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February 11, 1941

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Have the reprints of my Cleveland
address been made? If so I would appreciate
receiving a few hundred copies of it.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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December 26, 1941

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

HAVE YOU OBTAINED GOTSHAL CONSENT TO NEUTRAL ALLOCATION COMMITTEE FOR NEW YORK CITY UNITED JEWISH APPEAL TO BE SELECTED BY UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT. THIS IS OF BASIC IMPORTANCE. IF YOU HAVE NOT ADVISE THAT LIPSKY DOES NOT SIGN THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION. IN REPLY LETTER OF LURIE THIS MORNING HAVE WIRED HIM UPA CAN NOT ACCEPT NEW PROPOSALS GRANTING NRS RIGHT TO SOLICIT CERTAIN CLAIMS OF INDIVIDUALS

SILVER

December 30, 1941

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have seen Mr. Fisher's statement to you about the set-up of the UPA official family for the coming year. I note that there is not included in it the list of the new Administrative Committee which of course is an important committee. I should like to have it.

I note that I am given authority to add five new members to the Administrative Committee. I would appreciate it if you would give me the names of five prominent laymen in the larger cities outside of New York who would add strength to the Administrative Committee. Generally speaking, all lists of officers should be far more representative of the country at large outside of New York than last year. I would appreciate receiving from you as soon as possible the complete list of all the officers together with the National Council.

I should think that among the vice-chairmen, two or three names of prominent Jews on the Pacific Coast should be added.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

National Chairman

Abba Hillel Silver

Dear Dr. Silver:

National Co-Chairmen

Stephen S. Wise
*Chairman,
Administrative Committee*

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from a Marie Aronsky, who wishes to have a Palestine exhibit of products at the United Palestine Appeal Conference in Cleveland.

Louis Lipsky
*Chairman,
Executive Committee*

I resisted these exhibits in Washington last year, because I discovered that we finally had the experience that the Arab had with his camel. We had no room for registration and for emphasis on United Palestine Appeal activities, in the face of the tremendous deluge that looked like a Damascus bazaar.

Solomon Goldman
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Charles J. Rosenbloom

I would like to tell Miss Aronsky and all others that they will be permitted to exhibit in a small room at Cleveland, but only beginning Sunday morning. Having these exhibits on Saturday night creates a great deal of confusion.

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Abraham L. Liebovitz
Jacob Sincoff

In view of the fact that a Cleveland person is involved, I would like to have your comment in this regard.

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With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

Executive Director

Henry Montor

HM:ET

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Isidore Hershfield, <i>Washington</i>	Henry Wineman, <i>Detroit</i>
Sidney Hillman, <i>New York City</i>	Mrs. Stephen S. Wise, <i>New York City</i>
Herman Hoffman, <i>New York City</i>	Samuel Wohl, <i>Cincinnati</i>
Jacob Hoffman, <i>New York City</i>	Alexander S. Wolf, <i>St. Louis</i>

MARIE ARONSKY
"HOLY LAND IMPORTS"
2760 Hampshire Road
Cleveland Heights, O.

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12/29/41

Mr. Monter
Executive Director,
U.P.A.
New York City

Dear Sir:

I am handling all Palestinian Industries for the
last 16 years since I came from Palestine and reside in
Cleveland.

Therefore, I believe it will be in place to have a
Palestinian exhibition at U.P.A. Conference which is going to
be in Cleveland January 16-17, 1942.

I trust I will have your kind permission for the above
exhibition.

Thanking you in advance, I am

With the Greetings of Zion,

Sincerely

Marie Aronsky

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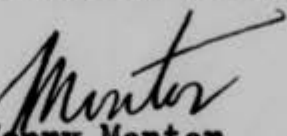
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a cablegram signed by Eliezer Kaplan and Leo Herrmann with reference to a cable in which I had advised them that there was no likelihood of any modification in the agreement between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal for 1942, since that understanding had been arrived at before the war.

Do you have a reply that could be sent to Mr. Kaplan?

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your request, I am sending you under separate cover a list of the men and women who have been invited to become members of the National Council for Palestine of the United Palestine Appeal. The list consists of 3,800 names in New York and throughout the nation. The overwhelming bulk of the names is, of course, outside of New York, as you will see.

The Joint Distribution Committee National Council consists of a similar number of names.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE

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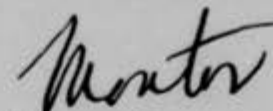
I am acknowledging your letter dated December 30th, having waited until you would receive the list of the Administrative Committee as approved by the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth. That list includes names which I have suggested from outside New York City. I have noted that of the 111 members of the Administrative Committee, 44 are from the country outside of New York. If only we could obtain participation by some of these outsiders in our meetings, it would certainly be most helpful and desirable.

I also wish that we could recruit from among the New Yorkers some of the men who are leaders in the campaign of the U.J.A. here.

Do you have any additional names to suggest beyond those that you have seen on the list as sent to you a few days ago?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE

P.S. Do you have any definite word from Mayor Lausche that he will greet the delegates on Saturday night?

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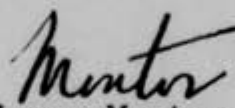
Dear Dr. Silver:

I shall be speaking to you about this beforehand, but I thought I ought to put in a note the fact that Dr. Stephen S. Wise will not be attending the Cleveland Conference on Sunday evening, since he has a standing engagement made a year ago to participate in the 90th anniversary ceremonies of Rabbi Morton Berman's congregation in Chicago.

Dr. Wise has therefore asked that if he is to participate in the Cleveland conference at all, it would have to be on Saturday night, since he would have to be leaving Saturday, midnight.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BG

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Miss Bessie Kline
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

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Stephen S. Wise
*Chairman,
Administrative Committee*

Dear Miss Kline:

Louis Lipsky
*Chairman,
Executive Committee*

Are there three competent stenographers who could be made available to us in connection with the work required to be done in connection with the National Conference in Cleveland?

Solomon Goldman
Israel Goldstein
Edmund I. Kaufmann
Morris Rothenberg

These girls must have the following qualifications: they must be prepared to work on a wartime basis, which means to begin at any time and to end at no particular time; to be amenable to taking dictation, typing and anything else necessary for the good of the cause. To have them personally pleasing would, of course, be the ultimate objective.

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

Associate Treasurers

Abraham L. Liebovitz
Jacob Sincoff

Could you wire me or else let me know by special delivery whether such three people would be available so that we could guide ourselves accordingly? Naturally, we plan to pay those who are employed.

Vice-Chairmen

Barnett R. Brickner
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With kindest regards, I am,

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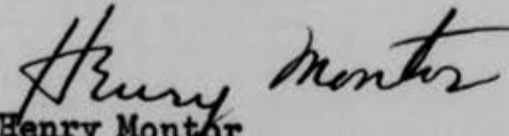
Here is another responsibility that I want to shift to your shoulders.

Could you ascertain for me what agencies, if any, there are in Cleveland which normally take photographs of public functions? In Washington previously we have had agencies badgering us to take photos of the luncheon and banquet sessions because they always hoped to sell quite a number to the participants. The UPA was usually given a number of free copies for the permission it granted to these agencies to take the photographs.

I am also interested in having the services of a photographer who could take candid photos and otherwise photograph delegates to the Cleveland conference for use in subsequent publicity. Perhaps you may know a proficient photographer on one of the Cleveland papers who would be prepared to take on the assignment.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Rabbi Doppelt of Fort Wayne, Indiana, who has indeed been most helpful to the United Palestine Appeal.

Feb
I am not acknowledging his letter from this office; inasmuch as he plans to be in Cleveland on ~~January~~ 8, you might wish to drop him a note, indicating whether or not you wish to use him while he is in Cleveland.

Cordially yours,

Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:ET

TEMPLE ACHDUTH VESHOLOM
500 West Wayne Street
Fort Wayne, Indiana

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December 31, 1941.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd Street
New York City

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am in receipt of your communication to the effect that you are proposing my name for the National Council for Palestine. I appreciate the nomination and shall be glad to serve the cause of Palestine in whatever capacity you may call upon me.

It may interest you to know that beginning with January 25th I am going on a three week's lecture tour under the auspices of the Anti-Defamation League which will take me through a number of cities in Ohio and Pennsylvania. I have communicated with Mr. Schulson of the Z.O.A., offering to address Zionist groups in any of the cities on my itinerary. I am scheduled to be in Cleveland on February 8th, and if I can be of any service to you and the cause of Palestine, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

With kindest personal greetings and with best wishes for a victorious New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

(signed) F. A. Doppelt

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January 5, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have procured Mr. Monsky to occupy
my pulpit on Sunday morning, January 18. This
I know will be a great relief to you.

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

P.S. I have just had word that Mayor Frank J. Lausche
has accepted our invitation.

THE JEWISH WELFARE FUND OF CHICAGO

128 North Wells Street

January 5, 1942.

Mr. Henry Montor, Executive Vice-Chairman
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Montor:

Your letter of December 29th, in which you ask about the response we are meeting in our current Jewish Welfare Fund campaign, and ask me to delineate the problems that seem to arise and devices being used to meet such problems and situations, has been before me for several days. It would require a good deal of writing on my part to be completely explicit about the problems and situations that have already appeared in our campaign. However, very briefly, this is the general and specific situation as I, personally, see it:

(1) There is no United Jewish Appeal so far as a national campaign is concerned. There is an announcement of an Appeal; there are speakers sent out; and there are some organizers sent into the small communities to put on campaigns. The general organization of a national campaign, which implies agreed upon and specific policies for the solicitation of funds; agreed upon and definitive national publicity programs; agreed upon and definitive policies with regard to solicitation of corporations; agreed upon and national attack upon giving by various classes of givers, etc. -- all of these are lacking. There is a great deal of difference between an appeal and a campaign, and the United Jewish Appeal has always remained an appeal. The principal reason for this is that it has not and under the circumstances under which it is organized and under which it raises funds, cannot receive the wholehearted cooperation of the communities. It is organized entirely apart from the communities. This is an immediate, substantial, and almost insuperable obstacle to the raising of large sums of money.

(2) In our community, and from my discussion with people from other communities, both lay and professional people, the primary psychological problem which we face, of course, is the desire on the part of American Jews this year to do everything they can for the war effort of the United States, and their difficulty in rationalizing the work of the J.D.C., U.P.A. and N.R.S. as part of that war effort. This is in spite of all the statements and apparently cogent arguments projected by the National Chairmen at meetings held here, and by such statements as emanate from the U.J.A. office.

(3) As for giving -- the upper brackets are giving less than they did last year. The middle and lower brackets will probably maintain their giving with some exceptions. We will, therefore, raise less in the large communities than we did last year -- possibly much less.

January 5, 1942.

(4) The large national campaigns directly associated with the war effort of the country are going to cut deeply into not merely the funds but more particularly into the ranks of workers and leaders. Currently, we are, in a sense, in competition with the Red Cross campaign. Later in the Spring there is going to be a \$30,000,000 national campaign for U.S.O. That will have a similar effect upon the workers and leaders of the Spring campaigns.

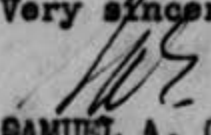
It should have been and would be part of the national campaign organization to reach understandings with these other national campaigns in order to have a working relationship with regard to the formulation of public opinion and with regard to timing of campaigns. That would have been helpful but it probably is too late to do anything about it. At any rate, we are currently suffering and other communities will suffer later on from competition with these efforts. These efforts, taken together with the usual Spring and Fall campaigns of the local Community Chests are going to leave very little by way of time and energy on the part of Jewish leaders, as well as of the entire community for the Welfare Funds.

Beyond all of this lies the grave problem of finding adequate support for local Jewish work which, in the larger communities is of such a volume and extent that it may require much more energy and time and a proportionately larger amount of the available money than it has hitherto.

(5) As for devices to meet these situations, they are many and I am sure well-known to you and your associates who are in touch with the various communities. There is the general device of expanding the middle-class and lower bracket giving which we have been doing over a period of time and on an intensive basis this year. There is the device of making responsible for the work those in the upper brackets of giving. This is not, in our instance at any rate, as productive as it has been in the past. There is, finally, the necessary device which we, to some extent, have been successful in obtaining through the national organizations, of having those high in the government service or responsible for the competitive war appeals, express themselves as finding it desirable and necessary that the United Jewish Appeals be supported as adequately as possible. This last will be the core of the situation that you will need to meet in the larger communities where all classes of givers face the necessity for participation in many local and national funds that have grown out of the war, in addition to the local and national funds that make the usual appeals.

A concrete suggestion that I would make to you and which could still be carried out, would be that the United Jewish Appeal bring together not more than fifty key people, lay and professional, for a full day's session in New York or in Chicago, or at some other point, for the purpose of integrating the campaign with the communities, and for the purpose of planning the campaign. Whereas our Chicago effort has been for the last several years the first effort in the country, I am inclined to believe definitely that this is the last year that we shall take upon ourselves this responsibility. If we are to have a national effort, it should be national and not dependent upon a local community for its impetus.

Very sincerely yours,


SAMUEL A. GOLDSMITH
Secretary

January 6, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from Mr. Samuel Goldsmith of Chicago, referring to a letter which I wrote him on January 2. I do not recall any letter of mine to him as of that date. Was a letter sent to him from headquarters over my signature? If so, I should like to see it.

I read with interest Mr. Goldsmith's letter to you dated January 5. It gave me the chuckles. Here is a gentleman who refused to have anything to do with national headquarters of the UJA, but who is now trying to unburden the responsibilities of the Chicago campaign on to the shoulders of national headquarters. You will recall that he did not want Rabbi Jonah Wise and me to visit Chicago at the beginning of their campaign. We had to fight for the chance to talk to the members of his board about Chicago's inadequate giving in the past few years. Mr. Goldsmith more than anyone else is responsible for the steady deterioration in Chicago's giving. He has been producing alibis for his people right along. During our last visit, when we tried to challenge the members of his board to greater giving and to greater exertion, pointing to what other communities were doing, he told them that in relation to New York City, Chicago was doing very well indeed and that the percentage of the total campaign which was turned over to the UJA was no lower than in any other communities, dexterously avoiding the issue that the total amount raised was pitifully small.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

January 6, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

The difficulties which will confront the UJA in 1942 are quite apparent, and they are so grave. We will require a new approach and a new technique in 1942. It is therefore imperative that the Administrative Committee of the UJA, now that the Agreement is signed, should meet without any further delay to canvass the situation thoroughly and to lay plans for 1942. I would suggest that you get in touch with Mr. Hyman at once and have him speak to Mr. Warburg. Convey to him my strong recommendation that a meeting be held as soon after January 18 as possible.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

January 6, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Have you a fresh short Palestinian movie that we can show Friday evening at our home? I was thinking of having that interlude in the reception, or some music.

Along with the Executive Directors whom we have invited, I was also thinking of inviting the officers of the UPA to our home on Friday evening unless the number of executives is too large. I shall be pleased to receive from you the complete list.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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January 7, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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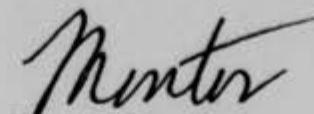
Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which was sent to Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith in connection with the opening of the campaign on January 7th. This is a standard form used for opening functions for 1942, because on several occasions, the U.P.A. has been criticized for not having its message available at such functions when the messages are read from the J.D.C. I trust that the contents of it will meet with your approval.

You must have received a copy of Mr. Goldsmith's letter to me dated January 5th even before I received it, for the letter came to me exactly the same time as your own comment on it did.

I believe that in one respect Mr. Goldsmith is right. That is, his indictment of the form of the U.J.A. campaign. It is undoubtedly true that for reasons which may or may not be necessary, there is a lack of that dynamic approach which should characterize a campaign of the magnitude of the U.J.A. I am sure I need not describe the reasons for that lack of dynamism. It is part of the structure into which the U.P.A. has woven itself.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JB
Encl.

AIRMAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

January 2, 1942

Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith, Secretary
Jewish Welfare Fund
130 North Wells Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Goldsmith:

As the leaders of the Jewish community of Chicago gather to open the 1942 Jewish Welfare Fund campaign on Wednesday evening, January 7th, I take pleasure in extending my warmest greetings and best wishes for the success of the appeal. I trust that you will present to those who attend, this message regarding the immediate program and necessities of the United Palestine Appeal.

The effect of the war upon the program of the agencies in Palestine financed by the United Palestine Appeal has been to increase rather than to diminish their tasks.

First, American Jewry ought to realize as the basis for the extension of its moral and material support of Palestine that it is today a bulwark of the democratic cause in the Middle East. Some 15,000 Palestine Jews have enlisted in the British army and many of them are today distinguishing themselves by gallantry in the drive across North Africa by the allied troops. Tens of thousands of Palestine Jews constitute the skilled workmen who are helping to manufacture and to repair the war machine upon which the Middle East command must depend. Palestine Jewry is mobilizing its maximum agricultural and industrial resources to provide food on the one hand, and, on the other hand, to cut down the amount of shipping space that is so urgently necessary for other purposes. The degree of interest which the American Government has in this sector of the war is illustrated by the fact that a lease-lend administrator is stationed in Palestine.

Secondly, the Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Fund, which derive their income from American Jewry through the United Palestine Appeal, are playing a powerful role in every avenue of the war effort. It is the Jewish Agency which has served as the recruiting instrument for the thousands of Jews with the British army. It is the Jewish Agency which is stimulating the expansion of old plants and the erection of new ones, as well as the provision of raw materials for the manufacture of war supplies. It is the Jewish Agency which is serving as the registration instrument for the formation of the Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service which was launched last week. It should be noted that Palestine is the

Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith

January 2, 1942

only sector of the British Empire with the exception of Canada, where women are being called into such war service. It is the highest tribute to be paid to the loyalty and skill of the Jewish women of Palestine. It is the Jewish Agency which is accelerating the production of food in the Jewish settlements throughout the country.

Thirdly, the following brief summary of the current responsibilities and prospects of the agencies supported by the United Palestine Appeal indicates their wide variety:

- (1) Immigration into Palestine continues from Syria, Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Yemen and Australia. The Jewish Agency has just applied for 6,000 additional immigration certificates because of the need of additional manpower for agricultural and industrial production.
- (2) The Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Fund have planned a program for the establishment of eight to ten colonies in the year 1942. Of these, four have already been started, two of them in the southernmost section of Palestine, only a few days ago. The extension of colonization is vital for the production of food for the civilian and military population, for the absorption of the immigrants who have come into the country and for the strengthening of the foundation of the Jewish homeland in relation to the absorptive capacity of the country.
- (3) The situation in the Middle East makes essential the continued maintenance of internal security measures against any eventuality. Everyone realizes that the Jews alone of all the peoples in the Middle East are unreservedly loyal to the democratic cause. It is because the Jewish Agency provided for the training of men during the past four years that it is now able to offer to the British Government a contingent of between 60,000 to 75,000 men for the formation of a Jewish army in Palestine.
- (4) The Jewish Agency, in its quasi-governmental role is playing a vital part in the stimulation of trade and industry and in the encouragement of artisans and small traders upon whom the wartime economy of Palestine depends in large part.
- (5) In order to provide for the thousands of young men and women who have been trained for agriculture and in order to consolidate the settlements that already exist, it is essential that at least some of the opportunities for land purchase now available should be utilized. The full size of the garrisons in Palestine is a military secret, but it is no secret that the various allies could use far greater amounts of all types of food products if the Jewish settlers could make them available.

To serve the war needs today and to strengthen the foundations of Jewish Palestine, it is vital to extend the areas of land in the possession of the Jewish National Fund.

These are the highlights of the program upon which the agencies financed by the United Palestine Appeal are now embarked. It is a budget involving the expenditure of \$8,037,527. In 1938, continental Europe provided 21.4% of the budgets of the Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Fund. That share has now been reduced almost to the vanishing point. The necessity of increasing America's participation is obvious.

Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith

January 2, 1942

Never in the modern history of Jewish colonization in Palestine have two aims so closely coincided; the desire of America to aid every group and every individual fighting against the Axis and the desire of Jews to help salvage those who have escaped from Hitlerism.

The support of both of these aims will mean speeding of the day of victory for the American and democratic cause.

Very cordially yours,

ARS:GJB

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have decided to be in Cleveland all next week in order to clean up all the odds and ends, and to meet with you as frequently as your time will permit, to go over all the fine points of the program and the set-up of the 1942 U.P.A., and other matters relating to the U.J.A. as well.

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

I shall be stopping at the Hotel Statler. What time would it be convenient for you to have me come in to see you on Monday, if at all?

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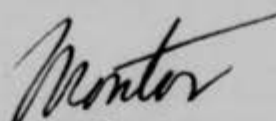
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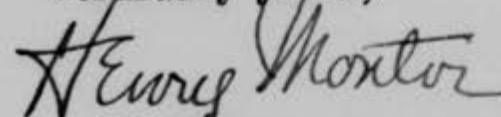
I am directed by Dr. Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, to advise you that in accordance with the nominations made by the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth, you are to be named a member of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal for 1942 at the National Conference of the U.P.A. to be held in Cleveland on January 17th and 18th.

The Administrative Committee is the governing body of the United Palestine Appeal, with all policies and activities of the organization being directed by it.

I would appreciate having confirmation from you of your willingness to accept membership on the Administrative Committee for the guidance of the National Conference.

With kindest regards and best New Year wishes,
I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UJA COULD BE HELD ON THURSDAY EVENING, JANUARY 22ND. IT COULD BE IN THE FORM OF A DINNER AT 6:30 TO CONTINUE ALL EVENING SO THAT THERE COULD BE A THOROUGH DISCUSSION OF THE PROBLEM. WIRE WHETHER THIS DATE ACCEPTABLE TO YOU. REGARDS=

HENRY MONTOR.

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MIGHT WISH TO TALK TO ME THERE=

:HENRY MONTOR..

