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# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA



1720 - 16TH STREET, N.W.  
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To ZOA Regional and District  
Presidents and Secretaries

Dear Friends:

The 47th Annual Convention of the Zionist Organization of America will convene in a four-day session beginning Saturday night, October 14th, through Tuesday, October 17th, 1944. Atlantic City has been selected as the Convention City and the four-day sessions will be held in the Hotels Breakers and St. Charles.

In view of the wartime transportation restrictions and to meet the requirements of our Government to reduce the representation, the last meeting of the Executive Committee and the National Administrative Council held on July 9th, unanimously adopted the following changes in the basis of representation:

1. In place of the former unit of representation of one delegate for each fifty members, a district is entitled to one delegate for the first fifty members in good standing, and one additional delegate for each additional 300 members and major fraction thereof.

I direct your attention to the enclosed instructions and regulations for further amplification.

Elections of delegates and alternates to the Convention may be held until Tuesday, August 15th. Election returns, filed on the enclosed official form must be mailed to National Headquarters on or before August 16th, 1944.

Due to wartime difficulties to obtain railroad and hotel accommodations, alternates are asked to attend only in the absence of a regularly elected delegate.

Please hold your Election Meeting early, and file your Election Report as soon thereafter as you can. This will help to



avoid a last minute rush.

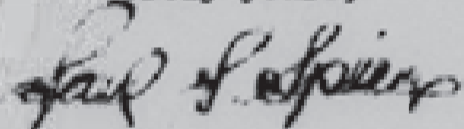
Since Districts having a membership of less than fifty may not elect a delegate to the Convention, we earnestly request that such Districts bring their roster up to the required minimum as soon as possible. We should very much like to have every District properly represented at this crucial meeting.

Representation is based upon the number of members in good standing as of August 31, 1944. Under these circumstances, each District may anticipate the number of its members in good standing on August 31st. Districts are urged to see that all members are brought up-to-date, and to enroll as many new recruits as possible before that date.

The Convention will meet in a decisive stage in history. Its decisions will affect the destiny of our people in the postwar world. The participation of your District in this historic conclave is imperative if we are to speak for a united American Jewry.

With warmest regards and Zion's greetings, I am,

Sincerely yours,



Saul S. Spire  
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Rabbi A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have not communicated with you before this because I wanted to have something definite to report to you.

After our conversation in your home, I discussed the matter with a number of leading non-Zionists, and was frankly amazed at the opposition which I found. Many of them feel that their experience in the Agency and in the Conference was so unsatisfactory, that they are reluctant to try again. I continued in my efforts, although there was little prospect of success.

This morning's mail brought me a letter from Judge Proskauer, which makes me feel that the difficulties are much deeper than I suspected, and that it will take much more time and effort to overcome them. Hence, I am writing to say that my efforts have thus far not been crowned with the success I hoped. While I shall continue, because I am still convinced that a way out must be found for the good of all concerned, I did not want to delay writing you any longer.

Please be assured that I enjoyed our conversation and greatly appreciated your hospitality.

Please accept for yourself and Mrs. Silver, my kindest personal regards.

Cordially,

Maurice J. Karpf

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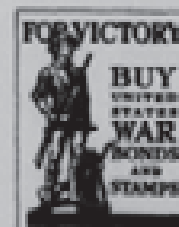
Dear Rabbi Silver:

As you have already been advised, the 47th Annual Convention of the Zionist Organization of America will convene on Saturday evening, October 14th and continue through Tuesday the 17th at the Breakers Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Among other items of convention business will be the election of the members upon the National Administrative Council, pursuant to the following provisions of our constitution (Sections 8 and 9 of Article IX):

"Section 8. The Administrative Council shall consist of the officers, members of the Executive, the Regional Chairmen, and such additional number of members, not exceeding one hundred and twenty, as the Convention shall prescribe, of whom no more than half shall reside in the city of New York.

"Section 9. The Administrative Council shall be elected as follows:  
(a) 20 at the Convention  
(b) 100 by the regions (having due regard to representation of districts and societies) on the basis of the numerical strength of each region in the Zionist Organization of America..."

In accordance with these provisions and on the basis of your membership enrollment to date, your District is entitled to elect one (1) member to the National Administrative Council. The final determination cannot, obviously, be made until our membership records are closed on August 31, 1944. We suggest that your Society proceed at once to the election of your representative upon the Administrative Council.



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

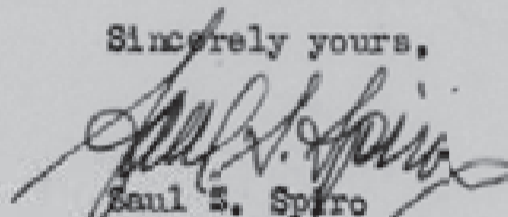
Washington, August 14, 1944

May we suggest, further, that you utilize to the fullest advantage the time still remaining of the current membership year to swell your membership record by continuing to re-enroll every delinquent member, and through the enrollment of every possible new recruit?

Will you please advise us as quickly as you can the name and address of your representative on the National Administrative Council?

With kindest regards and anticipating your prompt attention to this important matter, I am, with Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

  
Paul S. Spiro  
Acting Secretary



SSS:hb

CC: Dr. F. M. Falkman, Secretary  
Mr. I. G. Simon, Field Director

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Subject:  
Election Committee on  
Committees Members

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Pursuant to a directive from the 45th Annual Z.O.A. Convention and upon the recommendation of our Executive Committee, the Administrative Council adopted the resolution hereto attached, which provides for the designation of the Committee on Committees in advance of the annual convention.

In accordance with the formula then adopted, fifty (50) members and fifty (50) alternates of the Committee on Committees are to be named by the Regions and largest affiliated Districts. On the basis of our present paid membership a member of the Committee on Committees is to be designated for each 2,200 members or major fraction thereof. The Cleveland Zionist Society is accordingly entitled to elect one (1) member and one (1) alternate on the Committee on Committees.

Will you please arrange for your District to proceed at once with the election of your representatives on the Committee on Committees. Please note that the persons designated as members or alternates on the Committee on Committees are to be named from among those who will be elected as delegates to the convention. Please note, too, that the Committee will meet on Friday afternoon prior to the formal opening of the convention. This arrangement is intended to facilitate the work of the convention and to avoid interfering with the full attendance of the various convention sessions.

Please send us the names and addresses of your representatives on the Committee on Committees as soon as they are elected.

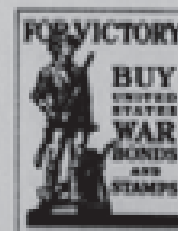
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### ELECTION OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

In order to facilitate the work of the convention, the Committee on Committees shall be designated in advance of the convention. The Committee on Committees shall consist of seventy-five (75) persons, who shall have been elected as delegates to the convention. Twenty-five (25) shall be designated by the president of the Zionist Organization of America and fifty (50) members and fifty (50) alternates shall be elected in the following prescribed manner:

The Regions (having due regard to representation of districts and societies) shall name their representatives on the Committee on Committees on the basis of the numerical strength of each Region in the Zionist Organization of America, in the same manner as the regions elect members of the National Administrative Council.

In the event that a person designated as a member or as an alternate of the Committee on Committees shall not be in attendance at the convention to participate in the meeting of the Committee, the President of the Z.O.A. is authorized to fill the vacancy.

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## Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

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We the undersigned, being duly elected officers of the Board of Elections, submit the following report of the election of Delegates to the Forty-Seventh Annual Convention beginning Saturday, Night, Oct. 14, 1944, there being cast.....votes by.....members in good standing and all of the candidates hereunder being members in good standing.

(Report the names of all candidates for whom votes were cast, in alphabetical order, setting forth the number of votes in the column to the right. Indicate the names of those elected by marking an X before the names.)

Number of members in good standing.....	Total number of Delegates elected.....
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To the Delegates and Alternates  
of the 47th Annual Convention

Dear Fellow Zionists:

The 47th Annual Convention of the Zionist Organization of America will be held in Atlantic City from Saturday night, October 14th through October 17th. Sessions will be convened at both the Breakers and the St. Charles Hotels. Preceding the formal opening of the Convention, a Sabbath Dinner will be held Friday evening, October 13th, which will be devoted to the subject: Zionist Youth and Education. On Saturday afternoon following Services and the Sabbath meal, an Oneg Sabbath will be held under the auspices of the Histadruth Ivrit dealing with Hebrew Culture. A tentative convention program will be sent to you within a short time.

## Hotel Reservations:

A Hotel Rate card is being enclosed for your convenience. Will you please make immediate arrangements for hotel accommodations directly with the hotel. War conditions have restricted the facilities available and it is therefore suggested that you communicate with the hotels at once outlining your needs and making the necessary reservations.

## Meal Reservations:

We have been advised that it will be necessary for us to notify the hotels at least 10 days before the Convention, of the number of persons who intend to be present at luncheons and dinners. Labor conditions are unsettled and additional hotel personnel must be specially brought down from New York. Reservations for meals must therefore be made in advance, otherwise the hotels will not be in any position to guarantee service. A card is enclosed for you to indicate which luncheons and dinners you plan to attend. Please return this card to the Z.O.A. and we will make the necessary arrangements.



The following is a list of meals that are planned for the Convention:

1. Friday night, Oct. 13th - Dinner: This is an integral part of the session to be devoted to the Youth Program.
2. Sabbath noon, Oct. 14th: No Program is scheduled for this meal.
3. Sunday Luncheon, Oct. 15th: This will be part of the Plenary Session.
4. Monday Luncheon, Oct. 16th: This will be part of the Plenary Session.

(Price per meal from \$2.50 to \$4.00 according to number of courses)

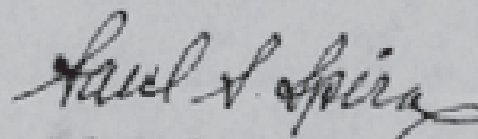
For service of any additional meals at the hotel, please designate on the enclosed card.

We know that you would like that the Convention be run efficiently and that your stay be made pleasant and convenient. This is possible only with cooperation on your part.

Will you therefore assist us by filling out the enclosed cards carefully and mailing them promptly.

With best wishes for a New Year of peace and happiness, and looking forward to the pleasure of personally greeting you at Atlantic City, I remain

Cordially yours,



Saul S. Spiro  
Acting Secretary

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P. S. Your credentials are now being prepared and will be mailed to you shortly.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Barely six weeks remain to the opening of our forthcoming Convention at Atlantic City. The problems that will confront the Convention assume ever transcendental significance as the war rushes to a quick and victorious conclusion.

The post-war status of Palestine, the position of the surviving Jew in a post-war Europe as well as the American-Jewish scene--these will be the major items on the agenda of the Convention.

In view of the widespread interest which the Z.O.A. Convention proceedings will evoke in the press, may I bespeak your cooperation in sending me within the week an article or statement on what you consider should be the action of the Convention on the major problems facing it. This article by you will be syndicated to the entire Anglo-Jewish press throughout the country.

With warm regards and best wishes for a happy New Year, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Ernest E. Barbarash  
Director, Public Relations

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

It is my privilege and pleasure to extend to you in behalf of the Convention Committee an invitation to address the Convention on Monday evening, October 16th.

We also wish to ask you to permit us to list you as presiding officer during the political debate scheduled to take place Tuesday morning, October 17th.

As much as I hesitate to ask it of you, I would appreciate it very much if you would inform me, in person or in writing, the anticipated length of your Monday evening address.

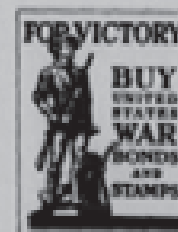
In order to give as many delegates as possible a chance at this Convention, we must, of necessity, figure out the time for each speaker, so that the sad experiences of the past, when some spoke too long and too often and others had no chance to express themselves, should be avoided.

With best of good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

*Daniel Frisch*  
Daniel Frisch, Chairman  
Convention Committee

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September 11th, 1944

To ZO.A. Members of the  
Administrative Council

Dear Friends:

Enclosed please find minutes of the  
Administrative Council sessions held on July 9th,  
in Philadelphia.

Wishing you a New Year of health, happiness  
and peace, I remain

Faithfully yours,

Saul S. Spiro,  
Acting Secretary

SSS:rel  
encl.



# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 15, 1944

To Z.O.A. District Officers

Dear Friends:

The forthcoming ZOA convention which will represent the largest constituency in the annals of our movement is expected to usher in a revitalized year of activities in all Zionist districts.

However, in view of the present situation affecting the fate of our people, it would be folly to permit a lull in the few weeks still remaining before the convention. It is imperative that Zionist activities be intensified in the face of world shaking changes now taking place. For these are also momentous days in the history of Zionism.

This year we cannot afford to get into stride gradually. Bold and dynamic action is the order of the day. Zionist districts must start right off with pace and tempo. This year our Zionist year must begin a full month before the convention.

Particularly I wish to call to your attention one phase—a most important phase—of the ZOA program for the

coming year which calls for the utmost consideration on your part and that of your colleagues as you begin to plan your Zionist year.

Zionist activity nationally and locally must be expanded to nourish the cultural and educational needs of American Jewry. Assimilationists have boldly seized control of anti-Zionist propaganda. Our political work for the Jewish Commonwealth and our practical work for the upbuilding of Palestine must be integrated with a systematic and energetic program of education for adults, and especially for our American youth. This is essential to consolidate our great membership growth of the past year; to continue further expansion of Zionist ranks and to recruit youth to its rightful place in our movement. Even before we achieve the Jewish Commonwealth, certainly thereafter, Palestine as the center of Jewish culture, as the spearhead of the Jewish renaissance should and can be made to radiate its influence, its warmth, its Jewish dignity among the Jews of America.

At the same time the ZOA must take the initiative in the launching of major projects to further the economic and industrial stability of the re-created Jewish Commonwealth of Palestine. We shall have to continue our fight against the anti-Zionists who will resist our efforts to strengthen American Jewish life.

For all these purposes, we shall require a sizable special fund, as our normal income for membership dues can only provide for normal organizational needs.

The ZOA Executive at the last meeting authorized the launching of a Cultural Expansion Fund of \$250,000 for the fiscal year commencing October 1st. It will replace the existing Extension Fund and the Radio Fund\*, and will also provide for additional much needed activities. An outline

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\*Whatever money will be sent to the Radio Fund after Oct. 15, will be credited to your share of the larger Fund.

of the allocations of the Cultural Expansion Fund to finance the carrying out of our various major projects is contained on the accompanying sheet.

With our organization numbering over 100,000 members, the raising of this Fund for Cultural Expansion should be attained within the prescribed period—before January 1, 1945. This is essential if we are to be in a position to carry out its purposes within the coming year.

You are therefore requested to take up this matter with your colleagues and undertake to provide your fair portion of this fund.

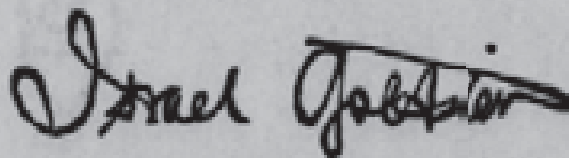
The ZOA is ready to do a worthwhile, greatly needed job in the significant fields of Culture and Education, including the fight against the insidious anti-Zionist propaganda, if the districts throughout the country will provide the necessary resources. We in the national office can start just as soon as you give us the wherewithal.

We must hear from you immediately as to whether we may count on your help.

May we take this opportunity to extend to you and to the members of your district our Rosh Hashanah greetings. May the New Year bring at long last, victory to the United Nations, relief to the tragedy-scarred Jewish people and a free and self-governing Eretz Yisrael.

Leshanah tovah tikatayvoo.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Israel Goltz", written in a cursive style.

President

PROPOSED ALLOCATIONS  
OF THE  
\$250,000 CULTURAL EXPANSION FUND

For the work of the Committee on Unity for Palestine, which is engaged in combating the activities of the American Council for Judaism.....	\$50,000
For the work of the ZOA Radio Committee which will shortly inaugurate its series of programs over 40 stations.....	\$50,000
For a subsidy to the group engaged in the establishment of a Hebrew Theatre and Allied Arts.....	\$12,500
For the publication of a Zionist Primer, an important biographical volume and a series of pamphlets by the Zionist Organization of America.....	\$12,500
For further encouragement to Zionist youth camps sponsored by the ZOA, in addition to the support they are already receiving from other sources..	\$50,000
For the establishment of Zionist societies on the college campuses.....	\$25,000
For the establishment of an Education Department in the ZOA.....	\$50,000
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have taken the liberty to reserve a large double room for you at the Breakers Hotel in Atlantic City, in order to assure comfortable accommodation for you. Will you please be good enough to inform me whether this arrangement meets with your approval. If additional space is required I shall be glad to make the necessary adjustments.

Wishing you a Happy New Year, I am, with warm regards and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

Paul S. Spive  
Acting Secretary

SS:bff



September 19, 1944

Mr. Daniel Frisch, Chairman Convention Committee  
Zionist Organization of America  
1720-16th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Frisch:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. There were certain matters which had to be gotten out of the way before I could reply to your communication. I shall be very happy to address the convention on Monday evening, October 16 and to preside at the political debate on Tuesday morning, October 17.

You ask me to indicate to you the length of my address. This will depend entirely on the nature of the program that evening. If you have a very lengthy program, with many speakers, I should wish to be informed of it so that I could plan my address accordingly. If, however, you want a full statement from the Executive Chairman of the American Zionist Emergency Council on the political situation, it would be wise to have any other speakers at that one session. I shall be guided by what you planned.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

September 19, 1944

Mr. Saul S. Spiro  
Zionist Organization of America  
1720 - 16th Street N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Spiro:

Thank you for your kind letter of September 15.  
I have already made reservations at the Breakers  
Hotel. I am grateful to you for your thoughtfulness.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

*Birmingham District*

**ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA**

718 TITLE GUARANTEE BLDG.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

September 19, 1944.

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PRESIDENT

WILLIAM HOLINER  
VICE-PRESIDENT

LEONARD LEWIS  
SECRETARY

MORRIS FISHER  
TREASURER

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
c/o American Zionist Emergency Council,  
342 Madison Avenue,  
New York 17, New York.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Birmingham District of the Zionist Organization of America is planning its annual meeting October 22nd or 29th. Simply stated, we should like for you to address the meeting. I know that stating the request so simply does not mean that it can be answered so simply. I am not at all unmindful of your many engagements, the calls upon your time, the obligation to your own Temple, the pressing demands of the Emergency Council. However, I thought it best to state our desires simply and then to set out what I hope will be persuasive points overbalancing the weight that is honestly tipped against us.

We have approximately eight hundred members. We hope to go to one thousand. There are two members of the Council for Judaism here. One is also a Zionist member but, since we are clear to the point that he does not know the make-up of either of the two organizations, we have concluded: "Requiescat in pace."

We believe that your presence here could light a fire that would burn the year and the flame might catch on in one or two of the neighboring states. Mississippi is altogether dead, yet we are not without friends there. (I do not know whether you are personally familiar with the fact or not but a few days ago, Hans Lamm wrote me to obtain an expression of opinion from Senator James O. Eastman, of Mississippi, with respect to the resolution pending in Congress. I found that Jim Eastman was an old schoolmate and obtained a complete endorsement.)

You have done a splendid job up there - the planks in the platforms of both major parties was a signal achievement. We feel, too, that we are doing pretty well here and, in our small way, acting as a small but essential prop to you. It is most diffi-

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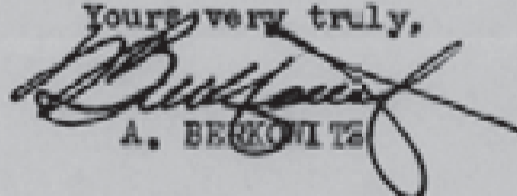
cult to make Zionists of Jews who are not even Jews, but we plough ahead. Every now and again, we feel the desperate need of a great voice for our Jewry. You have that voice. If all of these things, after careful consideration by you, do not tip the scales, we shall be content and secure in the knowledge that you have carefully weighed it.

If you can arrange it, the date, either the 22nd or the 29th, will be at your convenience. Not less than five hundred will attend from neighboring counties and a sprinkle from Mississippi. Arrangements for your transportation by the quickest and most convenient method will be made, and as little of your time will be consumed as humanly possible.

I would like to conclude it this way: For many of us here, in matters Zionist, you are our Willkie, Wallace and Roosevelt rolled into one.

The courtesy of a prompt reply will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

  
A. BERKOWITZ

AB/mr

September 22, 1944

Mr. A. Berkowitz, President  
Birmingham District  
Zionist Organization of America  
718 Title Guarantee Bldg.  
Birmingham, Ala.

My dear Mr. Berkowitz:

I have given much consideration both to your letter and to what you said to me over the telephone and I assure you that it would have given me great pleasure if I could come to Birmingham either on the 22nd or on the 29. But I shall be away from the city most of October. I am scheduled to attend the Zionist Convention the week-end of October 15. I am also scheduled to be in Chicago, Cincinnati and New York for important meetings during the second half of October, and my Sunday Morning Services begin on October 22. I feel obligated to be in my own pulpit on Sundays being away so much on week days. I have been compelled within the last year to decline many invitations which normally I should be most happy to accept.

I wish you every success in the grand work which you are doing, and I hope that some day I may be able to be of service to you.

With all good wishes to you and to my good friends in Birmingham, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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1944 CONVENTION

## Zionist Organization of America

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T O :

Z. O. A. DISTRICTS, REGIONS, SOCIETIES,  
CAMPS OF ORDER SONS OF ZION, AND  
MASADA CHAPTERS.

Your attention is directed to the following pertinent sections of Article VIII of the Constitution of the Zionist Organization of America relating to the election of Delegates to the Annual Convention:

SECTION 3 --- Each District or Society shall be entitled to one Delegate to the Convention for each 50 paid-up members in good standing . . . . .

