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"ZIONISM AIMS TO CREATE A PUBLICLY SECURED, LEGALLY ASSURED HOME FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE IN PALESTINE."—BASLE PROGRAM.

January 22, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
C/O The Temple
Ansel and East 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Yale Goldberg met with the Steering Committee of our Zionist Membership Campaign last Saturday. We described to him the general outlines of the Campaign and its goal, which is to add 2,000 new members to the Pittsburgh Zionist District which already has over 3,000 members. In other words, we are trying to create a membership in excess of 5,000 members for the Pittsburgh Zionist District. The Campaign was formally launched last Wednesday night, January 16, and will last for about four weeks. As an added stimulant to the Drive, he stated that if we would attain our goal you would be willing to come to Pittsburgh for a mass Victory demonstration. He suggested several dates. We would like to submit to you February 21, or February 28, 1946.

Needless to say, the Pittsburgh Zionist District would be greatly honored to have you accept, and we will make the occasion worthy of your visit. Will you please advise us as soon as possible whether you will accept and for what time, so that this news can be used for Campaign purposes, and so that we may also prepare the community for your visit.

Trusting that time and circumstance will permit you to accept this invitation, and with kindest personal regards, I remain,

Very truly yours,

By

Alex Lowenthal, President
PITTSBURGH ZIONIST DISTRICT



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January 28, 1946

Mr. Alex Lowenthal, President
Pittsburgh Zionist District
901 Keystone Bldg.
Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

My dear Friend:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of January 22. I am happy to learn that the Pittsburgh Zionist District has launched an intensive campaign to add 2000 new members to its roster.

I should like to come to you for the conclusion of your campaign, but I am confronted with very serious difficulties. You know how crowded my program was before I accepted the Presidency of the ZOA. I cannot take on any other responsibilities involving travel and lectures without seriously impairing my health. The day I received your letter, there came also a request from Baltimore where the Zionists are also engaged in an intensive membership campaign. They want me to come also on a day the latter part of February. I was in Pittsburgh not so long ago for a very fine Zionist meeting in connection with the Jewish National Fund. I have not been in Baltimore for a Zionist meeting in more than five years. I think it would be helpful if I would accept the Baltimore invitation. But I cannot accept both. Will you not invite someone else to address your Victory Meeting, and let me off this time?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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February 4, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
Ansel and East 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Pursuing to our telephone conversation to-day, will you be kind enough to review your calendar, and try to come to Pittsburgh sometime during the middle two weeks of March as the guest of the Pittsburgh Zionist District and the United Jewish Fund of Pittsburgh. As I told you, Mr. Yale Goldberg told us that he was offering you to us for a Victory Membership Dinner, since this would be a great stimulant to our Membership Campaign. This offer was repeated by Mr. Goldberg to our Steering Committee, and we in turn, threw out this challenge to all our Campaign workers. It would be most unfortunate for our Campaign if now we must advise that this offer cannot be carried through.

In addition, in order to gain additional prestige for the Pittsburgh Zionist District, we would like to make this a joint affair with the United Jewish Fund of Pittsburgh, now preparing its Spring U.J.A. Campaign.

We are most anxious to have you here, and trust you will not disappoint us.

With kindest personal regards, and with Zion's greetings,
I remain,

Very truly yours,

Alex Lowenthal
President

AL/rpb

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February 14, 1946

Mr. Alex Lowenthal, President
Pittsburgh Zionist District
901 Keystone Building
Pittsburgh 22, Pa.

My dear Friend:

I have given very careful and earnest consideration to your request that I come to Pittsburgh during March. I have also carefully scanned my calendar. It is simply an impossibility for me to add on any additional out-of-town engagements during the months of March and April. As it is, I am afraid I am carrying too heavy a load. I am sure that you will understand.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:GR

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. I.G. Simon forwarded to me a copy of his letter to you concerning your conversation with him with reference to the Pittsburgh district's Expansion Fund effort.

During the course of the election campaign, I had the occasion to confer with the Pittsburgh district on their plans, and at the opportune moment I brought up the Expansion Fund, which was subjected to a lengthy discussion on the part of the members of the Executive Committee of the district.

Because of the pressure of the election campaign, and realizing full well that at that specific time you were otherwise preoccupied, I delayed conveying to you the message from the Pittsburgh district until this time.

The Pittsburgh district, at a meeting of their Executive Committee, passed the following resolution and asked me to convey this to you.

"Be it resolved that the Pittsburgh Zionist District will, during the month of September, 1946, embark upon a campaign to raise its Expansion Fund quota. Precedence will be given above all other projects during the month of September to the Expansion Fund. Our efforts will be insured success if Dr. Abba Hillel Silver will agree to visit us as our guest of honor on the occasion of a dinner to be given at a date to be reached by mutual agreement between Dr. Silver and the Pittsburgh Zionist District."

I believe that Mr. I.G. Simon, in his letter to you, covered the circumstances and the reason why the district is so insistent.

Director:

MANUEL POSY

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During the last three months I spent most of my time on behalf of our election campaign in different parts of the country. Even though at times the grind was hard, I felt it an honor to be privileged to participate in the campaign for the election of a slate of delegates headed by you.

Kindest personal regards.

Cordially yours,

Manuel Posy

Manuel Posy
Director.

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=WILL YOU PLEASE CONVEY TO INNER-COMMITTEE AND DR SILVER THE FOLLOWING PITTSBURGH PLANNING \$40,000 1946 CAMPAIGN. 75 PERCENT OF PROCEEDS GO TO EXPANSION FUND. IMPOSSIBLE UNDERTAKE CAMPAIGN UNLESS WE HAVE PERSONAL ASSURANCE OF DR SILVER HE WILL ADDRESS DINNER PLANNED FOR SEPTEMBER 22ND..

NO OTHER DATES AVAILABLE THIS YEAR. DR SILVER HAS BEEN APPROACHED SIX WEEKS AGO ON THIS BUT NO ANSWER FROM HIM. YET RECEIVED. IMPERATIVE WE HAVE HIS PERSONAL ACCEPTANCE BEFORE END OF WEEK AS WE MUST START IMMEDIATE SOLICITATIONS OF FUNDS. REMITTANCES WILL BE MADE TO NATIONAL EXPANSION FUND AS MONIES ARE COLLECTED. PITTSBURGH ZIONIST DISTRICTS HAVE ALWAYS COOPERATED WITH DR SILVER AND A.O.A. IN PAST URGE DR SILVERS COOPERATION NOW. SUCCESS OF EXPANSION FUND CAMPAIGN WELL AS PITTSBURGH ZIONIST DISTRICTS ENLARGED PROGRAM FOR COMING YEAR DEPENDS ENTIRELY UPON DR SILVERS PARTICIPATION HERE ON SEPTEMBER 22ND=

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June 26, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
E. 105th St. and Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your suggestion to me at the Ohio Valley Conference, I am addressing this letter to you in regard to the Expansion Fund plans.

Mr. Alex Lowenthal, President of the Pittsburgh Zionist District, and his co-officers have been anxious for some time to carry out the local Expansion Fund campaign. Due to many difficulties which they were unable to overcome, they found it impossible to undertake this effort earlier in the year. As things stand now, it will be impossible to undertake such an effort before the month of September.

If a substantial sum is to be raised at that time, it can only be possible if you will accept the invitation (extended to you through Mr. Posy) from Mr. Lowenthal to be guest of honor at an Expansion Fund dinner in September. I know that you get many, many more of such requests than you can possibly accept without injury to your health. You must, of course, draw the line somewhere. However, the Pittsburgh Zionist District must not always remain below the line. The last time this happened was when you gave preference to Baltimore over Pittsburgh, despite the fact that you were committed to the Pittsburgh District, which promised 2,000 new members if you would address a victory dinner. Incidentally, the District lived up to its promise.

Unless the Pittsburgh District can arrange for an Expansion Fund dinner in September it will not be able to meet its obligation to the Expansion Fund for the current fiscal year. The Pittsburgh Zionist leaders are anxious to fulfill the District's quota. Unfortunately, in light of the situation here, they cannot do so without your pre-

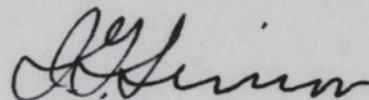
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sence here as the guest of honor at a function to be arranged for this purpose.

It is my sincere hope that you will accept Mr. Lowenthal's invitation and give him a September date most suitable to you. To assure the success of the Expansion Fund affair, ample time for preparatory purposes is urgent. May I ask you, therefore, to be good enough to check your calendar as quickly as you possibly can for an available date and convey same to Mr. Lowenthal.

Looking forward to your favorable and prompt response, and with best wishes for your continued good health, I am, with warmest personal regards and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,



I. G. Simon

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SEPT. 13, 1946

SECRETARY TO DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER
C/O THE TEMPLE
ANGEL RD. AND E. 105TH ST.
CLEVELAND, 6, OHIO

MADAME:

TODAY WE RECEIVED THE CUT OF DR. SILVER
WHICH YOU WERE GOOD ENOUGH TO SEND US IN ACCORD-
ANCE WITH THE REQUEST OF MR. SIMON TO YOU THROUGH
MRS. ISRAEL KLEIN.