. 7:15 7:30 17TH UJA

January 16, 1942

My dear Mr. Montor:

There will be two pages of introduction to this address which are in the nature of a report of the 1941 Campaign.

Please see that this address is not distributed to anyone before the meeting tomorrow night -- Mr. Steinglass may, of course, wish to use it for his advance publicity. That is entirely satisfactory.

Very cordially,

AHS:BK
Enc.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 EAST 42nd STREET

MEMORANDUM

Date January 21, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

Subject

I am attaching, for your information, a copy of a memorandum received by the United Jewish Appeal.

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San Antonio, Texas

January 19, 1942

TO: Messrs. Montor and Coons
FROM: M. Robert Herman
Subject: San Antonio, Texas

U.J.A. meeting is called for today, but last night J.N.F. had fund-raising dinner for Mrs. Archibald Silverman. Same condition throughout Texas. Local big givers are wild and I am none too pleased. About 50% as much raised for J.N.F. as same givers pledge to entire welfare fund. Shapiro will report in more detail.

Over the week end U.A.H.C. held southwest convention in San Antonio and met many leaders from smaller towns throughout state. Julius Mark, Nashville, was main speaker. He is taking leave to go in Army as Chaplain. More after meeting today.

Regards.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending to your attention the attached exchange of correspondence with Mr. Lionel Weil of Goldsboro, North Carolina, in the event of an incident in the future which may require your knowledge of this situation.

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

With kindest personal regards, I am

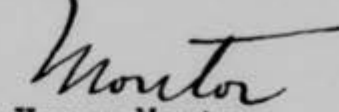
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LIONEL WEIL
GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

January 14, 1942

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In my great bereavement your kind words of sympathy are deeply appreciated. Your thoughtfulness for me is indeed a sustaining influence in my present sorrow and loneliness. One of these days I hope to see you and thank you personally.

Sincerely,

(sgd) Lionel Weil

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 Madison Ave.
New York City

December 23, 1941

Mr. Lionel Weil
H. Weil & Brothers
119 West Centre Street
Goldsboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Weil:

May I express my deep sympathy as you
mourn the untimely loss of your wife. All who
know you will share your grief at her passing.

Perhaps you will find some solace in
the realization that many feel keenly the void
which has been left in your life.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I assume that you are sending a word of acknowledgment and appreciation to Mayor Frank Lausche for his part in welcoming the delegates to the Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Cleveland.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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FOLLOWING WIRE RECEIVED TODAY QUOTE SORRY THAT MY WORK
WITH DEFENSE COUNCIL PREVENTS MY LEAVING CITY BEFORE
CHICAGO MEETING. WILL HAVE TIME TO CONFER WITH YOU
CHICAGO DURING FRIDAY OR SATURDAY MORNING IF YOU WISH.
WILLIAM J. SCHRODER. UNQUOTE=

HENRY MONTOR.

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January 22, 1942.

(Dictated January 21, 1942)

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

There was a meeting today at the office of the Joint Distribution Committee to discuss the Matzoth Fund which the JDC administered early in 1941, when it was still conducting an independent campaign under the title of the United New York Appeal. Present at the meeting were Morris Troper, Joseph Hyman, Moses Leavitt for the JDC, Mr. Max Ogust, who is the Chairman of the Council of Jewish Organizations for the JDC, and Mr. Blitz, who accompanied me to provide certain facts in regard to the United Jewish Appeal.

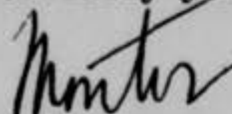
The JDC people uniformly took the position that the money was contributed by the Landsmanschaften, and that it constituted a transmittal item. The JDC ignored the fact that all the publicity referred to the Moes Schitem Campaign, and that the literature was issued from the office of the JDC or the United New York Appeal, which included the JDC and the NRS.

No amount of reiteration of these facts had any effect. The JDC said that the money had been spent, and that they were not going to be penalized at this late date. The fact that we have been trying to call attention to this matter since March 21, 1941, and that this was the first meeting which had been arranged was ignored.

The meeting, after about an hour and a quarter ended with my statement that the United Palestine Appeal could not accept as valid and binding the decision of the JDC. Since the JDC takes this position, I would recommend that the United Palestine Appeal withhold from the United Jewish Appeal the proceeds of the Night of Stars which normally comes to the United Jewish Appeal.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

January 23, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Enclosed herewith is a letter which Rabbi Silver received from Mr. H. L. Lurie. I am also enclosing a copy of Rabbi Silver's reply to it.

We'd appreciate it very much if you would kindly send us about a dozen of the mimeographed copies of Rabbi Silver's address delivered at the opening of the UPA Conference in Cleveland.

Thanks kindly, and best wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc. - 2

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

January 23, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a letter and a brochure which are self-explanatory. The American Palestine Fund is going ahead with its solicitation in the communities. I think the matter ought to be discussed by our Executive and final action, affirmative or negative, taken.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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January 23, 1942

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which came to you from Dr. Julian Morganstern, President of the Hebrew Union College. It is not being answered from this office in view of the personal relationship between yourself and Dr. Morganstern.

Please let me have a copy of any letter which you address to Dr. Morganstern.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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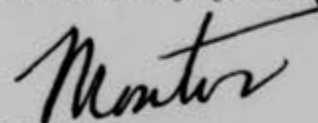
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Mr. Leon Falk, Jr., President of the Dominican Republic Settlement Association.

You will note his statement that he is "more than pleased to serve on the National Council for Palestine". In view of the attitude which he expresses, I think that everything possible should be done to cultivate his good will. He does not seem to be, according to Mr. Rosenbloom, the type of anti-Zionist whose interest in other places of settlement is linked to his anti-Zionism. On the contrary, he seems a good Jew who is troubled by the problem and who seems to find an outlet for his energies in this particular task. He is perhaps the type of man whom, by cultivation, we can bring closer to our work.

For that reason, I have undertaken to draft a letter which I am herewith submitting to you to see whether you approve of it. Kindly advise me whether the letter is satisfactory and has been sent off. If not, could you send me a copy of the letter which is finally written.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SETTLEMENT ASSOCIATION, Inc.

165 Broadway

New York

Ciudad Trujillo, R.D.

January 13, 1942

Rev.
Rabbi Abba H. Silver
National Chairman
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd Street
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I am in receipt of your letter of December 29, which was just forwarded to me in the Dominican Republic requesting my permission to having my name presented as a member of the National Council for Palestine. I note that the meeting will be held January 17th and 18th in Cleveland and wish indeed that I might be able to attend. As you probably know I have been giving practically all of my time to the immigration problem which I feel will be one of the major post war problems facing the Jewish people. The feeling of most well informed men with whom I have discussed the question including Dr. Chaim Weitzmann, is that there will be at least three million Jews wishing to leave Europe when the war is over. All of us are thankful that Palestine presents a major focal point where these people might go and anything that I can do to contribute to the ability of Palestine to absorb large numbers will be gladly done.

I must say, however, that I recognize the impossibility of Palestine offering the complete solution and am therefore devoting my efforts in an attempt to find other lands to which these many millions might also go. It is indeed my hope that the time is not too far distant when all of us who are concerned with this problem might meet together and formulate a plan leading to an orderly presentation of the immigration problem which will confront us at the conclusion of the war.

In the meantime I will be more than pleased to serve on the National Council for Palestine.

Cordially yours,

(signed) Leon Falk Jr.

Leon Falk, Jr.

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Miss Bessie Kline
Secretary to Dr. A. H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio


Dear Miss Kline:

Thank you for your letter of January 23rd, enclosing a letter which Dr. Silver received from Mr. H. L. Lurie, and the reply thereto.

In accordance with your request, there are being forwarded to you, under separate cover, 12 copies of Dr. Silver's address which he delivered at the opening of the National Conference for Palestine at Cleveland.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM/CRW

January 26, 1942.

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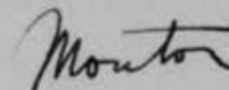
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal it was voted to appoint a committee to study the question of accounting of the national United Jewish Appeal in relation to the income of the New York U.J.A. Do you wish to indicate any names for that committee, which is supposed to report at the next meeting of the Executive Committee? Perhaps Messrs. Goldwasser and Liebovitz might be asked to consider the problem if that is agreeable to the other officers.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH

January 27, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In reply to your letter of January 26 permit me to state that it is agreeable to me to have Messrs. Goldwasser and Liebovitz appointed to the committee to study the question of accounting of the national United Jewish Appeal in relation to the income of the New York UJA.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

January 27, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

You will recall that I mentioned over the phone the advisability of printing a few thousand copies of my address at the Conference. There have been many demands for it. I would suggest that this be done without much delay while the Conference is still fresh in the minds of people.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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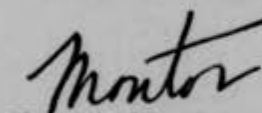
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing herewith a letter from Richard Lichtheim dated December 26th with reference to work being done by the JDC in Europe.

I thought you might be interested in the feeling he exhibits regarding the American situation.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE
Enc.

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THE EXECUTIVE OF
THE ZIONIST ORGANISATION/ THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE
GENEVA OFFICE

Geneve 26.12.41
52 rue des Paquis

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

Dear Mr. Montor,

I received to-day by ordinary mail
your letters dated November 6,7,13,19 and memoranda
dated October 30, November 6,10,18.

I am afraid there will be no more
letters by ordinary mail, but fortunately the airmail
service by Clipper seems to continue.

I have just been informed that the
office of the Joint in Lisbon is closing down. Owing
to war conditions they will have to stop practically
all their relief work in Europe, perhaps with the
exception of unoccupied France and the few remaining
neutral countries like Switzerland, Sweden and Portugal.
This must mean something like a revolution in all their
plans for the 1942 campaign and I am sure that you will
make good use of this complete change which ought to
open up new possibilities for the UPA.

With kindest personal regards and in the
hope to hear from you as hitherto, I am dear Mr. Montor,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) R. LICHTHEIM

P.S.

I intend to remain here and to see
the thing through.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee held in New York City prior to the National Conference, it was decided to name a committee which would go into the question of making up a list of nominees of members representing the United Palestine Appeal from the members and the Board of Directors of the New York United Jewish Appeal, as well as to help in the formulation of the by-laws of the New York United Jewish Appeal.

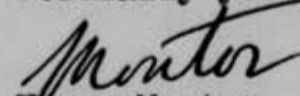
Mr. Lipsky, who was presiding as Chairman of the Executive Committee, named Rabbi Irving Miller as Chairman of a committee. No associates have been named with him. The question as to who is to represent the United Palestine Appeal among the members, as well as on the Board of Directors, is of great importance.

It would be very helpful if you could address yourself to Rabbi Miller, whose address is 701 Bolton Avenue, Far Rockaway, Long Island, New York, asking him to concern himself, as early as possible, with the getting up of a list of names. That list is then to be submitted to the Executive or Administrative Committee of the National United Palestine Appeal for action. Perhaps you might wish to name with Rabbi Miller as members of the committee, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Charles Ress, Sylvan Gotshal, David Wertheim, and myself.

If you send such a letter to Rabbi Miller I would appreciate receiving a copy.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:GG

C O P Y

Jan. 28, 1942

To HM from SSW

Is it true, Montor, that, according to a statement made to me by someone quoting Ed Norman, the ORT has already been taken into the New York UJA? I thought under the constitution that was impossible.

Will you permit me incidentally to observe that the "Montor-Blitz Krieg" is just rotten. I think your boss, Dr. Silver, ought to bend his energies to the solution of the problem of Montor-Blitz. Your relations seem to any quite impartial observer as intimate and cooperative as those of Admiral Kimmel and General Short. To me it is really sad. Blitz has charge of a big slice of our common work, and there is war. I have my views as to the causes of it. But I deplore it nonetheless. I am sure Dr. Silver does, and others who observe the state of mind between you and your distinguished lieutenant.

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January 29, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In printing my address, I would suggest that a certain number of copies should be printed beginning with the 5th paragraph: "At this juncture in world history, Jewish Palestine meets a two-fold need". These copies might be sent to public officials and non-Jews who would not be interested in the discussion of the first five paragraphs of the address. For general distribution, however, among our own people, the address in full should be used. The address as printed in the New Palestine omitted one or two paragraphs. I should like them included.

I have written to Dr. Morgenstern but he still wishes that his name should not be included on the Council of the UPA.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc. 2

January 29, 1942

SSW

HM

In answer to your memorandum of January 28th, I have no knowledge as to whether or not the Ort has been taken into the New York UJA. Mr. Blitz informed me some time ago during a casual meeting that pressure was being brought to bear upon Mr. Dubinsky to include the Ort into the UJA. Mr. Dubinsky was alleged to have said that if the Ort was not included he would withdraw all union support from the UJA.

On the subject of my relationship with Mr. Blitz, this is of a purely personal and not of an official character. The officers of the Executive or Administrative Committees of the UPA have never seen fit to make it clear that as National Executive Director of the UPA I had absolute authority over Mr. Blitz, as over any other employee of the UPA. On the contrary, when last year I asked for specific authority in the New York situation, several of the National Chairmen and other New Yorkers made it very clear that I was asking for authority which I had no right to acquire and that "New York can take care of its own".

The whole relationship between New York City and the UPA has been an anomalous one. There is no formal or legal manner by which any relationship exists between myself and Mr. Blitz who is an employee of and paid by the New York UJA and, as such, cannot be controlled by the New York UPA which does not exist.

If I were so minded, I assume that I, too, could feel that I am an employee of the National UJA by whom my salary is paid. If I were to restrict myself completely by the National UJA I am sure that I could save myself a great deal of time and energy. It may, in fact, be significant to some of the officers of the UPA that a complete national organization is in operation requiring as careful supervision and administration as in any other national Jewish body.

Whatever services I give to the UPA I do because I happen to believe that it is one of the few effective instruments for creating and maintaining interest in Palestine. Unfortunately, New York is a lost province for the New York UJA. Ultimately, the way to solve it will be to say to Mr. Montor that he should exercise his authority as National Executive Director in New York or that someone should be put in his stead. —Perhaps that someone might be Mr. Blitz, who has proved his capacity to supervise the New York situation.

HM:BC



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Henry Montor

I am requested by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver to advise you formally that at the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal held at Cleveland on January 18, 1942, you were named a member of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

It is a pleasure to transmit this information to you and to thank you for the cooperation which the cause of Palestine upbuilding has consistently had from you.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BC

"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

—HON. FRANK KNOX, *Secretary of the Navy*

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

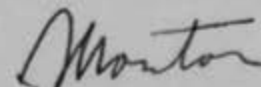
I am sorry that I had no opportunity of saying goodbye to you following the session on Monday morning at Chicago. I did want to say that, as usual, you delivered a remarkable address which seemed to be considered by all the delegates as the highlight of the Conference.

At the succeeding luncheon session, where the techniques of fund-raising were discussed, the dominant impression seemed to be your speech and it was referred to by Edwin Schanfarber of Columbus, who had told me privately that he thought the Palestine session was splendid in all respects. Considering all the difficulties with which the Council sessions were attended, I think that the opportunity we had of presenting the Palestine story seemed to be of supplementary value to the Cleveland gathering.

I am leaving on Thursday night for the Southwest and shall end up my tour by visiting with budget committees in Kansas City and St. Louis before my return to New York the middle of the month. The office will know my whereabouts so that, in the event we need to communicate with each other quickly, you will know where I can be reached.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH

February 4, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Mr. Charles A. Cowen writes me that he missed his name among the National Council membership although we had written to him on December 29 stating that his name was being proposed. This was evidently an oversight and his name should be included.

Please write to Mr. Cowen to that effect. His address is 10 Sheridan Square, New York.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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February 4, 1942.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

You will recall that the Agreement constituting the 1942 United Jewish Appeal requests that "the Allotment Committee shall be named not later than February 15".

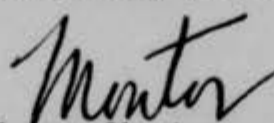
No discussions have yet been initiated with respect to the Allotment Committee, but I assume that the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, if no one else, will soon begin correspondence, etc.

Last year the question arose as to whether the men who were then members of the Allotment Committee should be retained. A different group was named, consisting of Messrs. Frederick Greenman, Samuel Markell and Amos Deinard.

Would you suggest the retention of these, or should there be a discussion of others?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:ET

February 5, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

You will recall, I am sure, Dr. Jerome Gross who played so beautifully at my home at the reception to the delegates. Dr. Gross will appear in a recital in Town Hall on February 27 and it would be a generous gesture of reciprocity if we could pass the word down among our friends in New York City to turn out for this recital. Dr. Gross has been so generous of his time and services to Palestine and all Jewish causes in our city. I am sure that those who will attend the concert will be amply rewarded.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.
342 MADISON AVENUE

MEMORANDUM

Date February 5, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

Subject

I am attaching, for your approval, a letter which is to be sent to the Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., in connection with the conference being planned by the United Jewish Appeal.

EM:bg
Enc.

February 5, 1942

Hon. Henry Morgenthau, Jr.
Secretary of the Treasury
Treasury Department
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Morgenthau:

We are confronted with a problem on which we should like very much to have your counsel. A number of people in various sections of the country are saying that in view of our participation in the war it is unpatriotic to send funds abroad.

Although we are, of course, aware of the enormously heavy schedule under which you are operating, we should deeply appreciate the privilege of a meeting with you, at your convenience, in Washington during the coming days to consult with us upon the means of answering this question most effectively.

We have in mind calling a private, small, select meeting of Jewish leaders with whom we can take up the problem of increased support for the United Jewish Appeal and are therefore particularly eager to have the benefit of your advice.

We look forward to the pleasure of meeting with you in Washington or in any other city of your choice.

Sincerely yours,

William Rosenwald

Abba Hillel Silver

Jonah B. Wise

National Chairman

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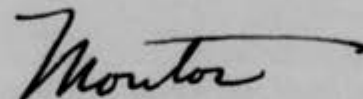
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am attaching, for your information,
a copy of a letter which has been received by
the United Jewish Appeal from the Jewish
Federation of Texarkana, Texas.

Inasmuch as we are likely to receive
a number of such letters during the course of
the campaign, I should appreciate having word
from you regarding the type of answer we should
make.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:rh
Enc.

W. Silver

February 5, 1942

Mr. Edward A. Norman
American Palestine Fund, Inc.
60 Beaver Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Norman:

My attention has been called to a form letter which you seem to have circulated throughout the United States. It has reference to conversations which you have held with Judge Louis Levinthal and with representatives of the United Palestine Appeal in regard to the American Palestine Fund.

Some of the community leaders who have received the letter have taken it for granted that the American Palestine Fund has already been fully endorsed and that it has the complete participation of American Zionist leadership. I am sure that you did not wish to give that impression before the fact was true.

Do you not agree that this matter of advising the communities of current discussions as a basis for bolstering the campaign appeal may not be properly understood?

The particular reason for my writing to you is that I had not been advised by Judge Levinthal of his statement to you that "I have been authorized by Judge Louis E. Levinthal to tell welfare funds that negotiations have been carried on and are practically completed for the inclusion of important representatives of the Zionist movement in the Directorate of the American Palestine Fund."

With kindest personal regards, and looking forward to an early opportunity of meeting with you, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HN:EE

February 5, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In looking over the financial statement of the UJA, I find that included among the voluntary speakers whose traveling expenses were paid by the UJA was Mr. William Rosenwald and that he received between March 15 and December 31, 1941, the sum of \$3,955.70. Just what traveling did Mr. Rosenwald do for the UJA to warrant this staggering item of expense? Does it cover his trip to the Pacific Coast in behalf of the NRS early in 1941? If so, then Troper and I who also toured the Pacific Coast are pikers when it comes to sending in expense accounts. By the way, what was my expense account for the Pacific trip, and who paid it, the UPA or the UJA?

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

There was a meeting on Wednesday, February 4th, called by Rabbi Irving Miller at the U.P.A. office. He invited Charles Ress, Dr. Israel Goldstein, David Wertheim and the other people to whom you had referred in your letter to him recently. Those who attended the meeting, which was a luncheon session, were Mr. Charles Ress, Rabbi Miller, Samuel Blitz and myself.

I have no doubt that Rabbi Miller will communicate with you.

A list was gone over and the ten who were suggested for Membership on the Corporation of the New York United Jewish Appeal included Nathan Straus, Sylvan Gotshal, Charles Ress, Abraham L. Liebovitz, Jacob Sincoff, Rabbi Irving Miller, Judge Morris Rothenberg, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Louis Lipsky.

Mr. Blitz advised that the ORT has applied to the New York United Jewish Appeal. The request is for \$150,000. Apparently a number of officers of the New York United Jewish Appeal remembering the experience of the previous campaign two years ago are not happy at the thought. Mr. Blitz believes, however, and apparently some others in the campaign also believe that way, that to reject the ORT would alienate Mr. David Dubinsky, ORT sponsor, who is very anxious to have the ORT included. Mr. Blitz feels that an amount of \$50,000 should be offered to the ORT more as a matter of preventing it from sabotaging the campaign than from concern for its interests or belief in the value it offers to the fund-raising campaign.

A committee of the New York United Jewish Appeal consisting of Miss Ethel Wise, Abraham L. Liebovitz and

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

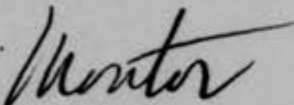
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Abner Bregman seems to favor this suggestion.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE

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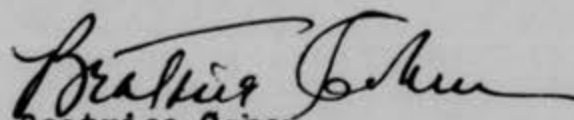
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am taking the liberty of acknowledging your letter of February 4th, addressed to Mr. Montor, with reference to Mr. Charles A. Cowen.

