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MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19th, 1945, AT
4:30 P.M., IN THE METROPOLITAN
ZIONIST BUREAU, 41 East 42nd
NEW YORK CITY.

PRESENT: Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Chairman; Rabbi Irving Miller, Dewey D. Stone, Daniel Frisch, Jacques Torczynier, Joseph Greenleaf, Milton Pollack, Dr. Sidney Marks and Yale Goldberg.

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Neumann at 4:30 P.M. Dr. Neumann reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. He announced the meeting of the Executive Committee had been postponed to Tuesday evening, December 25th, to start at 7:30 P.M. promptly with a report by Dr. Silver.

CHALUTZIUTH:

This matter was referred to Dr. Israel Goldstein for further investigation.

PALESTINE FUNDS:

Rabbi Miller reported on the meeting held yesterday at the U.P.A. office. He said the discussion was mainly on the basis of percentages and did not deal with fundamental issues. It was urgent that a small committee meet with two or three people identified with the UPA for a heart-to-heart talk on this problem so as to be prepared with definite information for the Executive Committee.

Dr. Neumann stated that following the ZOA Convention, he spoke with Charles Rosenbloom and told him that the ZOA would not be opposed to reasonable measures of strengthening the UPA but we must see to it that the UPA does not slip away from the Zionist movement. The UPA however avoided discussion with the ZOA. He spoke twice with Rudolph Sonneborn explaining that we were prepared to have them call upon any member of the ZOA at the forthcoming UJA Conference, if we were advised whom they wanted. It was suggested that a meeting take place on Friday preceding the UJA Conference, for the purpose of reaching an agreement on ZOA policy with regard to UPA. Nothing further was heard from Mr. Sonneborn. In a conversation with Robert Silverman of the UPA, he had also been advised to this effect. The ZOA record is therefore clear on this subject. Dr. Neumann added that he received a call today from Charles Rosenbloom and that he will talk with him.

Rabbi Miller felt it was important that the Executive Committee be given the proper lead in the discussion of this matter, and suggested that three members of the ZOA and three of UPA meet unofficially to consult in the hope that they would reach a meeting of minds.

Dr. Neumann opposed any plan of reorganization of the UPA which would involve elections of a Board by an anonymous committee set up by their office. He is however, happy at the effort being made to draw in new people into the work of the UPA.

Mr. Frisch thought the matter should not be brought up before the next few weeks.

Mr. Stone added that the members would come with open minds to gain information.

Dr. Neumann suggested that Dr. Sidney Marks consult with Mendel Fisher on the matter of delegates to the Annual JNF Conference.

SHOKOL:

Dr. Marks read a memorandum with regard to Mrs. I. Tourover wherein it is stated that the ZOA does not pay the Shokol, that there is a duplication of expenses and that it is not cooperative.

Mr. Torczyner said there is a precedent for counting 150,000 members for Shokolim. He felt that the question of our relationship with Hadassah must be considered in the light of our joint interest in the slate to be presented at the World Zionist Congress. Mr. Stone thought we should bring Mrs. Tourover's statement to the attention of Mrs. Epstein and Rose Halprin.

Rabbi Miller suggested that we address a letter to Hadassah stating that these facts have come to our attention and that we would appreciate clarification.

Dr. Neumann stated that this is not an accident as Hadassah was engaged in a campaign to strengthen its position at the forthcoming Zionist Congress and we should take official note of this shokol question by addressing a friendly letter to them by the Secretary of the ZOA. (At this time news was received of the passing of the Palestine Resolution by the House).

Mr. Stone was still opposed to a letter and thought the matter should be discussed in person. Dr. Neumann was willing to accept the idea of a conference providing Dorey Stone and another representative undertake the responsibility. Mr. Stone agreed to communicate with Judith Epstein and arrange to discuss this issue.

Mr. Frisch reported that he had written a letter to the Jewish Agency requesting information in connection with previous shokol campaigns. At the suggestion of Mr. Torczyner, Dr. Marks was asked to cable Mr. Lauterbach for further information.

Dr. Marks received a letter from Palestine re the Zionist Bureau for Tourists which was referred to Dr. Simon Bernstein, Director of the Palestine Bureau.

EXPANSION FUND:

Dorey Stone reported that progress is being made. Mr. Torczyner said at best the Z.O.A. can expect a net amount of \$60,000 as its share from the Metropolitan Zionist Fund. A committee consisting of Dorey Stone, Manuel Posa, Dr. Marks and Mr. Torczyner will meet with representatives of the M.Z.F. to discuss this matter farther.

RADIO:

Mr. Torczyner stated that a letter had been written to "Longines" for the purpose of getting a spot on their Sunday program, but had not with no success. We should give an injunction to the M.Z.F. that they do everything possible to get radio time on WMCA. Dr. Neumann agreed and advised that we proceed accordingly.

UNITY COMMITTEE:

Rabbi Miller reported that he spoke with Rabbi Lolyveld, who personally is visiting as many communities as possible to counteract the work of the Council for Judaism. Rabbi Lolyveld was anxious to put in a field man. (A Rabbi Unger of Poughkeepsie has been suggested for this position). Rabbi Miller expressed the opinion that Rabbi Lolyveld was doing an effective job but the need for an additional field man was very obvious.

Dr. Neumann said he had spoken with Abe Tuvim and that the situation created by the Council was serious. The Council was making inroads. Dr. Neumann felt that the program of counteracting their activities fell within the scope of the Emergency Council and that therefore our efforts should be in cooperation with them. Mr. Stone agreed that the Emergency Council should participate inasmuch as the Council for Judaism was fighting Zionism. Rabbi Miller added that the Council's anti-Zionist program served as a great appeal for the Expansion Fund.

Mr. Frisch felt that this matter should be given over to the Emergency Council; that Rabbi Lolyveld should not be concerned with policy-making and administration, but these matters should be put into the hands of an influential layman. Rabbi Lolyveld was an excellent field-man, but someone else should direct the administrative end of the work.

Dr. Neumann stated that we are not prepared to vote an additional appropriation at this time. Rabbi Miller was requested to discuss plans for a joint venture with the Emergency Council. Mr. Stone thought that in the meantime we should not give up our contacts with Rabbi Unger.

Dr. Marks reported that as a result of his investigation, Atlantic City would be the only appropriate place for next year's convention. It was suggested that he make further inquiries.

POLITICAL REPORT:

Dr. Marks reported that letters have gone out to the districts of progress made with regard to the Palestine Resolution before Congress.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Mr. Pollack reported that expenditures were running substantially above our budget and income. We have thus far spent a total of \$110,000 compared with \$95,000 at this time last year. Since Oct. 1st, we show a net gain of 6,287 members. The expenditures for the Expansion Fund projects were running over their budgets, especially in the Radio department.

Dr. Marks pointed out that these figures include Convention expenditures and a capital outlay for radio. Mr. Pollack felt that a breakdown of the budgets was imperative. Dr. Marks explained that this was done before the Convention by Mr. Berson, Mr. Goodman and himself in consultation with the heads of each department and that the outlines would be sent to Mr. Pollack.

Mr. Pollack reported that he had made an analysis in New York and Washington. He recommended that there be a consolidation of the controller's office in New York which would result in a reduction in the cost of keeping records and purchases and a reorganization of bookkeeping methods.

The facilities and space of the Metropolitan office used by field directors should be assigned to the accounting staff. The Regional administration is the biggest drain on the organization. We are servicing 300 requests per month which results in bad handling. He recommended a five day limitation on mail service for districts.

Mr. Frisch thought we should have a man in full authority to deal with this matter. Mr. Pollack suggested that Regional directors be moved to the respective localities in which they serve.

Dr. Neumann asked that the matter be considered fully at the next meeting of the Inner Committee. He was extremely happy that the affairs of the Finance Committee were being handled so competently.

Mr. Pollack added that for the time being, the programming of clerical work would be in the hands of Jeanette Steinberg.

The meeting adjourned at 7 P. M.

Respectfully submitted

Yale Goldberg,
Assistant to the Secretary

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1945, AT THE
METROPOLITAN ZIONIST BUREAU
41 East 42nd Street, NYC.

PRESENT: Daniel Frisch, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Joseph Greenleaf, Rabbi Irving Miller, Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Milton Pollack, Mark Sugarman, Jacques Torczyner, Dr. Sidney Marks, Yale Goldberg. Present by invitation were: Bernard Popkin, Albert D. Schanzer, and Joseph Sternstein.

The meeting was opened by Daniel Frisch in the absence of Dr. Neumann.

Mr. Frisch called upon Mr. Albert D. Schanzer to give a report on the activities of the War Veterans Committee. Mr. Schanzer gave an outline of the veterans' plan that had been formulated prior to the convention and had been presented to that body. He submitted a written memorandum containing his recommendations for further study by the committee.

Mr. Frisch asked the Masada representatives to give their point of view. Mr. Joseph Sternstein spoke on behalf of Masada. He informed the committee that Masada chapters were being organized daily throughout the country. Mr. Sternstein stated that it was their opinion that the veterans did not wish to be segregated into separate Zionist Veterans Organizations. There must be a young people's movement. Those who are now members of a local district do not participate in the activities of the organization. Masada, he felt, is the only medium capable of doing an effective job in bringing young Zionists into our ranks. Mr. Sternstein therefore recommended that: (1) The Z.O.A. go on record that Masada is the arm for integrating veterans and young Zionists within the movement. (2) The Z.O.A. must immediately implement this program with financial and physical resources.

Mr. Torczyner felt that young people can, upon their own initiative, assume an active role in their local district. Mr. Frisch pointed out that no set rule can be laid down which could apply to all districts. Each community presents a problem all its own and the youth activity must be so coordinated so as to apply most effectively to that community. He also felt that these groups be formed on a co-ord basis. Mr. Sternstein remarked that their agreement with Junior Hadassah had worked out well.

Mr. Frisch stated that these activities be directed through the membership department. Rabbi Miller wanted it made clear that the enrollment of veterans is a function of the Z.O.A. Furthermore, a mutual basis of coordination should be established between the Z.O.A. and the Jewish War Veterans. Mr. Frisch assured Mr. Schanzer and the Masada committee that this question would be given the immediate and serious consideration of the Z.O.A.

NEW YORK OFFICE:

Mr. Sugarman discussed the report of Mr. Pollack with reference to his recommendation for the removal of the auditing department to the New York Office. In studying Mr. Pollack's proposals, Mr. Sugarman stated that he did not reach the same conclusions. He could not see how a saving of \$10,000, as indicated by Mr. Pollack, could be effected.

Furthermore, as for a manager of the New York Office, Mr. Sugarman felt that inasmuch as Dr. Marks apportions the greatest part of his time to New York, it would be advisable for him to establish the office of the secretary permanently in New York and at the same time direct the activities of the Metropolitan Bureau.

Mr. Sugarman also reported that he had consulted with Dr. David Tannenbaum, director of the Economic Bureau. He feels that this department is a vital function of the organization and should be continued. Mr. Sugarman, however, has not fully completed his study and will make a supplementary report in two weeks.

Dr. Marks explained to the committee that his duties require his continued presence in New York. He therefore feels that, in view of the unanimous decision of the National Executive Committee that National Headquarters be removed from Washington to New York, he immediately begin to conduct the administrative affairs of the Organization from New York. Dr. Marks said that he would operate from the conference room of the Metropolitan Bureau as the official office of the secretary. It is the intention of Dr. Marks to apportion his time to enable him to spend several days weekly in Washington.

Furthermore, Dr. Marks designated Mr. Yale Goldberg as the National Membership Director. Mr. Goldberg will immediately take over the duties of this office from Washington pending the establishment of quarters in New York and will also continue to function as assistant to the secretary.

At this time Dr. Neumann arrived and took the chair.

Mr. Sugarman reviewed his previous remarks and those of Dr. Marks so as to acquaint Dr. Neumann with the discussion.

Rabbi Miller remarked that Dr. Marks' presence in New York is highly desirable and would help considerably in tightening up the New York situation.

Dr. Neumann felt that finding space and the physical difficulties in moving would still take considerable time. He regretted that Mr. Pollack wasn't present so that action could be taken with his knowledge. Dr. Marks pointed out that Mr. Pollack claimed that there would be an immediate saving of \$10,000 by moving the auditing department to New York, whereas Mr. Weingart, the controller, had informed him that no saving whatsoever would be obtained as a result of such a move.

Dr. Neumann thought the entire matter should be reserved for discussion in the presence of Mr. Pollack. Dr. Marks stated that we cannot separate the membership department and the expansion fund from the accounting department. This should be borne in mind.

At this time Mr. Pollack arrived. Dr. Neumann reviewed the preceding discussion for Mr. Pollack. He pointed out that we must differentiate between national and local functions in the New York office. Dr. Neumann also announced that because of his obligations and responsibilities in preparation of testimony before the Joint Inquiry Committee, he will have to absent himself from at least the next two or three meetings of the Inner Committee. He therefore recommended that a committee of five be requested to thrash out financial and organizational matters that arise. This sub-committee would report to the Inner Committee.

Rabbi Miller suggested a committee of three. Dr. Neumann appointed Messrs. Sugarman, Pollack and Goodman as the sub-committee. Mr. Pollack thought that space could be provided by certain adjustments in the office. Dr. Marks stated that a careful check of the Washington office had not been made; that Mr. Weingart stated that he could not see how there would be a saving of \$10,000. Mr. Cooperman, at the request of Dr. Marks had prepared for him a report on the processing procedure in New York and as a result of his investigation found no real duplication of efforts. Furthermore, the removal of membership records from proximity to campaign headquarters would prejudice membership and expansion fund efforts. Dr. Marks suggested that Mr. Pollack assign one of his men to proceed to Washington and make a careful check at that office.

Dr. Goldstein felt that we should not be too hasty in making a drastic change but withhold any moving until a permanent home is found in New York.

After much discussion engaged in by all the members present it was decided that the Inner Committee approve that the Auditing Department alone be moved to New York.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Dr. Neumann brought to the attention of the committee the fact that Dr. Marks had been elected as secretary at the first meeting of the Executive but that no action had been taken with reference to the post of Executive Director. Dr. Neumann moved that Dr. Sidney Marks be approved by the Inner Committee as the Executive Director of the Z.O.A.

Mr. Frisch seconded the motion and suggested that a salary adjustment be made without delay. The motion was adopted unanimously. Dr. Neumann offered Dr. Marks his congratulations upon the appointment and expressed to him the confidence of the entire body in his ability. Dr. Neumann further stated that Dr. Marks' salary be adjusted to the established scale for the Executive Director and that it be granted retroactive to November 15th.

Mr. Pollack asked about the salary increase for Dr. Bernstein. Dr. Marks indicated that it should be retroactive to the date when other members of the staff received their increases. It was so ordered.

MATTER OF RICHARD E. EVANS:

The matter of Rev. Richard E. Evans was placed on the agenda at the request of Dr. Neumann. Upon his request, Dr. Marks reported that the services of Rev. Richard E. Evans involves an expenditure of \$13,000 per annum. Within recent months the organization has been embarrassed by the return of checks which he had cashed with district leaders. Reports on Dr. Evans' effectiveness have been both good and bad.

Dr. Goldstein remarked that we do not doubt some of his positive achievements but anyone associated with the Z.O.A. must be above suspicion. The difficult problem would be in how to gracefully but effectively sever our relationship with him. His continuance would bring an increasing discredit to the organization. We must ease him out as quickly and as generously as possible.

It was the unanimous consent of the committee that Dr. Marks advise Rev. Evans of the decision of the committee and that he be authorized to grant Rev. Evans severance pay up to six months of his salary.

With reference to the report on Mrs. Teurover of Hadassah, Dr. Neumann advised the committee that Dorey Stone had spoken with Mrs. Epstein. She expressed her regret at the incident and assured Mr. Stone that she would look into this matter without any further delay.

The matter of an office manager for the Metropolitan Bureau was referred to the sub-committee of three.

Dr. Neumann reported that he had spoken with Marvin Lowenthal and with Ludwig Lewisohn with reference to The New Palestine. He has not concluded negotiations with Mr. Lowenthal, nor did he have an opportunity to discuss the matter with Dr. Silver. In the meantime, he suggested that the next issue of The New Palestine be printed on improved newspaper stock and that other changes were also indicated. Until this matter can be further resolved, Dr. Neumann stated that he would give the publications his personal attention and would also continue his discussions with Mr. Lowenthal.

Dr. Goldstein pointed out that what The New Palestine needs is an editorial manager with administrative ability. Dr. Neumann felt that Mr. Lowenthal does qualify for this type of work. He had done well in this field in his relationship with the Emergency Council. Mr. Lowenthal can also serve as a contributor of articles to The News Reporter and can act as consultant for the publication of books, pamphlets and other literature.

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Mr. Torozynor advised the committee that the M.Z.F. at its meeting which had just been concluded, had decided to allocate the first \$100,000 which had been received. \$40,000 was immediately assigned for the National Expansion Fund. Dr. Neumann expressed his gratification at this initial payment by the M.Z.F. and urged Mr. Torozynor and Dr. Marks to see Mr. Hausman with regard to the immediate need of obtaining a radio station in New York to broadcast the Z.C.A. program.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Yale Goldberg
Assistant to the Secretary



METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND
OF GREATER NEW YORK, INC.

INTERIM
STATEMENT OF APPLICATION OF FUNDS

SEPTEMBER 10, 1945 TO DECEMBER 20, 1945



C O P Y

December 24, 1945

Metropolitan Zionist Fund of New York, Inc.
41 East 42nd Street
New York City, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with our engagement we have analyzed the receipts and disbursements for the period, September 10, 1945 to December 30, 1945 for the purpose of determining the basis of interim disbursements to the respective districts and regions.

Due to inadequate personnel, the system installed for the control of pledges and the proper crediting of cash receipts to the respective pledge cards was not fully utilized. As a result of the foregoing, receipts in the amount of \$2, 093.60 have not as yet been allocated to the respective districts. We have instructed the clerical staff to check out all pledge cards so that proper credit can be given to the respective districts and regions.

Our examination disclosed that all funds disbursed were authorized and that there were invoices available in all instances where invoices were required.

We would suggest that in planning for the future operation of the "Fund", adequate help be engaged so that the clerical routine can be properly handled. The office is inadequately staffed at present. As soon as all receipts have been checked and allocated to the various districts, we will submit our final report.

Respectfully submitted,

Popper, Katzman & Kossoy (Signed)

Certified Public Accountants

C O P Y

METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND
OF GREATER NEW YORK, INC.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 10, 1945 to DECEMBER 20, 1945

Receipts

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Regular campaign funds | \$ 132,079.40 |
| William P. Goldman Dinner | 22,240.00 |
| Advances by Prior Year's Fund | <u>94.75</u> |

| | | |
|-------|--|--------------|
| Total | | \$154,414.15 |
|-------|--|--------------|

Disbursements

| | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Regular campaign expenses | | 12,474.18 |
| Dinner | | |
| Payroll | | |
| Cash paid to employees | \$8,410.60 | |
| Amounts withheld for | | |
| payroll taxes | <u>1,298.00</u> | 9,708.60 |
| Campaign expenses | | 7,287.40 |
| Office expenses | | <u>511.32</u> |

| | | |
|-------|--|-------------|
| Total | | \$29,981.50 |
|-------|--|-------------|

| | | |
|--|--------------|--|
| William P. Goldman dinner expenses | 6,941.66 | |
| Net reimbursement to Prior Year's Fund | <u>94.75</u> | |

37,017.91

Balance available

\$117,396.34

Advances to Allocation Funds:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Public Relations | 5,005.46 |
| Metropolitan Membership Campaign | 958.65 |
| Metropolitan Education Department | 736.86 |
| Advance to Region | <u>350.00</u> |

Total advances

7,050.97

Cash balance available

\$110,345.27

Distributed as follows:

| | | |
|--|-----------------|-------------|
| Cash in Sterling National Bank & Trust Co. | \$96,371.93 | |
| Less: Sums withheld for withholding, etc. | <u>1,298.00</u> | \$95,073.93 |
| Cash in Public National Bank and Trust Co. | | 15,262.40 |
| Cash on hand | | <u>8.94</u> |

Total as above

\$110,345.27

METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND
OF GREATER NEW YORK, INC.

SCHEDULE OF DISTRIBUTION OF RECEIPTS

SEPTEMBER 10, 1945 TO DECEMBER 20, 1945

| | | |
|---|------------------|---------------------|
| Total pledge receipts | | |
| Regular campaign | \$132,079.40 | |
| William P. Goldman Dinner | <u>22,240.00</u> | |
| Total | | \$154,319.40 |
| Campaign expenses | | |
| Dinner - Hotel Astor | \$ 12,474.18 | |
| Payrolls | 9,708.60 | |
| General campaign expenses | 7,287.40 | |
| Office expenses | <u>511.32</u> | |
| Total | \$ 29,981.50 | |
| William P. Goldman Dinner Expenses | <u>6,941.66</u> | <u>38,923.16</u> |
| Net Pledge receipts subject to allocation | | <u>\$117,396.24</u> |
| Distributable as follows: | | |
| To Allocations Funds - per schedule | \$ 95,403.62 | |
| To Districts - per schedule | <u>21,792.62</u> | <u>\$117,396.24</u> |

METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND
OF GREATER NEW YORK, INC.

SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT REBATES

DECEMBER 30, 1945

| <u>Region</u> | <u>District</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Rebate</u> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <u>Manhattan</u> | 1 | \$ 40.00 | \$ 6.00 |
| | 2 | 30.00 | 4.50 |
| | 4 | 35.00 | 5.25 |
| | 5 | 455.00 | 68.25 |
| | 6 | 13,601.00 | 2,040.15 |
| | 7 | 44,355.64* | 6,653.35 |
| | 8 | 2,300.00 | 345.00 |
| | 10 | 2,461.00 | 369.15 |
| | 30 | <u>3,977.00</u> | <u>596.55</u> |
| Total | | <u>\$67,254.64</u> | <u>\$10,088.20</u> |
| <u>Brooklyn</u> | 14 | \$ 7,995.50 | \$ 1,199.32 |
| | 15 | 954.00 | 144.60 |
| | 17 | 1,545.00 | 231.75 |
| | 18 | 4,420.00 | 663.00 |
| | 23 | 3,140.00 | 471.00 |
| | 26 | 292.00 | 43.80 |
| | 29 | 3,133.00 | 469.95 |
| | 32 | 15,455.50 | 2,318.32 |
| | 34 | 5,475.00 | 821.25 |
| | 37 | 222.00 | 33.30 |
| | 38 | 1,225.50 | 183.83 |
| | 42 | 6,861.00 | 1,029.15 |
| | 54 | 882.00 | 132.30 |
| | 55 | 7,224.00 | 1,083.60 |
| | 56 | <u>1,150.00</u> | <u>172.50</u> |
| Total | | <u>\$59,984.50</u> | <u>\$ 8,997.67</u> |
| <u>Westchester</u> | 70 | \$ 7,808.00 | \$ 1,171.20 |
| | 71 | 3,776.00 | 566.40 |
| | 74 | 2,040.00 | 306.00 |
| | 75 | 300.00 | 45.00 |
| | 76 | 425.00 | 63.75 |
| | 81 | 1,550.00 | 232.50 |
| | 84 | 2,096.00 | 314.40 |
| | 86 | <u>50.00</u> | <u>7.50</u> |
| Total | | <u>\$18,045.00</u> | <u>\$ 2,706.75</u> |
| Unallocated and unclassified | | <u>\$ 2,093.60</u> | <u>\$ —</u> |
| Grand Total | | <u><u>\$ 87,377.74</u></u> | <u><u>\$21,792.62</u></u> |

* Includes \$15,298.32 net proceeds
from William P. Goldman dinner

METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND
OF GREATER NEW YORK, INC.

SCHEDULE OF ALLOCATIONS

DECEMBER 20, 1945

| <u>Allocation Funds</u> | <u>Percent</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Advances</u> | <u>Balance Due</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Expansion Fund | 40 | \$38,241.45 | \$ -- | \$38,241.45 |
| Public Relations | 17 | 16,252.62 | 5,005.46 | 11,247.16 |
| Manhattan Region | 12 | 11,472.43 | 116.67 | 11,355.76 |
| Brooklyn Region | 12 | 11,472.43 | 116.67 | 11,355.76 |
| Metropolitan Education Dept. | 7 | 6,692.25 | 736.86 | 5,955.39 |
| Westchester Region | 5 | 4,780.18 | 116.66 | 4,663.52 |
| Metropolitan Membership Camp. | 4 | 3,824.15 | 958.65 | 2,865.50 |
| Reserve | <u>3</u> | <u>2,868.11</u> | <u>—</u> | <u>2,868.11</u> |
| Totals | <u>100</u> | <u>\$95,603.62</u> | <u>\$ 7,050.97</u> | <u>\$88,552.65</u> |

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 2, 1946
METROPOLITAN ZIONIST BUREAU
41 East 42nd St. N.Y.C.

PRESENT: Mr. Daniel Frisch, Chairman, Abraham Goodman, Rabbi Irving Miller, Milton Pollack, Dewey D. Stone, Jacques Torczyner, Dr. Sidney Marks.

The meeting was called to order by Daniel Frisch at 4 p. m.

RADIO:

Dr. Marks and Mr. Torczyner indicated that a radio program had not, as yet, been put on the air. There are rumors that WPAF will give the program sustaining time. Messrs. Torczyner and Marks were instructed to advise the Metropolitan Zionist Fund that it must be placed on the air.

REPRESENTATIVES - JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY CONVOCATION

Upon motion duly made and carried, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Rabbi Harry Halpern were designated as representatives to the Jewish Theological Seminary Convocation and a letter indicating such designation was to be sent by Dr. Marks.

REPRESENTATIVES - BOARD OF DIRECTORS J.N.F.

It was indicated that this list is in the possession of Dr. Neumann.

VETERANS:

Mr. Frisch recommended that Chaplain Aryeh Lev act as co-chairman with Mr. Schanzer and stated that Shepard Broad of Miami Beach and Sam Brown of Fort Wayne, Indiana, be likewise included on the Committee. Dr. Marks reviewed his conversation with Dr. Silver and indicated that a separate man is required to stress Veteran participation in our activities under the membership department operations. The National Office will carry on its activity in these respects.

SHEKEL CAMPAIGN:

It was decided to consult with Dr. Neumann with reference to the Shekel Campaign. A note of caution was stressed: that the Shekel Campaign should not interfere with membership efforts, which are to take the primary lead at this time. This was in accordance with the discussion had at the National Executive Committee meeting.

HALUTZUIT - HECHALUTZ ORGANIZATION:

Dr. Marks indicated that Dr. Silver was very much

concerned with the need of immediate action on Halutzit. With reference to a request on the position of this organization with reference to Hechalutz Organization, Mr. Frisch instructed Dr. Marks to advise the inquirant of the New England Region that we are in the midst of discussions which would clarify our position.

YOUTH:

Mr. Jacques Torczyner delivered a most comprehensive report on the question of Youth and this report will be incorporated in the minutes of the next meeting of the Inner Committee. Mr. Torczyner indicated that nine people should be appointed for the Youth Commission by next Tuesday. Mr. Torczyner indicated that Mr. Weisman, Mr. Schoolman and Mr. Louis Levine should continue to remain on the Committee. Mr. Goodman wanted the recommendations of Mr. Torczyner to go further and Rabbi Miller indicated that a further study is required. Mr. Goodman stated that a better approach for the Masada is needed. He spoke of a paid worker from Masada at Atlanta, Georgia, arriving in Miami Beach and approaching the Chairman of the Youth Commission to run a special affair for Masada. The representative stated that he came especially for this purpose and that Masada can spend its money "recklessly". The affair was held and three Masada members were secured. They took the National Hotel, provided food, orchestra and dancing. The arrangements were excellent but the results did not justify the expenditure. Junior Hadassah would not stand for a coed setup. Mr. Goodman insisted that we must re-examine the Masada setup from a very bold point of view.

CARNEGIE HALL - DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Mr. Torczyner stated that the evening of January 13th provided an opportunity for a mass meeting at which Dr. Silver can address the people of the city of New York on his trip to Palestine. This will be a national meeting for membership and Expansion Fund purposes. Rabbi Miller stated that this was a sensible suggestion and it was recommended that we clear this matter with Dr. Silver.

GENERAL BENJAMIN:

Dr. Marks stated that the National staff had recommended that General Benjamin, leader of the Jewish Brigade, be

contacted for the possibility of a tour of this country on behalf of membership and the Expansion Fund. He indicated that Dr. Silver had approved the idea. Instructions were thereafter given to Dr. Marks to explore this matter.

BUILDING COMMITTEE:

On behalf of Mr. Sugarman, Dr. Marks stated that this matter was in the hands of brokers and some information will be forthcoming at the next meeting of the Inner Committee.

REVEREND RICHARD E. EVANS:

Dr. Marks stated that he had sent a letter to Reverend Evans, requesting him to contact Dr. Marks before proceeding North. Dr. Marks indicated that Reverend Evans was in the South and it would be highly impractical to curtail his engagements at that time. Mr. Stone recommended that four weeks' severance be given to Reverend Evans.

UNITY COMMITTEE:

Rabbi Miller stated that the Unity Committee needs the largest scope of the Emergency Council and it was the decision of the Inner Committee to negotiate with the Emergency Council. Mr. Goodman stated that the Emergency Council was not as widespread throughout the country as is commonly believed. He stated that the Unity Committee brings in new faces which are not brought in through any other medium. People are breaking away from old habits and warm up to Zionist activity. Mr. Stone stated that it is important that the ZOA keep it but an increased budget can be secured through American Zionist Emergency Council cooperation. Rabbi Miller stated that there is grave political implications to the work of the Unity Committee and the American Council for Judaism has grave political connotations. Mr. Goodman added that the Unity Committee from the ZOA would take away a measure of support for the Expansion Fund. Rabbi Miller expressed the need for the work of Rabbi Lelyveld in these respects. Mr. Stone moved that the Unity Committee be transferred to the Zionist Emergency Council. The motion was amended that ways and means be found to bring about a joint coordination measure. The motion, as amended, was passed.

Mr. Stone stressed the need for a Thousand Dollar Club for the Expansion Fund and indicated that he and his partner had made their contributions of \$1,000 each. He stated that a few additional well-placed contributors of a similar nature could be found throughout the country as a base for a wise-spread effort in these respects. He also indicated that it would be wise for Dr. Silver and other leaders to bring together key figures for conferences wherever they make go, in order to raise moneys for the Expansion Fund.

Mr. Milton Pollack reported that \$625 balance was sought by Chicago in connection with last year's membership campaign, and the allocation was passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:



Sidney Marks
Sidney Marks
Executive Director

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
41 East 42nd Street, NYC

M E M O R A N D U M

TO : Members of Inner Committee of the National Executive
FROM : Dr. Sidney Marks Date: January 21, 1946
SUBJECT: Minutes, Meeting of January 16th, 1946

Attached hereto, please find minutes of Inner Committee meeting of January 16th, 1946.

Please be advised that the next meeting of the Inner Committee will be held on Wednesday, January 23rd, in Room 600, 41 E. 42nd Street, and will begin promptly at 3:30 p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 16, 1946
METROPOLITAN ZIONIST BUREAU
41 East 42nd Street, N. Y. C,

PRESENT: Mr. Daniel Frisch, Chairman, Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Milton Pollack, Joseph Greenleaf, Dewey Stone, Mark Sugarman, Jacques Torczyner, Dr. Sidney Marks. By Invitation: Sarah Behrman

The meeting was called to order by Daniel Frisch at 4 P. M. and during the course of the proceedings, Dr. Neumann, Chairman, took over the Chair.

BUILDING COMMITTEE:

Mr. Sugarman reported that several buildings were available. One was located at the Northwest Corner of 45th Street and Fifth Avenue and the other was the Ovington Building at 39th Street and Fifth Avenue. He recommended the 45th Street building and stated this location would most likely become enhanced in value. He indicated that the purchase price is \$1,000,000. Since the building is owned by a Trust Fund, terms could be arranged favorably. The present income is derived from two stores on the ground floor premises. This income in the sum of \$22,000 is secured despite the fact that no leases have been given. The tax rate is approximately \$22 on \$1000 value. The expenditure of \$100,000 would be required for reconditioning. Mr. Frisch indicated that \$350,000 for down payment and reconditioning costs would be required with a \$750,000 mortgage at approximately 4%. Mr. Sugarman agreed that this was a reasonable thought. Mr. Torczyner urged the immediate negotiation. The thought was expressed that life membership funds could be used for this purpose. Mr. Frisch then recommended that Mr. Sugarman be instructed to obtain more concrete terms and report at the next meeting of the Inner Committee. Mr. Sugarman agreed to do so.

HISTADRUT IVRIT:

Mr. Greenleaf stated that Dewey Stone, Rabbi Irving Miller and himself had been appointed to investigate the requirements of the Histadrut. In the absence of Mr. Stone and the inability of Rabbi Miller to continue on this committee due to pressing matters, Mr. Greenleaf met with Boris Margolin, Harry Pl Fierst and Mr. Halevi, director of the Histadrut Ivrit. A request was made for an increase of our subvention of \$8,000 to \$25,000. Histadrut has an annual budget of \$250,000 and an income of \$125,000, the difference being raised by campaigns and Z. O. A. allocation. Histadrut indicated that the present allocation had been continued from the time the Zionist budget was \$67,000 and the present budget indicates the propriety of a larger allocation. Mr. Halevi stated that they represent 4% of the Z. O. A. membership. Income from Masad was \$80,000; Hadoar brought in \$39,000; \$9,000 was derived from the Hebrew monthly; community Chest, \$10,000 and the sale of books and magazines, \$4,000. They contributed \$4,000 to the Hebrew Arts.

Money was needed to raise wages and for an expanded program.

Mr. Margolin was reported to state that regardless of what other steps we take, liaison is needed between the Z. O. A. and Histadrut. He insists on monthly reports to us. He also stated that all expenses have risen. He indicated that Hadassah and the Z. O. A. act jointly on the Youth Commission and therefore should do so in the matter of the Histadrut. Hadassah states there are no funds available. Mr. Greenleaf further stated that Hebrew culture and propaganda warrant an increase above the \$8,000 figure. Mr. Torczyner was to contact all interested parties for further contributions. Mr. Frisch stated that no money was available from the Expansion Fund at present but that we should accept the report favorably and recommend an increase in allocation. He further stated that in due time this request should receive reconsideration and allocation should be increased, compatible with the amount of funds raised. Mr. Frisch's suggestion was unanimously accepted as a recommendation to the Executive.

REV. RICHARD EVANS:

Upon inquiry from the Chair, Dr. Marks reported that he sent a letter to Rev. Evans, registered mail, return receipt requested, terminating his employment as of the end of this week, with severance pay, pursuant to the instructions of the Inner Committee. He stated that he had previously communicated with Dr. Evans by letter and Rabbi Lelyveld had communicated with him by telephone and advised him of the termination of his employment.

OSCAR LEONARD:

Dr. Marks stated that he would like an expression of policy on Mr. Leonard. Conversations with I. J. Caplan and Rabbi Lelyveld had left the matter in a state of confusion.

Mr. Pollack pointed out that the matter of Mr. Leonard had been brought up at the Finance Committee meeting, and Mr. Caplan had received the delegation of authority in these respects. It was the strong and unanimous opinion of the Finance Committee that Mr. Leonard had no business to remain on the payroll. His services were not satisfactory and the head of the department did not want to bring charges. Mr. Abraham Goodman said that Mr. Leonard had clearly understood that his services were to be severed when Dr. Goldstein's term of office expired.

The Finance Committee decided to sever Mr. Leonard's affiliation on January 11th. No union problem was raised as Mr. Leonard had no union status. Mr. Caplan had been instructed to see Rabbi Lelyveld and take care of the matter. Someone else was to be brought into the set-up of the Committee on Unity for Palestine. Mr. Pollack also indicated that discretion had been given to Rabbi Lelyveld to rehire Mr. Leonard for six weeks if he so desired, but on a purely temporary basis.

It was the decision of the Committee to terminate his employment without severance pay. It was also stated that Mr. Leonard was on leave from the Jewish National Fund.

Mr. Frisch stated that it was not merely a matter of writing Mr. Leonard a letter. He wanted to do what was right. He indicated that Mr. Pollack should have verified Mr. Goodman's statement as to leave from

J. N. F. Mr. Frisch was under the impression that he had been under some leave of absence and had asked Mendel Fisher pointedly on this question. Fisher's answer was completely indecisive. In talking to Mr. Leonard, Mr. Frisch said the Mr. Leonard indicated that he would like to have half of his job devoted to the Committee on Unity work. He indicated that Mr. Leonard should have been given a hearing as a matter of form.

Mr. Pollack stated that the Finance Committee took the attitude that Leonard took refuge in the union contract. Mr. Sugarman stated that we should pay him another week's salary and terminate his employment at the end of this week.

Dr. Neumann made a statement on behalf of the Inner Committee that "it was brought to our attention that the head of the Unity Committee for Palestine, Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, had stated that he could not use Mr. Leonard's services and could not assume responsibility for his work; that this was also the reason for the action taken by the Committee."

Dr. Marks was requested to write to Mr. Leonard and so inform him.

RE-EMPLOYMENT OF ZVI LEVAVY:

Mr. Pollack brought up the re-employment of Zvi Levavy and indicated that he had spoken to Mr. Goodman in this connection regarding suitable compensation, with protection under the G. I. Bill of Rights. Mr. Pollack was opposed to temporary employment at first. Mr. Levavy telephoned Mr. Pollack today and Mr. Pollack was prepared to make a deal. It must be full-time employment for three months, without any embroilment with the union. Dr. Neumann asked whether we would still want Mr. Weingart if we could secure Levavy. Pollack answered that he is not disposed to interrupt the Department until the status of Levavy is defined. Mr. Frisch asked what the status of Levavy would be. Pollack stated that Levavy would recondition the accounts, consolidate membership records and work up and review budgets to make them really coordinate the function of income and expenditure. Dr. Neumann asked the nature of the authorization. Mr. Pollack stated that Mr. Levavy requested his old salary plus the normal increments. Pollack recommended \$150 per week for the next three months, payable monthly after which time the whole subject would be renegotiated. Dr. Neumann contended that this would prejudice Levavy to which Pollack answered that the agreement would be fully elastic. Mr. Stone stated that discretion should be left to Mr. Pollack. Dr. Neumann stated that this will affect the entire scale of wages. Mr. Pollack stated that it could be paid by a special fee to Levavy as an accountant, of \$1800 for three months. Dr. Neumann stated that this should be put into a letter of re-employment treating such employment as special three months' engagement without any provisions for withholding tax and based upon a bill drawn up by Levavy for professional services rendered. Permission was granted.

COMMITTEE ON UNITY:

Dr. Neumann stated that he had spoken to Rabbi Irving Miller who had negotiated with the Emergency Council. Dr. Neumann stated that the work of the Unity Committee had become political and had had rightfully become a matter for the Council. It was proposed that the Unity Committee

operate from this office and be the joint responsibility of this office and the Emergency Council, with the Council paying the major part of the expenses. Dr. Neumann suggested that a memorandum be written to him by Rabbi Miller and forward to Dr. Silver as Chairman of the American Zionist Emergency Council.

EXPIRATION OF PRESENT LEASE:

Dr. Marks reported that our lease expired April 1st and that negotiations must take place now. The suggestion of Mr. Sugarman was adopted that negotiations be held on the lease with permission to sublet. This was based upon possession being obtained on 90 days' notice of prospective building purchase. Mr. Sugarman, Mr. Pollack and Dr. Marks are to handle the negotiations.

SHEKEL CAMPAIGN:

Dr. Neumann stated that some one should talk to Eleazer Kaplan on the question of the constitution of a Shekel Board and recommended that Mr. Frisch and Dr. Marks be appointed for this purpose. It was so carried.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL:

A discussion ensued in which Mr. Frisch, Dr. Neumann and others participated. Dr. Neumann created a committee consisting of Mr. Frisch, Mr. Greenleaf and Mr. Torczyner to investigate the entire matter and report to Dr. Neumann, in whose discretion the entire matter will rest.

EXPANSION FUND:

Dewey Stone stated that it was necessary to get into high gear quickly. There was a possibility of the campaign "blowing up" due to the U.J.A. campaign. He indicated that the office staff requested additional promotional funds. Mr. Stone further indicated that he was not impressed by high pressure activity. Mr. Stone reported that he had addressed the Zionists in Chicago and had indicated to them that the entire matter was operated there on a "penny ante" basis. He also informed them that he had secured \$5,000 from four or five people there and that Chicago could raise \$40,000 to \$50,000 if they would devote themselves to the job, culminating in a meeting to be addressed by Dr. Silver, should he agree to do so. Mr. Stone recommended that a letter be written to Dr. Silver along these lines and that a letter be addressed to Chicago by Dr. Marks requesting \$10,000 cash on hand.

Mr. Stone recommended after discussion by Dr. Neumann that plans be drafted for this specific purpose to justify the expenditure requested by the staff.

Upon recommendation of the Committee, the meeting for next week is to start at 3:30 p.m. promptly.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:
SIDNEY MARKS, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY 3:45 P.M. JANUARY 23, 1946
METROPOLITAN ZIONIST BUREAU - 41 EAST 42nd ST., N.Y.C.

PRESENT: Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Chairman; Dr. Israel Goldstein, Mr. Joseph Greenleaf, Mr. Jacques Torczyner, Mr. Daniel Frisch, Mr. Mark Sugarman, Mr. Yale Goldberg.

Dr. Neumann opened the meeting at 3:45 P.M.

Mr. Mark Sugarman reported that he had been in consultation with the Guarantee Trust Co. and the Cross & Brown Realty Co., agents of the building at Fifth Avenue and 45th Street. No definite price had been set but he believes that they would consider acceptance of a bid of \$950,000. Offers may be submitted on either an all-cash basis or on a mortgage arrangement. Possession can be obtained upon three months notice to the tenants. Dr. Neumann felt that it might be advisable to put in about 25% in cash. A sum of \$100,000 should be set aside for renovations and miscellaneous expenditures. He suggested that it also might be advisable to form a corporation to act on behalf of the organization in effecting the purchase. He further pointed out that in view of the tax exemption which such a building will have, a saving in aggregate rentals of 10% to 20% would be derived.

Dr. Goldstein urged that consideration be given to several other factors, namely, that amongst the Zionist agencies which have been invited to share space in the building, there may be some who might, under certain circumstances, take advantage of their close relationship with the ZOA. He does not believe that they would make a permanent agreement to occupy their quarters. It is also necessary to consider the difficulties of maintenance and the costs thereof. We are now at the height of a real estate market and perhaps a less expensive part of the city would be more desirable.

Mr. Sugarman pointed out that according to the estimates submitted to him by the real estate company, maintenance would cost \$13,000 per year and would be covered by the income of the rentals. It is his firm belief that we cannot expect a cheaper real estate market for at least five to ten years. He felt that this was a very desirable location whose value would not quickly deteriorate.

Mr. Frisch suggested that the building be bought by the ZOA and not by a combined corporation with other Zionist agencies. We would then be in a position to invite other organizations to occupy space at fair rentals.

Dr. Neumann thought that we should have more specific data on the space requirements of the various Zionist agencies who wish to occupy the building and he felt that we should proceed with negotiations and perhaps have Alex Rothenberg make a complete survey of the physical aspects involved so that a complete picture of the entire matter can be presented to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Sugarman stated that he is about to leave the city for about six to seven weeks. It was decided that prior to his leaving that Mr. Sugarman advise the real estate broker of the favorable decision of the Inner Committee to continue with negotiations subject to the final approval of the Executive Committee. In his absence, Dr. Sidney Marks will handle further details with the company.

Dr. Neumann agreed that he would arrange with Alex Rothenberg to have him make the suggested survey. He suggested that further thought be given to the adoption of one of two plans. Either that the ZOA shall be the sole owner of the building and shall then rent space to other Zionist agencies or commercial firms or; that all Zionist agencies which reach an agreement to occupy space in the building shall combine in its joint ownership.

Dr. Goldstein had to leave early and asked to submit a number of points which he wished to bring to the attention of the Inner Committee. With reference to Oscar Leonard, he advised the Committee that Mr. Leonard's employment with the ZOA was not with the understanding that he was on leave from the JNF and no promise had been made that he would return to that organization. He had been informed that there were some who believe that there was a record of this information in the minutes. Mr. Goldberg pointed out that a search had been made by Mr. Cooperman of the Executive Committee minutes of that period but found no reference at all about this matter.

Dr. Goldstein also reported that a meeting was held with representatives of the Hebrew University with reference to scholarships and fellowships to be awarded by the ZOA. A large number of applicants are expected and the Scholarship Committee intends to announce the winners of these awards by May 1, 1946.

Dr. Neumann suggested that Dr. Goldstein arrange a meeting jointly with Hadassah of about 20 to 25 people to discuss the General Zionist position. This committee should consist of the members of the Inner Committee, Judge Levinthal, Judge Rothenberg and others who Dr. Goldstein feels should attend. Invitations should be extended to Mr. Elias Epstein, Dr. Davidowitz and Gustavo Schocken to participate in the discussions.

Shekel: Mr. Frisch reported that a meeting had been called by the Jewish Agency for Thursday, January 24, 1946 to discuss the Shekel Committee. He had met Mr. Gellman of Mizrahi and had discussions with other party members with reference to the forthcoming shekel campaign. Mr. Frisch made it clear that the ZOA would not enter into any arrangement that would not give the ZOA a substantial increase in representation. Dr. Neumann felt that no decision should as yet be made on the formula to be adopted. That our representatives at the Thursday meeting shall state that they have no authority to accept any decision made in this respect, and that the secretary appointed by the Shekel Board must meet with the approval of the ZOA. Dr. Neumann stated that it was urgent to promptly engage a person who would devote himself completely to the ZOA Shekel Campaign. He had spoken with Mr. Abraham Tannenbaum about accepting this position starting February 15, 1946. It was the unanimous decision of the Committee that Dr. Neumann offer the Directorship of the Shekel Campaign to Mr. Tannenbaum at a salary to be determined by him and is to be charged to the Expansion Fund.

News Reporter: Dr. Neumann advised the Committee that Mr. Barbarash had submitted a report showing that a saving of approximately \$900 could be effected by having the New Palestine News Reporter issue printed in New York. It was decided that Mr. Barbarash effect this change as quickly as possible.

South America: Dr. Neumann reported that information from South American countries indicate a rapid disintegration of Zionist strength in these countries. He felt that special activity should be initiated to establish a close relationship between the Zionist groups in these countries and the ZOA. He also felt that a special committee should be appointed which would arrange to send speakers and literature and to keep in close communication with them.

Mr. Goldberg stated that the Hebrew University had made an inquiry with regard to a resolution adopted at the Convention to the effect that the ZOA would provide for the transportation of GIs to Palestine who are eligible to study there under the GI Bill of Rights. It was decided to refer this matter to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Goldberg also reported that a letter had been received from the Social Service Employees' Union requesting a hearing on the dismissal of Oscar Leonard. After some discussion, Dr. Neumann appointed Mr. Jacques Torczyner to confer with Oscar Leonard and to work out an arrangement with him whereby he can be retained in one of the departments of the organization.

Mr. Torczyner stated that no official directive had been given to him with regard to the Youth Commission report submitted by Mr. Greenleaf and himself. It was unanimously decided that the Inner Committee approve the report and the principles proposed therein.

Dr. Neumann suggested that in the absence of Mr. Sugarman, Mr. Greenleaf be empowered to sign checks of the ZOA.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Assistant to the Secretary

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 31st, 1946
METROPOLITAN ZIONIST BUREAU
41 East 42nd Street, N. Y. C.

PRESENT: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Joseph W. Greenleaf, Rabbi Irving Miller, Milton Pollack, Jacques Torczyner and Dr. Sidney Marks.

The meeting was called to order at 4 P. M. by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver who presided.

REMOVAL TO NEW YORK:

Building Dr. Sidney Marks reported on the building which was being considered, indicating that a great many improvements will be necessary; for example, plumbing, freight elevators, etc. This report was made after a survey of the premises by Mr. Alex Rothenberg. Also submitted was the list of organizations which had indicated their desire to occupy this building, including their present space, rental costs, and the amount of space they will require in the event of a change.

PERSONNEL: Dr. Marks indicated that it had been suggested that the New York Regional Directors and their staffs be located in the Regions which they service. It was further suggested that the entire staff of the Washington office be moved to New York at once. Dr. Marks was given full authority to make these changes.

News Reporter: It was submitted to the group that Mr. Barbarash felt that \$900 per issue would be saved on the cost of publishing the News Reporter by removal to New York. Mr. Torczyner suggested that two editions of the News Reporter be printed during the months of March, April and May to keep the voters aware of the issues confronting the next World Zionist Congress. This would not entail any additional expenditure due to the savings indicated in Mr. Barbarash's estimate.

Dr. Silver commented on the feasibility of renting the National office at Washington to the American Zionist Emergency Council. There is to be an investigation of this matter.

SUBVENTIONS AND RE-ALIGNMENT:

Dr. Marks reported that various Regions have been requesting additional personnel and equipment and seek increased subventions from the Organization for this purpose. Rabbi Miller suggested that a careful study be made of the Regional setup to determine where more offices are needed, where our present offices are located, and possible relocation and reconstitution of Regions. He offered to analyze the situation, together with Dr. Marks, to see what changes or corrections can be made.

In connection with other subventions, Mr. Greenleaf indicated that Histadrut Ivrit received \$8,000 from the Zionist Organization of America and are requesting an increase. Any increase to be given them is to be based upon the success of the Expansion Fund. The group agreed that the subvention be increased to \$15,000. Motion was made and carried.

Dr. Silver mentioned the letter he had received from Dr. Simon Bernstein, Director of the Palestine Bureau, making suggestions for changes and increased activity in Yiddish spheres, such as a Speakers' Bureau and a Jewish pamphlet. With regard to his reference to the Landsmanschaften and "Schul" groups and the possibility of their joining and aiding the Organization, Dr. Marks reported on his success in inducing many synagogues to join the Z. O. A. through mass enrollment. Dr. Silver suggested that a meeting be held with representatives of the Landsmanschaften to ascertain their response to our suggestion that they join the Organization.

Dr. Silver read to the group the letter from Miss Sophie Udin of the Zionist Archives and Library, requesting authority to proceed with publication of the "Year Book". Dr. Marks was instructed by those present to grant such authority.

CHALUTZIUTH:

It was reported that Mr. Abraham Redelheim had deferred action on the Chalutzith until the Z. O. A. designated the five members of the Organization to the Board. The following were appointed to this Board: Abraham Redelheim, Chairman; Ziegfried Kramosky; Raphael Pinchas; Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow, and Joseph Sternstein. It was suggested that these five men meet to formulate a joint program and budget, which budget will have to be approved by the Jewish Agency before it is submitted.

SHEKEL CAMPAIGN:

Mr. Torcsyner reported on the key to the Shekel Campaign and the suggested representation on the Shekel Board. One of the possible keys would be six members, Z. O. A; six members, Hadassah; six members, Poale Zion; three members, Mizrachi; and one member from the Jewish State Party. In the past, there has been no regulation governing the appointment of officers of this Board. It was the consensus of opinion that the Chairman should be a member of the Z. O. A., Vice-Chairman, a member of Poale Zion, and the Treasurer a member of Hadassah. They further indicated that the Secretary should be an official appointed by the Board, and Abraham Tannenbaum was suggested as a possible candidate, pending the acceptance of this proposal by the other organizations.

Four members of the Z. O. A. on the Shekel Board were appointed as follows: Dr. Israel Goldstein, Chairman, Mendel Fisher, Daniel Frisch, and Jacques Torcsyner. The two additional members will be appointed at a later date. Dr. Marks was instructed to contact Dr. Goldstein to inform him of this action.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS:

Dr. Marks explained the gist of the confusion which apparently is in the minds of the American Friends of the Hebrew University. He

indicated that Capt. Popkin had been informed that these monies were forthcoming from proceeds raised by the Expansion Fund and were not immediately available. Dr. Marks also reported on his conversations with Mr. Herz of the American Friends, wherein all of these confusions had been resolved. Dr. Silver then explained the distinction between the scholarships and the financing of the veterans.

NEW YORK EXPANSION FUND:

Discussion was deferred until a meeting to be held on Monday, February 11th, at which time the Metropolitan Zionist Fund will also be discussed.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT:

Rabbi Miller suggested that the matter of the Education Department be added to the agenda. He indicated that the educational work of the Organization required correction. He called for a clearer definition of its activities, indicating that the nature of the program of the Z. O. A. requires an Education Director and not a Department, whose function is to screen every activity of the Z. O. A. in terms of its educational implications and that direction, form, and content be given in such educational directive to these activities in the light of their education implications. Every activity of the Z. O. A., such as Radio, Publications, Books, Speakers' Bureau and Propaganda be screened by the Education Director and the Executive Director for organization and concentration as to the content and direction to be conveyed to the country at large. Rabbi Miller indicated that it is the aim of the Organization to create a large membership and to educate that group in order that our activities may receive their fullest implementation. Further discussion on this matter was postponed until the next meeting of the Inner Committee. During the interim, Rabbi Miller was asked to draft a memorandum, embodying this suggestion and enlarging on the subject matter.

RICHARD EVANS:

Dr. Marks outlined the attempts made to communicate with Rev. Evans. Mr. Pollack brought to the attention of the meeting a request from Kingston, New York, to repay \$100 for a bad check. This amount is to be paid to the Kingston District and deducted from Rev. Evan's severance pay.

OSCAR LEONARD:

Mr. Pollack acquainted Dr. Silver with the history of this case and stated that a letter had been received from the Union challenging the legality of his termination. Mr. Torczyner then reported on his meeting with Mr. Leonard on Wednesday, January 30th. Dr. Marks was instructed to canvass the possibility of rehiring Mr. Leonard on a part-time basis, with the stipulation that he be terminated completely from his old status

and rehired solely on his merits.

Dr. Silver suggested that Isidore Cooperman proceed with the arrangements to publish the American edition of "The Zionist Movement" by Israel Cohen, on which Mr. Bernard G. Richards has been working.

Dr. Silver further requested that arrangements be made to have a luncheon meeting on Monday, February 11th, of the Expansion Fund and Metropolitan Zionist Fund, and that an evening meeting of the National Executive be held on the same day.

The meeting adjourned at 6 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sidney Marks
SIDNEY MARKS, Secretary



Memorandum

METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND OF GREATER NEW YORK, INC.

SUITE 600

From: Samuel Sloan

41 East 42nd Street • MU 2-3205 • New York 17

To: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

Date: Feb. 4, 1946

Subject: MZF Financial Statement

At the request of Mr. Manuel Posey, I am enclosing herewith, the last Accountant's Statement of the Metropolitan Zionist Fund. Naturally there has been additional monies received since the date of this statement. I am also enclosing a detailed breakdown of this for your consideration.

If there is any additional information you would like to have, I shall be very glad to supply same.

Respectfully
Yours Truly

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
41 E. 42nd Street, NYC

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: MEMBERS INNER COMMITTEE

FROM: DR. SIDNEY MARKS

DATE: 2/11/46

SUBJECT: MINUTES

Enclosed herewith you will find minutes of the meeting of the Inner Committee that was held on Wednesday, February 6, 1946.

The next meeting of our group will be held on Wednesday afternoon, 3:30 p.m., February 13th in Room 600, 41 E. 42nd St.

Many matters of importance will be discussed and we solicit your attendance.

Kindest personal regards.

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1946
METROPOLITAN ZIONIST BUREAU
41 East 42nd Street, N. Y. C.

PRESENT: Dr. Emanuel Neumann, presiding, Rabbi Irving Miller, Mr. Milton Pollack, Mr. Mark Sugarman, Mr. Jacques Torczyner, and Dr. Sidney Marks.

AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE

It was decided to ask the Order Sons of Zion through Mr. Lipsky, to replace Herman Zvi Quitman, as a delegate as he will be unable to attend the Conference. Rabbi Miller urged that a resolution be passed indicating the value and need for a democratic and permanent organization to aid the Jews abroad.

BUILDING:

Dr. Marks read a report submitted by Mr. Sugarman on the building at 45th Street and Fifth Avenue, indicating the amount of space that is available and the space which the various organizations will require. Dr. Marks was instructed to draft another memorandum including the Z.O.A., the Funds, and the Emergency Council, rental of space being computed at the rate of \$2 to \$2.50 per square foot, adding the income of the stores at the present rental, although these latter rentals may be increased.

Dr. Neumann suggested the possibility of the building being jointly purchased by the Z. O. A. together with the Keren Hayesod and the Jewish National Fund through a holding company with joint responsibility. A meeting is to be arranged with representatives of these organizations to ascertain their reaction to this suggestion.

Dr. Neumann suggested the further possibility of creating a Building Fund in New York City, due to the fact that it is not engaged in Expansion Fund activities, as a means of securing contributions to finance the purchase of the building. Rabbi Miller suggested the sale of rooms as a further fund-raising device, with the possibility of building an auditorium to be similarly subsidized.

Motion was made and carried to approve the purchase of this building, following the report rendered by Mr. Sugarman, subject to formal ratification by the Executive Committee which will meet on Monday evening, February 11th.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS:

Dr. Marks read a letter from Mr. Bernard Popkin requesting information on scholarships and the possibility of the Z. O. A. paying for the transportation of veterans who will study in Palestine. It was the decision of the Inner Committee that this was not part of our plan, but rather a part of the G. I. Bill of Rights.

WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS:

Dr. Neumann related that there had been a proposal to postpone the meeting of the World Zionist Congress until the Fall. It had been suggested that the Congress meet in (1) Palestine, as the first choice; (2) aboard a floating ship; and (3) the United States. Dr. Neumann indicated that the Z. O. A. and Hadassah did not approve of the postponement of the Congress meeting and recommended that a resolution be adopted urging and insisting that the World Zionist Congress be held during the Summer and that this matter be placed on the agenda of the coming National Executive meeting in order that they pass a similar resolution. It was so passed unanimously.

MEMBERSHIP:

Dr. Marks estimated that the Organization would have 90,000 members by the meeting of the National Executive and that by the end of March the membership would be over the 150,000 mark. Rabbi Miller suggested the possibility of devoting March to the Membership Campaign and April to the Shekel Campaign.

CONVENTION:

Dr. Marks reported on efforts to secure accommodations for this year's Convention. Chicago was suggested as a possible location.

PALESTINE BUREAU:

Dr. Marks read a memorandum from Dr. Simon Bernstein which outlined his unsuccessful attempts to have representatives of the various other organizations meet for possible revision of the Palestine Bureau representation. It was suggested that this Bureau be taken over by the Keren Hayesod, but discussion of same was deferred due to the likelihood of moving all of the organizations concerned into one building in the near future.

REPRINTING OF CONSTITUTION:

Pending a report by the Constitution Committee on possible revision and amendment, it was decided to withhold a decision.

RENTAL OF WASHINGTON BUILDING:

Milton Pollack indicated that he would submit a report at the next meeting of the Inner Committee.

BI-MONTHLY EDITION OF THE NEWS REPORTER:

Dr. Marks informed the group of the suggestion of Mr. Ernest Barbarash that the News Reporter be printed bi-monthly. Mr. Pollack suggested the possibility of reducing the publication to half its size for bi-monthly editions. He further indicated that a saving of postage would be effected if, upon removal to New York, printing and mailing of the News

Reporter be handled in New Jersey, making possible the use of a less expensive postage frank.

Dr. Neumann suggested that decision be deferred on this matter until it could be ascertained whether there would really be a saving, as reported by Mr. Barbarash.

ERNEST BARBARASH:

Mr. Pollack apprised those present of the fact that at the meeting of the Finance Committee, held on Thursday evening, January 31st, a \$1,000 increase in Mr. Barbarash's salary was approved, pending ratification by the Inner Committee. He further requested the Inner Committee to establish the policy for future salary increases for the Executive Staff.

It was decided that all proposals for salary adjust^{ment} with regard to Executives should, in the first instance, be brought before this Committee, who may then pass it on to the Finance Committee.

Rabbi Miller suggested that rather than pass on the salary increase for one man, that it be made the occasion for the general review of the salaries of all of the Executive Staff. Dr. Neumann added that it might be advisable to compare our scale of salaries with those paid by the other agencies for similar positions. This should also involve the engagement of all additional executive personnel. All Executives are to be instructed that before engaging any additional executive or junior executive personnel, that the Inner Committee is to be told of their intention in order that they may study these proposals.

EDUCATION:

Rabbi Miller restated his suggestion for the innovation of an Education Director, as detailed in the minutes of the meeting of Thursday, January 31st. Dr. Marks disagreed with establishing such a position. It was his feeling that this was a public relations task and that organizational projects and educational projects are inter-related. It was decided that this entire subject would need a great deal of further thought and planning. Dr. Neumann felt that if a person of the right calibre who was creative and alert, could seriously tackle the problem involved, it would be of great value to the organization. He suggested that a candidate for such position be asked to survey the possibility of this proposal and report to the Inner Committee.

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE:

Dr. Marks read a letter received from Judge Louis E. Levinthal, asking to be relieved of his responsibilities as Chairman of the Publications Committee. Dr. Marks was asked to communicate with Dr. Silver for his advice in the matter. It was indicated that Mr. Eleazar Lipsky had expressed a desire to serve as Chairman of Publications.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted
Dr. Sidney Marks
Executive Director

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1946
METROPOLITAN ZIONIST BUREAU
41 East 42nd Street, N.Y.C.

PRESENT: Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Joseph W. Greenleaf, Milton Pollack, Jacques Torczyner and Dr. Sidney Marks.

MASADA:

Mr. Paul Byne spoke to the group with reference to Masada's request for an increase in their allowance from this organization aside from their allocation from the American Zionist Youth Commission. At present, they are receiving \$14,000 for their operations and seek an additional \$12,262.

A motion was made and carried to conduct experiments suggested by Dr. Neumann; that a plan of operations be prepared with the approval of the Youth Commission, for operation in New York, Philadelphia and Boston to demonstrate what can be done to secure new members, before Masada attempts to solicit membership from the country at large. Mr. Torczyner and Mr. Byne will further discuss the implementation of this motion and return a concrete proposal to the Inner Committee.

REVEREND RICHARD EVANS:

Dr. Marks reported that attempts to reach Reverend Evans have been unsuccessful.

SHEKEL COMMITTEE:

Dr. Marks indicated that the Z.O.A. is entitled to seven members on the Shekel Committee. In addition to the four members already designated for the committee, (Dr. Israel Goldstein, Daniel Frisch, Mendel Fisher and Jacques Torczyner) the following additional were designated: Dr. Simon Bernstein, Irving Galt, Joseph W. Greenleaf, Dr. Sidney Marks, Jochanon I. Rudavsky and Robert Silverman. This would also provide for alternates.

BUILDING:

Zvi Levary reported that a survey of the building was made by an Engineer and Alex Rothenberg, indicating that it would require an exorbitant sum to make the building satisfactory for office use. It was decided to refer the entire matter of the building to a Building Committee to consist of Mark Sugarman, Milton Pollack, Dr. Sidney Marks and Zvi Levary to explore the possibility of finding other space more suitable to our needs.

VETERAN PROGRAM:

Dr. Marks reported on his favorable impression of Major Auerbach, who will be interviewed by several members of the Inner Committee for the position of Director of the Veterans Committee or for such other work to which he may be assigned.

EDUCATION:

It was indicated that Rabbi Simon Greenberg wishes to attend a meeting of the Inner Committee to discuss his program with this committee, and an invitation has been extended to him.

MEMBERSHIP & EXPANSION FUND:

Dr. Marks reported on activities of the various regions on behalf of the Membership Campaign and Expansion Fund.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Dr. Marks read a letter from an attorney who represents a couple who wish to leave their estate, asking for information regarding naming the heir. Dr. Marks was instructed to inform him that this legacy is to be divided equally between the Zionist Organization of America and the Jewish National Fund.

Dr. Marks was instructed to contact the Long Island Region in an effort to induce them to turn \$20,000, or possibly more, to the Zionist Organization of America.

Dr. Neumann urged the establishment of a reserve and that expenditures be curtailed. He suggested possible subsidies from other organizations for Committees within the Z.O.A. which service the entire Zionist Movement. This matter should be discussed with Judge Rosenblatt and Charles Ross to learn their reaction.

Dr. Neumann further urged that the members of the Inner Committee be impressed with the need for their attendance at every meeting. Due to his forthcoming trip to Palestine, it was decided to have a dinner meeting on either Tuesday or Wednesday, February 19th or 20th, and that members of the Committee be urged to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Sidney Marks
Executive Director

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 1946
SUITE 1426, 342 Madison Ave.

PRESENT: Rabbi Irving Miller, Joseph W. Greenleaf, Milton Pollack, Jacques Torczyner, Dr. Sidney Marks, Harry L. Shapiro.

VETERANS:

Rabbi Miller was authorized to appoint a Veterans Committee of not more than five members to meet with Major H. Auerbach and formulate a plan for the entire Veteran Committee program.

SHEKEL CAMPAIGN:

Telegrams are being sent to all Regional Presidents and Shekel Chairmen, and members of the Executive, inviting them to attend a meeting on Monday, March 25th, at which time platform, procedure and possible agreements will be presented for the program to be followed in running the Shekel Campaign.

FILM PROJECT:

Mr. Harry Torczyner, Chairman of the Film Committee, will be invited to attend the next meeting of the Inner Committee.

SEABOARD ZIONIST CONFERENCE:

Dr. Marks reported that the Seaboard Zionist Region has asked for \$500 to be used in financing their Regional Conference. Decision was postponed until inquiry by Dr. Marks.

NEW PALESTINE:

Dr. Miller felt the need for a weekly publication. He suggested that serious thought be given to the following program: The present News Reporter issue of the New Palestine is to be streamlined to 12 pages, to be printed in Newspaper PM format and published weekly in two sections; the first part dealing with the political scene and Palestine spot news, the general Jewish scene and pungent editorials; the balance devoted to a house organ.

Steps will also be taken to print a monthly or bi-monthly fine literary magazine to be circulated on a subscription basis. Plans and estimates are to be made and presented to the Executive Committee at the March 19th meeting. Rabbi Miller is to survey the situation.

CONVENTION:

Dr. Marks reported that he spoke to Atlantic City and that our Convention could be accommodated there. He further indicated that he had asked the World Convention Dates to circulate in their weekly bulletin a notice advising all mid-western hotels of our requirements.

UNION:

Mr. Shapiro reported on his meeting with the representatives of the Executive Union and submitted their demands. Mr. Pollack felt that, before any decision was taken, every department head should furnish this committee with a statement of the operations of their department, giving information to be used as a basis for settlement of the Union claims.

The following Resolution was passed: "Our position is as follows: There have been brought to our attention at this meeting considerations with respect to the management and the running of the office which appear to us to have a direct bearing on the entire fiscal structure as well as on the management of the organization.

"Furthermore, there is under consideration at the present moment a recasting of our organizational structure which will directly affect the men involved, their finances, salaries and compensations.

"Under these circumstances, the Inner Committee feels that it is not in a position to come to any decision at the moment. It will undertake to complete this study at the earliest possible moment in order to review the status of the employees.

"In the meantime, the Inner Committee is aware of the fact that there is a contract which went into effect on October 1, 1945 and which was to be in effect for a year.

"The Chairman of the Inner Committee and the Executive Director are prepared to deal directly with the Union."

BUILDING:

Mr. Pollack reported that the only building presently being considered was the one at 280 Madison Avenue and submitted a report rendered by Mr. Abraham Goodman on same. He further advised the Committee that if further suitable buildings were found, they would be considered.

BRONX REGION:

Mr. Pollack and Dr. Marks reported on their meeting with Judge Aeron J. Levy regarding a testimonial dinner being tendered in his honor. It was their feeling that a membership campaign be instituted in the Bronx Region using the dinner as a spearhead. A meeting has been arranged for Sunday morning with Bronx Regional leaders in order to discuss plans for the dinner as well as to outline the program for an intensive membership drive.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted:

DR. SIDNEY MARKS,
Executive Director

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
41 East 42nd Street, New York City

TO : MEMBERS INNER COMMITTEE

FROM: DR. SIDNEY MARKS

DATE: 3/14/46

SUBJECT: MINUTES

Enclosed please find minutes of meeting
of the Inner Committee on Wednesday, March 13, 1946.

The next meeting of the Inner Committee
will be held in the conference room of the American
Zionist Emergency Council, Suite 1426, 342 Madison
Avenue, on Wednesday, March 20th, at 3:30 p.m.

Your attendance is earnestly solicited.

My kindest personal regards.

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1946
Suite 1426, 342 Madison Avenue

PRESENT: Rabbi Irving Miller, Daniel Frisch, Joseph W. Greenleaf, Milton Pollack, Mark Sugarman, Jacques Torczyner, and Dr. Sidney Marks

Special Guests: Philip Lassar, Charles Rees, Judge Bernard Rosenblatt, Harry L. Shapiro, Herman Weisman.

BUILDING:

Rabbi Miller reported on the meeting of the Board of Directors of the United Palestine Appeal.

Mr. Rees indicated that a resolution will be proposed at the Administrative Council meeting of the Keren Hayesod recommending that a secured loan be made to the Zionist Organization of America for the purchase of a building. A representative of the Zionist Organization will attend this meeting in order to answer any questions on this loan.

GENERAL ZIONIST COLONIZATION:

Mr. Rees also indicated that the contract between the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth has not as yet been signed and further indicated that the inclusion of the General Zionist Colonization Clause has not as yet been decided.

PALESTINE ECONOMIC BUREAU:

Mr. Rees further indicated that a resolution will be proposed at the Administrative Council meeting of the Keren Hayesod to finance the activities of the Palestine Economic Bureau, which resolution can be presented at the meeting of the Executive Committee on March 19th.

HEBREW ARTS COMMITTEE:

Rabbi Miller read a communication from the Vice-Chairman of the Hebrew Arts Committee, which stated in part as follows:

"I do not know how familiar you are with the present set-up of the HAC. For the purpose of brevity let me state that at the last Convention the HAC was voted the amount of \$15,000 for operating expenses of the fiscal year ending 1946 and the recommendation from the Convention to the Executive Committee called for a substantial increase in that allotment. To date we have not received one red cent and we find ourselves actually financially embarrassed.

"I would appreciate it if your Committee, which meets today would appropriate temporarily the amount of \$5,000 in order to keep us as a going concern until the entire budget matter of the HAC will be crystalized within the next day or two as was promised to me by Mr. Levey."

The Inner Committee favored an immediate grant, not exceeding \$5,000 to the Hebrew Arts Committee, subject to the determination by the Finance Committee concerning the extent of the availability of these funds.

ESSEX COUNTY:

Dr. Marks read a letter from the Essex County Zionist Council requesting a statement of policy regarding various types of meetings and debates. He was instructed to inform them as a matter of policy that no groups within our ranks sponsor any debates on Zionism with anti-Zionists, nor do Zionist Leaders debate with Jews who are anti-Zionists or non-Zionists or representatives of the Arab League. That we consider Zionism beyond debate.

REGIONAL REORGANIZATION:

Dr. Marks reported on the activity of the sub-committee working on the Regional reorganization and submitted its recommendations: It was decided not to reorganize the Regions but to set up nine servicing areas and to locate a number of sub-offices of the National Office which will be in a position to service existing Regions. Each service area would be given an Area Director to serve as liason between the membership and the National Office. They would implement the program of the organization. A Director of Organization would be in charge of all Area Directors. He would channelize and supervise the membership, fund-raising and other activities of the Area Directors. He would be directly responsible to the Executive Director.

Rabbi Miller stated the plan as follows: Without disturbing in any way the regional setups which now exist, the sub-committee recommended that the country be divided into nine areas for the purpose of transmitting the full Zionist program on the local level. Within each of these areas, there shall be sub-offices which are responsible to the National Office. In each of these areas there will be a man known as the Area Director to whom all field men in the area will be responsible.

Motion was made and carried to authorize the sub-committee to implement their plan as far as feasible and possible, using their discretion so as not to disturb existing situations.

EXECUTIVE UNION:

Rabbi Miller opened with a review of the proceedings to date. After a full discussion, the following were appointed as negotiations committee: Milton Pollack, Chairman, Philip Lassar, Dr. Sidney Marks, and Harry L. Shapiro.

Mr. Pollack and Rabbi Miller approved the raises granted to Aaron Taub and Julius Israel.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. SIDNEY MARKS
Executive Director

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 1946
Suite 1426
AMERICAN ZIONIST EMERGENCY COUNCIL

PRESENT: Rabbi Irving Miller, Daniel Frisch, Joseph W. Greenleaf, Milton Pollack, Herman L. Weisman, and Dr. Sidney Marks.
Special Guests: Sol Cohen, Abraham Goodman, Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld.

PALESTINE BUREAU - Hungarian Jews:

Dr. Marks reported on the success of the Palestine Bureau in securing free office space and some personnel. \$1,000 additional is sought for an appropriation for the revival of 11,000 visas needed by Hungarian Jews for Palestine which were invalidated by the British Government. Visas can be reinstated by communicating with relatives here. The appropriation was granted.

UNITED JEWISH CONFERENCE:

Dr. Marks reported on the luncheon meeting which he attended, stating that the ZOA had not as yet contributed their share of \$3,500 for expenses. \$1,500 is to be remitted on account.

UNION:

Dr. Marks read a letter from Mr. Uriah Tchack, Chairman of the Executives Union, on behalf of the Executive Union, accepting the proposals made by the Z.O.A.

PALESTINE ECONOMIC BUREAU AND THE KEREN HAYESOD:

The sub-committee of the Keren Hayesod did not meet, but will convene next Monday. This matter will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the Inner Committee.

YOUTH COMMISSION:

Dr. Marks related that he had heard from several members of the Youth Commission, indicating their need for funds. This matter was referred to the Finance Committee pending their investigation of the extent of the availability of funds.

SEABOARD REGION:

\$300 subvention will be given to the Seaboard Region to be used for their Regional Conference.

CHICAGO:

Rabbi Miller reported on his conversation with Mr. Milton Silberman, who indicated that the situation in Chicago is critical. Mr. Abraham Goodman will visit Chicago on April 6th and has full

authority to survey the situation on behalf of the Inner Committee and arrive at a solution of this problem.

MASADA:

Dr. Marks reported that Nat Cohen called him indicating that they had received only a portion of the subvention which had been recommended by this Committee to be given by the Youth Commission. Mr. Cohen is to be informed that the Commission is awaiting the submission of their plans and program for future activity.

COMMITTEE ON UNITY FOR PALESTINE:

Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld reported on the status of the personnel of the Committee and reported that he had found a man to replace Oscar Leonard and Stanley Diamond, who are no longer serving as editorial and executive assistants. Rabbi Lelyveld also reported on current and future activities of the Committee on Unity. Motion was made and carried that the recommendations made by Rabbi Lelyveld are accepted.

WORLD ZIONIST CONGRESS:

Rabbi Miller indicated that Hadassah had expressed their intention of presenting a separate slate at the forthcoming World Zionist Congress, and reported on his efforts to urge them to reconsider this decision.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Rabbi Miller expressed to Milton Pollack, on behalf of the Inner Committee and himself, the gratitude of the group for the manner in which he handled the entire matter of union negotiations.

The Inner Committee extended per diem compensation for another month for those members of the National staff who have been unsuccessful in securing living quarters in New York City.

Herman Weisman requested that a representative of the Hebrew Arts Committee be invited to attend the next meeting of the Inner Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45.

Respectfully submitted:

DR. SIDNEY MARKS,
Executive Director

MEMORANDUM

TO:

THE MEMBERS OF THE FINANCE
AND INNER COMMITTEE

DATE:

APRIL 15, 1946

FROM:

MILTON POLLACK

New Address:

41 EAST 42nd STREET
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

SUBJECT:

The procedure adopted according to the enclosed memo brings New York City in line with all other Districts throughout the country. The other Districts have heretofore borne their own overhead costs. The change is desirable irrespective of whether the National Organization decides to assume the 20% overhead charge. The policy of whether it should or should not assume that charge will be reviewed at the Finance Committee Meeting on April 25, 1946.

M. P.

MEMORANDUM

TO:

DATE:

APRIL 15, 1946

FROM:

New Address:

41 EAST 42nd STREET

NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

SUBJECT:

ISIDORE COOPERMAN

This is to inform you that effective Wednesday, April 24th local District Servicing will be handled by the Ladd Organization at 673 Broadway (Broadway Central Hotel).

1. Districts will henceforth be billed directly by this lettershop. There will be a mark-up of 20% over the present charges for material, supplies, and postage. In other words, if a District in the past was charged \$3.00 for a specific job, it will now be charged \$3.60. This mark-up is a reasonable cost of the service rendered.

2. Envelopes will be run off by our Circulation Department and will be turned over to the lettershop.

3. The five day rule will still be in effect. There may be a slight additional charge in emergency cases.

4. Districts are not obligated to use the Ladd Organization. However, they will not be able to make better arrangements anywhere else. A 20% mark-up is low.

5. The bulk of Regional Servicing is also being turned over to the Ladd Organization. We will pay the bills, but the items will be charged to your Regional Administration. Regional Servicing should continue to clear through Helen Goldberg, Room 537 of the Broadway Central Hotel. She can now be reached on our switchboard, MU 2-3205.

This new procedure will prove beneficial to all concerned. While it is still in its experimental stage, we will welcome your reactions as to its efficacy.

PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR DISTRICTS IMMEDIATELY OF THIS NEW PROCEDURE.

I shall, of course, be happy to answer any questions you may have.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
41 East 42nd Street, NYC

M E M O R A N D U M

TO : MEMBERS INNER COMMITTEE

FROM: DR. SIDNEY MARKS

DATE: 4/19/46

Enclosed please find minutes of the Inner Committee meeting of Wednesday, April 10th.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 24th, 1946, at 3:30 p.m. SHARP, in Suite 1426, 342 Madison Avenue.

We earnestly solicit your attendance.

MINUTES OF THE INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1948, at
342 MADISON AVENUE, SUITE 1426, AZEC

PRESENT: Mr. Dewey D. Stone, Presiding, Mr. Joseph W. Greenleaf, Mr. Jacques Torczyner, Mr. Herman L. Weisman, and Dr. Sidney Marks.

Special Guests: Seymour Cohen, Rabbi Freedman, Abraham Krumbein, Abraham Redelheim, Charles Ress, and Dr. David Tannenbaum.

MASADA:

Dr. Marks reviewed the history of Masada's request for an increased subvention in the amount of \$3,000 to \$4,000 in order that they may have the wherewithal to approach young people and veterans throughout the country. Masada had submitted a budget but had not submitted any proposed program. Mr. Seymour Cohen of Masada reviewed the budget and indicated planned activity for the future. Mr. Weisman stated that \$2,000 is enroute to Masada and, in view of the approval of this plan by Mr. Torczyner, Chairman of the Masada Committee, the balance would be remitted. Masada representatives will meet with Herschel Auerbach to discuss the problems of veterans and Masada and bring their conclusions before the Inner Committee.

YOUTH COMMISSION:

Mr. Herman Weisman reported that Haliassah has been submitting their subvention on the basis of \$50,000. A letter will be sent stating that, subject to the success of the Expansion Fund, the Youth Commission will receive its full complement of funds in the amount of \$60,000.

PALESTINE ECONOMIC BUREAU:

Dr. Marks indicated that the question had been raised previously as to the possibility of the activities of the Palestine Economic Bureau being taken over by the Keren Hayesod. A committee of the K.H. met with the Inner Committee, after conferring with its own Executive and Administrative Committees, to discuss the feasibility of this plan.

Mr. Ress reported that the Administrative Committee of the K.H. was in favor of taking over the Palestine Economic Bureau, with the consent and approval of the ZOA, and adopted a motion appointing a committee to explore this matter. It was the consensus of opinion at this sub-committee meeting to take over the Bureau. They discussed the matter with Dr. Tannenbaum, Director of the Economic Bureau, and heard from him a comprehensive report on their activities. They unanimously approved this measure and their committee will approve this move, subject to any developments which may arise. No change was contemplated in method of operations and it was decided to make this change so as not to disturb the continuity, planning, development and expansion of the

work of the Bureau.

Dr. Tannenbaum felt that there was a logical relationship between the work of the Bureau and the work of the K.H. If the ZOA wants to remove the Bureau from its direct sphere of influence, Dr. Tannenbaum indicated his feeling that the only place it should go is to the Keren Hayesod. Relative to the relationship between the PEB, the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem and the Jewish Agency in the United States, the Bureau cannot await the approval of Jerusalem for its activities and this will have to be stressed and clarified. Mr. Ress felt that there is a very basic question involved in the above. It seems to the members of the Keren Hayesod that it is high time that they, as an American organization, begin to do this kind of work as a regular operation. This point of view should be impressed upon the Jewish Agency.

ZOA-HADASSAH JOINT SLATE:

Dr. Marks indicated that Dr. Silver had called him during the meeting and reviewed for those present what had transpired between the ZOA and Hadassah on the subject of a joint slate. He read the letter Rabbi Miller had written to Hadassah and their reply to same. After a full discussion by all those present, a formula was suggested for submission to the National Executive on the following day, subject to consultation with Dr. Silver.

MISC:

The following resolution was adopted: "Resolved that Mr. Milton Pollack, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Zionist Organization of America, be, is and was authorized to sell 550 shares of United Corporation Stock and to exercise and indorse any and all certificates on behalf of the Zionist Organization of America to effect such sale."

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

DR. SIDNEY MARKS
Executive Director

MINUTES STAFF MEETING, TUESDAY, APRIL 30th.

Dr. Marks met with members of the field staff of the Metropolitan area, including Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Connecticut, Western NY, Empire State, and New Jersey. He informed them that the shekel campaign must be accelerated in this entire area and officially stated that the ZOA is going out on a separate campaign and slate. He reviewed the history of the split with Madassah so that these Directors might have an awareness of the situation. Dr. Marks set forth a positive line of action to be followed by them, and stressed the importance of following this line. We are interested in selling shekolim and selling the ZOA slate.

Door to door canvasses are to be made on Sundays and special days will be assigned to business men to concentrate on shekel sales.

Telegrams were sent this morning to every membership chairman and every regional president in the metropolitan area instructing them that all membership campaigns and all other activities and ~~xxxxxxx~~ campaign committees in the organization shall be turned to concentration on the shekel campaign and shekel sales.

All synagogues will be contacted by Regional Directors to enlist their aid.

A check will be made to make sure that the posters which have been mailed are being displayed.

The Regional Directors will call every District to check on whether all the mail and shekel books and literature has been received.

All mailings that require returns shall contain a return envelope.

The various directors reported on the activities in their regions, and made suggestions that could be useful to the others:

Bronx: There has been very ample distribution of books. The membership and shekel chairmen of every District ~~xxx~~ are having a joint breakfast meeting this Sunday morning at the Concourse Plaza Hotel. The Jewish War Veterans have been contacted. Ads are being placed in the local press. The Executive Board of the Bronx Region is meeting on Monday evening, 5/6. (A speaker will be given then.)

Brooklyn: A schedule of every meeting being held in community centers and synagogues has been secured. These meetings are being covered and Shekel Committees are being set up in all of these organizations. The membership and shekel chairmen are acting as co-chairmen and will meet on Wednesday evening, May 1st, to accelerate shekel activity. Each District is submitting a list of its most active members and these people are being sent additional shekel books. District members have agreed to man stores and street-corner stands in neighborhoods of Jewish population concentration.

Recorded speeches and records of music will be provided for the sound machines.

A person should be stationed at subway exits and entrances during the rush hours.

Manhattan: At the Sports on Parade Rally, announcements were made over

over the loud speaker with regard to the importance of the shekel campaign and Shekolim were sold at booths. Posters and material were displayed.

Appropriate records of shekel payers are being kept so that these people can be contacted with regard to membership.

Each Regional President in the Metropolitan area received a list of the Jewish War Veterans posts in his area, together with a record of our contacts to date; the letter from Maxwell Cohen and the letter from Dr. Silver requesting that all these posts be visited. Speakers will visit these posts.

Every member of the Westchester Region, except Mt. Vernon which already received such a mailing, will receive an individual mailing of a shekel book.

Personal visits will be made by each Regional Director to every community in his area.

The directors were instructed to keep the National Office informed of any returns which may be submitted to their office.

Whenever the National Office received word of a meeting being held, they will be supplied with additional books and material.

All existing committees in the area will be converted to shekel activity.

These directors were instructed to call on every member of the National Executive and National Administrative Council to work with them on shekel.

MINUTES INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 8th, 1946
SUITE 1426, 342 MADISON AVENUE

PRESENT: Rabbi Irving Miller, Mr. Daniel Frisch, Mr. Milton Pollack, Mr. Mark Sugarman, Mr. Jacques Torczyner, and Dr. Sidney Marks.

Special Guests: Dr. Israel Wechsler, Mr. Abraham Tulin, and Mr. Whitman.

WASHINGTON BUILDING:

Dr. Marks reviewed the history of the attempted sale of the Washington building and indicated that due to the zoning restrictions, the present client is not quite certain of whether he will purchase it. The building is being placed on the open market. Mr. Frisch suggested that an ad be placed in the New York Times.

LEASE ON NEW YORK HEADQUARTERS:

Mr. Sugarman and Mr. Pollack will explore the problem of the renewal of the New York lease.

SHEKEL:

Dr. Marks reported on the activity throughout the country with regard to the shekel campaign. Shekolim sales are increasing. The important centers of the country have been contacted by telephone.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE:

Dr. Wechsler reviewed the history of negotiations in connection with establishing a Hebrew University Committee of and/or affiliated with the ZOA. After a full discussion of a projected program and organization plans, Mr. Whitman suggested that the entire matter be referred back to the original committee, which would return a more concrete proposal to the Inner Committee. This entire matter was postponed for several weeks and will be discussed at a future meeting of the Inner Committee.

MISCELLANEOUS:

An invitation was received from sponsors of the Testimonial Dinner being tendered to David Wertheim to the Zionist Organization. Representatives of the ZOA will be present.

With regard to Mr. Bernard G. Richards' request for additional compensation, Dr. Marks read the correspondence with Judge Levinthal and Eleazar Lipsky, wherein Mr. Lipsky approved of an additional \$400 to be paid to Mr. Richards for his additional work on Israel Cohen's "History of Zionism". Motion was made and approved to pay this sum.

The Inner Committee was informed that Mr. Charles Brown of Los Angeles was selling shekolim for another Zionist party. Dr. Marks was instructed to write him, indicating that those holding office in the ZOA should not engage in any activities detrimental to the success of the ZOA ticket, as well as selling shekolim for other groups or campaigning for votes for other groups.

Dr. Marks suggested that membership cards be printed in advance of the elections in order to insure their early receipt in the next fiscal year. This suggestion was adopted subject to the final approval of Dr. Silver.

In connection with contacts in Latin America, Mr. Torczyner suggested that someone visit Argentina and other South American countries.

Dr. Marks read a letter from Reverend Adolf of the Hebrew Arts Committee requesting the balance of their subvention. It was decided that an additional \$2,500 will be mailed to the Committee. A letter will be written accompanying this remittance indicating that the \$15,000 is not a fixed amount, but that this amount is subject to the success of the Expansion Fund and the expenses incurred by the various activities it is supporting.

Dr. Marks read a letter from the Hechalutz requesting a subvention. This matter was postponed until after the Congress when the status of Hechalutz will be determined.

A letter was received from the Jewish War Veterans inviting Dr. Silver to address a meeting on May 20th.

A request from Dr. Ilie Berger for a subvention to the Rhode Island Region was referred to the Finance Committee with a recommendation that \$1,000 be sent to them.

A request for a further subvention to the Histadruth Ivrit was tabled.

A letter was received from the American Jewish Congress, requesting that the ZOA participate on the greeting of the delegation of Polish Jews. Participation was approved, subject to the approval of Dr. Silver.

A form letter was received from the American Jewish Conference requesting that all organizations write to the War Department regarding the Displaced Persons in Europe.

Dr. Marks read a statement pertaining to Masada and its relationship to the ZOA. It will be returned for re-editing and correction.

Mr. Torczyner indicated that at the meeting of the Shekel Board, the Junior shekel was discussed. Hadassah pays 25¢ for the members of Jr. Hadassah. In connection with this, the Inner Committee felt that the ZOA should pay only 25¢ for the shekolim for Masada.

Dr. Marks read a letter from the Jewish Institute of Religion requesting ZOA participation in a memorial volume tribute to Professor Margulies. This matter was referred to the Publications Committee.

Dr. Bernstein requested a subvention for a young veteran who needs funds for his trip to Palestine. He is to be advised that there are not provisions for such a subsidy.

Mr. Pollack indicated that \$266,000 will be spent within the next five months. The shekel campaign will probably cost \$50,000 and Mr. Pollack felt there will be a deficit of forty to fifty thousand dollars. He recommended that the shekel campaign be immediately transferred to the Expansion Fund as one of its projects. It was clarified by Dr. Marks that the shekel campaign was part of the Expansion Fund and that directions were given to that effect.

It was recommended that after June 16th, there should be a reduction in the issues of the New Palestine and the News Reporter should be shortened in order to affect a saving. Mr. Torczyner felt that Dr. Neumann's suggestion that the New Palestine become a subscription magazine should be accepted.

A schedule will be worked out and Mr. Barbarash shall be advised of the maximum number of pages to be contained in the News Reporter. It was suggested that \$5,000 from the Expansion Fund may possibly be allocated to the News Reporter to cover shekel information contained therein.

Mr. Pollack felt that until August, there was no possibility of giving additional subventions. This would also apply to the Hebrew Arts Committee request.

A problem confronting the Expansion Fund is that many communities have pledged amounts of money, subject to the conclusion of the UJA campaign.

A comparison is being made on the state of the Expansion Fund as compared with last year.

There was discussion on the request by Dr. Cantor for an indefinite leave of absence. Dr. Marks shall receive a waiver of severance rights from Dr. Cantor before this leave is granted.

It was suggested that the publication of the second edition of the Palestine Year Book be postponed until after the Convention. Miss Udin will be paid a monthly salary on the basis of the \$2,000 fee for editing this book, and an additional sum of \$1,500 will be authorized to be spent for articles.

Mr. Pollack read a memo from Messrs Cooperman and Goldberg with suggestions for realigning the servicing departments. Their suggestions were tabled.

Respectfully submitted:

DR. SIDNEY MARKS
Executive Director

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
41 E. 42nd Street
New York City
INNER COMMITTEE MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1946

PRESENT: Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Daniel Frisch, Joseph W. Greenleaf,
Mark Sugarman, Jacques Torczyner, and Dr. Sidney Marks.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIPS:

Dr. Marks indicated that a memorandum had been received from Dr. Shlomo Bardin reviewing the fact that he had recommended five fellowships be made available by the ZOA for the Rutenberg House. He requested that these be processed through the Finance Committee. Dr. Bardin will be informed of the steps which have been taken. Philadelphia indicated that it may provide two scholarships. Inquiry will be made therefore.

Dr. Bardin also sent a memorandum requesting the June allocation to the Youth Commission be advanced. This request was granted.

HECHALUTZ:

Dr. Marks indicated that he had written a letter to the Hechalutz along the lines indicated by the Inner Committee.

LATIN AMERICA:

Dr. Marks reported that he had contacted Mr. Elihu Stone who agreed to go to South America on behalf of the ZOA.

SHEKEL CAMPAIGN:

Mr. Torczyner indicated that the main effort in New York City would be on Sunday, May 19th. The Committee felt that Dr. Silver should appear in Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston, Manhattan and Brooklyn and that the New York appearances ought to be as late as possible before elections.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Dr. Marks indicated that a letter had been received from Dr. Schwartzbart, informing Dr. Silver that he was employed by the World Jewish Congress and desired to be of assistance to the ZOA.

Dr. Marks indicated that he had received a call from Masada, informing him that they had not received further payment on their subvention. The Youth Commission shall be advised of this fact and asked to remit.

An item shall be placed in the News Reporter asking the members to cooperate with the effort to alleviate the famine in Europe

With regard to greeting the delegation of Polish Jews, a request was received as to the number of boxes we desire at the Rally. A letter was also received from the Hashomer Hatzair. The American Jewish Congress will be informed that the ZOA agreed to participate in this greeting, with the impression that one of our leaders would be invited to address the meeting.

The matter of Carl Alpert was discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

DR. SIDNEY MARKS

Executive Director



INNER COMMITTEE MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 22nd, 1946, 3:30 pm
Suite 1426, 342 Madison Avenue, NYC

PRESENT: Mr. Jacques Torczyner, Mr. Joseph W. Greenleaf, Mr. Milton Pollack, Mr. Elihu D. Stone and Dr. Sidney Marks.

WEST COAST REGION:

Dr. Marks indicated that there has been a great deal of correspondence from the West Coast, requesting the establishment of a Region there. He felt that southern California should become a Region. It was suggested that Dr. May, the Regional Director in that area, be informed that the establishment of a region must await the report of a committee of the National Executive which is engaged in recasting our structure. Further, that the shekel sales and votes will play an important role in these deliberations.

BUILDING:

Dr. Marks reported that another building had been made available to the ZOA and gave the physical and financial details. This matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

RHODE ISLAND:

An allocation of \$1,500 was approved to the Rhode Island Region and a directive will be sent to the Finance Committee authorizing same.

METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND:

Dr. Marks indicated that the MZF is anxious to reopen negotiations for its 1946 to 1947 contract. Joseph Greenleaf, Milton Pollack, Mark Sugarman, and Jacques Torczyner were appointed as a negotiating committee.

SHEKEL:

The Brooklyn Region is having a meeting at which Dr. Silver will preside, and they have requested \$1,200 for expenses. Rabbi Halpern will be contacted and informed that the organization is willing to give them \$750 toward this meeting, and if Brooklyn sells sufficient shekolim and a high percentage of votes are cast to warrant same, an additional bonus will be given them.

Mr. Pollack indicated that a memorandum was prepared by the Comptroller showing that expenditures for the Shekel

Campaign to date have exceeded the budgetary provision, and advised the Inner Committee to concentrate on affecting a saving on future expenditures of all types to avoid deficit operation. Mr. Pollack also felt that the Brooklyn Region should be advised that no subsidy could be granted for their meeting.

SOUTH AMERICA:

Mr. Torczyner felt that it was rather late to visit South America, but Mr. Stone indicated that it was of great importance to the Organization to do so.

MISCELLANEOUS:

An article will be inserted in the News Reporter in memory of Mr. Max Levy.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DR. SIDNEY MARKS
Executive Director

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE INTERIM COMMITTEE

Friday, May 24th, 1946

Hotel Biltmore, New York City

IX.

The meeting opened at 11:25 a.m. with Henry Monsky presiding.

Those present were: Rabbi Abba Abrams (alt. for Dr. Robert Gordis), Jacob Alson, Maurice Bisgier, Sam Caplan (alt. for Max A. Kopstein), Nathan Dinkes (alt. for Max Bressler), Mrs. Moses P. Epstein, Jane Evans, Mrs. Ida Cook Farber, Dr. Simon Federbusch, Harold O. N. Frankel, William Gerber (alt. for Benjamin Samuels), Arthur Gilbert (alt. for Naomi Chertoff), Dr. Israel Goldstein, Mrs. Benjamin Gottesman (alt. for Mrs. Samuel W. Halprin), Charles P. Kramer, Louis Lipsky, Sam Markle (alt. for Sidney G. Kusworm), Jacob Marrus (alt. for Leon Gellman), Mrs. Albert J. May (alt. for Mrs. Joseph M. Welt), Rabbi Irving Miller, Dr. Samuel Nirenstein, Judge Nathan D. Perlman, Dvora Rothbard, Rubin Saltzman, Ezra Shapiro, Simon E. Sobeloff, Dr. Saul Sokal (alt. for Prof. Hayim Fineman), Hermann Stern, Robert Szold, Dr. Stephen S. Wise.

Staff: Dr. Frank Barth, Col. Bernard Bernstein, Lillian Friedman, Meir Grossman, Mrs. Ann Jarcho, I. L. Kenen, Rabbi David Sherman, David R. Wahl.

I. MINUTES OF MEETING OF APRIL 2, 1946 - Approved.

II. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Monsky informed the Interim Committee that the Executive Committee had failed to select a Chairman pursuant to the direction of the Interim Committee because it was felt that it might be advisable to reconsider the method of selection. He suggested that it would be desirable to have the Chairman of the Executive Committee designated by the Interim Committee.

MOTION: Dr. Wise moved that the action of the Interim Committee, which required the new Executive Committee to select its own Chairman, be reconsidered. The motion was seconded by Dr. Goldstein and CARRIED.

MOTION: Miss Evans' motion that the Interim Committee proceed with the election of a Chairman of the Executive Committee was seconded by Dr. Goldstein and CARRIED.

MOTION: Miss Evans moved the nomination of Louis Lipsky for the office of Chairman of the Executive Committee. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Alson.

MOTION: In the absence of other nominations, Dr. Wise moved the election of Mr. Lipsky by acclamation. Miss Evans seconded the motion and Mr. Lipsky was unanimously ELECTED.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

The secretary read a letter from Dr. Eisendrath urging a fixed date for Interim Committee meetings to enable Committee members to so arrange their affairs as to be able to attend.

MOTION: It is the sense of the Interim Committee that it is desirable that there be regular scheduled meetings at a fixed time, either monthly or bi-monthly, to enable members to make suitable arrangements in advance. CARRIED.

IV. REPORT ON ACTIVITIES

A. The secretary reported on the following matters:

1. Organization of Executive Committee - The new Executive Committee had met twice, on April 24th and April 30th, and was composed of:

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| Jacob Alson | - | representing B'nai B'rith |
| H. M. Ehrlich | - | " Non-Partisan Group |
| Jane Evans | - | " Reform Religious Group |
| Dr. Israel Goldstein | - | " General Zionists |
| Jacob Marrus | - | " Religious National Orthodox Group |
| Rabbi Irving Miller | - | " American Jewish Congress |
| Samuel Rothstein | - | " Conservative Religious Group |
| Alex F. Stanton | - | " Independent Group |
| Louis Lipsky, Chairman | | |

The Labor Zionist Group had not yet designated its representative.

Dr. Israel Goldstein had been serving as acting chairman of the Executive Committee.

2. National Youth Council - The National Youth Council had been formally organized and adopted its own constitution and regards itself as an affiliate of the American Jewish Conference. It had been meeting under the aegis of the Conference, but plans to expand rapidly and to take in a large number of youth organizations as an autonomous body without limitations on its scope and interests. It was suggested that this matter be referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and recommendation. It was so ordered by Mr. Monsky.

3. Acceptance of Cooptions - All the persons coopted at the last meeting of the Interim Committee had accepted.

4. Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry Report - On the eve of the release of the report to the press, the Executive Committee of the Conference met and adopted a statement of policy which was made public the following day. The State Department had requested the Conference's views and recommendations on the report.

5. United Nations Committee on Refugees and Displaced Persons - A joint memorandum by the Conference, the Congress, and Board of Deputies was submitted to the Special Committee meeting in London. The Conference was represented at the meetings. Very little appears to have been accomplished and only one positive gain resulted. This was the recognition on the part of the ad hoc sub-committee of the Special Committee on Refugees and Displaced Persons that Jewish displaced persons were faced with unique problems which required special attention.

6. Cooperation with World Jewish Congress and Board of Deputies of British Jews -

a. Peace Treaties - On April 10th, representatives of the Congress and the Conference met with six officials of the State Department in charge of desks of satellite countries with whom treaties were to be negotiated. An oral statement was presented and the delegation was requested to submit a written statement. Differences of opinion between Conference and the Congress developed which prevented the submission of such a statement, the Conference favoring a general statement applicable to all satellite countries, with a special statement on the Balkan countries covering minority rights, while the Congress took the position that there should be separate drafts for each country.

Difficulties also developed in connection with a proposed memorandum on Human Rights, the proposed Council of Jewish Delegations and a Jewish Reconstruction Commission. Because of the inability of the Conference to come to terms with the

Congress, the Conference had applied for consultant status to the Economic and Social Council independently. Relations were not entirely satisfactory.

7. Egyptian Visas - When it was learned that the Egyptian Legation in Washington was refusing transit visas to American Jews enroute to Palestine and that it was interposing impossible conditions to those seeking such transit visas, the Conference gave the facts to the press.

8. The La Spezia Incident - The Conference had urged President Truman's intervention on behalf of the 1,100 Jews detained in La Spezia.

9. Action on the Threatened Release of the Ex-Mufti - The Conference had communicated with Foreign Minister Bidault of France, protesting against the reported decision of the French Government to permit the ex-mufti to leave France.

10. Conference on the Air - The Conference Radio Department had been responsible for four major radio broadcasts during the preceding six weeks, with one broadcast given under the auspices of the State Department.

11. Community Relations - There had been meetings in Philadelphia, Detroit, and Bennington, Vt., where resolutions were adopted calling for the creation of a permanent organization.

B. Mr. Grossman reported as follows:

The Conference was negotiating with the State and War Departments on the need for a more vigorous denazification policy.

With a representation of the Congress, Mr. Grossman had met with Under Secretary of War Peterson to urge appointment of a successor to Judge Rifkind. The interview also covered the use of German armed border police and the possible effect on the movement of infiltrees. Assurances were given that Jewish infiltrees would not be hampered, that the borders would remain open, and that consultations between the American military authorities and Jewish displaced persons in Germany would be encouraged.

Later the same questions had been discussed at a meeting with the Jewish leaders and Secretary of War Patterson and Acting Secretary of State Acheson. Dr. Goldstein had represented the Conference. The Executive Committee of the Conference had voted to recommend the appointment of Rabbi Philip Bernstein, as a successor to Judge Rifkind, and this appointment had been made. Subsequently on the initiative of the Conference, the representatives of the Congress, the Jewish Agency and the JDC, the Committee and the Conference had met with Rabbi Bernstein to discuss the problems confronting him.

As a result of their inability to meet, the Conference, the Congress and the Board of Deputies had not been able to proceed with plans for a Jewish Indemnification Commission.

C. Colonel Bernstein reported as follows:

Discussing reparations, restitution, and indemnification, Colonel Bernstein reported that he had met with various government officials and Swiss representatives; that the Conference had requested that an advisory board, consisting of five Jewish organizations, be permitted to assist the Intergovernmental Committee, or any successor organization, in connection with the fund of 25 million dollars allocated for Jewish rehabilitation. These organizations were the World Jewish Congress, the American Jewish Conference, Board of Deputies of British Jews, JDC, and the Jewish Agency.

Regarding masterless property, a letter had been sent to the State Department (with the approval of the World Jewish Congress), requesting that masterless property be turned over to a Jewish organization to be created and which would be representative of a number of Jewish organizations throughout the world. This would eventually lead to an international restitution commission dealing with Jewish problems.

He urged greater speed in the submission of memoranda to government agencies.

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At this point, Dr. Nahum Goldmann of the World Jewish Congress desired to be heard on some matters raised in Mr. Kenen's report. Discussing Mr. Kenen's reference to the difficulties the Conference had experienced in matters in which both organizations were collaborating, Dr. Goldmann warned against exaggeration. He explained that on such matters as rehabilitation funds, the Congress was obliged to consult its constituent members in Europe before it could adopt a position and this was responsible for the loss of time complained of. He indicated that such Jewries as Poland's and Bulgaria's refused to recognize any Jewish authority at all and that each country had its own special point of view which made it very difficult to secure a united approach in the matter. The World Jewish Congress was, however, sounding its European members and was seeking to get their support for the creation of an over-all Jewish body to handle rehabilitation funds. Dr. Goldmann pointed out that if the Conference desired to submit its own memoranda, there would be no objection on the part of his organization. He also favored a Council of Jewish Organizations, provided the Council had authority to act and was not merely an advisory body.

The subject was referred to the Executive Committee which was requested to explore with the World Jewish Congress and the Board of Deputies, the possibility of creating a Council of Jewish Delegations.

D. State Department Request for Comments on the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry Report:

Mr. Kenen proposed that a letter be sent to Mr. Acheson in which the Conference express appreciation of the courtesy of the State Department in soliciting its opinion, but that the Conference should at present refuse to enter into any discussions concerning the long-term recommendations of the Committee and should urge that the recommendations calling for the immediate transfer of 100,000 Jews to Palestine be put into effect without delay. He read a draft letter to that effect.

The Chair stated that it was the sense of the Interim Committee that it approves generally the letter read and that it refers it to the Executive Committee for such revisions and for posting at such time as it deems advisable.

V. Report of Committee on Procedure in Planning for Future Organization

Dr. Goldstein read the Committee's report. (attached)

MOTION: Dr. Goldstein moved the adoption of the Committee's report and the motion was seconded by Miss Evans.

MOTION: Mr. Shapiro moved an amendment calling for a committee composed of 12 national representatives and 12 outstanding community leaders. **WITHDRAWN.**

MOTION: Mr. Szold moved an amendment calling for a committee to be composed of the 9 Interim Committee members, three officers, and "not exceeding 9 additional members who are especially well qualified for the task of planning the new organization, and eliminating the words 'outstanding personalities'". The motion was seconded by Miss Evans and **CARRIED.**

Participating in the discussion with reference to the original motion and amendments were Messrs. Szold, Shapiro, Lipsky and Miss Evans.

Mr. Monsky indicated that the various groups within the Conference would be advised of the formula for the selection of the members of the Planning Committee and that they would be asked immediately to give it consideration and to designate their representatives on that Committee.

Mr. Monsky pointed out that the Chairmen of the various standing committees had not as yet been appointed. It was suggested that the Executive Committee consider the matter.

VI. FINANCES

Mrs. Jarcho stated that full allocations were not being received from the national organizations.

The meeting then adjourned.



INNER COMMITTEE MINUTES
THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 1946, 3:30 p.m.
Suite 1426, 342 Madison Avenue, NY

PRESENT: Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Joseph W. Greenleaf, Jacques Torczyner, and Dr. Sidney Marks.

Special Guests: Alter Gerson, Samuel Segal, David Spiegel, and Dr. David Tannenbaum.

HEBREW UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS:

This matter is to be referred to the Finance Committee with the recommendation of the Inner Committee for payment by October 1, 1946.

HEBREW ARTS COMMITTEE:

Dr. Marks indicated that the Hebrew Arts Committee had been pressing for the additional monies due them. Due to the confusion as to whether such a commitment had been made, and due to the fact that there was nothing in minutes of any meeting to this effect, it was suggested that the Keren Hayesod be asked to make a contribution to the Hebrew Arts Committee. The sum of \$2,000 was allocated to them. (There will be an Administrative meeting of the Keren Hayesod within a week.)

FEDERATION OF EUROPEAN ZIONISTS:

Dr. Neumann greeted the representatives of the European Federation of General Zionists and reviewed for them the history of the American developments with regard to the forthcoming Congress and elections, explaining the circumstances leading to the postponement of the elections.

Messrs. Gerson and Segal spoke on behalf of the General Zionist Organizations in their countries, Poland and France, respectively, indicating their dire need for funds in order to carry on a shekel campaign, and requesting financial assistance from the Zionist Organization of America.

Several alternatives were discussed, one of which being to call together a small group of Zionists who might possibly advance this money to the representatives of the European Federation. This action is necessary because extraordinary expenses incurred in the Shekel Campaign have absorbed the funds necessary for such a gift.

Dr. Neumann further felt that a large fund should be created for General Zionist purposes and people shall have to be informed and educated for that fact. This should be a permanent fund.

METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND:

Mr. Spiegel indicated that the MZF was considering hiring a dining hall in the Waldorf Astoria Hotel for the next MZF Dinner and he felt that the new contract with the ZOA should be approved before such a commitment were made definite.

Mr. Spiegel was instructed to engage the hotel for the dinner and the physical aspects of the MZF would be discussed at a later date.

PALESTINE ECONOMIC BUREAU:

Dr. David Tannenbaum indicated that he is preparing a written report on his recent Palestine trip. Dr. Tannenbaum felt that the possibility of the Keren Hayesod taking the Bureau over should be fully discussed so that appropriate preparation can be made for activities planned for the Fall. The matter of a large exhibit was discussed in Palestine, the Jewish Agency handling the situation there and the PEB handling it in America. The question of technical help in Palestine will involve additional personnel and Dr. Tannenbaum felt that it would be wise to expand the activities of the Bureau.

It was agreed that the Keren Hayesod must understand that the ZOA is willing to offer its facilities, such as lists, files, etc., and has spent a great deal of time and money in building the Bureau to its present size, and in view of this, the Bureau could be under the joint auspices of the ZOA and Keren Hayesod. Someone will be designated to meet with a representative of the Keren Hayesod to discuss this problem.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Dr. Marks informed the group of the showing of film on the Jewish Brigade. All the members of the Inner Committee and Harry Torczyner will be invited to the film showing.

A letter was received from Herman Weisman indicating that it would be difficult for the Youth Commission to wait for their June allocation, as was requested.

Dr. Marks gave a brief account of the expenses incurred by the Shkel Campaign.

Mr. Greenleaf indicated that the Inner Committee, at a previous meeting had authorized him to sign checks.

Dr. Neumann felt that a group of Chaplains should be contacted by Herschel Auerbach to discuss with the Emergency Council the Veterans' March on Washington.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted:
DR. SIDNEY MARKS, Exec. Dir.

INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1946, 3:30 p. m.
Suite 310, 41 E. 42nd Street, NYC

PRESENT: Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Mr. Abraham Goodman, Rabbi Irving Miller, Mr. Milton Pollack, Mr. Jacques Torczyner, and Dr. Sidney Marks.

YOUTH COMMISSION:

Dr. Marks indicated that Rabbi Maurice Goldberg was recommended for appointment to the National Youth Commission to fill the vacancy of the late Max Levy. His appointment was confirmed. He further stated that the Commission desired their allocation. Mr. Torczyner reviewed the situation in connection with these funds. Mr. Goodman indicated that the regular installment is being paid to the Youth Commission.

PER DIEM ALLOWANCES:

Dr. Marks named the members of the staff who were receiving per diem allowances and indicated Mr. Pollack's feeling that payment of this amount be stopped. These staff members are to be informed that on July 1st these allowances will be discontinued, provision being made for special adjustment in special cases.

JUNIOR EXECUTIVE STATUS:

Dr. Marks indicated that there were two cases, Rose Levinson and Tillie Feinerman, whose status as Junior Executives had been previously recommended subject to the Finance Committee approval. He urged, once again, their approval. These cases were referred to Milton Pollack, Philip Lassar and Harry Shapiro, the Negotiating Committee, for final decision. They will be advised that the Inner Committee is disposed to approve same.

RADIO COMMITTEE:

Dr. Marks reported that Joshua Epstein had resigned as chairman of the Radio Committee. Mr. L. J. Scheffres shall be asked to serve as acting chairman. Dr. Marks suggested that several members of the staff be included in this committee.

FINANCIAL SITUATION:

Mr. Goodman read a report submitted by Zvi Levavy and analyzed same, indicating that there would be a serious deficit at the end of the fiscal year. Dr. Neumann felt that a great many activities would have to be eliminated in an effort to affect a saving or we would have to think in terms of much larger sums of money and much larger drives, indicating that the ZCA should go into a larger field of political action. Dr. Neumann suggested that the ZCA go out for a large sized fund.

Rabbi Miller felt that the crux of the entire situation is that the ZOA is not engaged in creative work, and suggested that Messrs. Pollack and Goodman meet with Dr. Marks to draw up such a program to facilitate such fund raising.

The Co-Treasurers of the Organization and the Chairman of the Finance Committee shall investigate the possibility of securing funds from other sources.

FEDERATION OF EUROPEAN GENERAL ZIONISTS:

Dr. Neumann reported that the representatives of the European Federation had been disappointed with the amount offered them and indicated that Dr. Silver suggested that \$10,000 be given them, without making any commitment for future sums. Motion was made and carried that \$10,000 be appropriated for the General Zionist Federation of Europe.

It was suggested that members of the Inner Committee try to contact members of the organization in an effort to make this sum up from personal contributions.

Dr. Neumann instructed Dr. Marks to phone Mr. Segal, indicating that \$5,000 will be immediately paid them and that an additional \$5,000 will be made available.

PALESTINE ECONOMIC BUREAU:

Dr. Neumann reported that there will be a meeting of the Keren Hayesod Administrative, at which time the transfer of the PEB can be discussed.

MISCELLANEOUS:

In the future, no steno-typist will be used to record the minutes at Administrative Council and Executive Committee meetings.

A memo was written by Yale Goldberg to Milton Pollack indicating that Dr. Goldstein is requesting that a partial payment be made to the winners of the Hebrew University Scholarships.

Future meetings of the Inner Committee will be held at 4:00 p.m. every Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Goodman indicated that Benjamin Weingart had requested additional funds from the ZOA. This request was not granted.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

INNER COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 1946
342 MADISON AVENUE, NYC

PRESENT: Dr. Emanuel Neumann, Daniel Frisch, Rabbi Irving Miller, Jacques Torczyner, Herman Weisman and Dr. Sidney Marks.

SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION:

Motion was made and carried to approve authorization for Miss Julia Kirtz to sign checks temporarily, due to the absence of a comptroller.

GENERAL ZIONIST OF ITALY:

A letter will be written to the General Zionists of Italy asking for details not given in their communication.

NEW PALESTINE:

It was decided to carry on the New Palestine improved, under its old format provided we mail cards to subscribers asking whether they desire to continue to receive it.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Dr. Marks read a memorandum from Yale Goldberg requesting a loan in the sum of \$2,000 in order to purchase a house. This loan will be granted, payable at \$100 per month, providing that two of the three financial officers agree. This loan, and that extended to Ernest Barbarash will be advanced from the Life Membership Fund.

Dr. Marks indicated that the Chicago Area had made a mass mailing on behalf of the Shkel Campaign, had submitted a bill in the amount of \$2,124, and Milton Silberman has been pressing for payment.

Dr. Neumann indicated that at the last meeting of the Inner Committee, he had suggested that one way for the ZOA to move forward in the present situation is to really go out on a large and important project of its own which will give us strength and prestige and which will be of great significance to the movement. Dr. Neumann suggested that a nucleus of a fund be formed and these pledges be brought before the National Executive, indicating that the bulk of these monies will be used in Palestine, and will not duplicate any activity of the Emergency Council. Discussion on this matter was postponed and Dr. Neumann and Dr. Marks will outline an approach to this problem.

A final message will be sent to all District and Regional Presidents to stimulate their pulling out a full ZOA shkel vote.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45.

Respectfully submitted:

Dr. Sidney Marks

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METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND AGREEMENT

I. PREAMBLE:

WHEREAS, it is generally admitted that \$1.00 retained by the District from the annual membership dues is inadequate for local district needs, and

WHEREAS, it is a matter of common knowledge that Regions have no source of income with which to finance supplementary Regional programs, and

WHEREAS, certain types of Zionist activities beneficial to districts and Regions can best be conducted on a metropolitan basis, and funds are needed to finance such activities, and

WHEREAS, the Zionists of Metropolitan New York recognize their responsibility and obligation to contribute a just share to finance the program of the National Expansion Fund, and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that fund raising to finance activities of this type can best be done on an over-all metropolitan basis, and

WHEREAS, it is further recognized that multiplication of appeals would be injurious to the welfare of the Zionist Organization,

THEREFORE, the contracting Regions signatory to this agreement do hereby agree, etc., etc., etc.

II. DISTRIBUTION OF MONIES

A - the following items are to be deducted from the gross as expenses:-

- 1 - campaign costs \$20,000 to \$22,000
- 2 - district rebate, 15% of the amount raised by the district, and/or contributed by members of the district.

B - allocations:-

1 - First \$100,000 net is to be allocated on the following basis:

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|--------------------------------------|------|----------|
| a - Metropolitan Education Dept. | 7% | \$7,000. |
| b - Metropolitan Membership Campaign | 4% | 4,000. |
| c - Public Relations | 17% | 17,000. |
| d - National Expansion Fund | 40% | 40,000. |
| e - Reserve | 3% | 3,000. |
| f - Regions | 29% | 29,000. |
| | 100% | |

| | | |
|-----------------|-----|-----------|
| 1 - Brooklyn | 12% | \$12,000. |
| 2 - Manhattan | 12% | 12,000. |
| 3 - Westchester | 5% | 5,000. |

2 - Net receipts over \$100,000 after campaign expenses and district rebates have been deducted will be allocated on the following basis:

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| a - National Expansion Fund | 50% |
| b - Regions | 30% |
| c - Bonuses to Regions for raising amounts above quota | |
| d - Reserve | Remainder |

1 - the additional amount available to Regions is to be divided on the following basis:

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|-----------------|-----|
| a - Brooklyn | 45% |
| b - Manhattan | 45% |
| c - Westchester | 10% |

III. ORGANIZATION

A - the fund is to consist of a Board of Directors on the following basis:

- 1 - All Regional Presidents
- 2 - Five members from Brooklyn
- 3 - Five members from Manhattan
- 4 - Two members from Westchester
- 5 - Five members from the National Organization

a - The National representatives on the Board of Directors shall be members of the participating regions.

B - The Board of Directors shall elect:

- 1 - President
- 2 - Two Vice Presidents
- 3 - Chairman of the Board
- 4 - Treasurer
- 5 - Secretary

a - The Vice Presidents shall be members of Regions other than that of the President.

b - The President and the Vice Presidents need not be members of the Board of Directors, but shall be members of the participating Regions.

IV. STIPULATIONS

A - The Regions pledge themselves to raise the following stipulated quotas:

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|-----------------|----------|
| 1 - Brooklyn | \$65,000 |
| 2 - Manhattan | 65,000 |
| 3 - Westchester | 20,000 |

a - in the event that a Region does not reach its full quota the Regional allocation shall be reduced proportionately.

- b - In the event that a Region exceeds its quota, the Regional allocation shall be increased proportionately.

B - Credits:

- 1 - The districts are to receive a rebate of 15% of amounts raised by district or personnel of district.
- 2 - The donor will have the first choice in the designation of the district to receive credit for his contribution.
- 3 - In the event that the donor does not designate a specific district the solicitor will have the choice of designating the beneficiary.
- 4 - Where a contribution is attained from a source not provided for in the two aforementioned paragraphs, said contribution shall be entered without any district receiving credit. However, all amounts not specifically credited to the districts or Regions, shall be credited to the quotas of the Regions on the basis of:

| | |
|------------------------|---------|
| A - Brooklyn Region | 43 1/3% |
| B - Manhattan Region | 43 1/3% |
| C - Westchester Region | 13 1/3% |

- C - None of the provisions of this agreement shall be changed without the approval of the Executive Committees of all of the participating bodies.

- D - The Board of Directors of the Fund shall have the right to allocate all monies listed as Reserve.

E - The National Organization agrees:-

- 1 - to refrain from any independent fund raising in the areas of the participating Regions.
- 2 - to credit to the fund, all contributions received directly or indirectly from the areas of the participating Regions.
- 3 - to cooperate fully in the fund raising activities through its leaders, resident in the area of the participating Regions and to provide the services of its professional staff and facilities in the Metropolitan area.
- 4 - to permit members of its Metropolitan Executive Staff to serve as Executive Officers of the fund.

- F - The National Organization having agreed to subsidize the Westchester Region to the extent of \$2500. toward the salary of a Field Director for Westchester, the Fund will pay the balance of the salary up to \$1300. from the amount allocated to it for expenses so that the Field Director may serve on a full time basis. In return for this the Field Director will be professionally responsible for raising funds under the auspices of the Fund and spend the balance of his time when not actively engaged in Westchester activities in specified tasks that will benefit the entire Fund. For such duties he is to receive his instructions from the Executive Officers of the Fund.

- G - No preferential anticipation of allocations shall be made, except for the necessary contractual obligations of education and Public Relations which will be kept at an absolute minimum, as limited by the percentages set forth in section II.
- H - An Arbitration Board, consisting of three members, one from each of the Regions, is to decide all disputes concerning the crediting of district amounts.

