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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
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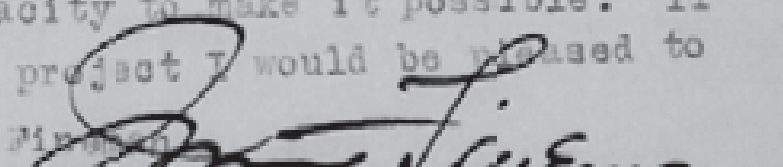
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I appreciate your prompt and unequivocal reply to my letter, and I see clearly your stand against my project, but I must protest that of course I was not seeking another White Paper and that I certainly understood how greatly England would resist even an aroused public opinion for the opening of Palestine. I think there is a difference, however, between a sympathetic poll and an aroused public opinion - one is a potential and the other an active force. And I believe that even a President may fail where an aroused public opinion might succeed. There is grave danger, it seems to me, that our cause may be lost sight of and suppressed in the great turmoil of other issues now demanding attention, unless the potential American sympathy for a Jewish homeland is activated by effective publicity. And if at any time you should see some need for the sort of thing we have had in mind Mr and Mrs Rogers and myself are ready to serve as best we can.

As for your optimism regarding an early decision on the Jewish State I sincerely hope you are as right in your present stand as you were when you stood militantly for public action in Washington and were not heeded by the too cautious.

Incidentally it occurs to me, in this connection, that those who are protesting with violence in Palestine would do well to take a lesson from the Irish who found that one violent protest in London was worth a hundred at home. I am not myself a man of violence - but I do believe in efficiency.

And while I am writing you I would like to mention another project I've long had in mind. I would like to go to Palestine to do a full length novel of such power and distinction as would bring to Jewish life there, its aspirations and accomplishments, the general attention it deserves. And I would like to do a motion picture adaptation of it. That would require a lengthy stay, say a year, and I'd want to take my family (wife and two boys). I cannot afford that on my own, but I might lecture at the University, write for the New Palestine or serve in some other capacity to make it possible. If there is any interest in such a project I would be pleased to hear of it. yours, Irving Berlin





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July 3, 1946

Dr. Sidney Marks  
c/o Zionist Organization of America  
41 East 42nd St.  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Marks:

We accuse you of being guilty of the grossest type of negligence, malfeasance, misfeasance, and nonfeasance. For a period of three weeks both Passow and I called you daily and complained to you bitterly of the fact that by far the greatest majority of the people who purchased Shekolim had failed to receive them; that very few, if any, did. We also stated that a large number of the members did not receive their Shekolim. You kept telling us that they would positively get them and that they were being mailed to them daily.

Our experiences during the election prove that not only was our complaint absolutely correct, but that you had failed to avoid the catastrophe in spite of the very timely and repeated warnings which should have set you in motion on the specific task of curing this gross defect and negligent operation of your staff under your guidance and supervision. It was your primary duty, before everything else, to see to it that first of all the Shekolim were delivered so that the people could vote, instead of spending all your time burning the wires about publicity, advertising, and asking me and Passow to take trips, spending valuable time, with such communities as Topeka, Kansas, Springfield, Mo., Joplin, Mo., St. Joseph, Mo., each of which has a membership of 3, with the exception of St. Jo, which had a few more, and none of which even had a Shekel Board, and then you complained because we didn't go there in the fashion and in the language that you know you did.

Not only could we have won this election with our hands down, but you have caused the good will of the Z. O. A. in St. Louis to be substantially jeopardized. Can you imagine the feeling experienced by several thousand people who are members and who bought Shekolim and who were not allowed to vote because they didn't receive a Shekel? It is very heartbreaking to us and I am writing this letter to you not merely on my own behalf, but because the leaders in St. Louis demand that this be done. No doubt you have probably heard or will hear from others. We can not understand why St. Louis is isolated in this respect. It is the consensus of opinion that there is "a nigger in the woodpile," and until you can definitely report to us as to what actually happened and through whom it happened, with substantial evidence as to your con-

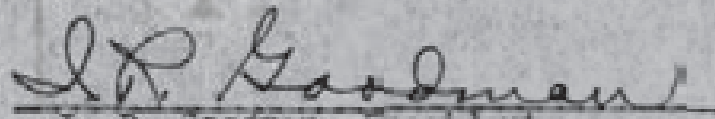
clusion -- you are being held responsible.

Of the 392 challenges, at least 300 were those of our people, since their names were not on master lists and because some of their Shekolim did not even correspond with the numbers of the registration records. A great many more, after they heard that they could not vote without a Shekel, even though they were registered, didn't come to the polls at all. Several thousand who did show up were turned away because they had no Shekel. They tried to use their receipts. This was the figure given us by our checkers.

All of the names of those who purchased Shekolim were not included on the master list nor were the names of a great many of our members on said lists. On today Abe Tennenbaum told me that you and Cooperman could easily have advised us what to have done under the circumstances as late a time as the morning of the election, something that would have cured the situation at that stage of the game. He says that you and Cooperman knew what could have been done, yet you failed to advise us.

How can we face the Jewish community now with the insult brought upon them by having made it impossible for them to have voted -- in our coming planned membership and expansion fund campaigns? We can no longer even get our loyal members to work for anything.

Yours very truly,

  
I. R. Goodman, President,  
Zionist Organization of St. Louis

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1711 Sterling Place  
Brooklyn 33, New York  
July 9, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Pres.  
Zionist Organization of America  
1720--16 Street N.W.  
Washington 9, D.C.

My dear Dr. Silver:

Although my membership in the Z.O.A. is recent, I assure you that my feeling for the Zionist cause is intense and ardent. How can I then, pour into a letter, the discouragement and disappointment that has encompassed me in the past twenty-four hours.

England's most stringent measures; her terrorism and bestiality, could not dishearten me because I felt that the fire in the hearts of the Jewish people and their determination to regain their homeland could beat down any opposition. But what England couldn't do to our cause, our leaders are doing. What England could never achieve with concentration camps and guns, our leaders can bring about with a few words.

Isn't it enough that three quarters of Palestine, the land that God gave us (with League of Nations approval) has already been hacked away. Today, of all days, Chaim Weizmann comes out with a statement favoring partition of the small fraction of Palestine still left. Today, when the puppet government of Trans-Jordan announces that it is applying for membership in the UN, even while our democratically elected, internationally recognized members of the Jewish Agency are in prison; Weizmann has the temerity to announce that we will consider setting up still another Arab state on Jewish territory. What will then happen to the little slice of Palestine that is left? Will Weizmann come out with another partition plan? Weizmann is too good an Englishman to be a good Zionist leader. Norway had its Quisling; we have our Weizmann.

I was keenly disappointed when Congressman Sol Bloom spoke in favor of the British loan, but I soon realized that nothing very different could be expected from a Jew who would betray his own people the way Bloom did at the Bermuda Conference in April, 1943. I recall the thunderous applause you received at Madison Square Garden and again at Madison Square Park when you spoke against the British loan. How dare Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, whose voice is supposed to speak for the Zionist organization, favor this loan! What could he be thinking? Is he fooled by this talk of increased world trade guaranteeing world peace? Can he see any meaning in the expression "world peace", while war is waged against the Jews. All of our assistance to England seems to have only aggravated the Zionist position. Rabbi Wise has thrown away a powerful weapon. English newspapers, telling their people that if the loan fails it will be the fault of American Jews, were playing right into our hands. How much more respect the English would have for us if they saw that

we have the power to strike back when attacked! As for myself; should the loan pass I will immediately cash in my bonds and stop my payroll deductions. I would not be able to sleep nights if I thought that I was voluntarily giving so much as one cent to a government which is trying to destroy my brethren.

It is unfortunate that you have been unable to make the Zionist organization more militant. With such leaders as Weizmann and Wise Zionism is lost. I hereby withdraw my membership from the Z.O.A.

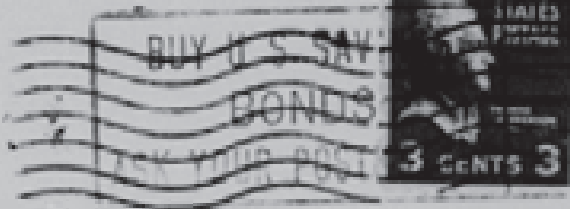
Respectfully yours,

*Abraham F. Friedland*





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July 10, 1948

Mr. I. R. Goodman, President  
Zionist Organization of St. Louis  
617 Missouri Insurance Building  
705 Chestnut Street  
St. Louis, 1, Missouri

Dear I. R.:

In the absence of Sidney Marks who is out of the office this week taking a well deserved rest brought on by strain and overwork which has evidently become normal in the Zionist Organization of America, I am taking the liberty of replying to your letter of July 3rd. I am doing so, because of the fact that I was directly in charge of all the details concerning the Shekel Campaign and am ready to assume responsibility for all that went well as well as all that went awry in the administration of this campaign. This letter is being sent to you according to your instructions transmitted through Manuel Posy to me.

My letter is not one of apology nor am I going into a detailed explanation as to the various administration aspects of the campaign. I can simply state that Shekolim were mailed to every member who came in on a report up until May 31st. We were able to check this against the Post Office receipts as well as against our Pitney Bowes metered machine. As far as non-members are concerned, we mailed Shekolim up until the last moment despite the extra pressure brought on us by the postponement of the campaign for a period of two weeks. When we ascertained that there was some difficulty regarding the St. Louis mail I phoned Meyer Passow on Wednesday or Thursday prior to the elections and told him exactly what to do and ascertained from him that he had received the material we had sent to aid him in these last minute activities. Passow also informed me directly that individuals who a few days previously had claimed that they had not received their Shekolim had received them that same day or the day before.

Our records show that we mailed out in the vicinity of 1900 membership Shekolim to St. Louis. Regarding non-members, it is simply impossible for us to ascertain all the facts until such time that the I. S. Shekel Board puts its sheets in proper order. In

Mr. I. B. Goodman

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July 10, 1946

passing, I would like to point out that it is impossible for us to determine at this time whether the monies received locally in St. Louis for the sale of Shekolim were all remitted to us.

If we were grossly negligent in the issuance of Shekolim then the Z.O.A. would not be leading in the elections. The fact remains that the only bitter complaint we have received is from St. Louis. I have discussed the matter with postal authorities with the thought that perhaps mail bags addressed to St. Louis may have gone astray. They are checking on this matter, but, frankly I doubt if we will receive a report from them in the near future, as first class mail is almost impossible to track down.

In conclusion, I would like to state that we all did the best we could under hectic and trying circumstances. Because of the time element and because of the fact that human beings were doing the job, we may not have been 100% perfect. However, the nationwide results attest to the fact that on the whole a good job was done.

If after this explanation you feel that there has been a dereliction of duty, please do not put the blame on the doorstep of Sidney Marks. I do not have the broadest shoulders in the world, but as I have stated previously, the responsibility for the technical end of this campaign was entirely mine.

Most cordially,

Isidore Cooperman

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C O P Y

*Alexander Silver - I regret that my  
secretary failed to enclose this C O P Y in previous  
letter to you.*  
July 12, 1946, *Ray Aids*  
*A. Silver*

Mr. Isadore Cooperman  
c/o Zionist Organization of America  
41 East 42nd St.  
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Is:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 10th and thank you for it, and in spite of the fact that I did not instruct Manuel Posy to have you answer my letter to Marks.

With reference to Shekolim mailed to members I still insist that not all of our members received them. There were even life members who did not receive Shekolim and whose names were not on the master lists and Posy admitted to me on the telephone that there were up to about 250 of our members that did not receive Shekolim.

I do not know what it was that you told Passow to do. If it was a matter of issuing duplicate Shekolim the Chairman of our Election Board communicated over the phone with Tennenbaum, who told him that under no circumstances are duplicate Shekolim to be accepted or issued. The few that had received Shekolim within the last few days, according to Passow, were of those who had complained to us that they had not received them and we wired their names to Marks as they came in. However, I repeat and reassure you that most of the purchasers of Shekolim, almost all of them did not receive them, nor were their names on the master lists.

You state that it is impossible for you to determine whether the monies received locally in St. Louis for the sale of Shekolim were all remitted to you. I have before me one check, #3561, as of date of May 23, 1946, made payable to the ZOA in the sum of \$421.50, one, #3564, in the sum of \$471.50, as of date of May 24th, one in the sum of \$23.00, #3566, as of date of May 27th, and one in the sum of \$4.00, #3569, as of date of May 28th. All of these checks were deposited by you with the National City Bank of New York at the 42nd Street branch, and have been cleared. This amounts to a payment for 1840 Shekolim.

No doubt being as far away from St. Louis as you are, you can not possibly realize what it means for us to have to constantly face members of the Jewish community of St. Louis who complain bitterly because they had to be turned away from the polls after not having received their Shekel from New York. Posy indicated that you had discovered the person who was negligent and that he was satisfied that it was not an inadvertent type of negligence, but rather an intentional one. He said no more about it, nor did he name him.

I still feel that both you and Marks were negligent because of the fact that the warning was timely and of a repeated nature and you should have immediately seen to it that Shekolim were made out for our purchasers and

that their names were posted and that the Shekolim were delivered to them. I do not understand your logic to the effect that the postponement of the election for two weeks made it more difficult for you to work. Certainly if you did not get the Shekolim out in time for June 30th and July 1st, you did not get them out in time for June 16th.

Marks did say something to me about a system of yours that had "back-fired." He also said the same thing to Mr. Passow, but what system was referred to and what was meant by it I do not know, nor was I told. Perhaps if there was no negligence the Z. O. A. victory throughout the country would have been in the nature of a landslide. It is not merely the result of the election in St. Louis that hurts, but the loss of the good will, which will take a long time to recover for the Z. O. A. that is most painful.

Cordially yours,

*I. R. Goodman*  
I. R. GOODMAN

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# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF ST. LOUIS

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PHONE: CHESTNUT 3092 July 18, 1946

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

## President

I. R. Goodman

Inasmuch as in conversation had between us in New York the other day you had informed me that Mr. Cooperman had not shown you my answer to his letter of July 12th, I am enclosing herewith a copy of it.

## Vice-Presidents

Edward Wittcoff  
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I was somewhat perturbed about your attitude and the misinformation concerning the entire matter. The number of votes cast for the Z. O. A. in our local election was 636. In addition thereto there were 390 challenged votes, almost all of which were those cast by our members and were challenged because of the fact that the numbers on their Shekolim did not correspond with the numbers on the master list, or because they were not at all included on the master list. This shows that out of the 1914 paid up members of the St. Louis Zionist District, more than half actually voted, which was a better, if not as good a percentage as that of any other large city, more so considering the fact that by far most of the remaining members did not receive their Shekolim.

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We still persist and maintain that all of the Shekolim purchasers within the city of St. Louis who bought from the Z. O. A., with the exception of about 20 people, did not receive their Shekel. The excepting few are those of the immediate families of a few of our officials who could not help but know that they hadn't received their Shekels, and their names were wired to Mr. Marks.

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You seem to be under the impression that we did a poor job in St. Louis, and considering the actual facts we deem your conclusion as highly unjust and unfair. The Passow referred to in our correspondence is Rabbi Meyer Passow of the Z. O. A. staff, who was with us during the time of our preparations and until after the election.

I urge you to discuss with him the matter of the work done, the loyalty of St. Louis Zionists and the St. Louis Jewish community, their readiness and willingness to vote, and the numbers that were turned away from the polls. He not only took turns with me in calling Mr. Marks repeatedly for a period of three weeks, but sent him a strong wire, concerning the lack of the receipt of the Shekolim, and even threatened to resign from the staff.

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Certainly I would not have published a public apology on behalf of the Z. O. A. in the public press if the facts weren't exactly as we gave them to you. It may be a long time before the good will of the Z. O. A. locally will have been regained because of this mishap. I am adamant about our position in this matter because of the fact that such negligence on the staff, which indicates lack of good administration and efficiency, is detrimental to the Z. O. A., and something must be done to avoid similar haphazard functioning in the future.

This is the second time that an uncalled for experience occurred, particularly with St. Louis. A midwest regional conference was arranged for by the Z. O. A. staff during the Shekolim campaign for St. Louis on April 28th when Mr. Torczyner and Major Auerback visited our city. There were supposed to be delegates and representatives from about fourteen other communities. No one from any other city, outside of the St. Louis public, showed up. We later found out that the other communities had not been invited. I understand that Temmenbaum instructed Mr. Yale Goldberg to visit St. Louis at that time and to invite and check with leaders of other communities, but he failed to do so. This was very embarrassing inasmuch as we had publicized a regional conference to be attended by leaders of other communities, and none of them were present.

Please accept this communication in the spirit that I write it. I have no personal "axes to grind" with anyone. I have given up my profession in toto for a period of 5 years and everything else for the sake of our holy cause in this most critical period of Jewish history. Please read my answer to Cooperman carefully.

With kindest personal regards and in the hope of a New Zion Rebuilt and forever retained, I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

  
I. R. GOODMAN

P. S. I hope that both you and Mr. Neumann see fit to attend the Paris conference. Otherwise, there may be no one present to watch over and safeguard the type of militant program in which we are primarily interested and to avoid "machinations" to thwart it.

July 29th, 1946

Mr. Abraham Goodman  
Metropolitan Zionist Fund  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York City

Dear Mr. Goodman:

I received this letter the other day from our good friend, Rabbi Silver.

Knowing the status of our treasury I doubt very much if we can comply. Of course you are in a better position to know, so I would suggest that you reply to Rabbi Silver, but before mailing I would like to be advised as to the contents of the letter.

Sincerely yours,

SAMUEL HAUSMAN

SH:SS

JOSEPH W. GREENLEAF  
312 HAWTHORNE TERRACE  
MT. VERNON, N. Y.

Sunday. August 18, 1946

Dear Dr. Silver,

Thank you very much for the confidence  
you have placed in me, in appointing me  
Chairman of the 1946 J. O. G. Convention  
Committee.

I am deeply honored and pleased to  
accept this very responsible post, and pledge  
to you that I shall do all in my power  
to sincerely and effectively fulfill this great  
trust.

Kindest personal regards.

Respectfully,  
Joe





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August 28, 1946.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

My recent agitation about the confused situation in Palestine,  
and the loose talk that I have heard, prompted me to write the enclosed article.  
It appeared in The Wisconsin Jewish Chronicle for Aug. 23rd.

I know that you are greatly pressed for time, but if you could spare a few  
moments, I should appreciate your views.

I knew you many years ago when I lived in Pittsburgh; I recall your activ-  
ities when the Mack-Brandeis group was formed.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Carl J. Fechheimer*

# Britain's Debt to Jews

By Carl J. Fechheimer

Mr. Fechheimer, a Milwaukee engineer, visited Palestine in 1924 and has long been a student of Palestinian affairs. The Chronicle is pleased to present this statement by a local man and urges other readers to contribute material of public interest. — Editor

**T**O the credit of the American people, they want to see justice administered and they despise double dealings and lies. This letter is written in order to bring to light the great injustices which the British Government have heaped upon a comparatively few struggling Jewish people. The truth has not been brought out clearly in many articles that the writer has read in the general press. What is important to stress is the fact that Jewish people helped to save the British empire twice during the present century:

I.) During World War I it was Dr. Chaim Weizman, the present President of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, who gave to Britain the then secret of an explosive, T.N.T., the use of which was extremely effective in turning the tide which ended in Germany's defeat. So important was this that Lloyd George, then Britain's Prime Minister, created through the then British Foreign Minister, Lord Balfour, the historic document known as the Balfour Declaration, which culminated in the Mandate to Britain for Palestine. Through this, Britain recognized her indebtedness to the Jewish people.

II.) The most critical time for Britain (and perhaps the U.S. also) in World War II was in 1942, when the Germans under Rommel drove the British eastward, until at El Alamein, near Alexandria, Egypt, the British were able to make a stand. Then, General Montgomery turned the horde of Germans back to Tunisia, where they were trapped and badly defeated.

What was it that enabled Montgomery to turn back the Nazis at El Alamein? According to a statement in the British House of Lords, it was due to the help that the British received from the Jews of Palestine. In four ways were those Jews of incalculable assistance: (1) Palestinian Jews had laid a water pipe line from the Nile River to the British encampment so that the British soldiers had an ample supply of fresh water, whereas the Germans had an inadequate supply, as theirs was hauled in tanks. (2) Military equipment for the British are repaired or rebuilt in the only shops suitable for such in that part of the world, which were constructed by Jews in Palestine. (3) To obtain much needed information, some 40 or 50 Jews volunteered into the British Intelligence Service and went into the German lines. Less than five came back alive, but the desired information was secured. (4) As many Jews as could voluntarily entered the British Army and fought along with them, and those who survived continued back to Tunisia, crossed over to Italy, until the war was ended.

## Mufti's Statement Quoted

In contrast, the leaders of the Arabs were working with Hitler and Mussolini. See what the supreme Arab leader of Palestine, the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, wrote to Adolf Hitler on July 4, 1942, a few months before El Alamein: "Permit me, Fuehrer, to transmit to you the sincere joy of the Arab people and my own best congratulations, for the victory of the Axis alliance in North Africa. The Arab people will continue to fight on your side to the final victory against the common enemy."

Instead of imprisoning the Mufti after the victory of the United Nations, or trying him along with other war criminals, he was given a comfortable asylum in a villa in France and was finally spirited away to Egypt. It is well known that he is opposed to the Jewish people in Palestine and has repeatedly incited the Arabs against the Jews.

Now it must be stressed that whatever progress the British Administration may claim for the Arabs is due almost entirely to the Jews. This is admitted by the British in the Royal Commission's Report of 1937.

It is of great importance that the reader have a clear understanding of the Arab-Jew relationship. The Arabs are divided into two classes: the Effendi, principally royalty, nobility and land-owners, and the Fellahin, the poor serfs. The Effendi constitute less than two per cent of the Arab population; and in most Arabic countries more than 98 per cent are so poverty stricken that even our share croppers are well off by comparison. With the exception of Palestine, where the Jews have improved their lot, the Fel-

lahin are illiterate and so diseased that they can barely do their daily work much less revolt against their oppressors. The absolutely undemocratic feudal system still prevails there, and the Effendi leaders are perfectly content to have it continue, so long as they can live off the backs of their serfs.

## Arabs Received Benefits

With the coming of the Jews into Palestine, the oppressed among the Arabs have been helped; they have doubled in numbers in about 25 years and, largely due to the introduction of modern sanitation by the Jews, disease has been greatly lessened. The wage rates have gone up to the joy of the peasants, and to the dismay of the leaders. Even illiteracy has decreased, and that is another reason why the Arab leaders don't want the Jews. Those leaders do not want any change: they want to continue to oppress their people. When we hear of what the Arabs of Palestine say or want, it is not the voice of the more than 98 per cent; it is the voice of the less than two per cent oppressors.

The masses of Arabs get along splendidly with the Jews, living as many do, close to them and are helped in innumerable ways by them. Nor have the land-owners suffered. They were paid enormous prices for the land (much of which had previously seemed worthless to the Effendi) which was sold to Jews, with the immediate result that many Effendi were able to rid themselves of debt.

Now into that Arab situation, Britain, a professedly liberal, democratic nation, has projected itself. Has she striven to help the democratic Jews who helped Britain twice to save the British Empire? On the contrary, she has fomented the Arab League of those who were previously aligned with the Axis, and has been, and is doing all she can to appease the Arab leaders. At the same time, she has antagonized the Jews who were so faithful to her.

It is a strange travesty for the British to claim, as the Milwaukee Journal states in its editorial of August 15, "The Tragedy of Palestine," "The country which above all others, has given its Jewish residents dignity, security, freedom and public honor."

## "Not A Possession"

The Mandate for Palestine was given as a trusteeship under the League of Nations. Palestine is a mandated territory, not a British possession. During World War II, Japan was very severely criticized in the United States for having violated the terms of mandates given to her by fortifying certain islands in the Pacific. Today, Britain is making of Haifa, the principal port of Palestine, the strongest naval base in the Mediterranean. The whole of Palestine is an armed camp. Why is it so? It is power politics and British imperialism, and the Jews are again the scapegoats and are being again sacrificed on the altar to Moloch.

September 3, 1946

Dear Abe Goodman:

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At this moment I feel more than ever, the need of a special fund, which should be at our disposal and expendable at the discretion of two or three persons. We have talked about this on various occasions and I need not therefore elaborate on the purposes of such a fund.

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I believe that after all that we have done in the past few years, there would be a number of friends with sufficient confidence in the leadership and sufficient understanding of the magnitude of the problems which confront us, to be willing to contribute liberally to such a confidential fund, of which I would propose that you, who are the Treasurer of the ZOA, and Mark Sugarman, who is Associate Treasurer, should be the Trustees, together with myself.

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Since I last spoke with you on the telephone, I have discussed this matter rather fully with Emanuel Neumann, and I am sure he will be glad to confer and cooperate with you.

As you know, I rarely approach my friends for funds, however worthy the project; but this matter is so urgent and of such great import, that I have decided in this instance, to depart from my usual practice. I know of your deep interest and I am confident that you will do everything possible to insure the success of this special effort.

With warm regards,

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR  
Mr. Abe Goodman  
1261 Washington Ave.  
Miami Beach, Fla.

Mark Sugerman's letter had best be sent to both  
his addresses: Coatesville, Pa. and

Savoy Plaza Hotel-5th Ave. & 59th St. NY  
since it is not known to which he will return first.  
He has been on the Pacific coast and is due back  
around Sept. 1st.





(DRAFT LETTER TO BE SENT TO A. GOODMAN)

Mr. A. Goodman  
1261 Washington Ave.  
Miami Beach, Florida

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September 3, 1946

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

Dear Friend:

You will recall that at the conference in Chicago I spoke to you concerning the Teachers' Convention of the Ohio, Michigan, Indiana Association. It will take place this year in Cleveland during the Thanksgiving weekend. Included in the sessions is a Friday evening service to be followed by a Symposium on the aims and objectives of Jewish Education. The program committee has asked me to extend an invitation to Rabbi Brickner and to you to participate in this Symposium taking a half hour each. The service is to take place at the Euclid Avenue Temple.

You remember you told me you would think this over and let me know. I have thus far refrained from writing Barney on the subject. I'd like to have your acceptance before I do so.

I know, of course, how busy you have been in the meantime with the international problem that confronts us, but I shall appreciate your reply at this time. Please write me c/o the Jewish Education Committee, 1776 Broadway, New York City.

In the event you cannot participate in the Symposium on Friday evening, would it be possible for you to address the Teachers' Convention at a Luncheon Saturday noon which is to take place in your Temple? However, the committee and I would very much prefer to have this Symposium with both of you participating on Friday evening, if at all possible.

With kind personal greetings to Virginia in which Mamie joins me, I am

Cordially yours,

*Emanuel Gamoran*

EG:ps



MEMORANDUM

September 4, 1946

To: Dr. Emanuel Neumann  
From: Dr. Israel Goldstein

The enclosed letter from Segal of France speaks for itself. I would urge that we make available to them without delay the \$7500 which we promised them as an advance at the same time that Hadassah promised them \$5000. Mrs. Epstein and Mrs. Halpern for Hadassah, and Rabbi Miller and I for the ZOA, stated that we hoped the financial condition of our organizations respectively would permit this amount to be considered as a grant instead of an advance against our 1947 commitment.

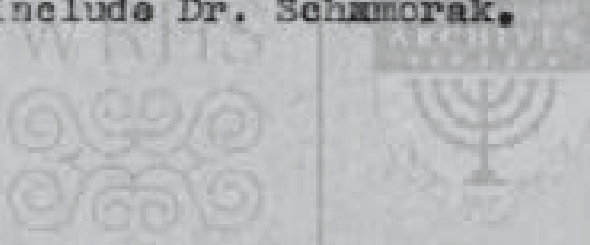
You may recall that I reported this at the last meeting of the ZOA Executive and mentioned it to Dr. Silver when I saw him a day or two before that meeting. It seemed agreeable all around that we should do this. They need the money now in order to prepare adequately for the Shekel Campaign in the European countries where we have a chance of capturing a fairly substantial portion of the delegations for the General Zionist group.

I also mentioned to Dr. Silver a conversation I had with Dr. Sneh who consented to come to the U.S. if invited. I believe I also mentioned this to Rabbi Miller in Paris. Dr. Sneh said he would be ready to come either for the Emergency Council or for the ZOA, whichever we thought best. Dr. Silver agreed that it would be best to ask him for the ZOA and suggested ~~xxxx~~ after the ZOA Executive meeting last week that I cable Dr. Sneh accordingly. It seems to me, however, that the invitation ought to come through the Inner Committee of the ZOA and in the name of Dr. Silver. On the question of timing, Dr. Sneh said he would be ready to come about October 15th and stay three weeks. His plan was to utilize the period up to the time of departure for the U.S. by visiting European countries on behalf of the General Zionist Confederation to be helpful in connection with the Shekel Campaign. Our ZOA convention is scheduled for the end of October so that October 15th or thereabouts would be a good time for Dr. Sneh to come here and stay over beyond the convention. The Inner Committee will, of course, plan his stay here and will probably not want him to appear anywhere before the convention. In that case, Dr. Sneh might be advised to get here about a week before the convention.

May I also ask the Inner Committee to consider the question of whether we should resume our contacts with Hadassah in connection with the General Zionist program. I had the impression that they would be ready to support the request for an allocation of \$500,000 for the UPN for the purposes of General Zionist colonization in Palestine. You may recall that the last time I called the attention of the Inner Committee to the question of resuming contacts with Hadassah, it was thought that perhaps it might wait a while.

Enclosed is a copy of a program which we worked out in Paris as the platform in connection with the General Zionist election campaign. It amplifies our own platform and may represent an improvement in some details. It seems to me that it would be advisable to have it published in the NEW PALESTINE as the platform adopted by a meeting of the General Zionist Confederation representatives in Paris the middle of August. If you agree, please notify Mr. Barbarash accordingly.

I might add that Mrs. Epstein and I were members of the sub-committee which worked out the program and which included Dr. Brodetsky, Dr. Sneh and Dr. Schmorak among others. In connection with the fund to be used for work in Palestine, it would be advisable, as I think you yourself suggested some time ago, to have a committee designated in Palestine for the administration of this fund, to consist of a few men who are vitally connected with the work itself and a few others who would command the confidence of the Yishuv because of their general standing. Such a person as Dr. Harry Davidowitz would measure up to the latter standard. No doubt you could mention several others. The committee should include and perhaps be headed by Dr. Sneh and should also include Dr. Schmorak.



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WORLD CONFEDERATION OF GENERAL ZIONISTS

Bureau Europeen

47, Rue de Chabrol  
PARIS (X) - FRANCE

Paris le 20 Aout 1946.