Mr. Cowen's name is included among those who have been offered membership on the National Council. The attached is a copy of a letter which has been forwarded to him.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


Beatrice Cohen
Secretary to Mr. Montor

BC:EE
ENC.

February 9, 1942

**Mr. Charles A. Cowen
10 Sheridan Square
New York City**

Dear Mr. Cowen:

It is my pleasure to inform you that at the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal held in Cleveland on January 18, 1942, you were named a member of the National Council for Palestine of the United Palestine Appeal. This was a token of appreciation of the service you are rendering within your own community to the cause of Palestine upbuilding.

From time to time, we hope to make available to you information with respect to the important phases of progress in Palestine.

Looking forward to a year of effective cooperation to speed the upbuilding of the Jewish Homeland, I am

Cordially yours,

**Henry Montor
Executive Director**

HM:BC

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Office of Dr. Wise
40 West 68 Street,
February 11, 1942.

Dr. Silver

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

Dear Montor:

I understand that Goldmann, Miss Shultz or Lipsky spoke to you about a year's leave of absence for Kadis, who, I assume, with your approval and sanction, is coming into the work of the American Jewish Congress.

Naturally, Mr. Kadis would not like to give up his place and status in the UPA or UJA, and I know you will be good enough to make possible his transfer to us by authorizing a leave of absence for one year without loss of status.

Mrs. Wise and I are to leave New York early tomorrow morning and shall settle down somewhere within the next three or four days. If you will telephone to Miss Schwartz or to Miss Meyer, at the Synagogue House (Miss Willig is no longer with us), you will learn where I can be communicated with. But you understand, of course, that I will make no addresses. I must have absolute rest while away from New York.

All good wishes!

Yours,

SSW:S



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

Dear Dr. Silver:

In Mr. Montor's absence from the city, I am taking the liberty of acknowledging your letter of February 11th and complying with the request contained therein.

Under separate cover there are being forwarded to you 300 copies of your Cleveland address, copy of which is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a reprint of your address which was circulated thus far to all the senators and congressmen at Washington.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Beatrice Cohen
Secretary to Mr. Montor

BC:EE
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"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

—HON. FRANK KNOX, Secretary of the Navy

February 16, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I would suggest that the copy of my Conference Address (in the short form) be sent to the select list of key people, Senators and some Congressmen, and the non-Jewish members of the Palestine Council (Mr. Neumann's Committee) and in the fuller form to heads of welfare funds, to all the members of the Boards of the American Jewish Committee and the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds. I should like to put it in the hands of as many non-Zionists as possible.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RK

MEMORANDUM

Date February 16, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

Subject Proposed UJA Conference

All arrangements regarding the proposed UJA Conference are, at the moment, being held up. Dr. Wise has informed Mr. Coons that he prefers to do nothing on the question until he has had an opportunity to discuss the whole matter with you in detail.

Accordingly the letter to Secretary Morgenthau has not yet been sent.

HM:rh



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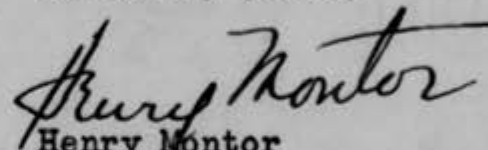
Dear Dr. Silver:

Under separate cover, there is being sent to you a specially engrossed copy of the resolution adopted in appreciation of your leadership at the United Palestine Appeal Conference held in Cleveland.

To my mind, this is the smallest token the United Palestine Appeal can offer you for four years of very hard labor.

With kindest personal regards,
I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:CEE

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
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MEMORANDUM

Date February 17, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

Subject

I am attaching hereto a copy of a letter Mr. Coons and I have received from Professor Eli Ginzberg.

HM:rh
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February 18, 1942

Dr. Stephen S. Wise
40 West 68 Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Wise:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 11, in which it is stated that Mr. Isidor Kadis is planning to enter the service of the American Jewish Congress and that it is desired that Mr. Kadis be given "a leave of absence for one year without loss of status".

May I point out that the anomalous character of the United Palestine Appeal makes completely impossible any such action. Mr. Kadis is an employee of the United Jewish Appeal of New York City. He has been that since January 1, 1939. The national office of the United Palestine Appeal has no jurisdiction over Mr. Kadis. As Executive Director of the United Palestine Appeal, I have never exercised any authority over Mr. Kadis and had no relations with him except for cordial, personal contact.

It would seem to me that the situation is one to be acted upon solely as between Mr. Kadis and the New York United Jewish Appeal.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BC

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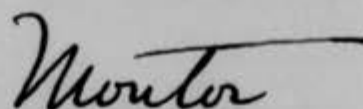
Dear Dr. Silver:

It is suggested by the leaders of the Houston campaign that you send a personal letter to the 210 major contributors to the Houston campaign. I am, therefore, sending you the draft of such a letter for your approval.

If this is satisfactory, please have Miss Kline wire me to that effect in order that the letters may go out immediately.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:rh
Enc.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

*National Chairman
United Jewish Appeal for Refugees
and Overseas Needs*

February 18, 1942

Dear _____:

Under the vigorous leadership of Mr. William Salman, the Jewish community of Houston is preparing to mobilize its resources so that the task of aiding our people, wherever they may be reached, can be speeded.

Through the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service, which comprise the United Jewish Appeal, American Jewry is supplementing the effort of our own government to sustain the life and spirit of those people who were the first victims of Hitlerism and who stand out today as the symbols of the eventual destruction of the Axis powers.

Millions of Jews in Russia, France, Switzerland, Portugal, North Africa, South America and elsewhere depend upon us for the comradeship that will enable them to survive. In Palestine, which is becoming increasingly the concern of the United Nations, the Jewish community of 550,000 stands fast in its defense of the democratic cause. In upholding their hands we strengthen the defense of our own frontiers. Provision for the integration of the refugees in America is an essential part of meeting our responsibilities as Jews and as Americans.

Jews realize that the winning of the war will mean devotion and sacrifice. It is a war which has not only a military front but also a humanitarian front. The defense of both runs in parallel lines -- both have the same objective, that is, the rescue from despair and defeat of those oppressed or threatened by enslavement by the Axis powers.

Having had the pleasure of meeting the leadership of Houston, I know it can be relied upon in the coming weeks to give Mr. Salman that measure of support which will enable the United Jewish Appeal to carry forward with its tasks, involving life or death for countless numbers of our people.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

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


Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of an acknowledgment of the receipt of your Cleveland speech from Mr. James G. McDonald. All the members of the President's Advisory Committee received the speech.

I imagine that you want to acknowledge this note to Mr. McDonald directly. He has, as you know, been most helpful and cooperative with the U.P.A. in recent years.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JB
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THE BROOKLYN INSTITUTE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

30 Lafayette Avenue, Brooklyn, New York

Office of the President

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Congratulations on the stirring piece, "In War and Peace".

It is splendid, too, to have Secretary Knox's vigorous endorsement.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) JAMES G. McDONALD



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Dear Dr. Silver:

With Bernard Stone now representing the U.P.A. exclusively, he is engaged in the task of building up conferences of the U.P.A. One of these is to be held in Los Angeles, another in San Francisco, and a third in the Northwest area.

Charles Brown, Chairman of the Southland U.P.A. Council, has written to urge your availability as the guest of honor at the conference to be held in Los Angeles on April 12th. Would it be possible for you to accept that date? Your presence on the West Coast at that time could also be helpful to the U.J.A. I do hope that you can let me know within the week, since it will take a great deal of time and careful planning if the Los Angeles conference is to be worth all the effort and energy that will be invested in it.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have just returned from a two weeks' visit throughout the country on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal. I went to such places as San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Beaumont, Galveston, Kansas City, Saint Louis, Des Moines. Everywhere I found a great readiness to continue giving and even to give more, but it all depends on leadership. Wherever there is aggressiveness and militancy, the Jews are prepared to follow that line, but wherever there is indecision among the leaders, there is even greater bewilderment among the communities as a whole. It is the old story of the value of leadership accentuated by the general confusion prevailing at this time.

The optimism which I had this year in contrast to previous years has been corroborated by my actual contacts in the communities. At the same time I recognize that the crazy system which is the U.J.A. cannot possibly take advantage of the moral impulses which exist in the Jewish communities of America. The U.J.A. has been reduced to the lowest common denominator in intelligence and emotional drive. The effect shows financially. Apparently when there is a wedding of a stone and a flower, even the flower turns to stone.

I should like to report to you at greater length on what the general attitude of the communities is, except that I believe that you are even now preparing to leave for the West Coast for your visit to San Francisco. In accordance with your previous conversation on this subject, I have not communicated with any of our friends in that city.

In this letter I want to touch briefly on several of the matters that have arisen during my absence from the city. These have, I believe, been taken care of promptly by Dr. Braunstein and by Miss Cohen.

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On the subject of Mr. Rosenwald's contribution, I note that Mr. Rosenbloom has been in touch with you directly from Florida. I should imagine that it would be just as fair for you to take the entire bill of expenses which you incur for the U.P.A. in any one year and submit the bill to the U.J.A. for reimbursement. That is exactly what Mr. Rosenwald did. Of course, it loses its mercenary aspect when it is recalled that a check for the same amount or an even larger sum is immediately turned over to the New York City United Jewish Appeal as Mr. Rosenwald's contribution. In the first place, the expenses of the N.R.S. are less by this system. In the second place, I believe that there is some counter-value on income taxes. In the third place, the U.J.A. national expenses go up.

I am wondering whether your attitude toward the Santo Domingo project as described in your letter of February 6th can be most helpful to our common purposes at this time. Such a statement from you at this stage can only be interpreted as an endorsement. The Dominican Republic Association is engaged in a very effective drive throughout the country. It is a drive which has the moral support of the J.D.C. officers and personnel. In the case of the J.N.F., I am in receipt of daily memoranda from field men of the U.J.A., as well as from officials of the Welfare Funds who wonder why the J.N.F. should engage in campaigns aside from the share which the U.P.A. has in the U.J.A.

I realize that the parallel between the J.N.F. and the DORSA is not complete, because by law, DORSA is a completely separate corporation and its receipts do not accrue to the J.D.C., but it is equally clear that DORSA has not only the moral but the financial participation of the J.D.C. office. The DORSA project is even more important from the point of view of principle than from the \$200,000 or \$300,000 that will undoubtedly be deducted from the U.J.A. allotments to make up its quota.

The idea that five or six men can foist a project upon a community and ask that community to finance it after the sponsors have gotten tired of spending their own money, even though they have not gotten tired of the project itself, is one which you have very consistently attacked. Up to this time, and in my absence, the U.J.A. when it has been called upon to answer inquiries on the Sosua project, and these inquiries are multiplying, has used your statement; that is, that the U.J.A. has no connection with the project, that it is an independent enterprise, that the communities must use their own judgment as to whether and to what extent it is deserving of support, and that in any event inquiries should be referred to the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds.

The necessities arising out of our relationship to the U.J.A. may require a noncommittal answer of that type, but I am wondering for your sake whether you want to be the author of such recommendations.

On the subject of the U.J.A. national conference on which I had thought there was some agreement, there seems to have been a deadlock during my absence. I find that Rabbi Wise has some reservations on the

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

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subject. He has indicated that he has been or will be in direct communication with you on it. I wonder whether you have any advice following your conversations or correspondence with Rabbi Wise. The unwillingness of the J.D.C. to engage in this project may be related to its persistent unwillingness to center attention on the U.J.A. as an entity of its own. It may also be due to the unwillingness of many J.D.C. officers to sponsor the assembling of more than five or six Jews at one time in any one place. Personally, I think it is a good idea, even though I recognize that it can easily be spoiled by the time the four hundred cooks who would be employed in dishing up the ingredients got through with their enterprise.

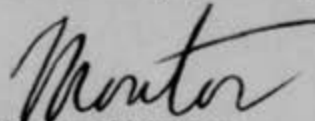
I am hoping that you may be in New York immediately after your visit to the Coast, so that you and Rabbi Wise and Mr. Rosenwald can get down to the heart of this and related problems.

I am meeting today with Mr. Blitz on the subject of the New York City Ort, and looking forward to having regular meetings with him at least once a week so that we can clear problems of relationship between the National and the New York scenes.

I have written to Mr. Rosenbloom, suggesting that he call an early meeting of the Budget Committee of the U.P.A. and the Finance Committee of the Z.O.A. Mr. Rosenbloom usually spends the complete month of February in Florida. Possibly he will want to call a meeting in Pittsburgh. In any event, I shall advise you as soon as I hear from him.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JB

February 20, 1942

Mr. Mendel N. Fisher

Mr. Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which I have sent to Miss Blanche Renard of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, who had written to me as per copy attached on February 13th, enclosing a copy of the letter to you dated the same day.

This will also acknowledge your memorandum of February 16th in which you suggest that "we ought to have a consultation before replying".

I must say unequivocally that it is the responsibility of the J.N.F. to answer every single inquiry addressed to you by Miss Renard. I shall, of course, be most happy to meet with you for the framing of such answers as you may wish to make, but certainly the answers should be responsive, factual, and as detailed as are required. I cannot think of any more serious injury that could be done to the J.N.F. and to the U.P.A. and to the cause of Palestine than the necessity for such a question as was raised at the Palestine session at the Council meeting in Chicago on February 2nd. Under the circumstances I think it is more imperative than ever that your answers be prompt and detailed.

Perhaps we could meet on Tuesday to go over the material. In the meantime, I would suggest that you have your office compile it as carefully as you know how. Please advise me what time on Tuesday would be most convenient for you.

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Dr. Fisher

February 20, 1942

Miss Blanche Renard, Secretary
Committee on National Jewish Agencies
Council of Jewish Federations & Welfare Funds
New York City

Dear Miss Renard:

Because of my absence from the city on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, I have not been able to acknowledge earlier your letter of February 13th, to which was attached a copy of the letter which you addressed on the same date to Mr. Mendel Fisher, Executive Director of the Jewish National Fund.

I believe that you are warranted in receiving complete answers to every question that you have presented, and I am sure the Jewish National Fund will be happy to cooperate with you. I am communicating with Mr. Fisher on the subject to see that the material which may take some time to gather is placed at your disposal as quickly as possible. Please advise me if within the next ten days you do not receive the material in which you are interested.

Attached hereto is a copy of the agreement constituting the 1942 United Jewish Appeal, which has reference to permission to the Jewish National Fund to engage in its traditional collections. The other questions can more appropriately be answered by the Jewish National Fund.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor
Executive Director

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COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS & WELFARE FUNDS
165 West 46th Street
New York City

February 13, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

Because of the frequent inquiries we have received concerning Jewish National Fund appeals outside of the United Jewish Appeal, both by letter and at the Assembly in Chicago, I am directing the attached letter to Mr. Fisher with the hope that we will be able to secure sufficient information to explain ~~why~~ any collections made by the Jewish National Fund outside of the UJA.

I am sending this to you for your information, but I am hoping that you may also be of some assistance to us in interpreting the question of JNF collections.

With thanks in advance,

Cordially,y

(Signed) Blanche Renard, Secretary
Committee on National Jewish Agencies

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JEWISH NATIONAL FUND
41 East 42nd Street
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M E M O R A N D U M

February 16, 1942

To : Mr. Henry Montor

From: Mr. Mendel N. Fisher

Attached herewith is a communication received from Miss Renard which I have immediately acknowledged. Some very fundamental things are involved and I think we ought to have a consultation before replying. I also want to make sure that it is in harmony with the arrangements made by the U.P.A. with the National Council, for Miss Renard is asking us not only for an audited statement but also for a detailed reply to the various questions propounded in her communication.

Dr. Silver

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165 West 46th Street
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Mr. Mendel N. Fisher, Executive Director
Jewish National Fund of America
41 East 42nd St.
New York City

Dear Mr. Fisher:

We have had a number of inquiries concerning the Jewish National Fund collections outside of the United Jewish Appeal in 1941.

Would you please send us your complete certified financial audit for the year 1941 and such other information as would enable us to prepare a statement answering the questions which have been posed by welfare funds.

What seem to be the particular questions raised are:

1. What is the agreement with the UJA which permits of collections by the JNF outside the UJA appeal?
2. What traditional devices are used and how much was collected in 1941 through each of these devices?
3. Does the JNF solicit direct contributions for special projects? If so, how much was raised for such projects in 1941?
4. How much was received from each of the agencies which collect funds and transmit them through the American office of the JNF to the Keren Kayemeth? (Hadassah, Pioneer Women's Organization, Zionist Organization of America, etc.)
5. What receipts (by source) directly received by the JNF are transferred to the UJA for distribution as between its beneficiaries?
6. Do you have any record of costs involved in your various forms of collection by local groups where you receive a net amount, and can you classify your receipts on the basis of those that do and those that do not involve payment of fund-raising costs from your national office?
7. What in general is the form and scope of your fund-raising efforts classified by method and type of solicitation?

Perhaps there is other information you might suggest as a means of clearly interpreting the process of collections for JNF outside the UJA.

We will, of course, submit to you any statement prepared, before it is distributed. There is no doubt of the fact that welfare funds are anxious to understand and adequately interpret JNF collections to their contributors, and we hope to be able, with your assistance, to answer their questions.

With personal greetings to you,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) BLANCHE RENARD, Secretary
Committee on National Jewish Agencies

P.S. Since dictating this letter we have had an inquiry about the Jewish National Fund state organization in Wisconsin, which seems to be campaigning for funds. We are asked by one of our members in Wisconsin why an appeal is being made for the JNF, when the agency is a beneficiary of the UPA, which in turn receives funds from the United Jewish Appeal.

Will you please give us information about the purpose of and type of appeal now being made on a state-wide basis in Wisconsin.



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You will be interested to know that I have this day approved a bill for \$1,288.00, which represents the cost to the United Palestine Appeal of the special issue of The New Palestine which covered the Cleveland Conference of January 17th and 18th. This is in accordance with the previous agreement with the Zionist Organization of America.

I think you ought to know, however, that I continue to believe that this is an unwarranted expenditure and is typical of the kind of "service" which the United Palestine Appeal receives from the Zionist Organization of America.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

This is to advise you, in answer to your letter of February 16th, that all the people to whom reference is made in your letter have been sent copies of your Cleveland address.

In addition to the copies sent by us to Senators and Representatives, some 550 copies were given to the Emergency Committee for distribution to a supplementary list of members of the American Palestine Committee.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

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Executive Director

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Inasmuch as a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal is scheduled for Monday, March 16th at 4:00 p.m., do you not feel it would be advisable to have a meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal that same evening?

You will note that we have had no meetings of the Administrative or Executive Committees since the UPA Conference was held in Cleveland. There may not be any immediately urgent matters to take up, but as a matter of keeping the United Palestine Appeal intact and giving its officers a sense of continuity, I am sure you will agree that it is helpful to have more regular gatherings. Do you think that 8 o'clock would be a satisfactory time for such a UPA meeting?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

It occurs to me that it would be an excellent idea to have a meeting of the National Council for Palestine of the UPA in New York in the latter part of April. This would give us another fine opportunity to fix attention on the work of the UPA. Primarily, of course, we must depend on attendance of members of the Council from New York City and vicinity, but we shall also send invitations to the other members throughout the country.

In the first place, we have had criticism in the past from people who are annually elected to membership on the National Council who feel that the membership means nothing and that they are never called to any meetings to hear a report or to discuss UPA affairs.

In the second place, such a gathering gives us a perfect opportunity to get some of the stimulating publicity which we had in connection with the National Conference at Cleveland. Naturally, it cannot be on the same scale but the benefits, I think, would be great, particularly in the New York area.

My thought is that we could have a luncheon meeting on Sunday and an afternoon session. Please advise me if you agree with this idea. What date would be most convenient to your calendar, because obviously the success of the gathering would be bound up with your attendance at it. We might want to get one or two other speakers to dress up the affair. Do you have any particular type of speaker in mind upon whom I could work?

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

As I advised you previously, copies of your Cleveland address were sent to the Executive Directors of all Welfare Funds with the suggestion that we can make additional copies available for distribution among their leading personalities. This was in addition to the copies that we had sent directly to many key people.

I note that Boston has asked for 250 copies for distribution among its biggest givers.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wonder whether you have had a chance to read the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Z.O.A. of January 10th, as released with a covering letter of February 13th.

I am amused by the inaccuracies and deliberate mis-statements which abound in these digests of what are purported to be factual statements made on the subject of the United Palestine Appeal.

I notice that one gentleman made a very long statement on what he is alleged to have said at a meeting of the United Palestine Appeal in regard to Z.O.A. allotments. It happens that the record shows that for years he has never attended a meeting of the UPA except for three minutes that he happened to pop in some time last year; but at no time did he make any statement whatsoever.

Undoubtedly, you must find the version of what happened at Chicago, in its effect upon the UPA, particularly amusing.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

As a result of the observations made by yourself and Dr. Wise I decided that it rested with me to come to some understanding with Mr. Blitz so that the work of the United Palestine Appeal could be improved. Accordingly I met with him and had a very pleasant and thoroughgoing discussion which I trust will be the basis for a coordinated relationship in the coming year. I am hoping that Mr. Blitz and I can meet at least once a week to go over common problems and I shall be able to report to you on matters of interest in relation to the New York campaign.

1. Mr. Blitz advises me that there has been little progress in connection with the Ort matter. A great deal of pressure is being applied by Mr. David Dubinsky and other Union leaders, and also by Mr. Alexander Kahn who is not only a member of the Board of the Joint Distribution Committee but also manager of the "Jewish Daily Forward" which is the keystone in the Ort structure. Mr. Blitz says that the demands of the Ort are so excessive that few people in the New York United Jewish Appeal are interested in yielding. He stated that Mr. Bregman and Mr. Rosenwald are both opposed to the inclusion of Ort. It is understood by all concerned that there will be no final decision until each of the agencies approves.

Mr. Blitz says, however, that it would be most undesirable if a situation were created whereby the UPA would be made to appear the one organization holding out against the inclusion of Ort. You will recall that such a situation existed three years ago, with very unhelpful results at that particular time. Mr. Blitz says that his strategy is to see to it that such offers might be made that the Ort, finding them unacceptable, would continue on its own.

2. We discussed the question of the members on the Board to represent the UPA on the New York UJA. You will recall that Rabbi Miller was appointed Chairman of a committee to consider membership of the Board after Members of the corporation had been selected. I wrote to you on February 5th giving you the names

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of the suggested members as follows: Nathan Straus, Sylvan Gotshal, Charles Ress, Abraham L. Liebovitz, Jacob Sincoff, Rabbi Irving Miller, Judge Morris Rothenberg, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Louis Lipsky.

Mr. Blitz informs me that there seems to be no hurry about the naming of Board members. Everyone concerned with the New York UJA seems to be especially preoccupied with campaign problems rather than with organizational problems. Apparently once the corporation had been created, all the talk of by-laws, etc., lost validity.

In the meantime the New York UJA is proceeding on the assumption that once a community has officers, it needs nothing else. That happens to be the position which you originally took yourself, but now that it is legalized by a charter it seems to be accepted by others too.

There is no indication at the present time how the New York campaign will be going, since it has not officially started, although in one or two isolated areas, where the amount of money is not large, solicitation has started.

Mr. Blitz informs me that Mr. Henry Ittleson was invited to become Honorary Chairman of the UJA in New York. He replied to Rabbi Jonah Wise by wire that his gift for 1942 would not be determined until later in the year but that in any event it would be substantially lower than in 1941. If under these circumstances the New York UJA wished to name him Honorary Chairman, he would be glad to serve. Naturally there could be no other alternative than to name Mr. Ittleson as Honorary Chairman. If there is any consolation it lies in the fact that Mr. Ittleson's reduced gift will not be announced until later on in the year. Unfortunately that is going to have a severe effect on some other communities, particularly St. Louis where they are jittery about their campaign, since Mr. Sydney Shoenberg measures his giving by Mr. Ittleson's. You will recall that last year Mr. Shoenberg reduced his gift from \$50,000 to \$30,000. I understand that the market value of Commercial Investment Trust, in which Messrs. Ittleson, Shoenberg and Mortimer May have a great part of their fortunes tied up, has shrunk by fifty percent in the last six months.

3. I discussed with Mr. Blitz the transfer of the proceeds of "Night of Stars" to the UPA. At the present time it is in the treasury of the Night of Stars. Is it desirable that this money be transferred to the UPA, and we notify the UJA that we have the money; or shall it continue to remain in the treasury of Night of Stars for further adjudication? What I have in mind is the refusal of the JDC to consider its income

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of approximately \$100,000 of early 1941 in the Matzoth Fund as part of the income of the UJA of 1941. It was decided at a meeting of the Administrative Committee in 1941 that the money of the Night of Stars would be withheld until after the Matzoth Fund had been disposed of. However, it seems to me deplorable that money should be remaining in a bank of the Night of Stars where it cannot possibly do anybody any good. Naturally the Night of Stars is prepared to act upon our request in the matter. What do you think ought to be done?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Montor

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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P.S. A great many people who were active in the 1941 campaign in New York are out of the picture. I am thinking especially of Mr. Edward Warburg who, as you probably know, has enlisted as a private in the United States Army. There are others who have gone to Washington to serve in either the military or governmental branches.



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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I send you herewith an excerpt from a letter sent to me on February 23rd by Charles J. Rosenbloom in response to one from me asking when he could set a meeting for the Budget Committee of the UPA to meet with the Finance Committee of the Z.O.A.

Have you any further advice or instructions in this matter?

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Executive Director

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Excerpt of letter from Charles J. Rosenbloom to
Henry Montor, dated February 23, 1942.

It seems to me that on the question of a meeting to consider what U.P.A. activities might be transferred to the Z.O.A., the Budget Committee is not the committee to consider such action. I believe that such decisions should lie in the hands of an Executive Committee if there is one. Of course, I do not understand why if the U.P.A. does give up some of its activities it should mean that the Z.O.A. should get the money that might be saved. The proper and decent thing to do with such savings is to turn them over to the K.K. and the K.H. but maybe I am too naive to hold such views. In any event should this matter rest with the Budget Committee of the U.P.A. there is not much chance of my attending an early meeting.

I shall be down here until the beginning of April and I do not know how soon after it would be possible for me to get to New York. It certainly would be much more convenient if the meeting can wait until then to have it held in Pittsburgh.



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Dear Dr. Silver:

The case of Mr. Meyer Goldberg is being pressed very seriously on the United Palestine Appeal.

The situation in brief is as follows:

Mr. Meyer Goldberg joined the staff of the Palestine fund-raising efforts in New York, variously known as the American Palestine Campaign, Keren Hayesod, United Palestine Appeal, in about 1925. He was the Director in the Bronx section of these New York campaigns until about 1937. At that time he was retired from service. It is my understanding that on several previous occasions an effort had been made by Mr. Blitz, Director of the New York campaign, to retire him on the ground that he was not doing the most effective work in that section. But in each instance Mr. Blitz was met with great resistance on the part of the Bronx leadership which felt that Mr. Goldberg was doing an excellent job.

At the time of Mr. Goldberg's retirement he was voted \$1,500 by the Keren Hayesod.

Mr. Meyer Goldberg is now reported to be very ill. The leaders of the Zionist District in the Bronx — and especially Mr. Max Schneider and Mr. Louis Altschul — feel that it is only fair that the UPA should make some financial provision for Mr. Goldberg who has no other resources. Mr. Schneider has intimated to Mr. Blitz that Mr. Goldberg has perhaps only six months to live, and that surely the UPA would not wish to deprive Mr. Goldberg of the comfort of some financial security in these last days. Mr. Schneider has suggested an amount of \$25 per week.

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In view of the fact that there is actually no New York fund-raising effort of the UPA, the problem comes squarely before the national UPA.

Because Mr. Goldberg's position is reported to be so serious, I take the liberty of pressing for some action perhaps even before the meeting of the Administrative Committee which might be held on March 16th.

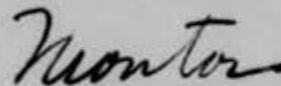
Mr. Blitz has suggested the possibility of making available \$500 to Mr. Max Schneider for the latter to administer for Mr. Meyer Goldberg as he sees fit. Do you believe that this is possible?

I have no knowledge of the long background involved in this case, but my own opinion would be that it would be much more economical and desirable for the UPA to err on the side of generosity than of penuriousness in this particular case.

If you would make some suggestion, would you wish me to consider it promptly with Messrs. Lipsky and Goldstein to get their approval? Naturally it would also have to be submitted to Mr. Rosenbloom as Treasurer in accordance with the decision of the Budget Committee that no new financial engagements were to be undertaken by the UPA without prior approval by the Budget Committee.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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P.S. Attached hereto are the relevant resolution and correspondence which I had previously submitted to you.

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Feb. 10, 1942

To Mr. Henry Montor

From Mr. Samuel Blitz

Attached is letter received from Mr. Max J. Schneider regarding the case of Meyer Goldberg.

As Mr. Schneider is our leader in the Bronx and also a tower of strength for the UPA in a number of industries, I hope you will urge Dr. Silver to give this matter prompt attention.

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THE NATIONAL SAFETY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY
of New York

Max J. Schneider
President

February 6, 1942

Mr. Samuel Blitz
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd Street
New York City

Dear Sam,

Pursuant to my conversation with you some time ago, relative to Meyer Goldberg, I wrote a letter with resolutions enclosed to Rabbi Silver.

Up to the present time, nothing has been done and unless something is done immediately there will be no need for it, as Mr. Goldberg is in desperate straits both physically and financially.

May I hear from you as soon as possible?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

(Signed) MAX SCHNEIDER

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C O P Y

WHEREAS, Meyer Goldberg, one of the outstanding Zionists in the Bronx Borough is now unfortunately permanently disabled, and without any means of support and sustenance, and

WHEREAS, Meyer Goldberg has devoted his entire mature life to the cause of Zionism and in the employ of the United Palestine Appeal, the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Organization of America, and

WHEREAS, it is the earnest conviction of all Zionist members of our district that justice and humanity demand that the United Palestine Appeal, the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Organization of America by whom Meyer Goldberg was employed for the many years, should establish a life annuity in consideration of his employment and valuable and faithful services rendered;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED that the Bronx Zionist District No. ²⁵ respectfully and earnestly urges that the United Palestine Appeal, the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Organization of America establish such annuity for Meyer Goldberg of \$25.00 weekly during his lifetime, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a committee consisting of one representative from each district and from the Bronx and Upper Manhattan Zionist region be appointed under the chairmanship of Mr. Max J. Schneider to present and urge the adoption of this resolution upon the United Palestine Appeal, the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Organization of America.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted at a meeting of the Bronx Zionist District #²⁵ this 11th day of December, 1941.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

You will recall that last year consideration was given to subscriptions by the United Palestine Appeal to the Independent Jewish Press Service.

An application had been submitted by the latter for subscriptions totalling \$2,000. It was suggested that at that time the amount should be \$1,000.

Will you authorize me at this time to continue the subscription for an additional thousand dollars, to apply to 1942?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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The question of naming the members of the Allotment Committee will probably be discussed at the mandatory meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal March 16.

Do you have any thoughts as to the position of the United Palestine Appeal toward the members of the Allotment Committee for 1942?

With kindest regards, I am

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Cordially yours,

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a letter from Dr. Harry Frankel. Since he asks for greetings from Rabbi Silver both personal and on behalf of the UPA, I thought you might wish to do something about it. I'd appreciate receiving a copy of such greetings if you see fit to send them.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



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Miss Bessie Kline
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

At the request of Dr. Silver, I am
herewith returning to you the two original
texts of his Cincinnati Conference sermon.

Thanks very much for your helpfulness.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Miss Bessie Kline
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

This will acknowledge your letter of March 6th.

Telegrams, long distance calls and similar costs incurred in connection with Rabbi Silver's trip to England should be submitted to Keren Hayesod, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City, which finances the expense involved in the trip.

As you request, the check for \$25 will be made out to you personally during Dr. Silver's absence.

I saw Dr. Silver off on Saturday. He was in particularly good spirits, and Mrs. Silver took the parting with that stoicism which is characteristic of her. I know that you share my own eagerness to see Dr. Silver return soon.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
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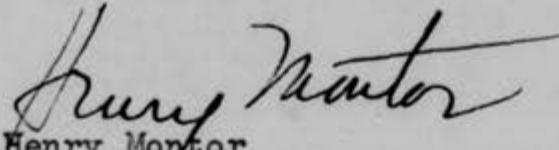
Dear Miss Kline:

I am sending you, herewith, a copy of a note of greeting I have sent in Dr. Silver's name to Dr. Harry Frankel, the Executive Director of the United Galician Jews of America in New York.

Thank you very much for calling Dr. Frankel's request to my attention.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Dr. Harry Frankel, Executive Director
United Galilean Jews of America
175 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Frankel:

I have heard with a great deal of interest that the United Galilean Jews of America is about to issue a bi-lingual monthly Journal. I want to send you my sincere good wishes for its success.

Today more than ever, our people must be acquainted with their status in the world. Information on all aspects of Jewish life, both the good and the bad, must be made available. Unfortunately, the general press is withholding such important data and news material concerning the life of our people here, in Europe and in Palestine. I therefore salute your new Journal as a step in the direction of informing Jews of what is going on in the world touching their own life and their own future.

The United Galilean Jews of America has always recognized its close relationship with the work of redemption of our people in Palestine. I trust, therefore, that the Journal will be an additional instrumentality of carrying on Zionist education. I feel sure it will bring to your readers, under your guidance, a new understanding and a better appreciation for the Jews of America of the work that is now going on in Zion.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

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March 12, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

At Rabbi Silver's request I sent the enclosed letter from Doresh Zion to Mr. Bernstein of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Cleveland. As you can see from the enclosed correspondence it was meant for Rabbi Silver as chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. I am therefore sending it on to you.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

ED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd Street
New York City

MEMORANDUM

March 16, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Henry Mentor

The problem of conflict of Jewish National Fund fund-raising with the campaigns of Welfare Funds and of the United Jewish Appeal is becoming increasingly severe. I attach hereto a copy of a letter from Mr. Harry L. Lurie, Director of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds and my acknowledgement thereof.

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COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS

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

March 6, 1942

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Mr. William Rosenwald
National Chairmen of the
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Dear Sirs:

The attached letter is typical of a number of requests we have had from welfare funds asking us to explain why the Jewish National Fund appeals for contributions outside the United Jewish Appeal.

According to the agreement between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal, it is indicated that traditional collections of the Jewish National Fund are not to be included or to be considered a part of the United Jewish Appeal.

Does this type of appeal (made, so far as we know, in York and Minneapolis and the State of Wisconsin, and possibly other cities) constitute a traditional fund collection?

We would appreciate the interpretation of what, according to the UJA agreement, constitutes "traditional funds".

Sincerely yours,

(signed) H. L. Lurie

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19 West Market Street
York, Pa.

March 5, 1942

Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds
New York City, New York

Gentlemen:

Rabbi Freedman, representing the Jewish National Fund is coming to York to raise funds for the 40th anniversary to buy additional land in Palestine.

Since the JNF is one of the constituents in the greater USA, I would like to know what has been the reaction to this drive. Rabbi Freedman reports that Wilmington is giving \$3,000 and that Lebanon, Lancaster and Harrisburg will conduct separate fund-raising drives for the JNF. These drives to be conducted quietly among the so-called laymen who are sympathetic to this special cause. Is this type of fund-raising generally popular?

I will appreciate your advising me regarding this and any other information you can give will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(signed) Mose Leibovitz
MOSE LEIBOWITZ
President
JEWISH ORGANIZED CHARITIES
of York

March 13, 1942

Mr. H. L. Lurie, Executive Director
Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds
165 West 48th Street
New York City

Dear Mr. Lurie:

I am taking the liberty of acknowledging your letter of March 6th, which deals with the subject of fund-raising by the Jewish National Fund.

May I affirm the agreement constituting the United Jewish Appeal for 1942, which provides that no campaign shall be conducted by the Jewish National Fund, which is a constituent agency of the United Palestine Appeal and therefore in turn of the United Jewish Appeal. As you have indicated, the agreement permits traditional collections by the Jewish National Fund.

So that there may be no misunderstanding as to what is intended, may I indicate that it was not contemplated nor approved that the Jewish National Fund should engage in fund-raising campaigns that would be in any way competitive with or harmful to the fund-raising program of the United Jewish Appeal itself, inasmuch as the major part of the proceeds accruing to the Jewish National Fund derives from the campaign of the United Jewish Appeal.

I do not know what representations are being made by individual representatives of the Jewish National Fund, but I am taking it for granted that in the event that any one of them is asserting that a competitive fund-raising campaign is permissible under the agreement of the United Jewish Appeal, he is unauthorized to make such statements or to act upon that assumption insofar as the Jewish National Fund leadership is concerned.

Cordially yours,

Henry Heister
Executive Vice-Chairman

HN:JH

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

M E M O R A N D U M

March 16, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
FROM: Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter addressed to
Mr. Harry Lurie, Executive Secretary of the Council
of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 EAST 42ND ST.
NEW YORK CITY

March 16, 1942

Mr. Harry L. Lurie
Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, Inc.
165 West 46th Street
New York, New York

Dear Harry:

In reading the attractively published March 5th issue of "Notes and News", I was struck by the circuitousness of the language used on Page Seven in reference to the Budget Research Committee.

The clause marked (2) reads as follows: "The Budget Research Committee can undertake modifications or expansions of its program that may seem advisable but the Board of Directors of the Council will not initiate recommendations for a full national advisory budgeting service without submitting the question to the General Assembly for approval. The Budget Research Committee will probably adopt the procedure of action by a two-thirds majority in dealing with the specific question of extending service to include advisory budgeting."

In reading very carefully the long exchange of correspondence between Mr. Jacob Blaustein and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, it would seem to me that the action taken between them and by their respective constituents is summarized as follows:

Any recommendation for an expansion of the Budget Research Committee's activities must be passed by a two-thirds majority and then, after approval by the Board of Directors, submitted to the next General Assembly for its action.

The language used on Page Seven of "Notes and News" is not, to my mind, clear. I would be grateful for this additional clarification.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE



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March 19, 1942

Dear Friend:

Attached hereto for your information are
(1) a copy of a letter dated February 1, 1942
from Mr. Eliezer Kaplan, Treasurer of the
Jewish Agency, which summarizes the budget of
the Jewish Agency and the Keren Hayesod for
the year 5702 (ending October 1, 1942); and
(2) the Combined Report of Income and Ex-
penditures for October, 1941.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JB

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"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

—HON. FRANK KNOX, Secretary of the Navy

March 24, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

Will you kindly answer the enclosed letter of Mr. Sablosky? This letter was unfortunately addressed to Rabbi Silver at his residence and was just referred to my attention.

Thanks kindly and

Most cordially,

BJK

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ON APRIL 26TH BUT POSTPONED THIS TO MAY THIRD IN VIEW OF DELAY
YOUR DEPARTURE. PLANNING AFTERNOON SESSION AND DINNER YOUR
HONOR FOR EVENING. KINDLY WIRE IF DATE ACCEPTABLE. REGARDS=
HERNY MONTOR.

UPA 26TH.

April 6, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I received your telegram with reference to the meeting of the National Council of the UPA on May 3rd. Do you feel that any real gain is to be had by holding such a meeting at this time? It will come in the very heart of the major campaigns throughout the country -- Pittsburgh, Detroit, Cleveland, etc. The leaders in these communities will be busy with their local campaigns. Is it wise to urge them to come on to New York?

As far as I am concerned, I shall of course be very happy to come on that day if it is finally determined to have such a meeting. I could not come for the noon meeting inasmuch as I shall have to be in my own pulpit that morning. I have been away from my own pulpit so much. I would take a plane and arrive in time for the evening meeting. I do feel, however, that the whole matter should be discussed again at the forthcoming meeting of the UPA next Tuesday.

On March 19th, Dr. Eli Ginsburg sent me a set of galleys of his forthcoming report. I have not had an opportunity to go through it. Have you seen the galley proofs of the Report and have you checked it carefully? Where there any changes made in the final draft? If you have not received such a set of proofs, I shall be very pleased to send you mine. In the meantime you might wish to explain to Dr. Ginsburg the reason for my failure to reply.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I assume you know that during your absence there were elections for officers of the Keren Hayesod. Judge Louis Levinthal was elected Chairman to succeed Mr. Louis Lipsky; and Judge Bernard A. Rosenblatt was named to succeed Charles Ress as Chairman of the Board of the Keren Hayesod.

What all of this portends is to my mind very clear. I was interested to note that you were not re-elected a member of the Board of Directors of the Keren Hayesod.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE

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The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am looking forward to your visit to New York next week so that I can have an adequate opportunity of discussing with you quite a number of items that have developed in your absence. In the meantime, I would like to list a few of the things about which you might let me know in writing in advance.

A) As I wired to you, we are proposing to hold a meeting of the National Council for Palestine in New York on May 3rd. This will be in the form of an afternoon meeting and a dinner meeting in your honor. I do hope that the date will be acceptable. You will recall that prior to your departure for England we had thought that April 26th would be an appropriate date.

B) The J.D.C. people have been pressing me for a meeting to name the Allotment Committee of the U.J.A. for 1942. Do you want me to arrange a meeting while you are here next week?

C) A great many communities have been sending invitations to the U.J.A. for you to open their campaigns. I note that you will be in Detroit on April 15th. I told Mr. Rosenbloom that the date of either April 19th or 20th would be agreeable for the Big Gifts meeting in Pittsburgh to be followed by the public opening. Pittsburgh prefers the April 19th date.

Among the major communities which have asked for you, I want to direct special attention to two, i.e., Kansas City and Milwaukee. Both are anxious to get dates as early as possible so that they can begin their plans for Big Gifts meetings.

Mr. Blitz has asked me to convey to you invitations for three functions he regards of utmost importance for the campaign. One is to open the Bronx campaign on April 29th. The other date he would like is May 12th. Mr. David Bernstein, Chairman of the Amusement Division insists that he cannot have a Big Gifts function unless you are the speaker. That affair would be held at luncheon. In the evening the Queens Division will have its opening. Mr.

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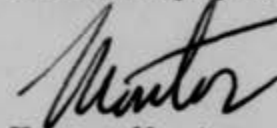
Blitz tells me that this Big Gifts meeting represents about \$150,000.00.

I do hope that you will be able to let me have dates convenient to your calendar or be able to accept the New York suggestions.

D) I am hoping to be able to meet with you next Tuesday morning to go over with you the agenda for the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the U.P.A. to be held on Tuesday, April 14th, at 4:30 P.M.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Montor", written in dark ink.

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BC



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Dear Dr. Silver:

With further reference to our telephone conversation of today:

(1) I do hope that it will be possible for a meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 14th, of yourself, Rabbi Jonah Wise and Mr. Rosenwald. There are a number of situations on which the counsel of the Chairmen is most important, and in general I am sure the morale of the campaign will be strengthened by such a meeting.

I hope that instead of 11 A. M., which is bad for the other two, you might possibly arrange to be in New York in time for a 9:30 meeting. It happens that every Tuesday morning the Executive Committee of the New York U.J.A. meets at the Hotel Commodore for breakfast at about 8:30 A. M. That meeting would last until about 9:30 or 9:45 A. M. Perhaps you might even come in time to attend that breakfast and then after its conclusion you, Rabbi Wise, Mr. Rosenwald, Coons and I could get together on the spot to go over the agenda.

