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TO:
DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER



FROM:
SAM GIVELBER

SAMUEL H. GIVELBER

16220 ALDERSYDE DRIVE
SHAKER HEIGHTS 20, OHIO

December 6, 1961

SENT TO:
PRESIDENT KENNEDY
VICE-PRESIDENT JOHNSON
TEN (10) CABINET MEMBERS
100 SENATORS
23 OHIO CONGRESSMAN

The writer was greatly moved when he heard this speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio, and it is my desire to share this emotion with you.

I hope that it will be of assistance to you in making judgment on one of our most pressing problems -- how to promote our way of life, in competition with Communism.

Very sincerely yours,

Sam Givelber

BUILDING WALLS AND SHELTERS

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

THE TEMPLE

I have been thinking much in recent weeks of old proverbs and ancient prophecies. Dramatic world events have stirred the recollection of them in my mind. I could not help thinking how cogent and relevant, how true and applicable those maxims and admonitions of long ago were proving themselves in the events which are transpiring in our day. It seems that only the details in the historic processes of men and nations actually change, the fundamental laws, the moral rhythm and undulations remain fairly constant.

When I was a boy and studied the Pirke Aboth of the Rabbis, I was greatly impressed by a saying of Hillel. His words were doubly imposing, first by what they said and secondly by the ancient and difficult Aramaic in which they were couched. Hillel saw a skull floating on the surface of the water; he said to it: "Because thou drownest them, they have drowned thee, and at last they that doomed thee, shall themselves be drowned."

At the time these words seemed harsh and pitiless. Since then, I have come to understand that the gentle Hillel was only recording one of those harsh and ungentle facts about the conduct of human life which men forget too soon and recall too late. Hillel was not angry at the poor body which he saw floating upon the water, but he was solemnly and perhaps even sorrowfully reflecting upon the inescapable accountability, the relentless sequence of moral retribution from which evil-doers never escape. He was re-stating an axiom of the Bible: "They that plough iniquity, and sow wickedness, reap the same".

The recent fate of Stalin helped me to understand the words of Hillel. Stalin had caused many skulls to float upon the water, in order to keep himself from being drowned. He carried through bloody purges against his opponents.

He slew thousands and caused millions of peasants to perish in order to ensure the success of his program of land collectivization. His chief enemy, Trotsky -- himself a ruthless slayer -- he hounded to death. He drove him into exile and contrived his assassination in his place of refuge in Mexico. He erased his name -- the name of the one man who, together with Lenin, was responsible for the triumph of the October Revolution -- he erased it from all the records and histories of the Revolution. The coming generations of Russians must never know that Trotsky ever lived. When I was in Leningrad last summer, I requested my guide take me to the Smolney Institute, the former headquarters of Trotsky, from where he launched the revolution and directed the capture of the city, which was then Petrograd and the Capital of Russia. There was nothing in or around the Smolney Institute to indicate or even to suggest that Trotsky ever had anything to do with the Revolution -- no tablet, no statue, no inscription -- and the Communists, remember, are very lavish in their commemorative tributes to the heroes of their revolution. Trotsky had been completely erased and obliterated -- sunk like lead in the deep sea. Even his skull no longer floated upon the water . . .

Stalin died while planning for more skulls to float upon the water. Retribution overtook him only after his death. His party, which he whipped into supine submission and obedience during his life-time, repudiated him, denounced and condemned him. His statues, which dotted every town and city in Russia, have been pulled down. His name is not mentioned now, except derogatively and in hate. How true now ring the words of Hillel: "Because thou drownest others, they have now drowned thee". And how long will it be before the skull of Khrushchev, his former collaborator and now his detractor, will float upon the water? And how long will it be before "they that will drown him, will themselves be drowned?" . . .

When I was young, I read a stern prophecy of Isaiah. It was directed against the king of Babylon. I thought, at the time, that it was over-wrought, a prophetic hyperbole. This was the prophecy:

"You said in your heart, I will ascend to heaven;
Above the stars of God I will set my throne on high;
But you are brought down to Sheol, to the depths of the Pit.
Those who see you will stare at you, and ponder over you;
Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms . . .
All the kings of the nations lie in glory, each in his own tomb;
But you are cast out, out of your sepulchre, like an abhorred
off-shoot . . . like a carcass trodden under foot . . .
Because you have destroyed your land,
Because you have slain your people!"

