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July 2, 1941

Dr. Jonah B. Wise  
35 E. 62nd Street  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Rabbi:

I refrained from speaking at the Monday meeting of the U.J.A. Executive Committee because it was my first meeting. However, I am sure you would like to know my reaction, and hence this letter.

I realize it was a very warm afternoon and perhaps everybody was a bit uncomfortable because of the heat. In addition to the heat, I was made more uncomfortable by reason of the unimportant matters discussed. I do not know what preceded my arrival, which was at 4:00 P.M. promptly. Ten or fifteen minutes were taken up in discussing a matter relating to internal administration, and I refer to the matter of signing checks.

The report of Messrs. Coons and Montor, read by Mr. Coons, was exceedingly good and contained many subjects which merited the consideration of the Committee. Nevertheless, this report was passed over very lightly. While it may not have been advisable to enter into a long discussion of the several questions raised in this report, it might have been well to appoint a smaller committee to give them study and make report at the next meeting of the Executive Committee. The two highspots of the report, in my opinion, were: (1) the reference to the trend discernible in the medium and smaller communities (paragraph 2, page 4), and (2) a revision of the mechanical trends and procedures (last part of paragraph 1, page 6). Both of these matters require careful study, which will likely bring definite recommendations.

The Executive Committee should without delay concern itself with the subject of allotments. It is my opinion that U.J.A. is receiving an inequitable proportion of the funds realized in practically every community. Judge Levinthal and I came over on the train together and we discussed this matter. We both agreed that insofar as our local situation is concerned, and I presume it is likewise elsewhere, the major appeal is made for UJA but it never receives the major portion of the funds realized. 80% of the Appeal is based on UJA, but only approximately 40% is allotted to it. We also discussed this matter with Mr. Montor at the conclusion

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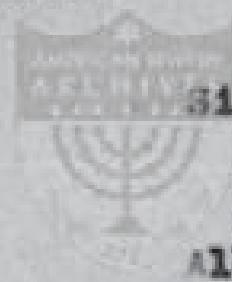
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of the meeting and called to his attention an incident that occurred at a meeting which Judge Levinthal and I attended at noon that very day. This incident clearly supported our point of view.

This letter is sent in confidence as I do not want my local relations disturbed because of the question I raise.

I am sure that you understand that I do not write by way of criticism but rather only with a desire of offering constructive suggestions.



Sincerely yours,

(s) A.H.L.

Albert H. Lieberman

6/2/41

**Columbia University**  
**in the City of New York**

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

July 2, 1941.

Dr. Solomon Lowenstein  
9 Colonial Road  
White Plains, New York

Dear Dr. Lowenstein:

I hasten to put on paper my reactions to our luncheon discussion. Despite my many obligations, I feel myself constrained to give you a positive answer about assuming the directorship of the research for the Allocation Committee on the following general conditions.

I am willing to assume responsibility for the submission to the Allocation Committee in November or December of 1941 of a report of indefinite length - preferably short - of the considerations that should guide the Allocation Committee in disbursing its unexpended funds. In writing the report I shall pay primary attention to the operations of the three agencies involved, but I understand that in drawing up a list of priorities I am to assess not only the past performances but also the future prospects of the agencies.

I assume, therefore, that it will not be part of my duties to audit the books of the three agencies, but only to question the figures that I request from these agencies in reaching a judgment of the agencies' operations.

I am to have full freedom in the selection of my research assistants and it is clearly understood that although I assume final responsibility for the report, I do not contemplate devoting my full time during the coming months to its preparation. Although I do not make it a condition of acceptance, I should like the Committee to agree to publish the final report and any supporting memoranda that might accompany it. It is, of course, understood that this request does not include the publication of confidential statistical materials that the cooperating organizations might not wish to make public.



I think it is difficult for me to submit a detailed budget at this time, but I hope to stay within a \$10,000 limit.

I list a few of the items:

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at the rate of \$85 per week	\$1,600
Accountant	1,200
Economic Consultant	500
Secretary	600
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It is of course understood that I shall not be bound in spending the money by these suggested categories, but shall have the privilege of using my own judgment even to the extent, if luck is with me, of returning some of the money to the Allocation Committee.

In accordance with our conversation, I would prefer that you suggest a figure for my services; I am sure we shall be able to agree.

Since there are good reasons, both from your point of view and my own, to start as soon as possible, I would appreciate it if you would call Silver long distance, and inform me in writing about my appointment and my budget so that I can proceed to make a formal offer to my chief assistant. He will be able to start on Tuesday next and I should prefer to have him with me from the beginning.

I hope that I can do a useful job for the Allocation Committee. This I can tell you - I shall try my best, in terms of the limitations set forth in the foregoing paragraphs.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Eli Ginzberg

EG:RJH

P.S. I am sending this letter Special Delivery to expedite matters in the hope of hearing from you before the holiday.

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July 2, 1941

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

Dear Silver:

This has been a very busy day for me because I had planned to begin my vacation today, but yesterday's multiplicity of meetings made it necessary for me to go in, in an extreme heat, to get things cleared up so this can be only a brief note of progress.

I telephoned Fred Greenman this morning and explained to him the work of the Allotment Committee. He said he would be willing to accept the appointment as one of the neutral members. I am very glad, because I am sure you will find him a very intelligent, objective, fair-minded person with good Jewish background and feeling.

I had lunch with Eli Ginsberg, whom I again found most attractive and who is much interested and will accept the survey job if offered to him. I told him that in my judgment the whole thing should cost not over \$10,000, including his own fee and those of his associates. He will write me within the next few days setting up his budget and indicating his whole attitude in the matter. As soon as I receive it, I shall either send it on to you special delivery, or telephone you long distance, so that we may dispose of it and get to work.

I shall be located, from now on, at 9 Colonial Road, White Plains, New York, telephone number Gladstone 3247.

With kindest greetings, I am

Yours truly,

*Solomon Lowenstein*  
Solomon Lowenstein

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

Dear Silver:

I have just received the enclosed special delivery letter from Eli Ginzberg and have written him that I wanted you to have an opportunity to have it before you in reaching your decision and therefore I am sending it to you instead of telephoning. Will you please return it to me when you have read it and advise me either by telegraph or telephone of your decision. It seems satisfactory to me and if you agree and wish me to conclude the arrangements I shall do so at once. We can discuss the question of his salary when you are here or if you prefer set a figure which seems fair to you now, please do so.

Greetings.

*Samuel Lowenstein*  
Solomon Lowenstein

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July 11, 1941.

Dr. Eli Ginsberg  
438 West 119 Street  
New York City

Dear Dr. Ginsberg:

At a recent meeting of the Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal for 1941, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland, and I were appointed a sub-committee with power to secure a director of research for the work of the Allotment Committee for this year.

I take pleasure, in accordance with our recent conversation, in offering the position to you on behalf of Dr. Silver, and myself for the Allotment Committee, and I trust that it will be possible for you to begin your work at a very early date.

It is understood that the overall cost of this operation shall not exceed \$10,000 and that in due time definite arrangements will be made with you as to the amount of your own fee, which is, of course, included in this sum; with respect to location of offices, etc. Will you kindly advise me of your acceptance of the position for the purpose of formal record.

I am sure that you will find the work interesting and I am delighted to know that you will be associated with us.

Wishing you much success in the task, which is of the greatest importance, I am

Faithfully yours,

Selemon Lowenstein

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

Arthur Lourie  
N. Y.

July 16, 1941

Deeply regret unable attend  
farewell dinner to Weizmann  
tomorrow. Please convey to him  
my most cordial greetings  
A. H. Silver



307 East 44th St.  
New York, N. Y.  
July 18, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been informed by Messrs. Samuel Blitz and Henry Bernstein that my services with the United Jewish Appeal will no longer be required after August 1st.

In January of this year I was approached by responsible officers of the United Palestine Appeal and offered the position of director of women's publicity for the New York office of the United Palestine Appeal.

I was given unqualified assurances of security.

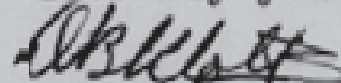
This was a necessary pre-requisite to my acceptance of their offer, for I was at that time editor of Seven Arts Feature Syndicate. I had been continuously in the employ of that organization since the Summer of 1936.

In the memorandum which I received this week no mention is made regarding the intention of the United Jewish Appeal to assume the responsibility for my continued employment.

It is extremely distasteful for me to burden you with this personal problem. In view of the assurances of permanency given me in January by officers of the United Palestine Appeal, however, I find no alternative but to bring this matter to your attention.

I shall appreciate your interest.

Sincerely yours,

  
Diana Klotts

Cc:  
Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom  
Mr. Henry Montor

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August 11, 1941

Dr. Solomon Lowenstein  
71 West 47th St.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Lowenstein:

Upon my return from my vacation I read through the summary of the verbatim minutes of the meeting of the Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal which was held on July 31, 1941. In that report, on page 7, I came upon the following question by Mr. Greenman, and answer given by you:

"Mr. Greenman inquired whether the Allotment Committee had the authority to grant priorities to one of these organizations of the monies coming into the U.J.A.

"Dr. Lowenstein remarked that the Allotment Committee had the authority to do anything it chose to do and that last year it had granted acceleration payments to the N.R.S. out of the funds of the 1940 campaign -- namely the N.R.S. had been given cash priorities."

Your reply given to Mr. Greenman must have been the result of a lapse of memory. The Allotment Committee did not grant accelerated payments to the N.R.S. out of the funds of the 1940 campaign. A reading of the final report of the Allotment Committee for 1940, issued on January 31, 1941 and published in the Inquiry of the U.J.A., page b, will give you the correct version.

"No additional allotment was voted to the National Refugee Service. It appeared that the immediate problems of that beneficiary could be met by an acceleration of payments of the amounts still to be paid from the original allotments made by the United Jewish Appeal and the local New York campaign. The representatives of the JDC and the UPA agreed to recommend such an acceleration of payment to their principals, and since the meeting of December 7, arrangements have been made in this connection. A similar cash shortage by N.R.S. seems likely also to be encountered again in March or April 1941."

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Dr. Lowenstein

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August 11, 1941

You will thus see that it was not the Allotment Committee which "had granted accelerated payments to the NRS out of the funds of the 1940 campaign" but that the "representatives of the JDC and the UPA agreed to recommend such an acceleration of payment to their principals". The decision of whether priority of payments was to be made was left to the JDC and the UPA. The Allotment Committee made no such decision and has no authority to make decisions on the subject of priorities.

I regret that at the very first meeting of the Allotment Committee, when the Director of the Inquiry was in no position to discuss the relative needs of the JDC, UPA and the NRS, not having had time, of course, to make the necessary study, that Mr. Linder thought it would be "an opportune moment to call attention to the particular plight of the NRS" and to take up so much time at the meeting with the needs of the NRS. The UPA also finds itself in a "particular plight" at this moment. I cannot speak, of course, for the JDC. Judge Rothenberg's position, expressed at this meeting was clearly the correct and sensible one: "It was unfair to discuss the NRS independent of a discussion of the needs of the JDC and the UPA, for after all the Allotment Committee was concerned with evaluating the urgency affecting all three organizations."

The tactics of projecting the claims of the NRS before the Allotment Committee at the preliminary organization meeting, when the Director of the Inquiry had no report to make and no information to present to the Committee upon which the Committee could make sound and just decisions is a form of high pressure salesmanship on the part of the NRS or its friends on the Allotment Committee which greatly embittered the deliberations last year and which I trust may be avoided this year.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

(Signed) Abba Hillel Silver.

AHS:BK

Copies to Messrs. Eli Ginzberg, Frederick Greenmar, Harold Linder, Samuel Markell, Charles J. Roserbloom and Judge Morris Rothenberg.

# JEWISH JOURNAL AND DAILY NEWS

NEW YORK CITY

PHONE CANAL 6-7200

DAVID L. MECKLER  
MANAGING EDITOR

August 14, 1941.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver,

The Morning Journal has opened its columns to a broad, all-sided and impartial discussion of the problems in connection with the forthcoming convention of the Zionist Organization of America, and the proposed plan to call a world Zionist conference in America.

We would be glad to print any contribution of yours, as a leader in the Zionist Organization, to the problems of Zionism in general and American Zionism in particular. A condensed statement of several hundred words would be appreciated. With greetings of Zion, I am,

Respectfully yours,

*David L. Meckler*  
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Editor



**1941**  
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**FOR REFUGEES, OVERSEAS NEEDS AND PALESTINE**  
*on behalf of*  
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
 Rabbi Jonah B. Wise

September 10, 1941

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver and  
 Jonah B. Wise, National Chairmen  
 Messrs. I. Edwin Goldwasser and  
 Charles J. Rosenbloom, Co-Treasurers  
 United Jewish Appeal  
 New York City.

Gentlemen:

An additional remittance of \$100,000 has just been received from the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago. With it was the following letter:-

"In accordance with a letter which we have received recently from Dr. Jonah B. Wise, I take pleasure in forwarding to the United Jewish Appeal herewith a check of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago in the sum of \$100,000.

We are forwarding this sum in view of the fact that Dr. Wise indicated the great need for funds, and particularly indicated the great need for funds on behalf of the National Refugee Service. It is the hope of the Directors of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago, with whom I have discussed the matter, that some way will be found by the United Jewish Appeal, in consequence of the suggestion made by the 1940 Allotment Committee that priority be given to the National Refugee Service in the distribution of funds, -- in view of the National Refugee Service's difficult financial position, to make available to the National Refugee Service a considerable portion of the funds now forwarded by us."

There is as of this date in the 1941 national campaign treasury \$288,727.58. The usual procedure would be to give to the Joint Distribution Committee \$128,250, the United Palestine Appeal \$75,750, and the National Refugee Service \$60,000.

As the Accountant for the United Jewish Appeal, I feel that in deference to Mr. Goldsmith I should submit this letter to you. If you decide to follow his suggestion, will you kindly advise me in writing so that in preparing and submitting the necessary checks to the Treasurers, I can show proper authorization for the distribution of funds, as suggested.

Sincerely yours,

Abraham Keller  
 Chief Accountant

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September 10, 1941

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"In accordance with a letter which we have received recently from Dr. Jonah B. Wise, I take pleasure in forwarding to the United Jewish Appeal herewith a check of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago in the sum of \$100,000.

We are forwarding this sum in view of the fact that Dr. Wise indicated the great need for funds, and particularly indicated the great need for funds on behalf of the National Refugee Service. It is the hope of the Directors of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago, with whom I have discussed the matter, that some way will be found by the United Jewish Appeal, in consequence of the suggestion made by the 1940 Allotment Committee that priority be given to the National Refugee Service in the distribution of funds, -- in view of the National Refugee Service's difficult financial position, to make available to the National Refugee Service a considerable portion of the funds now forwarded by us."

There is as of this date in the 1941 national campaign treasury \$288,727.58. The usual procedure would be to give to the Joint Distribution Committee \$128,250, the United Palestine Appeal \$75,750, and the National Refugee Service \$80,000.

As the Accountant for the United Jewish Appeal, I feel that in deference to Mr. Goldsmith I should submit this letter to you. If you decide to follow his suggestion, will you kindly advise me in writing so that in preparing and submitting the necessary checks to the Treasurers, I can show proper authorization for the distribution of funds, as suggested.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Abraham Keller  
Chief Accountant

AK:IH

September 11, 1941

Mr. Abraham Keller, Chief Accountant  
United Jewish Appeal  
542 Madison Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Keller:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of September 10 containing the information that Chicago has remitted \$100,000 and that it has stated that it is the hope of Directors of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago that some way will be found by the United Jewish Appeal to give priority to the National Refugee Service in the distribution of the funds which it forwarded.

I regret that as chairman of the United Palestine Appeal I can not consent to any such arrangement. It is a most unusual procedure for a local community remitting funds which it has raised for the United Jewish Appeal to suggest to the national officers of the United Jewish Appeal how to distribute these funds. Today Chicago asks for priority payments to the National Refugee Service. Tomorrow some other community, moved by another appeal, will ask priority payments for the United Palestine Appeal or the Joint Distribution Committee. In that direction, lies chaos. The national officers are bound by basic agreements arrived at after prolonged negotiations by the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal. These basic agreements state clearly how the initial \$8,800,000 collected in the 1941 campaign shall be allocated. The money received from Chicago falls within that category.

References are made in the Chicago letter to the fact that the Allotment Committee in 1940 suggested to the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee that priority be given to the National Refugee Services in the distribution of funds. The funds involved there were those raised over and above the initial \$8,250,000 originally ear-marked.

Mr. A. Keller

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September 11, 1941

While Dr. Jonah B. Wise's telegram to the community indicated the great need for funds of the National Refugee Service it also indicated that the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal are also in need of funds. Had Dr. Wise consulted me in the sending of his telegram the emphasis of need would not have been so heavily weighted in the direction of one agency as against the others.

The immediate needs of the Jewish refugees in Palestine who find themselves in an active war zone, in a land suffering from the dislocations and privations of a war economy are to my knowledge far greater than the needs of the refugees in New York City who find themselves in the midst of the richest and most prosperous Jewish community in the world, and in a period of mounting employment and a gigantic defense boom.

Very cordially yours,

AMS:BX



*Copies to Hunter  
Rosenblum*

# UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

### National Chairman

Abba Hillel Silver

I have written to Judge Levinthal asking him to name Carl Sherman to take the place on the Executive of Simon Shetzer whom we elected unanimously on Monday as Executive Director.

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I asked Judge Levinthal to do this in order to repair a false impression he made at the convention in saying that I had agreed with him to the exclusion of Carl Sherman, which resulted in the withdrawal of Carl Sherman and others from the list of nominees and thus enabled the convention to avoid a very serious disturbance. Sherman's name had been accepted by the steering committee of the administration which consisted of Heller, Sol Goldman, Shetzer and Judge Fisher, but they said that they were subsequently over-ruled by their own caucus.

### Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

You may not know, but we were insisting at the convention that the status quo of the Executive be maintained in order to remove the impression of purging. This was the general principle to which we adhered throughout. By the act of Judge Levinthal the only name purged from the list of the Executive was that of Carl Sherman. I wrote this to Judge Levinthal and pointed out that it would be an act of magnanimity and fair play for him now to name Carl Sherman in place of Shetzer. The substitution will not alter the majority in the Executive. I am inclined to think Judge Levinthal will do this unless he is persuaded by members of his group to the contrary.

### Associate Treasurers

Abraham L. Liebovitz  
Jacob Sincoff

You could be helpful in this direction if you were to write to Judge Levinthal expressing your opinion on this matter. I know that he has the greatest respect and regard for you. I would greatly appreciate your cooperation in a matter which has embarrassed me very much with the group who were engaged in carrying on the opposition to Mr. Kaufmann.

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Henry Montor

With warm greetings on the New Year, I am

Very cordially yours,

*Louis Lipsky*  
Louis Lipsky

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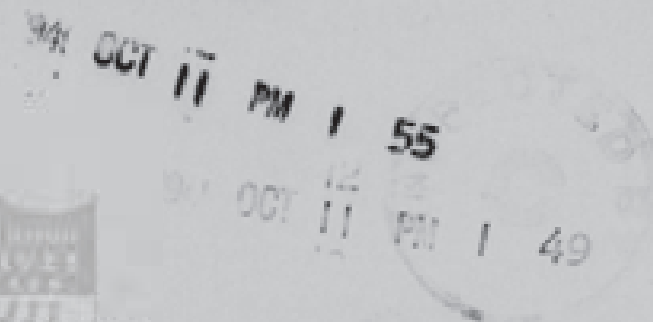
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EXCERPT

October 12, 1941.

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

Dear Henry:

I am rather curious as to what plans are being made by Dr. Silver with reference to the negotiations with the J.D.C. I noted the request of the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds and the reply to Mr. Hollander's communication. It seems to me that it would be helpful if Dr. Silver, Dr. Wise and Judge Rothenberg, who I understand represented the U.P.A. last year, were reappointed for this purpose together with Edmund I. Kaufmann and myself. I should like to talk to you about this matter on Wednesday.

With kindest personal regards,

Cordially yours,

(Signed) Louis E. Levinthal

71 WEST 47 STREET  
NEW YORK CITY

October 20, 1941

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

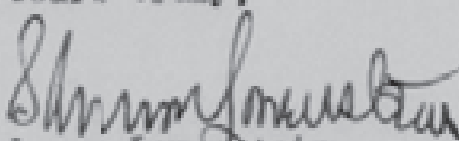
I enclose herewith copy of a statement of expenditures of the Allotment Committee for 1941 to date rendered to me by Eli Ginzberg this morning.

As you will see, we have considerable balance on hand in relation to the authorized appropriation of \$10,000. There will be a few small incidental items still to be paid but the only matter of outstanding importance is the fee to Dr. Ginzberg himself.

I think he did a good job and that his handling of the situation in the meetings of the Allotment Committee was excellent and most useful. I would suggest for him a fee of \$3500, subject to your approval. If you agree with this will you write to me to that effect so that I may have the check drawn. If you have any other sum in mind will you please advise me accordingly.

Thanks and greetings!

Yours truly,

  
Solomon Lowenstein

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KAPLAN HANTKE GRANOVSKY



October 22, 1941

Dr. Solomon Lowenstein  
71 West 47th St.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Lowenstein:

In reply to your letter of October 20 I should like to say that I agree with you fully about the nature of the service which Dr. Ginsberg rendered to the Allotment Committee. His report as well as his comments during the sessions of the Allotment Committee were concise, illuminating and altogether helpful.

I approve of your suggestion that a fee of \$3500 be given to Dr. Ginsberg if he regards that as adequate for his services. I do not recall at the moment what we gave to Mr. Elisha M. Friedman.

I am of the opinion that we ought to get together soon, perhaps before the end of the month, to talk about the 1942 campaign. We are getting near to the end of October. I rather think that if you and I got together for a personal canvass of the whole situation it would be very helpful.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

71 WEST 47 STREET  
NEW YORK CITY

October 24, 1941

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thanks for your letter of October 22 about Eli Ginzberg.

Since I believe the whole matter was referred to you and me with power I shall write to him and tell him to draw a check in favor of himself in the amount of \$3500. - We paid Elisha Friedman \$5000.

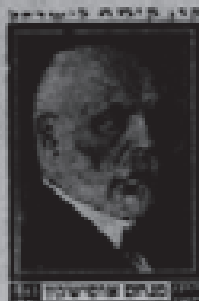
I agree with you that we ought to come together very soon for the negotiations concerning the 1942 campaign but I understand that Leavitt, who called me up yesterday, has been arranging a meeting for October 29.

Kindest greetings to you.

Yours truly,

  
Solomon Lowenstein

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November 2, 1941

*Recd 11/8/41*

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
c/o United Palestine Appeal  
41 East 42nd St.  
New York.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I write to acknowledge with appreciation your kind message of condolence on the passing of our President, Menahem Ussishkin, thirty days ago. Your moving words have touched us deeply for they manifest the close bonds which bound you to our great leader, whom now we mourn with you and all our people. His chair is empty; his room at our Head Office will be preserved as used by him in his lifetime for his daily painstaking labours. Though he has gone from us, his spirit will preside over the Keren Kayemeth Leisrael and, inspired by his work and example, we shall continue the task from which he was called away so suddenly.

Convinced that such would have been his wish, we have, even in our grief not permitted the activity for Geulah Haaretz to which he was devoted, to slacken or be interrupted. It is our firm intention to carry on the sacred heritage he has handed down to us on the lines which he laid down, and which brought the Keren Kayemeth record achievements. Our land possessions now comprise over half-a-million dunams, the value of which far exceeds the investment made. The Fund has become the largest landowner in the country and its rural and urban estates are among the most important tracts in the country. Last year, our net receipts totalled \$620,000.

We propose to enshrine the memory of Menahem Ussishkin in two projects worthy of the purpose: the redemption and development of a tract of land in or around Jerusalem, the City to which he was particularly devoted, both as a symbol, and as the Capital of the country. He was often called "Ish Jerushalayim" - a title of which he was proud. In this city, he lived and built his house: he transferred to it our Jewish National headquarters, and he ever dreamed of its growth and aggrandisement as the centre, not only of our cultural life through the Hebrew University, but also of our political regime.

Secondly, we propose to complete the multiple settlement which already bears his name - Metzudoth Ussishkin - in Upper Galilee. He was much gratified by the establishment of this settlement near the frontier, in the beautiful country of Galilee, and he was proud of the recognition of which it was evidence. But only half the plan has, so far, been executed. Further land and additional settlers are needed, and the completion of Metzudoth Ussishkin will now be a specially sacred obligation.

In conveying to you the particulars of our plans, I feel sure that you will find them of interest, not only as perpetuating the memory of Ussishkin in our land, but also as forwarding the work to which he set his hand, and which, he constantly emphasised, was the foundation and essence of the whole Jewish renaissance.

Believe me to be,

Yours truly,

*A. Granovsky*  
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SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UNITED  
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LOUIS LIPSKY  
CHAIRMAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
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CHARGE - United Palestine Appeal

(SENT TO MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL)



**UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL**

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

cc: Judge Rothenberg  
Sylvan Gotshal  
Nathan Straus  
Stephen S. Wise  
Israel Goldstein

December 3, 1941.

Mr. Louis Lipsey  
386 Fourth Avenue  
New York City

Dear Mr. Lipsey:

I am instructed to advise you of a discussion held and a decision reached by the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal at a meeting in New York on December 1, 1941.

Note was taken of the discussion over an extended period of the possibility of creating a permanent structure of a United Jewish Appeal in New York City. On the question of whether this structure should be in the nature of a welfare fund or merely a mechanism for fund raising purposes for the United Jewish Appeal, it was unanimously decided that the latter was desired.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried:

That the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal favors the creation of a corporation intended to carry on a united fund-raising campaign in Greater New York for the sole benefit of the joint and several interests of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service, and that the objects and purposes of such corporation shall not be altered or amended without the unanimous consent of the said three agencies.

It was further resolved that prior to the final adoption of the charter and by-laws of the said corporation, approval be given by the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Kantor  
Executive Director

EM:ET



December 30, 1941

*Miss Kline*

Mrs. A. F. Wellman  
17120 South Woodland Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Wellman:

In accordance with my letter of December 29th, there are being sent to you under separate cover by registered mail, 500 tickets of admission to the Banquet Session of the National Conference for Palestine at the Hotel Statler, Sunday evening, January 18th. These tickets are numbered from 100 to 600. I assume that you and your associates will handle these tickets on the same basis as any other tickets of admission priced at \$2.50.

Undoubtedly with your experienced background, you have evolved a procedure for the disposal of these tickets. Presumably, each of the organizations will endeavor to obtain from among its members reservations which can then be distributed upon the receipt of money.

Please advise me if there is any cooperation that we can give you at this end. Allow me to assure you once again that we are all appreciative of the fine spirit that you and the other leaders of the Cleveland community are endeavoring to make a success of the National Conference for Palestine.

Looking forward to seeing you in Cleveland and to the pleasure of greeting you in person, I am

Cordially yours,

HM:JB

Henry Mentor  
Executive Director

[December 1941?] ]

COPY

My dear Dr. Silver: -

I regret that owing to a protracted illness (since May 1941) I shall be unable to attend this conference. I have been dreaming to spend a day with you my classmate at "Etz Chaim".

(signed in Hebrew:) Tuvia

Dr. David H. Mendelsohn  
576 Broadway  
Paterson, New Jersey



January 8, 1942

Dr. David H. Mendelsohn  
578 Broadway  
Paterson, N.J.

My dear Friends:

I am sorry that you will not be able to attend the Conference of the United Palestine Appeal, more especially because of the reason for it, namely, your protracted illness. I hope that you will soon recover and that I may have the pleasure of seeing you in the near future.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

*Mr. Silver*

January 8, 1943

Judge Louis E. Levinthal  
606 City Hall  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Lou:

Once again the problem has arisen of the annual issue to be devoted to the National Conference for Palestine of the UPA. It is the usual custom for the New Palestine to devote its issue after the National Conference to the proceedings of that assembly, which are always, of course, of great importance to Zionist sentiment throughout the country.

Mr. Alpert calls my attention to the fact that if the issue is to represent properly the proceedings of the Cleveland Conference, an additional sixteen pages will be required, involving an additional expense to the United Palestine Appeal of at least \$1,200.

It is suggested that in view of the services that the ZOA has undertaken to render to the UPA, it might be deemed a minimum obligation for the ZOA to provide at least this one large issue to the interests of the United Palestine Appeal which are, of course, the interests of Palestine and of the ZOA generally. Do you not agree that this expense should be borne by the ZOA as a further expression of its service to the UPA instead of placing an additional financial obligation upon the budget of the UPA which has already been out \$40,000 this year?

With warmest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor  
Executive Director

HM:EE



DR. JOSHUA LOTH LIEBMAN  
TEMPLE ISRAEL  
BOSTON, MASS.

STUDY OF THE RABBI  
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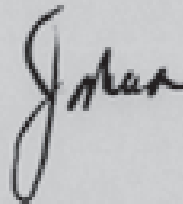
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
E 105th St at Ansel Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Last Saturday night you were so  
besieged by admirers that I did  
not have a chance to congratulate  
you on your magnificent address.  
I really did enjoy it tremendously  
and I want you to know how much I  
appreciated it.

With warmest personal greetings,  
I am -

Most cordially yours,



JLL:brb

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

THE FEDERAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATOR

WASHINGTON

January 26, 1942

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I wish to acknowledge and thank you for your  
generous and cordial letter of January 21.

If I made any contribution to the success of  
the program, I am indeed very happy.

With kindest regards, and every good wish, I  
am

Very cordially yours,

(Signed) PAUL V. McNUTT

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

January 26, 1942

Dr. Joshua Loth Liebman  
Temple Israel  
Longwood Ave. at Plymouth St.  
Boston, Mass.

*Handwritten signature*  
My dear Dr. Liebman:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in writing to me about the meeting of the United Palestine Appeal in Cleveland. I am happy to know that you enjoyed my address. It was a good meeting and I believe that it will help our cause throughout the country.

With all good wishes and hoping that I will have the pleasure of seeing you soon, perhaps at the Conference in Cincinnati, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:RC

January 28, 1942

Robert F. Wagner, Chairman  
American Palestine Committee  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wagner:

The Jewish people in Palestine, not only through the greatness of their accomplishments in that land, but also through their zeal and fervor to fight the enemies of democracy, have demonstrated their right to fight under their own Flag and unite. They crave for this privilege. They have made a valiant struggle in developing a barren wasteland into a fertile habitable land.

I gladly join with them in hoping and praying that the Jewry of Palestine shall be permitted to fight as an individual unit under the Palestinian Jewish Flag.

Very truly yours,

Mayor,  
City of Cleveland

FJL:vt



January 29, 1942

Rabbi Irving Miller  
701 Bolton Avenue  
Far Rockaway  
Long Island, N.Y.

My dear Rabbi Miller:

I understand that at the last Executive Committee meeting of the United Palestine Appeal, held in New York prior to the National Conference, it was decided to name a committee to draft a list of people who would represent the UPA on the Board of Directors of the New York UJA, and that you were named as Chairman of the Committee. I wish that you would proceed to draft such a list at your earliest convenience (or two lists -- members and board) which should be presented to the next meeting of the Executive of the National UPA. You might wish to add to your Committee the names of Sylvan Gotshal, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Charles Ress, David Wertheim and Mr. Montor.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

# PROGRESSIVE SYNAGOGUE

1515 FORTY-SIXTH STREET

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

RABBI

DR. THEODORE N. LEWIS

January 30, 1942

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

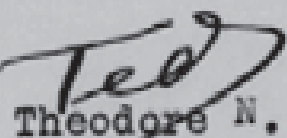
I have just had occasion to examine the current issue of The New Palestine which contains your splendid address delivered before the Cleveland United Palestine gathering.

I was a bit shocked to discover that for the ~~last~~ <sup>coming</sup> year the National Refugee Service has had the insolence to request and the good fortune to receive the ~~some~~ of two million dollars, which is only five <sup>hundred</sup> thousand dollars less Palestine will receive from American Jews. Certainly there must be something wrong with such disproportionate allocations. You may be interested to know that the editorial staff of the Reconstructionist has been greatly exercised, as undoubtedly many Jews in the land have been, by the increasing demands of the National Refugee Service, upon the funds of American Jews.

May I hear from you regarding the above?

With kind personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

  
Theodore N. Lewis.

tnl;sb

February 4, 1942

Dr. Theodore N. Lewis  
Progressive Synagogue  
1515 Forty-Sixth Street  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Lewis:

Thank you for your letter of January 30. The National Refugee Service under the terms of the 1942 agreement will actually receive \$725,000 less than in 1941. In 1941 the National Refugee Service received \$2,000,000 of the initial allocation, and \$725,000 from the Allotment Committee. Under the new arrangements for 1942, the National Refugee Service will receive nothing from the Allotment Committee. Any amounts raised over and above those initially allocated will be distributed between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal.

You will recall that I led the fight on the large appropriations to the NRS last year which for a time actually disrupted the United Jewish Appeal. I am glad to say that the allocations to the NRS have steadily decreased. Thus in 1940, the NRS received \$3,500,000; in 1941, \$2,725,000; and in 1942, \$2,000,000. I agree with you that the amount is still excessive.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

JACOBSON GREENFELD & CO.  
Certified Public Accounts  
285 Madison Avenue  
New York

February 10, 1942

Mr. Charles Hess, Chairman,  
Board of Directors,  
Palestine Foundation Fund  
(Keren Hayesod), Inc.,  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

We have completed our examination of the books and accounts of the Palestine Foundation Fund (Keren Hayesod), Inc. for the year ended December 31, 1941, and are submitting herewith our report which includes the following statements:

Exhibit "A" - Balance Sheet-December 31, 1941.

Exhibit "B" - Statement of Income and Expenses and Distribution  
of Net Income for the Year Ended December 31, 1941.

Schedule 1 - Requests and Contributions for the Year ended  
December 31, 1941.

Schedule 2 - National Headquarter Expenses for the Year ended  
December 31, 1941.

Schedule 3 - Remittances to Keren Hayesod Ltd.-Payments for  
Keren Hayesod Ltd. and Payments for Jewish Agency  
for the Year ended December 31, 1941.

Schedule 4 - Keren Hayesod Ltd. Emergency Loan Fund Expenses for  
the Year Ended December 31, 1941.

Exhibit "C" - Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements for the  
Year Ended December 31, 1941.

The scope of our examination and the extent to which we verified the assets and liabilities appearing on the appended Balance Sheet are detailed in the following comments.

CASH - \$53,370.21

At December 31, 1941 the organization had balances available for general purposes consisting of:

Cash on Deposit With:

The National City Bank of New York  
13th Street and Fifth Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

\$47,336.86

Less-Amount Reserved for  
Payment of Emergency  
Loan Notes

2,650.00

\$44,686.86

Sterling National Bank & Trust Company  
Broadway at 39th Street  
New York, N. Y.

658.35



The Public National Bank & Trust Company	
Delancey and Orchard Streets	
New York, N. Y.	
Total Cash in Banks	\$ 8,000.00
Cash on Hand	\$53,345.21
	25.00
<u>Total</u>	\$53,370.21

We reviewed the cash receipts and disbursements for the year by tracing receipts into the banks and by comparing cancelled vouchers with disbursements recorded on the books. The monthly bank statements were reconciled with the book records and the balances on deposit at the close of the year were directly confirmed to us by the depositories.

A count of the cash on hand made on January 21, 1942 was reconciled with the ledger balance at the statement date.

CASH IN BANK-RESERVED FOR PAYMENT OF  
EMERGENCY LOAN NOTES - \$2,650.00

The sinking fund provided for repayment of emergency loan notes was merged with the regular funds of the organization after payment of the outstanding notes with the exception of notes in the amount of \$2,650.00. We have segregated from the balance in The National City Bank of New York a like sum to provide for the payment of the outstanding notes when presented to the organization.

ADVANCES AND LOANS - \$193,243.00

Zionist Organization of America	\$ 20,859.26
No change took place in this balance during the year 1941.	

Palestine Exhibits, Inc.	123,683.84
The balance due January 1, 1941 was increased during the year by the sum of \$1,404.59 representing the liquidation of liabilities and payment of storage charges for the account of the debtor.	

Hechalutz Organization of America	11,000.00
At December 31, 1940 advances to this organization amounted to \$3,000.00. On January 10, 1941 these advances were increased by \$8,000.00 representing the proceeds of monies borrowed by your organization from the Public National Bank & Trust Company which were remitted to the debtor.	

Mizrachi Organization of America	22,680.00
This item covers loan made by Keren Hayesod Ltd. of Palestine to Mizrachi in Jerusalem. Repayment of the obligation is to be made by Mizrachi in the United States to your organization in equal monthly installments of \$630.00 commencing with April 1, 1941. The payments received by your organization are to be remitted to Keren Hayesod Ltd. of Palestine. The first collection made on this item was received by your organization in January, 1942 covering all the installments payable up to that time.	



Dr. Chaim Weitzman \$ 1,480.00  
This amount was advanced for traveling expenses for the Blumenfeld family at the request of Dr. Weitzman.

L. Istorick 5,602.55  
This item covers advances made during 1941 to Mr. Istorick.

Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs 7,895.40  
This balance has been arrived at as follows:  
Advances to the Committee during 1941 \$ 8,000.00  
Payments made for their account 6,435.54  
Total \$14,435.54  
Payments made by the Committee for the account of Jewish Agency for Palestine 6,540.14  
Balance \$ 7,895.40

Ben Gurion 41.95  
Payment made for the account of Dr. Silver

Total \$193,243.00

SUNDRY ASSETS - \$3,203.49

Bonds - \$150.00

Your organization has on hand the following 6<sup>1/2</sup> bonds due January 1, 1943 issued by the Town of Tel-Aviv, Jaffa, Palestine:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
D179	\$10
D231	10
E106	5
E109	<u>5</u>
	<u>\$30</u>

We examined the bonds.

Postage Fund - \$25.00

Postage on hand for use by the organization.

Deposit - \$425.00

Your organization has a deposit in the aforesaid amount with the Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc.

Furniture and Fixtures - \$2,603.49

Furniture and fixtures are carried on the books of your organization at a cost of \$3,617.13. Depreciation at the rate of 10% per annum has been applied thereto leaving a net depreciated value of \$2,603.49 at the close of 1941.

LOANS AND ADVANCES - \$50,713.82

Included herein are:

Notes Payable-Bank	\$ 8,000.00
This item covers note held by the Public National Bank & Trust Company payable on January 12, 1942. The proceeds of this loan were turned over to the Hechalutz Organization of America, Inc.	
Due to Keren Hayesod Ltd.	22,680.00
The funds for the liquidation of this liability are to be received from Mizrachi Organization of America. Payments are to be made monthly commencing with April 1, 1941 at the rate of \$630.00 per month. No collections were received from Mizrachi in 1941 but in January, 1942 the amounts in arrears were received by your organization and remitted to Palestine.	
Dr. Nahum Goldman	20,000.00
In accordance with instructions of the Jewish Agency a special reserve in the amount of \$35,700.00 was set up in 1941 to be utilized by Dr. Goldman. During the year payments of \$15,700.00 were made to Dr. Goldman.	
Miscellaneous Items	<u>33.82</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$50,713.82</u>

#### NOTES PAYABLE-EMERGENCY LOAN - \$2,650.00

The aggregate sum of notes issued for this purpose was \$419,600.00. At December 31, 1941 notes in the amount of \$2,650.00 had not been presented for payment. We examined the redeemed notes and found them to be in order.

#### EMERGENCY LOAN INTEREST ON NOTES PAYABLE - \$31.65

The following interest coupons were outstanding at the close of 1941:

<u>Due</u>	<u>Amount</u>
October 1, 1940	\$ 2.29
January 1, 1941	2.82
April 1, 1941	3.42
July 1, 1941	9.70
October 1, 1941	<u>13.42</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$31.65</u>

#### SURPLUS - \$199,071.23

The surplus of the organization increased during the year by the sum of \$60,120.50 representing the undistributed net income for the year.

#### OPERATIONS

Exhibit "B" and supporting schedules set forth the net income for the year 1941. These statements present only such income as has been received by your organization in cash and do not give effect to the distributive portions of income collected through campaigns conducted with other organizations which have not been definitely appropriated and received by your organization.

The net income for the year aggregated \$1,711,717.27 from which distributions of \$1,651,596.77 were made leaving a balance of \$60,120.50 of undistributed net income.

We wish to express our appreciation for the courtesies extended to us during the course of our examination.

We shall be pleased to submit any additional information which may be desired in connection with this report.

Respectfully submitted

(signed) Jacobson, Greenfield & Co.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTS  
(New York)



EXHIBIT "A"PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD), INC.BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1941ASSETSCASH

Cash in Banks	\$ 53,345.21	
Cash on Hand	25.00	\$53,370.21

CASH IN BANK

Reserved for Payment of Emergency Loan Notes		2,650.00
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ADVANCES AND LOANS

Zionist Organization of America	\$ 20,859.26	
Palestine Exhibits, Inc.	123,683.84	
Hechalutz Organization of America	11,000.00	
Mizrachi Organization of America	22,680.00	
Dr. Chaim Weitzman	1,480.00	
L. Istorick	5,602.55	
Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs	7,895.40	
Ben Gurion	41.95	193,243.00

SUNDRY ASSETS

Bonds	\$ 150.00	
Postage Fund	25.00	
Deposit	425.00	
Furniture and Fixtures (Depreciated)	2,603.49	3,203.49

TOTAL ASSETS\$252,466.70LIABILITIES AND SURPLUSLOANS AND ADVANCES

Notes Payable-Bank	\$ 8,000.00	
Due to Keren Hayesod, Ltd.	22,680.00	
Dr. Nahum Goldman	20,000.00	
Miscellaneous	33.82	50,713.82

NOTES PAYABLE-EMERGENCY LOAN (Due October 1, 1941) 2,650.00

EMERGENCY LOAN INTEREST ON NOTES PAYABLE 31.65

SURPLUS

Balance-January 1, 1941	\$138,950.73	
Add-Undistributed Net Income for the Year		
Ended December 31, 1941 (Per Exhibit "B")	60,120.50	199,071.23

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS\$252,466.70

This Exhibit is submitted as part of our complete report and is subject to all comments and explanatory notes therein set forth

PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD), INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES  
AND DISTRIBUTION OF NET INCOME  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1941

INCOME

## Income from Organizations:

## Earmarked Receipts from United

Palestine Appeal, Inc. Campaigns  
for Palestine Emergency Fund:

1937 Campaign	\$ 1,109.23	
1938 Campaign	<u>580.68</u>	\$ 1,689.91

## General Appropriations:

## United Palestine Appeal, Inc.:

1936 Campaign	\$ 100.00	
1937 Campaign	2,218.48	
1938 Campaign	1,161.35	
1939 Campaign	38,168.47	
1940 Campaign	615,240.45	
1941 Campaign	<u>1,056,871.34</u>	1,713,760.09

## Allied Appeal:

1930 Campaign		1,553.82
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## Other Income:

## Bequests and Contributions

(Schedule 1)	\$ 7,004.95	
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Income from Bonds	9.33	
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Interest on Emergency Loan		
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Notes Payable Waived by Owners	4.68	
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Miscellaneous	<u>.90</u>	<u>7,019.86</u>
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TOTAL INCOME

\$1,724,023.68

EXPENSE-NATIONAL HEADQUARTER (Schedule 2)12,306.41NET INCOME

\$1,711,717.27

DISTRIBUTIONS OF NET INCOME

## Special:

## Remittances to Keren Hayesod, Ltd.

from Emergency Loan Fund	\$ 319,600.00	
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## Earmarked:

Palestine Emergency Fund	1,689.91	
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## Appropriations:

Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs	25,000.00	
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## Keren Hayesod, Ltd. Palestine:

## Remittances to Keren Hayesod, Ltd.,

## Payments for Keren Hayesod, Ltd. and

Payments for Jewish Agency (Schedule 3)	1,291,779.63	
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## Keren Hayesod, Ltd. Emergency Loan Fund

Expenses (Schedule 4)	3,093.40	
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## Interest on Emergency Loan Fund Notes

## Payable:

## Due:

January 1, 1941	\$ 2,578.26	
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April 1, 1941	2,612.20	
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July 1, 1941	2,623.04	
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October 1, 1941	<u>2,620.33</u>	<u>10,433.83</u>
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1,681,596.77UNDISTRIBUTED NET INCOME (Per Exhibit "A")

\$ 60,120.50



SCHEDULES 1 & 2

PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD), INC.

SCHEDULE 1

BEQUESTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1941

Rabbi W. Frick	\$ 50.00
Max Miller	315.00
Solomon Sullivan	50.00
Estate of Solomon Rosenbloom	715.95
Estate of Harold Jacobi	5,000.00
Estate of S. Friedman	100.00
Estate of Louis Evans	22.50
Estate of Joseph L. Rome	40.00*
Estate of Morris Kaplan	20.00
Estate of Solomon Rosenbloom	<u>691.50</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 7,004.95</u>

\* Remitted Directly to Keren Hayesod Ltd. Palestine

SCHEDULE 2

NATIONAL HEADQUARTER EXPENSES

Salaries	\$ 4,579.03
Rent and Light	3,190.53
Telephone and Telegrams	1,240.68
Cable Charges	122.49
Stationery and Printing	157.31
Postage	179.08
Film Storage	75.91
Conference Meetings and Traveling	834.10
Subsidy-Independent Jewish Press Review	750.00
Professional Expenses	500.00
General Office Expense	188.59
Miscellaneous Expenses	126.98
Depreciation	<u>361.71</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$12,306.41</u>

PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD), INC.

REMITTANCES TO KEREN HAYESOD, LTD.  
PAYMENTS FOR KEREN HAYESOD, LTD.  
AND PAYMENTS FOR JEWISH AGENCY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1941

REMITTANCES

Cable Remittances	\$1,159,210.09	
Direct Remittances	2,160.00	
Bequests Remitted	<u>1,407.45</u>	\$1,162,777.54

PAYMENTS FOR KEREN HAYESOD, LTD.

Kurt Blumenfeld:			
Salary (Jerusalem)	\$ 800.00		
Maintenance	4,840.00		
Nettie Eisner, Secretary	2,181.19		
Expenses	<u>2,538.91</u>	\$ 10,350.10	
Zionist Archives		5,139.20	
Palcor Agency		4,099.50	
Mrs. Wolf Karafiol		321.60	
Fairchild Aviation Corp.		250.00	
Manya Shokat		560.27	
Dr. Fritz Ullman		3,667.25	
Dr. Solomon Goldman		2,738.88	
Leib Jaffe		4,683.95	
Rabbi Hajman Neumann		250.00	
Elihu D. Stone		600.00	
Dr. Joseph Dunner		300.00	
Max Kudensky		1,039.30	
American Friends Hebrew University		7,500.00	
Annie Nettler		1,200.00	
Film "Collective Adventure"		107.41	
Ittanar Ben-Avi		100.00	
Mirjam Lichtheim		600.00	
A. Arditty		303.00	
Josef Tjornitski		280.20	
Jozuas Blumbergas		2,650.13	
Naomi Bakstansky		1,029.58	
Dr. A. Mibashan		4,583.14	
Emanuel Neumann		50.00	
Martin Rosenbluth		1,940.00	
Scifers Publication Committee		500.00	
Miscellaneous:			
Telegrams	\$ 29.58		
Sundry	<u>55.23</u>	<u>84.81</u>	<u>55,307.32</u>
			\$1,218,784.86

PAYMENTS FOR JEWISH AGENCY

Dr. Chaim Weizman:		
Drawings	\$11,035.14	
Secretary	1,794.00	
Expenses	1,202.51	
Traveling	<u>2,654.21</u>	\$ 16,685.86
Dr. Nahum Goldman:		
Drawings	\$ 4,800.00	
Special Reserve	<u>35,700.00</u>	40,500.00
Dr. Josef Cohn		1,800.00
Dr. B. Joseph		2,338.41

EXHIBIT "B"  
SCHEDULE 3  
(Continued)

Sophie Lauterbach	\$	880.00		
David Ben-Gurian		4,095.35		
Meyer Weisgal (Cables to Dr. Weizman)		155.99		
Jewish Telegraph Agency (Subscription for R. Lichtheim)		45.00		
J. Litchinsky		48.00		
Blanche Shepard (Expenses-re meeting between Zionists and Non-zionists)		250.00		
Ring of Freedom (Expenses advanced)		214.54		
Sundry Expenses		141.48		
Payments by Emergency Committee				
A. Lurie-Salary 1940 and 1941	\$ 6,200.00			
Cables	299.33			
Sundry Expenses	<u>40.81</u>	<u>6,540.14</u>	<u>73,694.77</u>	
<u>TOTAL</u>				\$1,291,779.63

PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD), INC.

KEREN HAYESOD, LTD. EMERGENCY LOAN FUND EXPENSES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1941

Payroll	\$	106.32
Printing and Stationery		38.30
Multigraphing		11.65
Postage		13.03
Telephone and Telegrams		414.67
Dinners, Luncheons and Meetings		314.83
Travel and Speakers		1,382.62
Rental and Repairs		36.92
Miscellaneous Expenses		<u>775.06</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>		\$3,093.40

PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD), INC.  
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1941

CASH IN BANKS AND ON HAND-JANUARY 1, 1941

\$ 377,550.38

RECEIPTS

## Receipts from Organizations:

## Earmarked Receipts from United

Palestine Appeal, Inc. Campaigns  
for Palestine Emergency Fund:

1937 Campaigns	\$ 1,109.23	
1938 Campaigns	<u>580.68</u>	\$ 1,689.91

## General Appropriations:

## United Palestine Appeal, Inc.

1936 Campaigns	\$ 100.00	
1937 Campaigns	2,218.48	
1938 Campaigns	1,161.35	
1939 Campaigns	38,168.47	
1940 Campaigns	613,120.45	
1941 Campaigns	<u>1,056,871.34</u>	1,711,640.09

## Allied Appeal:

1930 Campaign		1,553.82
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## Sundry Receipts:

## Appeal-Keren Hayesod

Emergency Loan	\$ 2,500.00	
Loan from Public National Bank for Hechalutz	8,000.00	
Mizrachi Loan-1940	4,000.00	
Mizrachi Loan-1941	12,000.00	
B. Zisfain-Bolivia	662.50	
Bequests	6,964.95	
Sale of Bonds	334.33	
Refund of Payments for Keren Hayesod	730.22	
Refund of Miscellaneous Advances	25.66	
Refund of Headquarter Expenses	10.50	
Miscellaneous Income	<u>.90</u>	<u>35,229.06</u>

## Exchanges and Transfers:

Columbia-E.J. Kushalevitch	\$ 3,398.40	
Dr. Chaim Weitzman	134.93	
Palestine Endowment Fund	485.00	
Vaad Bitashon	35,000.00	
Vaad Bitashon Cable Charges	4.61	
Mexico-Leib Jaffe	15,000.00	
Brazil-Dr. N. Goldman	20,000.00	
Venezuela-Dr. N. Goldman	2,541.27	
Rosen Travel Agency	924.00	
Joseph Goodman	370.00	
N. Gisang	30.00	
Dr. N. Goldman	<u>23.82</u>	<u>77,912.03</u>
		<u>1,828,024.91</u>

TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE

\$2,205,575.29

DISBURSEMENTS

Special:

Emergency Loan-Sinking Fund \$	388,336.25	
Remittances to Keren Hayesod, Ltd. for Emergency Loan Fund	319,600.00	\$ 707,936.25

Earmarked:

Palestine Emergency Fund \$	1,662.98	
Dr. N. Goldman-South America	2,500.00	
Manuel Graiver-Central America	587.50	
B. Zisfain-Bolivia	<u>662.50</u>	5,412.98

Appropriations:

Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs Account Jewish Agency		25,000.00
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Keren Hayesod, Ltd:

Remittances to Keren Hayesod, Ltd.	\$1,159,237.02	
Bequests to Keren Hayesod, Ltd.	1,407.45	
Payments for Keren Hayesod, Ltd.	<u>103,192.17</u>	1,263,836.64

Advances:

Palestine Exhibits \$	1,404.59	
L. Istorick	5,602.55	
Dr. Chaim Weitzman-Traveling for Blumenfeld Family	1,480.00	
Mizrachi-1940	4,000.00	
Mizrachi-1941	12,000.00	
Hechalutz	8,000.00	
Emergency Committee	8,000.00	
Emergency Committee for Expenses	<u>5,628.33</u>	46,115.47

Sundry:

Furniture and Fixtures \$	72.50	
Headquarter Expenses	11,930.20	
Interest Payable:		
First Quarter Ended October 1, 1940	443.49	
Second Quarter Ended January 1, 1941	2,573.88	
Third Quarter Ended April 1, 1941	2,610.35	
Fourth Quarter Ended July 1, 1941	2,611.78	
Fifth Quarter Ended October 1, 1941	<u>2,606.49</u>	22,848.69

Transfers and Exchanges:

Dr. Nahum Goldman \$	31.49	
Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs	3,093.40	

Anglo-Palestine Bank for:

Columbia	
Kushalevitch \$	3,398.40
Mexico-Leib	
Jaffo	15,000.00
Brazil-Dr. N.	
Golman	20,000.00
Venezuela-Dr. N.	
Golman	2,541.27



KEREN HAYESOD LIST

APPENDIX A

Louis Altschul Mt. Vernon, N. Y.	William Fondiller New York City	Benj. R. Harris Chicago, Ill.
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February  
17th  
1948

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Temple Anshe Chesed  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I have just received and read a copy of your address 'IN WAR AND PEACE', delivered at the National Conference for Palestine, Cleveland, Ohio.

It is my sincere desire to compliment you on this magnificent and daring speech. Since the days of Theodor Herzl's DER JUDENSTAAT not one single document has been published which pictured with such precision and accuracy the conditions of our Jewish People. For any young, intellectual Jew who has lived most of his life in war-torn Europe, who has seen the agonies and miseries under which we had to suffer - your message has been most heartening and inspiring. I go even farther: You have given American Jewry a new source of hope, a hope of survival and return to Zion - if they would just listen. For us who have been Zionists for many years, your message at the National Conference for Palestine was like a revelation - unusually daring for an American Rabbi; and I am glad you showed this prophetic courage.

Most of our Reform Rabbis - and this is no secret - have shown in recent years a "benevolent interest and sympathy for Eretz Israel", have also looked upon her as a "Jewish Welfare Institution", a rather unprofitable, philanthropic investment. Yea, even a greater part of them showed a hostile attitude towards Zionists & Zionism ("I don't want my pulpit used for Zionist propaganda", said a well-known Midwestern Rabbi to me a few days ago), always trying to appease and to pacify their "clientele", their temple members' indifference (for obvious reasons). Your message must have hit them like a bomb-shell; and I wished your address would be sent to all Jewish communities and organizations throughout this country. It is of greatest educational and inspirational value to poor and rich, old and young, Zionists and anti-Zionists. It were too bad if your voice would remain unheard - or silenced by those to whom your speech was somewhat annoying.

How can you conceive that our Jewish <sup>People</sup> will pray for Victory if they don't believe at the same time ~~for~~ the redemption of our persecuted people in their own home-land, in Palestine? How can they do it, and how can we expect it, if we see them without the proper leadership - always too eager to compromise with the 'financial big-shots' - being without Rabbis who don't believe in the future of Judaism, and

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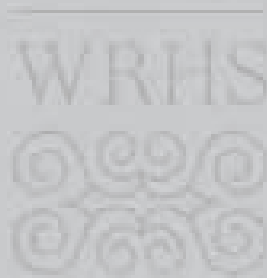
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who have forgotten the words: Kij Mitziyon tetze torah u'dvar Adonaj Mibroshalayim. (The Union Prayer Book certainly does not contain them; or will it be revised again, ever and some day?) You cannot expect a greater enthusiasm for our Jewish Renaissance unless you re-introduce 'Zion' into the prayer books which guide us during the hours of worship. What is the use to preach a Prophetic Judaism if our leaders have abandoned the platform of an Ezechiel or Isaijah, if 'Zion' is barred from their lips like a Jew in Hitler Europe from equal rights? If Judaism is to survive then we should first of all reform Reform Judaism, and re-consider this grandiose, ethical and religious scheme of Zionism.

Your message has contributed very much towards this goal. Will the Annual Conference of American Rabbis, held in Cincinnati, Ohio, make this problem subject to serious discussion and deliberation? If so, your address 'IN WAR AND PEACE' will prove to have been a great success.



Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Harry S. May'.

DR. HARRY S. MAY.



March 2, 1942

Dr. Harry S. May  
712 West Fifth Street  
Sedalia, Missouri

My dear Dr. May:

Thank you so much for your kind letter and for your comments on the address which I delivered at the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Cleveland. I am happy to know that you warmly endorse the sentiments expressed. The address has had a good reaction throughout the country. I had occasion to speak in Cincinnati before the Central Conference of American Rabbis, and again emphasize some of the ideas which I expressed in the Cleveland address.

With all good wishes, and hoping you are enjoying the work in your city, I remain

Very cordially,

ARS:EK



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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

TEMPLE CLEVE=

WHEN I WAS IN CLEVELAND YOU WERE KIND ENOUGH TO SAY YOU WOULD BE GLAD TO COME TO OMAHA FOR THE OPENING OF OUR JEWISH PHILANTHROPIES DRIVE, WHICH INCLUDES THE U.J.A. TENTATIVELY, WE HAVE DETERMINED THAT THE OPENING MEETING SHALL BE HELD ON APRIL 28TH. A LARGE WOMEN'S LUNCHEON AT NOON AND A MEN'S DINNER IN THE EVENING ARE SCHEDULED. I HOPE YOU MAY FIND IT POSSIBLE TO BE WITH US ON THAT DATE. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR WIRE SO THAT THE COMMITTEE MAY MAKE ITS PLANS ACCORDINGLY AND I NEED NOT TELL YOU HOW GRATEFUL WE SHALL BE FOR YOUR ACCEPTANCE. OMAHA IS ONE OF THE COMMUNITIES THAT REFUSES TO CONSIDER ANY REDUCTION IN QUOTA. WE EXPECT TO RAISE MORE MONEY THIS YEAR=

HENRY MONSKY.

U.J.A. 28TH.

Newark. Apr. 28-29  
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RABBI SILVER=1

THE TEMPLE CLEVE=

OFFICE COMMITTEE ALL ANXIOUS HEAR YOUR REPORT BUT VARIOUS  
MEMBERS UNABLE ATTEND LUNCHEON TUESDAY CAN YOU POSSIBLY  
MANAGE SEVEN PM OR LATER TUESDAY EVENING

ARTHUR LOURIE

Application of telephoned telegram

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April 9, 1942

Henry Monsky  
Omaha, Nebraska

I WOULD GLADLY HAVE ACCEPTED YOUR INVITATION BUT AM SCHEDULED TO ADDRESS CAMPAIGN MEETINGS IN NEWARK AND NEW YORK CITY APRIL 23 and 29. KINDEST REGARDS

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Collect

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

THE TEMPLE=

1942 APR 10 PM 12.36

I REPORTED TO OUR COMMITTEE THAT YOU COULD NOT BE WITH US ON THE 28TH BECAUSE OF YOUR PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENT IN NEWARK. THEY HAVE ASKED ME TO SUBMIT TO YOU THE DATES OF MAY 11TH OR 12TH. COULD YOU ACCOMMODATE US ON EITHER OF THESE DATES? IF NOT, DO YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS AS TO CONVENIENT DATES? THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION=

HENRY MONSKY.

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4-9-42

Arthur Laurie  
N. Y.

Evening meeting satisfactory

Silver

- collect -



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SERIAL	DEFERRED
OVERNIGHT TELEGRAM	NIGHT LETTER
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April 13, 1942

Mr. Henry Monsky  
Omaha, Nebraska

REGRET MAY 11 AND 12 NOT FREE. EARLY PART OF MAY HEAVILY BOOKED UP. KINDEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

THE NEW PALESTINE

WASHINGTON, D. C.

APRIL 13, 1943

Mr. Arthur Lourie  
American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs  
41 E. 42nd Street  
New York City

Dear Lourie:

I am enclosing the latest copy of Great Britain And The East, which has come to hand. On page 17 is a hateful communication from a Jew in Boston, in which a Jewish State and a Jewish Army are opposed in violent language. While the writer's expression of views in this manner is criminal, I am likewise deeply grieved to see the editors of the magazine feature it in this manner.

Now a word about this man, Jacob Heller, whom I happen to know. He is an absolutely fanatical member of the Agudath Israel, and on the subject of Zionism has a streak of madness. On several other occasions in recent years he has written similar letters to national magazines or newspapers. He sometimes sports the title of "Rabbi", though he has no congregation.

When you are through with this copy of Great Britain And The East, please give it to Sophie Udin, for her permanent file.

Sincerely yours,

Carl Alpert

CA:eg  
Encl.

MURRAY HILL 2-1160

## *Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs*

41 EAST 42nd STREET  
ROOM 1121

NEW YORK CITY

April 17, 1942.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Neumann has passed on to me your note with reference to the letter of one Jacob Heller to "Great Britain and the East." I attach a copy of a letter I have received from Mr. Alpert of the New Palestine which deals with the same subject and gives a clue as to the personality of Mr. Heller.

The alacrity with which "Great Britain and the East" gives publicity to the views of Mr. Heller, which it must know are wholly unrepresentative of American Jewish opinion, is symptomatic of the policy of the editor. On the other hand, as I am suggesting to Mr. Alpert and others, I think it would be useful were communications to be addressed to them from responsible persons protesting their behavior in this matter.

Kindest regards.

Yours sincerely,

*Arthur Lourie*  
Arthur Lourie

al:re

April 22, 1942

Rabbi Irving Miller  
701 Bolton Ave.  
Far Rockaway  
Long Island, N.Y.

My dear Irving:

I am returning the interesting document which you sent me. It is about as confused and muddle-headed a statement as I have seen in a long time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AMS:BX  
Enc.

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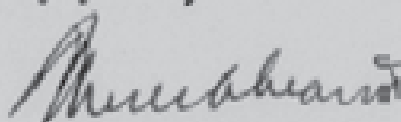
Rabbi Abta Hillel Silver,  
 The Temple,  
 East 105th Street,  
 Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have just received from Dr. Schwartz a statement of the advances which he made to you while you were in Lisbon. The account indicates that there was, on March 27, an advance of 1,000 escudos in cash, and on April 8 payment of your hotel bill in the amount of escudos 1,563.75. At the official rate at which we buy escudos, the dollar equivalent of the above is \$104.65. Dr. Schwartz stated that payment was also made for your vaccination, but since it did not "take", no charge is being made for it.

We will be glad to have your check in due course.

Sincerely yours,

  
 Moses A. Leavitt  
 Secretary

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Mr. Moses A. Leavitt, Secretary  
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My dear Mr. Leavitt:

Many thanks for your thoughtfulness in bringing to my attention the bill which I owe the Joint Distribution Committee for the advances which were made for me in Lisbon. I am enclosing herewith my check for \$104.65. I need not tell you that I am very grateful to you for the courtesies which Dr. Schwartz extended to me in Lisbon.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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## TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD), INC.

Dear Friends:

Attached herewith you will find a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Palestine Foundation Fund (Keren Hayesod), Inc. held on Thursday, May 7th, for your information.

With Zion's greetings, I am

Very sincerely yours,

*Herman L. Weisman*

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Secretary

P.S. Will you please note that the new telephone number of the Palestine Foundation Fund is Murray Hill 2 - 4448. The old number (MU 2-1160) is now exclusively that of the Emergency Committee.

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE  
PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD), INC. HELD ON  
THURSDAY, MAY 7, 1942

A meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Palestine Foundation Fund (Keren Hayesod), Inc. was held on Thursday, May 7th, 1942 at 4:30 P.M. at the office of the Keren Hayesod, 41 East 42nd Street, New York.

PRESENT:

There were present: Judge Bernard A. Rosenblatt, in the Chair; Messrs. Leon Gellman, Abraham Goodman, Harry Grayer, Emanuel Greenberg, Isaac Hamlin, I. M. Kownlsky, Harris Levine, Louis Lipsky, Sol Reiter, Louis P. Rucker, Robert Silverman, Jacob Sincoff, Dewey Stone, Sigmund Thau, Herman Weisman, Harold Weinberg, David Wertheim. By invitation: Messrs. Kurt Blumenfeld, Isaac Naiditch and Martin Rosenbluth.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

There being a lengthy agenda, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Abraham Goodman, a treasurer of the Keren Hayesod, rendered a full report on the financial status of the Keren Hayesod, going into the details, item by item, of the 1941 audited report and reporting also on the financial transactions thus far in 1942.

Mr. Goodman's report was accepted with the thanks of the committee.

LATIN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES:

The Chairman reported that a sub-committee, of which Mr. Louis P. Rucker was chairman, had been appointed at the previous meeting of the Administrative Committee to look into the matter of the Latin-American activities in which Mr. Blumenfeld, Dr. Rosenbluth and others were engaged.

That committee had met and, with Mr. Blusenfeld and Dr. Rosenbluth, had agreed to set up an Advisory Committee which would deal with all the Keren Hayesod work in Latin-America.

Following that, there was a meeting of the Finance Committee, at which a number of matters relating to expenditures for the Jewish Agency were discussed, and it was decided to appoint a sub-committee to deal with these matters, with Mr. Louis Lipsky as the Chairman. Mr. Lipsky felt, and others agreed with him, that the Latin-American activities should be subject to the review of his committee, and it was decided that this course be pursued.

In the report for his committee, Mr. Rucker stated that many expenditures had been incurred by those persons dealing with the Latin-American activities, without the prior knowledge of the Keren Hayesod here. This was considered altogether irregular, since it was the responsibility of Keren Hayesod here to examine all expenditures before paying any bills. He therefore asked for the appointment of a sub-committee whose duty it would be to examine all expenditures of the Latin-American group.

Mr. Lipsky contended that Mr. Rucker's attitude indicated an assumption that the Jerusalem Keren Hayesod had an office in New York to which it was sending full instructions for the conduct of the work in Latin America. This was not the case, however. Such an office did not exist, and in his opinion the Keren Hayesod of Jerusalem would not set up such an office in New York, against the advice of New York. There was in fact no reason for such an office. Nothing was being done by Mr. Blusenfeld, Dr. Rosenbluth and the others which could not be done by the existing machinery of the Keren Hayesod and perhaps the United Palestine Appeal. Therefore, while he recognized that the Keren Hayesod had a moral responsibility toward Kurt Blumenfeld and Nettie Eisner, there was no reason for setting up costly offices, to make room for them.



At this point the Chairman interrupted to say that he was being pressed for immediate action in the matter of Mrs. Archibald Silverman's trip to London, in connection with the Keren Hayesod campaign there. Arrangements had been concluded some weeks earlier, and she was to leave the following day. The funds for her travelling were required immediately.

After some discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that in view of the invitation extended to Mrs. Silverman by the Keren Hayesod of England, the committee would agree to the payment of the expenses involved in the trip, chargeable to the Keren Hayesod of England, with the understanding that this payment would not prejudice action in such matters, in the future.

Returning to the general discussion, it was pointed out that according to the constitution of the Keren Hayesod, the Keren Hayesod of Jerusalem was the agent for the Keren Hayesod of America. Accordingly, the Keren Hayesod here was not subject to decisions from Palestine as to how it should function. As far as activities outside of the United States were concerned, while the Keren Hayesod of Jerusalem had the right to operate from Palestine, there was a question whether the Keren Hayesod here could take the position that expenditures could be incurred, without the prior knowledge and agreement of the Administrative Committee.

Mr. Blumenfeld rose to defend the position of the Head Office of the Keren Hayesod, stating that the Head Office had full and final authority. He urged that the committee reconsider its position. He believed that it should be recognized that the representatives of Jerusalem Keren Hayesod are experts in fund-raising, and that they should be permitted to proceed with their work. He reported that last year the income from Latin-American countries was doubled as compared with the previous years, and he believed that an even further increase could be effected, if the work instituted by

him and his colleagues were continued.

Mr. Lipsky repeated that all Keren Hayesod work carried on in the United States must continue to be the responsibility of the Keren Hayesod here. Without wishing to reflect on anyone personally, it was his belief that an appointment made by a group of persons attending the Zionist Congress three years ago, on the eve of the outbreak of the war, could not be regarded as an appointment in perpetuity. Situations change, as they have in this case, and the whole matter was subject to reconsideration. As for the actual work in Latin-America, Mr. Jaffe realized that in order to raise the money there it was necessary for him to proceed to South America. There was no basis for the continuation of a costly office in New York for the direction of Latin-American activities.

After a protracted discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that the Chairman appoint a committee of seven, in which there should be included three representatives of the Jerusalem Keren Hayesod, which should be responsible to the Administrative Committee for all such extra-American work that they may undertake.

The Chairman thereupon appointed the following committee: Messrs. Isaac Naiditch, Kurt Blunenfeld, Martin Rosenbluth, Abraham Goodman, Louis P. Rucker, I. M. Kowalsky and David Wertheim.

NAHUM GOLDMANN:

The Chairman reported that following the earlier decision of the committee, a letter had been addressed to the Emergency Committee and to Dr. Nahum Goldmann to the effect that in the future his salary was to be paid by the Emergency Committee. Dr. Goldmann, in discussing the matter with the Chairman, had said that he was not an employee of the Emergency Committee, was in no way responsible to the Emergency Committee, and would forego any salary payment, rather than accept payment from the Emergency

Committee.

It was the general opinion of the committee that if Dr. Goldmann was serving the Emergency Committee, it was proper to have the Emergency Committee pay his salary. Mr. Lipsky said he understood that the committee was motivated by the fact that in asking the Emergency Committee to pay Dr. Goldmann's salary, the Jewish National Fund would be paying for his services as well as the Keren Hayesod. However, since Dr. Goldmann was on the Jewish Agency payroll, and the Jewish Agency had requested that he be paid by the Keren Hayesod, Mr. Lipsky asked whether the whole matter could not be adjusted by having the Keren Hayesod pay the salary and come to some arrangement with the Emergency Committee whereby it would accept the charge for his salary. In that way, Dr. Goldmann would not be involved in the arrangements between the Keren Hayesod and the Emergency Committee, and the Keren Hayesod would be relieved of the \$400 monthly payment.

Mr. Dewey Stone moved that Dr. Goldmann be paid his salary by the Keren Hayesod, with the understanding that the Keren Hayesod and the Emergency Committee arrive at an understanding with respect to the charging of this payment to the Emergency Committee.

The motion was unanimously carried.

OTHER JEWISH AGENCY EXPENDITURES:

Mr. Goodman said that he was anxious to be advised with respect to final authority for future expenditures on behalf of the Jewish Agency. He asked whether Mr. Lipsky's committee would continue to function, and whether as Treasurer he was to be bound by decisions of such committee.

Mr. Lipsky stated that he would be unable to continue to serve as chairman of the sub-committee. In view of that fact, the Chairman asked the Administrative Committee whether the Finance Committee should be regarded as the final authority in these matters.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Finance Committee be given full power to act in matters affecting expenditures on behalf of the Jewish Agency.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

HERMAN L. WEISMAN

Secretary