(2) The Executive Committee of the U.J.A. was to have held a stated meeting on March 16th, but this had to be cancelled because of your absence in England. It is suggested that a good date for this postponed meeting could be April 28th or 29th, depending on your convenience. I do hope that you can let me know about both these matters by Thursday or Friday of this week so that notices can go out and the necessary arrangements made.

(3) As I informed you over the phone, Kansas City advised us that its Welfare Fund has definitely decided to enter a War Chest which will take place in October. Normally, Kansas City has a quota of \$225,000. It is adding \$112,000 to make up for the difference in campaign time, so that the Jewish Welfare Fund will be in the campaign for \$337,000. It is probable that the total quota will be \$3,000,000, since the Community Chest, the USO and other bodies are also involved.

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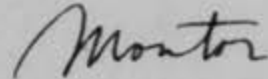
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

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April 7, 1942

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Montor".

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In view of the necessity of influencing the Miami community as quickly as possible and of trying to get a quick reconsideration of a decision to reduce the 1941 allotment of \$48,000 to \$40,000 this year, I have taken the liberty of having the enclosed letters sent over your signature. I trust that I have conveyed the spirit that you would like.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH
Encls.

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

342 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

April 6, 1942

AIR MAIL

Mr. Stanley C. Myers
Seybold Building
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Myers:

Upon my return from England I have looked into some of the major questions confronting the United Jewish Appeal and was frankly surprised to see the action which is contemplated by the Miami leadership. In England I found a spirit of sacrifice among our Jews which gave me new courage to carry on. It is truly disheartening to see, upon my return, that that spirit is far from moving the Jewish community in this country.

At this early stage of the 1942 campaign we are interested in raising the standards in key cities. Miami, representing the first major campaign in the country, threatens to deliver a very serious blow to the United Jewish Appeal throughout the nation.

I trust that the Miami leadership which has always been interested in giving proper consideration to the United Jewish Appeal within the possibilities of fund-raising in the community will not thus jeopardize hundreds of thousands of dollars in other campaigns yet to be held.

May I have some confirmation from you of the fact that Miami is reconsidering this most unfortunate decision to reduce the allocation to the United Jewish Appeal.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

AHS:GRH

AIR MAIL

April 6, 1942

Dr. Frank Coret
Ingraham Building
Miami, Florida

Dear Dr. Coret:

Within the last several days I have returned from a visit to the Jewish community of England which is meeting gallantly the obligations of wartime. Upon my arrival here I have sought information on the progress of the United Jewish Appeal campaign in which I am naturally vitally interested. It has, therefore, been a distinct shock to note the contemplated action of the leadership of the Miami Jewish community.

It is somewhat inconceivable to note, after the bravery and the calm courage of English Jewry that the Jewish leaders of Miami have even entertained seriously the thought of reducing the allotment to the United Jewish Appeal. This is so foreign to the spirit in which the war should be fought that I am asking for your own impression of the possibilities of reconsideration.

Surely the men who make the decisions in the Miami Jewish community cannot stand by while such an injustice is done to the basic cause in Jewish life.

I hope that this first impression I have had regarding a reduced allotment — a sad impression indeed — is altered by new energies and new determination on the part of our friends in Miami to give far more generously to the United Jewish Appeal out of the proceeds of this campaign. Far more is involved than the question of dollars you can allocate. We are concerned here with hundreds of thousands of dollars in other cities which have not yet begun their campaigns and which will undoubtedly be influenced by Miami's decision.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

AHS:GRH

AIR MAIL

April 6th, 1942

Mr. Samuel Blank
690 North West 13th Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Blank:

May I have your advice and good judgment in a matter which gives me great concern in these first days after my return from England. I find that there is contemplated among the Miami leadership a reduction in the United Jewish Appeal allotment this year to \$40,000. This appears to me inconceivable in the light of the fact that we Jews have a vital stake in the winning of the war and must support our people with the maximum of our resources in 1942. The English community which I have just left is resolute in its determination to carry forward the war to final victory. A reduction in the level of giving to the United Jewish Appeal, the basic cause in Jewish life, is wholly out of keeping with that spirit.

I am concerned with the fact that Miami is one of the pivotal campaigns in the nation. Therefore other communities follow its example. We are in danger of losing hundreds of thousands of dollars in other cities if the influence of the reduction in Miami is allowed to seep into other campaigns.

I trust that some extraordinary action will be taken to redirect the thinking of Miami so that more money can be made available to the United Jewish Appeal.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

AHS:GRH



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Dear Dr. Silver:

With respect to the report by Dr. Ginzberg, which is being printed by Harper & Bros., I saw an early version of it. I made extensive observations to Dr. Ginzberg verbally and in writing. He told me that he made use of many of my suggestions.

Before the matter went to press finally, he let me see the section dealing with the United Palestine Appeal and that with the United Jewish Appeal, but not the material relating to the other agencies. I trust that it will all turn out satisfactorily. In any event his point of view seems quite sympathetic.

I am advising Dr. Ginzberg as to why you could not communicate with him.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE

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April 9, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have received invitations from the following communities: Newark - April 28 or 29; Omaha - April 28; Bronx - April 29. You suggested, in your last letter, a meeting of the Executive Committee of the UJA for April 28. Please let me know which of these invitations I should accept. The Amusement Division in New York has again invited me for May 12. Should I accept that invitation?

If I come to New York for April 28 and 29, I would be able to take care also of the Executive meeting. I would then have to forego Omaha. I do not wish to deliver more than one address a day. Please tell Blitz that if I accept the Bronx invitation for the 29, I do not wish any other meeting crowded in on me.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

P.S. I will not be able to get to New York next Tuesday in time for a 9:30 a.m. meeting.



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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter
I have taken the liberty of writing in your name
to Mr. Mose M. Feld of Houston, Texas.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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HM:EH
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41 East 42nd Street

MEMORANDUM

April 10, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

You will be interested in a copy of a memorandum prepared by Dr. Martin Rosenbluth on the basis of financial data issued by the Joint Distribution Committee.

HM:FE
Enc.

March 31, 1942

To Mr. Henry Montor
From Martin Rosenbluth
Subject FINANCIAL DATA OF JDC

Since the appearance of my memorandum of December 26th, 1941, the JDC has issued three additional documents on finance:

- 1) Statement of financial status as of December 31, 1941
- 2) Program and Budget for the first six months of 1942
- 3) Summary of cash payments made during the first ten weeks of 1942, i. e. as of March 15, 1942.

With regard to Number 1): It is noteworthy that despite an excess of expenditure over income in 1941 totaling \$143,815, the general fund deficit of January 1, 1941, \$415,088 in amount, emerged as a surplus, as of December 31, 1941, of \$93,332. This transformation was effected chiefly by the depletion of the working fund reserve of \$620,000 which had been "officially established during years 1934-1938." It will, perhaps, be recalled that ever since 1934 (when I made my first visit to the States), memoranda from me have harped on the tactic of the JDC whereby a cash surplus is rendered a reserve fund for the sole purpose of exhibiting an annual deficit.

Of the total expenditure of \$5,694,100, the sum of \$446,000 (less than 8%) was expended for operating costs, which includes \$110,000 for information and community services. However, an additional sum must be added for administration - which expenses, apparently, are included in the over-all expenditure of \$5,248,100 for the JDC program of activities. According to Professor Ginzberg's Report, Page 23, administration expenses, as of September 30, 1941, amounted to \$509,000. (Incidentally, in the table on Page 23 of the Report, the figure for emigration and relief expenses is incorrectly listed as \$1,209,000 instead of \$1,010,000 -- the error undoubtedly being typographical).

The total liabilities as of December 31, 1941 are \$2,799,965; to meet this indebtedness there are resources of \$2,893,298. There seems to be no reason to question the resources; the liabilities, however, appear to be somewhat inflated. For example, an amount of \$250,000 is cited as payable to the Agro-Joint. Even if this is a loan which must be repaid, rather than the unpaid balance of an old commitment, it should properly have been included in the \$968,700 which represent the total commitments deferred to future years. It should be noted that the deferral of these commitments to the future is more or less offset by the exclusion from the item "resources" of assets held in the Joint Reconstruction Fund, the Palestine Economic Corporation and other corporations, since these assets are said to be "of no present cash value to the J.D.C."

With regard to the bulk of liabilities, consisting of "overseas commitments for relief disbursed through clearance arrangements and for funds borrowed" and of "unpaid balances of commitments", amounting to \$2,245,315 (after the deduction

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of \$1,142,519 paid to steamship lines pending overseas accounting): Past experience would indicate that a very substantial portion of these liabilities exists on paper only and that the JDC will never be called upon to meet them in full but will undoubtedly cancel in 1942 or in subsequent years all those which have become obsolete.

The main difficulty in analyzing the summary of cash payments made in the first ten weeks of 1942, totaling \$1,599,231, inheres in the fact that these payments are "on account of all programs 1942 and prior years' appropriations": there is nothing to indicate how much of an item belongs in the 1942 budget as distinct from appropriations of previous years. But the JDC is very meticulous in stating in the form of a special note that as of December 1941, an additional sum of \$83,421 had been expended on account of the 1942 budget.

Close to two-thirds of the total, i.e., \$1,067,634, was spent for emigration. This represents rather a huge sum when one considers the marked decline in emigration since America's entry into the war. It is somewhat clarified by the explanatory note that more than 96% of this amount represents advances to steamship lines and that the JDC estimates that "40% of such advances are usually charged against the J.D.C. budget and the balance represents relatives' deposits." Accepting this statement at face value and not going into the question of whether the charges against the JDC budget may not in future be considerably less than 40%, it is clear that of the total expenditure of \$1,599,231, at least \$617,196 is an advance which will in due course return to the JDC.

Assuming for the moment that only a minor portion of the expenditure incurred was on account of prior years' appropriations and that the bulk of payments made was on account of the 1942 budget, a comparison between the budget for the first six months of 1942 and actual expenditures in the first two and one-half months of 1942 is rather interesting. Following are the figures:

	<u>Budget for First 6 Months 1942</u>	<u>Expenditure First 2-1/2 Months 1942</u>
1. EMIGRATION REQUIREMENTS	<u>\$750,000</u>	<u>\$450,438</u>
11. WORK IN ALLIED OR NEUTRAL COUNTRIES:		
A. Polish Refugees in Russia	600,000	13,758
B. Unoccupied France	566,140	143,970
C. Switzerland	101,340	147,400
D. Spain	180,000	-
E. Portugal	60,000	39,656
F. (Italy)	-	(600)
G. Sweden (including Hachscharah)	30,080	-

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	Budget for First 6 Mos. 1942	Expenditure First 2-1/2 Mos. 1942
11. WORK IN ALLIED OR NEUTRAL COUNTRIES (Continued)		
H. Tangiers and French Morocco	\$27,200	-
I. Algiers	26,000	-
J. Turkey	15,000	-
K. Central and South America	450,750	109,378
L. Miscellaneous Countries: Bombay, Australia, New Zealand, Burma	66,000	7,500
M. Passover Relief	107,000	14,080
N. Religious-Educational Assistance	<u>104,800</u>	21,405
	<u>\$2,334,410</u>	
111. CONTINUATION OF EMERGENCY AID IN OCCUPIED COUNTRIES	<u>\$1,500,000</u>	?
IV. EMERGENCY RESERVE	\$ 250,000.	10,000
TOTAL BUDGETARY REQUESTS	4,834,410	
V. ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES, NEW YORK AND OVERSEAS OFFICES	<u>240,000</u>	76,867
VI. (Contributions to Cooperating Organizations)	\$ -	<u>(30,400)</u>
	\$5,074,410	\$1,065,452

(Note: The figures in the last column exclude the sum of \$617,196 mentioned previously since this represents an advance to be repaid from relatives' deposits. The last column includes, however, the \$83,421 paid in December 1941 on account of the 1942 budget.)

Items II F and VI were not included in the budget; some money, however, has been spent for these purposes. \$25,000 of the total mentioned in Item VI represents a contribution to the Co-ordinating Foundation for Refugees.)

An itemized comparison of the six-months budget with actual expenditure in about half that time reveals, in most instances, an impressive discrepancy. Even if some hundreds of thousands of dollars are added to the total of \$1,065,452, which additional sum may have been expended without the knowledge of the JDC for continuation of emergency aid in occupied countries, the comparison still clearly indicates that this budget of \$5,074,410 for a six-months period is inflated and issued for propaganda purposes only.

A special feature in the budget is Item K, "Central and South America", involving \$450,750. This sum is larger than the total appropriations for this purpose which were made in 1941 and constitutes about 82% of the total budgetary requirements estimated for refugee assistance in Latin America. It should be understood that in all these countries the JDC acts as an NRS, thereby relieving various Jewish communities of their responsibility to refugees to a large extent. Needless to say, this enhances the reputation of the JDC in these countries. It is questionable, however, as to whether it is actually necessary for American Jewry to grant these subventions to Latin American Jewish communities.

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April 11, 1942

Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Henry:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation concerning the affiliation of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Greater Kansas City with the newly organized United War Chest.

The facts are substantially as I explained them to you. To reiterate I will outline them again.

1. A United War Chest has been set up in Kansas City and the purpose of this organization will be to raise funds through the means of a joint campaign for all local, national and overseas causes. (Besides the Jewish Welfare Federation, this includes or will include the Community Chest, the U. S. O., the China Relief, Russian Relief, British Relief, and in all probability the Red Cross, as well as all the other organizations seeking to have campaigns that may be approved by the War Chest Committee).
2. Immediately after the War Fund was created, the Jewish Welfare Federation was approached. I presume this was due to the imminence of our drive.
3. There was no question of course, about our joining forces. The only serious problem involved was the matter of our spring campaign. In view of the fact that the War Chest campaign is not to be held until October, would we be justified in conducting our drive now?

A number of proposals were made:

- a. That we conduct our usual campaign and at the end of six months hand over our assets and liabilities to the War Fund. This plan was discarded by the War Fund Committee because of the many complications that would be involved in explaining this method to our subscribers.

- b. That we conduct a six months campaign. This too was discarded, because we would be carrying on our campaign when the War Fund Committee was most active in creating its own campaign machinery. In addition this objection applied to plan (a).
 - c. The plan that was most acceptable to the War Fund committee and finally adopted was, that we not conduct a campaign at all, but that the Federation should for the first year be budgeted on a 18 months basis. Thus, since our goal was to be \$225,000, our quota in the coming drive will be \$337,500.
- 4. The integrity of the Jewish Welfare Federation as a budgeting and completely autonomous organization is in no way involved. we are coming in for a blanket amount, and all the rights and privileges of the Federation are in no way affected, except in so far as we are not to conduct our own independent campaign.
 - 5. After all these matters had been explained to our board and had been thoroughly discussed by them, a vote was taken, and the suggested plan was accepted with only one dissenting vote.

We are fully cognizant of the fact that we have taken a serious step, and that a grave responsibility now devolves not only upon the community as a whole but also upon our Jewish Community, in so far as "giving" is concerned. The Federation will lend all of its facilities to the War Chest in its fund raising effort. We expect to carry on an extensive educational campaign among our subscribers so that they will fully understand that the creation of the War Fund relieves them of no responsibility, and that they will be asked to give their full Federation subscription to the War Fund in addition to the subscription that they would be asked to give for all other causes included in this one over all campaign.

As I told you over the phone, it will be very helpful for our educational campaign if you were to send us a telegram telling us that you approve of the step we have taken.

I want to assure you, as I will assure all of the beneficiary agencies of our Federation that we are zealous for their interests and will constantly be on guard that these are in no way compromised.

With cordial greetings, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

(signed)

Max



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Dear Dr. Silver:

National Chairman

Abba Hillel Silver

This is in formal acknowledgment of your letter of April 9th, the contents of which I have since discussed with you over the phone.

National Co-Chairmen

Stephen S. Wise
*Chairman,
Administrative Committee*

As I understand it, the dates to which you agree are as follows:

Louis Lipsky
*Chairman,
Executive Committee*

Solomon Goldman
Israel Goldstein
Louis E. Levinthal
Morris Rothenberg

- (1) Newark U.J.A., Tuesday evening, April 28th
- (2) Executive Committee of U.J.A., New York City,
Wednesday afternoon, April 29th
- (3) Opening of Bronx U.J.A., Wednesday evening, April 29th
- (4) Big Gifts Section of Amusement Division of New York
U.J.A., luncheon, May 12th

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

You did not indicate whether you were also prepared to accept the Big Gifts Section of the Queens campaign on the evening of May 12th. This group is responsible for about \$150,000. I hope that you can accept the latter engagement, which involves one of the most important groups in the city.

Associate Treasurers

Abraham L. Liebovitz
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With kindest personal regards and with many thanks,
I am

Vice-Chairmen

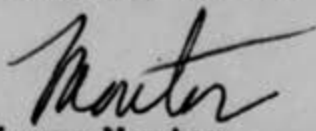
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April 15, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a draft of a
reply to the letter from the Jewish Welfare
Federation of Greater Kansas City signed by
Max Bretton.

In view of the request that acknow-
ledgment be made of this letter promptly, I
would appreciate it greatly if you could
telegraph your approval and/or corrections.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:BG
Enc.

(DRAFT)

April 15, 1942

Mr. Max Bretton, Executive Secretary
The Jewish Welfare Federation of Greater Kansas City
1600 Linwood Boulevard
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Bretton:

As Co-Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal we have given careful consideration to your letter of April 11th describing the circumstances under which the Jewish Welfare Federation of Greater Kansas City has affiliated itself with the newly organized United War Chest of your community.

It is recognized by the United Jewish Appeal that the Jewish community of Kansas City has the fullest autonomy in reaching decisions on its communal activities based on the experience and judgment of the local leadership in relation to problems with which they have the greatest local intimacy. It is, therefore, beyond the power of the United Jewish Appeal, on whose behalf the Jewish Welfare Federation has served as a trustee, to voice approval or disapproval of the decision reached by your officers.

The United Jewish Appeal is the fund-raising instrument acting for the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service. Its responsibilities have been heightened as a result of the war. The necessity for continuing assistance to the beneficiaries of these agencies has been recognized over a period of years and currently by the Jewish leadership of Kansas City.

The only standpoint from which we can concern ourselves with the form which fund-raising in Kansas City takes is the effect upon the urgent necessity to raise maximum sums for the United Jewish Appeal beneficiaries. In that connection, there are certain observations which we should like to call to the attention of the officers of the Jewish Welfare Federation, many if not all of which they have undoubtedly already considered in their discussions with the officers of the United War Chest:

(1) In order to achieve its goal of \$25,000,000, the United Jewish Appeal has suggested to Kansas City a quota of \$135,000 for the year 1942. It is our belief that the needs of the Jews assisted by the United Jewish Appeal--needs which have been multiplied by wartime emergencies--and the size and resources of the Kansas City Jewish community, justify that quota. Since the Kansas City Federation is acting as the trustee for the United Jewish Appeal, it is our assumption that there has been presented to the officers of the United War Chest the full goal of the United Jewish Appeal for 1942, inasmuch as you state that "the integrity of the Jewish Welfare Federation as a budgeting and completely autonomous organization is in no way involved."

Under the terms of the plan which you described in your letter of April 11th, the United Jewish Appeal would be justified in assuming that there has been transmitted to the United War Chest a budget of the Jewish Welfare Federation which would involve the sum of \$202,500 for the United Jewish Appeal. That is based on a budget for an 18-month period, since the campaign which you normally would have held in the Spring has been postponed to the Fall. The assumption that such a quota has been transmitted on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal is strengthened by the knowledge that the appeal and the emphasis of a

Mr. Max Bretton

April 15, 1942

United War Chest will be linked to the responsibilities that fall upon Americans in connection with the war. The appeal to Kansas City generosity will be based on the realization that we, as Americans, have a responsibility to ease the plight of the victims of the war and to help meet some of the problems of the Axis victims, among whom the Jews occupy a foremost place.

We are also confident that it has been made clear to the officers of the United War Chest that the United Jewish Appeal is the largest single instrument of the Jews of America to fulfill our obligations to the victims of the war--a war which for the Jews had its beginnings with the accession to power of Hitler in 1933.

We should like to know more concretely the nature of the relationship of the Jewish Welfare Federation to the United War Chest. For example, how would the agencies be affected in the event that through some mischance the total goal of the United War Chest were not achieved? Is it the intention to provide preferences for any of the agencies or are they all to share proportionately in the results?

(2) There are many problems arising out of the affiliation of the Jewish Welfare Federation with the United War Chest. These have certainly had your closest scrutiny. Some of these problems have been discussed at length at various meetings, especially at the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in Chicago last January.

The question of comparable standards of giving; of maintaining the standards that now exist among Jews; the ultimate, if not the immediate possibility of scrutiny of and veto power over budgetary items of the Jewish Welfare Federation; inclusion of enterprises and activities which, though desirable and essential in a Jewish Welfare Federation, might give rise to discussions in some other medium of fund-raising; the maintenance of interest of leadership and membership in the agencies and beneficiaries of the Jewish Welfare Federation and scores of other issues arise out of the action that has been decided upon.

If these questions are raised merely for the sake of directing attention to them, it is not with any desire to infringe upon the responsibility of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Kansas City to make its own determination of the issues involved. But we do feel in sharing responsibility with you for the United Jewish Appeal that indication should be given of the cautiousness with which these developments are being watched.

May we receive your assurance that the United Jewish Appeal may look forward to inclusion in the United War Chest for a sum commensurate with the appeal which our beneficiary agencies must exert in such a War Chest? May we also express the hope that the decision which you have reached will be vindicated with success.

Cordially yours,

William Rosenwald

Abba Hillel Silver

Jonah B. Wise NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

April 17, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Somebody called my attention to the report of the UPA Annual Conference held in Cleveland on January 18 which appeared in the "Haolam" of Jerusalem -- the official Zionist organ. In two closely printed columns nowhere is there mention of the fact that I presided at the meeting as Chairman of the UPA or that I spoke at the meeting. I wonder who takes care of publicity sent to the "Haolam"?

My family, too, wrote to me from Palestine and wondered whether I was sick and unable to attend the Conference inasmuch as no mention was made of my presence.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK
Enc.



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We are stymied by the Matzoth Fund of the early 1941 days. You will recall my letter to you of January 22, 1942, in which I reported on a conversation held at the office of the Joint Distribution Committee, wherein the representatives of the latter completely absolved themselves of any responsibility to turn over approximately \$100,000 to the United Jewish Appeal.

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I would suggest that the enclosed letter or some version of it be sent to Mr. Frederick Greenman as Chairman of the Allotment Committee of the 1941 United Jewish Appeal, and to Professor Eli Ginzberg, Director of the Inquiry, for action by the 1941 Allotment Committee, since it will soon be called into session again to allot the sum of some \$500,000 which has been received on account of the 1941 campaign over and above the amount originally allocated.

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With kindest personal regards, I am

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Cordially yours,

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have not wanted to press this upon you until you had a chance to catch your breath after your return from England.

However, I believe that it would be very stimulating to the members of the National Council for Palestine, of whom there are some 3,000 throughout the country, if they were to receive a personal message from you indicating the feeling with which you have returned from England, and offering stimulation in terms of the significance of Palestine as understood in England by the Jewish community there. This might be a letter of some two pages along lines which I know I need not describe. If you could compose such a letter, which obviously cannot be drafted here, it would be very helpful for our general promotional activities.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JB

P.S. Sobeloff told me of the very successful meeting held in Detroit on Wednesday night when you launched the Big Gifts campaign. The ratio of increases should be stimulating not only to the Detroit campaign but to other cities of comparable size. I hoped that something of the same kind might happen in Pittsburgh, although I am tremendously anxious about that situation because of the attitude of several of the largest givers.

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

Dear Mr. Greenman:

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 campaigns had been launched by the three agencies which compose the United Jewish Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee inaugurated a "Matzoth Fund", through which it received in cash 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 agencies 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 Matzoth Fund on its books as part of its proceeds in New York City, although the money itself went to the Joint Distribution Committee and was exclusively used by it.

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

Inasmuch 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 Allotment Committee of the United Jewish 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

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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 Night of Stars to the United Palestine Appeal might be placed in the same category as the Matzoth Fund of the Joint Distribution Committee. The United Palestine Appeal has never challenged the right of the United Jewish Appeal to the income from Night of Stars, and believes that if it is just that the proceeds of the Night 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.

May I ask that this matter be placed on the agenda of the Allotment Committee 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

AHS:EMT



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The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

This will acknowledge your note of April 17th, together with a copy of an article from "Haolam." I am quite amazed to hear how that paper reported the United Palestine Appeal Conference at Cleveland, since every English organ which I have seen, in England and in Palestine, took proper note of the principal address delivered by yourself. I can only assume that stupid editing was involved. How some of these people become editors frequently astounds me.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE

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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from
Mr. Joseph C. Hyman with reference to a possible
meeting to discuss the 1942 Allotment Committee.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

P. S. Mr. Rosenbloom, to whom I spoke by phone
yesterday, advises me that you were magnificent
at the Sunday night meeting in Pittsburgh. As
you of course know, they have a special problem
in their biggest givers, but I think that the giving
in the rest of the bracket was most encouraging.

HM:EH
Encl.

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100 East 42nd Street,
New York City

April 17, 1942

Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Montor:

Thank you for letting me know about the meeting of the Executive Committee of the UJA at luncheon on Wednesday, April 29th. I hope to be able to attend.

I note that the UPA has designated Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom as members, and Judge Morris Rothenberg and Judge Louis E. Levinthal as alternates, to represent the UPA on the 1942 Allotment Committee. I have heretofore advised you as to the representation of the JDC. You understand, of course, that we must reserve to ourselves a certain elasticity in connection with the representation of the JDC, if by reason of present conditions, any of our people become unavailable.

I shall have the office get in touch with the members of our Committee to see whether they can arrange, on the same day as the Executive Committee of the UJA, to participate in a discussion with the representatives of the UPA, with respect to the Allotment Committee, etc.

With personal greetings,

Sincerely yours,

(signed) J. C. Hyman

J. C. Hyman

April 21, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

The meeting in Pittsburgh was even better than in Detroit. Nearly everybody at the dinner meeting increased his contribution. The chairman remarked that the meeting was reminiscent of the great days of years ago. There was really a fine spirit.

The one drawback to the success of the campaign is the three rich families — the Kaufmanns, Franks and Falks. They have all threatened to cut their contributions substantially. They are still working on them. Perhaps some pressure can be brought on these individuals from New York.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 EAST 42nd STREET

MEMORANDUM

Date April 29, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

Subject

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter addressed to you by Mr. Sidney Hollander, President of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, asking the United Palestine Appeal to make a subvention to the Council for the year 1942.

In 1941 the United Palestine Appeal granted \$2,500 to the Council; and in 1940 the Council was granted a similar amount.

This matter will be put on the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

HM:FE
Enc.

COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS,
Inc.

National Office: 165 West 46 Street, New York, N.Y.

April 27, 1942

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We wish to place before you our request for an allotment to the Council for the year 1942. We appreciate the contributions we have received from your organization in previous years and trust that you will continue to make an allotment to the Council program this year.

The budget of the Council is secured from member agency communities on the basis of a uniform dues schedule. Our schedule is based on funds raised by federations and by other forms of central fund-raising. Earlier in the year we addressed an appeal to the New York United Jewish Appeal. We have recently received a reply from Mr. Sylvan Gotshal, Executive Chairman, informing us that though New York City has organized a permanent United Jewish Appeal this year's campaign for the UJA is being conducted on the same basis as in previous years, and that the 1942 New York United Jewish Appeal does not have the authority to make a direct contribution to any agency other than the three organizations included in the national UJA. For this reason we are again applying directly to the National Refugee Service, the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal.

In accordance with our schedule applicable to member communities we requested \$12,325 from the New York United Jewish Appeal. In 1941 we received from the three agencies of the UJA the amount of \$10,000 as follows: Joint Distribution Committee, \$5,000; United Palestine Appeal, \$2,500; and National Refugee Service, \$2,500. The requested amount of \$12,325 is essential to meet the 1942 budget of the Council which calls for an increased program of services. Included in the 1942 budget are additional research studies of the agencies engaged in overseas and refugee work. We plan this year to cooperate actively with the Inquiry to be established by the Allotment Committee of the 1942 UJA and to cover agencies not included in the UJA but whose work is directly related to the programs of the UJA agencies.

In order to secure the amount requested from the three agencies of the UJA each of the agencies should allot a proportionately larger grant to the Council. To meet the 1942 request on the basis of the 1941 grants will require \$6,162 from the JDC, \$3,081 from the UPA and \$3,081 from the NRS.

The Council is a service agency and its budget is properly an administrative charge on supporting organizations. The Council's functions in terms of organizing local communities to assume responsibility for local, national and overseas needs is recognized by all the important Jewish communities throughout the country. One of our most important purposes is to develop effective support of national and overseas programs through organized local bodies. Until the New York UJA is established to assume a financial responsibility for our services contributions from the beneficiary agencies of the

New York UJA are indispensable to the maintenance of our budget.

We would appreciate your presenting this request to the appropriate administrative body of your organization and letting us know as soon as possible of your decision.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(signed)

SIDNEY HOLLANDER
President

SH:S



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April 30, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Houston situation is a very delicate and difficult one. I am taking the liberty of writing a letter in your name to our good friend, Joe Weingarten. Everyone agrees that if he will stand behind the request we shall be able to get more money from Houston.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH
Encl.

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The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Miss Birkhahn, the stenotypist who took the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of the United Jewish Appeal, advises me that Mr. Hyman asked her to get permission from me to turn over to him for revision your verbatim remarks at that meeting.

Does that meet with your approval?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
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Dear Dr. Silver:

We had an offer of time on a national hook-up of the National Broadcasting Company for Thursday, May 14th, from 6:30 to 6:45 P.M.

In view of the fact that Dr. Weizmann will not travel, as all are agreed he should not, it seemed a fine opportunity to have his voice heard by the entire country, without fatiguing him unduly, if he would accept this invitation to speak on behalf of the whole U.J.A. Since Dr. Weizmann would naturally speak for the UPA and since he is sympathetic with the JDC, he could perform a genuine service.

I have, therefore, taken the liberty, and I trust you will not mind too greatly, to extend an invitation to Dr. Weizmann on your behalf. Dr. Weizmann has accepted the invitation and will speak on the NBC hook-up on Thursday, May 14th, from 6:30 to 6:45 P.M.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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RABBI WISE WOULD BE ENORMOUS ASSET TO INSURE MAXIMUM RESULTS
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Send the following telegram, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Henry Monitor

26. P. M.

41 E. 42nd St.

New York, N. Y.

May 1, 1942

No objection to verbatim report on English trip but it should be edited for composition syntax etc.

A. H. Silver



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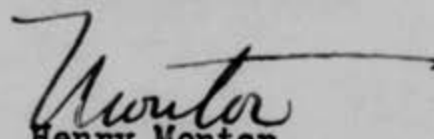
Dear Dr. Silver:

You will be interested in the attached copy of a letter received from the Hon. Frances P. Bolton, member of Congress from Ohio. Perhaps you will wish to make acknowledgement directly to Representative Bolton. I am therefore enclosing the United Jewish Appeal receipt which you will wish to enclose with your letter.

May we have a copy of your letter.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:rh
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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

MEMORANDUM

May 4, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Mr. Henry Montor

Attached hereto are copies of an exchange of correspondence with Stephen T. Early and Randolph E. Paul, Assistant to Secretary Morgenthau.

The question of whether there was any plan for reduction or denial or allowance for charitable contributions was raised simultaneously in Baltimore, Pittsburgh and Los Angeles. It is important to note that the Treasury Department "has not recommended and does not contemplate recommending any legislation which would reduce or deny the allowance of a deduction for charitable contributions."

HM:EH
Atts.

TELEGRAM

APRIL 30, 1942

MR. STEPHEN T. EARLY
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR KINDNESS IN ADDING INTERPRETATION OF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES PRESENT FIFTEEN PERCENT DEDUCTIBILITY FROM INCOME TAXES FOR PHILANTHROPIC CONTRIBUTIONS. KNOWING PRESIDENT'S LONG STANDING LEADERSHIP IN ALL CULTURAL PHILANTHROPIC EFFORTS REALIZE THAT ANY INTERPRETATION THAT WOULD EVEN SUGGEST ELIMINATION PHILANTHROPIC GIFTS IS DISTORTION HIS PURPOSES BUT SINCE A NUMBER OF MEN ENCOURAGED BY SOME COLUMNISTS COMMENTS BELIEVE THERE IS SOME HINT OF ELIMINATION OF DEDUCTIBILITY WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR AUTHORITATIVE REASSURANCE THAT NOTHING IN PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE OR INTENTIONS IN ANY WAY DISCOURAGES WHOLEHEARTED PARTICIPATION ALL AMERICAN CITIZENS IN PRIVATE VOLUNTARY PHILANTHROPIC UNDERTAKINGS. IN VIEW OF WISDOM PROMPT SCOTCHING UNFOUNDED RUMORS IT WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IF A WIRE FROM YOU COULD POSSIBLY BE RECEIVED TODAY. WE KNOW HOW MANY BURDENS YOU CARRY AND DEPLORE HAVING TO SUBMIT ANOTHER ONE TO YOU BUT FEEL SURE YOU WILL APPRECIATE DESIRABILITY SETTING PEOPLE STRAIGHT AT ONCE.

HENRY MONTOR
EXECUTIVE VICE-CHAIRMAN
UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 MADISON AVENUE

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HENRY MONTOR
EXECUTIVE VICE PRES UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

YOUR TELEGRAM OF APRIL TWENTY NINTH ADDRESSED TO STEPHEN T. EARLY
HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE TREASURY FOR REPLY WE ARE PLEASED TO
INFORM YOU THAT THIS DEPARTMENT HAS NOT RECOMMENDED AND DOES NOT
CONTEMPLATE RECOMMENDING ANY LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD REDUCE OR
DENY THE ALLOWANCE OF A DEDUCTION FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.

RANDOLPH E. PAUL ASST TO SECY MORGENTHAU



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Dear Dr. Silver:

Would you wish to have a meeting of either the Administrative or Executive Committee called for the time when you will be in New York the week of May 10th? You will be busy, of course, on May 11th, and you have a luncheon and dinner meeting on May 12th. There might be an Executive or Administrative Committee meeting of the UPA at about four o'clock on Tuesday, May 12th; or perhaps you would wish it called for lunch or the afternoon of May 13th.

You will recall that I have been trying for some time to arrange a meeting in New York of the National Council of the UPA. We have such a National Council, and these people receive letters in advance of the National Conference asking them if they will accept. Subsequently they are notified that they are elected. To fail year after year to hold such a meeting inevitably breeds resentment and alienates good will. It occurs to me that we might utilize June 10th, when there will be a dinner for Weizmann at which you are to be the principal speaker. Could we not call a meeting of the members in New York of the National Council to begin at 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, June 10th? We could then adjourn at about 6:30 so that the people could go directly to the dinner. This would give us about two and a half hours to talk specifically and exclusively on UPA matters, and at the same time make the members of the National Council feel that we have called them in to report, etc.

I should like your advice on this suggestion.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director.

HM:FE

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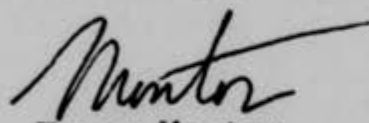
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Judge Levinthal called me about Jesse Calmenson, whose name you may remember. He is a lawyer in St. Paul whom I had wished to get into the service of the UPA for a number of years. Recently when Bernard Stone died, Calmenson said that he might be prepared to take a post on the West Coast. This matter was presented to the Executive Committee which felt that at this time no action should be taken.

Judge Levinthal now suggests that the UPA and the ZOA should jointly finance Mr. Calmenson's being on the West Coast as representative of both organizations. How does that strike you?

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

—HON. FRANK KNOX, Secretary of the Navy

May 5, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

For political reasons I would suggest that the acknowledgement of Mrs. Bolton's gift to the UJA be sent directly from New York headquarters.

It is perfectly all right to turn over the remarks which I made at the Executive Committee meeting of the UJA to Mr. Hyman. Please see that they are properly revised if they are to be used in publicity.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Enc.

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Attached hereto is a draft of a letter to be signed by the National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, in accordance with the decision of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal held on Wednesday, April 29th in New York.

I would appreciate having your corrections or approval by wire so that the sending of the letter may not be unduly delayed.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Mr. Benjamin E. Bronston, President
The Greater Miami Jewish Federation
1002 Congress Building
Miami, Florida

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At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal held in New York on April 29th consideration was given to the allotment by the Greater Miami Jewish Federation of \$40,000 to the United Jewish Appeal for 1942. We are, of course, appreciative of the desire of the Jewish community of Miami to share fully in the responsibilities of the agencies comprising the United Jewish Appeal.

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Very cordially yours,

William Rosenwald

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Professor Eli Ginzberg informed me today that Mr. Frederick Greenman was planning to call a meeting of the Allotment Committee to dispose of the remaining 1941 United Jewish Appeal Funds on Monday, May 25, or a day in that vicinity.

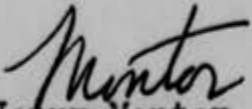
We are preparing data on the present needs of the Palestine funds in order to strengthen the application for a very large part of the remaining funds, which will total from \$500,000 to \$600,000.

I cannot too strongly urge my conviction that at the present time the United Palestine Appeal has a far greater claim to the remaining funds than the Joint Distribution Committee or the National Refugee Service.

You will recall that the Joint Distribution Committee has been allotted \$5,550,000, from the 1941 funds, the United Palestine Appeal \$3,325,000, and the National Refugee Service \$2,725,000. (The latter sum includes \$50,000 additional to which the National Refugee Service was not entitled, but which was granted it as a means of coming to a quick agreement on the 1942 United Jewish Appeal).

In the latter connection, I am sure you have noticed that no more immigration is permitted into Cuba. Moreover, the regulations for those already in Cuba have been greatly eased to facilitate their stay and work in the country.

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:ET

"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

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May 6, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In connection with Jesse Calmenson, who is being suggested as a joint representative of the ZOA and the UPA — you will recall that the Administrative Committee, after a lengthy discussion, turned down the proposal for joint representation. The parties were unwilling to agree to such an arrangement. The matter should again be presented at the next meeting of the Administrative Committee.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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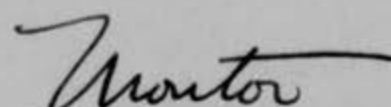
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Senator Harold H. Burton. This is part of the series of messages being received from Senators, Congressmen and Governors, approving the work of the United Jewish Appeal, being used for campaign purposes.

In view of the fact that the Senator is from your State, I thought you might prefer to acknowledge his communication directly. Please send us a copy of such an acknowledgment.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
 Executive Vice-Chairman

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UNITED STATES SENATE

WASHINGTON, D.C.

April 26, 1942

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Responding to your letter of April 20th I wish to commend you and your associates most cordially for the patriotic and loyal support which you are giving to our National cause in these critical days. It is thoroughly appropriate, at the same time, to proceed with the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine.

The United Nations join in deep sympathy for those who will be aided by this special appeal and I hope that you are successful in securing a response which will do much to meet their needs. While we must win this war, we must not at the same time, neglect those who are suffering from the war and from the very aggression that we are fighting. We fight for a great human cause of everlasting importance to mankind.

Yours sincerely,

(signed)
Harold H. Burton

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Henry Monte
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5-7-42

Draft letter to Miami Community
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Q. A. Silver



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Attached hereto is a copy of a resolution adopted at the Seaboard Zionist Hadassah Regional Conference in Roanoke, Virginia on May 4th, 1942.

Cordially yours,

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RESOLUTION ON UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

WHEREAS, the United Palestine Appeal, in which are combined the Palestine Foundation Fund and Jewish National Fund, is the central instrument of American Jewry for the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home, and

WHEREAS, in this decisive period for Eretz Israel, the United Palestine Appeal has provided the channel to bring to the Yishuv concrete material support in the form of resources for immigration, settlement, land purchase, retraining, promotion of industry, education and defense,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 20th Annual Joint Convention of the Seaboard Zionist and Hadassah Regions record its recognition of the pivotal position which the United Palestine Appeal has occupied in the crucial years for the Homeland and summon all Zionists to mobilize the widest support for the United Palestine Appeal, and thus speed the program of building the Jewish National Home,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Convention register its appreciation for the vigorous leadership of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, who has served as National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and who together with his colleagues in the leadership of the campaigns throughout the country has integrated the Jewish community of America to a greater understanding and regard for the Zionist ideal and aim.



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Dear Dr. Silver:

May I advise you of the following circumstances in regard to Miami:

(1) At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the U.J.A. held on April 29th it was decided that the Chairmen of the U.J.A. advise the Greater Miami Jewish Federation of disappointment at the allotment and convey a request for a reconsideration.

(2) In accordance with that directive a letter was drafted and submitted on May 6th to Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, Mr. William Rosenwald and yourself as the National Chairmen.

On May 7th you wired me that the draft of the letter to the Miami community was satisfactory. I received on May 11th a memo from Mr. Coons advising that Rabbi Wise had written personally to Mr. Bronston, President of the Miami Federation, as per the attached memo and copy of the letter from Rabbi Wise.

Do you wish the original draft submitted to you, a copy of which is again attached, to be forwarded to Mr. Bronston under your signature? I believe it conveys the intention of the Executive Committee of the U.J.A.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.
342 MADISON AVENUE

MEMORANDUM

May 11, 1942

TO Mr. Henry Montor
FROM Mr. Isidor Coons
SUBJECT Letter of National Chairmen to Miami, Florida

For letters such as we propose be sent to Miami over the signature of our three National Chairmen, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise does not believe in the efficacy of the three-signature arrangement. He does, however, definitely believe that each of our Chairmen should write an individual letter.

I sent, as you know, to Rabbi Wise your excellent draft and he wrote to Mr. Bronston over his personal signature and on his personal stationery, the attached. He urges that Dr. Silver and Mr. Rosenwald, respectively, each write also and as promptly as possible.

Isidor Coons

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MAY 8, 1942

Mr. Benjamin E. Bronston, President
The Greater Miami Jewish Federation
1002 Congress Building
Miami, Florida

Dear Friend Bronston:

At a meeting of the United Jewish Appeal Executive Committee, attended (in addition to the three chairmen, Messrs. Abba Hillel Silver, William Rosenwald and myself) by almost the full Committee, the desperate situation confronting the miserably beaten and horribly mangled remnants of Jews who have been holding out in our various Corregidors and Singapores, in occupied France, in Lisbon, in Poland and the Palestine bastion, etc. was gone over. It was frightfully apparent that, unless the American Jewish committees came to their assistance immediately, thousands and thousands must be condemned to death by us. I cannot go into details with you, but "too little and too late" is our problem. I am giving you the unanimous conviction of our National Committee, to which I am sure you and your community always have given your affirmative vote.

I hesitated to advise the Committee that Miami, having raised approximately \$121,000, was voting less than one third of that amount to the United Jewish Appeal for the whole work of rescue and resettlement throughout the world for 1942. I did it with the greatest diffidence because I did not wish to represent the community of Miami or the generous givers of the community as having first contributed to this cause and then withheld the contribution from it.

The Officers of the United Jewish Appeal are your trustees. They cannot, just to preserve their own personal peace, permit the United Jewish Appeal to fall beneath a certain minimum of financial support. Your community would resent the United Jewish Appeal condemning to starvation, condemning to remaining in Europe for lack of transportation, condemning to remain outside Palestine for lack of funds to guarantee their acceptance in the land of Israel. I therefore feel that there is nothing that can be said vigorous enough to ask a reconsideration of this action or to demand an adjustment if the action has not yet been taken.

"Thou shalt not put a stumbling block before the blind", says the Book of Leviticus, Chapter 19.

None of us can see either the misery that exists or the marvelous results of our help. Therefore the United Jewish Appeal Executive Committee is all the more responsible for most vigorously championing the cause of the unseen, the unknown and the unprotected of our people.

Trusting you will present this to the Executive Committee and with kindest personal regards and thanks for your continued efforts for the work of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Jonah B. Wise

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Henry Monitor

*Regret cannot accept Columbus invitations
Have too many important engagements here
in Cleveland for the remainder of the month
confirmation, Temple Annual meeting, etc.*

Regards

Silver

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MR. HENRY MONTOR
UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 EAST 42nd STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

ROSENWALD HAS NO AUTHORITY TO CONVENE MEETING FOR DISCUSSION OF BROADCAST WITHOUT
CONSENT OF OTHER NATIONAL CHAIRMEN. REQUEST YOU AND STEINGLASS NOT TO ATTEND
MEETING MAY 18th. INFORM COONS ROSENWALD AND WISE OF MY REQUEST.

ABRA HILLEL SILVER

Saturday, May 16, 1942
12:30 PM



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Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your telegram, I advised Mr. Coons that the meeting to discuss Dr. Weizmann's broadcast could not be attended by Mr. Steinglass or myself, since it had not been convened at the request of all the National Chairmen. I also advised him to inform Mr. Rosenwald and Rabbi Wise of your view in this matter. It seems that on receipt of this note, Mr. Coons called these gentlemen, and the meeting was cancelled.

Last Friday I had spoken to Judge Rothenberg about the situation, and had suggested that he might attend. He came to the UJA office this morning, and since the meeting was cancelled he spoke to Mr. Coons of the situation. He remarked that if there were any protests to be made on Dr. Weizmann's speech on the ground that he had not dealt adequately with other subjects than Palestine -- which he did not think was the case --, then the United Palestine Appeal had overlooked hundreds of opportunities for calling attention to the oversights of the JDC and NRS people in referring -- or rather, not referring -- to Palestine.

Judge Rothenberg told Coons that if the publicity of the UJA needed discussion, there was no reason why the three National Chairmen could not get together to exchange views. It seems that a memorandum will be drawn up by Mr. Rosenwald detailing his observations, to be circulated between the Chairmen. Judge Rothenberg told Coons that he was nonplussed that any issue could have been raised.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
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HM:FE

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Dear Dr. Silver:

In confirmation of our telephone conversation this morning, I do hope that you can get a chance to pick up the phone and call Charles E. Schwartz of Akron, who did such a splendid job as Chairman of the 1942 campaign in his community. He happens to be Chairman of the U.P.A. Committee in Akron.

In 1941 Akron raised \$72,000. It went out for \$85,000 with the thought that it could not achieve that goal but now Akron has raised almost \$90,000. I am hoping that the bulk, if not all, of the additional money will go to the U.J.A. for its allotment.

Mr. Schwartz's address is Summit Rubber Company, 317 W. Bowery Street. His telephone number is Jefferson 6125.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH

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Dear Dr. Silver:

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Abba Hillel Silver

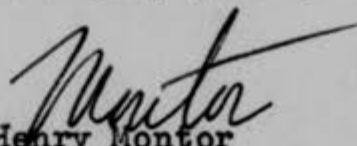
I send you herewith a copy of the auditor's report of the Keren Hayesod in the United States for the period ending December 31, 1941.

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With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
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5/19/42

To : Dr. Silver

From: Henry Montor

This was omitted from the material sent
you earlier today.

HM:JB

Encl.

PART III - ADDITIONAL NEEDS FOR
REST OF FISCAL PERIOD

Agency deficit, despite our restriction of activity within limits of the curtailed provisional budget approved by the Actions Committee. Hence it is vitally urgent that we achieve our originally estimated budget of \$1,180,000 (KH and JA - et), especially in view of the possibilities and needs of the war effort.

In connection with recent developments, it is imperative that we receive immediately additional funds comprising	\$243,000 for security and recruiting of manpower,	\$881,000 for soldier's welfare and
aid to disabled ex-servicemen and soldier's families,		\$243,000 for expansion of agricultural
production and		\$243,000 for other emergency needs,
including expansion of industry, citrus growing, vocational training.		

Keren Kayemeth is unable to utilize the possibilities which exist for land acquisition, owing to the lack of funds.

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The Temple
Tenth and Ansel Roads
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending you for your examination and approval a story based on a cable that has been received from Mr. Eliezer Kaplan. I attach a copy of the cable for your background information.

Will you be kind enough to wire me upon receipt of this story either approval of its contents, or such corrections as you wish to make.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JB
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*Henry Montor
U. P. H.
41 E. 42nd St.
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Silver*



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Dear Dr. Silver:

The Pioneer Women's Organization, which is a branch of the Gewerkschaften campaign, has asked you for a message for the Souvenir Journal to be published on June 7th.

I do not know what the policy is in congratulating such competing organizations. In any event, attached hereto, for your consideration, is a draft.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BG
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Attached herewith is a copy of a letter and the accompanying draft which I have sent to Mr. Rosenbloom.

I trust that you agree with my point of view.

With kindest personal regards, I am

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I am informed by the United Jewish Appeal accounting department that with the payment of only \$350,000 more (which should be accomplished within the next ten days or two weeks) the U.J.A. will have paid out in full to its three beneficiary agencies the total sum of \$11,600,000, representing the amounts originally agreed upon and the additional sums voted by the Allotment Committee last October.

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We may therefore be faced with the situation that money will be coming to the U.J.A. on account of 1941 and there will be no basis for distribution to the agencies. I therefore hope that it will be possible for you to accelerate an early meeting of the Allotment Committee of the U.J.A. for 1941, since a sum of between \$500,000 and \$600,000 is to be decided upon for distribution from among the 1941 proceeds to come.

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You will be encouraged to learn that cash on 1942 campaigns has been coming in encouragingly thus far. This is especially true of New York City.

Executive Director

Henry Montor

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH

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May 21, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the letter which Rabbi Silver sent to Miss Rose Fruling.

Will you kindly return the letter which Mrs. Bernard Stone sent to Rabbi Silver and which was forwarded to you? I'd appreciate it very much.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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IN VIEW OF YOUR PRESENCE IN NEWYORK ON JUNE NINTH AND TENTH
SHALL WE CALL A MEETING OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF UPA?

WARMEST REGARDS=

HENRY MONOTOR

5/25/42 TO *S.*
BY *42* AT *6:47* ^{am} TO BE *mailed*
CALLS _____

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd St.
New York City

M E M O R A N D U M

May 25, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Henry Montor

For your confidential information I am sending you herewith
copies of an exchange of correspondence between Lazure Goodman,
Chairman of the 1942 Welfare Fund drive in Indianapolis, and
Mr. Coons.

HM:EH
Encl.

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NATIONAL SILK HOSIERY MILLS, INC.

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

MAY 16, 1942

Mr. Isidor Coons
United Jewish Appeal, Inc.
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Subject: Jewish National Fund
Golden Book Campaign

Dear Isidor:

I would like to get your opinion upon what rights the Jewish National Fund has to conduct a Golden Book campaign such as they are now conducting in Indianapolis, in view of the fact that the Jewish National Fund is a participant in the U.J.A.

Understand, I have no opinion on this matter but I am seeking one because the matter is under discussion here. The campaign is described in the Jewish Post of May 15th which I am enclosing.

As we understand it, the Jewish National Fund is a participant in the United Palestine Appeal, but it still has rights to carry on collections in its traditional manner for such things as the collections from the boxes and also the Golden Book activities.

However, the question that has been raised here is one of degree, and that is whether or not in making a special drive here for 40 Golden Book pages, which means \$4,000, it is exceeding either the spirit or letter of the agreement that the Jewish National Fund has with United Jewish Appeal.

I talked to Mendel Fisher a couple of days ago when he happened to be in town about the matter and he says the Jewish National Fund is well within its rights in seeking this \$4,000 here as he says the Jewish National Fund has a specific right to continue its Golden Book activities. I told him that people here were questioning his interpretation of the agreement which exists and in the interests of protecting the Jewish National Fund itself, I felt the matter ought to be cleared up.

You see, an unfortunate thing has occurred, in that this Golden Book campaign was started about the same time as the Welfare Fund campaign and when I heard that solicitation was being made, although just quietly and from a few people, I requested that they defer any action until after the Welfare campaign was over with. This they agreed to do, although during the Welfare campaign I personally ran into four important subscribers who gave as the reason why they were not giving more to the Welfare Fund the fact they were going to have to give to the Golden Book campaign so that, in effect, their campaign was going on during our Welfare campaign even though active steps were not being taken by them at the time.

Mendel Fisher said that under no circumstances should they have conflicted with the Welfare Campaign here, that he was agreed on that point, but there is a difference of opinion on the other point of just what are the Jewish National Fund's rights under its agreement.

He brought up the fact that this is the 40th anniversary of the Jewish National Fund and that is why they are going out for these Golden Book pages more actively, and I said I questioned whether or not the fact that it was their 40th anniversary gave them the right to make any more active requests for Golden Book subscriptions than was normal.

I also told him of one case I knew of where a man in the Welfare Fund gave \$500 but I said he should have given \$1,000 and I told the man he should have given \$1,000 but he said he had to give money to other things and among them he mentioned the Jewish National Fund. He did not say he was giving the other \$500 to the Jewish National Fund, and my own opinion is he gave \$200 to it. When I told this to Mendel Fisher, he said - "Well, if a fellow is liberally inclined and would want to sign up for two Golden Book pages instead of one, I suppose that is all right."

Again I pointed out the question of degree. I also pointed out to him another man working in the campaign who was one of the key givers in the \$250 class that should have given \$500. I did work on the man very hard and he finally increased his subscription from \$250 to \$300 and just at the time I was to tell him I thought he should do better, he said he was also giving \$100 to the Jewish National Fund. I am certain that that \$400 instead of \$300 from this man, if given to the Welfare Fund, would have had an important effect upon a number of other givers who are influenced by this key man.

To sum up, what I am after is really what is the spirit and letter of the agreement because I know this matter is going to be discussed at the next Jewish Welfare Board meeting as not only is that point involved, but also the point is involved as to whether or not any beneficiary of the Welfare Fund has a right to have a secondary campaign locally without permission of the Welfare Fund.

For example, last year the Joint Defense Appeal was permitted to have an additional campaign with the express permission of the Welfare Fund, but on strict limitations that it was to call on a certain number of people, which it did. This special campaign that the Jewish National Fund is having is similar in scope except it is conducted without the permission of the local Fund.

Of course, the Jewish National Fund may take the attitude that it is only going to its Zionist members and that any organization has a right to go to its members for anything it wishes, but when you stop to consider that nearly everybody in Indianapolis is a Zionist member, it sort of reminds you of the story of the fellow who asked his girl whether or not she had been true to him while he was gone and she said - "Well, I have to confess I went out with one other party while you were gone", and when he asked who the other party was, she said - "The Navy".

Kindest regards,

LLG

(Lazure L. Goodman)

L. L. Goodman/s

May 25, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I do not believe that a letter should be sent to Mr. Greenman at this time with reference to the kind of data which the Allotment Committee should ask for. I think it would be interpreted as a hostile and provocative act. The matter came up for thorough discussions at the last sessions of the Allotment Committee and they know our position in the matter fully.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

P.S. Will you please find out from Dr. Ginzburg exactly when the Allotment Committee is to meet. There has been considerable telegraphic correspondence about the date of the meeting.

May 26, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Tuesday, June 9, I must keep free for the Allotment Committee which may take up the whole day. I would suggest that you call a meeting of the UPA Administrative Committee for Wednesday noon. I think a late afternoon meeting will not be desirable on account of the Weizmann banquet in the evening.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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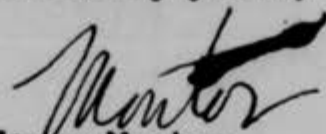
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your suggestion, a meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal is being called for luncheon on June 10th. Do you not think it would be wise for you and Mr. Rosenbloom and myself to meet either at 8 o'clock for breakfast on Tuesday morning, June 9th, prior to the meeting of the Allotment Committee or, if you are in town, to get together on Monday night, June 8th?

With kindest personal regards, I
am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE

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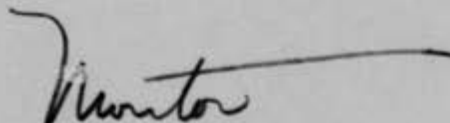
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You will be interested in the exchange of correspondence between Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom as Treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal and Mr. Samuel Goldsmith, Director of the Chicago Jewish Welfare Fund.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



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CHICAGO JEWISH WELFARE FUND

May 18, 1942

Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom
Union Trust Building
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Rosenbloom:

My reply to your letter of May 15th must at this point necessarily be personal and not official. Your letter will be read to the next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago if you desire that that be done. Personally, however, I wish to say that I think it would be an altogether improper request for you to make.

We took the trouble of having a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Welfare Fund convene to listen to Rabbi Jonah Wise present the reaction of the officials of the United Jewish Appeal, or at least of the National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal. Such a meeting was held and Rabbi Wise, ably and fully, presented the situation from the standpoint of the United Jewish Appeal. All the arguments with respect to the possible effects on the contributions of other communities that may grow out of Chicago's action were mentioned by Rabbi Wise. Rabbi Wise, in his presentation, was firm, direct, and yet made the presentation in such fashion that it could be received with good humor.

The last paragraph of your letter seems to indicate that you know something of the facts, namely, that out of \$1,250,000 that could be allotted, the United Jewish Appeal was given \$800,000. Last year, out of \$1,515,000 that could be allotted, the United Jewish Appeal was given \$900,000. The United Jewish Appeal, therefore, this year received a larger proportion of the funds available than it did last year.

In order to make that action possible this year, we have deliberately reduced the amount to local institutions, an amount which helped them in the maintenance of their work and in the amortization of loans made for building purposes -- we made a reduction to such institutions from \$300,000 to \$150,000. This considerably upsets the plan which our community had agreed upon for the amortization of such loans for building purposes.

What seems to me, however, to be the fundamental difficulty is the difficulty of understanding what local communities are doing in raising funds through their Welfare Funds. They are definitely not acting as agents for national organizations. We are not the agents of the United Jewish Appeal. We are the agents of our local community. Some of us have endeavored over the last several years to make the community of Chicago, as undoubtedly you have your own community in Pittsburgh, realize that it has certain obligations not to institutions or organizations, but to Jewish needs. The National organizations, whether for fund raising purposes or for the conduct of actual work, are merely agencies through which our local communities act.

It is quite possible that in due course we shall find some of these

agencies ineffective and, in point of fact, useless. There is a growing, and quite rationally a growing question as to the continuing usefulness of the United Jewish Appeal itself and the desirability of spending approximately a half million dollars a year to conduct it when in most of the major communities - accounting for almost 90% of the funds - the United Jewish Appeal is, in the main, only of very modest assistance, and in many cases, accounting for perhaps 70% of the funds where it is of no practical assistance.

I know that the officers of the United Jewish Appeal feel differently about the matter, but I think you should weigh in the scales what the local communities think about the matter too. I know that to a large extent I am carrying coals to New Castle, since your own service in your own local community is so widely known and so deeply appreciated.

It is true that at the meeting with Rabbi Wise, some individual Directors did say that if it were possible to increase the allocation to the United Jewish Appeal, they hoped it would be done. Whether it will be possible or not, I am in no position to say. I myself have grave doubts that it will or can be done. At any rate, there will be no substantial review of the situation until approximately October 1st.

Finally, what was not mentioned either by Rabbi Wise or by your good self, is this simple fact: Chicago undertook its campaign at a time when most communities viewed the possibility of such campaign with great misgivings. In fact, some communities had decided not to have a campaign at all. The example of Chicago in undertaking the campaign and in raising, all things considered, a reasonably large sum for the limited number of institutions included in the campaign, was heartening to these other communities, and really began the national effort. I should think you would want to encourage us and on the whole work with us, and believe that we are trying to do the best that we can, not for the United Jewish Appeal as such, but for those causes and those works that are assisted through the constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) SAMUEL A. GOLDSMITH
Secretary

May 15, 1942

Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith, Secretary
Jewish Welfare Fund
128 North Wells Street
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Goldsmith:

On behalf of the National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal I acknowledge your letter of May 12th and also that of May 8th. In the former were enclosed two checks, one of \$174,350 and the other of \$75,000, applying to the 1942 allotment to the U.J.A. from the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago. Our official receipt is hereto attached. With this remittance the U.J.A. has recorded a total of \$500,025 as having been received from the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago.

You and your associates in the Jewish Welfare Fund must, of course, be aware of the deep disappointment in the U.J.A. at the very substantial reduction of the allotment as compared with 1941. As Treasurer of the U.J.A., I cannot help remembering that in 1939 the U.J.A. received \$1,400,000 from Chicago, that in 1940 this amount was reduced to \$1,000,000, in 1941 the sum was further cut to \$900,000. When other communities throughout the nation are trying their utmost to maintain, and while others are increasing, their allotments to the U.J.A., it is of course a special source of regret that the allotment should be \$800,000, a decrease of \$100,000 as compared with the previous year.

The disappointment of the U.J.A. was of course conveyed to you at the personal meeting which our colleague, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, had with you in Chicago. We are glad to have the further assurance through him that every effort will be made, insofar as the resources of the community will permit, to increase the "tentative allocation". I have no doubt that you and your colleagues in the Welfare Fund would be deeply gratified if the income to the Fund would permit you to maintain the \$900,000 allocation.

I am aware of the difficulties which Chicago encountered this year and appreciate the effort that was made by the Jewish Welfare Fund to maintain, as far as possible, the share of the U.J.A. in the total receipts.

Sincerely yours,

CJRMH

Charles J. Rosenblom
Co-Treasurer



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Miss Bessie Kline
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

As requested in your letter of May 21st, I am returning to you herewith the letter which Mrs. Bernard Stone addressed to Dr. Silver under date of May 9, 1942.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd Street
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M E M O R A N D U M

May 29, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
FROM: Mr. Henry Montor

Attached hereto is an exchange of correspondence between Mr. Lazare L. Goodman, Chairman of the Indianapolis Jewish Welfare Fund, and Mr. Isidor Coons. Correspondence is in reference to JNF activities in Indianapolis.

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NATIONAL SILK HOSIERY MILLS, INC.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

May 16, 1942

Mr. Isidor Coons
United Jewish Appeal, Inc.
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Subject: Jewish National Fund
Golden Book Campaign

Dear Isidor:

I would like to get your opinion upon what rights the Jewish National Fund has to conduct a Golden Book campaign such as they are now conducting in Indianapolis, in view of the fact that the Jewish National Fund is a participant in the U.J.A.

Understand, I have no opinion on this matter but I am seeking one because the matter is under discussion here. The campaign is described in the Jewish Post of May 15th which I am enclosing.

As we understand it, the Jewish National Fund is a participant in the United Palestine Appeal, but it still has rights to carry on collections in its traditional manner for such things as the collections from the boxes and also the Golden Book activities.

However, the question that has been raised here is one of degree, and that is whether or not in making a special drive here for 40 Golden Book pages, which means \$4,000, it is exceeding either the spirit or letter of the agreement that the Jewish National Fund has with United Jewish Appeal.

I talked to Mendel Fisher a couple of days ago when he happened to be in town about the matter and he says the Jewish National Fund is well within its rights in seeking this \$4,000 here as he says the Jewish National Fund has a specific right to continue its Golden Book activities. I told him that people here were questioning his interpretation of the agreement which exists and in the interests of protecting the Jewish National Fund itself, I felt the matter out to be cleared up.

You see, an unfortunate thing has occurred, in that this Golden Book campaign was started about the same time as the Welfare Fund campaign and when I heard that solicitation was being made, although just quietly and from a few people, I requested that they defer any action until after the Welfare campaign was over with. This they agreed to do, although during the Welfare campaign I personally ran into four important subscribers who gave as the reason why they were not giving more to the Welfare Fund the fact they were going to have to give to the Golden Book campaign so that, in effect, their campaign was going on during our Welfare campaign even though active steps were not being taken by them at the time.

Mendel Fisher said that under no circumstances should they have conflicted with the Welfare Campaign here, that he was agreed on that point, but there is a difference of opinion on the other point of just what are the Jewish National Fund's rights under its agreement.

He brought up the fact that this is the 40th anniversary of the Jewish National Fund and that is why they are going out for these Golden Book pages more actively, and I said I questioned whether or not the fact that it was their 40th anniversary gave them the right to make any more active requests for Golden Book subscriptions than was normal.

I also told him of one case I knew of where a man in the Welfare Fund gave \$500 but I said he should have given \$1,000 and I told the man he should have given \$1,000 but he said he had to give money to other things and among them he mentioned the Jewish National Fund. He did not say he was giving the other \$500 to the Jewish National Fund, and my own opinion is he gave \$200 to it. When I told this to Mendel Fisher, he said - "Well, if a fellow is liberally inclined and would want to sign up for two Golden Book pages instead of one, I suppose that is all right."

Again I pointed out the question of degree. I also pointed out to him another man working in the Campaign who was one of the key givers in the \$250 class that should have given \$500. I did work on the man very hard and he finally increased his subscription from \$250 to \$300 and just at the time I was to tell him I thought he should do better, he said he was also giving \$100 to the Jewish National Fund. I am certain that that \$400 instead of \$300 from this man, if given to the Welfare Fund, would have had an important effect upon a number of other givers who are influenced by this key man.

To sum up, what I am after is really what is the spirit and letter of the agreement because I know this matter is going to be discussed at the next Jewish Welfare Board meeting as not only is that point involved, but also the point is involved as to whether or not any beneficiary of the Welfare Fund has a right to have a secondary campaign locally without permission of the Welfare Fund.

For example, last year the Joint Defense Appeal was permitted to have an additional campaign with the express permission of the Welfare Fund, but on strict limitations that it was to call on a certain number of people, which it did. This special campaign that the Jewish National Fund is having is similar in scope except it is conducted without the permission of the local Fund.

Of course, the Jewish National Fund may take the attitude that it is only going to its Zionist members and that any organization has a right to go to its members for anything it wishes, but when you stop to consider that nearly everybody in Indianapolis is a Zionist member, it sort of reminds you of the story of the fellow who asked his girl whether or not she had been true to him while he was gone and she said - "Well, I have to confess I went out with one other party while you were gone", and when he asked who the other party was, she said - "The Navy".

Kindest regards,

L. L. G.

L. L. Goodman

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May 20, 1942

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

Dear Lazure:

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 Joint 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 net receipts shall be made available to the Allotment Committee. 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 regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Isidor Coons

NATIONAL SILK HOSIERY MILLS, INC
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

May 23, 1942.

Mr. Isidore Coons
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, New York.

Dear Isidore:

I have your letter of May 20th, regarding the Jewish National Fund Golden Book situation, and frankly, the reply is unsatisfactory, in that it leaves the problem up in the air.

It seems to me that a question as simple as I have asked, which is whether or not the activities of the local organization here raising funds for the Jewish National Fund is within the rights of the agreement with the United Jewish Appeal, is deserving of a clear cut answer of "yes" or "no".

I know the question involves one of degree, but certainly there is someone, or some committee, that has the authority to pass on this question answered satisfactorily in that manner.

Undoubtedly, there is a committee that gave the Jewish National Fund the authority to continue its traditional fund raising activities, and I think that committee should interpret whether or not the type of activities that are being followed out in Indianapolis now are in keeping with either the spirit or letter of the agreement covering traditional fund raising activities.

In other words, what is meant by "traditional fund raising activities" insofar as getting contributions for the Golden Book? Has it been the custom of the Jewish National Fund to go out on a campaign such as they have here in Indianapolis to solicit, as they have from perhaps one hundred people, contributions for the Golden Book at \$100.00 a page — (I understand that they have over fifty contributors at \$100.00 each actually accomplished)? If it has not been the custom for them to do this, then in what respect would this be considered a traditional fund raising activity?

I do not know how much money is raised annually for the Golden Book, although I do understand that the traditional fund raising activities in 1941 for the Jewish National Fund were around \$500,000.00. How much of that \$500,000.00 came from the Golden Book, and how much would be raised nationally for the Golden Book this year if their scale of money raising for that purpose were on the basis of \$5,000.00 from Indianapolis this year, and how would that compare with previous years?

It would seem to me that on this scale of fund raising for the Golden Book, together with the normal other traditional fund raising activities of the Jewish National Fund, that far more money would be raised nationally than was contemplated at the time that the Jewish National Fund received its authority from the United Jewish Appeal to continue with its traditional fund raising activities. If that is so, it would appear that the Jewish National Fund with its Golden Book campaign is violating both the spirit and letter of the agreement with the United Palestine Appeal and the United Jewish Appeal.

There is considerable local dissatisfaction in Indianapolis over this situation, not only from the fact that the activity was undertaken almost coincident with the local Welfare Campaign, but more important, that it is a violation of at least the spirit of the agreement that the Jewish National Fund has with the United Palestine Appeal and the United Jewish Appeal. It has caused other organizations in Indianapolis, who have felt that they are not getting enough of the Welfare Campaign, to want to conduct an auxiliary campaign for themselves also, and this only leads in the end to the destruction of the Welfare Fund, which in turn would eventually react to the amount of money that would be given to the United Jewish Appeal and the United Palestine Appeal.

I personally am on the spot in this situation on account of having been campaign manager of the Jewish Welfare Fund and also because of my sympathetic interest in the work of the Jewish National Fund. If I could get a clear cut ruling on this matter to the effect that the Jewish National Fund is not violating either the spirit or letter of their agreement, then I want to contribute a page to the Golden Book myself, and even encourage others to do it if they ask my opinion about it.

On the other hand, if there is doubt cast on this matter through no clear cut interpretation being given by the responsible authorities, who should make a clear cut answer of "yes" or "no" — then should I contribute to the Golden Book under those conditions, I would be severely criticised by a large number of people in Indianapolis, who would feel that I was lending my support to an unauthorized movement.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Henry Montor at the United Palestine office, 41 E. 42nd Street, in the hope that he will give me a definite answer, or that at least he will refer the question to the committee that can give an authoritative answer on this question.

Certainly some committee ought to give the answer of "yes" or "no" as to whether or not the operation in Indianapolis is in keeping with the national agreement, and I would like to have that answer without any buck-passing.

I await your reply, and will also thank you to get in touch with Mr. Henry Montor, with whom I am not personally acquainted, to urge that he give me a prompt answer as well.

Sincerely yours,

(signed)

L. L. Goodman

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd St.
New York City

M E M O R A N D U M

May 29, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
FROM: Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a memorandum addressed to Mr. Coons and myself, as Executive Vice-Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, by Messrs. Samuel Blitz and Henry C. Bernstein, Directors of the New York U.J.A., in regard to the Jewish National Fund, together with photostats which the New York U.J.A. prepared of the documents to which reference is made.

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

TO Mr. Isidor Coons
Mr. Henry Montor

FROM Mr. Samuel Blitz
Mr. Henry C. Bernstein

May 27, 1942

We have been confronted throughout our campaign by activities such as the attached which are seriously interfering with our work. You will note that the Founders' Dinner in honor of Senator Robert F. Wagner is evidently a Jewish National Fund activity as the JNF address and phone number - Va. 6-3780 is used in connection with the undertaking.

We will appreciate your advice so that we may be able to reply to the complaints which we have received from our campaign workers, who resent this duplication of appeals in a united campaign.

June 2, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Enclosed herewith is a letter which
Mr. Greenman sent to Rabbi Silver; also a copy
of the telegram which Rabbi Silver sent to him
this morning.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

Dr. Silver

June 2, 1942

Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom
521 Union Trust Bldg.
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Charles:

There is no gall as galling as that of a Bourbon. The suggestion of Mr. Goldwasser, the man who frothed at the mouth when he heard that I would be within five miles of him because I happen to be a paid employee, ~~that~~ that Mr. Leavitt should now be a member of the Allotment Committee of the U.J.A. on the same basis as Dr. Silver and yourself would, under ordinary circumstances, be amusing except that in this instance it is insulting.

Presumably, if you were to object it would show your Zionist discourtesy. The only suggestion that I can offer is this; that if Mr. Leavitt is invited to be present at the meetings, a similar invitation should be addressed to myself since Mr. Goldwasser places the invitation to Mr. Leavitt on the ground that "Leavitt be permitted to supply information wherever I find myself at a loss."

Obviously I am glad to note that Mr. Goldwasser has let down his caste bars and now recognizes Mr. Leavitt as a human being, which indeed he is. But when the "four freedoms" come to the U.J.A. they should be made available to all agencies of the U.J.A. and not merely to the ruling imperial class.

Perhaps my observations seem too facetious but I imagine that the kernel of what I have to say is not concealed.

In all earnestness, I think it would be wrong for the U.P.A. or anyone else to take the position that because a person is a "professional" he must be debarred from citizenship or from the fulfillment of communal responsibilities. But since the J.D.C. has now come to recognize the dignity of men even though employed, I believe it should apply in all instances.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

HM:JB

Henry Montor
Executive Director



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Dear Dr. Silver:

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As you know, the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal agreed that the next meeting of the Executive Committee would be held on June 23rd. Please advise me whether you would prefer to have this in the form of a lunch or an afternoon meeting at about 4 o'clock.

With kindest regards, I am

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

Cordially yours,

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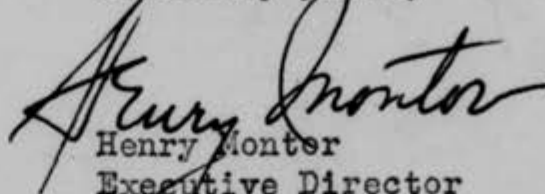
Miss Bessie Kline
Secretary to Dr. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

I am sending today to Dr. Silver drafts of two letters, one to Charles Schwartz and one to George Nobil. Will you be good enough to inform me when Dr. Silver sends the letters out.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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June 4, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith the supplementary data which Dr. Ginzburg sent out to the members of the Allotment Committee. It will undoubtedly serve as the basis for the allotment. It is a rather amazing document. The JDC is represented as showing excess liabilities of resources of \$569,142, the NRS is shown to have a deficit of \$159,600 while the UPA shows a deficit of only \$59,275. There is a strange jumbling of figures in all three reports.

In the NRS report there is smuggled in a "working reserve" of \$300,000, an item which was never heretofore considered by any Allotment Committee; also \$795,000 of loans are included among the expenditures, and no repayments are included as an offset. Ginzburg makes no mention at all of the huge debt which the Jewish Agency is trying to pay off. Every provision is made for the JDC and the NRS to meet their total former commitments, but little for the Jewish Agency. It is of interest to note that no mention is made of the \$50,000 which was given by the Allotment Committee to the NRS, earmarked for Cuban immigration, which didn't materialize, and which by the terms of the 1942 agreement with us, the NRS was permitted to keep and to use for whatever purposes it desired.

I would suggest that our auditors make a careful and immediate survey of the enclosed data and write out their comments upon it. They should be brief and exact! Rosenbloom and I should have it by Monday, and copies of it should be available for distribution among the Allotment Committee members at the meeting on Tuesday.

It is strange to note how Ginzburg, who began as a severe, revolutionary critic of the NRS, has steadily tapered off into an advocate of the NRS to the point of adopting their entire line... Friedman, at least, was consistent...

Mr. Montor

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I am also enclosing herewith a letter of Mr. Baerwald. Evidently they do not wish to adopt the proposal which I made for an agreement upon a ratio for the 1942 allocations. They want to go through with another Allotment Committee. That would be entirely satisfactory. They would like to retain ~~also~~ Mr. Greenman as chairman of the Allotment Committee for 1942 but ~~they~~ would like to substitute for the three other members of the Committee. I am inclined to think that that would be a mistake -- to retain one and to dismiss the others. However, we shall discuss that when we meet next Tuesday. You might, in the meantime, draft a panel of new names.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I think you will be interested to know of the remarkable attendance that may be expected at the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal on Wednesday, June 10th, at 12:30 P.M. The following are the names of the out-of-towners who have already indicated that they will be present:

A. B. Cohen, Scranton, Pa.
Daniel Frisch, Indianapolis, Ind.
Joseph E. Grosberg, Schenectady, N. Y.
S. Joshua Kohn, Utica, N. Y.
Charles J. Rosenbloom, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Simon Shetzer, Washington, D. C.
Archibald Silverman, Providence, R. I.
Abraham Srere, Detroit, Mich.
Michael A. Stavitsky, Newark, N. J.
Mark Sugarman, South Coatesville, Pa.
Abraham I. Uslander, Elizabeth, N. J.
Abe D. Waldauer, Memphis, Tenn.

Cordially yours,

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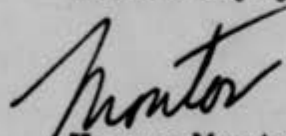
In view of the very substantial increase in the amount raised in Akron this year it is important that the United Jewish Appeal stress the urgency of a much larger allotment.

Last year we received \$30,000 from Akron out of \$73,630 raised. This year the leaders are talking in terms of an increase in our allocation of only \$8,000 although \$88,000 has been raised.

I trust that you will find it convenient to send the enclosed letters directly from Cleveland.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending you herewith an exact duplicate of the material that has been submitted to Professor Ginzberg in connection with the meeting of the Allotment Committee of the 1941 United Jewish Appeal to be held next Tuesday, June 9, 1942.

I should indeed very much like to see similar statistics from the other agencies. I am offering this material to you so that you will have ample opportunity to study it over the week-end.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In reply to your letter of June 4, about the time of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the UJA -- as far as I am concerned, either the noon hour or four o'clock is convenient.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

June 5, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Rabbi Silver signed the letters
addressed to Charles Schwartz and George Nabil.
They were mailed today.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



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I am sending you herewith by airmail, special delivery, a copy of the memorandum which was drawn up by Dr. Rosenbluth on the financial status and activities of the J.D.C. and the N.R.S.

You will want to study this thoroughly in connection with the meeting of the Allotment Committee on Tuesday, June 9th. Please note that this material was prepared prior to the receipt of Professor Ginzberg's statement and a supplementary statement by Dr. Rosenbluth will be forwarded to you by airmail, special delivery sometime during the day. You may, as a matter of fact, get the material at the same time this is received by you.

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Charles J. Rosenbloom

With kindest personal regards, I am

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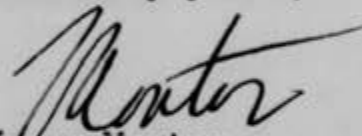
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Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your request, I am sending herewith to you two sheets on which appear in statistical form the complete story in brief of the financial status of the JDC, the NRS and the UPA at the end of 1941. The figures speak for themselves.

In addition, I am sending you some notes which help further to clarify these figures, and also suggest some very pertinent questions that might be asked during the discussions on Tuesday.

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The broader background is of course to be found in Dr. Rosenbluth's lengthy memorandum which went to you under separate cover. Over the week-end I shall be at the Hotel Rochester, Rochester, New York for the National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare.

I shall be returning Tuesday morning to have breakfast with you and Mr. Rosenbloom at the Commodore Hotel at eight o'clock.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I had lunch today with Professor Eli Ginzberg, to whom I expressed "shock" at the contents of his summary statement to the Allotment Committee. He said that he did not understand my "shock" in view of the fact that what I read into the statistics was not what he had intended at all.

In brief, this is his view of the situation of the three agencies in the U.J.A., a view which he is prepared to present to the Allotment Committee as an introductory statement if he is called upon:

1. The J.D.C. has approximately \$1,200,000 of padding in its requests, consisting of (a) \$620,000 as a working fund reintroduced into its figures after the J.D.C. had itself discarded that item in its own fiscal report for the period ending December 31, 1941; (b) approximately \$325,000 of "slow" old accounts or commitments which had already been rejected by the Allotment Committee of the U.J.A. at its meeting in October as being no valid basis on which to distribute funds; and (c) approximately \$325,000 inserted for suddenly discovered reserves, which were of the same nature as the preceding "slow" accounts. Thus, as Professor Ginzberg put it, the J.D.C. had approximately \$1,200,000 deadwood. On that basis, therefore, the J.D.C. ends the year with a surplus of about \$500,000.

2. Professor Ginzberg was completely unable to understand my "sense of disappointment" on the reading of his section on the N.R.S. I had pointed to his remark that the N.R.S. position was "deteriorating". He said that it was true, but in this sense: The N.R.S. ended the year 1940 with a surplus of about \$370,000, but it had ended the year 1941 with a surplus of only \$214,000.

3. He admitted that he had not adequately read or understood the U.P.A. figures, even remarking that he did not have the balance sheet of the Jewish Agency, for example, as of October 1, 1940. It is apparent that the great fault of the U.P.A. has been the excess of material that it has given. In any case, Professor Ginzberg returned to the office with me and was given a copy of the particular balance sheet he wanted and he admitted that he had this previously in his

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possession.

In any event, the U.P.A. position is approximately as follows: (a) the deficit of the Jewish Agency for Palestine of \$600,000, and (b), which is much more important in his opinion, the constant necessity on the part of the Jewish National Fund to borrow. As he sees it, the U.P.A. should say to the Allotment Committee that year after year the J.N.F. is compelled to borrow a million dollars or more. This should be taken into account by the Allotment Committee because both the N.R.S. and the J.D.C. are completely out of their bank indebtedness. The J.N.F., on the other hand, is burdened down by the costs of indebtedness and its inability to take itself out of that indebtedness because of inadequate support.

The above picture, then, is completely different from that which I derived from Professor Ginzberg's report. I cannot reconcile his lengthy and sympathetic statement to me as described above with the contents of his document intended for the Allotment Committee.

The important thing will be to get Mr. Greenman or the Allotment Committee to ask Professor Ginzberg to make the kind of introductory statement which he said to me he was prepared to do if called upon.

Incidentally, Professor Ginzberg remarked that you are very familiar with both the J.D.C. and N.R.S. figures and would certainly not be taken in by the figures submitted by the J.D.C. to present the best case it could under the circumstances.

There are several other points which he made during his discussion with me:

(a) Mr. Greenman has directed him to ignore the "calendar" statistics of the U.P.A. on the ground that the U.P.A. went before the Allotment Committee at its last session with "fiscal year statistics". That does not happen to be the fact. The U.P.A., as your own records will recall, has taken the position that although the agencies which it finances have a fiscal year ending at approximately October 1st, the U.P.A. itself was presenting data on the calendar basis of January through December. There is no reason why the statistics of the J.D.C., the N.R.S. and the U.P.A. should not be treated on the same basis, particularly since the U.P.A. does have all the material necessary on the basis of the calendar year.

(b) Professor Ginzberg did admit that the figures of the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. are not comparable, inasmuch as the U.P.A. figures are on a cash basis and the J.D.C. continues to speak of "appropriations".

(c) There is one point that Professor Ginzberg seems never to have realized until now in regard to the statistics of the four agencies included in the consolidated report of the U.P.A., and that is that each of the agencies is an autonomous, separate organization, with its own income and expenditures. Thus, if the Jewish Agency has a deficit of \$700,000, that deficit cannot be made up by taking over a possible surplus of \$500,000 in the J.N.F. The way in which the U.P.A. picture is presented in the "Supplementary Statistics" sent to you under separate cover in the green covered sheet is the proper presentation of these agencies' income and expenditure. It happens that the Jewish

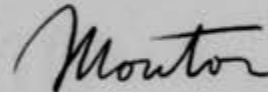
Agency has a very heavy deficit; the J.N.F. had, at a certain period, some \$600,000 in the bank, but this money was in escrow to be paid out as deeds then under negotiation were completed. This money was actually paid out in January, February and March, as is indicated in the U.P.A. report, so that the J.N.F. ends the year with a deficit of some \$60,000.

I shall cut this note short because I have been sending you so much material that it may lead to confusion.

But I did think it was important to emphasize the conversation with Professor Ginzberg, since if what he said to me will be repeated to the members of the Allotment Committee in the very same way it would seem that the U.P.A. is entitled to all the money available, although this conclusion he did not himself state although emphasizing that the J.D.C. has padded its figures with \$1,200,000 and the N.R.S. has ended the year with a surplus of \$214,000.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

P. S. I HAVE TOLD MR. ROSENBLOOM THAT YOU, HE AND I WILL MEET FOR BREAKFAST AT THE COMMODORE HOTEL ON TUESDAY MORNING AT 8 A. M.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have seen a copy of the letter which Dr. Israel Goldstein sent to you with regard to the J.N.F. Note Issue.

I assume that you wish this placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Administrative Committee of the U.P.A.

With kindest personal regards, I am

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 Madison Avenue

MEMORANDUM

June 5, 1942

TO: Mr. Isidor Coons

FROM: Mr. Henry Montor

I have seen Rabbi Wise's letter of June 1st to a number of members of the Budget Committee in Minneapolis. It is not my purpose, obviously, to suggest what Rabbi Wise should or should not say with regard to the UJA. The only reason that I refer to it is that a question was raised with regard to what Dr. Chaim Weizmann said about the agencies of the UJA in a recent broadcast.

I could not help noting in this letter that the overwhelming proportion of space was given to two of the agencies of the UJA rather than proportionate space to all three. As National Chairman, Rabbi Wise will, I am sure, exercise his full prerogatives in writing such letters as he feels he can sign. But since he is a National Chairman of the UJA, my reference to this might seem more appropriate than references that have been made in connection with the other matter.

It happens that of the gentlemen who were addressed Mr. Leonard Frisch, Dr. Moses Barron, Rabbi Albert Gordon and Mr. Harold J. Goldenberg are very devoted Zionists, who would probably have been very much interested in greater information on Palestine as well as on all the other agencies.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
246 East 105 Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending you herewith a revised statement of the Financial Condition of the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Refugee Service as of December 31, 1941.

In the copy sent you yesterday the figures were inadvertently omitted from note 1/. Would you please destroy the copy sent you previously?

Sincerely yours,

Esther Trebach

Esther Trebach
Statistical Department

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HENRY MONTOR
United Palestine Appeal
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Rochester, N.Y.*

2 SON OF A DEAR FRIEND NATHAN DAUBY PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING. WILL HAVE TO ATTEND FUNERAL TUESDAY. WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND MEETING OF ALLOCATION COMMITTEE. SUGGEST GOLDSTEIN OR LIPSKY AS ALTERNATES HAVE THEM FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES THOROUGHLY WITH STATISTICS ESPECIALLY THE ONE PAGE ~~NOTE~~ FINANCIAL STATUS ~~JDC AND NBS~~ WHICH YOU SENT ME COPIES OF WHICH SHOULD ALSO BE AVAILABLE TO OTHER MEMBERS ALLOCATION COMMITTEE. ALTERNATES SHOULD ALSO ACQUAINT THEMSELVES WITH PREVIOUS ACTION OF ALLOCATION COMMITTEE AND REASONS FOR IT. REGRET DEEPLY THIS LAST MINUTE CHANGE OF PLANS BUT AS YOU SEE QUITE UNAVOIDABLE. KINDEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER