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Welles, Sumner, 1948.

June 30, 1948

Mr. Sumner Welles
Oxon Hill Manor
Oxon Hill, Maryland

Dear Mr. Welles:

I have just completed reading your book, We Need Not Fail. I wish to thank you for the magnificent contribution that you have made to our historic cause by your forthright, incisive, and persuasive exposition of the Palestine problem. In these days when sound political thinking and firm moral position are so rare on the international scene, your book will come as a clear light and a great heartening to men of goodwill everywhere.

We have long been in your debt. You have placed us under still greater obligation by your important and most timely book.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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SUMNER WELLES

Bar Harbor, Maine

July 8, 1948

My dear Dr. Silver:

No message that I have received with regard to my last book could possibly have given me more pleasure and deep satisfaction than the generous message you have sent me in your letter of June 30.

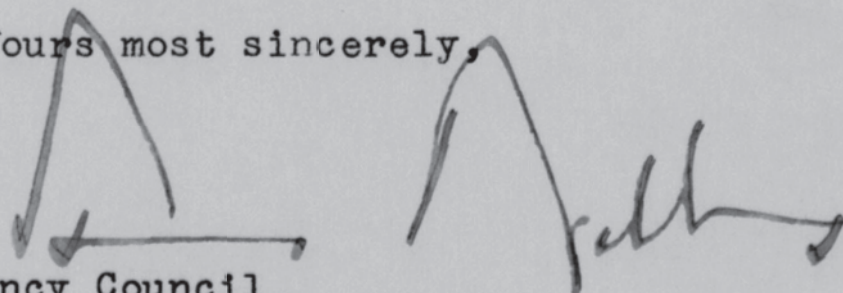
The courageous and enlightened leadership in the Zionist cause that you have so long displayed in the face of almost insuperable obstacles, and in particular the exceptionally brilliant part you have played during the last twelve months, necessarily make such a letter as that you have written to me deeply welcome and peculiarly heartening. I want you to know that I am indeed most grateful.

The events of the past month, and particularly those of recent days, unquestionably afford ground for renewed apprehension. I can only hope that, in the light of the experience it has gained from its tragic blunders of this past year, our own Government is now at last prepared to assume that forthright leadership in behalf of justice and of world peace which under existing conditions alone can bring about the kind of solution in Palestine that you and I both regard as indispensable.

With my renewed thanks, and with my best wishes, believe me,

Yours most sincerely,

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
American Zionist Emergency Council
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'S. Welles', written over the typed name 'Yours most sincerely,'.