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ORGANIZACION SIONISTA DE MEXICO

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DIREC. CABL.: "SIDNISTA" TELS. 11-03-13 11-23-34 11-23-44 AV. CHAPULTEPEC NO. 300 APARTADO POSTAL NO. 2700 MEXICO 7. D. F.

México, D.F. March 2, 1951.

Dr. Aba Hilel Silver.

Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Javer Dr. Silver:

Dr. Emmanuel Newman has probably informed you of the 25th Anniversary of the foundation of our Organization in Mexico, that will be celebrated next month.

These, were twenty five years of zionist efforts, of progressive work with positive results. Our Organization all through its existance has carried the responsability of the zionist movement, political work, zionist education and educative work among the youth.

We take this opportunity in order to remark some of the facts in the history of our Organization.

Our Organization in Mexico was founded in the latter months of 1925 as the United Zionist Organization in Mexico in order to concentrate the first new inmigrants into zionist work without any political difference. As time went by and consecuently our community grew, the zionist movement had also a developement, so separated groups were formed - such as Poalei Zion, Misrachi, Revizionists and Hashomer Hatzair - apart of our -Organization who stayed only with elements of the most pure ideals of General Zionism.

In September 1947, we realized the ridiculousness of our situation, of being a United Zionist Organization and officially declared ourselves as a General Zionist Organization affiliating us to the World --Confederation of the General Zionists in New York.

Ever since we have dedicate our Organization to work, develope, fortify and profoundize in the general zionism field in this country, following constantly present problems and necessities of the movement. Yes, we have reached great stands and satisfactory results in our work.

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Our Organization grew to be the largest and most important zionist group in Mexico with over one thousand active members, with an important youth movement with chalusim education and an own ---Tarbut School with over three hundred pupils that have a complete Hebrew education. All these positive facts are due to the efforts of our ---Organization and concentrated propaganda in our community.

We have to thank Dr. Emmanuel Newman for his visit to this country back in November 1950 - among other things- for the great victory of our movement in the elections of the Zionist Congress by having won the first place in this country.

Today, more than ever, we realize the problems and work to be done in this movement and are convinced of the imperative --necessity of reforming our movement in one party with one world's central and not a Confederation as we have now. Our Party has to follow with the traditions of General Zionism as the center party in the movement and in the Medinat Israel. It has to have in its hands the direction of all --zionist work in the Diaspora and grow greater its influence in Israel.

For all these purposes we are ready to give everythings in our possibilities, efforts, energies to fortify the movement in Mexico and also organize all general zionism in Central America, which has not been done yet by the World Confederation.

Next month we are having the jubilee festivities for the 25th Anniversary of our Organization and we have a great will that these festivities are to be a great joy for the jewish community in Mexico and for all those who are sympathetic with our movement in general zionism, for the work in the Medinat Israel and the Diaspora.

We come to you, dear Javer Dr. Silver, and have the honor of inviting you in the name of all our Organizations and the Jewish community in Mexico as our guest of honor in these festivities.

With no doubt we are positively sure that your -presence here will be the highest honor for our Organization and a strong influence in the development of general zionism in Mexico and in Central America.

ההםתדרות הציונית במכס MEXICO ORGANIZACION SIONISTA DE

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We cannot express our gratefulness enough is you are willing to accept this invitation and we have great hopes that you will do so. In such a case we shall thank you to please -indicate us when it is more covenient for you to come to Mexico, -during the month of April.

Knowing in advance that you will honor us with your visit, we remain waiting for your reply,

Yours very truly,

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF MEXICO. Rafael Wishniewicz President

Cemaj Portnoy Secretary.

March 19, 1951

Mr. Rafael Wishniewicz, President Mr. Cemaj Portnoy, Secretary Zionist Organization of Maxico Av. Chapultepec No. 300 Apartado Postal No. 2700 Mexico 7, D.F.

My dear Friends:

Permit me to acknowledge your gracious letter of March 2nd in which you inform me of your forthcoming 25th anniversary and the celebration which you plan to honor that occasion. I am deeply appreciative of your kind invitation to come to Mexico and to participate with you in that happy celebration. Nothing would give me greater pleasure. Unfortunately, I am planning to leave for Europe and Israel some time during the month of April, and shall be gone for about a month. In view of the circumstances, it is not possible for me to accept your invitation. I regret it deeply. I hope that I may be of service to you at some future time.

I wish you every success in the splendid work which you are doing. I am happy that the General Zionists of Mexico are growing in strength and our becoming increasingly aware of the service which they can render the cause of General Zionism in Israel.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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JANUARY 30, 1952

LEON DULCHIN SIONISTE MEXICO CITY

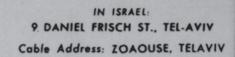
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ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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41 EAST 42nd STREET • NEW YORK 17, N.Y. • MUrray Hill 2-3205

January 20, 1953

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street and Ansel Road Clefeland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The President of the Zionist Organization of Mexico, Mr. Leon Dultzin, and the General Secretary, Mr. Chaim Teichman, informed me that they sent you an invitation to come to Mexico to a dinner they plan to hold in your honor.

I promised them that I would write to you about it in support of their invitation.

I am sure you heard by this time that the last convention of the General Zionist Organization of Mexico ended with a complete victory of our slate of candidates. Both Dultzin, as well as Teichman and the rest of the organization's leadership are staunch General Zionists and have been, all these years, your faithful supporters. Our Mexican organization is a very efficient and dynamic group and there is no doubt that a dinner in your honor would serve to manifest the influence of General Zionism in Mexico, where the Jewish community is well established and wealthy.

I do not know what your plans are in this respect, but perhaps it would be possible to include Mexic@ City in your scheduled trip to the West Coast. Taking into consideration that you are going to be in Los Angeles on February 25th, it might be a good idea if you could go to Mexico from there. I am sure that both you and Mrs. Silver will enjoy this trip very much.

I will greatly appreciate your reply. With warmest personal regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Leon Ilutovich, Director World Zionist Affairs Department

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41 EAST 42nd STREET • NEW YORK 17, N.Y. • MUrray Hill 2-3205

February 17, 1953

Miss Elizabeth Rice The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rice:

CABLE ADORESS:

ZIONISTS, N.Y.

I am in receipt of Dr. Silver's letter of February 12th with a request to give him information concerning his arrival in Mexico City and his note asking for 100 Hebrew dards. I also received your note concerning addresses necessary to acknowledge greeting telegrams.

1. As you probably know I spoke to Dr. Silver over the phone in the meantime and I wrote to him by special-delivery to his home address. Both over the telephone as well as in the letter I gave him all the necessary information concerning our Mexican organization and its leadership. I also informed him of the arrangements made thus far for his reception.

I have written to Mexico again giving them Dr. Silver's hotels in Los Angeles and in San Francisco, so that they can communicate with him directly!

If you wish to write to Mexico City, please address all your communications to:

Mr. Chaim Teichman, Secretary-General Organizacion de Sionista de Mexico Av. Chapultepec No. 300 Mexico D.F., M E X I C O

Tels: 1.1-03-13, 1.1-23-34, 11-23-44 Cable Address: SIONISTA

Just in case you may need it, I am also giving you Mr. Teichman's business address: Mr. Chaim Teichman Lopez 15-507 Mexico D.F., M E X I 6 0 Tels: 21-59-51, 21-61-82.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Dr. Silver at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

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Miss Elizabeth Rice

- 2. I asked our mailing department to get for you all the necessary addresses and as soon as I receive them, I will return all the wires to you.
- 3. The Hebrew cards will be ordered by me and transmitted to you after they are ready.

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With warmest regards, I am,

Yours very sincerely.

Leon Ilutovich Assistant Executive Director

LI/mf

P.S. Enclosed is an article on Dr. Silver by Dr. Mateo Goldstein, published in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in the Yiddish daily "Die Presse". Dr. Goldstein is a prominent General Zionist leader in Argentina. His address is - Lavalle 2574, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

cc: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

RADIO MIL Programa: MEXICO ECONOMICO E INDUSTRIAL Productor; F. Fe Alvarez Fecha; sábado 21 febrero 1953 Hora; 23.30

MUSICA TEMA Y BAJA A

Locutor Radio Mil les ofrece nuevamente cinco minutos de servicio informativo, con este programa, MEXICO ECONOMICO E INDUS-TRIAL, recogiendo las notas mas interesantes de la semana en todo lo que se refiere al progreso económico de nuestro pais.

MUSICA DISUELVE A

Locutor

La importancia que se está concediendo al desarrollo industrial de México en el extranjero, ha quedado recalcada por le serie de artículos que acaba de publicar en Estados Unidos el doctor Alexander S. Lipsett, director del "International Labor News Service", quién en los meses de diciembre y enero pasado estuvo visitando varias partes de la República. Basándose en las visitas que hiciera a las plantas de Celanese Mexicana, Viscosa Mexicana, Celulosa Nacional, General Notorem y otras, el doctor Lipsett recalca en sus artículos la importancia que ha adquirido la cooperación mexicane-norteamericana en materia de oreación de nuevas industrias y las buenas relaciones existentes entre inversionistas de uno y otro país. Esto, según el doctor Lipsett contribuirá mejor que cualquier otra cosa, al desarrollo de un mejor entendimiento entre Estados Unidos y México.

SONIDO CAMPANADAS

Locutor

La Industria Nacional Químico-Farmaceútica ha anunciado que la nueva planta que estableció en San Cristóbal Ecatepec está a punto de iniciar sus trabajos. Esta planta producirá eloro para insectividas, estando bajo la dirección del ingeniero químico Jorge Madrid. Las instalaciones mecánicas de la planta fueron compradas a la casa Krebs y Co. de Alemania, misma que ahora envió tres de sus técnicos para supervisar el funcionamiento de toda la maquinaria. Estos técnicos llegaron a nuestro país el pasado miércoles, viniendo directamente de Berlín por la compañía aérea KLM.

SONIDO CAMPANADAS

Locutor El primer centro de Capacitación para el Trabajo que crea el Instituto Nacional de la Juventud Mexicana ha sido establecido en la oslle de San Juan de Letrán. En este centro se capacitará a las mujeres para trabajos de mecanografía, estenografía, peinados y labores de belleza, mientras que a los hombres se les enseñará trabajos de instalación eléctrica, mecánica, radio y televisión. Cada una de las personas que salgan de este centro podrán esr empleadas en diversas fábricas, gracias a los servicios especiales con que cuenta el Instituto para este fin.

SONIDO CAMPANADAS

Locutor Nuevos planes para la colonización del Estado norte de Baja California están siendo elaborados en la actualidad por las autoridades competentes. Estos planes son de gran envergadura y como principal finalidad tendrán la de ampliar enormemente la acción de la Comisión Nacional de Colonización para desarrollar a fondo la vida económica de esa entidad, que está destinada a ser una de las mas ricas de todo el país.

SONIDO CAMPANADAS

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Locutor

Una de las figuras mas destacadas del sionismo internacional, el doctor Abba Hillel Silver, llegará a México el jueves de la semana entrante, invitado especialmente por la Organización Sionista de México. Al doctor Hillel, considerado como el líder del movimiento sionista internacional, se debe, en gran parte, el establecimiento del nuevo Estado de Israel, gracias a la gran labor política y social que a desarrolló en todo el mundo ma favor de la creación de este joven país.

SONIDO CAMPANADAS

Locutor

Con elfi fin de extender a todas las capas de la sociedad la importancia que tiene la conservación de los recursos naturales, el Instituto Mexicano de Recursos Naturales Renovables acaba de editar dos folletos a todo color exponiendo el gran problema de México en esta materia. La mgm gravedad del problema queda recalcada por el hecho de que dentro de 100 años, si no se toman medidas desde ahora, México será un desierto en mas de la mitad de su extensión territorial, cuando la población, que pasará de los 50 millones de habitantes, necesite mas que nunca de los recursos naturales que ahora se están malgastando.

MUSICA TEMA Y BAJA A

Locutor Acaban ustedes de escuchar por Radio Mil el servicio informativo, MEXICO ECONOMICO E INDUSTRIAL. Muchas gracias por su amabilidad y hasta mañana a esta misma hora. Buenas noches.

MUSICA TEMA A FIN



KEREN KAYEMETH LEISRAEL

DIRECTORIO TERRITORIAL EN MEXICO Av. Chapultepeo, 300 :: Apartado 2700 :: México 7, D. F. Teléfobos: 11.03.13; 11.23.34; 11.23.44

> ב' בניסן חשי"ג (1953 במרץ 18)

לכברד דר. אבא הלל סילבר קליבלאנד, אהאיו.

קימת לישראל

הלשכה הארצית כמכסיקו

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קרו

אנו מתכבדים להודיע לכבודו שבישיבת הלשכה הארצית של הקק"ל במכסיקו, שנתקיימה ב-22 לחודש זה, החלט לנטע ע"ש כבודו 1000 עצים ב"יער יהודי מכסיקו", בקשר לביקורו בישוב שלנו ובהזדמנות חגיגת יום הולדתו הששים.

בזה אנו רוצים להביע לכבודו את הוקרתנו והערצתנו לרגל יובלו ופעילתו בתור מנהיגו הדגול של התנועה העברית העולמית והישגיו לטובת הקמת מדינת ישראל.

כמו כן, החלטנו לרשם את הגב' סילבר בספר הזהב של הקק"ל לרגל ביקורה במכסיקו, שגרם לנו שמחה רבה.

התעודות של נסיעה החורשה ושל ההרשמה בספר זהזהב ישלחו לכב'

ישר מהלשכה הראשית בירושלים.

בכבוד רב ובב' תברים נאמנה,

הלשכה הארצית של הקק"ל במכסיקו.

סוביה

March 26, 1953

Mr. T. Resulkoff Keren Kayemeth Leisrael Av. Chapultepec, 300 Mexico 7, D.F.

My dear Mr. Resnikoff:

I received your letter of March 18th informing me that the Central Committee of the Jewish National Fund of Mexico has voted to plant 1,000 tress in the format of the "Jews of Mexico" on the occasion of my visit to your country and in connection with my 60th anniversity, and that it had further decided to inscribe the name of Mrs. Silver in the Golden Book of the Jewish National Fund.

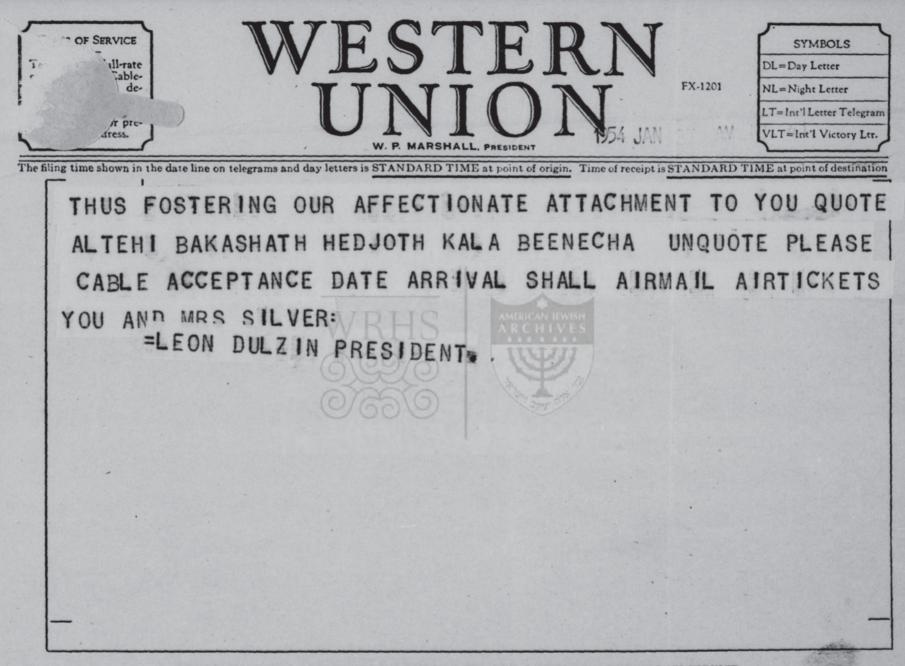
I need not tell you that I am profoundly appreciative of this beautiful act of tribute, and that both Mrs. Silver and I want to thank you for it. We regard it as ahigh honor. We shall tressure your act among the many manifestations of friendship and hospitality which we enjoyed during our visit to the Jewish community of Mexico.

I send you all my warmest regards and best wishes for a happy Passover.

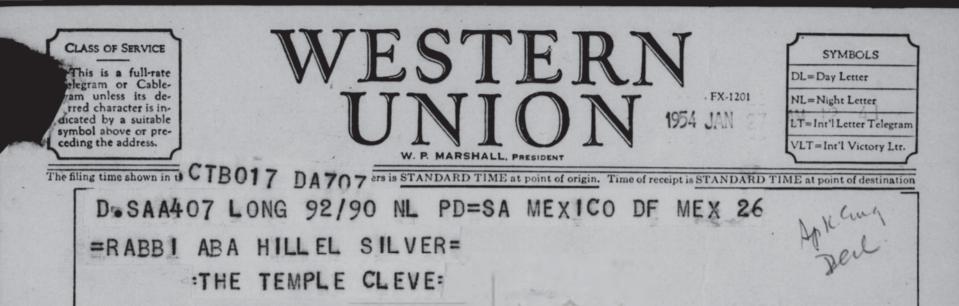
Most cordially yours

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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