European Office

Dr. I. Goldstein  
270 West 89 th Street  
New - York

Cher Ami,

Je regrette beaucoup de ne pas avoir pu vous voir avant votre depart de Paris. Je'espere que vous avez fait un bon voyage et que vous avez garde un bon souvenir de votre recent sejour a Paris.

Je m'empresse a vous envoyer le programme electoral qui a ete adopte a la derniere seance des nos deliberations.

L'incident avec les camarades de Paris au sujet du Bureau Europeen a ete rapidement liquide. Le nouveau Bureau Europeen se compose de: MM Herman Zvi, Herscoff Alexandre, I. Kubowitzki Isaac, Luksenburg Aron, Massis Joseph et Sam Segal. J'espere que nous pourrons travailler tranquillement dans les cadres des decisions prises au cours des seances du 6, 8 et 14 aout 1946.

J'espere que nous vous reverrons bientot au Congres Sioniste.

Nous avons actuellement un contact tres etroit avec tous les pays d'Europe et avec notre Executif de la Confederation en Palestine. Des nous recevrons les sommes d'argent que vous et Rabbi Muller ainsi que Mrs. Epstein nous ont promis nous pourrons venir en aide aux Organisations Europeennes surtout pour la campagne de Shekalim et des elections qui a ete devancee en raison de la decision de tenir le Congres le 23 Novembre et non le 23 decembre.

Nous vous tiendrons au courant de notre activite et vous serons oblige si vous voudriez de temps en temps nous ecrire un mot et surtout un article pour notre Organe "Di Zionistysche Shtyme".

En attendant le plaisir de vous lire, recevez, Cher Ami, mon plus cordial Chalom

S. SEGAL

Ma femme a regrette beaucoup de ne pas vous avoir vu et en esperant vous voir prochainement elle vous envoie ses meilleurs amities.



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September 5, 1946

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

Dear Friend:

Here I am writing you again. I am on the Editorial Committee of the Religious Education Association which publishes the RELIGIOUS EDUCATION magazine. Dr. Leonard Stidley of Oberlin wrote you some time ago and invited you to prepare an article of about three to four thousand words on either "The Ideal of Justice in the United Nations," or "Spiritual Forces for Minority Groups in the United Nations." He writes me that he hasn't heard from you and I can well understand it. He too knows because I told him how busy you are at this time. Nevertheless, I am writing you to remind you because in my opinion such an article is an opportunity to reach some of the non-Jewish religious liberals in this country and might well, between you and me, be considered valuable from the point of view of the Zionist Emergency Council. They would like to have this article by October 15. If you think you can possibly do it, it would make us all very happy, but if your program is such that this is out of the question can you suggest someone else? I would like it to be a strong article showing how the United Nations will mean nothing unless justice is done to minority groups and to the small peoples.

Please write me c/o The Jewish Education Committee, 1726 Broadway, New York City and if you haven't already answered my letter concerning the Ohio, Michigan, Indiana program add a note on that subject too, "And my soul will bless thee."

Cordially yours,

*Emanuel Gandoran*

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# Rabbi Salamon Faber

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September 9, 1946

Dear Dr. Silver,

I received information that the radical Jewish groups are about to embark upon a campaign that Palestine be transferred to the United Nations. They utilize, in this connection, Senator Pepper's suggestion made on the floor of the Senate after Churchill's withdrawal in the same vein. Obviously, these groups aim at strengthening the U.S.S.R. position in the Near East, regardless of their genuine interest in the Jewish and Palestine problems. I know that a move in under way to influence members of the Congress that they follow the course of Pepper's suggestion. I am afraid that this thing might only confuse our devoted friends in Congress, particularly some of the influential Senators, and, and, therefore

writing you, as Chairman of the Emergency  
Council to look into the matter. It appears  
that a clear statement on the part of the  
Council would help to keep the thinking  
of our friends in the Senate straight.

May I hear from you on this matter?  
With best wishes for a happy and  
creative year -

Sincerely yours,  
Salomon Faber



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Mr. R. L. Allen Silver

Zionist Emergency Council

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**RABBI SALAMON FABER**  
1652 POINT BREEZE AVE.  
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September 9, 1946

Dr. Emanuel Gansoran  
c/o The Jewish Education Committee  
1776 Broadway  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Gansoran:

I should very much like to help you out with your program for the Teachers' Convention during the Thanksgiving weekend, but as you probably know the World Zionist Congress will meet in Switzerland beginning November 25. I shall probably be away from Cleveland for about a month beginning around the middle of November.

With reference to the article for the RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Magazine: I simply have not the time to write it. I would suggest that you get in touch with Rabbi Lelyveld. I believe that he would be an excellent man for this assignment.

With all good wishes for a Happy New Year, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

# FOREST HILLS ZIONIST DISTRICT

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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FOREST HILLS JEWISH CENTER  
92-15 69th Avenue, Forest Hills, N. Y.

September 13, 1946

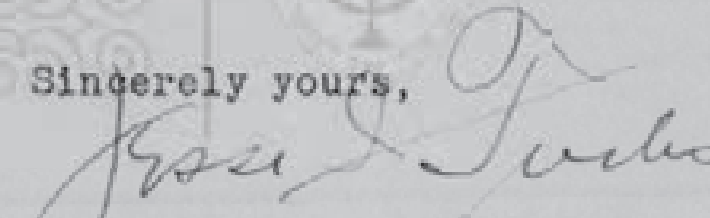
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
c/o The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At the suggestion of Mr. Abraham Tuvlin of the  
Emergency Council, I am enclosing a copy of a  
letter which is self-explanatory.

I do hope that letters of this kind will be  
effective.

Sincerely yours,

  
Jesse I. Fuchs, President  
Forest Hills Zionist District

JIF:GRF  
Enclosure

September 12, 1946

Mr. Nat Bass, Tres.  
Citizens Committee  
Mead for Governor  
31 West 47th Street  
New York 19, N. Y.

My dear friend Bass:

Your circular letter of September 5th has reached me upon my return to the office. It is needless to mention, for I feel sure you are aware, of where my sympathies lay, when it comes to the question of political parties, and also of my opinion of Senator Jim Mead. I would have been highly pleased and deemed it a real honor to help in this campaign as I helped in the previous campaigns, but it is not a question of self-respect and the honor of my conscience---and my conscience demands that I make known to you what is in my mind and heart.

I have consistently supported the Democratic Party with its affiliation of the American Labor and the Liberal Parties. I have stood firmly behind the leadership of President Roosevelt and your Party throughout the long tenure in the command of the Government, but I am a proud American and am ever watchful of the workings of our Government, both on the domestic scene as well as in foreign affairs.

You are aware that I am a Jew, and as a Jew I believe in helping those unfortunate co-religionists abroad who have called upon the conscience of humanity to hear their woeful cries and help them as we have helped peoples of other nations. The best way to help them was to allow them to go where they are wanted---to Palestine. Palestine had become a mandate under Great Britain's supervision, thru a treaty with our Government in 1924. Presidents of the United States, from President Wilson up through President Truman, expressed confirmation of their sympathy with the Jewish cause and a Palestine Jewish Homeland as a solution.

At the last National Party Conventions, both parties inserted planks along the same lines, and only a few weeks ago your Party reiterated that in its State Convention Platform. Furthermore, it is now more than a year when President Truman requested the British Government to allow only 100,000 of more than a million homeless, wandering, tortured souls---truly a Christian plea.

Now I ask you, Mr. Bass, what has our Government (of which Senator Mead is a strong supporter) done to implement its expressed sympathies of our people's woes and the treaties we made with Great Britain on behalf of Palestine. What we have received was only state-

ments, pledges, thanks, good words---but no action. What has been done by your party which has been in power for more than twelve long years but allow its State Department to be the tail to the British lion and whatever was the bidding of the British Colonial Office our State Department was always humbly following? I ask you again, Mr. Bass, how much patience can I as a good Jew, exercise with the Democratic Party, the party in power? You can even put too heavy a load on an elephant's back.

The issues before the electorate, as far as I am concerned, is above that of distinct individuals. I have come to the conclusion, therefore, to watch the actions of Mr. Truman, Mr. Brynes (also a very good Democrat), and of the other Departments of our Government within the next few weeks, which will determine my support of the party as a whole and its candidates. I shall make no move either way and remain neutral.

Please bear in mind, Mr. Bass, knowing you to be a very sincere individual, that I be-speak the minds of my many friends who belong to the various organizations in which I am interested, who have also, in the last few months, watched the disgraceful actions of the British Government with their many commissions of inquiries make fools of us Americans who participated in these commissions and who made a certain humane recommendations. These people are also disgusted with our State Department blindly following the British shameful actions and thereby lowering the honor of our own Government in not implementing the treaties to which we affixed our signatures.

Therefore, it is with regret that I cannot support your Campaign until I have been satisfied that the Government, run by the Democratic Party, does something on behalf of our people. It has worked wonders in the Mediterranean, in Spain, in Greece, in China and surely Palestine is equally an American issue for our support.

I have the honor to be continues to be called,

Your friend,



**MORRIS BROTHERS**  
DEPARTMENT STORES  
MIAMI MIAMI BEACH

Sept. 14th, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:-

I am happy to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Sept. 3rd which came here before I arrived at Miami Beach.

When we discussed the subject matter of your letter over the telephone in New York I then already expressed my complete agreement with the objective and this is merely to confirm in writing the same sentiments.

I will be in New York on Monday Sept. 16th and will stay there until Friday evening Sept. 20th. Should you happen to be there during that week I shall be happy to see you and discuss this matter with you. At any rate, I will make it my business to discuss it with Emanuel and with Mark Sugarman and possibly others so that the wheels can be set in motion, with as little delay as possible.

Most cordially yours,

*Abe Goodman*  
Abe Goodman

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September 18, 1946

Rabbi Salomon Faber  
1652 Point Breeze Avenue  
Philadelphia 45, Pa.

My dear Rabbi Faber:

Thank you for your kind letter of September 9,  
which I read with much interest. I have referred  
it to the Jewish Agency. As you undoubtedly know,  
matters of basic policy must be decided upon by the  
Jewish Agency.

With all good wishes for a Happy New Year, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

September 16, 1946

Mr. Jesse I. Fuchs, President  
Forest Hills Zionist District  
92-15 68th Avenue  
Forest Hills, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Fuchs:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the letter which you addressed to Mr. Nat Bass. I read it with great interest and I congratulate you on the position which you took.

If Zionists throughout the country would take a similar position, we might get action instead of mere words and inexpensive goodwill gestures from Washington while tragedy is stalking among our people in Europe, and Palestine is in the midst of a terror for which the Mandatory Government is responsible.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

September 17, 1946

Dr. F. M. Falkman  
14128 Superior Road  
Cleveland Heights, O.

My dear Dr. Falkman:

The committee which was appointed last evening to raise additional funds for the Expansion Fund ought to get busy at once. They should solicit before October 1st fifty to seventy-five people in our Society.

I have asked Dr. Marks to write to the Presidents of the Heights Temple District and the Cleveland Zionist District, reminding them of the small sums which were raised in Cleveland for the Expansion Fund, and urging them to get busy. Please keep in touch with Mr. Evans and Mr. Lantz about this matter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:GR



CONSULATE GENERAL  
OF THE  
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745 FIFTH AVENUE • NEW YORK 22, N. Y.

No. 2814

NEW YORK, September 20, 1946

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[Signature]

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Herewith I beg to inform you that I have resigned and that I shall leave my post at the end of this month.

At this occasion I feel that I have to express my sincere thanks for the cooperation you have extended to our office and for the kind attention you have shown towards me personally during my long stay in New York.

With the assurance of my high esteem and consideration, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

*Gavrilovitch*  
Géorg Gavrilovitch  
Acting Consul General

Rabbi Abba H. Silver, President  
Zionist Organization of America  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York 17, New York



RABBI ROLAND B. GITTELSOHN  
253 SUNRISE HIGHWAY  
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ROCKVILLE CENTRE 900

October 16, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

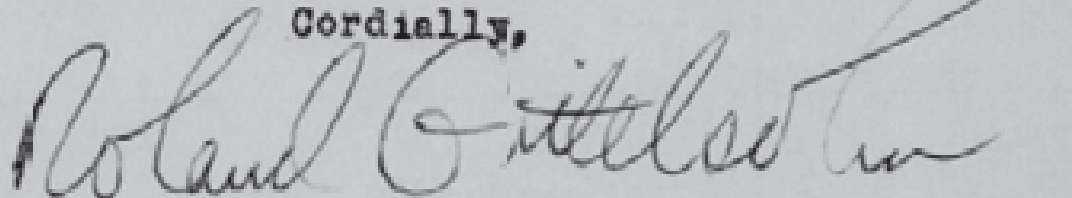
Dear Dr. Silver:

Your very kind invitation to preach at the Saturday morning Service of the Zionist Convention in Atlantic City was forwarded to me last evening by the New York office. While I have already expressed my regret through them, I want you to have also this personal expression of my thanks for the invitation and my deep regret that I cannot accept it.

Unfortunately, a number of circumstances makes it impossible for me to attend the Convention at all this year. A previous commitment will make me absent from my own pulpit this Friday evening. I cannot afford to be away two weeks consecutively. In addition to that, several important meetings, in which I must participate, have been planned locally for the Convention week-end. I deeply regret that I did not have this invitation in time to alter these local plans, but want to assure you of my gratitude for the honor paid me in extending the invitation.

My very best wishes to you, both personally and officially, for a successful Convention.

Cordially,



RBG:TG

RABBI ROLAND B. GITTELSOHN



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Zionist Organization of America  
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

On behalf of the Mizrahi Women's Organization of America, I extend greetings to you and through you to the delegates convened at the 49th Annual National Convention of the Zionist Organization of America, in these, the most crucial and momentous days in the history of our people, in order to plan effective action in behalf of the Zionist cause.

Having just returned from Eretz Yisroel, where for four months I witnessed the determined struggle of the Yishuv toward the realization of the Zionist aim, in the face of bitter obstruction and Nazi-like methods of British imperialism, I am more confident than ever in the ultimate realization of our goal. The courage of the Yishuv is undiminished. Its faith is undimmed. Its determination to build Palestine into the Jewish State will not be shattered.

After almost half a century the Zionist movement has been the active symbol of the rebirth of a people, all component parts making their respective contributions to the attainment of the goal.

May you, together with all the Zionist organizations dedicated to the care and noble purpose of Binyan Haaretz, continue with unabated zeal and magnified vision to go forward until our sacred objective for a Jewish State in all of Eretz Yisroel is reached.

Very sincerely yours,

*Samuel Goldstein*

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Oct 31/1946

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Dr Abba Hillel Silver

President, Zionist Organization of America  
41 & 42 Str New York, N.Y.

My dear President

For having enrolled over one thousand new members  
in the Philadelphia Zionist District, the Z.O.A., at their  
49<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention which just closed in Atlantic City,  
paid me the unprecedented honor of a Life Membership.  
This honor, I will always hold dear, just as I do the  
work for a restored Jewish State in Palestine,  
to which I have devoted myself for the past 48 years.

Permit me to thank the Z.O.A. through you,  
and may it be the will of the almighty for us  
to see the establishment of a Jewish State  
in Eretz Yisrael per/ per.

Sincerely,

A. Freudenheim

November 3, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

Dear Dr. Silver:

To my great regret I find that it will be impossible for me to go to the World Zionist Congress in December. The ten years of my Presidency in the Jewish National Fund and the two years of my Presidency in the ZOA have obliged me, as a matter of official Zionist executive responsibility, to be away from my Congregation a great deal of the time. To absent myself now for four to six weeks consecutively, during a period of the year when Congregational activities are in full tide, would be an unreasonable imposition, seeing that my presence at the Congress, while desirable, is not indispensable.

It will be a personal deprivation for me not to participate in this particular Congress where the ZOA will play a more important part than ever before.

In view of this circumstance, I believe I should not continue as the chairman of the ZOA committee which has been meeting with Hadassah from time to time for the discussion of matters pertaining to General Zionism, and I hereby tender you my resignation from that committee. The chairmanship of that committee could be more effectively handled by someone who will be at the Congress and at the pre-Congress conference of the Confederation of General Zionists, where, no doubt, occasions will arise for contacts and discussions with Hadassah.

With every good wish for the success of your second term as President of the ZOA and with my compliments upon the success of your first term, I am

Sincerely yours,

Ir. Israel Goldstein

November 5, 1948

Mr. A. Freudenheim  
6237 Christian Street  
Philadelphia 43, Pa.

My dear Mr. Freudenheim:

Thank you for your note of October 31.

I was delighted that the Convention of the Zionist Organization of America took occasion to pay you a richly deserved tribute for your extraordinary achievement in enrolling over 1,000 new members in the Philadelphia Zionist District. It is loyalty and devotion such as yours which constitute the strength of our movement and which insure its ultimate triumph.

I salute you in the name of the Zionist Organization of America.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

November 5, 1946

Mrs. Samuel Goldstein  
National President  
Mizrachi Women's Organization of America  
1133 Broadway  
New York 10, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Goldstein:

Permit me to thank you for your gracious letter of October 25 in which you send your greetings and those of the Mizrachi Women's Organization of America to the Convention of the Zionist Organization of America. I need not tell you that we all profoundly appreciate your inspiring message of hope and confidence, which takes on added significance because of the fact that you have recently returned from Eretz Yisroel.

I believe that the Convention of the ZOA responded to the cause and to the challenge of the hour in a heartening manner. The delegates gave evidence both of political maturity and a fine Zionist devotion and discipline. I am confident that your own Convention will be eminently successful. This coming year ought to witness decisive progress in our historic movement.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR



November 5, 1946

Professor Moses D. Gildin  
1035 Union Street  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Professor Gildin:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter  
and for the musical composition which you sent  
me. I have not yet had an opportunity to have  
it played but I shall in the very near future.

I am grateful to you for thinking of me and for  
sending me that lovely gift. I will transmit it  
at your request to the Hagana.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

November 7, 1946

Mr. Clayborne George  
406 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland 14, Ohio

My dear Mr. George:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter and the generous gift, contributed by the Titus Bible Class of Antioch Baptist Church on the occasion of its Fortieth Anniversary, to the Palestine movement. Will you not convey to the members of the class which you have been teaching, and I am sure under whose inspiration this gracious gift was made, our deep appreciation. Their interest in the cause as evidenced by their contribution is inspiring.

This is the second time within a few months that I have had the pleasant opportunity to thank you personally for your deep interest in this cause.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

November 11, 1946

Mr. Carl J. Fechheimer  
1930 N. Prospect Ave.  
Milwaukee 2, Wis.

My dear Mr. Fechheimer:

Please pardon the delay in answering your letter, which was somehow misplaced and did not get to my attention until this morning.

I enjoyed very much reading your article "Britain's Debt to Jews" which appeared in the Wisconsin Jewish Chronicle. I shall be very pleased to receive whatever articles you write from time to time on this same subject.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

November 11, 1948

My dear Mr. Glikin:

Thank you so much for your kindness in writing to me. I enjoyed reading your letter very much.

It is a long time since I have seen you and I trust that you are well. I plan to attend the forthcoming World Zionist Congress in Basle, and I hope that I will have a chance to see you.

I send you my warmest greetings.

Most cordially yours,

ARS:GR

Mr. M. Glikin  
70 Rte de Chene  
Geneva, Switzerland





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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
President, Zionist Organization  
of America  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Silver:

The undersigned have been instructed to convey to you the following request on behalf of the Western New York State Region delegates to the last Z.O.A. convention in Atlantic City, who met at a caucus on Sunday, October 27th at the Breakers Hotel. The delegation wishes to express its wholehearted endorsement of, and confidence in your leadership as president of the Z.O.A. and co-chairman of the Zionist Emergency Council.

While we are in full accord with the policies enunciated by you in the opening speech at the convention, we respectfully request that personal recriminations be left out of future presidential keynote addresses. We are making this request in spite of the fact that it is our conviction that in the particular controversy to which you have referred to in your speech, justice was on your side. We feel strongly that these personal issues should be debated and decided upon at the closed meetings of the Executive or of the Emergency Council.

A discussion of these problems on the floor of the convention tends to lower the prestige of the organization and may do considerable harm to our sacred cause.

Please be assured of our deep devotion and great respect.

With our sincerest wishes for your successful administration.

Very truly yours,

*Louis M. Bunis*  
Louis M. Bunis

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November 14, 1946

COPY OF LETTER SENT TO YOUR PRESIDENT

The Jewish Community of America is today the largest and most influential Jewish Community of the world, and Liberal Judaism is playing a most far-reaching role in its development. In view of these facts, the Hebrew Union College Library has undertaken the task of collecting from all the Liberal Congregations of the United States early minute books, records and other historical material essential to the study of our American Jewish Community.

Undoubtedly your Congregation possesses some such material, its early records and the like. It is not my purpose to ask you to give these to the Hebrew Union College Library outright unless your Board feels inclined to do so, but rather to turn them over to the Hebrew Union College Library for safe-keeping, where they may serve scholars and historians who undertake to write the history of the American Jewish Community.

May I, therefore, ask you the kindness to place this matter before the Board of Directors of your Congregation and advise me whether or not you will be able to fulfill this request to send us this material for our archives.

As a Liberal Jewish Congregation, you will be happy to know that in the very near future, the Hebrew Union College Library will contain a special chamber in which will be housed the largest collection of volumes, manuscripts and records on the history and content of Liberal Judaism to be found anywhere in the world. It is to augment this important project that I call upon you to assist with whatever material your Congregation may have at its disposal.

Awaiting the pleasure of your reply, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

*Irving M. Levey*  
RABBI IRVING M. LEVEY  
Librarian

IML:JA

November 15, 1948

Mr. Ernest S. Freudenheim  
495 Lafayette Avenue  
Buffalo, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Freudenheim:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of November 6 which was also signed by Mr. Krug and Mr. Bunis. I appreciate very much your expressions of good will and your whole-hearted endorsement of my leadership as President of the Zionist Organization of America. I am also pleased to know that you are in full accord with the policies which I discussed in my presidential message at the Convention.

I am at a loss to understand, however, your reference to "personal recriminations" which in your judgment should be left out of future presidential addresses. I do not recall any "personal recriminations" in my address. I discussed the mission of the Jewish Agency in Washington in connection with its partition proposals and the manner in which that mission was carried out. I regard the consequences of that mission as having the most far-reaching and I am afraid harmful effects on the progress of our movement. In my capacity as President, I felt it my duty to bring the facts to the attention of the delegates to the Convention. This is not a matter for some closed meeting. It had been discussed at great length in the public press before the Convention. Dr. Goldmann discussed it at two public press conferences on the very eve of the Convention of the ZOA. It will also be discussed at the forthcoming World Zionist Congress. There is nothing of "personal recriminations" in all this.

It is a good practise to permit the President of an organization to exercise his own judgment as to what to include in his presidential message.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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November 17, 1946

Dr. Emanuel Neumann  
521 Fifth Avenue  
New York City

Dear Emanuel:

I am leaving tonight for the Southeast Zionist Conference in Miami. It is not easy for me to do it and as always, it entails all kinds of complications, but I am glad to be of some service to the 40A. On the way back from Miami, I am going to spend a day looking at the TVA and thinking about the JVA.

Sofar as my attendance at the World Zionist Congress is concerned, I have not made any progress beyond the point which I described to you on Thursday even though I have been continuing my efforts. To add to the complications, I have just been informed that the annual meeting of my Congregation will take place on December 15th. I seem to be wedged in between a series of difficulties, any one of them perhaps not insuperable, yet all of them cumulatively, impose a real problem.

As of the present writing, I would still say that the chances are against the possibility of working out. Nevertheless, I am inquiring about whether I can have my return passage by air assured from Paris on December 15th.

Cordially yours,

*Israel Goldstein*  
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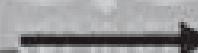
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ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN;

January 2, 1947

Mr. Abraham Goodman  
200 Varick St.  
New York 14, N.Y.

My dear Abe:

I trust that you and Mrs. Goodman have returned safely home by the time this letter reaches you, and that you are both well. I arrived home Tuesday evening, having made my plane connections on time in Amsterdam. The crossing was quite uneventful. I was shocked to read of the disaster to the Constellation airplane in which Dr. Pekelis lost his life and Tannenbaum was hurt. I understand that Tannenbaum escaped serious injury and that he is on the road to rapid recovery.

When I see you in New York next week I will tell you about the meetings of the Actions Committee and the final results of all the deliberations and maneuvers. We scored consistently all along the line and we have reason to be satisfied with the outcome.

Just prior to my leaving for Switzerland, the office of the ZOA purchased for me express checks for \$1,000 for which I have not, as yet, reimbursed the ZOA. Because of the delay of the Congress, I missed the Queen Elizabeth and forfeited the passage money which amounted to about \$500. I had to pay for air passage in Basle which amounted to about \$350.

During my absence, I had to invite speakers to occupy my pulpit. One of them was Mr. Howrer, whom I paid an honorarium of \$300 plus traveling expenses. I will also have to pay -- I don't know how much -- Dr. Clinchy who occupied my pulpit on one of the Sundays during December. While in Basle I spent considerable sums for cables, telephone and entertaining certain American officials and others which were not strictly personal expenses.

I would suggest that you give to the ZOA out of our Special Fund which was raised the sum of \$1,000 in payment of the amount which the ZOA advanced to me. I suggest also that you send me an amount from which I can draw from time to time -- as conditions arise -- for speakers during my absence, and I am afraid that I shall be absent a good bit of the time, and for other special services. The amount need not be large and at the end of the year I will give you a memo as to what the money was used for.

With all good wishes, and hoping to see you next week in New York, I remain

As ever yours,

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January 5,  
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Ansel Road at East 106th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

It will take us all a little while to recover from our visit to Basle.

It seems that the cold weather did not agree with me very much. I am still working very hard to overcome my cold.

I was very happy to have served as a delegate under your leadership. We did not achieve all that we wanted, but I believe that in the main we have reason to be proud of what we have accomplished. We did not get too much encouragement. I, therefore, feel that you should take pride in what has been achieved.

The check for \$100.00 that you were good enough to give as a contribution for the Basle Forest was turned over to us with a request that we send you an acknowledgment, which I am pleased to do. I have written to Jerusalem so that the \$100.00 may be credited to the Basle Forest.

I hope to see you soon in New York. With affectionate greetings and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

Mendel N. Fisher,  
Executive Director.

MNF:dl

January 9, 1947

Mr. Harry Frankel  
240 Centrek Park South  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Frankel:

I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me a telegram. I was very much heartened by it and by similar expressions which have reached me.

I am very happy to know that you are prepared to become active in the movement. I will request our New York office to get in touch with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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לשם הסתברות הציונים באמריקה  
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January 22, 1946

Mr. Rubin Fink  
151 W. 40th St.  
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Fink:

I have been informed by Mr. Carmel that a memorial meeting is being arranged to honor Mr. Jacob Fishman, and that a fund is being raised to cover the expenses of this meeting. I am enclosing herewith a contribution to this fund.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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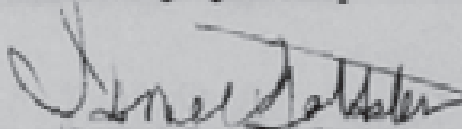
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The enclosed letter from Judge Rosenblatt presents a subject to which we ought to give some thought. My reply to him is also enclosed.

What do you think about the suggestion?

Cordially yours,

  
Dr. Israel Goldstein

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Enc.

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לכבוד

ד"ר אבא הלל סילבר,

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יורשה נא לי להעביר לכבוד מעלתו את מישכ רגשותינו לרגלי בהירתו  
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יו"ר איחוד הציונים הכלליים באיטליה

(א. ג. ג.)

16th Jan., 1947.

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Mr. Emanuel Neumann,  
c/o Palestine Survey,  
527 Fifth Avenue,  
New York City.

Dear Emanuel,

I arrived in Palestine only a few days ago after a miserable boat trip from Marseilles.

I want to take this first opportunity to congratulate you most heartily upon your election to the Zionist Executive and sincerely hope that the whole new administration may be able to speedily lead the way for a solution of our problem.

For the present I want to write to you about something that we can do to strengthen the General Zionists' situation in this country. I have just come from a talk that I have had with Mr. Rappaport of the Kupath Am Bank. It struck me that while the Mizrahi have a bank of their own and the Labour Party has the Workers' Bank, the General Zionists in this country are left with no distinct financial institution, over and above the Anglo-Palestine Bank, of course, which serves all interests.

As you know the Kupath Am Bank was organized by the General Zionists and still derives its main support from the middle class. In my talk with Rappaport I discovered that because of the peculiar setup they would probably welcome such cooperation which would virtually mean sponsorship by General Zionists of that institution, for under their charter each shareholder is permitted only one vote irrespective of the number of the shares held. Accordingly, their capital of LP 100,000 and the two million pounds of deposit - about as much as the Workers' Bank - might be compromised if a strongly organized effective minority would come at an annual meeting and try to seek control, whereas if it was sponsored by the General Zionists movement, I have reason to believe that it would be more than welcomed by the present management. You know Mr. Rappaport and you know that the Kupath Am is a careful, conservatively managed institution and might be a great help for us in building up sentiment for the General Zionists in this country.

I would ask you to please think it over and discuss it with Dr. Silver and Dr. Goldstein and let me hear from you if there is anything that I can do to promote anything along this line.

I need hardly add that I have no personal interest in the matter, being only a small stock holder, but occasionally a substantial depositor in the Bank.



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If there is anything further you would like to discuss with me please do not hesitate to write as I shall remain at my home at Mount Carmel - 24 Panorama Road, Haifa, until April, when I shall go for a short trip to the States (while Gertrude remains here awaiting my return).

With personal regards,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)  
Ben





[1947?]

January 17, 1946

Rabbi Joseph Gabriel  
Federation of Palestine Jews of America  
505 Fifth Avenue  
New York 17, N. Y.

My dear Rabbi Gabriel:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter.  
I also received your cable in Basle.

To my best knowledge, the subject which you raised was not taken up by the Congress. It may have been discussed by one of the Commissions. Logically, the matter should first be considered by the Vaad Leumi in Jerusalem, and it is to that national body of Palestine Jewry that you should in my judgment address yourself. If the Vaad Leumi then feels that American Zionists should be asked to interest themselves in the matter, I am sure that there will be a ready compliance.

I should like to comply with your request and meet you personally to discuss the matter but I don't know when I will be in New York. I should suggest that you get in touch with Dr. Marks, Director of the Zionist Organization of America, and have a talk with him about the matter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

# MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Sidney Marks  
FROM: Dr. Israel Goldstein  
SUBJECT: Detroit visit

DATE: January 29, 1947

While in Detroit yesterday, I managed to spend an hour and a half with about fifteen or eighteen leaders of the Zionist Organization there. In addition to talking about the Congress, I spoke to them about the importance of the Expansion Fund. It seems to me, they have in mind raising about \$10,000.

As you probably know, the Zionists in Detroit are lukewarm toward the administration and have, as many others have, a distorted view of the Congress. I tried to straighten them out on the Congress, and believe that I was not unsuccessful. Mr. Kassel there, seems to be the man that Mr. Jacobs wants to run the Expansion Fund Campaign. He had declined, because as a friend of Dr. Wise, he felt sour about a number of things. Before the meeting was over, he promised me, however, to take on the Expansion Fund. I hope he does not back down. Perhaps you ought to follow it up immediately with Mr. Jacobs.

There was a tremendous JNF meeting at the Masonic Temple, with about 3,000 people present. There too, I tried to give a picture of the Congress to correct a number of misimpressions of the community.

cc-Dr. Silver, Rabbi Irving Miller.

ההסתדרות הציונית של ארצות הברית

# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA



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January 29, 1947

MEMORANDUM

TO: DR. SILVER

FROM: DR. GOLDSTEIN

Dr. Schwarzbart writes me that in London and here there are some circles agreed to organize a special group of so-called "Progressive Jewish Zionists". They will be in opposition to the General Zionist organization and probably, also, to the Confederation of General Zionists.

I thought you would be interested in knowing about this.

cc: Dr. Neumann  
Mr. Frisch  
Rabbi Irving Miller

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February 6, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a letter dated February 5, 1947  
which I sent to Dr. Stephen S. Wise.

I am addressing this letter to you as well. In fact, I  
should, perhaps, have sent it to you in the first place, because  
of your greater understanding of the problems of today and of  
your more forceful activities for the problems of the Jewish  
People. However, I was informed of the unique position Dr.  
Wise holds with the United States Government officials due to  
his age and past history.

Sincerely yours,

*Dr. Isaac Grunstein*  
Dr. Isaac Grunstein

Enclosure: 1

February 5, 1947

Dr. Stephen S. Wise  
91 Central Park West  
New York, New York

Dear Sir:

To those Jews who went through the last 30 years by personal experience in Europe, through wars, inflation, Hitler's rise, Gestapo, prisons and the "open arms" and empty words of the democracies, it is obviously clear that the near future will determine the fate not only of Palestine, but of all the Jewish people in the entire world for centuries to come.

It is impossible to understand why the American Jewish leaders evidently are unaware of this fact. Could it be because most of the Jewish leaders know about suffering and terror only through written reports and through the tales of the sufferings of others?

Let us look at the facts: Who have been the instigators and the real guilty ones for this tragedy of the whole world and of the Jews in particular?

Where are the real war criminals, whom evidently nobody dares to accuse? I shall try to tell you very briefly as far as I was able to see and observe myself during these crucial years between the two wars in Germany.

Almost immediately after World War I. the British purposely and deliberately helped Hitler to power. This was obviously clear and no secret in the Germany of the twenties. All that happened afterwards was only the logical and simple but terrible consequence of the machinations of British "society circles" some of whom I could observe myself in Berlin.

Therefore, the British are more guilty than Hitler and his followers: The British are responsible for World War II. as much as Hitler and are responsible also for the slaughter of millions of honest and innocent victims, Jews and Non-Jews alike.

February 5, 1947

Yes, the hands of the British are stained also with the blood of the innocent American boys whose torn bodies are strewn all over the globe -- basically to preserve British power.

As a physician who has seen too much I ask myself, what good did it do to save perhaps, a few thousand patients during a life time and to help mothers get their babies safely, when these same babies as grown-ups murdered our Fathers, Mothers and Sisters. What good is our work when the same class of greedy businessmen and the same stupid politicians are allowed to lay again the seeds for new massacres when the blood of the last slaughters was hardly dry, as we have seen twice now during our life time.

As to the Jewish question in particular: The tragedy of the sad happenings in Palestine and in the DP-Camps is the fact that the Jewish leadership, in my opinion, is more responsible for our fate than the murderous British. The Zionist leaders have had evidence enough to know the fact that the British have been the real promoters and helpers of Hitler. They have known what the British did to the Balfour Declaration -- as responsible and real leaders of a people who were murdered and gassed daily for years -- with the silent consent of the "democracies", who however, have been very much concerned about the fate of the Fascistic Poles -- it was their duty to force the British to give to the Jewish people irrevocable treaties for the National Home in Palestine at the time when the Nazis were at the British's throat in North Africa and Egypt.

As a man who knows War and Gestapo by personal experience, I am unable to believe that all the prominent Jewish men who were close to President Roosevelt and who are close to President Truman today could not have ~~achieved~~ <sup>secured</sup> a free Jewish Palestine if they sincerely and honestly wanted it. History will condemn them for the fact that they closed their ears and hearts at a time when the spilled blood of their brothers cried out to them from the earth. The fact that help is being given through money and food does not change this sad basic fact in the least.

What the Hour requires: Men of your standing should hurl these facts into the face of the British and American Governments. Our only weapon is the truth and it may be more effective today if properly used, than the bombs of the Jewish fighters in Palestine. You should accuse the British that they are the instigators of the misery of the world and the real war criminals, that they are more



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guilty than the hanged Nazis; that it is the British who have acquitted the German instigators Schacht and von Papen whom even the Germans consider as guilty. You should tell the whole story to the American Fathers and Mothers why their sons had to go to war and why so many of them did not return; you should tell them why, when the torn bodies of their sons have hardly found rest in their graves all over the world the British, for selfish purposes have been trying again to sow the seeds of new conflict in the world.

If you don't do that today it will be too late, not so much because of the other peoples who are by now simply "fed up" with the noise the Jews make, but because outstanding Jewish men in American public life obviously refuse to support the Jewish cause effectively, disregarding the lessons of the Jews in Germany.

Let us not make any mistake about the fact that the British will "restore order" and the "World" will find that only just after all, but- it will be the order of the cemetery for the Jewish people! This and nothing but this is what the British really want, because they have fully accepted Hitler's philosophy: the good Jews are the dead Jews. This is why they make our brothers and sisters perish in the D-P Camps with the shameful acquiescence of the American President and Government. And this is why they will not allow an independent Jewish State, with all its implications for the Middle East and for the World to grow. Justice in the true sense would be life for the Jewish People and for all the subjugated peoples of the world, -I agree, it may spell death to the British Empire and to all those who profit by human misery.

But there is no alternative, the burden cannot be taken off the shoulders of the Jewish leaders who need vision today more than ever in our history; and it seems to me that the opportunity of this fateful hour with Britain compelled to listen to the American Government will not return for a long, long time. מחנה צה"ל 745 10/10/48

The only practical way is to force the British through immediate action -not words- of the American Government. The weight and the authority of your word, in my opinion, is one of the main pillars for the survival of the Jewish People.

In the most difficult moments of the deciding conferences the Jewish leaders must again and again think of our six million slaughtered brothers and sisters:

Respectfully yours,

in fact never, if the situation of the Arabs in Palestine is further strengthened and stabilized.

Dr. Zach Grunstein

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
c/o The Temple  
East 105th at Ansel Road  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Owing to an erroneous impression concerning the proposed Brandeis Camp for the West Coast, which seems to prevail among some of our well meaning Zionist friends, I hasten to send you this letter giving you my views on the matter for whatever they may be worth.

I became the first chairman of the Zionist Youth Commission on the Pacific Coast in 1941 and served in that capacity for three years. Through this experience I came to know of the kind of work that was being done at the Brandeis Camp in the Pocono Mountains. After great difficulty we succeeded in sending a young lady named Shirley Pinkus from Los Angeles to the Camp. The result was sensational. She left here the usual ill-informed, self-hating Jewess. She came back one of the most well informed, most ardent and devoted Zionists that I have ever known.

In the years that followed I had the same experience with my own daughter, Joan Fligelman, who had a summer at the Camp with twelve other boys and girls. We have in each case had a repetition of the same identical experience.

You can well understand that the confidence that I and many others have in the Brandeis Camp is born of our own experience and in no sense is the result of conversation or hearsay. We know from what we have seen with our own eyes that the finest and most effective educational agency in all our Zionist experience is the Brandeis Camp. It seems to turn out with unfailing regularity young leaders who, in the amazingly short time that they live at the Camp, are imbued with an enthusiastic loyalty for Jewish life and Palestine. Uninformed, self-hating Jewish boys and girls are transformed by their Brandeis Camp experience into happy, proud, well-informed, self-respecting Jews.



Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
February 6, 1947  
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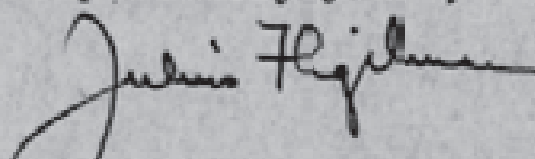
Right at this time there are three large synagogue drives concurrently being conducted in Los Angeles, in addition to the largest Welfare Fund drive in our history, and a campaign for \$1,500,000 for the Jewish Community Centers. Nevertheless, in spite of this huge competition for funds, a determined group of men and women, who have been deeply influenced by Dr. Bardin's ideas on the Brandeis Camp, have brought great pressure to bear on Herman Weisman to make Dr. Bardin available to the West Coast during the coming three or four weeks in order to awaken our apathetic communities to the need and the value of a Brandeis Camp in the West, and to lend assistance in actually securing funds. We have no executive director here to help us. We meet ignorant opposition on every hand, and with all the terrific competition due to the other campaigns that are now going on in our community, it will take heroic efforts and the hardest kind of work both day and night to raise the necessary money.

I am not in a position to predict what success we are going to have in our Brandeis Camp drive for the reasons which I have above stated. However, inasmuch as a strong nucleus of devoted and ardent men and women are willing to make the effort, it seems to me that the least that we can do is to give them all the help and all the cooperation we can toward the achievement of our very worthy goal. We are all of us to the last man completely sold on Dr. Bardin's ability to help us solve these problems. He has helped us already to interest not only many Zionists, but many important and influential non-Zionists in the Brandeis Camp Institute. If hard work and a long and arduous schedule of parlor meetings and banquets will do the job here on the Coast, I am sure we should make progress in our efforts.

I have gone to this considerable length in writing to you because I have felt that it is important that our top national leadership know right from the grass roots just what our experience has been and just how we feel about this important matter of Zionist youth education.

We shall be keeply grateful for any assistance that you can give us.

Respectfully yours,

  
Julius Fligelman

JF:mb

N. Y. Feb 1/47

Drable Hill School  
Cleveland  
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Dear Doctor:

How can we  
prevent the present situation  
in Palestine with a possible  
massacre by the British  
when our ~~own~~ government  
is 100% in ~~contact~~ with the  
English.

Besides, we all know  
that the Standard oil companies  
are really the ones responsible  
for making American foreign  
policy in Palestine.


Dont you think that we  
here should wage a

attention away from  
him. I hope we will  
refuse any more of this  
blood money from him.

The fight must be  
made here in America  
if we are to succeed  
& especially against  
Standard Oil.

Yours sincerely  
Herman Goldhamer  
86 Ft. Washington

campaign not to buy  
British goods and also  
Standard oil companies  
products.

John D. Rockefeller Jr in  
many peoples minds was  
the one most responsible  
for the complete co-operation  
of America with the British  
Palestine  as share of  
Arabian oil, permitted by  
England for a free hand  
in Palestine.

Not long ago you may  
remember John D. Junior gave  
\$100,000 to United Jewish  
appeal which was a  
very neat way of turning

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Sidney Marks

FROM: Dr. Israel Goldstein

February 10, 1947

With reference to your memo of February 6 I quite appreciate your distress at the many demands made upon the ZOA funds. Nevertheless it is my duty to request those funds, to which the ZOA through its leadership has committed itself, in some cases specifically, in other cases in principle, during the sessions in Basle.

Our \$25,000 contribution to the World Confederation budget as well as our undertaking to conduct the office here, has been voted on by the Inner Committee, so that there is no question about it.

On the question of our contributing to the European General Zionists, who are in need of relief, you recall that we decided at the meeting of the Inner Committee in January to wait one month before we determine the amount.

The ZOA delegation in Basle agreed in principle to it and mentioned the amount of \$25,000. The sentiment there was to give it, and I myself raised the question that we ought to wait and see the condition of the Expansion Fund, but we know that something has to be done.

When I consented to take on the chairmanship of the Confederation I made it clear to Dr. Neumann and Mr. Frisch, and I think I also spoke about it to Dr. Silver, that it is the toughest kind of assignment, but that I am undertaking it as a service to the ZOA, because I believe that it will redound to the prestige of the ZOA.

Even if we make these funds available, it is still a very difficult task, as anyone close to it can realize. Nevertheless I think a good deal can be done this year. If you are following what I am trying to do since coming back from Basle, you know that I am working hard at it, and there is a fair chance that things may begin to stir.

As to the Hadassah contribution beyond the \$10,000 I would not worry too much about it at this time. You must remember that Hadassah is much newer in it than we are, and during the past year there has been some irritation in ZOA-Hadassah relations, which will take a little time to smooth out. The fact that they are making available some funds is something, and the fact that they are giving personal attention to some of these things, is also something. They claim that they have no Expansion Fund as we have, and I think we would be in the same position if we would have no Expansion Fund. Nevertheless I believe that, as they get more and more involved in this enterprise, they will find additional funds.

IG:km

CC: Dr. Silver ✓  
Dr. Neumann  
Rabbi Miller  
Mr. Frisch



February 11, 1947

Mr. Julius Fligelman  
Los Angeles Period Furniture Mfg. Co.  
1838 East Santa Barbara Ave.  
Los Angeles 11, California

My dear Mr. Fligelman:

Thank you for your kind letter of February 8 which I read with a great deal of interest. I am happy to learn that you have had such satisfactory personal experience with the Brandeis Camp for your own daughter and that you have had an opportunity to observe the very fine influence which it exerts upon the young men and women who attend the camp. We have had such reactions from many parts of the country and we look upon the Brandeis Camp activity as one of the finest in our program of youth activities.

We have, however, been confronted with a number of problems in connection with the efforts now being made in two or three parts of the country to establish new Brandeis camps. The campaigns organized to raise funds for these camps interfere with the campaign launched by the Zionist Organization of America for the Expansion Fund. As you know, the Expansion Fund appropriates a very substantial sum of money to the work of the Youth Commission -- Young Judea, Masada and youth work on the campuses -- besides the numerous other educational and propaganda activities of the ZOA which involve great expense for which the income from dues received by the ZOA is far from adequate. Thus, when the energy of Zionist leadership in a given locality is drained off into a special campaign for as worthy a project as a Brandeis Camp, the fact reflects itself in serious shrinkage in the Expansion Fund.

We have been hoping for a substantial contribution from Los Angeles to the Expansion Fund. It was very inadequate last year, and I do not know what the prospects are this year.

Dr. Bardin, as you know, is the director of the Youth Commission. As such, he must devote himself to the activities of all the youth groups. When he absents himself from his office for a week's time on the work of the Brandeis Camp, his other work is bound to suffer. We are now making an effort to engage an assistant director so as to insure the successful carrying on of our full program while Dr. Bardin is absent from the city. This would involve an additional financial burden for the Youth Commission and the ZOA. We are very happy to note the great interest developed in the expansion of Brandeis camps, but

Mr. Fligelman

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Feb. 11, 1947

we must also think in terms of the total youth program as well as the total program of ZOa activities which is supported by the the Expansion Fund. I would be very grateful if you would interest yourself and your friends also in this vital project.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



S. M.  
~~PAID~~ GREENBERG, D. D. S.  
815 DUMONT AVENUE  
BROOKLYN, N. Y.  
TEL. DICKENS 6-4144

Feb 11, 1947

Dear Mr. Kerner:

Several weeks ago at the J. O. A. rally at Manhattan Center you set forth the new militant policy of the Executive Board elected at the recent Zionist Congress at Basel, Switzerland. It was a policy that made me, as a young nationalist Jew, proud of the fact that I am a member of the Zionist Organization of America. You pleaded at this time for a chance to prove the effectiveness of this policy on the British.