WE ARE GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION
IN THE MATTER, AND WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT THE CUT
WILL BE RETURNED TO YOUR OFFICE IN GOOD ORDER VERY
SHORTLY.

AGAIN THANKING YOU FOR YOUR KIND COOPERATION,
I AM,

CORDIALLY YOURS,

ANNE FLITMAN
OFFICE SECRETARY

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My dear Dr. Silver:

Prior to your conversation with Dr. Marks concerning the Expansion Fund effort of Pittsburgh, I received only today this assurance from Pittsburgh. A check will be presented to you next Monday evening.

A meeting is being held this evening of the Committee in Pittsburgh and a further thought emanating from my office was interjected into the discussion for the evening, namely, that in the event their full quota is not raised by next Monday evening and they deem it necessary to continue their campaign, private sources should be asked to add sufficient to the check that will be presented so that their full quota would be made available to the National Office. Reimbursement should be made to these private sources as further income is received. It was pointed out in Pittsburgh that our fiscal year ends shortly and it is desirable for us to be in full possession of their quota.

This suggestion has been favorably received by Mr. Goldstock and his associates and I will be apprised tomorrow morning as to the final outcome of this suggestion.

Meanwhile, I have been in constant contact with Pittsburgh and favorable reports have been forthcoming. I will keep you informed of any further developments.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Manuel Posy
Manuel Posy
Director

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Director:

MANUEL POSY

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CARE THE TEMPLE ANSEL RD AND EAST 105 ST=

DEPOSITING NEW YORK OFFICE TMORROW \$10000 ON ACCOUNT
PITTSBURGH QUOTA EF STOP MANY THANKS FOR COMING HERE
STOP A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU AND YOURS=
ALEX LOWENTHAL.

\$10000 EF.



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Dear Dr. Silver:

I cannot tell you how delighted we all were to receive the good news through Dr. Marks that you have accepted the invitation of the Philadelphia Zionist Organization to be the Speaker at the Expansion Fund Dinner, to be held Wednesday evening, March 12th.

We have set the goal for \$100,000 which is practically double the amount which was raised last year. The announcement of your participation is already acting as a spur to our leaders and workers and we have raised the minimum contribution for admission to the dinner from \$100.00 to \$150.00. We are also in the process of developing a substantial "Special Gifts" Group from whom we hope to receive many larger contributions.

Now a personal word. I am humbly grateful that, as one of the ZOA delegates, I had the rare privilege of observing more closely the greatness of your leadership. You have crystallized for me, as you have for thousands of other American Zionists, the proper approach to the problems which face our Movement. You have helped cast aside any doubt which might have existed in my mind as to my own personal point of view. For this, as a Zionist in the ranks, I am deeply grateful.

I sincerely hope that you have had the opportunity to get some rest after your arduous labors in Basel.

With best wishes to you and to your family for the coming year, I am

Cordially yours,

ROSE I. BENDER
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GREETINGS 600 ORGANIZED OMAHA ZIONIST STAND BEHIND YOU AND
WILL BACK UP ALL DECISIONS OF THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE=
ARTHUR COHN PRESIDENT OMAHA ZIONIST DISTRICT.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER 600.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
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Dear Dr. Silver:

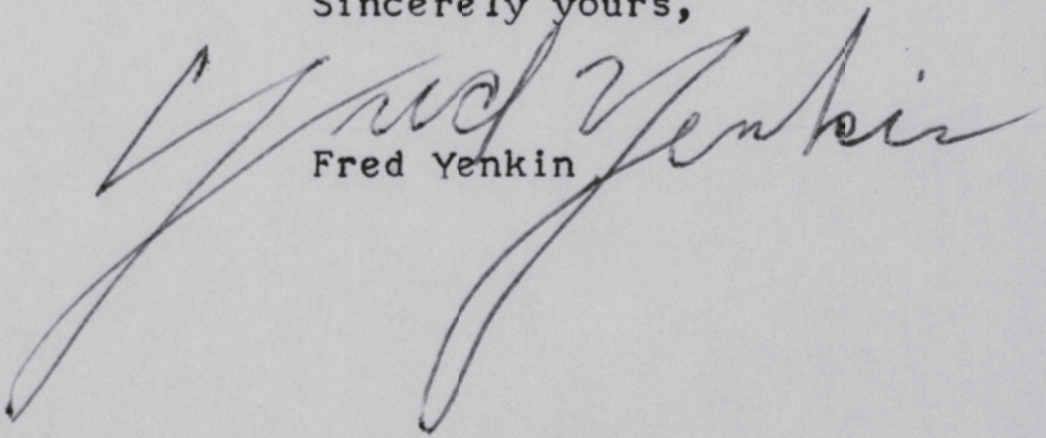
I have been requested by the Columbus Masada Group to intercede for them with you to kindly grant them the privilege of arranging an appointment with you.

The Columbus Masada Group is a recently organized group and has become very active in Zionist work and is very energetic in their planning. They have already accomplished a great deal in awakening the spirit of the Zionist youth in this District. Their chairman is Mr. Kalman Taxon, whose late father you probably knew as the Rabbi of Memphis, Tennessee.

If you would kindly consent to grant an interview to Mr. Taxon and the other officers who would like to see you, I'm certain you would be recompensed--seeing the spirit with which these young men are attacking the problem of interesting people their age in the Zionist movement.

With kindest personal regards and Zions Greetings,
I am

Sincerely yours,


Fred Yenkin

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Kalman B. Taxon
838 Bryden Road
February 9, 1947

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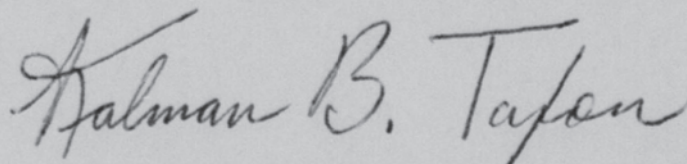
My dear Rabbi Silver:

On Sunday, March 23, the Columbus chapter of Masada will hold a mass meeting. The purpose of the meeting is very momentous, and vital to the Jewish youth of Columbus and central Ohio. After numerous attempts, we have finally succeeded in obtaining our charter. Our limited membership is profoundly interested in Zionism and its cultural implications. However, we realize, too well, that in numbers there is strength. Our membership must be increased to assure the future stability of our group. We need your help! With you as our guest speaker, we feel confident that every young man in Columbus will attend. That your message, informative, inspiring, and dynamic, will accomplish the purpose of our rally, we are certain.

Your proximity, your ability, and national prominence will spell success for our cause. As Zion's leader, surely you are eager to serve the youth in Zionism, for how well you must know that without an intelligent and informed new generation, the future of our cause is in jeopardy.

In regard to Mr. Fred Yenkin's letter, we would appreciate an appointment with you for Sunday, February 16, to discuss this matter. Thank you for kind indulgence. Let us hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Cordially yours, with Zion's greetings,



Kalman B. Taxon
President, Columbus Chapter Masada

February 11, 1947

Mr. Kalman B. Taxon, President
Columbus Chapter Masada
868 Bryden Road
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Taxon:

Permit me to acknowledge your kind letter of February 9. I deeply appreciate your invitation to address a meeting under the auspices of the Columbus Chapter of Masada on Sunday, March 23. I wish I were free to come to you. It would give me great pleasure indeed, but you must know the pressure I am under and the urgent matters which occupy my time and my energy and which will for a considerable time to come. I must forego many engagements which normally I should be most happy to accept.

Regarding an appointment to see me -- I shall be in Cleveland next Sunday, and if you think it is important enough for you to make a trip here to see me, I shall be glad to see you. Perhaps you can save yourself the trip by writing to me and telling me exactly what is in your mind.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

February 20, 1947

Miss Rose I. Bender, Executive Director
Philadelphia Zionist Organization
1410 North American Building
Philadelphia 7, Pa.

My dear Miss Bender:

I hope that you will forgive the long delay in acknowledging your kind letter of January 14. I have been in Washington and New York most of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I am glad that the Expansion Fund Dinner meeting in Philadelphia is progressing so nicely. I am looking forward to being there on March 12 and I shall be most happy to see you then.

Thank you for all the kind things which you say about my work in Switzerland. I was heartened and delighted with the manner in which our delegation worked almost as a solid unit, and the fine spirit which pervaded all our meetings.

With the reference of our case to the United Nations, we are opening a new chapter. There is much work to be done and much struggle lies ahead. I am confident that our people will be equal to the new challenge.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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To Luff 3-5 1947
 Care of or Apt. No. 1410 No. Am. Bldg.
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Regret' exceedingly unable to accept
 your kind invitation for March 12.
 Better follows

a. H. Silver

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RABBI ABBA HILEL SILVER, PRESIDENT ZIONISTS ORGANIZATION
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- IN VIEW OF YOUR SCHEDULED ADDRESS PHILADELPHIA MARCH 12TH
EXPANSION FUND DINNER COULD YOU ARRIVE PHILADELPHIA IN TIME
TO ADDRESS LARGE RALLY COMBINED AUSPICES TEMPLE UNIVERSITY
AND UNIVERSITY OF PENNA ZIONISTS FOUR PM. YOUR PRESENCE
SUCH MEETING WOULD GIVE TREMENDOUS BOOST TO ZIONISM ON
CAMPUS AND ZIONIST YOUTH MOVEMENT GENERALLY. PLEASE REPLY
RETURN WIRE=

LEONARD E LIFF CHAIRMAN PHILA ZIONIST YOUTH COMMISSION
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DR ABBA HOLLEL SILVER=

THE TEMPLE EAST 105 ST AND ANSEL RD=

ACCORDING TO NEW YORK TIMES STORY THIS MORNING THERE
IS POSSIBILITY YOU MAY NOT BE HERE FOR THE EXPANSION
FUND DINNER NEXT WEDNESDAY IT WOULD BE A GREAT
DISAPPOINTMENT TO PHILADELPHIA=

LOUIS E LEVINTHAL.

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER, THE TEMPLE=

: EAST 105TH ST AND ANSEL RE=

IN SPITE OF PRESSURE WHICH WE REALIZE IS ON YOU TO GO
TO JERUSALEM VITALLY IMPORTANT THAT YOU DO NOT
DISAPPOINT PHILA NEXT WEDNESDAY REGARDS=

LILLIAM SYLK PRES PHILA ZIONIST ORG
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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=THE TEMPLE

EAST 105 ST AND ANSEL RD=

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TREMENDOUS RESPONSE TO WEDNESDAY NIGHTS DINNER BECAUSE OF
YOU YOUR PRESENCE WILL SPUR EXPANSION FUND AND ALL OTHER
PHILADELPHIA ZOA ACTIVITIES REGARDS=

ROSE I B E NDER.

NIGHT LETTER

3-8-49

Mr. William Sylk, President
Philadelphia Zionist Organization
1410 North American Bldg.
Philadelphia, Pa.

PLEASE CONVEY TO OUR FELLOW ZIONISTS WHO WILL ATTEND THE DINNER OF THE PHILADELPHIA ZIONIST REGION NEXT WEDNESDAY MY PROFOUND REGRET AT BEING UNABLE TO ATTEND. I LOOKED FORWARD EAGERLY TO THE MEETING. I AM LEAVING SUNDAY NIGHT FOR PALESTINE TO ATTEND AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF ~~THE~~ EXECUTIVE OF ~~THE~~ JEWISH AGENCY AND OF ~~THE~~ ACTIONS COMMITTEE STOP THIS IS A TIME FOR ALL OUT ZIONIST MOBILIZATION. MR. BEVIN IS STILL MANEUVERING FOR ENDLESS DELAYS IN THE HOPE THAT THROUGH SUCH DELAYS HE WILL SOMEHOW REALIZE HIS STUBBORN AND WRONG HEADED POLICY ON PALESTINE. I AM GRATIFIED THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAS CHALLENGED GREAT BRITAIN TO DECLARE PUBLICLY JUST WHAT IT HOPES TO ACHIEVE BY REFERRING THE PALESTINE MATTER TO THE UNITED NATIONS AND WHETHER IT IS PREPARED TO ABIDE BY ITS DECISION AND IF CALLED UPON, ~~COMMIT~~ TO SURRENDER THE MANDATE STOP THERE MUST BE AN END TO DOUBLETALK^x PROCRASTINATION, STOP THE SITUATION IN PALESTINE IS EXPLOSIVE. THE PLIGHT OF OUR REFUGEES IS DESPERATE. WE MUST DEMAND AN IMMEDIATE RELAXATION OF THE IMMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS AND THE INFAMOUS RACIAL LAND LAWS IN PALESTINE. THE MOMENT IS MORE PROPITIOUS NOW THAN FOR SOME TIME IN THE PAST. WE MUST GIVE EVERY SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE EMBATTLED MEN AND WOMEN OF THE YISHUV. WE MUST STRENGTHEN THE ZOA NUMERICALLY AND FINANCIALLY TO ENABLE IT TO CARRY ON AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAM OF EDUCATION ON THE AMERICAN SCENE. I SALUTE THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PHILA. ZIONIST REGION AND WISH THEM GREAT SUCCESS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER