestine Appeal by the President of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

It is a unique proposal and may have far reaching consequences. On first consideration I should be inclined to think that the proposal should be accepted. What is your thought in the matter?

The letter will naturally be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

Cordially yours.



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS

165 West 46th Street, New York, N. Y.

October 30, 1940

The United Palestine Appeal, Inc.  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York, N. Y.

ATTENTION: Mr. Henry Montor  
Executive Director

Gentlemen:

Since its inception, the Council has been intensely interested in problems that involve relationships between the member agencies associated in the Council and the national and overseas service agencies. It has had a varied experience in the use of methods of formal and informal procedure and contacts between members of the Boards and staffs. Opinions have been expressed both within our own Board of Directors and among persons closely in touch with national and overseas agencies that working relationships might be more satisfactory in character and results expedited if we devised a closer method of contact than has thus far been established between the responsible administrative officers and bodies of our individual organizations.

A group within our own Board of Directors recently considered the problem and on their recommendation the Board of Directors of the Council agreed at its recent meeting upon an experimental plan for the period of one year. The suggestion that we accepted was that the Council extend an invitation to the three largest service agencies, - the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service - to designate one individual who would be invited to attend all sessions of our Board and receive all of the privileges and responsibilities which Board members usually have in relation to the Council through attendance at meetings, participating in discussions, service on sub-committees, receipt of reports and communications and other functions -- in short, all of the functions of a Board member except that of voting upon matters of Board action.

Our Board believes that these arrangements, if approved by the United Palestine Appeal, should be established on a reciprocal basis. If your organization accepts the proposal, we shall be very glad to name a representative of the Council whom you would invite to participate on an equivalent basis in your organization.

As the Council is at present organized, the Board of Directors is the primary and sole executive body for the agency. Including the officers, the Board consists of forty individuals elected by the General Assembly. We schedule three regular meetings of the Board during the calendar year. We have no separate executive committee and should one be created during the term of this experimental period, we expect to extend participation of your representative to that body.

It was also suggested that an alternate representative be named by both your agency and the Council who would be invited to serve in the absence of the delegated representatives.

I believe we can assume, but without specific commitment on either side, that the experiment will be continued if it proves mutually satisfactory. After experience with this procedure, the Council may wish to extend the same reciprocal privileges to other national agencies whose work is closely related to the areas of interest of the Council. Will you please let us know what action your agency takes on this proposal.

Very sincerely

SIMMY HOLLANDER

President

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November 6, 1940.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of an exchange of cables between the Keren Hayesod and myself with respect to Chief Rabbi Herzog, who is coming to the United States.

I had inquired of Palestine the reasons for Rabbi Herzog's visit, since a JTA dispatch had stated that Rabbi Herzog was coming here to raise funds for the Federated Council of Palestine Institutions.

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

The officers of the Denver campaign have asked that you be good enough to send a letter to those who have been invited to the Big Gifts meeting which you will address there on November 26th. I am enclosing a draft.

*Co-Treasurers*

I. EDWIN GOLDWASSER  
ARTHUR M. LAMPORT

Your approved copy can be sent from New York within the next several days.

*Executive Vice-Chairmen*

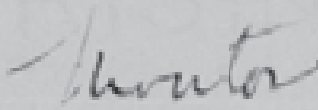
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With kindest personal regards, I am

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Dear \_\_\_\_\_

In order to confer with you and with a representative group of the leaders of the Denver Jewish community on means of assuring from Denver this year full participation in the nationwide campaign of the United Jewish Appeal, I am planning to visit your city on Tuesday, November 26th. On that day I am planning to meet with the men who not only set the standard in the assumption of responsibility by the community at large, but also guide the thinking of Denver Jewry in these deeply disturbing times.

May I look forward to discussing with you and with others of our friends in Denver the manifold problems which arise to challenge the sense of responsibility of us all and particularly of those to whom their community looks for guidance?

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver  
National Chairman

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November 6, 1940

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I can not come to New York on any day during the week of November 25, as I am scheduled to be in Denver for the United Jewish Appeal on the 26. It would inconvenience me to come to New York on Friday, November 22, although I could make it if I had to. I had been reserving November 18 and 19 for the Allotment Committee. Why are these dates being shifted?

Very cordially yours,

shs:bjk

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November 7, 1940.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Following our telephone conversation this afternoon, I communicated with Mendel Fisher to find out the details of the Saint Louis JNF situation.

Apparently Dr. Wolf was rather inaccurate in his facts. This is reflected in the telegram which was sent after consultation with Fisher, a copy of which I attach hereto.

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Clare Boothe says "No" for December 22.

Have you ever had Sir Norman Angell in Cleveland? He makes a truly effective talk. His fee through the United Palestine Appeal would be \$100, I believe; it might be slightly higher.

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

DLR THE TEMPLE ANSEL RD & EAST 105 CLEVE=

IT IS WITH DEEP SORROW THAT WE MUST INFORM YOU OF THE  
DEATH EARLY THIS MORNING OF MR ARTHUR M LAMPORT. NATIONAL  
COTREASURER OF THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL. FUNERAL SERVICES  
WILL BE HELD SUNDAY MORNING NOVEMBER TENTH AT 1030 AT THE  
JEWISH CENTER 131 WEST 86 STREET NEWYORKCITY=  
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ARTHUR M LAMPORT DIED THIS MORNING. IF IT WERE AT ALL POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO ATTEND SERVICES SUNDAY MORNING AT JEWISH CENTER, 131 WEST 86 STREET, NEWYORKCITY, IT WOULD BE FINE GESTURE TO ONE WHO DID SO MUCH FOR PALESTINE. IF NOT, HOPE YOU CAN SEND MESSAGE TO FAMILY AT HOTEL LOMBARDY, 111 EAST 56 STREET NEWYORKCITY=

HENRY MONTOR=

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

THE TEMPLE=

COULD YOU POSSIBLE BE IN NEWYORK FOR ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 23. THIS SEEMS TO BE DAY ON WHICH MOST OTHERS  
COULD ATTEND=

HENRY MONTOR=

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

NOVEMBER 9, 1940

HENRY MONTOR  
UNITED PALESTINE Appeal  
41 E. 42nd St.  
NEW YORK CITY

REGRET CANNOT ATTEND ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING NOVEMBER 23RD.  
NO WEEKEND IS AVAILABLE FOR ME.

SILVER

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

Rabbi Carl Manello  
52 W. Dennick Avenue  
Youngstown, Ohio

November 10th, 1940

Mr. Henry Montor  
U.P.A.

My dear Mr. Montor:

Mr. Fish, who received your letter, was in no position to answer you, due to the fact that he is now convalescing from a severe illness. He called together, however, a few outstanding Zionists of the city, who discussed the matter at length. This group, and Mr. Fish authorized me to answer you in their name.

Although unity is a fine slogan, and much should be sacrificed in order to have unity, yet, we feel that we must abhor the "take it or leave it" attitude which the J.D.C. has always expressed in its dealings with the U.P.A. and Palestine. Surely, unity is not so holy that we should want to remain beggars all our life.

Especially today, when the only avenue of appeal that the U.J.A. has, is through the work and accomplishments in Palestine, one wonders why the J.D.C. should still consider their allocation to the U.P.A. a mere "hand out", over which even the Refugee Service takes precedence.

Under the worse conditions, we can always raise that sum of money, under the banner of Palestine. Should we, however, raise a few dollars less, it would by far be offset by the self respect that we gain.

Unless the J.D.C. begins to look upon Palestine with at least the same interest as it exhibits in working for a cause which is very doubtful, that of sending money to the Nazified countries, we should have a campaign of our own. Since when have people, who work for Palestine become so timid, that they must have a guarantee that a certain sum will be raised, and in order to attain this goal we should be forced to stand with hat in hand before the self appointed Jewish leaders in America?

This is our view point, and we are convinced that the time has come to take a firm stand. We must not sell our birth-right for a pot of indifference brewed in the laboratories of the complacent and self assured J.D.C.

With the kindest regards, and hoping to hear from you as to the final decision, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Car Manello

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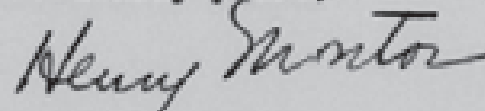
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your wire of November 9th, the date of December 22nd has been reserved for an address at The Temple by Sir Norman Angell. Mr. Feakins, his lecture manager, is communicating with you directly with regard to the details.

I understand that Sir Norman delivered a most effective address at Washington yesterday in connection with the United Palestine Appeal Conference. I could not attend, because I felt it important for the United Palestine Appeal to be represented at the funeral services for Arthur Lampert.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I met today with Mr. Israel Sieff, whom you undoubtedly know. I took the liberty of inviting him to attend the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal on Wednesday, but unfortunately he could not attend.

He is going to be extremely busy during the next two months in his capacity as a member of the British Board of Trade but expressed readiness within the limits of his business schedule to be of service to us.

Perhaps you might wish to invite him to Cleveland for a function to be sponsored by the Cleveland Welfare Fund in preparation for 1941, or as part of the educational program among the big givers.

As you know, Mr. Sieff has been the largest single contributor of all campaigns in Cleveland during the past two decades. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Keren Hayesod and certainly one of the outstanding leaders of British Jewry. I understand also that he is a magnificent orator in addition to his other qualities.

You will recall that we had him as a guest of honor at the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Washington two years ago, but he was never called upon to speak.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

*Henry Montor*  
Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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Lipman & Esfeld  
205 Smith Tower  
Seattle, Wash.  
November 11, 1940

AIR MAIL

Mr. Henry Mentor, Executive Director  
U.P.A.

Dear Mr. Mentor:

I hasten to reply to your letter of November 6th relative to the continuation of the agreement with the Joint Distribution Committee during the coming year.

Much as I deplore the apparent inequalities of the proposed agreement, I cannot help but feel that this would be no time to divorce ourselves from the Joint Distribution Committee. I feel that the coming year will probably be the most crucial one in our history and one that will definitely decide the future course of events in which we are, of course, inextricably bound up. It would certainly be a mistake if during such a crucial period there was any division in our ranks as we certainly must present a united front politically even at a temporary financial loss.

Then, too, it seems to me that we must have greater prestige which comes to our cause by our amalgamation with the Joint Distribution Committee. I know that the feeling on the part of a large portion of our own community and considerable others on the Pacific Coast, with which I am in close contact, is for a greater unification of interests and causes and fund raising efforts rather than a division of efforts along those lines. As a matter of fact, our own welfare fund is now seriously considering the withholding of support from certain organizations doing similar work unless they show a disposition to get together and present a united front. This is a time of sacrifice for a great proportion of the world's population and if necessary we must be prepared to do the same in connection with our interests in Palestine if it will lead to a harmonious and united effort towards its upbuilding in the future.

Of course I would like to see a fair and adequate proportion of the funds raised during this coming year go towards our cause but I am unalterably opposed to breaking off relationship between the two organizations. I am sure that it will be to our best interests in the long run not to do so. Even if separate campaigns were conducted nationally, I feel sure that our own community would still adhere to the united appeal as we have done in years past.

I do sincerely hope that the judgment of our leadership at the forthcoming Conference will uphold my ideas on this subject but in any case, you can always depend upon my continued interest, cooperation and support.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Sol Esfeld



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Southern Region Hadassah  
Mrs. William Kirshner, Pres.  
3811 Whitland Avenue  
Nashville, Tennessee

November 12th, 1940

Mr. Henry Montor  
U.P.A.

Dear Mr. Montor:

Due to my absence from the city, I am sorry I could not answer your letter sooner. But if my opinion is of any value, I wish to state that the United Palestine Appeal should and must take their stand now for more adequate allocation, and if that is not possible, to go out for an independent campaign.

I know it will not suffer in Nashville, for we shall have a unified drive, but the allocation of the money will be allotted in accordance with your decision. But first the Zionists in each community must take their rightful stand as leaders in their respective community and not kow tow to anybody but insist on their right, if they want their proper allocation.

I know your stand in regards to the N.R.F.S. is right, as each city has a local committee to handle this work who also receives their money from the local welfare chest. For instance, Nashville gives the N.R.F.S. committee three hundred dollars a month to carry out this work in this community, besides what they receive from the U.J.A. drive.

I personally can see more money for Palestine, and more Palestine interest, if the Zionist will take their rightful position.

Looking forward to seeing you in Nashville on the 17th, and sincerely hoping that the outcome of the discussions of the meeting on the 13th will bring greater results for Palestine, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Hannah Kirshner

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

C O P Y

Dr. Joachim Prinz  
826 South Street  
Newark, N.J.

November 12th, 1940

Mr. Henry Montor, Executive Director  
U.P.A.

Dear Mr. Montor:

After giving thought to the very important matter of a separate drive of the United Palestine Appeal, I have come to the conclusion that Palestine can no longer remain in the position of a stepchild. The fact that we have been participating in the United Jewish Appeal has prevented us from presenting the case of Palestine to the American public. In view of a very weak and inefficient Zionist organization, this fact has dealt a disastrous blow to the cause of Zionism and of Palestine. I deem a separate drive a welcome opportunity to make the American public familiar with the importance of the work in Palestine.

I am therefore wholeheartedly in favor of a drive for the United Palestine Appeal.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Dr. Joachim Prinz

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

Temple Brith Kodesh  
117 Gibbs St.  
Rochester, N. Y.  
November 12, 1940

Dear Henry:

If you think it wise, I would like to call a meeting of the Administrative Committee of the New York State region of the U.P.A. within the next two or three weeks to discuss the serious question which you have presented to me in your letter of November 6th. Before I do this, however, I should like to be certain that this plan meets with your approval and also that the Administrative Committee may feel free to reach whatever conclusions seem best without embarrassment to the U.P.A.

As to the place of the meeting, I note that most of the members of the Administrative Committee live in the ~~West Central~~ part of the State. Therefore, I should think that either Rochester or Syracuse would be the most convenient city in which to meet. However, if you have any strong opinions about the place of meeting, we will be glad to take them into consideration.

I realize that this meeting cannot help the Administrative Committee of the U.P.A. to make its decision tomorrow. If there should be developments which will affect our plans for the regional meeting, I know that you will inform me of them.

As to my personal judgment, I hardly feel qualified to express it from this distance. So much depends on the internal situation and on many factors about which I am not adequately informed. In general, I believe that every effort should be made to maintain unity up to the point of the sacrifice of genuinely vital interests. Whether that point has come I really do not know. On the basis of our experience in this area I should say that the time for separation has not come. However, the national Administrative Committee will be in a better position to decide about the national situation.

Whatever is decided, the U.P.A. may depend upon our cooperation to the fullest.

Best wishes,

Cordially,

(Signed) Phil



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—DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN

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#### *Executive Director*

Henry Montor

November 12, 1940

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Commodore Hotel  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wonder if you have seen a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the joint Committee of the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth. Attached herewith is a copy.

I observe that in 1941 less money is to come in but more is to go out.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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FIRST MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE OF KEREN HAYESOD AND KEREN KAYEMETH TO  
NEGOTIATE THE 1941 AGREEMENT, HELD AT 41 EAST 42nd STREET, NEW YORK CITY,  
ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1940, AT 4:00 P.M.

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Present

Representing the K.H.

Charles Ress  
Leon Gellman  
Rabbi Irving Miller  
David Wertheim  
Robert Silverman

Representing the K.K.

Dr. Israel Goldstein  
Rabbi I. M. Kowalsky  
Dr. Harris J. Levine  
Louis Segal  
Mendel N. Fisher

Dr. Goldstein was named Chairman of the meeting. The Chairman stated that Mr. Lipsky could not be present at the meeting because of another important engagement in connection with the U.P.A.

Mr. Fisher was asked to serve as Secretary of the Joint Committee.

I. YEMENITE JEWS

A correspondence addressed to the U.P.A. and to the Joint Committee by Mr. Z. Gluska, President of the Yemenite Community of Palestine, was submitted for the determination of the Joint Committee. Since the K.H. and the K.K. make all allocations out of U.P.A. funds, the matter was discussed, and it was voted that it should be referred to the Executive and to the K.K. in Jerusalem for their determination.

II. STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

Dr. Goldstein asked the Secretary to read the following statement, which was made by Mr. Eliezer Kaplan before a joint meeting of the K.H. and the K.K., as a guide for the determination of appropriations:-

"I wish to reiterate in writing the statement made by me in the name of the Executive of the Jewish Agency, the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth.

"Our request to the Funds here in the United States is not to make any appropriations for the work in Palestine or for any purposes here apart from the administrative expense without previous consultation and consent of the Head Office in Jerusalem.

"We face a very difficult time. The needs are growing greater every day; the funds at our disposal are insufficient to meet the most urgent demands. In such a situation every dollar is of importance, and before appropriations are made we must take into consideration the whole picture of all the needs, and we have to make our decision after hearing the different demands."

A discussion as to the procedure the Joint Committee should pursue in the matter of the allocation of funds this coming year followed, in which a number of the members participated

### III. JOINT AGREEMENT VOTED

It was moved and seconded that the K.H. and the K.K. shall undertake a joint effort, in accordance with agreements entered into by both organizations in the past few years.

A discussion of the details of the Agreement then followed. The Secretary read the full text of the agreement entered into between the K.H. and K.K. constituting the 1940 U.P.A. All of the Articles in that Agreement, with the exception of Article 14, dealing with service charges, and Article 15, dealing with the allotment to the Mizrahi Palestine Fund, were approved, with some minor changes as follows:

With reference to Article 19, dealing with the emergency condition in Palestine, the Committee agreed to follow the same procedure in the division of funds. It was, however, agreed that since reference was made in the Agreement to a cable received on November 17, 1939, that the language used in the Article shall be changed to meet the 1941 situation.

It was agreed that Article 24 dealing with discouraging the ear-marking of contributions, was not necessary and should be eliminated.

It was also agreed that Article 26 dealing with the matter of disputes between the parties to the Agreement shall also be eliminated since experience has shown that there has been no conflict between the K.H. and the K.K. in any matters relating to the Agreement.

With reference to Article 28, which reads:-

"It is agreed that no allocations or appropriations shall be made by the Administrative Committee of the UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL for any purpose not provided for in the agreement except with the consent of the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth as separate entities."

It was voted to leave to Dr. Goldstein and Mr. Ross the power to revise the Article, or to eliminate it.

### IV. U.P.A. SET-UP FOR 1941

The Committee proceeded to consider the 1941 set-up of the U.P.A. The list of 1940 officers was read, the names of all of the officers were gone over, after which it was voted that the following shall be recommended for their respective offices:

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Julian W. Mack  
Henry Monsky  
Nathan Straus  
Henrietta Szold

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Abba Hillel Silver



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The Committee unanimously expressed a desire for Mr. Charles Ress, who has been serving as Honorary Secretary of the U.P.A., to be designated as one of the Vice-Chairmen of the U.P.A. since he is the Executive head of the Keren Hayesod. It was voted to eliminate the office of Honorary Secretary to the U.P.A.

Administrative Committee. It was voted that authority be given to Dr. Goldstein and Mr. Ress to go over the list of the members of the Administrative Committee and bring back their recommendations to the next meeting of the Committee.

Honorary Vice-Chairmen and Board. It was also voted to refer to Dr. Goldstein and Mr. Ress the list of Honorary Vice-Chairmen, and also members of the Board, so that they may bring back the list for the approval of the Committee.

V. SERVICE CHARGES

The Committee having learned that the Z.O.A. is counting on the same amount as was received last year from the U.P.A. as a service charge, it was voted that the status quo remain in effect insofar as the service charges are concerned, namely that the amount allocated

out of the U.P.A. in 1940 shall also be allocated out of the funds for 1941.

A resolution was also adopted that the Chairman be authorized to negotiate with the heads of all of the parties to clarify the nature of the service being rendered to the U.P.A. in consideration of the service charges.

#### VI. MIZRACHI PALESTINE FUND

It was unanimously voted that the status quo shall remain in effect in connection with the Mizrachi Palestine Fund, and that they are to receive the same amount as they received in 1940, and such clause in the 1941 Agreement dealing with the Mizrachi Palestine Fund shall also be included in the 1941 Agreement.

#### VII. EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

A large number of the members present felt that we ought to have a clearer policy outlined with reference to the Emergency Committee. The history of how the first appropriation was made was given the Committee, and then a full discussion followed, in which many of the members expressed the judgment that there ought to be some gauge in the determination of the expenditures by the Emergency Committee. Nearly all of those present felt that in the inner body of the Emergency Committee there shall be official representation of both the K.H. and the K.K. whose funds support the activities of the Emergency Committee.

On the question of allocations, the following resolution was adopted: That we include in the 1941 contract such an amount as will be approved by the K.H. and the K.K. in Jerusalem, for the purposes of the Emergency Committee, to carry on their work for the year 1941.

It was also voted that in the inner Actions body of the Emergency Committee the K.H. and the K.K. shall be represented.

#### VIII. ANNUAL MEETING K.H.

It was reported that the K.H. had planned an Annual Meeting on November 11th. In deference to the J.N.F., which has convoked its Biennial Conference the week-end of November 11th, the K.H. agreed to postpone their meeting to a later date.

General satisfaction was expressed with the cordial and harmonious relations which have obtained between K.H. and K.K.

Meeting adjourned.

MEMORANDUM

TO ↓ Dr. Abba Hallel Silver  
Dr. Stephen S. Wise  
Dr. Israel Goldstein  
Mr. Louis Lipsky

FROM Mr. Henry Montor

Attached herewith for your confidential information is the gist of some notes that I took at a meeting of representatives of the UPA and JDC to discuss 1941 plans.

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Do you wish a meeting of the Administrative Committee of the UPA to be called for next week to discuss the meeting? A meeting could possibly be arranged for Thursday, November 7, or Friday, November 8.

My own impression is that the JDC will not depart from the stand taken at today's meeting. The decision now remains with the United Palestine Appeal.

*Wednesday Nov. 13*

November 18, 1940

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

The Cleveland Zionist Society holds an annual Chanukah Banquet. This year, the banquet will be held on Sunday evening, December 29, at the Statler Hotel. This is the Society's outstanding event of the year and brings together the leaders of the Jewish community. In previous years we have had as the guests at these banquets, outstanding figures of national and international Jewish life. Last year we had Philip Guedalla. Two years ago we had Secretary of the Interior, Harold L. Ickes.

I understand from your letter of November 11 that Mr. Israel Sieff will be in the country for the next few months. It would give us great pleasure to have him as the guest of honor that evening. We shall probably also have Mr. Schocken of the Hebrew University, if he is in the country at that time. Will you contact Mr. Sieff for me and extend to him, in my name, a cordial invitation to be our guest at this banquet? We shall make his visit pleasant and significant. The Mayor and the Governor of State have also been invited.

May I hear from you at the earliest opportunity?  
With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK



November 18, 1940

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a draft of the letter to be sent to Mr. Baerwald. Please show it to Wise, Lipsky and Goldstein for suggestions and approval. Please phone me when you hear from them.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK  
Enc.



November 18, 1940

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have received a letter from Dr. Stephen S. Wise stating that he has again advanced \$1000 to the President's Advisory Committee for Political Refugees, and that they will need an additional \$1500. He also informs me that the Emergency Committee had a meeting on November 14, and requested that the UPA should advance this \$2500. He also states that you favored maintaining a parity as between the JDC and the Zionists regarding the financial support of this President's Advisory Committee.

Frankly, we are confronted with a rather embarrassing situation. The UPA has previously taken the stand that the President's Advisory Committee does not come within its scope, and has referred the matter to the Emergency Committee. The UPA legally, therefore, is not in any position to meet the request for \$2500 from the Emergency Committee, unless the Administrative Committee of the UPA reverses its position - and I am inclined to believe that it is not likely *to do it*, ~~to~~, for the work of the President's Advisory Committee actually does not come within the scope of the UPA.

All that can be done at the moment is for the UPA to advance to the Emergency Committee \$1000 so that Dr. Wise may be reimbursed for the advance which he made, and that the matter be discussed again at the next Administrative Committee meeting of the UPA.

Mr. Pearlstein called me from Chicago the other day with reference to the setting of a date for the meeting of the Allotment Committee. I could not speak to him because of a cold, but through Mrs. Silver, I conveyed to him the fact that I could not attend any meeting over a week-end. That is the period which I must devote to my congregational duties. The three gentlemen representing the Council are being asked to devote just one or two days this year to the work of the UPA. I have been devoting two or three days a

Mr. Montor

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week out-of-town for the same purpose, and it seems to me that these gentlemen <sup>should</sup> can make the sacrifice if they are sufficiently interested. We have had no trouble arranging for mid-week meetings with the laymen representing the JDC. I would appreciate if you would get in touch with Dr. Wise and suggest to him that he insist upon a mid-week date which will make it possible for me to attend. That same information should be conveyed to Mr. Elisha Friedman.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



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November 18, 1940

Mr. Edmund I. Kaufmann  
205 Homer Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kaufmann:

At the last meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal, consideration was given to the part that the New Palestine was playing in directing attention to the activities and requirements of the United Palestine Appeal.

It was the consensus of opinion that the New Palestine was not serving the United Palestine Appeal purposes as effectively as it should. Dr. Silver and others emphasized that in making appropriations to the Zionist Organization in consideration of services rendered, the United Palestine Appeal expected the most generous support in the columns of the New Palestine. It is not felt that such support is now forthcoming.

Whatever be the editorial requirements of the New Palestine, the officers of the United Palestine Appeal cannot ignore the fact that the channel through which it hopes to reach the maximum number of people interested in the campaign is the New Palestine.

The conviction was expressed that when this matter would be brought to the attention of the Zionist Organization, the situation would be remedied as it has been on several occasions in the past when the United Palestine Appeal has found it necessary to urge greater consideration of its campaign needs.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:BG

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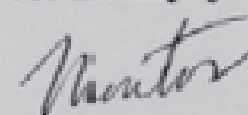
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a resolution adopted by the Keren Kayemeth at the conference held in St. Louis.

You will note that this resolution expresses appreciation of the leadership you have given to the United Palestine Appeal.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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## RESOLUTION

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### UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL AND COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE KEREN HAYESOD AND THE KEREN KAYEMETH

The National Keren Kayemeth Conference places on record its gratitude to Dr. Abba Hillel Silver for the inspiring message he addressed to this assembly and for his splendid leadership as National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and as National Co-Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

This Conference recognizes and appreciates the excellent effect resulting from the harmonious cooperation between the Keren Kayemeth and the Keren Hayesod on the principle of parity between the two sister funds of the Zionist movement, and greets with satisfaction the renewal of the agreement between the two funds to constitute the United Palestine Appeal for the coming year.

The growing and harmonious collaboration between the Keren Kayemeth and the Keren Hayesod, as the land redeeming instrument and the colonization agency of the Zionist movement, respectively, will redound to the benefit of Eretz Israel and the Zionist movement as a whole, and tend to increase the understanding for and support of the vital Homeland-building functions of the two instruments of national rebirth.



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NEW YORK, N. Y.

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November 19, 1940

MR. ELISHA M. FRIEDMAN

MR. HENRY MONTOR

This is in reference to our telephone conversation this morning during which you stated that Mr. Wineman, because of illness, might not be able to attend a meeting or meetings of the Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal.

May I refer you to the decision of a meeting held on May 24, 1940 with the participation of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Dr. Solomon Lowenstein, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, Messrs. Paul Baerwald, Joseph C. Hyman, Isidor Coons and Henry Montor. This meeting, consisting of representatives of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds, agreed upon the names of seven individuals who might serve as representatives of Welfare Fund communities on the Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal. In the event that one or another was to be unavailable for the three posts, others from that list were to be selected.

The names agreed upon by this meeting were:

Harris Perlstein, Chicago  
Monte Lemann, New Orleans  
Robert Koshland, San Francisco  
David Watchmaker, Boston  
Fred W. Butzel, Detroit  
Henry Wineman, Detroit  
Judge Jacob Kaplan, Boston

HM:BG

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MR. ELISHA W. FRIEDMAN

cc. AHS.

MR. HENRY MONTOR

This is to advise you that Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and Dr. Stephen S. Wise will be able to attend a meeting of the ALLOTMENT Committee of the United Jewish Appeal on Friday, December 6th.

It is not felt by Dr. Silver that a meeting of a United Jewish Appeal body should be had on a Saturday. If anything remains over for discussion from the Friday meeting this can be postponed to Saturday evening, December 7th.

Please notify me at your earliest convenience with respect to the definiteness of these dates.

HM:BC

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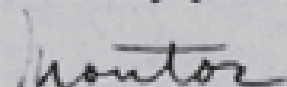
Dear Dr. Silver:

The Providence Jewish community will launch its campaign with a dinner on Saturday evening, December 7th. Mr. Saul Abrams, Chairman of the Providence campaign and one of the finest members of the community, telephoned me today to urge me to communicate with you promptly to extend an invitation to you to be the guest of honor at this dinner.

Providence has always been a most important community for us. If you can possibly accept the date it would be deeply appreciated by Providence and would represent a great service to the United Palestine Appeal as well as to the United Jewish Appeal.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:EH

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

What do you think of the advisability of inviting Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox to address the United Palestine Appeal Conference at Washington?

He is reported to be most sympathetic to Palestine and has on various occasions given his endorsement to resolutions calling upon England to effectuate its promise in Palestine.

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:ET



November 20, 1940

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Please make sure that any alternates recommended by the Council of Welfare Federations are first approved by the JDC and the UPA. We went through a considerable shifting process before we agreed on the Council representatives, and we do not wish to be out-maneuvered through this device of alternates.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



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Henry Montor

November 20, 1940.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I should like to have a decision and your help in the following matters:

(1) Having been elected Treasurer of the United Palestine Appeal, Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom naturally becomes co-treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal. I am afraid, however, that a rather technical attitude is being taken by some of our friends in the United Jewish Appeal, who feel that Mr. Rosenbloom cannot be designated as co-treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal, unless and until he is elected as such by the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal. You know how often that committee meets. It would mean that Mr. Rosenbloom would not appear on the United Jewish Appeal stationery as co-treasurer, and what is more important, would not have the possibility of signing checks for the United Jewish Appeal.

At the present moment, and since the death of Mr. Lampert, the signatures to the checks have been Edwin Goldwasser and Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, which I think you will agree is bad. In order to clear up this situation, may I suggest that you write a note to Rabbi Jonah B. Wise who with you has the power to arrange the technical matters of the campaign, and instruct the management of the United Jewish Appeal to regard Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom as co-treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal, and that confirmatory action will be taken later by an official meeting of the leaders of the United Jewish Appeal.

(2) May I repeat in writing the hope that you could attend the Regional Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Chicago on Sunday, December 15? It will be a real thrill for the conference if you could fly over Sunday afternoon, after the Temple services. Can you say "Yes", so that you may be on the program?

(3) We must now begin issuing formal invitations for the Washington Conference of the United Palestine Appeal. Here are some of the names of whom I have been thinking: Lord Lothian, Archibald McLeish, Dorothy Thompson. What do you think about any one or all of these?

(4) I must assume from the circuitous references made to it that the New York city people think that they have your assent for a meeting on December 31, which presumably is going to make all arrangements for the New York campaign of 1941. If you feel that the New York people have an erroneous impression in that direction, could you drop a line to Mr. Warburg, to the effect that you do not assent to any plans to be made for the New York campaign for 1941 until you have seen all plans specifically in writing.

I have tried to draft a basis for what you might want to say to Mr. Warburg, which is attached hereto.

Looking forward to word from you on these four points, I am

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:ET



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—DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN

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November 20, 1940

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Mr. I. Edwin Goldwasser who, as I intimated in a previous communication, is insisting upon the rigid formalities.

I assume that you would wish the letter from Mr. Goldwasser acknowledged. I attach a draft for your consideration.

Cordially yours,

*Henry Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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Enc. 2

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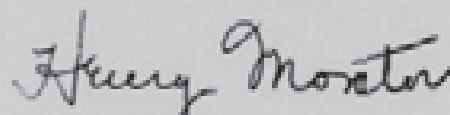
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which I have addressed to Mr. Leon Gellman.

I should like to point out from the campaign point of view that the circumstances and the nature of the activities of the Federated Council of Palestine Institutions raise a serious threat to Keren Kayemeth and Keren Hayesod, as combined in the United Palestine Appeal.

Cordially yours,



Henry Mentor  
Executive Director

Enclosure  
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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

November 20, 1940.

Mr. Leon Gellman, President  
Mizrachi Organization of America  
1133 Broadway  
New York City

Dear Mr. Gellman:

I should like to call your attention to clause 15 of the Agreement constituting the United Palestine Appeal for 1940, which says, among other things: "It is also agreed.....that neither the Mizrachi Organization of America nor the Mizrachi Palestine Fund nor any of its officers and members shall conduct or aid any Palestine fund-raising effort except through the United Palestine Appeal."

In the past few months the Federated Council of Palestine Institutions has launched upon a campaign throughout the country for \$1,285,000, taking on proportions of such a nature as seriously to embarrass the United Palestine Appeal.

This subject was referred to at several meetings of the United Palestine Appeal and also of the Palestine Emergency Committee, but there has been no indication that the Mizrachi leaders have dissociated themselves from this project.

Among other leaders of Mizrachi who are giving the benefit of their names and support to this campaign are Gedalia Dublick, honorary president of Mizrachi, who is a vice-chairman of the Federated Council of Palestine Institutions, Rabbi A. M. Ashinsky, an honorary vice-president of Mizrachi, Leon Gellman, President of Mizrachi, Rabbi Dr. Jacob Hoffman, who is a vice-president of Mizrachi, Rabbi Jacob Levinson, who is Chairman of Vaad L'Chisuk, Rabbi Joseph H. Lockstein, Chairman of Vaad Hapoel, and Abraham Cohen and A. M. Stavicky, who are officers of your Board of Control.

One receives the impression that the overwhelming majority of the officers of the Federated Council of Palestine Institutions comprises leaders and workers of Mizrachi Organization of America.

Had not the campaign taken on such proportions as it has now assumed, there might have been the plea that the campaign for the Federated Council is one of an endless variety, but it is my belief that the Federated Council of Palestine Institutions was formed for purposes which are clearer under the surface than on the surface.

November 20, 1940.

Moreover, the type of propaganda being invoked for the Federated Council of Palestine Institutions rivals in every respect that of a larger national fund-raising effort.

Under these circumstances, may I respectfully urge your consideration of clause 15 of the United Palestine Appeal 1940 Agreement.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

RM:RT



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November 20, 1940.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I happened to be discussing the New York campaign today with Judge Rothenberg and was amazed to learn that William Rosenwald had not actually made an unequivocal gift to the New York City United Jewish Appeal.

I called Mr. Blitz, who informed me that William Rosenwald some months ago had publicly stated at a New York meeting that he was prepared to give \$31,000, as part of a family gift. Since in the meantime the family had not made any decision to make a contribution to the New York campaign, Mr. Rosenwald's own contribution remained a "problem".

Mr. Blitz did not know whether Mr. Rosenwald had made any specific conditions with respect to the \$31,000 contribution, although it is inconceivable that this obligation will not be met. In any event, the sum has not yet been paid.

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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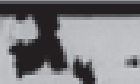
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IS IT POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO ADDRESS UPA CONFERENCE CHICAGO  
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## MEMORANDUM

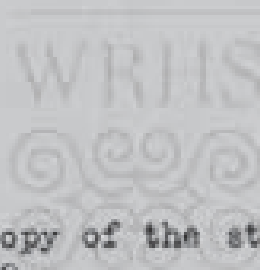
*Date* November 22, 1940

*To* DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

*From* HENRY MONTOR

*Subject*

Attached hereto is a copy of the status of the New York City campaign as of November 15, 1940.



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CC: DR. SILVER

1940

GREATER NEW YORK CAMPAIGN

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

Nov. 15, 1940

	<u>PLEDGES</u>	<u>COLLECTIONS</u>	<u>DESIGNATIONS</u>	<u>UNPAID PLEDGES</u>
Oct. 15 Balance	\$4,721,641.20	\$3,832,885.27	\$7,585.83	\$ 881,170.10
16 - Nov. 15	22,560.78	149,198.39	7,451.02	134,088.63 - CR
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	\$4,744,201.98	\$3,982,083.66	\$15,036.85	\$ 747,081.47
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PLEDGES TO RAISE

Oct. 15 Balance	\$330,118.76	\$ 31,078.07	\$ 299,042.69
16 - Nov. 15	8,539.36 - CR	6,790.70	15,330.06 - CR
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	\$321,579.40	\$ 37,868.77	\$ 283,712.63
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GRAND TOTAL

✓ \$5,065,781.38	\$4,019,950.43	\$15,036.85	\$1,030,794.10
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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

November 23, 1940.

Mr. Mendel N. Fisher, Executive Director  
Jewish National Fund of America  
111 Fifth Avenue  
New York City

Dear Mr. Fisher:

I have your financial statement for the month of September, 1940. May I ask for your clarification on the following items, which were set apart as "income not subject to the United Palestine Appeal agreement"?

- (a) \$1,000 bequest
- (b) \$200 "New York City"
- (c) \$5,000 "adjustment bequests transferred".

It makes a very serious picture for the United Palestine Appeal that when the Jewish National Fund has a total income for the month of September of \$30,213.01, the amount which it finally receives from the Jewish National Fund is \$15,254.67. I should like to call your attention to the following:

The total income which the Jewish National Fund reported to the United Palestine Appeal for the months from October 1, 1939 through September 30, 1940, was.....\$547,296.41,  
from which was deducted..... 18,311.38  
as "income not subject to UPA agreement".  
In addition, there was a deduction for expenses during that  
twelve-month period of..... 111,313.88.  
The United Palestine Appeal therefore received from the  
Jewish National Fund during this twelve-month period only..... 417,671.15.

The continuing rise in the expenses of the Jewish National Fund is a source of concern, since these expenses are deducted from the total which is made available from the United Palestine Appeal to the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemet.

The Keren Hayesod also incurs expenses for the operation of its office for such items as rent, furniture, salaries, etc., but these deductions are not made from the income of the United Palestine Appeal, but from the total made available to the Keren Hayesod by the United Palestine Appeal. Fairness would suggest that this is a subject which should be given consideration by the Jewish National Fund, as well as by the Keren Hayesod.

Cordially yours,

Henry Kantor  
Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

#### National Co-Chairmen

Stephen S. Wise  
Chairman,  
Administrative Committee

Mn Mereminsky informed me that he had conferred with you on the subject of a grant from the Ort to a Hechalutz training farm at Cream Ridge, N. J.

Louis Lipsky  
Chairman,  
Executive Committee

A number of Ort members have apparently proposed that funds of the Ort be used to buy a farm to be turned over to the Hechalutz. The representatives of the Hechalutz in this country are asking an opinion as to the effect this might have on the Palestine status.

Solomon Goldman  
Israel Goldstein  
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My own conviction is that the Ort would make inordinate use of this grant to the Hechalutz in relation to its entire program. The amount of money involved is so small. I believe the Hechalutz people should be encouraged to raise it themselves instead of being made a beneficiary of Ort, thus procuring for itself an additional instrument to assert its usefulness to Palestine.

#### Associate Treasurers

Abraham L. Liebovitz  
Jacob Sincoff

What is your own opinion in the matter?

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Cordially yours.

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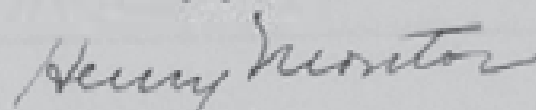
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith are two statements: (1) describing the physical status of the United Jewish Appeal for 1939 as of October 31, 1940 and (2) describing the physical status of the United Jewish Appeal of 1940 as of October 31, 1940

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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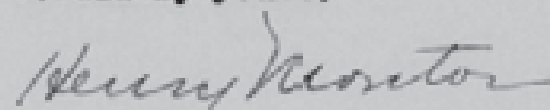
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter addressed to me by Mr. Carl Alpert. This is an acknowledgement of one which I had addressed to Mr. Edmund I. Kaufmann as per the attached copy.

It is apparent that the United Palestine Appeal cannot expect any satisfaction. When I see such a response I wonder why it is that so much energy and thought must be expended to increase the funds of the United Palestine Appeal when the uses to which the money is placed are sometimes less than effective.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

P.S. In view of the fact that this is an official matter, would you care to suggest the kind of reply I ought to make, or shall I use my own judgment?

HM:fe

C O P Y

THE NEW PALESTINE  
1720 Sixteenth Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

November 19, 1940

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

My attention has been called to your letters addressed to Mr. Kaufmann and Rabbi Breslau regarding the space afforded the United Palestine Appeal in the New Palestine. Once again, as in a previous letter, I wish to reiterate my own firm desire to be of assistance to you and to the U.P.A. in constantly keeping news of its efforts and activities before the Zionist public. I am aware that the New Palestine represents perhaps the only major medium through which the U.P.A. could reach the organized Zionist throughout the country, and I therefore wish to extend every possible cooperation.

At the same time, I am convinced that if we can succeed in making The New Palestine a more readable, more interesting, better edited, periodical, it can succeed in inducing regular reading habits on the part of the Z.O.A. membership and hence directly enhance the value of U.P.A. material therein contained. You are aware, no doubt, of the large number of Zionists receiving The New Palestine, who have unfortunately been in the habit of chucking it in the waste-basket unopened, not because the periodical lacked suitable reading matter but because those who receive it had gotten into the habit of ignoring it. That habit must be broken down. It will take time. It can be achieved, I believe, by presenting a neat appearing magazine with pictures, with feature articles dressed up for popular presentation, and by all the devices and techniques of modern journalism. This is what I am trying to do. In short, I am trying to make The New Palestine the sort of a magazine which will be read thoroughly, and from this the United Palestine Appeal has much to gain.

I receive the publicity releases weekly from your office, and I am seeking to make good use of them. I might suggest that the U.P.A. could present its case to our readers not only in the form of such news items, but also in the form of essays, expositions and literary efforts signed by men of distinction. All this would come under the heading of indirect propaganda, but as a newspaperman yourself, you are aware of the great value of things of this sort. I need not tell you that such feature articles eulogizing, dramatizing, pictorializing the United Palestine Appeal are worth more than hundreds of pages of dry news items containing nothing but dates and names and which are therefore of interest to a limited few.

I repeat again my desire to cooperate and offer you still more extensive use of space in the New Palestine for the purposes which I have outlined.

I shall appreciate your calling this letter to the attention of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) CARL ALPERT

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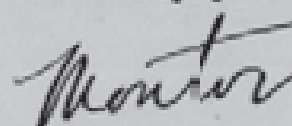
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Isadore Samuels of Denver. Mr. Samuels is one of the key figures in the community. He was the chairman of the campaign two years ago and did the best job that the community has ever known.

I hope that you can make a special point of seeing him.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Vice-Chairman

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Enc.

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NEW ENGLAND MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY  
Boston, Massachusetts

ISADORE SAMUELS, GENERAL AGENT  
First Nat'l Bank Building  
818 17th Street  
DENVER, COLORADO

November 18, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
National Chairman  
United Jewish Appeal  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York, N.Y.



Dear Rabbi Silver:

Denver Jewry is looking forward  
anxiously to your visit on Tuesday, November  
26th.

I shall be very happy to be among  
those who will seek to learn from you more  
particulars about the tremendous problems  
challenging all of us.

Very sincerely yours,

ISADORE SAMUELS

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 23, 1940

Mr. Henry Montor  
Executive Director  
United Palestine Appeal  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York City

Dear Mr. Montor:

I have been holding your letter of November 5th as well as the list of medical supplies and surgical instruments which you state are needed in Palestine by the Jewish organizations there. It is most comprehensive. The use of the list will depend upon what is done in the future as to relief in the Middle East.

To this problem Mr. Davis and I have been giving our closest and most sympathetic attention and through various sources have been following the developments carefully. Up to the present time, however, it has not been found opportune to offer assistance exclusively in Palestine. I am enclosing a copy of Mr. Davis' letter to Rabbi Silver which discusses this subject.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Ernest J. Swift  
Vice Chairman

11/27/40  
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November 26, 1940

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I regard the meeting of the Allotment Committee on December 6th and 7th of the utmost importance. Not merely advocacy of philosophies will be important but familiarity with the facts and figures involved.

I note that Dr. Wise will not be able to attend any meeting on Friday evening, December 6th. I am wondering whether he would attend several from 9:30 in the morning until 5:30 in the afternoon. If he should leave for any reason you would be left alone. The same thing might apply to the session on Saturday evening, December 7th, if any session is held. Whether a session is held is dependent of course on whether the UJA continues in 1941.

Aside from yourself I don't know that any of our other representatives is completely familiar with the facts. I say that with no disrespect to any of them because they have not had an opportunity regularly to familiarize themselves with the details of income and expenditures not merely here but in Palestine.

Under the circumstances several alternatives are possible: (a) that Mr. Lipsky be asked to sit in at all the sessions so that he might take the place of Dr. Wise if the latter leaves, although I realize Mr. Lipsky's impatience with some of the details involved in some of these discussions; (b) having someone like Charles Rosenbloom sit in on the discussions to give the UPA position a financial weight at least; and (c) in the event that Dr. Wise leaves his right to vote should be transferred to me, who will be sitting through all the sessions of course.

The meeting will start on Friday morning, December 6th, at 9:30 A. M. so that we will not have time that morning to get together for a caucus to discuss the approach, but I am praying that random observations by UPA representatives may be reduced to a minimum, since, as in a court of law, anything that one says may be held against one.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

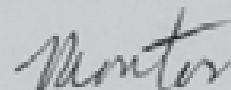
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November 26, 1940

Is it too strenuous to suggest that we might have a breakfast meeting on Friday morning at 8 A. M. at the Commodore Hotel?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:EH





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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter which has been addressed to you by the Hon. Norman H. Davis, Chairman of the American Red Cross. I assume that you will wish to acknowledge this from Cleveland.

I am also attaching hereto a copy of a letter which I have received from Ernest J. Swift.

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

Enclosure  
HM:ff

November 22, 1940

My dear Rabbi Silver:

It is not because of a failing interest in the problems which face the Jewish Agency of Palestine that I have not written you recently on the subject. On the contrary I have been giving a good deal of attention to the matter and have been in constant touch with various sources of information. All of these lead me to the conclusion that the time has not yet arrived when the problem of Palestine and the whole Middle East can and should be dealt with.

As far as we know the results of the bombings, upon which your appeal of some months ago was based, have been met by the government and by the Jewish agencies and there are present no immediate emergency needs for relief of air raid victims. Both Mr. Kaplan and Dr. Magnes are, I believe, agreed on this but each, of course, points out the problems of indigent refugees and unemployment that have come about as a result of the war. These needs, however, are matters for the consideration of the community as a whole and hardly within the scope of the kind of emergency relief that the American Red Cross is usually prepared to extend. On the other hand, with developments in the Middle East threatening to involve Palestine in major difficulties, the Red Cross must stand ready to assist when the moment arrives.

In the meantime you may be assured that the way is being prepared to give this assistance when the time arrives in full cooperation and collaboration with your organization and the other agencies interested in relief in Palestine.

May I extend to you all my good wishes and my felicitations on the splendid activities of the United Palestine Appeal.

Very sincerely yours,

SIGNED: NORMAN H. DAVIS

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
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November 27, 1940

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

With reference to the invitation which you are sending out for the National Conference in Washington, I would suggest that you use the folder the inside of which is the Jewish soldier with the British and Zionist flags. It is much more timely and significant than the other draft program which you sent me. I think it would be very helpful, if along with the program you enclose a card indicating some of the outstanding guests and speakers who will attend this Conference.

Both the meetings in Toledo and in Denver were very successful, and both towns will in all probability exceed their quotas of last year. I believe that I succeeded in arousing that moribund community of Denver a good bit, and they were all happy over it. They raised more money at their opening meeting than at any time in the past, and they seemed to be determined to put Denver in line with other Jewish communities.

I agree with you fully on the matter of the Ort and the Hechalutz.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

APS:BX

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Louis Lipsky  
*Chairman,*  
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Attached herewith is a copy of an acknowledgment from Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox in response to your invitation to participate in the Washington Conference.

Solomon Goldman  
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Cordially yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter  
addressed to you officially by Mr. Meyer Weisgal,  
President of The American Zionist Guild.

Louis Lipsky  
*Chairman,  
Executive Committee*

What answer do you wish to give him?

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Cordially yours,

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Copy to Dr. Silver

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THE AMERICAN ZIONIST GUILD

225 West 34th Street  
New York, N. Y.

November 20, 1940

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Chairman  
United Palestine Appeal  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The administration staffs of the various Zionist organizations and Palestine Fund-Raising Institutions have organized a body to be known as The American Zionist Guild. The objects of the Guild as outlined in its constitution are:

- 1) To unite all executives and administrative employees in the Zionist civil service into one organization.
- 2) To promote a feeling of solidarity and comradeship among its members.
- 3) To preserve, maintain and protect the welfare and civil service rights of its members, through joint and collective action.
- 4) To promote the efficiency of the Zionist service.

We should like to arrange for a meeting between yourself or representatives designated by you and officers of the Guild with a view to establishing close cooperation between the United Palestine Appeal and the Guild.

I trust that I may hear from you at an early date with regard to such an official meeting.

Cordially yours,

(Signed) Meyer W. Weisgal  
President

11/28/40  
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## MEMORANDUM

*Date* November 30, 1940

*To* Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

*From* Henry Montor

*Subject*

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter dated November 29th which Elisha M. Friedman has addressed to me as well as to Joseph Hyman and William Haber of the JDC and NRS respectively.

What should be my reply to Mr. Friedman?

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C O P Y

M E M O R A N D U M

November 29, 1940

To: Messrs. J. C. Hyman  
Henry Mentor  
William Haber (Copy to William Rosenwald)

From: Elisha M. Friedman

Subject: Consultant on accounting procedure and office administration

Attached is an exchange of letters between Mr. David Sarnoff and myself concerning the possibility of using Mr. John H. MacDonald, Budget Officer of the National Broadcasting Company and formerly on the New York University faculty in office management, business administration and budgeting. Soon after the Allotment Committee meets, I shall have discussions with him and Mr. Reis as to the possibility of enlisting his aid.

Would you be willing to cooperate with the Inquiry in having Mr. MacDonald see what improvements in office management, business administration and budgeting he can effect for your organization?

EMF:RM

(fe 11/29/30)

November 24, 1940

Mr. David Sarnoff  
44 East 71st Street  
New York, N. Y.

Dear David:

I was assigned a task in August in connection with the working out of some scientific principles of allotment for the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Jewish Appeal (sic), and the National Refugee Service. The task is approaching completion, and thanks to a competent staff of accountants and the co-operation of able research men, some clarity and principle are beginning to emerge. The Allotment Committee meets on Friday, December 6. Incidentally, your friends, Louis Kirstein, Albert Lasker and Henry Ittleson, were members last year. This committee will actually make the allotment of the remaining funds between the three organizations.

Simultaneously, I wish to make a series of suggestions on the reforms in accounting procedure, in budgeting practice, and in office administration. I understand that John H. MacDonald, Budget Officer of the National Broadcasting Co. and formerly on the faculty of New York University, is competent in these fields. May I have your advice as to the desirability of borrowing him, either as a volunteer or on a pay basis, to help in this task, either as a short time consultant for a quick survey or for a few hours a week on a continuing basis until the job is done. If he is not available, then would you or he be able to let me have the names of others whom I can interview. Or, if you prefer, Mr. MacDonald could guide our consulting accountant, Mr. Bernard J. Reis, as to how to proceed in the three fields.

With thanks for any advice or suggestions you may be able to give and with cordial regards, I am

Yours sincerely

Elisha M. Friedman

(fe 11/29/40)

C O P Y

Radio Corporation of America  
30 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York City

David Sarnoff  
President

November 27, 1940

Mr. Elisha M. Friedman  
Allotment Committee of the  
United Jewish Appeal for 1940  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York City

Dear Elisha:

I have taken up your suggestion regarding Mr. MacDonald of the National Broadcasting Company with Mr. Mullen, General Manager of that organization, and he has informed me that he will be delighted to have Mr. MacDonald visit with you and suggest preliminary help as you may require. Mr. Mullen tells me that Mr. MacDonald will suggest competent help for you if he is unable to handle it himself.

With cordial greetings.

Sincerely yours,

David

(David Sarnoff)

(fe 11/29/40)



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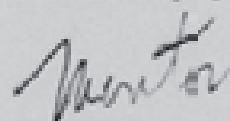
Dear Dr. Silver:

Elisha Friedman has been preparing a series of drafts of the report on the United Palestine Appeal which he is to submit to the Allotment Committee. When the drafts have been finally finished, he will send the official copy to the members of the Allotment Committee.

To illustrate some of the problems that have arisen in my discussions with Friedman and his staff, I am sending you a copy of the memo dated November 25th which I sent to Mr. Friedman in comment on one of these drafts. I believe that the statements dealing with a variety of questions are self-explanatory.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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HENRY MONTOR

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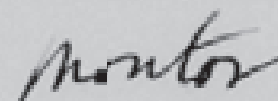
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The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is another in the series of memos that Mr. Friedman dictates to a stenographer to summarize his impression of one of our meetings.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,



HM:BC  
Enc.

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

Discussion of the U.P.A. Section of the  
Inquiry Report

Notes on Staff meeting with Mr. Montor  
November 27, 1940

Present: Elisha M. Friedman  
Henry Montor  
Jules Backman  
Abraham Revansky  
Joseph Kalafa

Mr. Montor states that the Inquiry took a definite stand in the very fact that they deducted loan repayments from the total of requirements. If these were included, obviously the total old requirements of the UPA would be higher to that extent and also would, therefore, entitle the UPA to a larger share of the remaining sum to be allocated.

In justification of its stand, the Inquiry states that the supplementary statement of the UPA, November 10th, shows loan repayment of £ 485,000. The Inquiry could only interpret loan repayment as meaning what it shows on its face. The item of loan repayment appears also on the same page (Page 9) FFF loan repayments - £ 54,000.

Mr. Montor now states that "loan repayments" does not mean loan repayments but it means instalment payments on land purchased some time ago. He also states that he sent a cable to Palestine, asking what the term means and if it means not what the books show on their face, but rather Mr. Montor's interpretation, it is the Inquiry's obligation in the interest of impartiality and clear transmitting of the facts to devote a paragraph to the question of the so-called "loan repayments" as a valid obligation of the JNF.

The difficulty cannot be charged to the Inquiry, for it has no right to make any assumptions either for or against any organization, i.e., that the Inquiry ask information about the borrowings of the J.E.F. of \$2,000,000. Mr. Montor, who was closer to the UPA than is the Inquiry says it might mean borrowings on Lloyd's or Barclay's or Anglo-Palestine or Sir or PNC.

In reply the Inquiry states that as a scientific body and as correct accountants, they dare make no assumptions. They must stick to the facts as they find them. The facts are inadequate. If this inadequacy of fact puts the UPA case in an unfair light or understates the needs, it certainly cannot be blamed upon the Inquiry.

In reporting to the Allotment Committee, the Inquiry should state concerning the UPA books not that the books of the UPA or its constituents are in poor shape, but that where certain information is lacking, the Inquiry asked for the data but owing to war conditions, the information has not yet been received.



The cash income of the UPA during the following years is shown: (For Page 13)

1936 - \$1,876,000  
1937 - 1,916,000  
1938 - 2,459,000  
1939 - 4,101,000

The income of the UPA rose very sharply in 1939 partly as a result of increased consciousness of American contributors of their obligations overseas and partly due to the greater efficiency of campaigning and the closing of loopholes of escape for slacker contributors.

P. 1 - Section 3 - original allotment for 1940 of \$2,500,000 exceeds the peak collections prior to the UPA, which were \$2,459,000 in 1938.

The rise in the Mirnschi allocation was relatively sharper than the UPA as a whole or any important constituent.

representative

P. 2 -- The UPA ~~expressly~~ dissents from the Inquiry view. Mr. Montor maintains that repayment of UPA loans is a proper demand on the UPA funds. The Inquiry takes the position that interest and a moderate amortization are proper charges but not repayment of principal or any substantial part of it.

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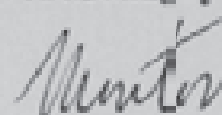
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of some notes which Mr. Friedman made of one of the numerous meetings that I have had with him and his staff.

It would take no pages to give my own conception of the actualities of the meetings. I send you the notes for what they are worth. They do not represent the points that I made except in the most circuitous way.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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Enc.

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NOTES ON STAFF MEETING WITH MR. MONTOR ON UPA  
November 26, 1940

Present: Elisha M. Friedman  
Henry Montor  
Dr. Jules Backman  
Abraham Revusky

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Mr. Revusky to get the per capita amount raised within Palestine.

Research men to get copies of revised Inquiry Report.

Collapsed Areas - Compare, if possible, amounts raised locally for U.P.A. purposes and the effect of the collapse on these collections.

Compare the collections abroad for the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. purposes and the effect thereupon.

Concerning loans and past debts, Mr. Montor points out that the whole concept of long-term upbuilding involves borrowing. Ussis-kin's daring in land purchases involved personal obligations. Will world Jewry ratify his bold, courageous action? U.J.A. Allotment Committee cannot ignore land-buying policy.

Concerning loans, the point was raised that instead of paying off principle in these difficult times, it might be more advisable to pay the minimum necessities to maintain the credit, namely, interest plus the small amortization. Mr. Revusky has some figures on this question which should be filled in. Mr. Montor replies that these matters are not within the control of the Palestine organization. The loan is made at, say, Lloyd's Bank, for, say, 175,000 pounds under definite conditions, payable in its entirety at a certain date. No theorizing by the Allotment Committee can get around this brute fact.

The proportions of the present allotment between the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. were not based on a careful inquiry, but were the result of political pressures and bargaining. Now, to take these figures as the basis of the next allotment decision again, simply confirms the same rule - Mr. Montor. EMF reply: This is not a fully accurate statement of the procedure, because in the case of the U.P.A. there were included not merely allotments by the U.J.A., but also money borrowed at the bank. The sum of these two items was a measure of minimum need because obviously, needs which could not be deferred had to be met by borrowing. In the case of the J.D.C., there were no borrowings, so that it is J.D.C. which is penalized and not the U.P.A. Besides, the J.D.C. started out with about \$900,000 a month and ended up with \$235,000 a month, curtailing drastically even below minimum needs. If, like the U.P.A., they had borrowed the difference between the original \$900,000 a month for the first quarter, and the \$235,000 a month for the third quarter, their allotment position would be correspondingly improved.

Mr. Montor suggests we may place more stress on the 80% feature. In the text, include some reference to the 80% so that it does not seem to be buried in a statistical table.

To meet Mr. Montor's objections that future allotments are bound by old prejudices, it is suggested that Dr. Backman work out flexibility factor in the U.J.A.; namely, have total amounts spent, what percentage is borrowings by the U.P.A. organizations plus one quarter of the Kaplan budget. This partly answers the charge of rigidity of formula. Mr. Montor suggests that the Allotment Committee ought to consider only one question: how much money can be spent fruitfully and make a decision on that basis.

Mr. Montor suggests that the Allotment Committee's decision now seems to be based on potential income rather than on potential useful expenditures. The Inquiry replies that potential expenditures of both organizations run into such large figures and so many times the amount likely to be received from the communities, that the possibility of error are proportionately greater. Therefore, if income probably receivable from the Allotment Committee plus loans, if any, are considered, Mr. Montor's comment is partly met.

Can the Allotment Committee's reports stress data which would be useful in fund-raising and which should be circulated to the community as a whole, that it is possible to spend much larger sums and that a contributor should not withhold contributions on the false theory that money cannot be usefully spent?

Mr. Montor calls attention to the fact that past quotas are not valid, first because the capacity of Palestine to spend the money usefully has grown greatly, and second, the criterion is not Palestine's capacity to spend money, thirdly, the nature of the democratic demand as to how funds shall be spent has changed greatly in the past ten years.

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IR WISE SUGGESTS THAT A PRELIMINARY MEETING TO DISCUSS ACTION  
AT ALLOTTMENT COMMITTEE NEXT DAY BE HELD AT HIS HOME THURSDAY  
NIGHT DECEMBER 5 AT 8:30 PM IS THIS SATISFACTORY TO YOU HE  
ALSO SUGGESTS INVITING GOLDSTEIN AND ROTHENBERG IN ADDITION  
TO LIPSKY PLEASE ADVISE SO THAT INVITATIONS MAY BE ISSUED

HENRY MONTOR.

5 8:30 PM

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November 29, 1940.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter which I received from Rabbi Isadore Breslau, Executive Director of the Zionist Organization of America.

I would like to call your attention to the last sentence in his letter. It is a reflection of the reported conviction of Mr. Kaufmann that inasmuch as the Zionist Organization of America will bear a heavy part of the responsibility in an independent campaign, its leaders and principal officers should be consulted more regularly with respect to decisions to be taken.

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:ET

CC: Dr. Silver

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA  
1720 16th STREET NW  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

November 28th, 1940.

Mr. Henry Montor, Executive Director  
United Palestine Appeal  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York City, New York

Dear Montor:

I am leaving today for Birmingham and will not be back in Washington before Tuesday. I could, perhaps, arrange to be in New York on a Thursday or Friday, preferably the former.

Personally, I cannot see what further program we might develop regarding the State Department unless it be once more directed towards the elimination of "W". We almost succeeded some time ago until our friend was transferred from the Department.

We had considerable discussion at the ZOA Executive on the coming campaign. There are still some who seem to question our strength in an independent venture but in any event, all are agreed that if our conditions are not accepted we ought to assume the risk. We will need a great deal of help and you will get it more easily if you take others into your councils before you proceed too far with your plans.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Isadore Breslau (signed)

IB:bg

(et 11/29/40)

November 29, 1940

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Have you obtained any speakers for our  
Washington meeting?

I would appreciate it if you would send  
me the address of Daniel Sieff.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX



*by files*

November 29, 1940

MR. ELISHA M. FRIEDMAN

MR. HENRY MONTOR

I take it for granted that I will see the final draft of the report on the United Palestine Appeal before it is submitted to the members of the Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Allotment Committee indicate that it was agreed upon that each organization will have the opportunity of examining the report with respect to its own requirements before such report is submitted to the seven members of the Allotment Committee.



HM:BC

*Abba Silver*

November 29, 1940

Mr. Harris Perlstein  
221 North La Salle Street  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Perlstein:

Mr. Montor has reported to me on the conversations held with Mr. Elisha W. Friedman with respect to the meeting of the Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal on Friday, December 6th.

It is apparently Mr. Friedman's intention to invite to these sessions various people who are affected in one way or another by the decisions of the Allotment Committee.

May I express my objection to such a proposal. It is my view that the first meeting of the Allotment Committee should be attended only by the seven members of the Allotment Committee and by its secretary. If there are any other persons to be invited in the course of our discussions or examination of the data submitted by the secretary and his staff, we will have the opportunity of inviting specific people to give their testimony on specific points. The officers or the staff connected with the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service might be informed to hold themselves in readiness at the call of the Allotment Committee if it should decide to make requests for the attendance and testimony of any of these officers or staff.

Very cordially yours,

AHS:MEC

Abba Hillel Silver  
National Chairman

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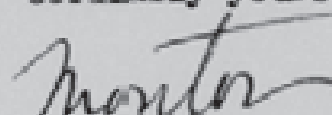
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Word has come through from Denver that they are tremendously gratified by your visit to the community. Evidently the depression into which they have sunk has been lifted notably with the result that the total income of the campaign will be far higher than had been originally anticipated.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

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You probably have noted that the Red Cross has already made available \$35,000 "to aid Greek war victims".

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Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:ET



UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

November 29, 1940.

To: Dr. Israel Goldstein  
Mr. Charles Ross

From: Mr. Henry Mentor

May I suggest a meeting some time during the week to discuss some of the suggestions which I had submitted in connection with (a) the matter of the agreement of the United Palestine Appeal for 1941, and (b) revisions on personnel of the Administrative Committee and other bodies.

Supplementing the additional names which I submitted in my last memorandum dealing with membership on the Administrative Committee, may I suggest four additional names:

Louis Niger  
A. A. Strelsin  
Jacob Fishman  
Dr. S. Margoshin

The reason that I stress the latter two names particularly is because in 1941 we shall have particular need for an understanding by the press of the problems confronting the United Palestine Appeal. Situations will arise which will require a more intimate understanding of our problems than can be conveyed merely through press releases. I believe that the presence of Mr. Fishman and Dr. Margoshin on our Administrative Committee will be most helpful in that direction.

HM:BT

M E M O R A N D U M

February 7, 1940

TO: DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

FROM: HENRY MONTOR

Attached herewith is the report of the United Jewish  
Appeal for 1939 as of December 31st, 1939.

HM:BC

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The invitations to the National Conference are going forward. It will take about ten days because of the four-color process to print them. I enclose a printer's proof.

I am afraid that we will not be able to indicate in the first invitation the names of the speakers who are to participate, unless, of course, we are to name our officers, including yourself. I assume that what you had in mind were the names of some of the outside speakers. Up to this moment we have not yet very good luck in that direction, since Dorothy Thompson, Secretary of the Navy Knox and Archibald MacLeish have all turned us down.

I am going after others such as Mayor LaGuardia, Attorney General Jackson, Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau. The follow-up for the Conference will contain the names of some of the speakers we will have by that time.

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

With the death of Arthur M. Lamport, the United Palestine Appeal, one of the constituent partners of the United Jewish Appeal, Inc., was required to designate a Co-Treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal in the place of Mr. Lamport.

At a meeting of its Administrative Committee on November 13th, the United Palestine Appeal elected Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom of Pittsburgh, as National Treasurer of the United Palestine Appeal to succeed the late Mr. Lamport. The United Palestine Appeal has proposed that Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom be elected by the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal as Co-Treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal in the place of the late Mr. Lamport.

The convening of a meeting of the Executive Committee is deemed to be involved with so many difficulties for many of the members that the suggestion arose that the formal act of nominating and electing Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom as Co-Treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal might be performed through the circulation of written minutes and a waiver of notice of meeting of the Executive Committee.

Accordingly, Mr. Philip E. Hoffman, Counsel of the United Jewish Appeal, has been kind enough to prepare (a) a waiver of notice of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal, Inc., and (b) the minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal, Inc., whose sole purpose is to elect Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom as Co-Treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal, and to adopt a series of resolutions which would enable Mr. Rosenbloom to sign checks and other documents of the United Jewish Appeal, Inc.

If you agree that this form of action, which was originally suggested by Mr. I. Edwin Goldwasser, is satisfactory would you be kind enough to sign the two documents. The signature on the minutes is to be placed on the last page and another signature is to be placed on the waiver of notice, a total of two signatures being required.

Sincerely yours,

*Henry Montor*

Henry Montor

Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:BC

Enc.



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November 29, 1940.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I recall the disastrous experience we had with Dr. Weizmann with respect to the 1940 United Palestine Appeal conference, so that I would not want to bank on his availability in 1941.

Nevertheless, there has been discussion here of the likelihood that he will arrive in the United States during the first part of January, 1941. Under the circumstances it might be valuable to him, and as greatly beneficial to us if you were to send a cable to Dr. Weizmann urging him to come as promptly as possible, making reference to the United Palestine Appeal conference in Washington.

Would you get up such a cablegram, if you feel that it is warranted, or authorize me to do so? If Dr. Weizmann is planning to come to the United States, I imagine that a cable from you would strengthen his purpose.

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Copies of the Year Book of the United Palestine Appeal, which always constitute one of the most effective media of propaganda that we have, are being sent to some seven thousand key people throughout the country.

I have taken the liberty of drafting a letter in your name as per the attached copy. I am hoping that it has your approval. If not, could you wire me on Monday so that the circulation of the letter may be halted.

Cordially yours,



Henry Monitor  
Executive Director

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Henry Montor

Under separate cover there is being forwarded to you a copy of the 1940 Year Book of the United Palestine Appeal, which contains a review of accomplishments in Palestine made possible during 1940 through the cooperative efforts of friends like yourself. It also includes articles by a series of distinguished leaders and writers who evaluate the place of Palestine in the reconstruction and renaissance of Jewish life.

As the year 1940 draws to a close I should like to take this opportunity of expressing appreciation to you for the effective service you have rendered to the cause of Palestine through your participation in and contribution to the campaign of the United Jewish Appeal through which the United Palestine Appeal conducts its fund-raising effort.

On January 25th and 26th, 1941, the United Palestine Appeal will sponsor the Annual Conference for Palestine at the Hotel Willard in Washington, D. C. It is my earnest hope that an opportunity may be afforded to you to be present. As the area of war widens it becomes increasingly clear that the Jewish community of Palestine is playing a significant role in the determination of the outcome of the struggle in the Middle East.

It is the great responsibility of American Jewry as well as an historic privilege to strengthen the Jewish community of Palestine in this hour so that its effectiveness as a bulwark of the British cause, which is the cause of all civilization, may not be impaired.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver  
National Chairman

HMS:fe

P.S. I should like to draw your attention to the fact that the Year Book, which has been forwarded to you, does not constitute an expense on the United Palestine Appeal. On the contrary, through the cooperation of the advertisers it has resulted in a very significant sum for the United Jewish Appeal.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I do not believe that during the entire time you have been National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal you have held a press conference for the Jewish newspaper men.

This thought occurs to me in connection with our plans for 1941. May I suggest the possibility of having a luncheon on Thursday, December 5 for the chief Yiddish and English-Jewish newspaper men in New York, so that the position of the United Palestine Appeal may be clarified and some statement made on the campaign to come?

Cordially yours,

*Montor*

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

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Nov 30, 1940

Henry Montan

United Palestine Appeal

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New York City

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I shall be coming in late Thursday by plane. It would simplify matters for me if meeting were held at Commodore. Approve inviting men mentioned in your telegram.

Silver