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January 22, 1946

Mr. Henry Mentor
United Palestine Appeal
41 E. 42nd Street
New York, N. Y.

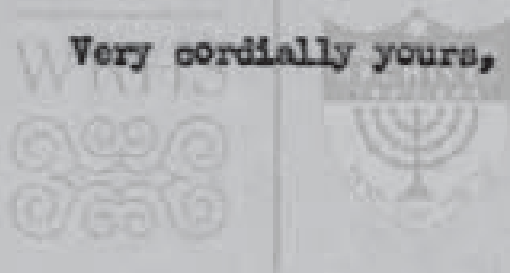
My dear Mr. Mentor:

I am enclosing herewith the draft of the letter to be sent to the Miami Zionists which you requested.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Enc.



Draft of Letter From Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
to Miami Zionists

Dear Mr. :

I am writing to you in my capacity as President of the Zionist Organization of America to request you most earnestly to assist in a task of major importance to all Zionists.

The achievement of our goal of a Jewish Palestine that is so near to our hearts calls for a struggle on a number of fronts, which must all be co-ordinated.

Our task is to help to make the struggle successful on all fronts — the front comprised of the Jews of Europe who wait patiently for the day when they can go to Eretz Israel; the front comprised of the Jews of Palestine who, despite all obstacles and difficulties, go on building Palestine for the Jews of Europe; and the front in the United States which provides the strength upon which the Jews of Europe and Palestine lean.

I urge upon you to do your utmost to insure the success of the United Jewish Appeal campaign for \$170,000,000. The funds which Palestine will receive from a successful campaign will represent far more than dollars. They will represent the building of the Jewish future for the Jews of Palestine and the surviving Jews of Europe, and for our people everywhere.

As a Miamian you are in a peculiarly strategic position. The campaign in Miami is the first major effort of the year in the country. If the campaign in Miami is an outstanding success, the campaigns which follow will be challenged to emulate your community. If it fails — and it MUST NOT fail — the entire campaign will be off to a poor start and this can be a serious blow to our hopes.

I call upon you as a matter of Zionist loyalty to offer your services immediately to the Miami campaign leadership — if you have not already enlisted.

I urge you to give priority to this campaign in time, energy and service. And, of course, I appeal to you to give generously of your substance to the campaign. I should like the Zionists of America to set an inspiring example for all others.

I shall watch with great interest your efforts and those of the other good Zionists in Miami to whom I am writing. I know that you and Miami will measure up to the challenge.

With Zionist greetings, I am

Most cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver



Draft of Letter From Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
to Miami Zionists

Dear Mr. :

I am writing to you in my ~~official~~ ^{as} capacity ~~of~~ President of the Zionist Organisation of America to ~~assign~~ ^{request you most earnestly to assist in} a task of major importance ^{at 21 points.} to you as a known and devoted Zionist.

~~We must face frankly the fact that~~ the achievement of ~~the~~ ^{the} goal of a ~~recognized~~ Jewish Palestine that is so near to our hearts ~~is not~~ ^{calls for} ~~that will be easily achieved. It is a long and arduous~~ requires a struggle on a number of fronts, ^{which must all be} ~~all~~ coordinated, all decent and civilized, all vital. ^{Our} ~~Our~~ task is ~~one that will~~ ^{successful} help to make the struggle on all ~~other~~ fronts ~~possible~~ the front comprised of the Jews of Europe who wait patiently for the day when they can go to Eretz Israel; the front comprised of the Jews of Palestine who, despite all difficulties, go on building Palestine for the Jews of Europe; and the front in the United States which provides the strength and ~~security~~ ^{obstacles and} upon which the Jews of Europe and Palestine lean.

I ^{urge} ~~call upon~~ you to ^{do you what is necessary} ~~make~~ the United Jewish Appeal campaign for \$170,000,000 ~~a successful~~ ^{the building of the Jewish future for the} Zionist crusade. The funds which Palestine will receive from a successful campaign will represent far more than dollars. They will represent the ~~foundations upon which the~~ ^{the building of the Jewish future for the} Jews of Palestine and the surviving Jews of Europe ~~will build the Jewish future~~ ^{and for our people everywhere.}

As a Miamian you are in a peculiarly strategic position. The campaign in Miami is the first major effort of the year in the country. If the campaign in Miami is ~~alarming~~ ^{outstanding} success, the campaigns which follow will ~~have been~~ ^{be} challenged to emulate your community. If it fails—and it MUST NOT fail—the entire campaign will be off to a poor start and this can be ~~disastrous~~ ^{a serious blow} to our hopes.

I call upon you as a matter of Zionist ^{loyalty} ~~discipline~~ to offer your services immediately to the Miami campaign leadership if you have not already enlisted. I urge you ~~to neglect your business if it be necessary~~.

^{to} ~~and~~ give priority to the campaign, ^{in time, ~~and~~ energy and service.} ~~I would even ask that you curtail~~
~~your social activities and sacrifice some of the time that would normally~~
~~be devoted to your family life, for so very much is at stake.~~ And, of
course, I appeal to you to give generously, ^{of your contribution to the campaign}
~~I should like the Jewish Community Center to set a~~
~~In short, I want to see true Zionist spirit injected into the Miami~~
~~campaign through you.~~ The future of the Jews of Europe, the future of
Palestine, and, indeed, our own future, are Zionist responsibilities
and Zionists must conduct themselves ^{inspiring} so as to be a worthy example for
all others.

Will you accept this assignment? Will you do your Zionist
share to get the \$170,000,000 ~~marketing~~ started so auspiciously
and vigorously that it will snowball to success?

Remember, a chain is only as strong as its weakest link.
The link that is the United Jewish Appeal must be strong. Without it
the other links will not hold.

~~I have confidence in your Zionist loyalty and devotion.~~ I shall
watch with ^{great} ~~great~~ interest your efforts and those of the other good
Zionists in Miami to whom I am writing. I know that you and Miami
will measure up to the challenge.

With Zionist greetings, I am

Warmly ^{and} ~~and~~ yours,

Abba Hillel Silver

Morning Freiheit

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July 26th, 1946

Dear Friend:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter sent by the Morning Freiheit Association to the American Jewish Conference.

We urge your earnest consideration of this problem and request that you urge the American Jewish Conference to undertake immediate action along the lines indicated in our letter.

Sincerely yours,
MORNING FREIHEIT ASSOCIATION

Ben Gold

Ben Gold
President

Alexander Bittelman

Alexander Bittelman
General Secretary

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July 26th, 1946

Interim Committee
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Ave
New York City, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

On June 14th, 1946 a telegram was sent by the Morning Freiheit Association to the American Jewish Conference requesting that immediate action be undertaken with regard to the present crisis in Palestine.

The program outlined in our telegram is supported by important sections of our people. Yet to date we have received no reply, despite the fact that ample time has elapsed and that in the intervening period, a meeting of the Interim Committee has been held.

Since that time the situation has deteriorated greatly. British imperialism has tightened its grip on Palestine and its communities. It has instituted a reign of terror against the Yishuv. Leaders of the Jewish Agency as well as countless thousands of others have been arrested. The Yishuv faces the most critical period in all the years of its existence.

Since that time another factor has come to the fore—the danger of partition. The Angl-American Cabinet Committee has proposed the hateful scheme for the partition of Palestine, which if realized will infinitely strengthen the British imperialist stranglehold over both Arabs and Jews. It will transform the two proposed separate communities into virtual military reservations. The agreement of the American delegates to the partition scheme is motivated, not by consideration of the needs of the Jewish people but by the expectation that this partition agreement will afford American imperialism greater opportunities for the exploitation of Palestine and the Middle East generally.

There is great danger that leading Zionist circles are preparing to accept a partition scheme. Very disturbing is the recent statement of Dr. Weizmann which left the door open for the acceptance of such a solution while the statement of the Zionist leaders generally, skirted the issue but by no means repudiated it.

The acceptance by Zionist leadership of any partition scheme will be an outright betrayal of the Yishuv and its future peace and security. It would precipitate endless hostility and antagonism between the Jewish and Arab communities. It will not advance the cause of the independence and freedom of Palestine. Nor will it aid the cause of peace between Jew and Arab.

Those, who for the sake of achieving a Jewish state, favor partition or are ready to accept it as a last resort are aiding the turning of the Yishuv into a military reservation of British imperialism. They must assume full responsibility for such a suicidal act.

The central problem which faces Palestine as well as the Yishuv, is its liberation from imperialist rule. This can be achieved only on the basis of a united Arab-Jewish front and on the basis of Arab-Jewish agreement. Only on such a basis can Palestine as a whole, and the Yishuv in particular, gain independence and achieve full national rights.

The acuteness of the situation and the further perils which have been introduced by the partition proposal, demand that there be no further delay. It demands action on a broad basis, in which leadership is given by the entire American Jewish Community, its organizations and leadership and not by the Zionist party alone.

It is now more urgent than ever before that the measures which we propose be immediately carried out. Those measures as outlined in our telegram, were;

1. The American Jewish Conference shall appeal at once to President Truman and to the Secretary General of the United Nations, asking them to recommend to the Security Council of the United Nations
 - a) That the United Nations assume immediately full responsibility for the fate and maintenance of the 100,000 Jewish refugees in German camps, and to intervene with the countries of the United Nations that they open their doors for the immigration and settlement of the Jewish refugees and to provide the necessary means for same;

- b) That Britain shall transfer Palestine at once to the trustee-ship of the Big Three within the United Nations for the purpose of setting up Palestine as an independent and democratic state of Arabs and Jews that will guarantee the equal national rights of both peoples and
 - c) That the United Nations shall recommend to Great Britain the immediate withdrawal of all British armed forces from Palestine.
2. That the American Jewish Conference shall issue an appeal to the Jewish Agency in Palestine asking that the Agency open at once negotiations with the spokesmen of labor and other democratic forces of the Arab people in Palestine; with a view of reaching an agreement for joint Arab-Jewish struggle for the independence of Palestine and for the purpose of reaching an agreement in favor of Jewish immigration into Palestine under joint Arab-Jewish control .
 3. That the American Jewish Conference shall organize and send a delegation to President Truman for the purpose of achieving the widest opportunities for the entrance and settlement of Jewish refugees in the United States.
 4. That the American Jewish Conference shall undertake to rally the widest united actions of the American Jews in collaboration with all progressive forces of the whole American people, especially with Labor and with the Negro people in support of the foregoing proposals.

We urge that an emergency meeting of the Interim Committee be called immediately to undertake action along the lines proposed in our telegram. We urge that such an emergency meeting, representatives of the Morning Freiheit Association be invited to present in detail the position of our organization.

We trust that we shall hear from you in the very near future.

Very truly yours

Alexander Bittelman
MORNING FREIHEIT ASSOCIATION
Ben Gold, President
Alexander Bittelman,
General Secretary

THE WORLD UNION FOR PROGRESSIVE JUDAISM

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9th August 1946

Dear Dr. Silver,

We have just concluded a most stimulating Conference, at which we were glad to welcome your friends Dr. Eisendrath, Rabbi Wice, Mrs. Rosett and Miss Evans, and also Mr. Irvin Fane and Mr. Friedman.

I want to tell you that at the Business Meeting you were elected, in your capacity as President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, one of the three American Vice Presidents of the World Union, and we are looking forward to your co-operation.

As Officers are ex-officio members of the Executive Committee, I have pleasure in sending you a copy of the agenda for

the meeting that we are holding on
August 29th, to deal with urgent matters
arising from the Conference. We shall
be pleased to hear from you if you have
any comments to make.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Lily H. Montagu

ABRAHAM MANDEL

COUNSELOR AT LAW

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August 29, 1946.

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New York City.

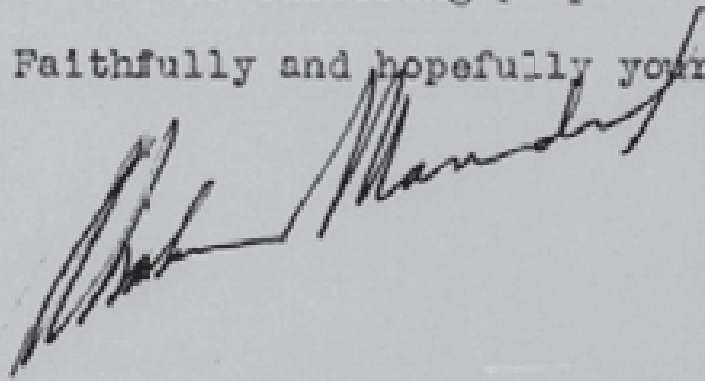
Dear Dr. Silver:

I note by the press that the Z. O. A. Executive Committee has given you a vote of confidence and want to express my hearty accord in that decision. The vacillating may have doubts and misgivings about your leadership but any student of history knows that the only way any people won its sovereignty, especially at the hands of Great Britain, has done so by demonstrating that they have a stiff spine and can take it. In international affairs it is the mailed fist that counts.

Thank God that Palestine numbers countless Jews who are showing the world that they are unafraid to die for freedom. Every Jew in America and in the diaspora the world-over owes them a great obligation, for they are upholding the dignity and self-respect of our people in the darkest days of its history. The least we in America ought do for them in these trying hours through which they are passing is to stand loyally behind them by doing everything within our power to support their position thus enabling them to derive some little solace and comfort in the knowledge that we are with them.

Your, my dear Dr. Silver, in your wise and courageous leadership exemplify that spirit and right thinking and liberty loving people admire your forthrightness and honesty of purpose. I think I understand the character of the British and vouchsafe to state that they have far greater respect for a fighter like yourself than they do for some of the cowardly Quislings in our midst. May the Almighty give you continued strength and wisdom to continue your noble efforts in behalf of our suffering people!

Faithfully and hopefully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Abraham Mandel', is written over the typed name and extends across the bottom right of the page.

September 8, 1946

Mr. Abraham Mandel
277 Broadway
New York 7, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Mandel:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of August 29. It was very thoughtful of you to write to me. Your expression of confidence is very heartening and most welcome.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

SAMUEL T. MARKOFF, M. D.
1481 PRESIDENT STREET
CORNER ALBANY AVENUE
BROOKLYN, N. Y.

9/25/46

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9/27/46

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

With deepest sympathy for your gallant
fight to help our distressed and persecuted
brethren, I send you the warmth of my
heart for our great cause. I beg you
to continue even greater than your
prodigious efforts at present.

Justice postponed, is justice denied.
The attitude of America is error of omission.

This is indispensable. The attitude of Great Britain is irreconcilable. This is reprehensible. Let us stand united for non partition. Let us ~~ask for~~ justice - simple and undivided - let storm and thunder break - we shall believe in our cause even if we are alone. We are defenseless, homeless and unpaid! Don't surrender! I pray for you and as the newly elected President of District 14 - Brooklyn Jewish Center - I can say every one of us is supporting you. May this year be the year of justice. With Zion's greetings and prayers
Samuel T. Markovitz M.D.

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September 28, 1946

AHS
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[Signature]

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

Dear Dr. Marks:

A newspaper clipping appearing in the September 6 issue of the National Jewish Post, a newspaper published in Indianapolis, Indiana, was directed to my attention as Chairman of the Public Relations Committee of the Fort Wayne Jewish Federation and also as President of the local Zionist District.

This clipping refers to the talk made by Rabbi Leon Feuer at a recent meeting held in Detroit, Michigan. Rabbi Feuer stated "that American Zionists take a stand that they will withdraw political support from the Truman administration in the coming elections if a large number of the 100,000 European Jews are not on their way to the Yishuv by that time".

This clipping, together with your Memorandum of September 19 with reference to the recent political directive of the American Zionist Emergency Council, was submitted to the last meeting of the Board of Directors of the local Zionist District. Mr. Byron Novitsky, Chairman of the local Zionist Emergency Council, was present and also presented information which he had received through his committee concerning the matter. After considerable discussion, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

"That we disapprove of the political tactics to use the cause of Zionism as a threat over candidates for political office, and that the President be authorized to communicate to the Zionist Organization of America that such expressions as recently given publicity by Rabbi Feuer of Detroit are not conducive to the Zionist cause."

In fairness to you and to the Board of Directors, I believe I should give you the basis of our reasoning leading to the adoption of this Resolution. First, let me say that we have no argument with the political directive as it appeared in your communication of September 19. We feel, however, that advising

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Dr. Sidney Marks

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September 28, 1946

political candidates that Zionists will vote as a unit for or against them is dangerous propaganda and will not, in anywise, help our cause. Some of our reasons are as follows:

1. If you are going to vote against a candidate, you are thereby casting a vote for his opponent, who may not be favorable to the Zionist cause.
2. We have always contended in answer to anti-semitic charges that Jews do not vote as a unit, but as Americans.
3. By virtue of this type of propaganda, we are alienating many people who indirectly contribute to the Zionist cause by their contribution to welfare funds. They know when they make these contributions that 40% of the money contributed is distributed to the U.P.A.

We want our position to be perfectly clear. The directors of our local Zionist District are all ardent Zionists, and they are all vitally interested in the salvation of our distressed brethren in Europe. They feel, however, that propaganda of the type in question will not help, but rather injure their chances of survival.

Respectfully yours,

FORT WAYNE ZIONIST DISTRICT

By Sae Rothberg
President

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Cc: Irving G. Latz
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Minnette Baum
Byron Novitsky

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BENJAMIN TOBER PRESIDENT NEW HAMPSHIRE ZIONIST
FEDERATION.

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November 11, 1946

Dr. Samuel T. Markoff
1481 President Street
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Markoff:

I deeply appreciated your thoughtfulness in writing to me. It was very heartening to hear from you and from many other friends.

The ultimate success of our great cause depends upon the loyalty and steadfastness of Zionists everywhere.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

November 11, 1948

Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn
The New Palestine
Zionist Organization of America
41 East 42nd Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Lewisohn:

I came across the enclosed letter, the last paragraph of which might be of interest to you.

I do not know where Irving Finessman is now but he may be interested in writing for The New Palestine. It might be worthwhile to get in touch with him.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR
Enc.

The New Palestine

The American Zionist Publication Devoted to Jewish Affairs

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

LUDWIG LEWISOHN, *Editor*
57 Montgomery Place
Brooklyn 15, N. Y.

November 14, 1946.

Dear Dr. Silver:-

Of course I had thought of Irving Fineman as a possible contributor. However, three years ago in the Menorah Journal he reviewed my novel "Renegade". He was more than handsome on the artistic aspects of that work, but deliberately explicated the nationalistic implications and attacked them furiously. I thought it odd then. And if--as his letter to you would seem to show--he has had a change of heart, nothing would give me grater pleasure than to ask him to contribute. I have his address now and shall write him.

Ever faithfully,



*Ludwig Lewiso*hn

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NATHAN E. BRODSKY

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To

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NEWARK, N.J.

Street and No.

Place

WISH I WERE FREE TO COME TO NEWARK TO MAKE REPORT OF BASLE CONGRESS. UNFORTUNATELY

I AM SO HEAVILY COMMITTED TO OTHER ENGAGEMENTS THAT IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE TO DO

SO. WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOU ARRANGE MEETING IMMEDIATELY AND THAT YOU INVITE TWO OR THREE

OF OUR DELEGATES WHO WERE PRESENT AT BASLE SUCH AS DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN DR. IRVING

MILLER DANIEL FRISCH WHO WILL GIVE YOUR COMMUNITY TRUE REPORT TO COUNTERACT DR.

PRINZ' DISTORTIONS. BOTH DR. GOLDSTEIN AND MR. FRISCH DELIVERED INSPIRING ADDRESSES

AT THE GREAT MANHATTAN CENTER MEETING LAST NIGHT. KINDEST REGARDS.

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER:

=THE TEMPLE=

=ZOA MEMBERS AND OTHER ZIONIST OUTRAGED BY THE LACK OF DISCIPLINE AND STRENGTH IN THE BIASED AND MALICIOUS REPORT ON THE CONGRESS AND THE UNFLATTERING ILLUSIONS TO YOU NEWMAN AND THE ZOA BY DOCTOR PRINZ FRIDAY NIGHT TO A CAPACITY / AUDIENCE DEMAND YOUR PERSONAL APPEARANCE IN NEWARK IN THE INTEREST OF OUR CAUSE NOTHING SHOULD STAND IN YOUR WAY OF COMING HERE BELIEVE ME IT IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL=

NATHAN H BRODSKY PRESIDENT ZIONIZE COUNSEL ESSEX COUNTY
526 CLINTON AVE NEWARK NEW JERSEY

ENDING ITS SERVICE

[January 10, 1947]

ראובן מרגליות
חל"אב"ב

בית יום ח"י חודש... סבת... שנת חשי' ז

לכב' ה' דר. א. ה. סילבר
שלום וברכה מציון!

סראש אחולי הלכניים להכחור ליו"ר ההנהלה הציונית בארצות הברית,
יצליח ה' דרכו ונזכה לראות בנחמת ציון ובניה.
כהזמנת ארונ' שלחתי בשלש חבילות ג"כ הזהר שעם הערותי, אתעניין
לשמוע חוות דעתו על עבודתי זו.

השבוע פסרתי לדפוס התקוני זהר עם ניצוצי, בו פרחתי הפסגות, לא
לבר ציונים והערות כי אם גם באורים והצרות, אחרי הכרך הזה יבואו ברצ"ה מסדרה
זו הזהר חדש ותקוניו וגם ספר הכהיר.
בעד הסטיק ששלח ארונ' קבלתי יותר מהמחיר שקצבתי לוסטר, ויען שאין
אני מקבל יותר מהסכום הקצוב אתכבד לשלוח ספרים אחרים מאטר פרסנתי בתקותי כי
יתעניין בהם.

בכל הכבוד והוקרה

אין מרגליות

DINNER COMMITTEE
to Welcome Home
DAVID MOSKOWITZ
AND
ABRAHAM LINZER

Delegates to the
Twenty-Second World Zionist Congress
Basle, Switzerland

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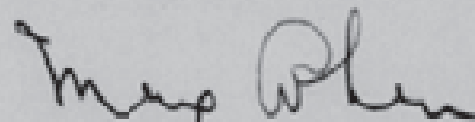
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am very happy to inform you that great progress is being made towards a very successful evening on January 29th at the Riverside Plaza Hotel, 253 West 73rd Street, New York City, at which you will be our most honored guest and speaker.

A special committee of our most distinguished officers, headed by Mr. Peter H. Brandt, has been appointed as a reception committee to greet you.

Very respectfully yours,



Max Cohen
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o Zionist Organization of America
41 East 42nd Street
New York, New York

My dear Dr. Silver,

For the past year and a half, I have been talking to Dr. Marks, Mr. Posy and others of your executive office about the possibilities of having you visit our community under the sponsorship of our local Zionist District. The reply has always been the same -- that in these critical times, your time is not your own, and it is impossible for you to make any commitments which would take you away from New York and Washington.

Because we realized the logic of these arguments, we did not stress our requests too strongly, although we felt, and still feel, that a visit by you would give Milwaukee a stimulating "shot in the arm" from the Zionist point of view. Besides, the active members of our district are most anxious to see and hear you and feel somewhat slighted at your failure to visit us, especially in view of our fine Zionist performances during the past few years.

The other day, a suggestion was made to me, which compels me to renew our requests, and this time I am addressing this request direct to you, in the hopes that it may be more successful. As you, no doubt, know, Milwaukee is co-operating with the National effort and is planning a membership campaign to start February 13th. Our goal has been set at a minimum of 1000 new members and I have every reason to believe that it will be attained.

In discussing our technique, the suggestion was made that we name this group of new members the "Dr. Abba Hillel Silver Class" and that we publicize this fact to the fullest and inform our prospects that you, personally, will initiate them into our organization at a large public meeting to be arranged for that purpose.

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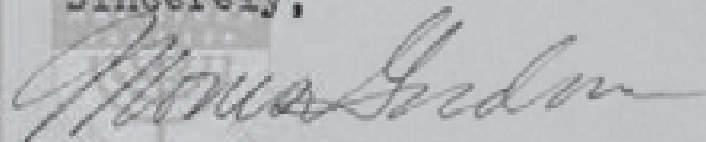
Sam Zeisbeck

I am putting the matter before you rather bluntly and crudely, but I hope that you will see your way clear to be our guest at this formal conclusion to our membership efforts; and, barring any emergencies which may arise, I earnestly request that you set aside any day convenient to you either in April or May, and advise me accordingly.

I sincerely hope that you will act favorably on this request.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely,



Morris Gordon

MG:js

February 12, 1947

Mr. Abraham Linzer
3417 Cannon Place
Bronx, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

I am eager to know what progress you have made in the collection of the Expansion Fund in the Bronx. The very lovely meeting which I had the privilege of attending, and which was arranged in your honor and that of Mr. Moskowitz led me to believe that the entire amount of \$50,000 would be raised. You know how much we need the money in these critical times. I was very happy to do my share in coming to the meeting to assist the Bronx Region in raising its quota. I hope that the Bronx Region under your splendid leadership and that of Mr. Moskowitz will fully meet its quota. I should be most happy to hear from you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AMS:BX

February 21, 1947

Mr. Morris Gordon, President
Milwaukee District
Zionist Organization of America
3331 N. Sherman Blvd.
Milwaukee 10, Wisconsin

My dear Friend:

Thank you so much for your kind letter and please pardon the delay in answering it. I have been spending most of my time in the last few weeks in Washington.

I am deeply appreciative of your invitation to come to Milwaukee. I feel deeply honored at the thought that you are thinking of organizing a "Dr. Abba Hillel Silver Class" of a thousand new members to the ZOA. I should be most happy to come, but I cannot at this moment give you a definite date. There is a possibility of my having to go to Palestine very shortly and the date of my return will of course be subject to many unpredictable factors. You may announce a visit from me at the conclusion of your campaign to initiate your new members, but I cannot give you the date before the end of March.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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March 3, 1947

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The Empire State Zionist Region takes it upon itself to turn to you with a humble request. Our Region, to the best of my knowledge has never had the honor and privilege of having you as its guest. We know how limited is your time and how taxed your strength is and it is for that reason that we have felt it wiser not to impose on you.

We are, however, undertaking a certain venture whose success could be mapped only by yourself. Our Region will this year institute a Herzl day celebration. The celebration will begin on May 2nd, and run through May 4th. It will take place in one of the most beautiful parts of New York State, the heart of the Catskill Mountains. The final banquet scheduled to take place late Sunday afternoon, will be attended by many hundreds of people from all parts of our Region. Sullivan County, the home of an old Jewish Community, long devoted to the best in Jewish life, will turn out as one man for our celebration. The whole weekend will be devoted to a complete array of educational and inspirational events. But your appearance will raise this Herzl celebration to its logical desire level of impressiveness as well as assuring financial and membership results for the Z.O.A. and our Region.

If it were not for the unusual character of our Regional celebration, and the unique place which you hold in its consumation, we would not take up your valuable time. But we do so want to have you and we promise you that we shall go to

any lengths required of us in order to assure
your attendance.

Awaiting your kind reply, I am,

With Zion's greetings

Samuel Braunstein

Samuel Braunstein, President
Empire State Region

SB/ek



March 8, 1947

Samuel Braunstein, President
Empire State Region
Zionist Organization of America
2255 Broadway
New York 24, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Braunstein:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of March 3. The project which you are planning in connection with the Herzl celebration is a most interesting one and I hope that it will prove very successful.

I am in no position at the moment to indicate to you whether I can come. I know that it will not be possible for me to come on a Sunday as I must remain in Cleveland on Sundays. Furthermore, my schedule for the next few months is a very uncertain one as you may well imagine. I am planning to leave for Palestine in the next few days.

Please communicate with me upon my return. If it is at all possible, I shall try to be with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BK

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March 14, 1947

FROM THE OFFICE OF
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Z. O. A.
41 E. 42nd St.
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Doctor:

I am writing you letter #1 on our new Rochester District stationery. We hope this device will help us get a tremendous number of new members in Rochester, and you are the person to implement this desire on our part to double our membership.

Won't you please give serious consideration to visiting Rochester within the next 3 or 4 weeks, so that we can conduct a city wide Zionist rally. At the same time, following your suggestion, we will arrange for a meeting with yourself and the Federation of Churches in Rochester. We are also planning a newspaper advertisement timed for your visit, in which copy we intend reprinting your recent letter in the New Palestine publication.

Please don't let us down. We want to do a job here for Z. O. A.

Yours sincerely,

Irving S. Morry

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

March 20, 1947

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

At the November meeting of the National Administrative Council, I spoke with you personally concerning your appearance in Jersey City at a function which we expect to hold. Subsequently our Regional President, Louis A. Falk, discussed this matter with you in Pittsburgh and you suggested that we contact you on your return from Palestine.

We recently learned that you are scheduled to return soon and therefore lose no time in having this message reach you as, perhaps, the first of many requests with which you will undoubtedly be swamped.

We are very anxious to sponsor a County-wide Dinner in your honor which will include the Bayonne, North Hudson, Hoboken and Jersey City Zionist districts. The association of your name with this function will, we are certain, assure us of an overwhelming attendance and a successful financial venture. We intend to use the proceeds to cover the balance of our Expansion Fund quotas and will make the same opportunity available to our neighboring districts.

We have set a tentative date for the dinner --Wednesday evening, May 28th, pending your acceptance. Should this date conflict with any previous engagement, it can be changed to the following Wednesday (June 4th).

Knowing how very busy you are and how occupied your time is with our affairs of state, we have carefully weighed this matter for some time. But our great need of your presence here, the knowledge that only YOU can lift Hudson County Jewry out of its spiritual lethargy, and the stimulus and impetus that your message can bring to our movement in our county-- prompts us to ask that you please favor us with an acceptance of this engagement.

I hope that your deliberations in Palestine were blessed with a "ge-ulah Shlai-ma" for our people and look forward with eager anticipation to an early reply from you.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Goldman
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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA



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

March 26, 1947

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

It is seldom that I make any demands upon you. I know, of a certainty, that the burdens you will carry within the next two months are arduous and any requests made upon you at this time are at the expense of the major political objective.

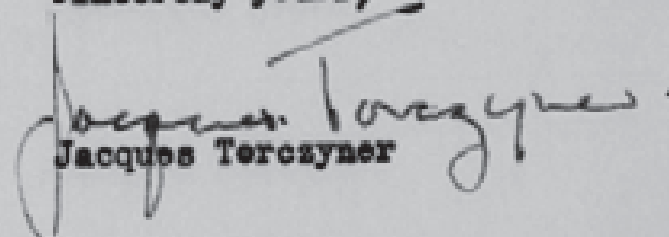
Nevertheless, I find it necessary to ask you to open the Convention of the Manhattan Zionist Region on Saturday night, May 17th. If this proves difficult for you, your presence at the luncheon on May 18th and the delivery of the main address there would be very helpful.

It is a matter of the highest political magnitude since it deals with the inner political condition prevalent in this very important Region.

I respectfully solicit your assent to this engagement.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,


Jacques Terczyner

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March 26, 1947.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Pres., Zionist Organization
of America,
141 E. 42nd St.,
New York, N. Y.

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My dear Dr. Silver,
I am taking the liberty
of writing to you to obtain your
reaction to an idea which appears
to me to be of merit. I audaciously
call it the "Novey Honorary Palestine
Citizenship Plan."
Most right-thinking Jews agree
with the sentiments expressed by Brandeis

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When he said that "multiple loyalties are objectionable only if they are inconsistent." I am at this time suggesting the establishment of a non-Resident Honorary Citizen of Palestine. In my mind there would be no difficulty in securing a million or more persons who would gladly give \$25.00 or more for such a privilege. In addition to the considerable amount of money which could be raised in this manner for Erez Israel, the moral support engendered by such a movement would be inestimable at this time in our history.

I might suggest the issuing of a beautifully engraved certificate suitable for framing which would be

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highly treasured by its possessor. It goes
without saying that legal and administrative
approval would be necessary to determine
the feasibility of my plan, and it is because
of the immensity of the idea and its numerous
ramifications that I have taken the liberty of
writing to you personally about it.

With sincerest apologies for any
annoyance I may be causing you,
and earnestly hoping to receive your
opinion in this matter,

I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Dr. M. Alexander Novey
6210 Biltmore Ave.,
Baltimore, 15, Md.

April 2, 1947

Mr. Henry Goldman, President
Jersey City Zionist District
235 Harrison Avenue
Jersey City 4, N.J.

My dear Friends:

Upon my return from Palestine, I found your kind letter of March 20 and your gracious invitation to attend a dinner which the Zionists of your District and the neighboring districts wish to arrange. While my schedule, as you may well imagine, is terribly crowded, I shall make every effort to be with you on Wednesday, June 4. There is but one condition -- and that is a Zionist one. I will assume that by June 4, the Jersey City District and those who will participate in the dinner, will have fully met their Expansion Fund quotas.

I make this condition because of the great demands which are being made upon the Expansion Fund for vital Zionist work at this critical time. I should like my visit to the Zionists of Hudson County to result in some measure of "tachlis."

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:RK

April 2, 1947

Mr. Jacques Torczyner
Zionist Organization of America
41 E. 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Jacques:

Upon my return from Palestine I found your letter of March 26 and your gracious invitation to attend the convention of the Manhattan Zionist Region on May 17th or 18th. I should very much like to come. The difficulty is that I must be in my Temple pulpit on Sunday morning, May 18th. The Sisterhood of The Temple is holding special services on that morning commemorating its fiftieth anniversary. If I were to address your convention on Saturday night there is no way of my getting back to Cleveland in time for this service.

If your convention had its public meeting Sunday evening, I could arrange to fly Sunday afternoon and get to New York in time for your meeting.

I hope to be in New York next Monday and look forward to seeing you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

JACQUES TORCZYNER

2 W. 46 St.

New York, N. Y.

April 15, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. & Ansel Road
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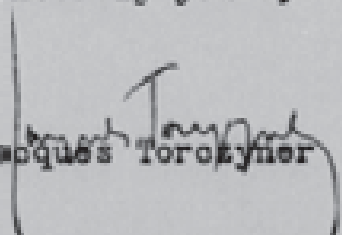
Dear Dr. Silver:

I have the honor to confirm our conversation of today whereas you have accepted to be guest speaker at the annual convention of the Manhattan Zionist Region, scheduled to be held on June 8, 1947.

I have asked Dr. Marks to make the necessary plane reservations that would enable you to address our Region in the afternoon and would also give you the opportunity to address the Long Island Region in the evening. I know the sacrifices you are making by coming to our Convention at this time, but I can assure you that we do appreciate it.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,


Jacques Torczyner

April 16, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

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4/17/47

Dear Dr. Silver:

It was good to learn that you have safely returned from Palestine, and I am anxiously looking forward to April 27th to have the privilege to listen to your and Danny Frisch's report at the National Executive board meeting.

I am writing this letter to you in order to use it as a basis for a conversation that I hope to be able to have with you on April 27th before or after the meeting. And this conversation will be with reference to the city of Chicago. As you know, the state of affairs of the Zionist Organization of Chicago is deplorable, and calls for a complete revamping of the set up of the local organization.

I would like to point out at this time that I have observed with admiration the work of Dr. Sidney Marks, Manny Pogy and Yale Goldberg. I believe that you have used excellent judgment and choice in retaining the services of these three men. In my experience with the Zionist Organization which dates back to 1913 I have never met a more capable individual than Sidney Marks, and it is a privilege and pleasure to work with him.

In spite of the great deal of effort and time these three fellows have spent in Chicago, very little has been accomplished. And since Chicago is the second largest Jewish population center in the United States and probably in the world, I believe it necessary that you should put your own good mind and effort to some extent to the job on hand. Although I am not spending all my time in Chicago, my home is in Massachusetts, I have been attempting to act as a liaison officer and ambassador of goodwill between National Headquarters and the local Zionist Organization of Chicago, but I am certain that we will need you to give a minimum

Dr. Abba Hallel Silver
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Please be good enough to let Dr. Marks know when you could spend a little time on or before or after April 27th in New York City with Dr. Marks and me in order to formulate additional plans to activate the Zionist Organization of Chicago.

With best personal regards, I am most

Sincerely yours,

Willy Nordwind

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cc Dr. Silver C/O ZOA-N.Y.

WILLY NORDWIND
PRESIDENT



916 N. MARSHFIELD AVE.
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April 21, 1947

Mr. Willy Nordwind, President
Atheletic Shoe Company
916 N. Marshfield Ave.
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Friend:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of April 18 which I read with a great deal of interest. I am delighted that you are taking such an interest in the Zionist situation in Chicago which everyone feels needs a great deal of mending.

I shall be in New York most of this coming week. I shall be stopping at the Commodore Hotel. Should you be free to come, please wire me in advance.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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=THE TEMPLE:

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AMERICAN CHRISTIAN PALESTINE COMMITTEE ARRANGED FOR MONDAY
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May 12, 1947

Dr. M. Alexander Novey
6210 Biltmore Ave.
Baltimore 15, Md.

My dear Dr. Novey:

Thank you for your kind letter of March 26. I shall be very happy to refer your suggestion of a non-resident honorary citizenship to the consideration of the Executive of the Zionist Organization of America. The plan has merits. However, it also has grave dangers of being misinterpreted and exploited by our enemies. I saw an article in the Christian Science Monitor, a few days ago, where the writer -- an anti-Zionist and possibly also an anti-Semite -- asks how is it possible to reconcile Dr. Silver's citizenship in the United States with the honorary citizenship which the community, Ramat Gan, bestowed upon him?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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May 17, 1947.

Dear Dr. Silver,

I am most grateful to you for your reply to my letter of March 26 suggesting the establishment of a non-resident honorary citizenship of Palestine. Your own feeling that the plan has merits and your intention to refer it to the Executive of the Zionist Organization of America is most pleasing to me. Of course there are those who will misinterpret such a thing as an honorary citizenship, just as they will seize upon anything the Jew does, good or bad, to foment anti-semitism. Is it not high time we Zionists, who, deep in our hearts, are proud of our brethren in Palestine today, who for the first time in many centuries are holding up their heads and defending themselves — is it not time we ceased to tremble every time our enemies take potshots at us, and once for all, stand erect, and say to the world, "Yes. I am a Jew - Every Jew in Palestine is my brother - I am a good American Citizen too, but I could be honored indeed if the Palestine Government were to make me one of its honorary citizens"?

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Indeed, many good citizens of many lands, including the United States, have in the past been made honorary citizens of other countries, without injuring them or suspecting their Americanism or loyalty to some other country.

Let us all ~~throw~~ back our shoulders, lift up our heads, and cease to hide. Let's do what we can to lift the morale of our fellow Jews in Erez Israel.

In the hope of a Zion rebuilt,

Respectfully yours,

M. Alexander Novoy, M. D.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
41 E. 42nd St.
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Dear Doctor:

It may be that in the 400 letter s on my desk that there may be a response to my telegram again making request that you visit Rochester, the week of June 2, to speak to our election meeting.

Your visit to Rochester first would insure a tremendous turnout of Zionists, who are members, and people in Rochester who should become members of the Zionist Organization. Further, it would give encouragement to David Lazeroff, who has undertaken the job of raising money for expansion funds, and at the moment this encouragement is vital.

Third, it would enable us to combat the strength of the council, and it would also strengthen the hand of our Christian Council for Palestine.

I have now been writing you for several years to visit Rochester, first for a J.N.P. meeting, and lately for our Zionist District. Believe me, your visit is necessary. If we can revive the Zionist interest in Rochester, and I would appreciate a definite consideration on your part for some advice by telephone or telegram on Monday, so that we can proceed with our plans for this meeting.

Yours very truly,

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Rev. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
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Dear Friend, Dr. Silver,

It was good to receive your kind note of May 16.
I was particularly happy to notice that your family and your congregation were given a chance to see you, and that you may have a chance to get a little rest after the heavy schedule of the past two month.
May I again very earnestly ask you to have someone investigate whether there might be some place in your various offices, where my talents, however limited, could be profitably employed for the sacred cause of the redemption of our long suffering people. This time I must confess that I need some work very urgently to supplement my modest pension from the Union. I was doing a special public relation job which was terminated. In addition my only daughter was taken to a sanitarium just three weeks ago and it looks that it will be some time before we may hope for a cure or even an appreciable improvement.
With the best of wishes and warmest greetings,

admiringly and cordially yours

Arthur Meyerowitz

#3-60003

May 22, 1947

Mr. Irving S. Morry
Electric Equipment Company
68 Curlew St.
P.O. Box 51
Rochester 1, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Morry:

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of May 17. I regret exceedingly that I will not be able to visit Rochester to speak at your election meeting. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately the demands upon me in connection with the preparation of our case before the Committee of Inquiry of the United Nations are so heavy that I am compelled to decline many invitations which normally I should be most happy to accept.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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My dear Rabbi Silver,

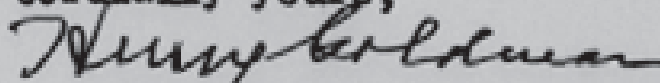
Since the day of our great event is soon approaching, we are very anxious to arrange all final details.

I know you will be pleased to learn that the function has met with much enthusiasm in our city and that reservations are coming in most satisfactorily and, according to all indications, we hope to have a capacity turn-out on June 4th. If this engagement will necessitate an additional strain upon you, as we assume it must, both you and we will be gratified to know that it was indeed for "tachlis".

Our-committee is very anxious to arrange a pre-Dinner reception for you at which time our sponsors, consisting of the "shen-en za-ith" of our community, will have an opportunity to greet you personally.

Would you, therefore, let us know whether you expect to be in New York the entire day on Wednesday and if so, if we may meet you at about 4:30 or 5:00 at your hotel, and take you to Jersey City at that time for the reception.

Cordially yours,



Henry Goldman, Pres.,
J.C.Zionist District

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Sincerely,

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May 27, 1947

TO DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO SPEAK Sunday, June 8th AT Immediately upon your arrival in New York (TIME)

CITY New York STATE New York

PLACE OF MEETING Hotel Pennsylvania, 7th Avenue and 33rd Street

AUSPICES Manhattan Zionist Region

PERSONS IN CHARGE Mr. Morris Walkenfeld, Broadway Central Hotel, 673 Broadway -
Room 430, N.Y.C. - Phone: GRamercy 7-7743

OBJECT OF MEETING Regional Convention

SUBJECT _____

DIRECTIONS _____

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PER Judith Daniel

Please fill out the following report and return this memorandum to the Speakers' Bureau.

How many present at meeting? _____

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

MEMORANDUM FOR SPEAKER

May 27, 1947

TO DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

YOU ARE SCHEDULED TO SPEAK Sunday, June 8th AT 9:00 P.M. (TIME)

CITY Flushing, L.I. STATE New York

PLACE OF MEETING Temple Gates of Prayer, 143-51 Roosevelt Avenue

AUSPICES Long Island Zionist Region

PERSONS IN CHARGE Mr. David Hirsch, Executive Director, 163 - 18 Jamaica Ave.,
Jamaica, L.I., N.Y. - Phone: Jamaica 6-6712

OBJECT OF MEETING Regional Conference

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DIRECTIONS Arrangements will be made to have you picked up at the
Hotel Pennsylvania at 8:30 P.M.

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May 28, 1947

Mr. Henry Goldman, President
J. C. Zionist District
235 Harrison Avenue
Jersey City 4, N.J.

My dear Mr. Goldman:

Thank you for your kind letter of May 28. I would appreciate it if you would call for me at my hotel, the Commodore, Wednesday evening, June 4, around six o'clock, and take me to the dinner.

I would appreciate it if you would not make any arrangements for me prior to the dinner as that tires me out, and I must conserve myself a bit in these days when I am carrying so heavy a load of meetings, conferences, etc.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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LONG ISLAND ZIONIST REGION

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June 5, 1947.

BY AIRMAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
105th Street & Ansel Road
Cleveland, O.

Dear Dr. Silver:

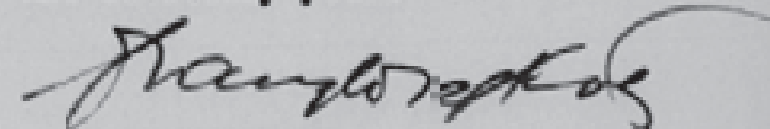
This is to confirm our telephone conversation of today. Attached herewith is the text which we would like to use for an advance press release on your address to be delivered this Sunday evening, June 8, at the 13th annual convention of the Long Island Zionist Region.

I would like to send the release out to-morrow, Friday; consequently, I'd really appreciate it if you would wire us at the latest to-morrow morning whether we may release the text as submitted. Otherwise we would appreciate it if you would provide us by wire or over the phone with such changes as you may wish to make or with a complete substitute text.

The undersigned, in common with the rest of the Region, is looking forward to your being with us on Sunday.

As ever,

most cordially and devotedly yours



Franz J. Katz

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Text Submitted for Approval as "Quotable Excerpt"
from your address to be delivered at the 13th Annual
Convention of the Long Island Zionist Region, Sunday,
June 8, at Flushing, L.I., N.Y.:

" Dr. Silver called on American Zionists to "be steadfast
in demanding from the Truman Administration a loyal and resourceful
performance on the Palestine question, in line with the resolutions
adopted by the 78th Congress and in the spirit of the Palestine plank
of the Democratic Party platform of 1944."

"The handling of the Palestine issue both within the sphere
of American-British relations and at the United Nations has been woefully
out of tune with the utterances of the White House and the well known
sentiments of the Congress," Dr. Silver stated, continuing that "America's
conduct in matters of Palestine may well remove a source of far-reaching
international friction. Britain's unilateral handling of the Palestine
situation is unthinkable without Washington's acquiescence. A solution of
the Palestine problem, any solution of the Palestine problem, is unthinkable
without active American assumption of political responsibility in the matter.
Any American participation in the disposition of the Palestine question is
unthinkable unless supporting the Jewish case, in line with the tradition
established by Woodrow Wilson, subsequently embodied in the American-British
Palestine Mandate Convention of 1924, and constantly reiterated by the leading
figures of American public life."

Dr. Silver concluded his address by ~~stating that~~ stating: "The time
for action on Palestine by the U.S. Government is now, prior to the fall
session of the United Nations."

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JESS NATHAN
REGIONAL DIRECTOR

June 6, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, President
Zionist Organization of America
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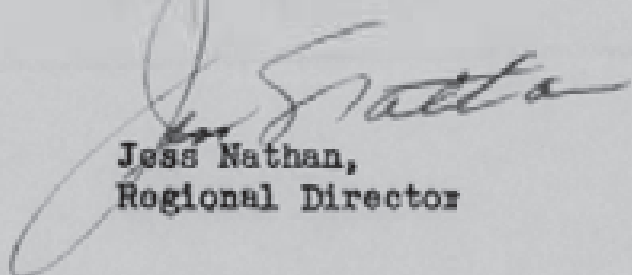
Dear Dr. Silver:

The enclosed Resolutions were adopted and passed by the delegates to the Seaboard Zionist Regional Conference, held at Charlotte, North Carolina, May 18, 1947. These Resolutions are commended to your attention. We know that you appreciate the problem and sufferings of the displaced persons of Europe and the oppressed of Palestine.

The enclosed Resolutions are the formal expression of our 10,000 male members. We would appreciate hearing from you in regard to any question concerning the matters set out in these Resolutions.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,


Jess Nathan,
Regional Director

Encl.

See Seaboard Zionist Resolutions

JACQUES TORCZYNER
2 W. 46 St.
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June 10, 1947

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I wish to express to you my thanks,
in the name of the Manhattan Zionist Region, for
addressing our Fourth Annual Convention.

Your address was the highlight of our
Conference, and we really appreciate your great
sacrifice in coming solely for that purpose.

With many best wishes and best regards,

Cordially yours,


Jacques Torczyner

June 11, 1947

Mr. Jess Nathan, Regional Director
Zionist Organization of America
Seaboard Zionist Region
Haddington Building
Norfolk 10, Va.

My dear Mr. Nathan:

Thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the resolutions which were adopted by the Seaboard Regional Zionist Conference. They are fine resolutions and I hope that they will make an impression upon the public officials to whom it is addressed.

With all good wishes and looking forward to seeing you at the ZOA Convention, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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My dear Mr Lipsky,

I respond with the greatest pleasure to the invitation you extend to me in behalf of the Administrative Committee, to send a letter of greetings to the forthcoming annual meeting of the Zionist Organization of America.

I should render myself guilty of presumption if I pretended to bring home to you the notion of your duty towards the Jewish people at the present moment of its history. You are splendidly conscious of it. You are luminously aware that you have a crushingly heavy, but glorious task to fulfill.

The fate of Israel has willed it that the earthly lot of the greater and best half of our people should be thrown in with Russia and Poland. These six millions of Jews, in whom our best hopes of the future were vested, are now fretting in unspeakable pangs, threatened with ghastly dangers, too often a prey of bloodthirsty monsters with vaguely human faces, morally anguished, materially ruined, entirely absorbed with the necessity of using all their energy in the defence of their existence and honour. Of these six millions of our brothers we cannot actually expect any other effort than that of immediate self preservation.

Happily, the genius of Israel has so disposed that during these lost forty years a new Jewry should be built up in America, which numbers now more than three millions and has developed into the greatest living force within our people. The burden of providing for the future of Israel rests now mainly on your shoulders. You are stalwart enough to bear it manly.

England has given us, through the mouth of Mr Balfour, the promise to reconstitute us our historic country and to enable us to build up there anew the national home of our people. Almost all the other powers have more or less explicitly approved of this promise. But till now, it has remained a word and nothing more. We must now give it a concrete content and a practical meaning.

You American Jews dispose of the active sympathies of the noblest and best of your gentile countrymen and of the good will of your powerful government. Exert now all your influence in order to obtain without delay the following concessions:

1. Palestine must be respected as an intangible geographical individuality

with its traditional frontier. Every pretention of mutilating it in the north or the south must be resisted with the utmost energy.

2. The country must be widely opened to unrestricted Jewish immigration. It is a mockery and an offense to say solemnly to us "Palestine is yours" and at the same time to shut its frontiers hermetically and roguely before us. The argument that Palestine cannot at present feed an accrued number of inhabitants is no excuse for such a paradoxical treatment. England and the other powers may leave it with us to wrestle with this difficulty. We will ask of no outsider aid or help for the maintaining of our new settlers. We will organize them and provide for them ourselves.

3. The Negev which is now an empty and barren country where only small hordes of nomads roam who have never tried to begin the slightest work of civilization, must be comprised in the boundaries of Jewish Palestine. We will and we can conquer it for culture.

4. All the land in Palestine that has belonged to the late Turkish government must be made over to the new occupants, but shall remain the perpetual inalienable property of the Jewish nation and proportioned to individual occupants only on a system of a renewable ephphethesis, in accordance with our wonderfully prophetic law of Moses, of the Sabbath and the Jubilee Year, which Henry George theoretically in North America, Rivadavia practically in Argentina, have tried to modernize.

5. It is time that the voice of Israel be heard, not through the organ of self appointed, however meritorious, spokesmen and leaders, but through the mouth of duly elected representatives who can show a formal mandate from the millions of our people. Only such legitimate deputies can speak to the world with the necessary authority, in the name of Israel, in this era of triumphant democracy and self-determination of great and small nations. The convocation of a world congress of the Jewish nation is therefore an urgent and indubitable necessity. You American Jews must take this matter in your hand. Fix the conditions of the voting, the time and the place of the meeting of this assembly which has to be the point of departure of the new political existence of the old nation of Israel.

You American Jews have behaved wonderfully in these horrible years of war and ruin. You have given lavishly your millions. You have shrank from no sacrifice. You have

You have realized works of solidarity unparalleled in history. This will be recorded forever in our annals and remain your eternal glory. But money is not everything. We now ask of you, expect from you, that you will make a new and far more decisive effort to act efficiently in the direction of the five points I venture to submit to you.

May your work be blessed and may the date of your convention of 1919 become a great date in the history of Israel.

I beg to remain, with Zion's greetings,

Faithfully yours,

Dr Max Nordau



Arthur H. Johnson, Chairman
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