The British activities of the past few days, consummated by their insulting and outrageous "Compromise Plan" is evidence of the futility of carrying on diplomatic negotiations with them. It is now apparent, in light of these recent events, that there is but one avenue open to us, and that the pledge made by you at the New York Rally, must now be fulfilled. It was to the effect that should negotiations fail, the world would unite in a Palestine united in its efforts to achieve its aims.

It is time, ~~Bro~~ Silver, for the union  
of all factions in Eretz Israel. The military  
strength of the Haganah must join with  
the courageous Irgun and Stern groups  
and under the responsible leadership of the  
Jewish Agency the strength of the  
Yishuv can be used to the best advantage  
for coordinated, disciplined action.

Since the world refuses the poor persecuted  
remnants of our people a fair chance for  
survival, let us unite in our efforts, and like  
the massacres of old and the persecutions of our  
own American Revolution, drive the tyrants  
from our soil!

Respectfully yours,  
Saul H. Gensberg.

אגודת הציונים בארצות הברית

# ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA



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

February 11, 1947

To All Members of the  
National Administrative Council

Dear Friends:

The National Administrative Council of the Zionist Organization of America will hold its second meeting of the year at the Keystone Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Sunday, March 2nd, at 1:00 P.M. This most important meeting will include in its agenda, among others, the following items:

The important problem of coordinating the different demands made by the various Appeals within the Zionist scene, the American Jewish Conference, American Zionism in World Zionist Leadership, Membership and Expansion Funds.

Of particular interest to those attending will be a confidential report on political activities in this country, London and Jerusalem. This portion of the session may be closed to the public, depending upon the considered judgment of the Chair in the light of the pending political situation.

Please note your intention to be present on the enclosed self-addressed postcard.

Kindest personal regards.

Most cordially yours,

Daniel Frisch, Chairman  
National Administrative Council

Dr. Sidney Marks  
Executive Director

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
New York

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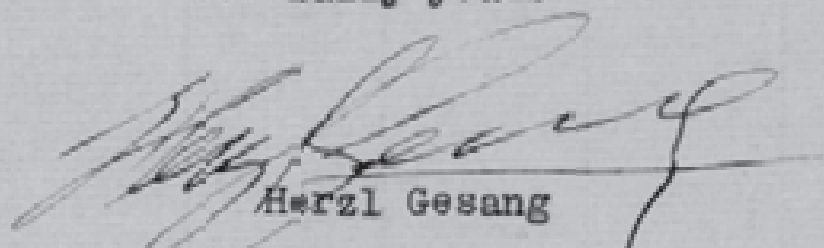
You probably know the Zionist weekly "El Estado  
Judio", which we send you regularly.

As our publication is reaching successfully his  
first anniversary, we beg to ask you kindly to send us a  
message with your impressions of it, so that it may be  
read at the special meeting of the editorial staff to ce-  
lebrate the above mentioned event, giving us an encourage-  
ment for our future work.

We shall be greatly obliged if the message rea-  
ches us before the end of this month.

Thanking you in advance, we remain

cordially yours

  
Herzl Gesang  
Secretary-Editor

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To Mr. Goodman

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I am interested to know the outcome of  
your negotiations with Mr. Weinberg.  
Kindest regards

A. H. Silver

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# UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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February 18, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
Zionist Organization of America  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York City

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sure you will agree that one of my primary tasks in the United Palestine Appeal should be the effort to secure the maximum cooperation of all Zionist forces in the UJA campaign in which Palestine has such a huge stake. In the days when you were Chairman of the UPA there was probably borne in upon you as there is being borne in upon me now the importance of registering an impressive Zionist contribution to the UJA picture both on the national and the local levels. Since it is my good fortune to enjoy excellent relations with the ZOA as well as with the other Zionist bodies, I am hopeful that good results may ensue from this effort not only as a one time demonstration but as a continuous program.

Obviously the ZOA, under your leadership will set the pace. The enclosed memorandum containing a number of specific suggestions are submitted for your consideration and, I trust, your approval. No doubt you will want to add some suggestions of your own. It would be greatly helpful if you would issue instructions to Dr. Marks about these matters at your earliest convenience so that the UJA campaign now commencing may benefit as soon as possible.

One other request I should like to make of you. You are, as you have been, the most sought after speaker for campaign dinners. Realizing how heavy are your burdens, I hesitate to impose an additional burden. Yet even if it were only six or eight addresses, it would be enough to constitute a valuable contribution to the campaign and a significant indication of

*They Must Never Be Homeless Again*

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

Zionist cooperation on the highest level. I am sure  
you will want to render this extra service for the  
benefit of Palestine and of European Jewry.

With every good wish, I am

Cordially yours,

*Israel Goldstein*

Israel Goldstein  
National Chairman

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York 17, N.Y.

M E M O R A N D U M

Date: February 13, 1947

To: Dr. Israel Goldstein

From: Harry Seave

You will recall our conversation with regard to the mobilization of all Zionist energies and publicity media in behalf of the U.J.A. campaign. I would like to make the following suggestions as preliminary steps to develop a complete understanding of the campaign among Zionists throughout the country.

1. A letter from the President of the Z.O.A. to its membership in all the communities, similar to the one sent to the membership in Miami, a copy of which is attached. This can either be sent to the total Z.O.A. membership at one time or sent to each community as the campaign in that community begins to take shape.

2. A directive from the President of the Z.O.A. to the Chairmen of each District calling for the organization of a committee of the District to be made up of its most responsible leaders who would offer their services to the local Welfare Fund and be responsible for the supervision and coordination of Zionist cooperation with the Welfare Fund. Such a committee could be termed "Committee on the United Palestine Appeal" or "Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ Welfare Fund", etc.

3. A directive to all Presidents of the Districts, publicity chairmen, and all those who have something to do with the issuance of local and regional Zionist publications, that the U.P.A. and its stake in the \$170 million campaign be given wide coverage and that it be indicated to the Zionist membership that this is one of the first responsibilities of all Zionists, both in terms of work and in terms of giving.

4. A directive to all regional chairmen that adequate time be set aside at Regional Conferences and Conventions for a complete discussion and promotion of the campaign.

5. A directive to all District Program Chairmen that plans should immediately be initiated for one or more meetings to be devoted solely to a discussion and promotion of the U.J.A.

February 20, 1947

Mr. Herzl Cesang, Secretary-Editor  
El Estado Judio  
Federacion Sionista Argentina  
Cangallo 2134  
Buenos Aires, Argentina

My dear Mr. Cesang:

I understand that your publication, "El Estado Judio" is soon to reach its first anniversary. I have been receiving this fine Zionist weekly regularly and I have been reading it with much pleasure. Permit me to congratulate you upon this anniversary and to wish you increasing success and effectiveness in the years to come. The countries of Latin America are becoming increasingly more important to the Zionist Movement for many reasons, but especially for the fact that the whole Palestine issue is now coming up for discussion and decision before the United Nations. It is of utmost importance that the countries of Latin America understand the justice of our cause and that their representatives in UNO shall back up our historic rights and help the Jewish people carry on with the upbuilding of the Jewish National home. In this work of education and the winning of friends for our cause, a periodical such as yours can play a significant role.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

February 20, 1947

Mr. Saul N. Greenberg  
615 Dumont Ave.  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Greenberg:

Thank you for your thoughtfulness  
in writing to me. I very much have in mind all  
that you say in your letter, and we are trying  
to bring about unity in all of our work.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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ADON

February 27, 1947

Off the Record

Mr. Frank Cohen  
521 Fifth Avenue  
New York 17, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Cohen:

Thank you for your last communication of February 14th as well as for all previous ones.

It is reassuring to know that there are men like you who have such a lucid and consistent point of view as regards the role of General Zionism and in particular of American General Zionism in Palestine.

I am moved to drop you this note because I believe that on the matter of "One More Palestine Commission" there is confusion as between the general desiderata of strengthening the influence of American General Zionism with the specific recommendation that a Commission be appointed "representative of all groups in American Zionism, etc., etc.," which in my judgment, would defeat the very purpose we are fighting for.

All groups, except those representing the General Zionists in America, become subservient to the party interest at any International Congress or Conference. In other words, it means that as soon as party delegates are elected or selected, they no longer reflect anything that has to do with the American point of view as applied to Zionism, but rather to the party line which they must follow as if by supreme command.

I call this to your attention in the hope that you will see the implications of the suggestion which would throw us off the track and retard rather than accelerate the direction of affairs in Palestine by Americans.

What is actually needed is not a Commission, but rather the implementation of the idea that the spokesman for American Zionism representing as it does five million Jews, chiefly represented by the ZOA, be given proper representation in the direction of Zionist affairs in Palestine to the end that we end or at least reduce substantially party strife and one party dictatorship, as they reflect themselves in the present situation there, which is not, by the way, the "schlussel system" bad as it may be, but rather an abuse thereof.

With best of good wishes, I am

Most cordially yours,

DF:dh

Daniel Frisch

dictated but not read



Office of the Rabbi  
270 WEST 89TH STREET

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CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN

NEW YORK 24, N. Y.

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March 3, 1947

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wish I could have been at the meeting of the Administrative Council in Pittsburgh last Sunday, but having been away for a whole week in the interest of ZOA and UJA I just could not get away again on Sunday.

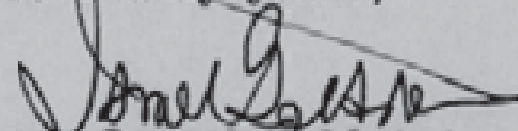
It is most heartening for me to learn of your remarks regarding the Confederation of General Zionists. Our Zionists -God bless them- need a good deal of education on the subject, but if we persist, I think we can educate them.

I trust that you had an opportunity to see something of Mr. Karpman who, it seems to me, is developing nicely in administering the executive responsibilities of the daily work.

With regard to Hadassah we have something of a problem, as there is among some of the leaders a feeling of restraint regarding the Confederation, but I am hopeful that they will warm up to it. They made the first encouraging step in voting ~~for~~ \$5,000 for the organizational budget in addition to the \$10,000 they pledged in Basle.

With all good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

  
Dr. Israel Goldstein

DANIEL FRISCH  
300 CENTRAL PARK WEST  
APT. 5H  
NEW YORK CITY

March 3, 1947

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The enclosed letter is self-explanatory. The check that was enclosed therewith was duly deposited.

This man is a prominent and wealthy Indianapolis attorney. I think he will become quite an asset to us as time goes on.

After his first contribution, I sent you his letter and you sent him a note of acknowledgment.

May I suggest that you do so again and that you make it as intimate and as warm as you possibly can.

Incidentally, the second paragraph of his letter may be (?) a good quotation for The New Palestine News Reporter.

With best of good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Daniel Frisch*

Daniel Frisch

DF:dh-  
encl.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York City

MEMORANDUM

March 5, 1947

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
FROM: Dr. Israel Goldstein

May I have your reaction to the enclosed memorandum.

IG:CL  
Encl.



March 8, 1947

Dr. Israel Goldstein  
270 W. 89th St.  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Goldstein:

I read the memorandum of Ellis Radinsky with reference to the relationship between the Expansion Fund and the local Welfare Funds. I do not believe that the situation is of such seriousness as to call for any action. The few communities where the problem has arisen may well be permitted to make their own decisions.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:FK



# ORGANISATION DES SIONISTES GENERAUX DE FRANCE

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PARIS, le 3 avril 1947

Monsieur le Docteur Silver  
41 EAST  
42 Street  
New-York City  
c/o Zionist Organisation

*Handwritten: Frank*  
Cher Président,

Nous avons l'avantage de porter à votre connaissance, que notre organisation se fera un plaisir d'entrer en contact avec vous et continuer d'entretenir des relations fraternelles, conformément à notre désir du passé.

Veuillez trouver notre manifeste lequel vous donnera les raisons de notre existence et le programme de notre travail.

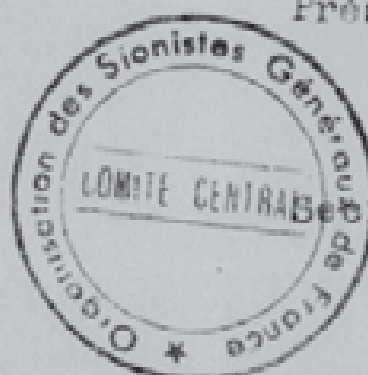
Nous serons heureux de vous lire sous peu et vous prions de croire, Cher ami, l'expression de nos salutations sionistes les meilleures.

Président:

*Handwritten signature of Marcel Bernfeld*  
Me Marcel Bernfeld

Secrétaire Général:

*Handwritten signature of Abbé Kassas*  
Me Abbé Kassas



Note: Ci-joint, copie de la lettre adressée à la Confédération Mondiale des Sionistes Généraux à Tel-Aviv, New-York et Londres.



# ORGANISATION DES SIONISTES GÉNÉRAUX DE FRANCE

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## A TOUS LES SIONISTES DE FRANCE !

Nous soussignés pensons qu'il est de notre devoir d'adresser à l'opinion sioniste de France et du monde entier l'appel suivant :

Le mouvement démocratique des sionistes généraux de France, facteur essentiel de travail sioniste dans tous les domaines et qui déjà avant la guerre représentait un lien vivant avec l'Eretz en reconstruction, a dû faire face dernièrement à une crise intérieure très grave.

Certains éléments, dont l'activité sioniste avant la guerre était insignifiante ou qui n'ont même pas fait partie du mouvement des sionistes généraux, ont voulu dernièrement imposer leurs volontés, ne reculant pour cela devant aucun moyen.

Leurs agissements peu loyaux et très peu sionistes ont eu pour effet de provoquer l'anarchie et la division au sein de l'organisation sioniste de France.

La plupart des Haverim de Paris ne participent plus à l'action sioniste ; les sections de province sont divisées ou sans vie.

Les sionistes généraux qui avaient pour but essentiel une collaboration étroite avec les forces constructives et démocratiques en vue de la réédification de la vie juive et de la lutte pour Eretz Israël, se trouvent de par ces agissements amoindris dans leur action et atteints dans leur prestige.

Notre volonté de contribuer au relèvement du judaïsme en France et notre désir de participer à la lutte incessante pour l'établissement d'un Etat juif en Palestine, le danger grave qui plane actuellement sur ce pays et les difficultés extraordinaires que rencontre notre mouvement par suite de la méconnaissance de nos droits, nous font un devoir impérieux de ne pas abandonner le combat, mais d'agir en vue d'un assainissement total par l'éloignement définitif du mouvement de tous les éléments nuisibles.

A cet effet, nous entendons fixer certains principes dont l'application s'est révélée indispensable, à savoir :

1°) Notre dévouement inlassable pour le mouvement sioniste ne doit plus être un tremplin permettant à certains individus de faire à tout prix leur carrière ou d'occuper des places dont ils ne sont pas dignes.

2°) Que le recrutement des fonctionnaires soit opéré avec discernement et que soient écartés les ambitieux et les gens sans scrupules qui ne pensent qu'à leur propre intérêt.

Leur devoir est de travailler pour le sionisme et non de passer leur temps à nouer des intrigues et à empêcher les éléments honnêtes, sincères et désintéressés de se manifester.

C'est donc une épuration sévère que nous exigeons tant à l'égard des éléments visés ci-dessus, qu'à l'égard de ceux qui, pour des motifs de haines personnelles, les soutiennent aveuglément.

C'est basée sur les principes ci-dessus, et sur l'attachement profond et désintéressé au peuple juif et à la Palestine qu'une **Organisation des Sionistes Généraux de France, Histradruth Hatzionim, Maklailim Bazerlath** vient d'être instituée, dont le but est de soutenir énergiquement dans tous les domaines : moral, intellectuel, économique et financier, le mouvement sioniste tendant à la reconstitution de l'Etat juif en Palestine.

Nous apporterons bien entendu tout notre concours à la Confédération Européenne et à la Confédération Mondiale des Sionistes Généraux, mais dans l'esprit qui nous anime et pour autant seulement qu'elles seront dirigées par des éléments sains et honnêtes.

Nous avons mis au courant de notre action les organismes supérieurs sionistes de Paris, Jérusalem, Londres et New-York.

Ayant ainsi fixé notre position, il importe de faire connaître **notre programme**.

Nous travaillerons en premier lieu inlassablement et méthodiquement en faveur de nos grands fonds : le Keren Kayemeth et le Keren Hayessod. Nous établirons des relations étroites avec nos frères des autres pays et en particulier avec ceux de Palestine et les institutions palestiniennes.

Nous aiderons plus spécialement les Kibboutzim. Nous contribuerons à la création de nouveaux kibboutzim et à la prospérité des anciens notamment de ceux du Neguev.

Nous donnerons tout notre appui à l'expansion de la jeunesse juive et à la création d'une aviation juive.

Nous nous efforcerons d'établir des liens plus étroits entre la France et la Palestine par des voyages d'études ou d'agrément, par des échanges de professeurs et étudiants, par l'organisation d'expositions et par l'encouragement des rapports commerciaux et économiques.

Nous propagerons la grande idée de libération du peuple juif par la création de l'Etat juif en Palestine et tâcherons d'obtenir, comme nous l'avons fait jusqu'ici, mais sur une échelle encore plus importante, l'appui et la sympathie de la démocratie française.

Nous continuerons à entretenir ou à créer des relations d'amitié avec toutes les organisations sionistes et toutes les organisations juives de France ; nous provoquerons des rencontres et des manifestations fraternelles communes et agirons ensemble pour des buts précis.

Nous contribuerons de toutes nos forces à la création à Paris et dans le reste de la France d'une ambiance d'amitié et de fraternité juive et sioniste ; nous nous emploierons à mettre fin au système néfaste des cloisons étanches qui sévit particulièrement entre les diverses organisations politiques sionistes.

La jeunesse juive et sioniste, et plus spécialement la jeunesse estudiantine, ne sera pas ignorée et nous nous souviendrons des jeunes sionistes qui, au péril de leur vie, ont travaillé dans la résistance.

Nous apporterons tout notre concours aux œuvres d'assistance et de solidarité juives, aux associations de défense du peuple juif ; à toutes celles qui luttent contre l'antisémitisme et le racisme, aux associations d'anciens internés et déportés ; aux organisations pour le développement intellectuel, moral et artistique du peuple juif et propagerons la connaissance de l'histoire du peuple juif et de l'hébreu.

Nous continuerons à développer en outre des contacts étroits et amicaux avec tous les partis politiques français et avec toutes les associations françaises qui luttent en faveur de la démocratie, de la paix et de la liberté.

Nous serons à tout moment aux côtés des peuples opprimés. Nous soutiendrons toutes initiatives inspirées par l'esprit de paix, de liberté et de justice.

A l'égard de l'Allemagne nous aurons une attitude bien nette.

Nous réclamerons que toutes mesures soient arrêtées pour que l'Allemagne soit mise hors d'état de nuire et ce dans le but d'assurer la sécurité complète et définitive de la France, dans l'intérêt de la paix universelle et dans celui du peuple juif.

Nous appuierons avec une particulière énergie les émouvantes initiatives que nous avons prises pour rappeler la mémoire des six millions de juifs assassinés par les Allemands et consistant à faire proclamer une journée universelle de deuil et de jeûne pour les juifs du monde entier ; à élever un monument en Palestine sous la forme d'une forêt de six millions d'arbres sur les terrains du Keren Kayemeth ; à jeter l'interdit sur l'Allemagne ; à réclamer à l'Allemagne une indemnité pour le peuple juif ; à faire en sorte qu'il n'y ait plus de juifs apatrides.

Nous voulons qu'un souffle nouveau anime notre mouvement ; qu'un élan magnifique emporte toutes les couches du peuple juif de France et des autres pays pour aboutir à la reconstitution de l'Etat juif républicain et démocratique en Palestine.

Nous réclamerons le droit à la vie, et une patrie pour le peuple juif !

Le monde entier sera en admiration devant l'œuvre accomplie en Eretz Israël par les juifs venus de tous les coins de la terre.

C'est avec le même enthousiasme que celui qui nous souleva à la Libération que l'Organisation des Sionistes Généraux de France poursuivra son activité sioniste.

Ainsi, nous avons la ferme conviction que la France, terre du droit de la liberté, de l'égalité et de la fraternité, où notre immortel chef Théodore Herzl a écrit il y a cinquante-et-un ans l'Etat juif où d'illustres chefs sionistes tels que Max Nordau et Alexandre Marmorek ont déployé une activité d'un retentissement universel ; où de grands juifs tels que Adolphe Crémieux, Charles Netter, Edmond de Rothschild, le grand rabbin Zedok Kahn, Bernard Lazare se sont illustrés dans la vie juive et sioniste, tiendra le premier rang dans le mouvement sioniste en Europe.

Venez tous dans nos rangs !

**Formons la grande et belle organisation des Sionistes Généraux de France !**

Soyons des milliers et des milliers !

En avant pour la paix, pour la liberté et pour la justice, pour la reconstitution de l'Etat juif en Palestine.

Vive la France !

Vive le peuple juif !

**Soyons tous ensemble dans la lutte pour des lendemains meilleurs.**

Signatures des membres du Comité Central, local et de province suivent :

*Président* : M<sup>r</sup> Marcel Bernfeld, avocat à la Cour.

*Vice-Président* : Docteur Joseph Fodiman

*Secrétaire général* : M<sup>r</sup> Abbé Kaças, Docteur en Droit.

*Secrétaire général-adjoint* : M. Rumei Schleider.

*Trésoriers* : MM. Guenkine et Leib Pourinson.

MM. Goldberg, Smulovici, Isaac Zalcberg, Vice-Président du Comité de Paris, Torontchik, Président de la section de Nice, Brawerma, Zylterbaum, Jonas Chuna, Gromann, Wicher, Langsam, Grynspan, Epstein, Sijovesse, de la section de Vierzon, Julien Wainer.

2 avril

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Confédération Mondiale des  
Sionistes Généraux  
P. O. B. 1935  
Tel-Aviv

Chers amis,

Depuis plusieurs mois, nous, Sionistes Généraux de France existons sous ledit nom et exerçons une activité dans l'intérêt et pour le bien-être du Sionisme.

Nous vous joignons notre manifeste, lequel vous donnera les raisons de notre existence et le programme de notre travail.

Voulant faire partie intégrante de la Confédération Mondiale des Sionistes Généraux, nous vous prions d'enregistrer notre adhésion et de nous faire parvenir toutes vos instructions ainsi que matériel de propagande concernant le Yishov, afin de faciliter notre tâche pour la réalisation de l'oeuvre palestinienne.

Nous vous remercions par anticipation et dans l'attente de vous lire, vous prions d'agréer, Chers Amis, l'expression de nos salutations sionistes les meilleures.

Président;

Me Marcel Bernfeld

Secrétaire Général;

Me Abbé Kaças

Memorandum

April 7, 1947

*Dr. Goldstein*  
To: Dr. Neumann  
From: Dr. Goldstein

There is an additional reason for having the ZOA Convention early in July. In view of the two-year shekel decision, we shall have to make a large shekel drive quite apart from our membership drive. The only time to do it would be in the closing two months of 1947. It should be a large-scale mobilization. In view of that we ought to get our convention out of the way as soon as possible and permit at least a strong beginning of the membership effort to be made September and October, leaving November and December for the shekel action. We know from experience now, how important the shekel campaign is with reference to our future strength at the Congress. If the two-year shekel decision sticks, then the crucial period is 1947 and it so happens that our relative advantage over the other parties is strong just now.



**JACOB A. FINE**

REAL ESTATE

675 EIGHTH AVENUE

AT 42ND STREET

NEW YORK 18, N. Y.

April 16, 1947

Dr. Sidney Marks  
Zionist Organization of America  
41 E. 42nd Street  
New York, 17, New York

AMS  
4/17/47  
[initials]

Dear Dr. Marks:

You may recall that the undersigned introduced quite a few new members into the Z. O. A.

I was tempted to write this letter on learning of the execution of Gruner and his associates, which came as such a shock at this time.

This execution must have stirred the souls of our people, and something must be done to give vent to those feelings, though there is a feeling of futility.

However, I think that the Z. O. A. or the Jewish Agency should, at this time, hold a public trial, at which Great Britain, with its double dealing and its shameful betrayal of its promises, should be duly prosecuted, and the entire matter be again brought to the open.

Such a public trial at a large place with adequate publicity and representative counsel would focus the world's attention to these tragic conditions. It might give our people an opportunity to give expression to all these pent up emotions.

Very truly yours,

*Jacob A. Fine*  
Jacob A. Fine

JAF:mls



FRANK GINBERG  
32 BROADWAY  
NEW YORK 4, N.Y.

April 16th 1947.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, President  
Zionist Organization of America  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York 17, New York

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4/17/47  
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My dear Rabbi:

The latest outrage perpetrated by an amoral and incompetent Colonial Administration in executing four Jewish boys must come as a grievous shock to all sincere Zionists.

The tragedy is heightened by the fact that our major Zionist organizations cannot entirely disclaim responsibility for this bold act. I refer to the hysterical campaigns that have been carried on in this country by some of our most distinguished Zionists against so-called terrorists and which undoubtedly gave courage to the contemptible officials who masquerade as authority.

It is obvious that this event will have serious repercussions in Zionist circles in this country. It is also clear that the rank and file, one of whom I have the honor to be, must look to leadership capable of forceful action.

It is indeed time that the type of Zionist who is unable to distinguish between his left and right arms, shall give way and that leadership shall not become the vested interest of a select few, whether it be here or elsewhere.

I do hope that this calamity will not pass merely with the expression of statements of indignation, telegrams, mass meetings and the usual inept and emotional signs of our grief and that we will learn that history is never made entirely by speeches.

With Zion's Greetings,

Sincerely yours,

  
Frank Ginberg.

19 Rahway Road  
Millburn,  
New Jersey.

JOSEPH W. GREENLEAF  
312 HAWTHORNE TERRACE  
MT. VERNON, N. Y.

May 7th  
1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
% American Zionist Emergency Council  
342 Madison Avenue  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The enclosure will give you a  
good idea of how our leading Zionists are thinking  
these days.

Sincerely

Joseph W. Greenleaf

JWG:EB  
Enc.

DR. HARRY A. GOLDEN  
OPTOMETRIST  
439 SPRUCE ST. SCRANTON, PA.  
TELEPHONE 38888

May 29, 1947.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
President of the  
Zionist Org. of America,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The officers and membership of the Scranton Zionist District are fully acquainted with the efforts of our National Officers and realize to what extent the bearing of the whole tree depends on it's many branches. Working within the local Zionist Emergency Council, we are doing everything possible to strengthen the whole movement and the awareness of our people and the Christian community of this district to the importance of action at this historic moment. We are following orders implicitly as they come from headquarters, and, moreover, we are taking whatever steps our local leadership feel advisable to supplement action on the National level and implement this action in our local area.

We are cognizant of the brilliant leadership of our Zionist movement in America and in the Jewish Agency, and we know of their trials and sacrifices in our cause. Therefore, Dr. Silver, please be assured that the Scranton Zionist District is 100% with you and will stay in this fight for justice and add more weight by increased membership until our people have received the recognition as a Nation that is due us.

Sincerely,

President of Scranton District

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YOU CAN BE AVAILABLE FOR SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS IN NEXT FEW WEEKS:

= ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN.

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May 29, 1947

Dr. Israel Goldstein  
270 W. 89th Street  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Goldstein:

I believe that the enclosed letter ought to receive the attention of our General Zionist organization. You may wish to talk to Dr. Bernstein first and find out whether there are any certificates available for any chalutzim at this time. You may also wish to take the matter up with friends in Palestine.

In writing to Dr. Buss, please tell him that I have requested you, as President of the World General Zionist Confederation, to look into the matter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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JACQUES TORCZYNER, 3ECY ZIONIST DIST

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THE UNDERSIGNED INVITE YOUR COOPERATION TO BRING THE FOLLOWING TO THE ATTENTION OF YOUR ZIONIST DISTRICT TO ASSURE FREE EXPRESSION AND UNRESTRICTED DEMOCRATIC ACTION AT THE CONVENTION OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA TO BE HELD IN NEW YORK, JULY FOURTH: QUOTE: TO ALL AMERICAN ZIONISTS: THE 50TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN NEW YORK ON JULY 4TH. IT IS MEETING AT A TIME WHEN MOMENTOUS ISSUES, INVOLVING THE CHARACTER OF OUR MOVEMENT AND THE VERY FUTURE OF PALESTINE, ARE AT STAKE. AT NO TIME HAS IT BEEN SO ESSENTIAL TO MAINTAIN THE INTEGRITY OF THE ORGANIZATION, ITS DEMOCRATIC CHARACTER, AND THE FREE EXPRESSION OF OPINION WITHOUT LET OR HINDRANCE BY ANY ADMINISTRATIVE RESTRICTIONS. DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS WE HAVE BECOME INCREASINGLY CONCERNED WITH THE TENDENCY IN THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION WHICH ALLOWS ONE ADMINISTRATION VIRTUALLY TO APPOINT OR DESIGNATE ITS OWN SUCCESSORS, CONTRARY TO EVERY DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLE; AND TO USE THE ADMINISTRATIVE MACHINERY TO THAT END, CONTRARY TO ALL PRINCIPLES OF CIVIL SERVICE. UNFORTUNATELY, ZIONIST CONVENTIONS HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO MASS MEETINGS AND DEMONSTRATIONS OF ASSENT, AND THROUGH CONTROLS FROM ABOVE HAVE CEASED TO BE DELIBERATIVE ASSEMBLIES FOR THE DETERMINATION OF ZIONIST ISSUES AND THE ELECTION OF AN

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ADMINISTRATION TRULY REFLECTING THE VIEWS OF THE RANK AND FILE.

DEEPLY DEPLORING THIS STATE OF AFFAIRS IN OUR MOVEMENT, WE  
FORMER PRESIDENTS OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA,  
BELONGING TO NO SINGLE PARTY OR GROUP, HOLDING DIFFERENT OPINIONS  
ON MANY ZIONIST QUESTIONS, APPEAL TO THE ZIONISTS OF AMERICA TO SEND  
TO THE CONVENTION DELEGATES UNINSTRUCTED, UNBOUND, UNCOMMITTED TO  
ANY GROUP OR FACTION, AND UNPLEDGED TO ANY CANDIDATE OR LIST OF  
OFFICERS, LEAVING TO THE DELEGATES THEMSELVES, THROUGH THEIR OWN  
UNCONTROLLED COMMITTEES, THE FULL AND FREE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT SUCH  
AN ADMINISTRATION AS MAY BEST SERVE THE INTERESTS OF THE ZIONIST  
MOVEMENT. UNQUOTE.

SOLOMON GOLDMAN EDMUND I KAUFMANN  
LOUIS E LEVINthal LOUIS LIPSKY  
MORRIS ROTHENBERG ROBERT SZOLD  
STEPHEN S WISE

1130P

**JULIUS H. FUNK**

1228 WASHINGTON AVENUE  
ST. LOUIS 3, MO.

AIRMAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
41 E. 42nd Street,  
New York 17, N. Y.

June 5, 1947

My dear Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver:

I was indeed happy to receive your very personal letter of June 3rd. What I am going to say in this letter is not because I am desirous of being complimentary. While I do not know you intimately enough and you do not know me, therefore, it is difficult for you to judge me; but, I certainly am in a better position to judge you from all of your accomplishments.

In all the years I have worked in different organization work and raised funds, I have never considered that anyone deserved any thanks for doing something for our people, I have always felt it a duty. Of all the people that I wanted to be of service to, I was in hopes of accomplishing a great deal under your leadership and during your administration of office. Somehow or other, I just look upon you as a most sincere person, one who is willing to give all of his life and everything that he can personally give on behalf of our people.

While I hope to accomplish my job before the year is over, I really feel bad that I have been unable to do anything up to now. First, UJA started very early and is still in progress due to the fact so many of our wealthy people and so many of our middle class people did not do their share. It looks like we have gotten away from our people so far, that we have become selfish and we have accepted luxuries for ourselves as a necessity and do not even want to give our people the bare necessities.

On top of all of that, my personal business has been off since December 1st of last year and I have had to be closer to my own desk than I have been in years. In fact, I work to all hours of the night to give me some time for some organization work during the day time.

When I meet up with some of the old time Zionist leaders, the element that believes in rule or ruin, and when I hear them say they are not Silverites, I ask them or rather tell them that they certainly must refer to the fact that they do not belong to the Silver Shirt, for certainly, I fail to see how any sincere Zionist can help from admiring you for what you have done for our people in general and for Zionism especially.

**JULIUS H. FUNK**

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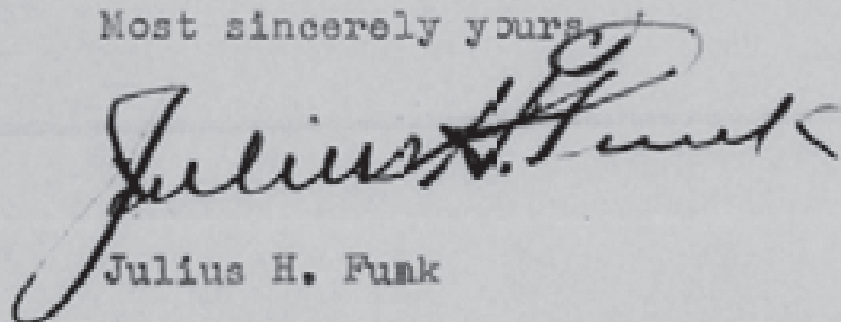
I really feel bad, but circumstances has been against me ever since I took over the office. I was in hopes that the UJA would be over by the 21st of May and about the 10th of June we would go out for the Expansion Fund campaign, as I am expecting some of the leading workers that have been most active in the UJA campaign to help in the Expansion Fund campaign, as the Expansion Fund campaign cannot be a one man job.

We are having a special board meeting on June 9th and I am going to make every effort to follow through your suggestion in your letter.

Believe me when I say to you that if there is any man in the Zionist organization that wants to be of service to our people through the efforts of Rabbi Hillel Silver, I certainly do want to do that job, as I definitely have the utmost admiration for you and I certainly will make every effort to accomplish something before the convention date.

I wish to close with my very personal regards, and wish you lots of good health to enable you to continue, in office or out of office, on behalf of our people and to show some of those who are willing to sacrifice our people for the sake of self-aggrandizement, that they cannot win out.

Most sincerely yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Julius H. Funk". The signature is written over the typed name and extends across the width of the letter.

Julius H. Funk

JHF:RSP

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

DATE: June 6, 1947

FROM: Mr. Daniel Frisch

**SUBJECT:**

I know that you have many things on your mind. Therefore, this memorandum.

I wish to remind you of our conversation regarding the Cleveland quota for the Expansion Fund which should be brought up to \$20,000 prior to the Convention.

One of our field men reports that Isaac Evans is calling some kind of a picnic for June 22nd, where he hopes to get some substantial donors who as yet failed to contribute, to come through.

Up to now, we have received from Cleveland \$12,347.00.

Regards.

DF:fb

*DF*



June 10, 1947

Dr. Harry A. Golden  
439 Spruce St.  
Scranton, Pa.

My dear Dr. Golden:

I read your letter with a great deal of pleasure and I thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the ZOA Convention in New York. With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

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*Temple E 105 4th Ave Road*

MAY I SEE YOU FOR FEW MINUTES THIS WEEK END DURING NEW  
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*Dr. 1090*

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June 13, 1947

Mr. I. R. Goodman  
1312 International Office Bldg.  
722 Chestnut St.  
St. Louis 1, Mo.

My dear Mr. Goodman:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the resolution which was adopted by the Administrative Council of the Zionist Organization of St. Louis on June 9. I read it with great interest and pleasure. I was greatly heartened by your vote of confidence. Please convey my thanks to Mr. Julius Funk, your President, and to the officers and members of your Administrative Council.

I am also happy that the Zionists of St. Louis recognize the importance of continuing the policies of the present administration and the desirability of calling to the helm of the ZOA for the coming year Dr. Emanuel Neumann, whose great gifts and political wisdom will be a tremendous asset to our movement.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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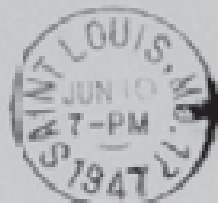
I. R. GOODMAN

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To Dr. Wm B. Fure

Care of or Apt. No. 122 Addington Rd.

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Will be in Boston just a few hours on  
Sunday. Try to see me then.

Abba Hillel Silver

Sender's name and address  
(For reference only)

Sender's telephone  
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SAMUEL GOLDSTOCK  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
615 BERGER BUILDING  
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6/16/47  
June 13, 1947.

AHS  
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JUNE 13 1947  
Dear Dr. Silver:

I hope that you will enjoy reading these samples of Zionotes  
( my weekly column in the American Jewish Outlook) as I enjoyed  
writing them. Would appreciate your comments - particularly on  
the Column of Friday, June 13th. I am looking forward to seeing  
you at the Convention.

With kindest regards

Samuel Goldstock.

June 18, 1947

Mr. Samuel Goldstock  
615 Berger Building  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Friend:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness  
in sending me your Zionotes. I receive the  
American Jewish Outlook and I enjoy your Zionotes  
regularly.

I shall be very happy to see you at the  
ZOA Convention. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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New Jersey Zionist  
Region

WRHS  Telegram

Louis Falk 6-22-47

ההתאחדות העולמית של הציונים הכלליים

## World Confederation of General Zionists

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Since our conversation shortly after your return from Palestine, in which you suggested that it might be advisable to try to bring Rokach into the framework of the General Zionist Organization there, I have explored that possibility in my correspondence with various people in Palestine. It came rather as a shock to me to find how intransigent some of the groups feel about that approach. The most violent reaction came from Haoved Hazoni. They were bewildered at the very thought that we are even willing to entertain such a possibility. Kolodny and Herman intimated that there will be no room in the same organization for them and for Rokach. Incidentally, I gathered that the Haoved Hazoni has been under attack by the Mapai as having "sold out" to the American Zionists and they are apparently sensitive to that attack. Serlin likewise reacted negatively to that suggestion and felt that our job is to concentrate on the core which we now have. Bernstein is sceptical about the matter. Others express their opinion that there might come a time when in Palestine there will be two General Zionist groups; one may crystallize around the Haoved Hazoni and the liberal elements of the middle class and the other around the more rightist elements.

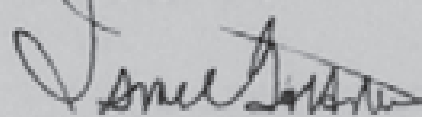
I have also urged that efforts be made to integrate Maccabi and Zebulun. Recently I spoke to several Maccabi members from abroad who happened to be here. It seems to me that something may come of it, especially since I am told that Rokach used his hold even on the small Maccabi groups which he dominated before the last Congress. It is reported that successful conversations are going on with Zebulun and that some understanding has been arrived at. Incidentally, others have told me that Zebulun has great many sympathizers.

Aliya Chadasha has solicited a conference with our Executive Committee in Palestine. From the minutes of that conference it would seem that they want to have a relationship with the General Zionist group which would not be an organizational one but a somewhat collateral one. It does not seem that anything will come of it at present. If I can recall our few minutes chat on this subject I think that your own view would be negative. My view in the matter is that for the present we ought not to encourage the affiliation because our own group is too weak and too loose to be able to digest a strong compact

group such as the Aliya Chadasha is, so that the result might be one of domination by a minority group. Eventually, however, as we grow larger and stronger and more compact I can see that it would be an advantage to have the Aliya Chadasha element integrated since, logically and naturally, they belong to the General Zionist orbit. This, however, may be a matter of several years ahead.

It is my hope to be in Palestine this summer for two to three weeks. While I am going there primarily as chairman of the UPA I shall, of course, spend some of the time in consultation with our colleagues there. If you have any views to communicate on this and related matters I shall be happy to have them.

Cordially yours,



Dr. Israel Goldstein



CC: Dr. Emanuel Neumann  
Daniel Frisch



MEMORANDUM

June 25, 1947

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Dr. Israel Goldstein

I understand that the American Jewish Conference cabled Ben Gurion yesterday urging that on account of the A.J.C. sessions, during the Labor Day weekend, the Actions Committee change its date either to mid-August or early September.

I spoke to Meir Grossman today and got the impression that there would be no serious objection if the AJC were to postpone its session for a later time. On the other hand the Actions Committee ought not to meet later than the date fixed because of the UN Session in September, and ought not to change to an earlier date because a number of people have already made arrangements for using the early part of August in other ways. For example, it so happens that I planned to visit Palestine, likewise Miss Benjamin and others. The end of August would be practically en route home and would therefore fit in well with my visits to Palestine, especially since the meeting is in Paris.

If you feel more or less the same way about it perhaps it would be advisable to communicate your view to Mr. Ben Gurion.

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Declaration - 30a

TEXT OF DECLARATION

We, the General Zionists of America, representing the ideal of national unity and solidarity, and speaking for the overwhelming majority of the enrolled Zionists of this country, call upon the Jewish community of America to support us in the coming elections <sup>to</sup> of the World Zionist Congress on the basis of the following declaration:

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The Jewish people today is fighting for survival and for its future. After the appalling tragedy of the past few years an heroic effort must now be made to rebuild the national life of our people, to make it secure in its national home, and to restore Jewish dignity and self-respect and all the paramount values of our history and tradition. Zionism is the age-old struggle of our people to live greatly and worthily as a nation in a free world, and to conserve and advance the great social, cultural and spiritual values of our people. This was the Zionism of Theodor Herzl. It is our Zionism today.

II

The primary aim of our movement in this hour is the establishment of a free and democratic Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine. To this aim all party and group considerations must be subordinated. General Zionism fully recognizes this fact and bases all of its activities on this major consideration. Because of our non-partisan political outlook and because of the numbers we represent and our historical achievements, we General Zionists are equipped to lead the Zionist movement to victory, as we have led it through decades of great achievements in the past. The leaders of our movement, Theodor Herzl, Max Nordau, David Wolffsohn, Louis D. Brandeis, and Chaim Weizmann, came from the ranks of General Zionists. The establishment of the great historical Zionist institutions--the Jewish National Fund, the Palestine Foundation Fund, and the creation of the World Zionist Congress, represent notable achievements of General Zionists. General Zionists have been responsible in the main for the raising of the large funds by means of which the development of Palestine has been carried on. We are especially proud of the role which General Zionism played in the foremost historical achievement of our movement--the Balfour Declaration.

III

General Zionism has always championed the principles of social justice and human rights as fundamental concepts in the Jewish State which we wish to

establish. General Zionists have given their unstinted support to every measure and agency calculated to elevate and to protect the status of Jewish labor in Palestine, whether on the land or in the city, as well as to establish the many social agencies which a progressive, modern community requires. These social ideals are the cornerstones not alone of Zionism, but the essence of Jewish life. Likewise, we General Zionists envisage a Jewish Palestine which is responsive to Jewish spiritual traditions and to the high mandates of our historic faith.

It is our firm conviction, however, that the fragmentation of the economic, educational and cultural life and resources of the Yishuv seriously weakens us in respect to the struggle in which we are engaged. We are seriously concerned about the excessive and unwarranted partisanship and party strife which prevail. This is the time when we must present a united front, outwardly and inwardly.

Only under the banner of General Zionism - the Zionism above parties - can this united front be achieved and maintained.

On this record and on this program we ask the Zionists of America to give us their fullest support in the forthcoming elections.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
President

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ACTIONS COMMITTEE CANCELLED BECAUSE PALESTINIANS OPPOSE HALF DELEGATIONS  
LACKING AUTHORITY WHEREAS FULL DELEGATIONS NUMBERING MAJORITY CONGRESS  
MIGHT JEOPARDIZE HOLDING CONGRESS SCHEDULED END NOVEMBER STOP CONFEDER-  
ATION CONFERENCE THEREFORE UNFEASIBLE INFORM NEUMANN REORGANIZATION  
SUBJECT CANNOT WAIT BEYOND FRIDAY ~~EXEPTIVE~~ ADJOURNING SUNDAY : LEAVE  
SUNDAY CABLE IF HI COMING.

ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN



## **From The President**

**T**HE second year of an administration is always more difficult than the first. There is no longer the appeal of novelty. It is not easy to add substantial gains to an already expanded membership or to an already increased scope of activity, to translate blueprints into activities or to maintain the tempo and the energy with which a new administration invariably begins.

Herewith is presented a comprehensive report which contains the record demonstrating in facts and figures that the second year of the present administration has been even more productive than the first year. The Z.O.A. comes to this Convention at the top of its strength by whatever criterion it may be judged.

For the year's accomplishments the chief credit belongs to the Zionist districts and regions and their leaders who have worked without let-up both in the organizational and the political phases of the Zionist program.

At the same time, it must be stated in all fairness a major portion of the accomplishment is due to the alert, conscientious, resourceful and hardworking efforts of the office executives and staff. It is my privilege and pleasure therefore to make warm acknowledgment of these efforts. We have as able and devoted a body of executives as can be found anywhere. Mr. Saul S. Spiro, up to the time that he retired as Executive Director, made every day count in a striking record of progress. His successor Dr. Sidney Marks, is continuing with unabated vigor. Mr. Ernest Barbarash, our seasoned but untiring Public Relations Director, has been a source of strength to all departments. The other executives and members of the Field Staff whose names are mentioned in the report have made important contributions to the total result.

A special word of appreciation is due to the Executive Committee of the Zionist Organization of America whose council and cooperation have been invaluable, to the Administrative Council headed by its energetic and devoted chairman, Mr. Dan Frisch, and to the Finance Committee, headed by its indefatigable and conscientious chairman, Mr. Samuel Berson.

The Z.O.A. is not only a large organization. It is a great organization. It is with a sense of pride and gratitude the outgoing administration presents its record to the 48th Annual Convention of the Z.O.A.

—ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN.