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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, Cleveland.

Dear Dr. Silver,

Within the past few days we have received the pinted matter which had been prepared for the independent U.P.A. Campaign of 1941. It goes without saying that we would have been delighted if that campaign could have been proceeded with as originally intended. But in the absence of full written news as to the reasons which led to this change of plans - to-date we have only had the bare wabled announcements - I wish to refrain from any comment.

I cannot help commenting, however, upon the first-class nature of the propaganda material. Its originality, forcefulness and arrangement is so mxemplary that I can only regret that we cannot follow our former custom in such cases, namely to have it copied and circulate it among all other committees to serve as model. In any case I hope that it can and will be adapted to the uses of the combined campaign.

With kind personal regards and best wishes,

Yours sincerely. Arthur Hanthe

A. Hantke

A1 EAST 42ND STREET NEW YORK, N. Y.

May 26, 1941

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am writing in reference to the request of the American Jewish Congress to the Jewish Welfare Fund in Cleveland for a special grant of \$2,500 for the Institute of Jewish Affairs-- Contemporary and Post-War. I am enclosing a statement of the program of this Institute, of which you have surely heard.

I need not point out to you how important this Institute is for preparing a settlement of the European Jewish question after the war. I believe we have some of the most competent living experts on this question as collaborators in this Institute, and we are certainly entitled to get help from welfare funds for this piece of work. I understand that many welfare funds have already made special grants for the Institute, apart from the usual annual grant to the American Jewish Congress. I am sure that you can help us in obtaining such a grant from Cleveland, and I need not tell you how much we need it.

With many thanks for whatever you may be able to do and with cordial greetings, I am

Sincerely youre,

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June 9, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

It is a distinct honor to inform you that Col. Josiah Wedgwood has kindly consented to address a limited number of leading friends of Palestine at a dinner to be held on Monday evening, June 30th at 6:30 P.M. at the Astor Hotel.

Col. Wedgwood, who has been called the "father of the English Labor Party", is one of the most militant friends of the Jewish Homeland in the British Government. Having just arrived from London, he is in a position to inform us about the very latest developments and has promised to render, in confidence, a most enlightening report on the current situation with regard to Palestine.

The dinner will precede a reception for volunteer workers of the United Jewish Appeal later in the evening at the same Hotel.

I am certain that you will not want to miss this unusual opportunity to meet with one of Britain's leading statesmen. Will you therefore kindly return the enclosed reservation card for the dinner.

Sincerely yours, Sylvan Gotshal

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11th June, 1941.

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

Dear Dr. Silver,

The Minutes of the meetings of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal of February and Merch reached us within the past few days. They were of great interest to us showing as they did the extraordinary significance attaching to the momentous decision regarding the United Jewish Appeal for the Jewish life in the United States.

I am fully aware that the last word about cooperation or separation, about the tastics to be employed at any given moment has to be said by the people on the spot. They carry the responsibility for the work as a whole and know conditions far more thoroughly than we can lay claim to. I find the development of the Jewish communities with their Welfare Funds and Community Chests of particular interest. I trust I am not mistaken in seeing in this development an attempt to weld the unorganised and digrupted Jewish groups in the various cities into formations gradually acquiring the inner strength and driving power which distinguished the Jewish communities of Eastern and Central Durope during the past few centuries. American Jewry seems to be tending towards a more closed ly-knit organisational form. It is only natural that Zionists, e.g. people in whose programme the Jewish national idea is of prominent importance, should welcome and foster such development. Continuing this line of thought it is equally natural that at a given moment, possibly even for a number of years, effort; should be directed towards popularising Palestine collections among the people trying to organise and strengthen the individual communities. The task will be far from easy. All the world over Jewish communities and philanthropic organisations are the strongholds of the older generation and, in the majority of cases, have as their representatives people chosen less for their faith in, and knowledge of Jewish things than for qualities which geemed adequate for the traditional, unprganised charity work of earlier generations.gain and again the question will be put whether it is worth pitting Zionist forces against such elements, for the flight will always be unequal. The non-Zionist fightes on his own ground; for the Ziorist, who fights for Palestine and the Jewish national idea the battlefield of the community is foreign ground.

Never have these conflicting inner-Jewish interests found such clear expression as on the gigantic battleground represented by American Jewry. The outcome will be of decisive influence for the Jewish world at large. Many American Zionists most likely

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July 2, 1941

Mr. Sidney Hollander, President Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds 165 West 48th St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Hollander:

In reply to your letter of June 26, permit me to state that a meeting of the Allotment Committee members of the JDC and the UPA was held last sonday. At this meeting we more informed that the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds had suggested a panel of names from which, by agreement, we were to select the representatives of Jewish Welfare Funds on the Allotment Coumittee. This was done. It is not my understanding that the Council's function in this connection goes beyond the recommending of a list of names. The actual selection from this list is made by the representatives of the JDC and the UPA.

Very sincerely yours,

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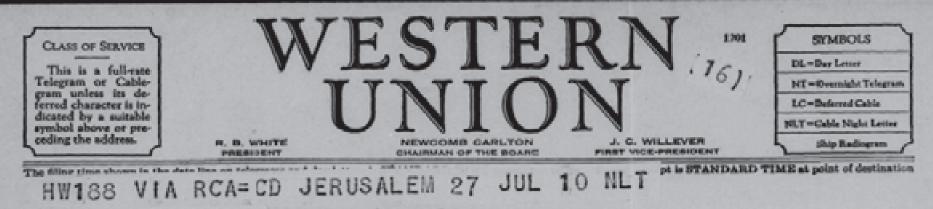
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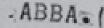
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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL 41 East 42nd Street New York, New York

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MEMCRANDUM

August 5, 1941

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Mr. Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a release which the Joint Distribution Committee issued on the basis of a letter it received from Chaim Barlas of the Jewish Agency.

HMitee ENO. From Roman Slobodin, Publicity Director Joint Distribution Committee 100 East 42nd Street New York, N. Y. Lexington 2-5200

JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE THANKS JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE

FOR AIDING EMIGRATION OF THOUSANDS TO HOLY LAND

4,250 Refugees Have Traveled There From Europe Via Turkey in 12 Months, Largely Through "Generous Assistance of the J.D.C.", the Agency's Immigration Director Reports from Jerusalem

FOR RELEASE ON RECEIPT

More than 4,000 refugees have emigrated from Europe to Palestine in the past twolve months, largely through the "generous assistance" of the Joint Distribution Committee, according to a report from the Immigration Director of the Jewish Agency for Palestine to the Joint Distribution Committee, it was announced today by Joseph C. Hyman, Executive Vice-Chairman of the J.D.C.

The report by Chaim Barlas, director of the Jowish Agency's Immigration Department in Jorusalem, revealed for the first time statistical details of the extensive overland migration of Jewish refugees through the Near East which bogan a year age, after Italy's entrance into the war had closed the Mediterranean Sea to peaceful shipping. In a letter to Morris C. Troper, Chairman of the European Executive Council of the Joint Distribution Committee, transmitting the report, Mr. Barlas wrote:

"May I take this opportunity of thanking you for your kind cosporation

in enabling this work during the time of my stay in Turkey. I am sure that to a great extent it is due to the generous assistance of the Joint Distribution Committee in financing the action that this work could be performed."

In his roport, Mr. Barlas stated that during the eight months, from August, 1940 to April, 1941, while he was in Turkey, more than 3,800 innigrants reached Palestine via that country, including: 1,688 from Romania, 1,100 from Kaunas, Lithuania, 273 from Yugoslavia, 90 from Moscow, and 250 from Istanbul.

In April, he reported, there remained outside Palestine (excluding France, Belgium and Holland), some 900 persons helding innigration certificates for Palestine, of whom 300 were in Budapest, 290 in Switzerland, 100 in Roumania and 150 in Yugoslavia. There were also about 100 in Morsina, Turkey.

In his letter to Mr. Troper, Mr. Barlas added that about 600 additional immigrants had reached Palestine via Turkey from April to the middle of June, 1941.

Mr. Barlas praised the "kindly attitude" of the Turkish Government toward the refugees. Negotiations with the Turkish authorities were complicated however, he reported, by their fear that some of the emigrants in transit night remain in Turkey, thus creating a "refugee problem," Finally the Turkish Government granted passage to a group of 180 emigrants from Roumania as an experiment. After all of them had left Turkey, the government issued an order stating that "to assist Jews who are being persecuted in their countries of origin, the government has agreed to grant transit visas through Turkey to refugees holding innigration certificates of the Palestine Government."

Instructions to this offect were sent to Turkish Consulate authorities abroad. Special difficulties arose in bringing onigrants from Kaunas because of the dissolution of the Palestine bureaus in the Ealtic countries after their annexation by Soviet Russia. To neet this difficulty. the transit visas were sent to the Turkish Consul in Moscow, who issued then in accordance with lists supplied to hin.

As almost all the enigrants arrived in Istanbul ponniless, the question of financing the nigration was a problem in itself, Mr. Barlas reported. While in Istanbul, he appealed to the Joint Distribution Connittee and as a result received the aid which he acknowledged in his letter to Mr. Troper.

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Mr. Barlas added that just before leaving Turkey he visited the authorities in Ankara and the Governor of Istanbul, who promised that their government would continue to assist innigrants to Palestine in the future.

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ISAAC HERZOG, M. A., D. Litt. CHIEF RABBI OF THE HOLY LAND

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יצחק אייזיק הלוי הרצוג הרב הראשי לארץ ישראל החופעהיק ירושלים תיוי

August 24, 1941.

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> Dr.A.H.Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

I have learnt with keen interest and deep appreciation of your firm stand whereby you have frustrated the designs of certain parties to induce the UPA to annul its promise to me You may desire to be enlightened regarding the statements of Messrs. Kaplan and Montor in connection with this matter. What has happened is this . In South Africa the Zionist Federation in consideration of my promise to make no campaign in that country for my Torah-salvaging scheme, finally agreed to allocate £5,000. (five thousand Founds) to my Emergency Fund. At the same time , Rabbi Fishman in Jerusalem put up a hard fight for the Yeshivoth at the Jewish Agency. Availing himself of the above S.A. arrangement and knowing that the S.A. Zion. Fed. would transmit that money through the Jewish Agency Mr. Kaplan agreed , before my arrival here , to a grant of £500. per month for five months for a certain number of favoured yeshivoth excluding most of the major Torah institutions . This is the basis of Messra. Kaplan's and Montor's statement that the Agency is already taking charge of the Yeshivoth. Pray send your remittance direct to me and hasten your help as much as you can. The students of our yeshivoth are literally on the verge of starvation.

I have conveyed regards from yourself and your family to your dear and venerable father who , needless to say , was overjoyed.

nin kinder regard and high for a Happy New Year Sincenly Your Har Joy Bauc Har Joy

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August 26, 1941.

Mr. Louis Lipsky 386 Fourth Avenue New York, New York and Dr. Solomon Goldman Chicago, Illinois and Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Cleveland, Ohio and Mr. Morris Margulies 1720 16th Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. and Rabbi Isadcre Breslau 1720 16th Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. and Mr. Hyman Schulson 1720 16th Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I write you to be good enough to use your influence to have me elected as a member of the Executive Committee of the ZOA at the forthcoming Convention.

Although I am now a member of the Administrative Committee, very frankly other than my work locally in and through the Los Angeles Zionist District, I have no opportunity to function through the national organization for the reason that the national organization does not defray the expenses, or any portion thereof, of those attending meetings of the Administrative Committee and hence my membership on the Administrative Committee is meaningless.