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'The following rule, substituting Section 3,'  
'was approved by the National Administrative'  
'Council at a meeting on July 9th, 1944.'  
'Representation to the National Convention'  
'shall be elected on the basis of one delegate'  
'for the first 50 members and one additional'  
'delegate for each additional 300 members and'  
'major fraction thereof. Example: A District'  
'with 350 members is entitled to two delegates;  
'a District with 501 members is entitled to'  
'three delegates and so forth.'

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SECTION 4 --- Each Region shall be entitled to one Delegate for each 1,000 members, and major fraction thereof, in good standing, but in no event less than one Delegate.

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'The following was substituted for above: The'  
'Administrative Council at the meeting on'  
'July 9, 1944 decided that Regional representa-'  
'tion shall be on the basis of one delegate for'  
'each 2,000 members and major fraction thereof.'

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SECTION 6 --- Delegates to the Convention shall be elected only by paid-up members of the Zionist Organization of America.

SECTION 7 --- No member shall be elected as a Delegate to the Convention unless he has been a member of record of a District or Society for at least six months prior to the election, and at the time of election is a paid-up member in good standing of the Zionist Organization of America.

The following rules for the election of Delegates and Alternates, adopted in 1940, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 8, by the Executive, with the approval of the Administrative Council, continue in effect:

1. No person shall be granted a credential as Delegate or Alternate to Conventions of the Z.O.A. unless (a) he shall have been duly elected by a District, Society or other duly constituted elective body, and (b) his election shall have been certified to the National Board of Elections by written certifications, as set forth below, no later than Wednesday, August 16, 1944.
2. (a) Delegates and Alternates of Districts, Regions, Societies, Camps of the Order Sons of Zion, and Masada Chapters, shall be elected by the members thereof at an election which shall be held pursuant to regulations promulgated by the National Board of Elections.  
  
(b) Delegates and Alternates of Regions shall be elected at a Conference of representatives of all constituent bodies in the Region  
  
(c) Delegates and Alternates of affiliated organizations shall be elected as provided in their respective agreements with the Z.O.A.  
  
(d) In no case shall proxies or substitutes be permitted for any duly elected Delegate or Alternate who fails to appear in person at the Convention. Hereafter committees on vacancies, whether local or national, shall be unauthorized.
3. Certification of the election of Delegates and Alternates shall be in writing subscribed by the President or Vice-President and the Secretary, or by the local Board of Elections of the District, or other elective body, and if so certified by the local Board of Elections, shall be accepted only if the members of the local Board of Elections and of the officers of the District, or other elective body, shall have filed such returns with the National Board of Elections no later than Wednesday, August 16th, 1944.
4. What constitutes a member of good standing? Any member, old or new, who has paid his dues in full within the twelve-month period, preceding August 31st, 1944 is a member in good standing of the Z.O.A. and is eligible to vote for Delegates to the Convention.

Will you; therefore, kindly call a meeting of your Executive Committee at which a Nominations Committee and a Board of Elections, each to consist of a minimum of five members, shall be elected.

Every registered member who has paid his dues for the fiscal year 1943-44 should be notified of the date and place of the elections and also of his right to nominate candidates by petition. Nominations may be made by petition over the signatures of not less than 15 members in good standing.

All nominations, whether by the Nominations Committee or by Petition, are to be filed with the District Board of Elections, one week prior to the date of election, which shall accept these nominations and place all names in alphabetical order on the official ballot to be printed by the Board of Elections.

The number of Delegates to which a District, Region, Society or Camp of the Order Sons of Zion is entitled, is to be determined by the number of members in good standing as of August 31st, 1944. The membership record of the District, Region, Society, O.S.Z. Camp, must agree with the records of the Comptroller's Office of the Zionist Organization of America.

No District, Camp, Society, or Masada Chapter having less than fifty members in good standing is qualified to elect a Delegate. Pooling the membership of one or more Districts, Camps, Societies, or Masada Chapters in order to acquire a total of fifty is not permissible.

The number of Alternates that may be elected shall not exceed the number of Delegates.

A member who is in good standing in one of the affiliated organizations (Order Sons of Zion, etc.) and who is also a member in good standing in the Zionist Organization of America, can vote only once for the election of Delegates to the Convention.

The Election of Delegates to the Convention may be held at any time hereafter but no later than Tuesday, August 15, 1944.

In all cases where more than two Delegates are to be elected, a member shall have the right to vote for only two-thirds of the entire number of Delegates. Voting shall be by secret ballot. The candidate or candidates, receiving the highest number of votes, shall be declared elected. The candidate or candidates receiving the next highest number of votes, shall act as Alternates. In case of the resignation of an elected Delegate, the Alternate receiving the next highest number of votes shall take his place as Delegate.

No Delegate or Alternate will be seated unless his election is certified by the National Board of Elections.

The official Election Report properly filled out and certified by the local Board of Elections must be filed with the National Board of Elections of the Zionist Organization of America, not later than Wednesday, August 16, 1944, in order that credentials may be issued in time to the elected Delegates.

The Election Report of the affiliated groups must be filed directly with the National Board of Elections of the Zionist Organization of America at Washington, D. C. in order that such Delegates may receive their credentials from the National Headquarters of the Zionist Organization of America.

Sincerely yours,

*Saul S. Spiro*

Saul S. Spiro  
Acting Secretary



# Metropolitan Zionist Fund

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October 19th  
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

On behalf of the Fund, I am extending an invitation to you to attend our dinner next Thursday night, October 26th at the Waldorf-Astoria. We would be very happy if you find it possible to attend and will so advise us.

In case you have not yet heard about the Fund, may I say that it is an endeavor to rationalize fund raising for Zionist work in the Metropolitan area and an effort to have available, more funds than our local Zionist districts have had before, thus making possible new and intensified activities.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours

METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND

*Leo Marder*  
LEO MARDER

LM:pm

October 20, 1944

Mr. Saul S. Spiro  
Zionist Organization of America  
1720 - 16th Street N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Spiro:

Dr. Dilworth Lupton writes an important daily column in The Cleveland Press. He is a liberal and a friend of our Movement. Dr. Lupton called me this morning to elicit additional information about the attitude of the Administration to Palestine, etc. He asked me where he could obtain regularly Zionist literature which would keep him au courant with the developing Zionist scene. I would suggest that you put Dr. Lupton on the "New Palestine" mailing list, and for all other important publications of the ZOA. His home address is 2253 Delaware Drive, Cleveland, Ohio.

I have made a similar request of the Zionist Emergency Council for its publications.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

Oc ober 23, 1944

Mr. Leo Harder, Campaign Chairman  
Metropolitan Zionist Fund  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York 17, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Harder:

Thank you so much for your kind letter and your gracious invitation to attend the dinner of the Metropolitan Zionist Fund on Thursday, October 26. I wish I were free to come. But unfortunately I shall have to be in Cleveland on that day. I wish you every success in the splendid enterprise in which you are engaged.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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October 25, 1944

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Many thanks for your letter of October 20th.

I have arranged that Dr. Dilworth Lupton receive copies of all our publications and material containing information concerning our movement and Palestine. His name has also been entered on the complimentary list of The New Palestine.

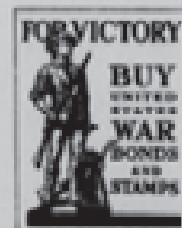
In addition, Mr. Barbarash is sending him the bulletin INSIDE PALESTINE and other similar factual informative material.

With personal regards and sincerest good wishes,  
I remain

Very cordially yours,

*Saul S. Spira*  
Saul S. Spira

SSS:bes



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November 6, 1944.

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

Dear Doctor Silver:

The Minnesota Region is terribly anxious to have you come to Minneapolis any date you may choose. This territory is at present more Zionistically-minded than ever before, as evidenced by the fact that the Minneapolis membership up to this past year has been 366 whereas last year's membership increased to 1100, plus 18 life members. St. Paul's membership has increased from a little over 200 to over 700. A great percentage of these new members know very little about the movement and your appearance in Minneapolis will bring most of these members out to hear you, thereby giving them an opportunity to get acquainted with the movement.

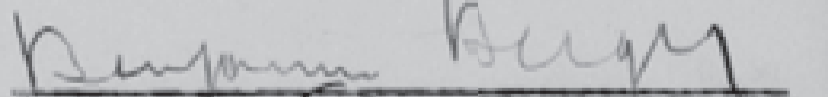
For the good of the movement, if it is humanly possible for you to come here, it is absolutely imperative that you do so. Your appearance in Minneapolis will mean a regional conference. We will have members and delegates from various communities in this region here for a luncheon meeting and in the evening, we will have a mass meeting, with many members from outlying communities such as Duluth, Fargo and, of course, St. Paul, and Minneapolis.

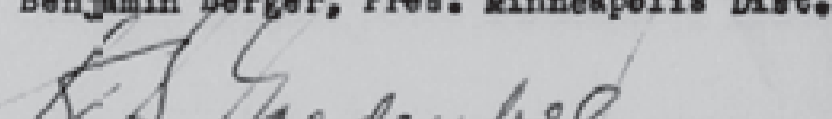
This letter is signed by myself, as President of the Minneapolis District, Mr. Goldenberg, President of the St. Paul District and Dr. Barron, President of the Region.

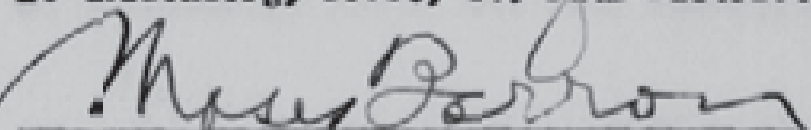
Needless to tell you that we, the undersigned, will tremendously appreciate your giving us a day. As I said above, any day that you set will be satisfactory with us.

I will appreciate an early and favorable reply. With kindest regards,

Yours very truly,

  
Benjamin Berger, Pres. Minneapolis Dist.

  
E. Goldenberg, Pres., St. Paul District.

  
Dr. Barron, Pres. Minnesota Region.

B. Berger/K.

November 14, 1944

Mr. Benjamin Berger, President  
Minneapolis District  
Zionist Organization of America  
400 Pence Building  
Minneapolis 3, Minn.

My dear Mr. Berger:

Thank you so much for your kind letter  
and for your invitation to address a meeting of  
your Zionist Region.

I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in  
inviting me, and I wish I were free to come, but  
I am so heavily committed to duties which have a  
prior claim upon me, and which take me away from  
the city so much of the time, that I cannot in  
justice to myself take on any additional responsibilities.  
I am sure that you will understand.

I wish you every success in the great work  
in which you and your good friends are engaged. With  
all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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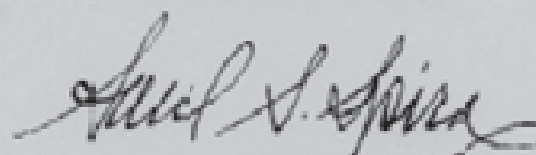
To All Members of the  
ZOA Executive Committee

Dear Fellow Zionists:

The next meeting of the ZOA Executive Committee will be held at the office of the Metropolitan Zionist Bureau, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City on Tuesday evening, December 19th, 8:00 P. M. Please enter this date on your calendar.

Will you be good enough to fill out and return the enclosed card indicating whether you plan to be present at this meeting.

Sincerely yours,

  
Saul S. Spiro

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November 30, 1944.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

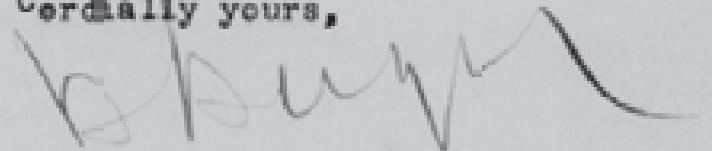
I am in receipt of your letter of November 14 in which you advise that time does not permit you to come to Minneapolis. I brought this matter before my board and they asked me to reply to you that we will not take "no" for an answer.

If you can not make it in the very near future, then we would appreciate that when you make your plans for next year, you include Minneapolis in your itinerary.

I wish to reiterate what I said in my last letter regarding your appearance in Minneapolis. It will serve to cement a new large membership and make them active members of this great movement instead of passive believers.

Hoping to receive a favorable reply from you, I am with best wishes,

Cordially yours,



B. Berger/ok.

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Dr. Abba H. Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

When I saw you recently  
in Boston at the Hotel Kenmore, I intended  
to talk to you in person but you were  
surrounded by so many people I could not do  
it.

For many years we have been  
extending an invitation to you to come to  
Worcester to address a city-wide meeting  
sponsored by our Zionist District which has  
a membership now of 700, but we have been  
unsuccessful in getting you to come.

I know how terrifically busy  
you are but I feel that a visit from you to  
our community at this time would be one of the  
major events of our calendar in the history  
of our community.

We will be willing to arrange  
a meeting any time during the month of March or  
April to suit your convenience. Sunday night  
would be very acceptable. As I said, all you  
have to do is to suggest a date and we will  
arrange the affair accordingly and we will be  
delighted to provide the customary honorarium.

Yours very truly

Joseph Goldberg

jg-ecs

February 5, 1945

Mr. Joseph Goldberg, President  
Worcester Zionist District  
401 Slater Bldg.  
Worcester, Mass.

My dear Mr. Goldberg:

Thank you so much for your kind letter. It was a pleasure for me to see you in Boston.

I wish I could see my way clear at this time to come to your Zionist District. I should very much like to do so, but I am terribly booked up with out-of-town lecture engagements for the next few months. My own work here in Cleveland has been seriously neglected because of my absences from the city.

Perhaps at some future time, when life becomes a little more normal, I may be free to come to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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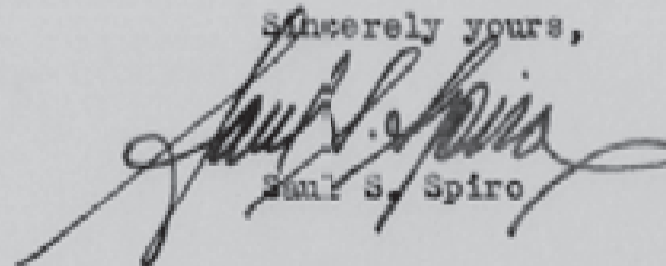
Dear Dr. Silver:

At the last meeting of the ZOA Executive, a decision was unanimously passed to invite all members of that body to issue a joint public appeal over their signatures, calling upon the Zionist constituency to support the \$350,000 Expansion Fund Program.

I am accordingly enclosing herewith, in duplicate, copy of such appeal and I would appreciate your immediate courtesy in signing one of the copies and returning it to me.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

  
Saul S. Spiro

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To All Z. O. A. Regional and  
District Officers and Workers

Dear Friends:

As members of the National Executive Committee, we are jointly addressing this urgent appeal to you on behalf of the \$350,000 Expansion Fund.

Our Convention at Atlantic City gave its unanimous approval to the Expansion Fund program for wider-scope. Our greatly increased membership has added greater responsibilities. It is absolutely necessary to increase, consolidate and change both our programs and facilities in order to convert this membership into a dynamic instrument of action for Palestine.

The failure of the Expansion Fund program would constitute a serious blow to Zionist constructive efforts in this country. It would deprive our organization of the means to continue its effective activities to combat mounting anti-Zionist agitation. Our Radio program, "Palestine Speaks", which has made remarkable inroads on public opinion, would be curtailed in scope. Our enlarged educational program including Youth and Publications would be limited and seriously jeopardized.

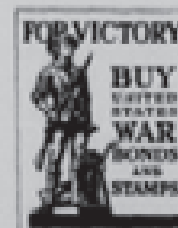
The import of these projects and the need for their adequate financing cannot be too strongly emphasized. The Zionist movement cannot afford failure in any respect in these critical times.

We appeal to you to activate your community in behalf of this Expansion Fund. Only a maximum effort will ensure the success of this vitally important undertaking.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

(Please sign and return immediately)



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February 21, 1945

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
41 EAST 42ND STREET  
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The launching by the United Palestine Appeal of its own campaign in 1945 makes this enterprise and its success of the utmost importance to every officer and member of the Zionist Organization of America. We must bend every effort to the end that in each of our communities a maximum of money is made available this year for the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth, the two great national institutions which comprise the United Palestine Appeal.

From the office of the United Palestine Appeal will come more detailed material explaining the budgetary needs of Palestine and the methods whereby each community may best mobilize its forces so that our demand for parity for Palestine may be achieved in this crucial year. The Zionist Organization of America and its personnel must inevitably be the keystone of the United Palestine Appeal. It is we, more than any other single group, who understand (1) that the Jews of the United States must have brought to their attention with unparalleled clarity and vigor the primary truth that Jewish life in Europe must be saved through the Jewish National Home; and (2) that in this great year of decision for the political future of Palestine all our financial resources must demonstrate our determination to do our part to encourage the nations of the world to do theirs.

I would like to summarize the situation:

(1) The United Palestine Appeal had to undertake an independent campaign in 1945 because the Joint Distribution Committee failed to concede the equality of importance of Palestine, whose contribution to the saving of Jewish life is without parallel.

(2) In speaking of an "independent campaign" it must be noted that in every major city where there is a Welfare Fund, the United Palestine Appeal will continue to be a beneficiary. Instead of funds going to one common pool called the United Jewish Appeal, where distribution would be made as in the past few years, the United Palestine Appeal will make application directly to every Welfare Fund and will be a part of the local campaign.

(3) In the smaller towns where there are no Welfare Funds, the community will either raise funds independently for the United Palestine Appeal or will seek to raise funds for it in combination with the Joint Distribution Committee or other causes.

(4) The Zionist Organization of America calls upon all its officers and members to give their fullest support to the request by the United Palestine Appeal to each community to give to the U.P.A. parity with the J.D.C. in the distribution of funds.

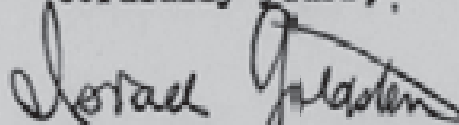
(5) The United Palestine Appeal is not engaged in a competitive campaign. It is presenting to the Jews of America an affirmative, constructive account of the incomparable role of Palestine in providing a present and a future for the Jewish people. What it accomplishes will be an index to American Jewry and to the Yishuv of the supreme place which Palestine has in the loyalty and affection of our people.

(6) The increasingly important role which Zionists have taken in Welfare Fund activities must achieve new strength. Zionists should seek leadership in Welfare Fund campaigns; they should provide stirring examples of energy and capacity in the solicitation of funds; they should, above all, set new standards of generosity such as are required in 1945 to meet the present relief needs of the Jews of Europe and the permanent security needs of European Jewry through the building of the Jewish National Home.

To expedite action, I am suggesting that you communicate directly with Dr. James G. Heller, National Chairman, United Palestine Appeal, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City, assuring him and his associates of your support. From him you will also obtain information as to how action may be taken in each community in the conduct of the campaign, in the presentation of the most effective material to the local Budget Committee and as to the remittance of funds.

The United Palestine Appeal campaign is a great challenge to every Zionist. I am confident that with the strength and vision of our constantly growing manpower we shall give an account of ourselves that will make a glorious chapter in the history of American Zionism.

Cordially yours, .

  
Israel Goldstein  
President

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

At an executive committee meeting of the Flatbush Zionist District held the other day, arrangements for our big meeting for the year were discussed thoroughly and it was the unanimous opinion of those present that the privilege and honor of having Dr. Silver address us should be our first and only choice.

Therefore, your correspondent, Jack Goodman, and F. J. Berman, our President, were appointed a committee to call upon you prior to the dinner which is being held in your honor on March 21st and will ask you to please accept our invitation. Our big meeting is held at the East Midwood Jewish Center during the month of May, and the 16th or 23rd of that month are our preferable dates.

Perhaps I should explain why our committee wants Dr. Silver this particular year for the big meeting which is traditionally held every year by our district. We argued that the Flatbush District was the first to endorse the policies of Dr. Silver; that we led in the fight which resulted in the overwhelming endorsement of your policies by the Brooklyn Region and recalled that the Brooklyn Region was the first Region to so go on record, and further that our Region is the largest in the country. We also said that many of our members are associated with the American Zionist Policy Committee and have contributed to that organization.

Personally, I feel that we have an open and shut case and that the invitation should be accepted. Perhaps I am prejudiced. At any rate, I hope that time does permit you to arrange to be with us, and we hope that you will give us a final answer on March 21st.

With warmest regards from every one of us, I remain with Zion's greetings

Respectfully yours,

*Phil Lassar*

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To All Regional and  
District Presidents

Dear Friends:

I am enclosing herewith draft of a "wire" addressed to the Jewish community of your area in furtherance of the call issued by the Zionist Organization of America, over the signatures of Dr. Israel Goldstein President, and Saul S. Spiro Secretary, on the impending visit of Dr. Chaim Weizmann to this country and the forthcoming conference of the United Nations in San Francisco.

May I suggest that you arrange to have the attached copy reprinted in toto in the form of an ad in your local Anglo-Jewish newspaper, as a call emanating from you as president of your District. I am sure that you can persuade the editor of the local paper to publish the ad free of charge as a public service, or at a greatly reduced rate. In this connection, I venture to suggest that you secure a member of your District or community to sponsor the ad by underwriting its cost.

The publication of the attached call will serve immeasurably to further your Liberation Membership Drive, particularly, the Weizmann 100,000 membership class, which assumes special significance, in view of Dr. Weizmann's scheduled arrival in this country.

I shall appreciate hearing from you.

With warm regards and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

*E. Barborash*

Ernest E. Barborash,  
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A CALL TO THE JEWS OF \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Community

REPRESENTATIVES OF 39 NATIONS WILL SHORTLY MEET IN SAN FRANCISCO TO DRAW UP A WORLD CHARTER. THE JEWISH PEOPLE, FIRST AND MOST TRAGIC OBJECT OF NAZI HATE AND AGGRESSION, IS THE ONLY PEOPLE DENIED SEAT AT THIS CONFERENCE. BLOOD OF FIVE MILLION JEWISH DEAD CRIES OUT IN PROTEST AGAINST STIFLING OF JEWISH VOICE. COMMON DECENCY AND JUSTICE, THE SACRIFICES OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF PALESTINE AND MILLION JEWISH SOLDIERS FIGHTING ON BATTLEFIELDS DEMAND IMMEDIATE RECTIFICATION OF WRONG BY ACCORDING JEWISH PEOPLE SAME RIGHT AS OTHER PEOPLES.

THE DEMAND FOR REPRESENTATION AT SAN FRANCISCO WILL BE PRESENTED BY DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN, WORLD ZIONIST PRESIDENT, NOW EN ROUTE TO THE U.S.A. SIMULTANEOUSLY A NATIONWIDE DEMONSTRATION IS BEING LAUNCHED UNDER AUSPICES OF AMERICAN ZIONIST EMERGENCY COUNCIL FOR OPENING OF DOORS OF PALESTINE TO HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF JEWS NOW LIVING IN PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL DEGRADATION.

THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA URGENTLY CALLS UPON ALL ITS REGIONAL AND DISTRICT OFFICERS AND WORKERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY TO TAKE THE LEAD IN ENLISTING THE SUPPORT OF ALL ELEMENTS OF THE POPULATION BOTH JEWS AND NON-JEWS FOR THE FOLLOWING THREEFOLD DEMAND: 1. A JEWISH COMMONWEALTH OF PALESTINE; 2. IMMEDIATE OPENING OF DOORS OF PALESTINE TO UNRESTRICTED IMMIGRATION; AND 3. REPRESENTATION FOR JEWISH PALESTINE AT SAN FRANCISCO.

NEVER WAS IT MORE IMPERATIVE FOR EVERY JEW TO STAND UP AND BE COUNTED. EVERY AMERICAN JEW CONCERNED WITH THE FATE OF HIS PEOPLE IS DUTY BOUND TO DEMONSTRATE HIS CONCRETE IDENTIFICATION WITH OUR CAUSE THROUGH MEMBERSHIP IN THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA. OUR GOAL OF 200,000 MEMBERS INCLUDING A 100,000 MEMBERSHIP CLASS IN 1938 TO DR. WEIZMANN MUST BE ACHIEVED. NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT. JOIN THE ORGANIZED RANKS OF THE ZOA.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

District Chairman

FROM STATE DEPARTMENT

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To All Z. O. A. Regional and  
District Officers and Workers

Dear Friends:

As members of the National Executive Committee, we are  
jointly addressing this urgent appeal to you.

The unprecedented growth of our organization has added  
great responsibilities. To convert this membership into a  
dynamic instrument of action for Palestine, our Convention at  
Atlantic City gave its unanimous approval to the Expansion  
Fund Program in the amount of \$350,000 to increase, consolidate  
and intensify vitally necessary Zionist work.

The failure of the Expansion Fund, and the program which  
it powers, would constitute a serious blow to constructive  
Zionist efforts in this country. It would deprive our organiza-  
tion of the means to continue its effective activities to com-  
bat mounting anti-Zionist agitation. Our Radio program,  
"Palestine Speaks," which has made such telling impress on  
public opinion would be curtailed. Our enlarged educational  
program including Youth and Publications, seriously jeopardized.

The import of these projects and the need for their  
adequate financing cannot be too strongly emphasized. The  
Zionist movement in these critical times cannot afford failure  
in any respect.

We -- personally and jointly as members of the National  
Executive of the Z. O. A. -- therefore address ourselves to you  
to take immediate steps in your community in behalf of this  
Expansion Fund. Only a maximum effort with an eye single to our  
ultimate objectives will insure the success of this vitally  
important undertaking.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

FOR VICTORY

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

First, I should like to tell you that one of the most thrilling evenings that ever came my way was when I attended the Testimonial Dinner in your honor on March 21st. It was not only the privilege of listening to you, but it was the substance of what you said that made such an indelible impression on all those present.

May I be confidential to tell you that the Hon. Albert D. Schanzer of the Executive Committee of the ZOA, who is my neighbor and works closely with me in the Flatbush Zionist Organization, has admitted to me that he now considers your policy the only correct procedure to follow at this time. Furthermore, he is helping me to persuade his friend, Benjamin G. Browdy, who, after listening to you felt that he too had been on the wrong track, and being a man of means, we (Al and I) hope to get a contribution from him of no less than \$500 for the American Zionist Policy Committee. I ask you to keep this confidential for the moment because Schanzer is waiting for an opportunity to announce his stand at the proper time. I shall not now go into the names of other individuals who attended the Testimonial Dinner and are thinking differently as the list would be too long.

But I must not forget that I was asked to write you again regarding a reply to our invitation to address the Flatbush Zionist Organization on May 16th. Please try to fit this engagement into your very busy calendar. It will mean a lot to several of your very good friends as well as a great boon to the prestige of the Flatbush Zionist Organization.

With kindest regards and all good wishes for your success as a world Jewish leader, I remain

Phil Lassar  
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Respectfully yours

*Phil Lassar*

Dear Mr. President:

If for any reason your District has not yet appointed a local Committee on Unity for Palestine, it is not too late to do so.

Please read over this Newsletter and then pass it on to a Chairman who will be qualified to perform the task which it outlines.

# Briefing It

## TIPS TO CHART THE COURSE OF THE CAMPAIGN TO WIDEN THE AREA OF ZIONIST INFLUENCE

*A newsletter for Unity For Palestine chairmen  
prepared by ZOA Committee on Unity For Palestine*

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DR. FELIX LEVY, Chairman

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April 1945

### Introducing this Newsletter

We are addressing you as a member of the Unity Committee's "army in the field." Your ZOA President gave us your name sometime back as Chairman of the Committee on Unity for Palestine in your District, and while many of you have already been working diligently in our cause, you are probably eager to receive some direct guidance from us as to where your duties as Unity Chairman lie.

We're going to attempt to furnish that guidance.

Equally important, though - we want guidance from you.

We want this Bulletin to be the beginning of

### A TWO-WAY PASSAGE

We'll funnel our ideas to you,

You give us your reactions and suggestions.

### OUR COMMITTEE'S JOB

..... is clearly defined and vitally important. It is to win non-Zionist Jews to Zionism and to counteract anti-Zionist propaganda with a positive public relations campaign.

### FROM A POPULAR SONG

An appropriate slogan for our committee is provided by one of the current hit tunes. We've got to "Accentuate the Positive, Eliminate the Negative." There is no doubt about the positive nature of our movement and our message. The anti-Zionist Council could not possibly make the same claim.

### WE ARE PROMISED A HEADACHE

That job will not be getting any easier as the year goes on. The Council for Judaism - the organized anti-Zionist group - held a conference in Philadelphia recently and adopted for the coming year a budget of \$250,000. You can buy a lot of "public relations" for \$250,000 - particularly when it is to be spent in one small segment of the community: that part of the Jewish community which has hitherto been non-Zionist. Note that this is the same segment of the community which our Committee is intended to win over (with a budget of less than \$50,000). (so get behind that Expansion Fund Campaign!)

WHAT WE MUST DO !!!

What we must do, then, is follow the recipe old General So-and-So gave for military success:- "get there fustest with the mostest."

In organizing your local campaign, study our leaflets in the series "The Facts" as well as our bulletins. You will find that they are positive and that they usually refrain from mentioning or attacking the Council. This last is something we do not want to do. We do not want to advertise our opponents. These are the things you should do now!

PROJECT # 1

Initiate a direct-mail campaign designed to win non-Zionists:

1. Make up a mailing list composed of members of the Reform Congregations who have not yet joined the Zionist Organization, with the addition of the names of all those people who have been approached by the anti-Zionist Council or are receiving the Council's literature, or are likely to succumb to anti-Zionist propaganda.
2. Print letterheads for the local Committee on Unity for Palestine, listing on it the names of those who have been appointed to the Committee. These should be names calculated to impress those to whom this literature will be directed.
3. Send a covering letter with the first piece of literature. Here is a suggested form for that letter:

"Dear Friend:

"We know that as a fair-minded person interested in knowing the facts about Palestine, you will want to read the enclosed leaflet.

"'American Jews and Palestine' is the first in a series of factual brochures which this Committee has issued in the effort to remove some of the misconceptions which have been current about Zionist aims. You will agree with us that there has been altogether too much heat and too little light in the discussion of this vital subject. We feel that the enclosed pamphlet is a first contribution toward a clear understanding of what the Zionist movement actually seeks to accomplish in Palestine.

"We shall be tremendously interested to learn your reactions to this material and eager to answer any questions you may have concerning the effort to provide a home in Palestine for our homeless European brethren.

Sincerely,

Local Committee Chairman"

4. Carry "The Facts" leaflets in your pocket for ready distribution and illustration. Have your committee members carry them and hand them personally to their non-Zionist friends.

## PROJECT # II

Arrange parlor meetings to which you will invite the non-Zionists in your community. We have found this to be the most effective means of getting our story across. These are generally in the form of an evening meeting in the social atmosphere of a private home, attended by 20 to 30 people each meeting - (10 or 15 couples). At these meetings someone who is equipped to discuss Zionism in a calm and factual manner should be asked to present the facts about Zionism and answer the questions of those present.

The parlor meeting technique has been used effectively by our Director, Rabbi Lelyveld, in a tour just completed. In San Francisco, for example, he addressed 12 such meetings which were attended by more than 400 non-Zionists representative of every segment of the community. More minds are changed in the intimate give-and-take of a discussion than at a mass meeting. We urge you to organize this activity in the following way:

1. Line up 5 or 6 men who would be willing to offer their homes as hosts to such meetings, and who have contacts with the groups you wish to reach.
2. Carefully prepare the list of those to be invited to each meeting.
3. Persuade someone who is equipped to do so to conduct these meetings, or write to room 600, 41 East 42nd Street, New York 17, for information as to the possibility of securing an outside speaker to lead these discussions. We shall endeavor to help you make contact with someone in your Region who will be capable of doing this job.

The parlor meetings in San Francisco were arranged by Mrs. Henry Harris and the local Zionist leaders, among them Jack Verdi, Sidney Rudy, and the energetic Zionist President, Rabbi Saul White. Parlor meetings in Los Angeles were held at the homes of Dr. Monte Salvin, President of the Hollywood Zionist District, and Mr. Harry Bauman, Southern California Chairman of the ZOA Expansion Fund Campaign. Parlor meetings were also arranged in Houston, Texas and Dallas, Texas, through the efforts of Bernard Lasky, Houston Unity Committee Chairman, and Helman Rosenthal and Sidney Pines, co-Chairmen of the Unity Committee in Dallas.

## WE HAVE TWO REGIONAL CHAIRMEN

Two of our Zionist Regions have appointed splendidly equipped individuals to head our Unity Committee work in their areas. Mr. Julius C. Livingston of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Vice President of the Southwest Region, is serving as Chairman of the Committee on Unity for Palestine in that Region. Rabbi Sylvan Schwartzman of Augusta, Georgia, has accepted the Chairmanship for the Southeast Region, and is formulating plans for an intensive campaign this Spring.

## WE THANK YOU FOR THESE BOUQUETS.

"I have just seen the open letter of Herman W. Bernstein. It is a knockout. I think that we in Philadelphia ought to circulate several thousand copies.".....  
Judge Louis E. Levinthal, Philadelphia, Pa.

"The New York office has just mailed me some of the literature about which you spoke, and that was in connection with another inquiry I made, bringing to Mr. Leonard's attention the membership activity of the American Council Against Judaism. It is excellently gotten up, and I propose to use this material where it will do the most good" ..... Mr. Isaac Potts, Baltimore, Md.

"I want to compliment you on the quality of literature I have been receiving from the Unity for Palestine Committee, we think that this material is just about what is needed" ..... Fred Yenkin, Columbus, Ohio

"I have just read the series of pamphlets you have sent me and was so impressed that I am giving you a few names and addresses of persons to whom, I would like you to send similar literature, as I am working very hard to make ardent Zionists of them." ..... Isidore Merwis, Brooklyn, New York

"Your pamphlet is a valuable exposition on Zionism and Americanism. There are large numbers of non-Zionists who refuse to support the movement in a mistaken conception of Zionism in its bearing on loyalty to America. You make it clear that our allegiance to America is always foremost. That is most important." ..... I. Montefiore Levy, New York.

"I am trying to 'convert' some of our boys who are in the service to the cause of Zionism, and I thought so well of the literature which your committee issues that I asked for it in order to forward it to a young man in the South Pacific War Zone." ..... Tobias Heller, New York

"You did a grand job sending Rabbi Lelyveld to Oakland. That man is terrific. I can truthfully say that he has done the finest piece of Zionist work in this area. The whole town is buzzing over our parlor meeting, we held Monday night. If you were a non-Zionist before the meeting, you came out a Zionist. If you were an anti-Zionist before - you came out more confused - and yet, somewhat ashamed of yourself - after the Rabbi got thru with you."... David Krinsky, Calif.

"I have just seen the first issue of your pamphlet "Unity for Palestine" and the little leaflet on "American Jews and Palestine". Please accept my heartiest commendation on an excellent job and best wishes for continued success." Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks, Richmond, Va.

"I would appreciate your putting me on the mailing list for your News Bulletin. I am highly impressed with it and believe it will be very effective." John Horwitz, Oklahoma City, Okla.

"My heartiest congratulations on the format and contents of the brochure, "American Jews and Palestine" and of the bulletin, "Unity for Palestine." Both are expertly and effectively done." ..Rabbi Robert P. Jacobs, Asheville, N. C.

"Yours of the 18th inst. and also the printed matter which you sent are received. I have glanced through the material, and it seems to me that it has been gotten up on a dignified plane and should serve well the purpose intended." Barnett E. Marks, Phoenix, Arizona.

HAVE YOU MADE USE OF OUR LITERATURE?

The following list comprises your arsenal for the battle to win converts and combat misinformation. Have you used it? Write to Room 600, 41 East 42nd Street, New York 17, for samples of each item, and we shall supply as many as you need for distribution to non-Zionists.

"THE FACTS"

"American Jews and Palestine"

"Zionism and Our Non-Jewish Neighbors"

PAMPHLET SERIES

"Palestine's Progress"

"Americanism and Zionism"

"The Mission of Israel and the Jewish Commonwealth"

"Why I am A Zionist - A Reform Rabbi's Viewpoint."

"The Creed of an American Zionist"

IMPORTANT ARTICLES IN OUR BULLETINS.

"Are We Homeless"

"On Inalienable Rights"

"A Haven of Refuge"

"That Word, Commonwealth"

MISCELLANEOUS

An exchange of letters between Miss Martha Silverman of Detroit and Rabbi David Goldberg of the American Council for Judaism.

An open letter to the American Council for Judaism by Mr. Herman W. Bernstein of New York City.

A FINAL WORD

We expect to hear from you regularly. Let us know your problems and needs in the course of the battle. Send us your suggestions, and tell us how we may be helpful to you on the local level in this important task of widening the area of Zionist influence.

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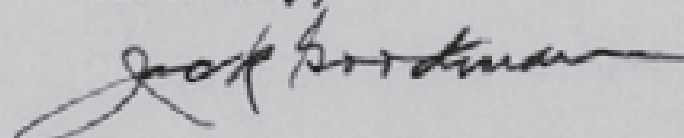
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am taking the liberty of reminding you about our conversation regarding addressing a meeting of the Flatbush Zionist Organization on Wednesday evening, May 9th or May 16th. It is very important that we hear from you as to whether we can look forward to your acceptance for either of these dates.

However, if it is impossible for you to be with us in May, would it be possible for you to accept a speaking engagement for our district for either June 6th or June 20th?

Hoping to be favored with an early reply and with kindest regards,  
I am

Sincerely,



JG:RR

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Dear Dr. Silver:

It was a great pleasure to talk to you again and renew our friendship.

In accordance with your suggestion when I spoke to you on the long distance telephone this afternoon, I am writing you this letter to invite you to address the Jewish Community of Pittsburgh at a mass meeting which can be held on any of the three following dates, whichever may suit your convenience and schedule:

WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 18th.

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 19th.

SUNDAY EVENING, APRIL 22nd.

We have reserved Carnegie Music Hall for any of these three dates that may be convenient for you.

You know, of course, that the Pittsburgh Zionist District and the Tri-State Zionist Region wholeheartedly support your Zionist policies and the American Zionist Policy Committee.

I sincerely hope that you will be able to give us a favorable reply. Please let me know as soon as possible which date you will be able to fill as we are calling a meeting of leaders of all of the Jewish Organizations in the City of Pittsburgh for the purpose of making plans for this mass meeting. The purpose of the mass meeting is to enlist public support and create favorable public opinion for Jewish representation at the San Francisco Conference.

Yours in the cause of Zion,

*Samuel Goldstock*  
SAMUEL GOLDSTOCK, President  
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A H SILVER

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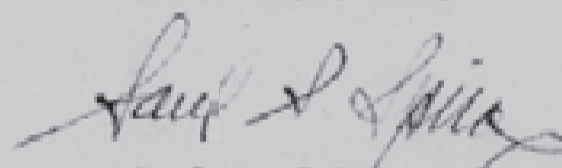
To All Members of the  
ZOA Executive Committee

Dear Fellow Zionists:

The next meeting of the ZOA Executive Committee will be held at the New York office of the ZOA, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City on Tuesday evening, May 8th at 8:00 P.M. Please enter this date on your calendar.

Will you be good enough to fill out and return the enclosed card indicating whether you plan to be present at this meeting.

Sincerely yours,

  
Saul S. Spiro

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April 12, 1945

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
E. 106th St. at Ansel Rd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you very kindly for your letter of March 26th and for sending me another copy of "Public Opinion On The Zionist Controversy". Apparently I was misinformed in connection with our resolution appearing therein. I was, therefore, very happy to notice that it was there. However, I want to make a correction. In the booklet it is stated that we have a membership of fifty, while our membership is over 150 at this time.

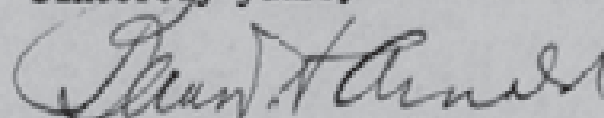
Incidentally, our district, which is considered the most active and militant Zionist District in this section of the country, is seriously considering sending a delegation to San Francisco on April 25th, to join with other organizations there for the purpose of making a demonstration in connection with the Palestine situation. The subject is still in the stage of discussion, but will probably take definite form at the next meeting of our Board, which will be tomorrow night.

May I ask you for your views on the subject. It is needless for me to tell you that anything you may say on the subject will be given very serious consideration.

May I also ask you whether you plan to be in San Francisco during the Conference, for if you do plan to be in this part of the country, we would like to plan some sort of function for the cause of Zion and utilize your presence here. As the time is very short and our members are restlessly aching for action, I would deeply appreciate an early reply, if convenient, by wire.

With kindest regards and all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,



BERNARD H. ARNOLD

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Zionist Organization of America  
1720 - 16th St. N. W.  
Washington, D. C.

April 15, 1945

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a clipping from the "Morning Freiheit" of Friday April 13, 45 announcing the "FREIHEIT ANNI-VERSARY CONCERT" in Carnegie Hall. You will find it features Earl BROWDER and Max HELFMAN, director of the "Philharmonische Volks Choir" ( - until recently known as the communist "FREIHEIT GEZANG FERNIN".)

It was suggested that I draw your attention to the fact, that Mr. HELFMAN, the official director of the communist workers' chorus happens to be also the director of your Zionist Youth music activities. It may sound unbelievable, but if you will take the trouble to investigate you will find it is actually true.

Enclosed you will find one of the letters our youngsters have been receiving from your Zionist Youth Organization. It reads: "... you will be glad to hear that our own Max Helfman will be in charge of all the music work.. "

I am told that he also will be in charge of music activities at the Zionist Youth Camp "Brandeis", - and I do not intend to permit my daughter to go there, if that should turn out to be true.

Is it compatible with the ideals and ethics of the Zionist Organization to entrust the education of our youth to persons of - at least - admittedly anti-Zionist convictions? If there can be found no other people to teach our children Zionist songs, - we parents must go out and find them for ourselves.

How can the Zionist Organization claim the official leader of communist choirs as "our own"? What a lack of integrity.

Is that our new friendship with Russia that makes such blunders. Where the education of our youth is at stake more precautions ought to be taken. - What an example do we put before our youngsters by entrusting them to a man who on Sundays will direct communist youth with the same zeal and "sincerity" as Zionist youngsters on Monday? Isn't it a shame?

Now that we have been reading so many announcements of this gentleman's activities in the "FREIHEIT" circles, we are only waiting for an announcement of his Zionist activities - perhaps in our own "New Palestine". The next step would be to have Mr. Helfman direct us in the singing of our "Hatikvah", rushing over from some communist gathering where he directed Soviet Anthems.

I personally feel very much disturbed about the matter, having urged several of my non-Zionist neighbors to let their daughters join these Zionist Youth activities. There has been so much excitement recently about all that, - I just had to put the matter before you, - before it all comes out into the open, which I should like to avoid.

Sincerely yours,

Miriam G.  
on behalf of a group of mothers

JOSEPH W. GREENLEAF

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MT. VERNON, N.Y.

April 18th, 1945.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thanks very much for accepting our invitation to be guest speaker at the Westchester Region Conference to be held on the evening of Wednesday, May 23rd. This very gratifying and wonderful news was given to me this morning by Mr. Harry Shapiro, who advised me that he had already confirmed the above date with you.

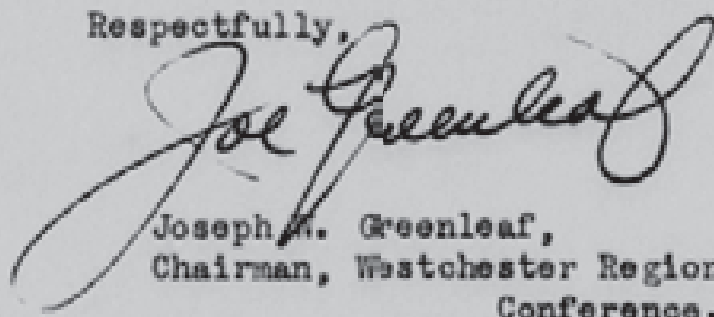
I have already told you over the long distance 'phone how important I think it is that you reach the people of Westchester County who, for the most part, have not had an opportunity to be properly informed in regard to the type of courageous leadership that you represent. The evening of May 23rd will be the ideal moment.

Needless to say, Dr. Silver, we expect to have a tremendous turnout; and I, as chairman of the conference, will see to it that very little time will be spent on the business of the conference on that particular evening, so that you may have at your disposal the greatest portion of the evening for the purpose of presenting your views.

We originally planned to have a dinner session on the night of the conference. However, since that might involve limiting the number of people who would want to attend, we may forego the public dinner and have you as our dinner guest together with a few Zionists who are more than sympathetic to the noble cause you are espousing.

If there are any suggestions that you wish to make, Dr. Silver, that you believe will be helpful to us, they will be most welcome and appreciated.

Respectfully,

  
Joseph W. Greenleaf,  
Chairman, Westchester Region  
Conference.

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April 23rd, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You cannot appreciate how delighted I am that you accepted the speaking engagement for the Flatbush Zionist Organization at the East Midwood Jewish Center, Brooklyn, N. Y. on Wednesday evening, June 6th, 1945.

Tonight we are having a special meeting of a few of the active workers of our district and what a relief and what a pleasure it will be for me to be able to announce that you are going to be with us on the above mentioned date.

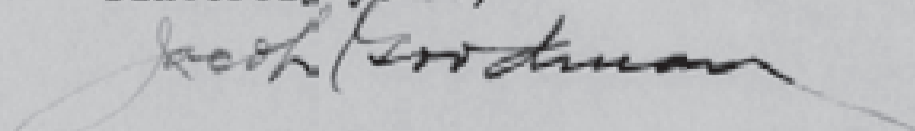
To prove to you what effect it had on me, I want to tell you that I immediately called Harry Shapiro and advised him that in honor of your acceptance to speak at our district, I am pledging personally an additional \$500 to the Committee.

While we have lots of time yet to make arrangements, I want to at this point advance a suggestion which I am sure will come up at our Executive Board meeting. A number of our active workers would like to have dinner with you just prior to the meeting and it can be arranged right at the Center. We can start dinner between 6:30 and 7 PM and still have ample time to adjourn to the meeting hall at about 8:30 PM.

If you can fit this suggestion into your program for that evening, I am sure it will be received with a great deal of enthusiasm.

With many thanks and with kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



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ANNUAL REGION CONVENTION SUNDAY JUNE 24TH IN JAMAICA.

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April 26, 1945

Dear Colleague:

We call upon you to participate with us and with outstanding rabbis from every part of America in a dignified and direct rabbinical Appeal to the Conscience of America on the subject of Palestine.

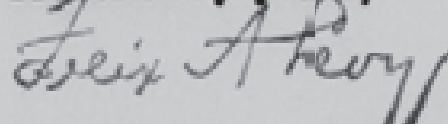
The enclosed statement will be given widespread publicity at this crucial moment when the leaders of the nations are gathered in San Francisco to lay the foundations of a better world.

Will you be one of the signers?

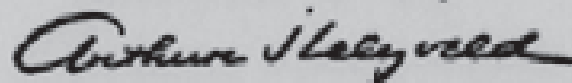
Place your signature on one of the copies of the statement enclosed in this letter and send it back to us without delay in the enclosed business reply envelope.

It is imperative that you act at once so that this appeal will have maximum effectiveness.

Fraternally yours,



Rabbi Felix A. Levy



Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld

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April 26th, 1945

To All Members of the  
ZOA Executive Committee

Dear Friends:

Due to pressing matters, Dr. Goldstein will remain in San Francisco longer than he originally intended.

In order to provide members with an opportunity to listen to his report on the United Nations Conference, the next meeting of the ZOA Executive Committee has been postponed from May 8th to Sunday, May 13th, and will be held in the New York offices of the ZOA, 41 East 42nd Street.

The May 13th session will begin at 5 P.M.; will adjourn at 7 P.M. for dinner and deliberations will be resumed at 8:30 P.M. Will you please enter this revised date on your calendar.

Will you be good enough to fill out and return the enclosed card indicating whether you plan to be present at this meeting.

With Zion's greetings,

Faithfully yours,

Saul S. Spiro

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April 29, 1945

To All ZOA Regional and District Officers

Dear Friend:

This communication is written and mailed to you from the United Nations Conference Hall in San Francisco. I write these lines under the impact of the great and noble utterances that resound within the portals of this historic meeting place and are relayed to the four corners of the world.

As I listen attentively to the pleas of representatives of great and small nations, my mind is crowded with conversations I have had with many of these statesmen.

A mingled feeling of elation and distress filled my heart as I conferred with them. I felt heartened because of their earnest desire to lay the foundations of an enduring peace. But I am distressed because we Jews, who were the vanguard of the despoiled and massacred and who fought the enemy with passion are on this day of victory bypassed and not even given a name.

I shall have much to report to you on this historic conference and I shall try to share with you my impressions soon through the columns of our official publication The New Palestine.

In this, my first direct communication to you from San Francisco, I want to report on something that will remain outstanding in my mind. In speaking with the statesmen and delegates of great and small nations on Zionist aspirations and achievements, I was frequently confronted with the question: "How many American Jews are Zionists?" It is obvious that our foes, both within and outside our ranks, have been very busy in San Francisco. It is likewise obvious that an attempt is being made to persuade the key delegates that the Zionist program is opposed by a large segment of American Jewry.

I told them of the Palestine Resolution adopted by an overwhelming majority of delegates of the American Jewish Conference and of the hundreds of thousands of contributors to the Palestine funds. But, in the undertone of their reaction I sensed a search for a more direct gauge of Zionist adherence.

I would like to see this challenge met by us — by every region

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and district — through the enrollment of at least 50,000 new members before the end of the San Francisco Conference.

I intend to stay here another ten days. I appeal to you in all earnestness to wire me within the next few days your pledge to increase your membership by a substantial margin. Your telegrams should indicate a definite figure. This barrage of telegrams will be a demonstration of real substance.

Please act at once.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

*Israel Goldstein*  
Israel Goldstein, President  
Zionist Organization of America

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P. S. Please address your telegrams to me in care of the San Francisco Zionist Organization, Suite 310, Kress Building, 935 Market Street, San Francisco, California.

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		Memb.	Incr. %					
<u>Bronx</u>								
#13 West Bronx	574	145	25	454	599	120	21	1000
#25 Northern Bronx	442	89	20	265	354	177	40	1000
#39 University Hts.	556	128	23	427	555	129	23	1000
#61 Kingsbridge	386	208	54	331	539	55	14	1000
#64 Van Cortland	206	304	147	172	476	134	65	500
<u>Manhattan</u>								
#6 Yorkville	510	464	91	364	828	146	29	1500
#7 West Side	2922	805	28	1945	2746	977	34	4000
#30 Inwood	317	222	70	223	445	94	30	1000
<u>Brooklyn</u>								
#14 Eastern Pkwy	2401	342	14	1344	1686	1057	44	5000
#17 Boro Park	565	51	14	373	454	192	34	650
#19 Bensonhurst	814	679	84	498	1177	316	39	1800
#23 Parkside	292	269	92	177	446	115	40	700
#29 Sea Gate	305	158	51	246	404	59	19	500
#32 Flatbush	2292	993	43	1557	2550	735	32	5000
#34 Manhattan Beach	494	72	15	286	358	208	42	700
#42 Ocean Pkwy	598	896	149	456	1352	142	24	1500
#54 Prospect Park	262	262	100	138	400	124	47	600
#55 Stephen S. Wise	609	225	37	476	701	133	22	1500
<u>Long Island</u>								
Forest Hill	578	279	46	400	679	178	29	700
Hillcrest	273	261	96	229	490	44	16	550
Jamaica	377	320	85	313	633	64	17	750
Laurelton	478	105	22	199	304	279	59	550
Richmond Hill	459	80	17	383	463	76	17	500
Rockaway	745	180	24	538	718	207	28	900
<u>Westchester</u>								
Mount Vernon	439	172	39	357	529	82	19	600
<u>Western New York</u>								
Buffalo	1003	165	16	642	807	361	36	1000
Rochester	792	50	04	441	471	352	45	1000
Syracuse	827	11	01	326	337	501	61	1000
<u>New Jersey</u>								
Atlantic City	762	246	32	638	884	124	16	900
Bayonne	403	233	58	272	505	131	32	800
Jersey City	361	182	51	276	438	85	24	600
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Wilkes-Barre	449	133	29	386	519	63	14	750
<u>New England</u>								
Brookline-Brighton- Newton (Boston), Mass.)	1704	402	23	1396	1798	308	18	2500
Chelsea, Mass.	431	55	13	318	373	113	26	600

District and Region	Total Sept. 30, 1944	APRIL 30, 1945				Outstanding		1945 Quota
		N E W		Renewals	Total	Renewals	%	
		Memb.	Incr. %					
<u>New England (contd.)</u>								
Matt-Dorch-Roxbury (Boston), Mass. )	1321	321	24	667	988	654	50	2000
Worcester, Mass.	603	77	13	456	533	147	24	750
<u>Connecticut</u>								
Bridgeport	465	89	19	406	495	59	13	750
Hartford	1179	181	15	871	1052	308	26	1500
New Haven	444	644	145	344	988	100	23	1100
<u>Rhode Island</u>								
Providence	801	262	33	532	844	219	27	2000
<u>Tri-State</u>								
Akron, Ohio	415	8	02	148	156	267	64	500
Youngstown, Ohio	533	29	05	337	366	196	37	650
Pittsburgh, Pa.	4132	464	11	2328	2792	1804	44	5000
<u>Ohio Valley</u>								
Indianapolis, Ind.	609	241	40	330	571	279	46	1100
Cincinnati, Ohio	398	76	19	262	338	136	34	1250
Columbus, Ohio	844	172	21	699	871	145	17	1100
<u>Upper Mich. &amp; Ohio</u>								
Detroit, Mich.	2257	292	13	1042	1334	1215	52	4000
Cleveland District, O.	860	26	03	457	483	403	47	1500
Cleveland Society, O.	1585	69	04	1140	1209	445	28	2000
Cleveland Heights) Temple, Ohio )	640	122	19	102	224	538	84	1000
Toledo, Ohio	522	54	10	362	416	160	31	750
<u>Southeast</u>								
Birmingham, Ala.	778	49	06	824	873			1000
Miami Beach, Fla.	660	449	68	377	826	283	43	1000
Atlanta, Ga.	939	123	13	647	770	292	31	1200
Savannah, Ga.	439	29	07	297	326	142	32	500
Memphis, Tenn.	507	387	77	443	835	59	12	1000
Nashville, Tenn.	514	95	18	388	483	126	25	600
<u>Southwest</u>								
Houston, Texas	659	251	38	427	678	232	35	1500
San Antonio, Texas	599	62	10	338	400	261	44	1000
<u>West Coast</u>								
Los Angeles, Cal.	1732	362	21	1360	1722	372	22	3000
San Francisco, Cal.	994	234	24	594	828	400	40	1500
Denver, Colo.	433	117	27	266	383	167	39	750
<u>Mid-West</u>								
Des Moines, Ia.	435	13	03	175	188	260	60	600
Minneapolis, Minn.	1107	53	05	578	631	529	58	2000
St. Paul, Minn.	764	27	04	531	528	233	31	1250
Kansas City, Mo.	616	70	11	409	479	207	34	1000
St. Louis, Mo.	1762	167	10	1167	1334	595	33	2500
Omaha, Nebr.	569	122	21	375	497	194	34	750
Milwaukee, Wis.	1359	668	49	833	1501	526	39	2000
Philadelphia, Pa.	7418	1181	16	4542	5723	2876	39	10,000
Chicago, Ill.	3573	900	25	2557	3457	1016	28	7500

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BRB163 27=BALTIMORE MD 2 442P

RABBI ABBA H. SILVER=

E 115

THE TEMPLE CLEVE=

DUPLICATE OF TELEPHONED TELEGRAM

1945 MAY 2 PM 4 58

WE HAVE POSTPONED THE INITIATION TO THE WEEK OF JUNE  
3 COULD YOU BE WITH US ANY TIME DURING THAT WEEK DISREGARD  
TELEGRAM OF YESTERDAY PLEASE ADVISE=  
BALTO ZIONIST DISTRICT H O H LEVINE.

DW 1090

3.

See S.G. Kaiser

No.	100-111111	
By	1-555P	1-555P

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

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SRD120 DL PD=QN BALTIMORE MD 1 236

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

THE TEMPLE CLEVE= E105.

RV	AB 5/10	To B. K.
		3 04

BALTIMORE ZIONIST DISTRICT PRESSING ME TO URGE YOU TO  
RECONSIDER YOUR DECISION ABOUT SPEAKING AT OUR INITIATION  
MEETING OF NEW MEMBERS TO BE HELD AT YOUR CONVENIENCE ANY  
EVENING OF WEEK OF MAY TWENTIETH STOP OUR MEMBERSHIP NOW  
TWENTY THREE HUNDRED STOP YOUR PRESENCE HERE WOULD BE OF  
REAL HELP TO ME IN OBTAINING SUPPORT FOR AMERICAN ZIONIST  
POLICY COMMITTEE STOP=

SAMUEL J KEISER.

La 0,50

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AA 30 A. MA 1059 NL PD=MINNEAPOLIS MINN 3

RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

THE TEMPLE EAST 105 ST CLEVE= *for al rd*

WILL YOU PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ADDRESS A MASS  
MEETING OF OUR REGION SOME TIME BETWEEN MAY 15 AND JUNE  
15 WE ARE VERY ANXIOUS TO HEAR YOU=

MOSES BARRON PRESIDENT NORTHWEST REGION.

✓ ✓  
15 15...A

*La 0150*

No.	To <i>BR</i>		
By <i>SW</i>	At <i>9/14</i>	To <i>BR</i>	
<i>Call back 9:00 A</i>	<i>10 mins</i>	<i>LU</i>	<i>May 14</i>

Charge to the account of \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED	
DOMESTIC	CABLE
TELEGRAM	ORDINARY
DAY LETTER	URGENT
SERIAL	DEFERRED
OVERNIGHT TELEGRAM	NIGHT LETTER
SPECIAL SERVICE	WEEK END TELEGRAM

Patrons should check class of service desired; otherwise the message will be transmitted as a telegram or ordinary telegram.

# WESTERN UNION

1206-

CHECK

ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

TIME FILED

A. H. WILLIAMS  
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NEWCOMB CARLTON  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. G. WILLEVER  
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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

5-3-45

**WANT A REPLY?**

"Answer By WESTERN UNION"  
or similar phrases may be  
included without charge.

S: G. Kiser  
Baltimore, Md.

I assure you that if it were possible I would  
eagerly come to you but my crowded schedule  
will simply not permit it.

kindest Regards

Alba Hill Silver

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A. MA 8:2 NL PD 7 EXTRA=MINNEAPOLIS MINN 3 MAY 3 PM 7 47

RABBI HILLEL SILVER=

TEMPLE EAST 105 ST CLEVE=

No.	By	To Be

MINNEAPOLIS, ST. PAUL AND THE ENTIRE REGION ARE VERY ANXIOUS TO HAVE YOU APPEAR IN MINNEAPOLIS BEFORE A MASS MEETING ANYTIME BETWEEN MAY 15 AND JUNE 15. AND AT A DINNER OR LUNCHEON FOR THE ZOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TWIN CITIES BEFORE THE MASS MEETING. YOU HAVE MANY FRIENDS AND FOLLOWERS IN THIS TERRITORY WHO ARE CONSTANTLY PRESSING THE LOCAL OFFICERS TO INDUCE YOU TO COME HERE. WE ASSURE YOU OF A LARGE TURNOUT. FOR THE GOOD OF THE MOVEMENT IT IS IMPERATIVE YOU ACCEPT THIS ENGAGEMENT. WE SINCERELY HOPE YOU DON'T TURN US DOWN. ANTICIPATING AN EARLY CONFIRMATION.

KINDEST REGARDS=

BENJ BERGER PRESIDENT MPLS DISTRICT KALMAN  
GOLDENBERG PRES ST PAUL DISTRICT.

15 15 ZOA..

WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

No.	To	
By	At	To Be

# LONG ISLAND ZIONIST REGION

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May 7, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I had every intention of talking to you on Friday about the invitation I had extended to you to speak at our Annual Convention in Jamaica on Sunday evening, June 24th. However, our meeting started late and I had to get away before it was finished.

I know how little time you have to spare. I know of the demands made on you throughout the country. That is why we have swallowed our disappointment year after year. Nevertheless, I must press for your acceptance of our invitation because our Region is a key one this year.

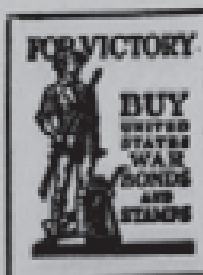
We are planning many moves in behalf of our ideas and they revolve around your acceptance of our invitation. After all, I can't invite certain other leaders. I have gone too far in one direction to do that. You can't let me down now.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours

*Sam J. Perry*  
President

SJP:bbg



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To All Members of the  
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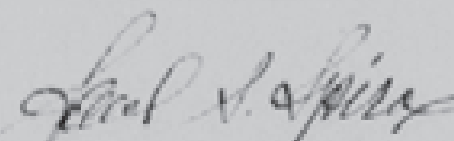
Dear Friends:

Due to the fact that this Sunday has been proclaimed by the President of the United States as a day of Prayer and Thanksgiving, the meeting of the National Z.O.A. Executive originally scheduled for that day has been postponed for the next day and will accordingly take place on Monday, May 14th, 7:30 P.M. at the ZOA office, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City.

This change has been made at the urgent request of many out-of-town members of the Executive.

Looking forward to seeing you on Monday, I remain, with kind regards and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

  
Saul S. Spire

S33:br1

Meeting date: Monday, May 14, 7:30 PM  
Place: ZOA office, 41 East 42nd Street, NYC.



May 9, 1945

Mr. Benjamin Berger  
400 Pence Building  
Minneapolis 3, Minn.

My dear Mr. Berger:

Thank you for your kind telegram and your previous letter. I have delayed answering both because of my uncertain schedule and the necessity of clearing certain dates. I greatly appreciate your invitation to address a meeting in Minneapolis. The only date that I can give you is Wednesday evening, June 13th. Would that be a convenient date for you?

It will not be possible for me to attend a luncheon that same day because I do not believe I will arrive in time for it, but I shall be pleased to meet with the board for dinner that same day.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Most cordially yours,

AHS:erb

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Dear Friend:

I am enclosing herewith the comparative membership statement for your district for the period ending April 30, 1945.

The progress recorded in your membership chart is a source of deep gratification. It reflects the vigorous and determined effort of yourself and of the associate officers and members of your district to mobilize maximum strength for our cause.

You will be glad to learn that our president, Dr. Israel Goldstein, has received many responses to his plea addressed to American Zionists direct from San Francisco, for the enrollment of 50,000 new members before the end of the United Nations Conference. We are confident that your district will contribute its share toward this goal.

With kind regards and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

*Saul S. Spiro*  
Saul S. Spiro

SSS:joy



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May 11, 1945

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Rabbi Abba Silver  
Temple, East 105th St.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

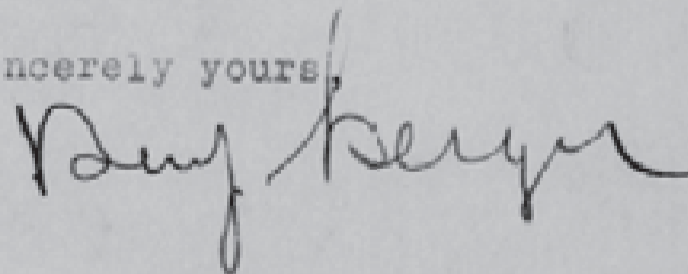
Thank you for your letter of May 9th in which you confirm the date of Wednesday, June 13th. That date is fine, and I am immediately making plans for that affair.

I will have both the Minneapolis and St. Paul Board of Directors plus a few friends for a Dinner meeting at 6:30 at the Nicollet Hotel on the evening of June 13th, and will plan the mass meeting for 8:30.

I am making hotel reservations for you at the Nicollet Hotel in Minneapolis for that date, and would appreciate your advising me the time of your arrival.

Again thanking you for your agreeing to come to Minneapolis, and with kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,



B. Berger:c

# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

## COLUMBUS DISTRICT

COLUMBUS, OHIO

May 17, 1945

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been appointed program chairman of our local Zionist Organization for 1945-46. Our past president, Mr. Fred Yenkin, has turned over to me your letter of March 27, 1945. I should appreciate learning if we may have the pleasure of your appearance before our Organization this Fall. If at this time, you wish to set a date for this meeting, please write to me at 773 S. Cassingham Rd. Bexley, 9 Ohio.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Sidney L. Katz*  
Sidney L. Katz

SLK/k