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Halifax, Lord (British Ambassador), 1944.

H. Silver

February 5, 1944

His Excellency The Ambassador of Great Britain,
The British Embassy,
Washington, D. C.

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I am enclosing, herewith, a copy of a letter which I addressed this morning to Mr. O'Donnell.

Should questions arise about this particular columnist's report, I would appreciate it if you would make the true facts known to your government.

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**BRITISH EMBASSY
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

February 8th, 1944.

Ref. 130/-/44

Dear Doctor Silver,

Many thanks for your letter of February 5th enclosing a copy of your letter to Mr. O'Donnell in connection with his article of February 4th in the Times Herald. I am grateful to you for sending this correction of your reported remarks, and I am forwarding it to London so that there shall be no misapprehension at that end either.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Halifax

Dr. A. H. Silver,

American Zionist Emergency Council,

East 105th Street at Angel Road,

Cleveland, Ohio.

Kelly at

February 11, 1944

His Excellency the Ambassador of Great Britain
The British Embassy
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My dear Mr. Ambassador:

Permit me to thank you for your kind
letter of February 8th.

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in a copy of the letter which I received this morning
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on the Press Conference concerning which I wrote to
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With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.

BRITISH EMBASSY

WASHINGTON 8, D.C.

29th April, 1944

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My dear Dr. Wise,

Please forgive me for not having answered before this your letter of April 6th addressed to me by yourself and Dr. Silver: I have been absent from Washington a good deal in the last two weeks and have got somewhat behindhand with my correspondence.

The object of this present letter is just to tell you that I have done as requested by you in the last paragraph of your letter and have brought the contents of your letter to the attention of the Foreign Office for the information of the authorities concerned in London.

Yours sincerely,

(signed)

Halifax

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