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Straus, Nathan, 1943.

## MEMORANDUM

FROM

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*Leon S. Jeller*

*Nathan Straus*

DATE:

TO:

Rabbi Silver

January 11, 1943

SUBJECT:

"That the President is planning to say something terribly important most acceptable to your people within ten days. He will send ~~me~~ an invitation to meet with him to give exact details of what is to be said and done."





C O P Y

THE WHITE HOUSE  
Washington

October 15, 1943

Dear Mr. Straus:

I rejoice to know that the proceeds from the tenth annual Night of Stars will be devoted to the relief of human suffering throughout the world. In a global war the demands upon our relief organizations are enormous. I am glad that your appeal this year is in behalf of mankind, for the calls to alleviate human suffering are not confined to any nation or clime.

All success to you in your fine humanitarian work.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Franklin D. Roosevelt

Hon. Nathan Straus  
Honorary Chairman  
Night of Stars  
41 East 42nd Street  
New York (17) New York



Nathan Straus

630 Sixth Avenue

New York, N.Y.

October 25th, 1943

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am very much interested in your letter of October 20th — as I always will be in your counsel and guidance in Jewish matters.

I do not know who informed you that I placed a "suggested draft of a statement" before the President. As a matter of fact, the memorandum which I left at the White House in respect to the message to the "Night of Stars" included only some penciled suggestions that I wrote myself while in the office. However, the larger matter of the attitude of the government toward a Jewish Palestine must give any intelligent and thoughtful person cause for concern.

If you believe that it would be helpful to talk to me when you are in New York, of course I will be happy to meet you at your convenience.

With kindest regards,

Very cordially yours,

*Nathan Straus*

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



November 1, 1943

Mr. Nathan Straus  
630 Sixth Avenue  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Straus:

Thank you for your kind letter. I shall be in New York on Monday, November 15 for a meeting in the afternoon and in the evening. I shall be free in the morning. Would you be free to see me at any time in the morning?

There are a few people whom I contacted in Washington since writing to you, and I should be very happy to inform you of our conversations.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK