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Dr. Sidney Marks

There has been a great deal of comment, both written and by telephone, regarding the Truman presentation to Mr. Goldman and Mr. Bisgyer of Bnai Brith.

Everyone feels that a true recitation of the facts or some other device be employed to offset what they believe to be a blow at Zionist prestige. - I am referring, of course, to the de jure recognition ceremony.

Has anything been done in this connection? I would appreciate your advices.

Accept my kindest personal regards.

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AMERICAN ZIONIST EMERGENCY COUNCIL 342 MADISON AVENUE, NEW YORK 17, N. Y. MEMORANDUM To Date Dr. Sidney Marks February 9, 1949 Abe Tuvim From 11/49 Replying to your letter of February 7th on the matter of the de jure recognition ceremony at the White House, there is nothing that the Council can do about this, as much as we resent all the implications which it involves. Personally, I do not believe that the leaders of Binai Brith created the situation. That they took advantage of it is beyond question and certainly no one can blame them for that. I think that at the meeting on the 13th one of the speakers might draw attention to the lengths to which our enemies go to place us at a disadvantage in the public eye. The White House ceremony was but another link in the chain of attack by our opposition. Kindest regards. AT: RB