On the other hand, from time to time, the Executive Committee for some of its meetings pays all or part of the expenses of members thereof attending its meetings.

There are times during the year when I might be able to attend such a meeting of the Executive Committee and I would like to attend them because I feel that I can make some real contribution to the upbuilding of the ZOA and through it to the Zionist movement. Page #2 August 26, 1941.

As you probably know, I was President of the Los Angeles Zionist District for two years from 1935 to 1937. Ever since I have been intensely active in the work of the District and laying aside all modesty, I believe I have been the strongest, if not the sole, driving force that has kept the District alive and moving forward. There is no person--in fact no group of persons collectively--entrusted with the work of the Zionist District that can match my efforts in any degree whatever.

I have been active, not only in the District but in all other Zionist endeavors, fund raising, etc. To that Henry Montor, Bernard Stone and others can attest.

In writing you this letter, I want to make clear that under no circumstances do I want, or would I want to, replace my wery good friend Aaron Biche. I felt that the vacancy in the Executive Committee created by the late Judge I. M. Golden ought to be filled by someone from the Pacific Coast. From my knowledge of Zionism on the Pacific Coast, there is no one outside of the Los Angeles metropolitan area who by reason of service, or even promise of service, is entitled either to the distinction or to the opportunity of serving on the Executive Committee.

I might also add that through an oversight in electing delegates and also nominating the representative from Los Angeles to serve on the Administrative Committee, two were named by the District of which I was one. Since we were requested only to name one to the Administrative Committee, that problem could be solved by accepting my wish and suggestion that I be added to the Executive Committee.

In conclusion, I not only stress my past service to the ZOA and to the Zionist movement, but more than that I stress the fact that I feel and believe that I can be of inestimable value to both in the future if I am given the opportunity through the medium of membership on the Executive Committee to do so.

Sincerety yours, fillette

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P:S: I take this means of communicating the above to you because from all indications I will be unable to attend the Convention to discuss the same with you personally.

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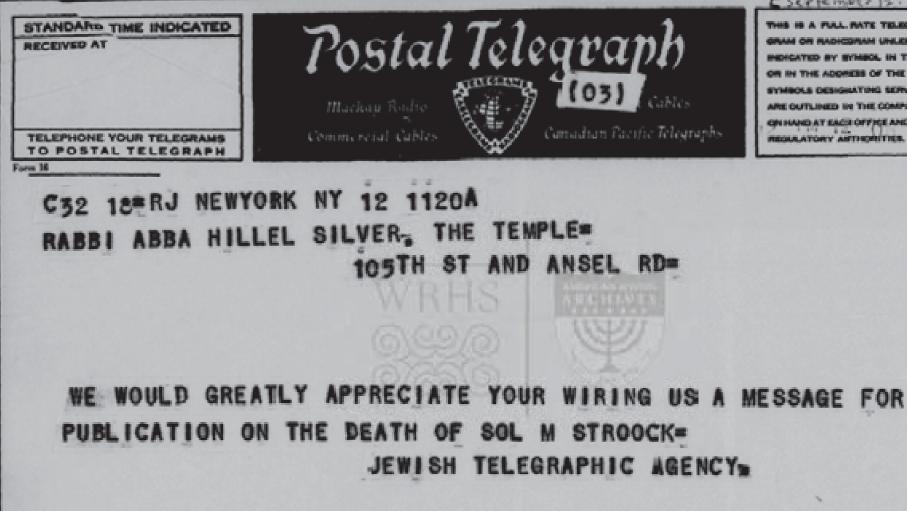
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Jewish Telegraphic Agency 106 E. 41st St. New York, N.Y.

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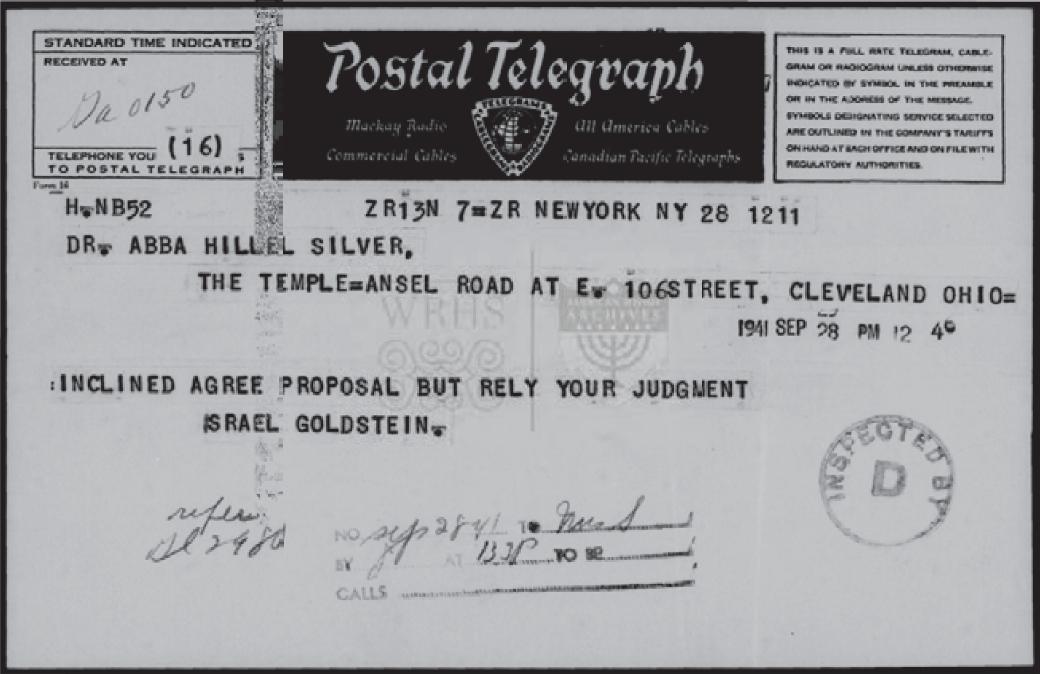
September 18, 1941

Lawrence Gould UPA 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

IF FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE PLEASE ADVANCE TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS AS LOAN TO THE ZIONIST EMERGENCY COMMITTEE. WISE GOLDSTEIN & LIPSKY HAVE ALSO APPROVED. ACTION WILL BE RATIFIED AT MEETING NEXT THURSDAY.

A H SILVER

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MIZRACHI ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA 1133 Froadway New York, N.Y.

October 17, 1941.

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

Rumors have reached us that the Zionist Organization of America is bringing pressure to bear on the United Palestime Appeal to instruct its field men to divide their time and energies between the United Palestine Appeal, our inter-organization fund-raising effort, and the regional activities of the Zionist Organization of America.

Since the Mizrachi Organization of America has a natural stake in the adoption of such procedure as well as a set viewpoint insofar as the welfare of the United Palestine Appeal as such is concerned, we should very much appreciate your informing us as to the validity of this rumor.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Leon Gellman President

ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED JEWISH APPEAL FOR 1941 342 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y.

ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE

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October 25, 1941

DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been planning to write you ever since the meeting of the Allotment Committee to request an opportunity to talk with you when next you are in town, but now I have a special reason for writing since you were kind enough to send me your volume on The World Crisis and Jetish Survival. Many thanks for your kindness. I shall doubtless find much pleasure and profit in reading the essays.

This note is to say that I am just about finished with the conclusions - my father finally came through with his memorandum-and I shall mail you a copy of these conclusions on Tuesday of the coming week.

Will you please drop me a line, preferably addressed to Columbia University, when you next plan to be in New York, so that I will be able to see you.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours, Eli Hazber/

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC. 342 Madison Avenue

MEMORANDUM

October 27, 1941

Messrs. Coons and Montor

FROM Mr. Herman

SUBJECT

TO

T Conferences of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds

Yesterday Messre. Magida, Gottlieb and I represented, respectively, the U.P.A., the N.R.S. and the J.D.C. at the Michigan State Conference at Flint. Mr. M. C. Troper was the feature speaker and he represented the U.J.A. and in his address covered the three agencies. Of course, due to his background most of his address was devoted to his personal experiences in connection with his work in Europe. Following his address Mr. Troper acted as interlocutor and Messre. Magida, Gottlieb and I were there for the panel discussion. Using the vernacular, the three of us were as necessary as a hole in the head.

I personally am of the opinion that we out to inform Mr. Habinoff not to recommend this panel formula unless it is for a National Conference. Mr. Troper was capable of answering and unsations which arose with reference to the J.D.C. or the N.R.S. A few weaks ago Judge Rothenberg was the major speaker in McKeesport, Pennaylytonia at a similar meeting and I feel quite sure that Judge Rothenberg was concole of answering any questions which might have arisen in connection with the programs of the J.D.C. or the N.R.S. as well as the U.P.A.

I feel that we should nothin the Council that we will cooperate with them to the fullest in securing a speaker of the type of Judge Rothenberg. Mr. Troper, Mr. Hyman, Mr. Montor, etc., etc., but that we do not fivor a panel formula. Hyman, Mr. Montor, etc., etc., but that we do not fivor a Each one of the agencies went to the expense of sending a representative at a cost of approximately \$75.00, or a total of \$225.00 and we can prent about ten minutes answering questions. To me it seems like an economic waste and leaves us open to criticism. In Flint yesterday there was Mr. Troper and Mr. Firth, representing the U.J.A.; Mr. Magida and Mr. Rich, representing the U.F.A.; Mr. Gottlieb and a field representative, whose name I di not recall, representing the N.R.S.; and Mr. Vajda and myself representing the J.D.C. Any thinking contributor would be justified in criticizing the constituent agencies of the U.J.A. going to the expense of having eight men there. It is necessary, in my opinion, that a man like Mr. Firth be present at a meeting of this type in order to greet the leaders from his territory.

> M. Robert Herman Field Director

ISAAC HERZOG, M. A. D. Litt. CHIEF RABBI OF THE HOLY LAND

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October 28, 1941.

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My dear Dr. Silver,

I must apologise for the delay in writing to you.I have duly received the 6,2,50 you cabled to me as the first instalment of the 25,000. kindly granted by the UPA. I can hardly tell you how gratified I am by the help that I am thus enabled to render at this most difficult time ,particularly difficult for the Old Yishuv. Need I tell you that I an exercising the best of my judgment in the distribution of the funds. To the Moshav Zekenim which your dear father has so much at heart and in which I am particularly interested I have already remitted £100.

May I place on record my deep appreciation of your personal influence in securing the success of my efforts with the UPA.Thank G-d our holy land is so far unmolested. We hope and pray that the special Divine Providence which has so far been exercised over the Land of Israel may continue until the fihal triumph of the cause of democracy and humanity over the wickedness and brutelity of Nazism and its attempt at world-domination .What of course, while doing everything humanly possible we should also arm ourselves at this eritical juncture with the staunchest faith and we should hope for great historic developments in the direction of the realisation of Israel's age-old prophetic aspirations .

With kindest regards and reiterated thanks,

Sincerely yours Dane Har

JEWISH WELFARE FUND OF CHICAGO

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128 NORTH WELLS STREET

November 10, 1941

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver National Chairmen - United Jewish Appeal 342 Madison Avenue New York City

Gentlemen:

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Judge U. S. Schwartz has forwarded to me your letter of November 6th. He received it just as he was leaving the city for a vacation, and does not expect to return to the sity until the latter part of November.

I shall take the liberty of reading your letter to a meeting of the Planning Committee of the Jewish Welfare Fund, which meeting, I hope, will be held this Thursday. The Planning Committee may wish to advise Judge Schwartz with regard to what action should be taken on your letter.

I am sure that all of us shall be glad to see either or both of you at a mutually convenient time within the near future.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed)

SAMUEL A. GOLDSMITH Secretary

MEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES

60 East 42nd Street, New York

November 15, 1941

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

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This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 14th. Much as I would like to be on hand, it is practically impossible for me to be present at the meeting Monday afternoon due to other engagements male a considerable time before. I am sure, however, that Dr. Wise and yourself having heard my presentation yesterday before the Committee will explain my point of view carefully to the group.

I think any effort at this time to inject too many technicalities, will result in missing one of the greatest opportunities Palestine has had to acquire new friends and the maximum of funds. The objections which have been raised by you, had you personally been active in the formation of the new set up, would most certainly have been raised by the other groups. I repeat, you are missing a great opportunity if you are the one to insist upon them now.

Reciprocating your regards,

Cordially yours,

(signed) Sylvan Gotshal

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GOODELL, HOFFMAN & SPARK

ATTORNETS AT LAW

Ruppert Building 535 Fifth Avenue New York, N. Y.

November 19, 1941

United Jewish Appeal 342 Medison Avenue New York City

Att: Mr. Abraham Keller

Dear Abe:

I enclose herewith form of letter for submission to the National City Hank in connection with the addition of Henry Montor's name to the Class "B" signatories for your "1941 National Account". It might be a good idea for you to read the enclosure to the bank, in order to make sure that it will be acceptable to it, before you ask Doctors Wise and Silver to sign it.

In submitting the enclosure to the last-named gentlemen. I think they should be advised of the considerations which I explained to you in our recent telephone conversation, as follows: The addition of Mr. Montor's name as a signatory has, of course, not been duly authorised by the Board of Directors or the Executive Committee as an act of the corporation. It follows that, until this is accomplished by a formal ratifying resolution (which should, of course, be accomplished by a formal ratifying resolution (which should, of course, be accomplished at our next meeting), Dectors Wise and Silver will be, by virtue of the enclosed letter, accepting personal responsibility to the corporation for all Mr. Montor's acts as a signatory. In view of Mr. Montor's position, I am confident that this question is completely scadenic. However, I think that it is no more than right that Doctors Wise and Silver should be apprised of all the facts.

If you like, you can send them a copy of this letter when you ask them to sign the enclosure. At the same time, you will probably wish to advise them of the practical considerations which impel the step in question.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

PER; BL

signed-- (PHILIP E. HOFFMAN ---B.L.)

P. S. Please let me know if the enclosure accomplishes its purpose. If for any reason it does not, we can, of course, adopt one of the other methods described to you over the telephone.



THE ISAAC M.WISE TEMPLE

K.K.B'nai Yeshurun

Cincinnati, Ohio

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James G.Heller Samuel Wohl

November 19, 1941

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple E. 105th St. and Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I shall be very glad to appoint five delegates to represent the Central Conference of American Rabbis at the National Conference for Palestine in Cleveland January 17 - 18.

I suggest the following: Rabbi Julius Gordon, St. Louis; James G. Heller, Cincinnati; Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof, Pittsburgh, Rabbi Joshua L. Liebman, Boston, and Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, Cleveland.

I assume from your letter that you will notify these gentlemen of their appointment and send them an invitation to attend.

Yours cordially. . Hele

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VUNITED PALESTINE APPEAL 41 EAST 42nd STREET NEW YORK, N. Y.

Head Office Jerusalem, P.O.B. 583 19th November, 1941

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

Dear Henry:

In the case of your cable of October 17th I departed from my usual practice of responding immediately by telegram, No doubt you guassed the reason why.

I well remember your first communication on the subject of the make-up and plans of the American Palestine Fund at the beginning of the year: The sentiment created by this new foundation was one of distruct. Let me heaten to say that the delay does not detract from our realisation of the urgery of your variants and the importance of the taking of action as suggested in your latest telegram. On the other hand. I do not see how any action taken at this end could lead to the desired result. The institutions mentioned are without exception excilent of their kind, unimpeachable from the Zionist and mational point of view and enjoying the full confidence of the Wishuw, or at least of large sections of it. The fact that they are not included within the Jewish Agency's budget, of that appropriations, if and when made cannot possibly meet their minimum requirements under present conditions, is easily explained by the stringeney of our financial situation. Moreover, several of them have only recently applied for support to sources of shoply. Mikve israel is a case in point. The Alliance Israelite Universite new groups of subscribere, both Zionist and non-Zionist, in Germany, Autris, Orecompton from groups of subscribere, both Zionist and non-Zionist, in Germany, Autris, Orecomptowers all over European countries. In the same way Ben Shemen has grown out of all proportion oring to the large number of children and you's additied by the village. In fact, it is supported by the funds of the Youth Alvynh, though I have not the slightest doubt that the large number of children and youth additied by the village. In fact, it is proported by the funds of the Youth Alvynh, though I have not the slightest doubt that the large number of children and youth additied by the village. In fact, it is done in the large number of children and youth additied by the village. In fact, it is done in the large number of children and youth additied by the village. In fact, it is done in the large number of children and youth additied by the vill

In the case of the Mabimab this is somewhat different. Ency have been in receipt of an annual subvention (Augunting to LP.673 for the year 1940/41), notwithstanding which they are having a desperate struggle, and the actors often enough cannot cover the bare necessities. The Haifs Technion receives a minimum grant of LP.853, whilst the Nautical School is financed by the Maritime Department of the Jewish Agency to the extent of LP.625. The Hebrew Teachers' Seminary is part of the Vaad Leumi's achool net and received LP.2,635 during the year 1939/40.

I was somewhat puzzled why the American Palestine Fund should take all these institutions under its protection, but imagine that certain individuals in Palestine, particularly interested in the respective institutions, possibly members of their management or Boards, have appealed to friends in America in underlining their importance and needs. It is cuite conteivable, for instance, that Mr. David Yellin, who secured the funds for the building of the Hebrew Teachers' Seminary from the Rosenwald family, has sursed the connection ever since, should have invited further support in view is of the present situation. Who could intervene under these circumstances? It is clear that some of the individuals who received these applications have laid them on the table with a view to satisfying them from the funds of the American Falestine Fund. We fully realise the difficulties which face the U.P.A., if the American Palestine Fund now goes to the Welfare Funds to ask for appropriations for those purposes. There was, I suppose, never any intention on the part of the respective persons in Palestine to raise a competitor to the U.P.A. On the other hand, it is equally clear that such appeal to the Medfare Funds will go to protect the pockets of the individuals applied to, even though they may have, or profess to feel particular interest in any of the institutions concerned. How could be or the Jewish Agency possibly ask the Habimah or Rohovoth Trade School for a formal statement that they have never authorised the American Palestine Fund to act on their behalf? Most likely they do not even know what the latter stands for, or how they came to be included in its programme. Probably they would also tell us that they never had, or dreamed of initiating, a separate fund-raising programme in America. What they apparently did and may intend continue doing is to maintain certain contacts with people who have shown special interest in their institution and try to obtain some help that way. If we were to urge, or force them to desist, they might easily raise the question whether the agency is prepared, for instance in the case of the Habimah, to increase their grant-in-aid, or else take the responsibility if they are forced to close down.

I have discussed the matter on the above lines with some friends and we have come to the conclusion that, at all events for the time being, we cannot take any action on the lines suggested by you. I shall put the matter once more before Mr. Kaplan in case he can find a way out. In the meantime, however, I thought it best to explain the situation to you as I see it. I do not deny that it would be possible to discuss the question with Mr. Kaplansky, for example, the director of the Technion. But would it help you in any way to get a statement from one or other of the institutions concerned, if the others refused to fall into line?

Yours very sincerely,

(signad) Leo Hermann Leo Herrmann



C 109 35 4 EXTRA (DUPLICATE OF TELEPHONED TELEGRAM)= DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER.

246 EAST 105 TH ST CLEVELAND OHIO=

REFERRING TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WE ARE ARRANGING LUNCHEON . MEETING DIRECTORS WELFARE FUND AND SOME MEMBERS SPECIAL GIFTS GROUP TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9. 12:30 OCLOCK STANDARD CLUB CHICAGO APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION IN ATTENDING MEETING=

SAMUEL A GOLDSMITH

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November 26, 1941.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver Cleveland, Chio Dr. Jonah B. Wise New York City

Gentlemon:

Following our telephone conversation today, I sent each of you a telegram indicating that we shall be happy to have you with us on Tuesday, December 9th, at a luncheon meeting to be held at the Standard Club, in Chicago.

The persons whom we are inviting to the meeting are those who serve on the Board of Directors of the Jewish Welfare Fund, as well as certain other persons who have been active in the Special Gifts or Large Gifts Division of the Fund's previous campaigns.

The purpose of the meeting is to organize a group to solicit some of the large gifts and to bring additional persons to a large fund raising meeting which will be held about the 16th of December. In other words, this meeting, in a sense, will launch the Chicago campaign.

The meeting which will begin, as indicated, at 12:30 o'clock, probably will be adjourned by 2:00 o'clock. Either Judge U. S. Schwartz, President of the Fund, or Mr. John Balaban, Chairman of the Campaign, will preside.

Very sincerely yours,

SAMUEL A. COLDSMITH Secretary

December 3, 1941

Mr. Sylvan Gotschal 60 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Gotschal:

I attended a meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal, last Monday, at which the question of the organization of the New York City United Jewish Appeal was again thoroughly discussed. I heard of your great interest in the project and I was very pleased with the reports of your helpful cooperation.

There was considerable concern expressed by some members of the Administrative Committee with the haste with which this project was being pushed through, not giving the organizations interested ample time thoroughly to study the project and to make sure that their interests are amply protected. Thus it was not clear to many whether what was being contemplated was a New York City United Jewish Appeal modeled after the National United Jewish Appeal, or a potential New York City Jewish Welfare Fund. The United Palestine Appeal is not prepared at the moment to approve or disapprove of a Jewish Walfare Fund for New York City. It has, in the last three years, worked together with the Joint Distribution Coumittee in New York City (with the National Refugee Service as a beneficiary) in united campaigns to raise money for these three agencies. The United Jewish Appeal was the arm of these three agencies, and its official family was composed of duly selected representatives of the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal. If it is now proposed to give permanent status to this arrangement, and if the charter and by-laws of such a corporation are drafted with a vew to giving effect to such an arrangement, then the United Palestine Appeal is prepared to enter whole-heartedly into the project. If any other arrangement is contemplated, such as a membership corporation for New York City to found a welfare fund in which the United Palestine or for that matter the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Refugee Service will not have official representation, as such, then quite definitely on the basis of the resolution adopted at the meeting last Monday, the United Palestine Appeal is not prepared to proceed at this time.

A committee of five, representing the United Palestine Appeal, has been in conference with other representatives looking towards a clarification of this entire situation. I understand that a meeting Mr. Gotschal

has been called for next Sunday evening. Dr. Stephen S. Wise and Dr. Israel Goldstein will be out of the city on that evening, and Dr. Jonah B. Wise has been requested to set a date more convenient to all. That, I understand, he has declined to do. That is not wise. I suggest that you get in touch with Jonah Wise and persuade him to call a meeting at such time when the representatives of the United Palestine Appeal will be able to attend. It is better to move slowly now than to get into a prolonged controversy later on.

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It should be clear to every right-thinking man in New York City that the United Palestime Appeal, which has the interest of Palestime to protect in the largest community in America, will not permit its fund-raising activities to be determined by a newly created organization in which it will have no official representation, and in which there exists the possibility, if not the probability, that it will be overwhelmed by other interests. Unity and good will are highly desirable. But my experience has taught me that such unity and good will are endangered rather than protected unless there are clear cut and well defined basic agreements and satisfactory procedures. I am confident that in your future negotiations in behalf of the United Palestime Appeal interests in New York that you will be guided by these considerations which I have been requested to bring to your attention by the National Administrative Committee of the United Palestime Appeal. Mr. Montor will send you the official resolutions adopted.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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December 4, 1941

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 3d. On the same date I also received a letter from Mr. Montor giving me a report of the meeting of the Administrative Committee, to which you refer.

First I would like to overcome, if I can, your concern as expressed in the second paragraph of your letter. This, I believe, is due to a misunderstanding of the facts. There has been no haste in pushing this project through. As a matter of fact, it has now taken many weeks and all of the various organizations have been given, and will continue to be given, ample time to study the project as carefully as they wish. In no sense, as I understand it, is it to be a welfare fund, but it is to be strictly limited in its scope as a New York City United Jewish Appeal. The charter and By-Laws of the corporation as drafted do give effect to the arrangements just as you wish. Actually, the directors of the new organization are appointed by the respective participating organizations. Technically, the original Ey-Laws were not drawn in this way, but in accordance with the report that Mr. Montor submitted to me, I have submitted this suggestion to the Committee by letter dated December 3d, and will be prepared to discuss it fully Sunday night.

Frankly, Dr. Silver, the difficulty has been in getting individuals of the United Palestine Appeal, other than myself and one or two others, to give this matter the time and attention which it requires. There seems to be merely a disposition to object as to technicalities on the part of certain individuals without knowing what the real facts are and without realizing, in my judgment, that they are jeopardizing the welfare of the cause in which they are interested.

Immediately upon receipt of your letter I called up Dr. Jonah B. Wise and talked to him about postponing the Sunday night meeting. He told me that he had just been advised that Dr. Stephen S. Wise Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

would be present and that so far as Dr. Israel Goldstein was concerned it was simply impossible to arrange a date which was satisfactory to them both; that Dr. Goldstein had finally said that if the Palestine interests were represented by several individuals on the evening of the conference, he would be ready to abide by their decision. There has been No tendency on the part of Dr. Jonah B. Wise to be at all unreasonable in any of these negotiations or to refuse to fix a meeting at any time unless such the was convenient for the individuals concerned. He has been very fair in this entire situation and a think he is proceeding along the lines which you yourself approve, he manimous agreement. As evidence of his desire to be cooperative, he was indicated to me in the same conversation that he would be aresentiat the luncheon for Palestine on Sunday.

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I am thoroughly conversant with all the difficulties involved and I certainly appreciate your writing me in this fashion and your readiness to give suggestions. I only wish that you were here so that I could lean more readily upon your experience and personal guidance. I will do everything I can to see that your ideas are followed.

With regards.

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December 17, 1941.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, East 105th St. and Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing to you herewith a copy of a letter which I have just written to Mr. Albert Abrahamson, Executive Director of National Refugee Service, Inc.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: United Falestine Appeal, Inc., 41 East 42nd Street, New York, N. Y. December 17, 1941.

Albert Abrahanson, Esq., National Refugee Service, Inc., 165 West 46th Street, New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Abrahamson:

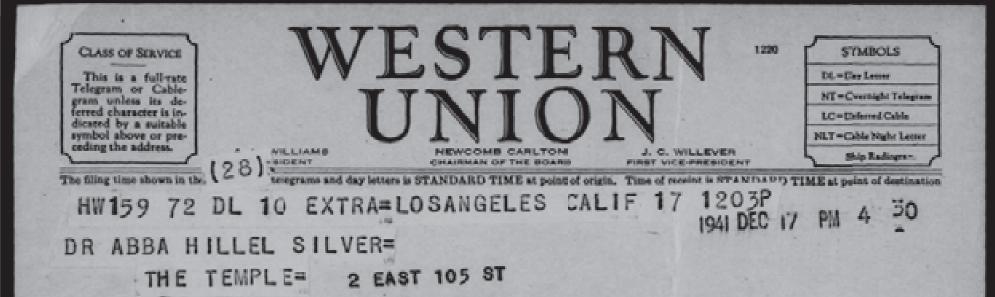
I have your letter of Eccember 2, enclosing a copy of Volume 6, Number 227, of the Federal Register, which contains, on pages 5927 to 5934, new regulations issued by the Department of State of November 14, 1941, to which you call my attention.

I am personally not familiar with all of these regulations, and I am therefore sending a copy of this letter to Dr. Lowenstein, representing J.D.C., and Dr. Silver, representing U.P.A., so that they may express themselves as to whether the regulations adopted comply with the conditions governing the reservation of the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of permitting refugees with temporary visas to leave the country and return on permanent visas.

Sincerely yours,

(SD) F. F. GREENMAN.

CC: Dr. Eli Ginzberg, Director of Research



OWING TO MISDIRECTION INVITATION TO ATTEND INDUCTION LUNCHEON FOR DR. MAURICE J. KARPF NEW EXECUTIVE FEDERATION JEWISH WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS AND LOSANGELES JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL WILSHIRE BOULEVARD TEMPLE SUNDAY NOON DECEMBER 21 DID NOT REACH YOU. WOULD BE PLEASED IF YOU COULD ATTEND. IF IMPOSSIBLE WOULD APPRECIATE MESSAGE ON BASIS YOUR CONTACT WITH HIM IN JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE AND GENERAL JEWISH PROBLEMS=

HARRY HOLLZER PRESIDENT COUNCIL DAVID TANNENBAUM PRESIDENT FEDERATION EDGAR F MAGNIN CHAIRMAN INDUCTION COMMITTEE.



Send the following hidgram, subject in the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed in

Dec. 21, 1941

Harry Hollzer, President Jewish Community Gouncil Wilshire Boulevard Temple Los Angeles, California

MY HEARTIEST FELICITATIONS ON THE INDUCTION OF DR. KARPF AS YOUR NEW EXECUTIVE. HE WILL BRING DISTINCTION AND WISE AND COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP TO THE OFFICE WHICH HE HAS ASSUMED. I KNOW OF HIS FINE SERVICES IN THE PAST AND I KNOW THAT HIS LABORS IN YOUR MIDST WILL MEAN MUCH IN YOUR GREAT COMMUNITY. I WISH YOU MUCH SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS.

A H SILVER

December 22, 1941

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Mr. David Gross 280 Madison Ave. New York, N.Y.

My dear Friends

I will refer your letter to the headquarters of the United Palostine Appeal, in New York. I know that they are not now in need of any field workers, but if they will in the future, they may want to get in touch with you.

I trust that you are well.

Cordially,

ARS: BK

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL 41 East 42nd Street New York City

MEMORANDUM

December 24, 1941

T o : Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From: Mr. Henry Montor

Attached hereto for your information is a copy of a letter sent by Sylvan Gotshal to Mr. Louis Lipsky, dated December 22, 1941.

HM: JB Encl. WEIL, GOTSHAL & MANGES Attorneys at Law 60 East 42nd Street, Mew York

December 22, 1941

Mr. Louis Lipsky, Chairman-Executive Committee United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd Street New York City

Dear Mr. Lipsky:

In submitting to you for signature this morning the draft of the Certificate of Incorporation of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, Inc., it was agreed that you are signing upon the distinct understanding that such certificate and the by-laws of the corporation and any other corporate documents, will, when in final form, be amended to conform to the proposal on membership and directors, as submitted by Mr. Henry Montor, Executive Director of the United Palestine Appeal to me in letter dated December 18, 1941. copy being initialled by us today.

In sending this letter to you, I have the specific authorization of Dr. Jonah B. Wise, Chairman of the campaign and Mr. Henry C. Bernstein, Director.

It is further understood that when in this paper of Mr. Henry Montor's reference is made to Class A, Class B and Class C,in putting the papers in final shape, each of such classes will refer to one of the three participating organizations respectively, the JDC, UPA and the NRS.

Mr. Henry C. Bernstein advised me in giving me this authorization that he has specifically taken the matter up with the representatives of the other groups, namely, JDC, and NES and both have agreed to this action on my part.

It is also understood that in signing this document, it is agreed that the provisions previously inserted into the revised proposed by-laws stand, that is, that unanimous consent of the three agencies is required for the addition of any beneficiary agencies.

Yours very truly,

Sylven Gotshal Executive Chairman Copy - Mr. Montor

December 34, 1941

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise 35 E. 62nd Street New York City

Dear Jonah:

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> I see that you have called a meeting for Monday, January 5th, to talk over the proposal for a permanent UJA in New York.

Following our last conversation, I thought that perhaps the courtesy might have been extended to me of consulting my calendar before fixing the meeting, in view of the fact that it has happened several times in succession that a meeting was called when I was scheduled to be out of town.

It happens this time again. On Monday, January 5th, I am scheduled to be in Wilkes-Barre, together with Dr. Clinchy, and Father Donovan.

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Sincerely yours,

DR. ISRAEL COLDSTEIN

JUNIOR HADASSAH

CLEVELAND CENTRAL GROUP



אם הבנים שמחת A Joyful Mother of Children Psalm CXNI-9

> 11607 Ohlman Ave. Cleveland, Ohio December 26, 1941

Rabbi A. H. Silver c/o The Temple Ansel Rd. & E. 105th St. Cleveland, Qhio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been selected by National Junior Hadassah as one of the delegates to the United Palestine Appeal conference on January 17th and 18th.

If there is anything that I or any of my girls can do in the preparations for this conference or in any other capacity, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

> Very sincerely yours, Selma Gread IRES. CLEVELAND JUNIOR HADASSAH

December 30, 1941

Miss Selma Gressel, President Cleveland Junior Hadassah 11607 Ohlman Ave. Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Miss Gresselt

Thank you for your kind letter of December 26 and for your kind offer of the services of the Cleveland Junior Hadassah to the forthcoming National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal. At a recent meeting it was decided to request the Jewish Young Adult Bureau of Cleveland to take charge of all the services which the youth groups of Cleveland would be requested to render to the Conference, and I am sure that you will hear from the Bureau.

"ith all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

GOODELL, HOFFMAN & SPARK 535 Fifth Avenue New York, N. Y.

December 30, 1941

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United Jewisn Appeal 250 West 57th Street New Iork City

Att: Mr. Samuel Blitz

Rs: The United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, Inc.

Dear Sam:

This will confirm our telephone conversation of this evening. I have received from Miss Follack the original executed Certificate of Incorporation for the above corporation. However, I understand that certain organizational distions still remain open. In view of this (and although said questions do not reiate directly to the parasing of the Certificate itself), it has been thought best that I withheld any efforts to obtain the approval of the Court to said Certificate, or to file it in Albany, until said questions have been cleared. Failing such clearance I understand that the matter will be discussed at our meeting scheduled for ment Monday.

In accordance with the foregoing. I am holding this matter in abeyance.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,

(signed) Philip E. Hoffman

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cc: Dr. Jonah B. Wise Mr. William Rosenwald Mr. Henry Mentor Miss Celia S. Pollack Joan M. Lewis, Esq.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have your letter of December 29. I am, of course, sensible of the honor which you propose to confer upon me, naming me as a member of the National Council for Palestine. You are, of course, aware of my feelings towards Palestine and know how sympathetic they are.

You will, however, have noted that for many years I have not assumed any leading position in any of the organizations which are involved in controversies one with another. Mr. Justice Brandeis while he was alive recognized this situation, so has Mr. Robert Szold, and so did Prof. Frankfurter. It is for that reason that I have been able to act as Chairman of an Allotment Committee and have been able, also, to compose many other differences. You will note that I do not occupy any position in J.D.C. or in N.R.S., or in the American Jewish Committee, or in the Jewish Congress. This is not an accident. I have felt for years that someone would have to occupy the position where he could bring contending factions into harmony.

I know you will understand what I have said here briefly, and when you are in New York I should like to elaborate on it for you. You may not, perhaps, be aware of the fact, but I was President of the Harvard Zionist Society in 1912 and worked with the then Boston citizen, Louis D. Brandeis, when he was Chairman of the Provisional Committee appointed in 1915. I was also one of the signers of the appeal to the American Student Body which was made in 1915.

All of this policy would be destroyed if I became a member of the National Council for Palestine, and

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I would therefore ask you to withhold my nomination at this time.

With best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

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MEMORANDUM

From: Hechalutz Organization of America

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To: Inanuel Heumann, Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs

1. Hechalutz, the Jewish Pioneer Training Organization has embarked on a large-scale program the object of which for 1942 is the intensive technical, industrial, and agricultural training of 2500 young men and women in this country, of which 1,000 will be directly occupied in vocational training and 1500 to be given preparatory training in Hebrew, Jewish History, and physical development. This expanded program of pioneer training for Palestine, undertaken upon the advice, initiative and direction of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, was dictated by the urgent needs of the present moment.

2. As you undoubtedly know, when Mr. Ben Gurion visited this country several attempts were made to establish special committees in consultation with the Emergency Committee to help the Hechalutz in its expanded program. As a result, the first aviation unit of the Hechalutz was launched with the purpose of creating at least one or more aviation units and preparing technically skilled pioneers who will be able to serve in the future Jewish units after the established policy of the Jewish Agency will succeed.

3. Today, the center of gravity of Chalutz preparatory work must logically be in the United States. It is the view of all responsible Zionist institutions and the Jewish Agency that a large number of trained pioneers will be essential in Palestine in order to man an expanded industrial and agricultural colonization project there which may be capable of absorbing a vastly increased immigration from Europe following the war.

4. Inmediately after the general outline of this program was accepted we started with a large-scale program of organization. As of today we have:

a] Over 60 young men and women in agricultural training at two large farms at Hightstown and Creamridge, New Jersey.

b] 20 students in the Aviation Unit of which the first group is completing its training for commercial pilot licenses and is to be trained for instructorship and heavy ship flying and the second group is about to finish its primary training course.

c apparatus and tools were acquired for a radio-communications course in New York which will be conducted by *wo experienced instructors for a group of 45 students.

d A group of students were given scholarships to study in the advanced courses of the RCA Institute.

e Another group of students is organized for mechanical training at the Technicians Institute in New York. f) On October 19th the first youth rally in New York was called with Dr. Nachum Goldmann the main speaker. This rally was attended by over 500 young men and women of whom over 200 registered immediately and we are confident that at least another 150 will register within the next few days.

g) On the same pattern meetings all over the country are now being organized and delegates from the Central Administration are visiting the mid-western and New England states organizing Jewish youth for our program.

h) We are now confident that the organized program for 2500 people in 1942 can be carried out.

5. We realized that this large-scale program cannot be carried out first, without the proper public support and secondly, without the necessary budget. Therefore, a National Board for Mechalutz was established, the members of which are appointed by the Zionist Organization of America and the Labor Zionist groups, and will shortly include the representatives of Hadassah together with individual members to serve as technical advisers. Mr. Mordecai Konowits, a member of the National Axecutive of the ZOA, is the chairman of this Board, Mr. Chaim Greenberg, Vice-Chairman, and the office of Second Vice-Chairman is open for the representative of Hadassah. Mr. Benjamin Harris of Chicago is National Treasurer.

Our program requires for the current fiscal year beginning with October 1 (125,000 of which only (16,000 is for administrative purposes and (108,000 for actual vocational training, scholarships and instructors. The details of this program are incorporated in our memorandum enclosed herewith.

6. During the last summer the Labor Zionist movement conducted a special campaign for this purpose and raised an amount of over \$15,000. They promised that later in the year of 1942 they will continue with this campaign to raise additional sums for this program.

The Lionist Organization of America adopted a special resolution on Hechalutz at its last convention and with the help of the Zionist districts all over the country we are now conducting a proper campaign to raise the necessary funds for our current budget.

A number of welfare Funds and individuals helped us in the last few years and we believe that during the current year their participation and efforts will be considerably increased.

7. However, we cannot depend on the results of this campaign in the next three or four months. We must have immediately a sum of ~25,000 which will enable us to continue with our present efforts to malize our program. We request, therefore, from you and through you, from the proper institutions of the Jewish Agency, the grant of an initial amount of ~25,000 as stated above. 8. It is to be pointed out that this request is not made with the object of establishing a precedent for a permanent subvention from the Jewish Agency. This subvention will be necessary only for the current year, the likelihood is that after sufficient funds are placed at our disposal now, enabling us to initiate our fund-raising efforts as well as our training program on an adequate scale, such subvention will not be necessary in the future.

We hope that the Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs will view our request for ~25,000 favorably and that it will transmit this request with its own favorable recommendation to the proper Zionist fund-raising institutions.

This request is urgent. Unless large-scale financial assistance for our program is forthcoming within the course of the next month, the antire program will be jeopardized.

Respectfully submitted,

Yosef Israeli.

Isaac Imber, Executive Director.

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

Dear Colleague:

One of the major problems of American Jewish life now that our country is at war, I think you will agree, is the continuation of aid to suffering Jewry overseas, and meeting the vastly increased responsibilities that are likely to confront us in this direction. This is particularly important in view of the fact that so many people will be devoting their energies and attention to war work and may tend to overlook the fact that overseas relief work of the American Jewish community is in itself a vital part of the struggle for democracy and civilization in which our nation is now engaged.

For this reason I hope that we can enlist your cooperation in the important task of keeping our people mindful of their present grave, historical responsibility and of reminding them that the work of overseas aid can be continued and is being continued on a wartime basis, and that their support of this work is today more necessary than ever.

Therefore, instead of sending you another issue of the informational bulletin which we have sent you in the past, I am enclosing copies of three important documents: One is a memorandum to community leaders from Edward M. M. Warburg, Chairman of the Joint Distribution Committee, in which Mr. Warburg sets forth the steps already taken by the J.E.C. for continuing its work under war conditions, the tasks which confront it in the immediate future and the obligations which it has incurred in the name of American Jewry as an emergency measure. Another enclosure is a copy of a letter from the Honorable Joseph E. Davies, Chairman of the President's Committee on War Relief Agencies, addressed to Mr. Warburg, in which Mr. Davies makes it clear that overseas relief work is a patriotic American undertaking and that the wartime work of the J.D.C. specifically has the heartiest approval of our government. The third item enclosed consists of excerpts from a letter by Mr. Warburg concerning the J.D.C.'s present activities and the way in which their continuity is safeguarded.

It is our hope that you will take every opportunity to call these facts to the attention of your congregation and your community in sermons, public addresses or on other occasions.

Sincerely yours.

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January 2, 1942.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have received notification of my appointment as a member of the National Council for Palestine. I appreciate this henor and shall be glad to cooperate with your St. Louis representatives at any time. I do not believe, however, that it will be possible for me to attend the meeting in Cleveland on January 17th.

I am Chairman of the St. Louis Foreign Trads Education Committee, being sponsored by the National Foreign Trade Council and the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce. The object of this committee is to interest citizens of the United States in Latin American affairs. I am enclosing copy of a pamphlet entitled "The Problem of Foreign Trade Education". You will note the names of our regional committee in St. Louis. Apparently there is no similar committee functioning in Cleveland.

The thought has occurred to me that there may be some particular way in which the National Jewish groups could aid in this national campaign of enlightenment. All that we have to sell to our listeners and correspondents is the idea that they interest themselves sufficiently to read and study something of conditions in these twenty republics south of the Rio Grande. It would certainly redound to the credit of our national groups if they in some way or another took the initiative to interest their respective membership in our work. If you feel something can be accomplished along these lines, I would suggest your contacting Eugene Sitterley, 440 Fourth Avenue, New York, who has been organizing the regional committees, or the Chairman of the Educational Committee of the Maticnal Foreign Trade Council, James S. Carson, 26 Beaver Street, New York. Mr. Carson is Vice-President of the American and Foreign Power Company. The Honorary Chairman of this committee is James A. Farrell, formerly connected with the United States Steel Company. This might be an opportunity to permit up to cooperate in National Defense to further the Good Neighbor Policy of President Roosevelt.

I am also enclosing copies of letters which may be of interest to you.

Wishing you a Happy and Prospercus New Year, I remain

Sincerely jours, and Greenfildy

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November 3, 1941

Bernard Greensfelder, Esq. Messrs. Greensfelder & Hemker Suite 1212 - 705 Olive Street Saint Louis.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge your letter of September 16th.

We are indeed pleased to know that you have found our "News Letter" of interest and will see that all subsequent copies are sent you. Unfortunately, we have had to suspend publication for the time being due to present conditions and the impossibility of obtaining the proper type of paper. However, we expect to commence again in the not too distant future and will certainly place you on our regular mailing list.

The work which you are doing with the Foreign Trade Council sounds very interesting and should prove very beneficial in the programme now being fostered to increase the understanding between the Americas. We shall be pleased to give you any assistance we may and in accordance with your request are making a few suggestions below. Before doing so, however, I had best warn you that I am North American myself and what I have to say is merely based on my five years experience here.

First, I wish to make a criticism. You have committed one of the errors which Americans very frequently make concerning South America. In your letter you speak of "citizens of Latin America". There is no such thing as a citizen of Latin America. Each of these countries is a sovereign nation with its separate history, culture and characteristics and its citizens do not appreciate being classified in that way. Presumably the error arises from considering these countries in terms of states of the United States, but any attempt to arrive at an understanding with these people will certainly be handicapped, unless in dealing with them they are considered as Argentines, Peruvians, Tenezuelan or whatever they may be, and not as "Latin Americans".

As a suggestion of what North Americans should know about the countries of Latin America, I would say that in order to have an understanding of these people a study of the histories of the several countries would be of considerable assistance. Argentina, for instance, has a history which in may respects parallels that of the U.S. - from colonial beginning through revolution from the mother country and a weak government similar to that of the Confederation to a strong federal government under a constitution based on that of the United States. It is interesting to note that the decisions of the Supreme Court of the U.S. are frequently oited and followed here in constitutional questions, while in no other field of the law are Anglo-Saxon precedent of even persuasive value. This country has in the past always been much more closely connected with Europe than with the United States, both commercially and culturally. The recent trade treaty may, once the war is over and there are enough ships to carry the goods, bring the two countries closer together, insofar as their trade is concerned, but to create an understanding between the peoples of the countires will require some time. There are a great many misconceptions which must be rectified. It is my belief that this may best be done by an interchange of students, artists and persons who are in a position to return to their home country and interpret what they have seen and learned into something understandable to their own people. Being more wealthy and also being the one more interested, it will be up to the United States to see that this is one.

I would like to be able to suggest a number of books on Argentina which you might find interesting, but unfortunately very little of Argentine literature has been translated into English. However, there is an excellent translation of Fernandez epic poen of gaucho life in the old days, "Martin Fierro", which I understand has been published in the United States by Ferrar & Rinehart. Also Doubleday, Boran & Co. are publishing a translation of Ricardo Rojas' biography of General San Martin, under the title of "The Saint of the Sword". Both of these should be of interest to anyone, whether "required" reading or not.

As you suggested, I am passing your latter along to several others here with a request that they also write you their suggestions. The writer is leaving this firm during the coming week to take up work in Montevideo with the American Committee on Inter-American Relations and will probably be in a position to be of more assistance to you at a later date. I would be very pleased to hear from you again and be of any possible assistance to you if you would care to write me there, c/o The Embassy of the United States of America, Montevideo, Uruguay.

Meanwhile, I wish you every success in your work.

Yours very truly, MARVAL, ROERIGUEZ LAREFTTA & O'FARRELL

By R. I. Phillips

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Dear Member:

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Our chairman, Mr. Greensfelder, thought you might be interested in the suggestions contained in a letter, dated December 2nd, which he received from Mrs. Frances M. Burlingame, Dean, Elmire College, Elmira, New York, and he will be anxious to hear your comments thereon at the next meeting, announced in our separate letter of today. This letter reads:-

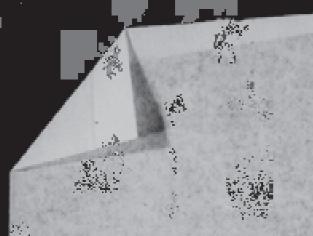
My dear Mr. Greensfelder:

I am very much interested in the letter which you have written me concerning the activities of the St. Louis Foreign Trade Education Committee. You say you are trying to ascertain what it is that our Latin American neighbors are most anxious that we know about them and how we can best reach them through our activities.

I think it is possible that they would answer that they would like us to know what really is true about them rather than have the highly colored and often completely mistaken ideas that are disseminated through movies that pretend to show Latin American life. There are some Boy Scout troops in South America. Boy Scouts might well come to know what Latin American Scouts do. Both teachers and students in public and private schools and universities might well become acquainted with the educational system in Latin American countries. I think our Latin American friends would suggest that we might look at a few movies made in Latin America even if, on the whole, they are not technically as perfect as our own. They might suggest that we listen to radio broadcasts from Latin America, and that we take time and effort to read Latin American books. Many of them who have talked to me have suggested that earnest effort and study on our part in the fields of Spanish language, Latin American history, geography, music, literature, and art might create in us somewhat greater respect and understanding for their culturs. We have spent rather more time and effort on attempting to teach them our point of view than we have on the problem of learning why they think and feel as they do. Recently, they have become a little "fed up" with a great many of the so-celled god will envoys, particularly those who visit their countries without knowing the language or without studying the history and background before they arrive.

Such simple things as arranging for adequate biblicgraphical material in local libraries, both public and school; arranging for correspondence between individuals who may come to be friends; hospitality to Labin American students who are visiting the United States; hospitality for Latin Americans who are doing business here in the United States or who may be traveling here; exhibits of Latin American products and artistic oreations, are all more than helpful. You may be interested to know that for two years I gave a home to two different Latin American girls who were granted free tuition in Elmira College. It might be possible for arrangements to be made in your organization in carefully selected homes for young men or women from the southern continent who might be granted scholarship tuitions in your local colleges and universities. Names of recommended students can be received from the Institute of International Education, 2 West 45th Street, New York City. Also it might be possible to arrange for exchanges between Spanish teachers in your local school system and English teachers in South American schools. Such an exchange has dready teen carried out between the Passaic, New Jersey, schools and the Liceo Manuel de Salas in Santiago, Chile. The resulting friendships give every indication of making large fontributions to better relationships.

These are merely suggestions, but they may set your imagination working in some of the same directions which my own mind has been moving. Sincerely, Frances M. Burlingame, Dean.



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Pine Grove at Grace - Chicago

January 5, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

Thank you for your letter of January 2nd regarding the delivery of an address by Rabbi Goldman before the National Conference for Palestine.

Rabbi Goldman is, at present, on a lecture tour and is not expected at the office until January 11.

Because of the time element, may I inform you that Rabbi Goldman has a previous lecture commitment for Sunday. January 18th, which precludes the possibility of his speaking in Cleveland that afternoon.

Respectfully,

Signed)

D. FREEMAN Dorothy Freeman Secretary to Rabbi Goldman

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January 12, 1942.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

I appreciate very much your kind invitation to be at your home Friday evening. To my regret, however, I shall be prevented from having that pleasure by the fact that I promised Rabbi Armond E. Cohen to address his Congregation Friday night. Rabbi Cohen, who was a teacher in my Religious School during his student days, has been asking me for years now to accept a speaking engagement and I have been unable to do it until now, so that when this invitation came I could not refuse him.

Needless to say, we are looking forward to a stimulating and contentful conference under your leadership. It will probably come as no surprise to you to know that our Joint Keren Hayesod-Keren Kayemeth Committee, in formulating the Agreement for the 1942 U.P.A., again unanimously invited you to serve as Chairman of the U.P.A. for 1942. All of us feel that it has been a great privilege to the U.P.A. to have you at its helm. Your intellectual and moral strength have been among our greatest assets. The skill, coupled with firmness, which have characterized your representation of our interests before other bodies have won our wholehearted admiration.

In connection with this Conference, my own schedule presents a serious problem, as Mr. Montor may have indicated to you. It will be absolutely necessary for me to be back to New York Sunday, late afternoon. For that reason, I shall have to leave after the Saturday night session. This necessitates my speaking on Saturday night, if I am to speak at all. The Executive Committee therefore felt, at its last meeting, that my part of the program should be on Saturday night. As you know by this time, they suggested, quite apart from this difficulty but for intrinsic reasons, that Professor Albright's address be delivered on Sunday.

With best wishes to you and Mrs.Silver, in which Mrs. Goldstein joins, I am

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January 7, 1942

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have your letter of December 20th and wish to thank you very much for your consideration in proposing by make as a member of the National Souncil (Cor) alestine.

I expect to be in Cleveland on the 15th of this month and will stay over for the meeting and will get in touch with you at that time.

Thanking you again for your consideration, I am

Very truly yours,

Solomon GLOSSIAR Salomon Selone

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ADDRESS REFLY TO ROOM HUI AJ EAST 42ND STREET NEW YORK, N. Y.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I was really happy to learn that you consented in principle to visit England on behalf of the Keren Hayesod. Your stay there will be of the greatest importance for our work.

For the past two years I conducted the Keren Hayesod Campaigns in England. Last year we had an independent Campaign of the Keren Hayesod for the first time in eight years, during which time Keren Hayesod Campaigns were conducted jointly with other fund raising projects. This independent Campaign proved a great financial success and also served to revive Zionist Sctivity in England. I am pleased that I succeeded in influencing our English friends to consent to an independent Keren Hayesod Campaign and I feel confident that your visit will strengthen the work of the Keren Hayesod and the idea on which it is based.

I am very sorry that I have not been privileged to see you since I have been here. I would be vary grateful if you would be good enough to let me know when you are next in New York and perhaps you will be able to give me a little of your time.

I was extremely sorry that ill health prevented me from attending the Convention in Cleveland. I heard with much pleasure that the Convention reached a climax at the very opening by your splendid address.

Looking forward to seeing you, I am

Sincerely yours, L.Jaffe

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January 26, 1942

Mr. F. F. Greenman 20 Pine Street New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Greenman:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter of December 30. I have been so busy with the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, which was held in Cleveland last week, and my correspondence has lagged.

I should like very much to have the opportunity some day when I am in New York to talk over with you the point which you raise in your letter and which interested we very much. I know that some men are able to serve best by not aligning themselves actively and publicly with one cause or another. By being "neutral" they can render useful service from time to time as "unpires" or harmonizers.

But you mention the names of Brandeis, Frankfurter and Szold as typical of this group. Here I must differ. Brandeis was to the day of his death an active champion of Zionism. He was a member of the Zionist Organization of America, was constantly in contact with the progress of the movement here and abroad, was continuously giving of his counsel, energies and substance to the upbuilding of Falestine. Brandeis was not a "heutral".

Robert Szold is of course a very active member of the official family of the Zionist Organization of America and of the Zionist Emergency Committee. He is in constant attendance at meetings and gives of his time and of his services to the movement unsparingly. Nor has Felix Frankfurter been a "neutrel". At decisive moments his cooperation could always be counted upon to serve the cause. He has at all times been ready to speak the necessary word and to see the right people in order to advance the cause of Zionism. Mr. Greeman

January 26, 1942

All three of them have been devoted advocates of a cause and have not been content with the role of "bringing contending factions into harmony," however important such a role is.

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With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

There has been an opinion shared by most of the pecple in the Synagogue Council that on the Boards of fund-raising institutions such as the U.P.A. and the U.J.A. representation ought to be provided for the Synagogue Council, which represents the organized religious life in American Jewry. It is pointed out that Habbis and Congregations are expected to, and in fact, play an important part in fund-raising, and that it would make them feel a closer sense of integration and responsibility if such representation could be provided.

I talked the matter over with Ress yesterday and he agreed with me on the following formula, which is hereby recommended on behalf of the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth.

Each of the three rabbinical and three lay organizations constituting the Synagogue Council is to name one representative to the National Council of the U.P.A., which, as you know, includes one thousand names. The Synagogue Council as such is to name two, - one a layman and one a rabbi. These eight in a body of a thousand would hardly affect the complexion of the Council as a whole. To the Administrative Committee the Synagogue Council shall have the privilege of naming two. These two, out of a body of one hundred, would hardly make a difference in structure or policy.

I talked about it with Montor and of course he is entirely in agreement and feels that it may even prove to be helpful.

I cannot think of any possible objection but I do not want to orystallize this thought without having your approval.

I wonder whether you would favor the same formula with regard to the U.J.A. If you would favor it, I am sure that Jonah Wise would readily agree.

With all good wishes, I am

Codially yours,

Dr Israel Goldstein, President.

February 5, 1942

Dr. Israel Goldstein, President Jewish National Fund of America 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Goldstein:

In reply to your letter of January 30 in which you raise the question of representation on the Council and Administrative Conmittee of the United Palestine Appeal of the Synagogue Council and its constituent organizations, I should like to suggest that the matter be discussed at a future meeting of the Administrative Committee of the UPA. If organized bodies are to be represented on the UPA, then we should have to include others besides the Synagogue Council, such as the B'nai B'rith, other fraternal orders, and any other groups which have been sending either dficial delegates or on-lookers to our annual conferences. There are other questions to be considered. The UPA has been able to function with little friction because it was composed of individuals not of people officially representing organizations. Such official representatives might conceivably be forced to refer tack to their organizations natters on the agenda of the UPA. This would throw matters of concern to the UPA into the Boards of other organizations. While the number of representatives might be limited, the fact that they will represent very large and important organizations may give their opinions weight far beyond their numerical strength.

I would suggest that we go very slowly in the matter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABS: EX

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

41 EAST 42ND STREET

NEW YORK CITY

February 9, 1942

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Radio Station WEVD of New York has allotted the United ^Palestine Appeal three fifteen-minute weekly programs in which to present our story on "Palestine In A World At War". They have asked that you as National Chairman open this series, which will either be scheduled on Thursdays at 9:15 P.M. or Fridays at 10:30 P.M. Eastern War Time.

Would it be possible for you to meet this request for Thursday, February 19th or Friday, February 20th, or else Thursday, February 26th or Friday, February 27th? We are hoping one of these times can be combined with some event which necessitates your being in New York.

Since your selection will determine the opening of the series, the station would appreciate an immediate reply. The broadcast will be in interview form and with your permission we could prepare a script subject to your final approval.

May I expect your early acceptance?

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Matthew Huttner Field Representative

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, East 105th Street and Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Gilver:

When I received your letter of January 26, my first impulse was to conclude that you had misread my letter of December 30. Being a lawyer, however, in accordance with the tradition long existing at the bar, I went back to my letter of December 30 to see whether my letter was open to the construction which you placed on it, and I am afraid it is, although entirely unintentional on my part.

I did not mean to say that Brandeis, Frankfurter and Szold were neutrals. When I referred to the fact that they recognized "this situation", I was referring to my own non-assumption of any leading position in any of the organizations which are involved in controversies one with another.

You might very well ask how do I distinguish my own case from theirs, and my answer is that at the time when they became leaders our great need was leaders. Today, there are plenty of capable leaders, and if anything, I should say there are more than are necessary. What is needed is the voice of those who can still the most violent and acute strife among certain elements surpassing in intensity anything which has occurred in the particular field since the original philipics of our friend Phillipson and his associates.

I have just returned from a trip from the Southwest, partly professional and partly social. I visited four places - Kansas City, Dallas, Galveston and Austin, and I spent most of my time preaching tolerance of the views of others. I have no doubt that you find the same thing in your own Congregation at Cleveland. I have even

20 PINE STREET

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, -2- February 9, 1942.

heard it said that the Union of American Hebrew Congregations was now a branch of the Zionist Organization of America, and the Hebrew Union College about to become an institution for the dissemination of Zionist propaganda.

So let well enough alone and leave me where I am. If you come to New York and have a free moment and would like to discuss it further, very well, but otherwise let this be the last of the correspondence on the subject.

With best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

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P. S. You will be interested in knowing that I declined a position on the J.D.C. for a similar reason. FFG:H FFG. M

February 11, 1942

Mr. Matthew Huttner United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Huttners

I wish I were free to accept the invitation of Radio Station WEVD, but I am afraid I cannot commit ayself to any special date for a visit to New York City. My plans are very indefinite at this time. In all probability I shall be on the Pacific Coast around February 20.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND OF AMERICA

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41 EAST 42ND STREET

NEW YORK, N. Y.
TELEPHONE: VANDERBILT 6-3780

February 12, 1942.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

I have your letter of February 5th regarding the Synagogue Council in relation to the United Palestine Appeal.

I should be the last one to suggest anything which would complicate the workings of the United Palestine Appeal. It did not occur to me that there would be the possibility of such complications. Upon thinking about the matter, as a result of your suggestion, I can see that perhaps such a difficulty might arise in a discussion on whether to have a joint compaign with the J.D.C. or a separate campaign for the U.P.A. alone.

Perhaps the situation might be remedied if we make the representation a nominal one, restricting it to the larger body which consists of one thousand names and which is never called in for decisions. This suggestion would meet the argument that some kind of official recognition is merited by virtue of the fact that the Synagogues and Rabbis throughout the country are always called on and expected to give their utmost cooperation to our campaigns. I doubt if B'nai B'rith, to which you refer, has the same relationship to the U.P.A. as the Synagogues and Rabbis.

If, after thinking this matter over again, you still feel opposed to the suggestion, I would prefer to let the matter rest and not bring it up for discussion at our Administrative Committee. As long as the Synagogue Council is not making the request officially, it would not be fair to it to project a discussion which might result in a negative decision. The proposal, if it has your approval, should come rather as an invitation to the Synagogue Council.

dially yours, QLA President

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NEW YORK OFFICE

March 4, 1942.

MIL-S INDIANAPOLIS, IND. ORENADA, MISS.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

I believe you will be interested in the attached summary of a meeting held at my home last Sunday night of 59 men for the purpose of planning the Indianapolis Jewish Welfare Fund campaign this year.

This is the first time I have ever been chairman and I am employing a new technique which is to have a representative group of the men in the city first learn the facts about the needs, and then have them establish a quota.

Our campaign starts April 12th with the big dinner I told you about, that is to be at the Riley where we expect to have 700 men and women present. You will recall that I told you that we have arranged to have Dr. Frank Kingdon but if for any reason he is unable to keep the engagement, I am definitely counting upon you to pinch-hit. I know you do not like to leave Cleveland on Sunday and that is why I did not press you to accept the engagement in the first place, except to secure your promise that if Dr. Kingdon could now show up, that you would do the honors.

Dr. Kingdon has promised to come out by train instead of by plane. We have evem gotten him to cancel a Sunday morning broadcast so that he could do that. Therefore, if there is anything to prevent his being here that Sunday, we should be able to get word to you that Sunday morning in sufficient time to enable you to catch the noon train for Indianapolis.

An interesting thing about the meeting Sunday night was that the men who came to the meeting practically all had their minds made up before the meeting that the Welfare Fund campaign this year would call for less money and that the needs were less, and certainly they were in the mood for less giving. I felt therefore that I would be lucky if I got them to establish a quota of \$151,000 and it wouldn't have surprised me if they had talked about a quota much lower. However, prectically every one in the meeting insisted that the quota must be considerably higher, which indicates how completely sold they were on what the need is this year and the interest they are taking in the work.

With kindest personal regards.

L.L.Goodman /w Encl.

Sincerely yours, Layur Josefman

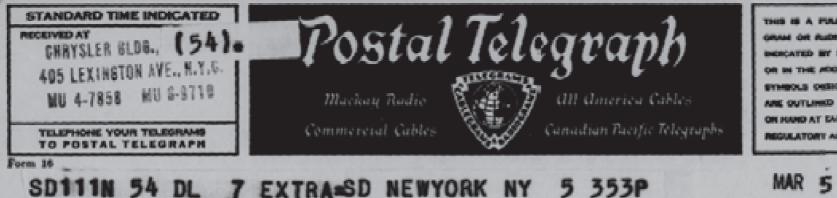
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March 4, 1942.

P.S.

I just had a meeting with our committee to set the quota and they established the quota at \$168,000. or 20% increase over last year. I enclose a copy of the happenings of that meeting for your information.



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March 10, 1942

Mr. Lagare L. Goodman National Silk Hosiery Mills, Inc. Indianapolis, Indiana

My dear Mr. Goodman:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of Masch 4 to Rabbi Silver. Nabbi Silver has left for England and will be gone for several weeks. When he returns to Cleveland I shall be pleased to refer your letter to his attention.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



NEW YORK OFFICE 385 FIFTH AVE. CALEDONIA 5-3311

March 11, 1942.

MILLS DAVIDSON AND MICHIGAN INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Miss Bessie Kline, The Temple, East 105th St. at Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Miss Mine:

Wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 10.

Can you tell me the approximate date Rabbi Silver is expected to return to Cleveland?

Thanking you in advance for your reply, I am

Sincerely. 2 Joodum

L.L.Goodman/m

March 12, 1942

Mr. L. L. Goodman National Silk Hosiery Mills, Inc. Indianapelis, Indiana

My dear Hr. Goodmans

As far as we know now, Rabbi Silver plans to return from England some time during the latter ten days of March. I regret that I can be no more specific than this.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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National Chairmen William Rosenwald Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Rabbi Jonah B. Wise 342 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

March 19, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Attention: Miss Iline

Dear Miss Kline:

I believe that upon his return Dr. Silver will be interested in the attached copy of the Speakers Manual of the United Jewish Appeal for 1942.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours, awrince Lould Lawrence Gould

Director, Speakers Bureau

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER= 2 EAST 105TH STREET= CLEVELAND OHIO=

WAS EXTREMELY HAPPY TO WELCOME YOU THIS MORNING UPON YOUR SAFE ARRIVAL AND WISH TO REPEAT OUR PLEA THAT YOU APPEAR AT SEDER TOMORROW NIGHT AT HOTEL COMMODORE AND MAGNIFICENT THIRD ASTOR WHERE 5.000 ARDENT ZIONISTS WILL EAGERLY AWAIT YOUR MESSAGE. AIRPLANE TICKET WAS SENT YOU AND RESERVATIONS MADE ON UNITED AIRLINES. PLEASE DO UTMOST NOT TO DISAPPOINT 3:00 PM GATHERING DEDICATING THIS PASSOVER TO JEWISH RENAISSANCE. GREAT



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

APRIL 5, 1942

Isaac Hamlin 324 W. 224th St. New York, N.Y.

DEEPLY REGRET MY INABILITY TO ATTEND THIRD SEDER TONICHT. HAD LOOKED FORWARD WITH KEENEST ANTICIPATION TO MY ATTENDANCE. UNFORTUNATELY THE LONG DELAY IN RETURNING TO THIS COUNTRY HAS MADE IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT FOR ME TO ATTEND. ON TOP CF IT ALL A DEAR FRIEND AND OLD MEMBER OF TEMPLE PAS ED AWAY AND I MUST OFFICIATE AT FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON. PLEASE CONVEY TO GATHERING MY WARMEST GREETINGS. I HOPE TO BE OF SERVICE TO YOU AT SOME FUTURE TIME.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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H. ARIAL ASSOCIATE SECRETARY April 11, 1942

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver 2 East 105th Street Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I need not tell you how disappointed we all were that you could not make our Third Seder last Sunday evening as it was a truly great demonstration on behalf of Palestine. Your presence would have lent the proper climax to an otherwise splendid affair.

However, our guests in both hotels were appreciative of the physical limitations that prevented your coming and received your telegram very warmly. We hope that soon another occasion will present itself when you will be our guest at a Histadrut function.

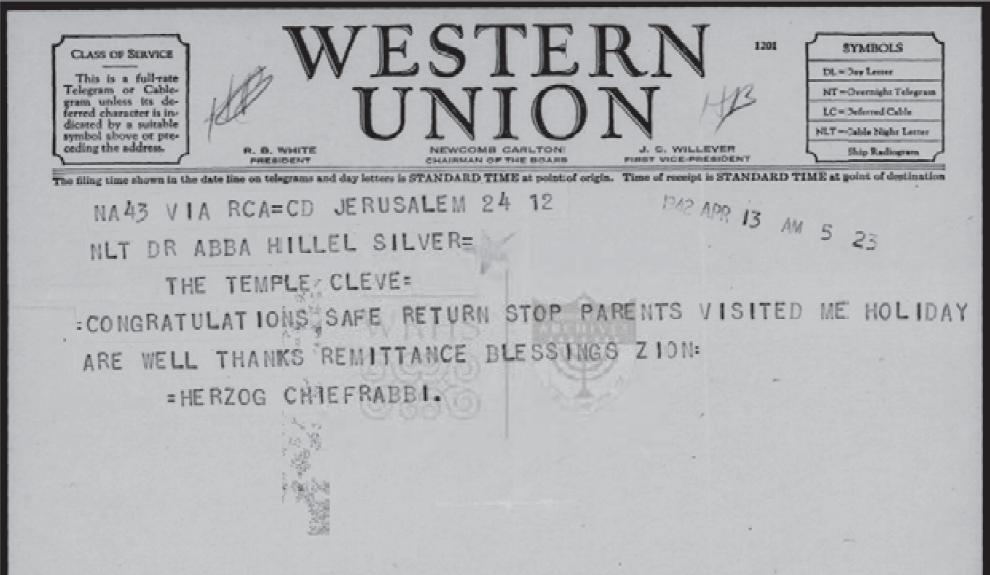
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Sincerely yours,

ISAAC HAMLIN, National Secretary

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... Under Clouds of War-Histadrut Builds and Defends!



April 14, 1942

Mr. Isaac Hamlin, Nat'l Secretary National Committee for Palestine 275 Seventh Ave. New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Hamling

I am enclosing herewith the exchange order which you requested me to send to you.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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Miss Bessie Kline c/o Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver 2 East 105th Street Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

We have already written to Rabbi Silver expressing our disappointment at his failure to attend our Third Seder last Sunday. Our people were naturally disappointed that he was not present in person but they understood the unavoidable situation which prevented him from coming. The Rabbi's telegram was warmly received and we hope that another occasion will soon present itself when he can be with us.

I am writing to you to ask for the return of the airplane voucher which we sent last week. We need this in order to obtain a refund on the ticket. I should appreciate your sending it to us immediately.

Sincerely yours,

ISMAC HAMLIN, National Secretary

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. Under Clouds of War-Histadrut Builds and Defends!

April 17, 1942,

Hr. Frederick F. Greenman, Chairman Allotment Committee of 1941 United Jewish Appeal 20 Pine Street New York City

Dear Mr. Greenmant

A situation has arisen in terms of financial relationships affecting the United Jewish Appeal which I believe might most equitably be passed upon by the 1941 Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal.

The facts in brief are as follows: Early in 1941 when independent sampaigns had been launched by the three sgencies which compose the United Jevish Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee inaugurated a "Matsoth Fund", through which it received in each and pledges in excess of \$100,000.

It has been the contention of the United Palestine Appeal that this sum should be turned over to the United Jewish Appeal in the same manner as all other income which came to the three ageacies from January, 1941 through December 31, 1941.

The Joint Distribution Committee has disputed that position, and has declined to make that sum available to the common resources of the United Jewish Appeal, even though the New York United Jewish Appeal of 1941 has carried the amount obtained from the Natsoth Fund on its books as part of its proceeds in New York Wity, although the money itself yeat to the Joint Distribution Committee and was exclusively used by it.

The Joint Distribution Consittee has asserted that the soney represented a transmittal item and was not income for the carpaign, although a public fund-raising effort for this purpose was conducted in the newspapers, through literature and other media

Inarsmich as \$100,000 is a substantial item, I believe that the problem of its disposal might well be considered by a body like the 1941 Allstment Committee of the United Javish Appeal.

You are aware, of course, that Night of Stars is held annually in New York to raise funds for the United Palestine Appeal. This is an

Nr. Frederick F. Greenman

institution which has been carried on for the past eight years for the United Palestine Appeal. Nevertheless during the life of the United Jewish Appeal the United Palestine Appeal has made the proceeds from Night of Stars available to the United Jewish Appeal, even though it was specifically a United Palestine Appeal fund-raising effort.

The income of the 1941 Hight of Stars to the United Palestine Appeal might be placed in the same category as the Matsoth Fund of the Jaint Distribution Committee. The United Falestine Appeal has never challenged the right of the United Jewish Appeal to the income from Hight of Stars, and believes that if it is just that the proceeds of the Hight of Stars should be made available to the United Jewish Appeal, the same procedure should apply to the special fund of the Joint Distribution Committee.

Ney I ask that this matter be placed on the agenda of the Allotment Conmittee for its next meeting, which I understand is to be called to consider the distribution of an additional sum of from \$500,000 to \$600,000 of the 1941 United Jewish Appeal.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver National Chairman

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Copy for Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Dr. Jonah B. Wise sidor Coope

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May 1, 1942

AIR WAIL

Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith, Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago, Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago, 128 North Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois. Dear Sam:

I shall be at your service on Thursday, the 14th, and shall follow the suggestions made in your letter of April 29th.

I am sending a copy of your letter to Rabbi Silver and he will let us know if he can join us at the time indicated.

Thanking you for your help and cooperation and with kindest personal regards,

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Sincerely yours,

Jonah B. Wise

JBW/ks

cc - Mr. Isidor Coons Dr. Abba H. Silver Mr. Henry Montor

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> JEWISH WELFARE FUND OF CHICAGO 128 NORTH WELLS STREET, CHICAGO

> > April 29, 1942

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise 35 East 62nd Street New York City

Dear Jonah:

I am going to write the members of the Board of the Welfare Fund and ask them to hold a luncheon on Thursday, May 14th. I know that those who can come will be glad to meet with you.

Might I humbly suggest that if the J.D.C. and the other participants in the U.J.A. have fairly definite plans for the future, you might talk them over with the folks here when you meet them? It is going to be a long time between campaigns, and you are going to meet them after, I believe, they will have pretty well distributed all the money raised in this campaign.

Since we distribute very little, as I have indicated before to you, comparatively speaking, to organizations other than those comprising the United Jewish Appeal, your meeting ought to be primarily educational, factual, and somewhat inspirational.

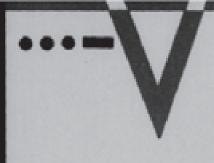
I trust you will understand that this is merely a suggestion from

Your humble servant,

(signed) SAM

SAMUEL A. GOLDSMITH





L. L. GOODMAN 1942 Campaign Chairman MRS, J. A. GOODMAN, Chairman Waman's Div. MRS. DAVID LURVEY, Co-choirmon

May 2, 1942

Rabbi Hillel Silver Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

I am pleased to report to you that Indianapolis reached its quota of \$168,000.00 in its Jewish Welfare Campaign this year, as compared to \$139,500.00 raised last year.

When I saw you in Chicago, I told you we were going to have a successful campaign and you told me you were sure of it.

I found the argument that I mentioned to you in Chicago about this being a campaign of hope to be very effective because with the end of Hitler in sight with an Allied victory, I said it gave us the opportunity to bring permanent relief to the Jews of Europe.

People enjoyed giving and, for your further information. will tell you that the April 12th dinner in the Riley Room had over 600 people present and \$121,000.00 was given voluntarily that night, compared to \$96,000.00 from the same givers the year before.

I knew you would enjoy hearing these facts, so I am sending them on to you.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours, Lugue Jortwan

L. L. Goodman, Chairman JEWISH WELFARE-DEFENSE CAMPATON

LLG/s

P.S. My cousin, Nate Lewis, told me he met you in London.

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May 5, 1942

Mr. L. L. Goodman, Chairman Jewish Welfare Fund 210 Chamber of Commerce Bldg. Indianapolis, Indiana

My dear Mr. Goodman:

I was delighted to receive your letter of May 2 and the heartening information that Indianapolis raised such a large sum of money, so much above that of last year. Permit me to congratulate you and through you the splendid men and women of your community. What Indianapolis has done will inspire other communities I am sure. I know that you had a leading part in this campaign and you ought to be very gratified at the splendid results.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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May 15, 1942.

Mr. Aaron Sverdlik 1095 Park Avenue New York City

Dear Aaron:

I think you know Judan Levine who is in your industry. I regard him as one of the most beautiful souls that I have met. Your industry knows that he is not a rich man, yet he has given gifts for Jewish causes out of proportion to his means.

For the past several years, he has brought his gifts to me so that I may convey them for him. Yesterday, he and I listened to Weizmann's broadcast for the United Jewish Appeal, Immediately following the broadcast, he made out a check for \$5000.00 to the UJA and gave it to me. I have informed Dr. Weizmann about it and it will, no doubt, bring him a great deal of pleasure.

Mr. Levine makes one suggestion which I believe to be very valuable. He would like to see his gift used as a lever to raise the general level of contributions at the dinner to be held by your industry on May 26th. Believe me when I tell you that he has nothing in mind in the way of personal publicity because, if you know him at all as I know him, you know that he avoids personal publicity and is one of the most truly modest men to be found anywhere.

He believes, however, that just because the industry knows that he is not one if its richest men, some of the really wealthy men in the industry may be influenced by the size of his gift to increase their own gifts considerably. I am sure that if I were at that dinner, I would capitalize on such an opportunity to the full.

Of course, my being at the dinner, even if I should be invited, is out of the question as I shall have to be in St. Louis that evening. You ought to have an outstanding person to make the appeal as stirring a spossible, preferably Dr. Silver. Then you ought to have someone to really use Mr. Levine's gift as a spur to the others.

Cordially yours,

BR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN

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May 18, 1942.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th & Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You may be interested in the enclosed letter, particularly because of the mean attitude of the J.D.C. people regarding Weizmann's broadcast.

Sincerely yours,

DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN



Mr. Lazure L. Goodman The National Silk Hosiery Mills, Inc. Davidson & Michigan Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Lazure:

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Your inquiry as to the right of the Jewish National Fund to secure independent monies through the Golden Book in Indianapolis raises a moot and difficult question. Now in our fourth year, we have more than a little difficulty in establishing a precise interpretation with Mendel Fisher as to what the Jewish National Fund should do and that which they should not do in relation to the United Jewish Appeal. Only last week we had a conference with him in this office to urge that the Jewish National Fund cease causing confusion and conflict in some communities where their activities are in direct competition with the United Palestine Appeal interests in the United Jewish Appeal.

The Jewish National Fund, as you may know, receives fifty per cent of the revenue accruing to the United Palestine Appeal through the United Jewish Appeal. This, of course, represents the major contribution of the American Jewish community to the Jewish National Fund at this time.

The national agreement between the United Palestine Appeal and the Moint Distribution Committee for 1942 provides:

"The traditional collections of the Jewish National Fund are not to be included or to be considered a part of the United Jewish Appeal. However, a report of its new receipts shall be made available to the Allotment Committed. Any income received by the Jewish National Fund through allotment from Welfare Funds is to be considered income for the United Jewish Appeal."

The Jewish National Fund considers the Golden Book as an activity of its "traditional collections."

Obviously, it is shortsighted for the Jewish National Fund to stimulate independent "traditional collection" activity in advance of, during, or in my opinion, immediately after a Welfare Fund campaign. There is not, however, much that we can do about it from the United Jewish Appeal national headquarters, but it seems to me that a community of the size of Indianapolis can, if it wishes, control the situation quite definitely.

As I said, this is the fourth year of our United Jewish Appeal and the problems resulting in conflict with the Jewish National Fund have not been satisfactorily adjusted. I, personally, doubt whether they will ever be. I wish I could be more helpful.

With kind regaris, I am

Cordially yours,

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May 27th, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:-

I have delayed writing you until I could make a proper estimate of what the probable outcome would be af the efforts which we have expended to make our 1922 Campaign a success.

The total amount we raised last year was 2255,000.00. You, perhaps, will recall that the night you opened our Campaign for us, we had 2257,000.00 pledged. This afternoon, a tabulation shows that we have received pledges totalling \$370,000.00. The outlook is that we will succeed in obtaining an additional \$25,000.00, so that the total raised this year will be about \$400,000.00.

For your help, and for the inspiration which you gave us, please accept my very sincere thanks.

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

F. F. Greenman 20 Pine Street New York, N.X. June 2, 1942

DO NOT APPROVE OF PROFESSIONAL REPRESENTING ANY OFGANIZATION ON ALLOTMENT COMMITTEE. COMMITTEE HAS PRIVILEGE OF CALLING IN PROFESSIONALS AT ANY TIME FOR CONSULTATION. MINDEST REGARDS.

Abba Hillel Silver.

20 PINE STREET

June 2, 1942.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, East 105th Street and Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have your telegram today which reads as follows:

"Do not approve of professional representing any organization on Allotment Committee. Committee has privilege of calling in professionals at any time for consultation."

On receipt thereof, I wrote to Mr. Goldwasser, and enclose to you a copy of my letter.

Sincerely yours,

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June 8, 1942

Mr. Joel Gross 744 Broad Street Newark, N.J.

My dear Mr. Grosss

I was delighted to receive your letter informing me of the grand success which you have had in Newark. I could feel, when I was at the meeting, that your inspiring leadership would score a great success. I need not tell you that all of us at the United Jewish Appeal are delighted, and that we are proud of what you have done for the Campaign.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS: BK