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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

January 18, 1944.

Mr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Chairman, Executive Committee,
American Zionist Emergency Council,
41 East 42nd Street,
New York City, 17, New York

Dear Mr. Silver:

Thanks for sending me "The Truth About Palestine."

It is a handy pamphlet, and I shall make good use thereof.

Incidentally, I recently appeared before the Immigration group of the American Jewish Conference. I advised for the purpose of the Record, that the American Jewish Conference appear before the House Foreign Affairs Committee to combat some of the outrageous assertions made by Assistant Secretary of State, Breckenridge Long on the subject of refugees, the number thereof, lack of shipping space, etc.

I cannot emphasize to you too strongly the need for this. A grave false impression has spread throughout the Nation concerning the "wonderful work that the State Department is doing." Unless the rebuke and animad versions against Mr. Long and his Department are soon made, they will not catch up with the mischief that he wrought.

Yours very sincerely,

(signed) Emanuel Celler

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January 27, 1944

Honorable Emanuel Celler,
Congress of the United States,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman Celler:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of January 18th.

Knowing of your profound interest in Palestine and of your forceful championing of our cause through these years, you were surely as gratified as I was at the introduction of the Palestine Resolution in the House today. You will have the opportunity, I am sure, to raise your voice in the furtherance of the good cause.

I am happy that both Mr. McCormack and Mr. Martin have pledged their wholehearted support of the measure.

When I am next in Washington, I shall give myself the pleasure of calling on you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Abba Hillel Silver