I also read a prophecy of Jeremiah. It was directed against Jehoiakim, the son of Josiah, King of Judah. He had done much evil in his day and had spilled much innocent blood. The prophecy read: "They shall not lament for him, saying 'Ah my brother or 'Ah his majesty! With the burial of an ass he shall be buried, dragged and cast forth beyond the gates of Jerusalem".

This prophecy, too, appeared to me at the time, highly colored, an excessive flight of poetic imagination. But, today, when I read in the press how Stalin's body was dragged out of the mausoleum in Moscow's Red Square, where he lay in state alongside of Lenin -- I had seen the two bodies there recently, lying side by side, embalmed like Egyptian mummies, the objects of awesome tribute and veneration -- how it was dragged out and cast into some unknown grave, and how his name, which once caused millions to tremble, was everywhere erased, his monuments overthrown and dragged into the dust, today I am inclined to take these ancient prophecies quite literally. I realize that Isaiah and Jeremiah spoke not only to their day, but to ours as well. It is true that centuries separate

the ancient kings of Babylon and Judah from the Red despots of the Kremlin, but the law of retribution applied to them all alike. This is true of all moral law. Time and place may change, but not the inexorable operation of the moral law.

Thus, the law of the Lord has always been against all those who build walls against their fellow-men and cement them with violence and blood. Some build these hostile walls in the name of race, religion or class. They do it for the good of mankind, they assert. They are out to save the world, and in the name of civilization, progress and humanity, they sow hate among men and incite to bigotry and conflict. They would have you see in their walls bulwarks of justice, ramparts of freedom. But they are none of these. They are walls of cruel separation and estrangement, barbed-wire barriers against human progress and brotherhood.

Men build walls against other men, not out of love, but out of hate or contempt. And nations build walls against other nations because they are afraid. Men who practice and defend segregation on the ground of race and color, either hate their fellow-men whose segregation they seek, or are disdainful of them. Neither hate nor contempt can be the basis of the good society that mankind is striving to build!

We have been reading a great deal in recent months about the wall which the Communist East-Berliners have erected in the heart of the city of Berlin. A great deal of passion has been aroused by the erection of this wall, and a great deal of propaganda has engulfed our people in consequence of it. We have been made to believe that the entire free world has been endangered by this act, and hot-heads have clamored for military action on our part to force the removal of that wall.

Actually, the erection of this wall by the Soviet-directed East-Berliners was a confession of gross weakness on their part, a tacit admission that the Western expansion of Communism, for the present time at least, has ended, and

its limits definitely reached. If Communism were confident of further conquest and expansion in the West in the near future, it would not have built a wall around itself. For some time now, East-Berliners had been escaping in large numbers to the West. Free and prosperous West Berlin was proving too great an attraction to the East-Berliners. It was also a daily reminder to the Communists that the gross economic lag and inferiority of East Germany were being advertised to the world. Communism was thus being discredited. It could not endure an open frontier to the West. It needed a protecting wall to shut itself in.

You will recall that when China built its Great Wall during the Chin Dynasty, the mightiest barrier ever built by man -- the eighth wonder of the world -- it was in the hope, not of any further conquest and expansion on its part, but of protecting itself against invasion from the North and the West. China was now content to stay within a protecting wall. That wall was built by a ruthless dictator, Chin Shih Huang Ti, who had turned his back upon the ancient culture and traditions of his country, had burnt the Chinese classics, as well as some five hundred scholars who dared to criticize his regime. His mighty wall, however, for whose construction he had impressed some three hundred thousand troops, did not prove effective, after all. The wall was breached and China was invaded time and again.

The Romans, too, you will recall, built, in the second century, a seventy-mile long wall across Britain from the Tyne on the North Sea to Solway Firth on the Irish Sea, to keep out the threatening mountaineers from the north, from the Scot highlands. This wall, too, clearly indicated that the era of further Roman expansion was ended. It marked the definite northern limit of the Roman world.

And this is true also of the Berlin wall. It should be borne in mind that this wall was built not by the West, but by the East. I know that some West-Berliners and West-Germans generally were very unhappy about the erection of this wall. It must have been an unpleasant and somewhat humiliating experience for them,

but then they should have recalled that together with their fellow Germans of the East, they were energetic wall-builders themselves not so many years ago. I saw sad pictures in the American press of Germans, especially German women, weeping at the sight of this wall. I wondered whether these same Germans shed any tears over the barbed-wire fences -- charged electrically so as to kill any one who tried to climb over them -- which were erected by their soldiers around the unspeakable concentration camps where millions of Jews were herded like cattle, degraded in their humanity in cruel and bottomless infamy, beaten and starved, and finally sent to the gas-chambers to be exterminated!

I haven't any tears to shed over these Berliners and over the inconvenience which was caused them by the wall which had been built across their city. They are not starving, nor dying, nor doomed, nor facing gas-chambers. Berlin is a gay city today, I am told, prosperous, full of life, abounding in theatres, cabarets and night-clubs. No West-Berliner has lost his basic human freedoms nor have the Western governments been denied access to West Berlin. I would not wish to see the world destroyed by atomic fire in order to give these West-Berliners -- what? -- the satisfaction of a re-united Berlin, which half of Berlin does not want? Or give to West-Germans a re-united Germany, which half of Germany does not want? Let these past-masters in the demonic art of building walls around other men now learn the difficult art of removing them from around themselves. No one will remove their walls for them.

We, here at home, have not been engaged in building walls to divide our cities -- but we are being urged to build fall-out shelters as a precaution against nuclear bombs which may rain down upon us in the next war and the resultant deadly atmospheric contamination. This has become a major pre-occupation of our people. This, too, recalls to my mind an ancient prophecy:

For the Lord of hosts has a day
Against all that is proud and lofty,
Against all that is lifted up and high,
Against all the cedars of Lebanon
That are high and lifted up,
And against all the oaks of Bashan;
Against all the high mountains
And against all the lofty hills;
Against every high tower,
And against every fortified wall;
Against all the ships of Tarshish,
And against all beautiful craft,
And the haughtiness of man shall be humbled,
And the pride of man shall be brought low;
And the Lord alone will be exalted in that day.
And the idols shall utterly pass away,
And men shall go into the caves of the rocks,
And the holes of the ground,
From before the terror of the Lord
And from the glory of His majesty,
When He arises to terrify the earth.
In that day men shall cast forth
Their idols of silver, and his idols of gold
Which they made for themselves to worship
to the moles and to the bats;
To go into the caverns of the rocks,
And the clefts of the cliffs,
From before the terror of the Lord,
And from the glory of His majesty,
When He arises to terrify the earth.

As I look about me and see what is happening to our proud and lofty civilization, how we are being driven underground by fears which have resulted from the evil work of our own hands, I wonder whether the terror and judgment of God has not finally come upon this generation. The idols which we have worshiped, the idols of silver and gold, of power and greed, of pride and prestige, of weapons and armaments, are finally driving us, cowering, into the holes of the earth, like primitive man into his cave.

I have no advice to give on the subject of underground dugouts, and no blueprints on how to construct the most comfortable fall-out shelter with the latest improvements. There are already quite a few samples on the market, and there will be many more, as international tensions continue to mount and manufacturers rush in to capitalize on the increasing apprehension of our people. There will be a steadily growing demand for local, state and national shelter-building programs which may cost tens of billions of dollars, and no one will be able to argue successfully against them. After all, Europe built shelters during the Second World War. We did not have to. Our cities were not within the range of enemy bombers, but in the next war our cities too will be within the range of nuclear missiles, whose destructive force will be a million times that of the bombs which were dropped in the last war.

What alternative, then, is there to the building of shelters? None! It seems logical, too, that if shelters must be built, they should be built for everyone, rich and poor alike. Why should only the more affluent be spared? I see where people are already discussing the pros and cons of hanging up signs on their private shelters -- "Keep Out, Or Else!" -- as a clear gesture of neighborly love in the day of the thermonuclear holocaust.

To such a sorry pass has our civilization come! Such is the bankruptcy of the statesmanship and leadership of the powerful men who have been directing the affairs of our world.

And let it never be said that the fault is theirs and not ours. It is theirs and ours. Let us not add the sin of self-righteousness and sanctimoniousness to the desperate crisis which engulfs us all, and for which we are all responsible.

What must be done, especially when our government tells us to do it, must be done, but need we have come to this pass? And shall we now be improving the situation one iota by concentrating on a crash shelter-building program and by focusing the attention of our people on ways of finding security -- a false security in all probability -- in a world which will be incinerated in atomic fires, as our Western world surely will be in another war? Should we not rather rouse the spirits and passionate indignation of our citizens and of people throughout the world, before it is too late, and direct them in one great popular outcry and in an insistent and clamorous demand upon political leaders everywhere to make every reasonable concession and compromise -- not surrender, but compromise -- and those who are opposed to compromise favor war -- in order to banish nuclear war? No people on earth wants it and no government should be allowed to retain the nuclear bomb as a threat, deterrent or diplomatic pawn against any other government.

Last Tuesday the Political Committee of the United Nations voted overwhelmingly to outlaw the use of nuclear weapons in war. The United States and Great Britain voted against it. Why? Because, they claimed, the threat of Soviet aggression is such that they could not give a blanket pledge never to use atomic weapons. Is that a sufficient reason? And was not another precious opportunity missed right there and then by the free world? The Soviet Union, which had but recently resumed nuclear testing, in total disregard of the world's entreaties, voted for the resolution. Its cynicism was underscored by the statement of its spokesman that the Soviet Union was ready to deal a crushing blow to any aggressor.

Can their vote be taken seriously? Thus, the two major powers, which really control the situation, and which have maintained right along that they must retain the nuclear bomb, not only for their own security, but to protect the world which looks to them for protection, have been told by their ward nations: "No, thank you, we do not want that kind of protection". The whole world wants to banish the threat of nuclear war and all the resultant tensions and fears which drive men and nations to build underground shelters. Russia and the United States stand in the way, each blaming the other for not doing that which both agree must be done, if the world is to be saved from catastrophe. We seem to have entered an era of calculated semantic befuddlement where both sides say that same thing and agree to the same thing, but neither means a word of what it says.

So, I return to the ancient prophecy of Isaiah. Peace will come, if it ~~is~~ through competitive atomic stock-piling, not through unavailing military deterrents, not through burrowing into the earth for refuge and fictitious security. Peace will come to our world only when nations will cast away all the false idols which they have been worshipping, when they will humbly turn to the just ways of reconciliation, and mutual toleration, having learned finally the greater political realism and the profounder human wisdom which was revealed long ago to a prophet who stood distraught and disheartened at the entrance to a desolate cave: The truth of God is not to be found in the great and strong wind which rends the mountains, nor in the earthquake, nor in the fire, but in the still small voice of the heart, in the patient word of friendship, and trust, of goodwill and accommodation. "Not by might and not by military power, but by My spirit!"

When will statesmen, who have the fate of mankind in their hands, permit the Spirit of God to take over at their council tables?

Perhaps the next meeting of the chiefs of state and their foreign ministers should be held, not in marble halls, but in a fall-out shelter, somewhere in the bowels of the earth, where they will be kept day and night, and, if necessary, until all food and drink is gone and the air becomes foul, and their confinement stifling and unbearable. They should not be permitted to leave until a treaty outlawing all nuclear war and the banning of the manufacture and testing of nuclear weapons is finally signed by them, and all existing nuclear bombs are turned over to international control. This is not a serious suggestion but do you know of a better one?

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE
November 19, 1961





THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

December 11, 1961

Dear Mr. Givelber:

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me the sermon by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. I have enjoyed reading it. Some of his points were very interesting and thought-provoking.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lyndon B. Johnson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lyndon B. Johnson

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
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Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

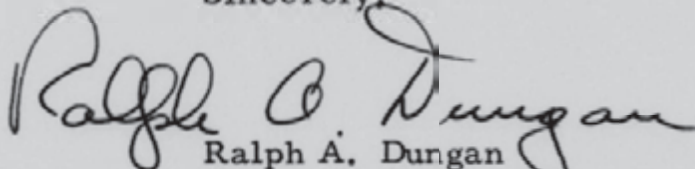
January 29, 1962

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you for your courtesy in sending the President a copy of the speech by Dr. Silver which impressed you greatly. He is always glad to have the views of citizens who are concerned about the world situation and, you can be sure, he will read it during some leisure moments. These past several weeks have been exceptionally busy ones for the President.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Ralph A. Dungan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ralph" being the most prominent.

Ralph A. Dungan
Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio



TREASURY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

December 13, 1961

Dear Mr. Givelber:

For Secretary Dillon let me thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending him the recent remarks by Dr. Silver.

This will be made available to him after he returns from abroad.

Yours very truly,

S. C. Manning, Jr.
S. C. Manning, Jr.
Deputy Assistant
to the Secretary

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio



THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE
WASHINGTON

DEC 12 1961

Dear Mr. Givelber:

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in
sending me a copy of Dr. Silver's
speech.



Sincerely,

Secretary

Allen Wilcoff

Mr. Sam Givelber
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Shaker Heights 20, Ohio



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

December 11, 1961

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
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Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Secretary Hodges is in Africa on a special mission
for President Kennedy, but we do want to acknowledge
with thanks your courtesy and thoughtfulness in
sending him a copy of Rabbi Silver's moving sermon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Henry Schärer".

Henry Schärer
Office of Public Affairs



OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

DEC 14 1961

Dear Mr. Givelber:

The Secretary of Defense has asked that we acknowledge your letter of December 6, inclosing a speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, and thank you for sending it.

Your interest in this matter is appreciated.

WRHS
16220
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Sincerely,

John E. Carland
JOHN E. CARLAND
Director, Special Activities

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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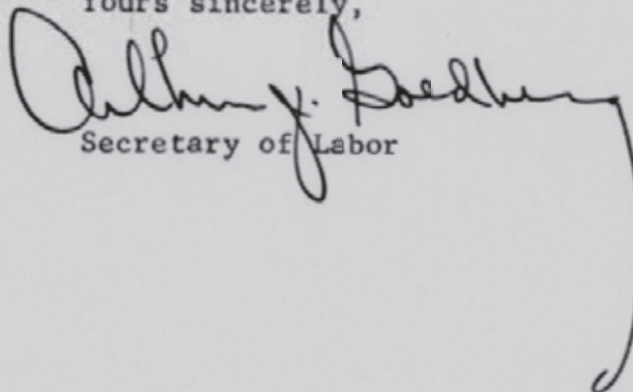
December 8, 1961

Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Givelber:

It was most thoughtful of you to send me
a copy the speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of
The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio. I shall read it
with a great deal of interest. Thank you for
making it available to me.

Yours sincerely,


Secretary of Labor



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

December 8, 1961

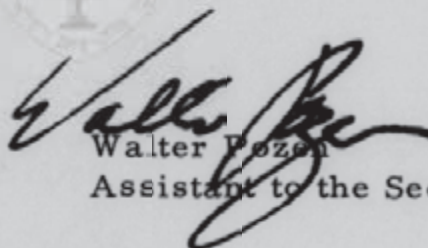
Dear Mr. Givelber:

Secretary Udall has given me your thoughtful letter of December 6.

The Secretary has read--with pleasure--Dr. Silver's eloquent message. Mr. Udall was certainly impressed by the Silver speech and has forwarded it to the White House for the President's information.

Thank you for taking the time to write to us.

Sincerely,



Walter Posen
Assistant to the Secretary

Mr. Sam Givelber
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December 12, 1961

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
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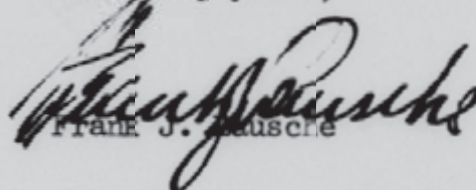
Dear Mr. Givelber:

I deeply appreciate your considerate deed in sending me a copy of the speech delivered recently by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver entitled: "Building Walls and Shelters".

It is excellent - I am very pleased to have it. Thanks!

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


FRANK J. LAUSCHE

FJL:cmj

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

December 21, 1961

EVERARD H. SMITH, CLERK
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Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
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Dear Mr. Givelber:

As Senator McGee is currently out of the office on an assignment for the Appropriations Committee, I am taking the liberty of thanking you for him for sending the fine speech by Dr. Abba Silver, 'The Temple.'

It will be placed on the Senator's desk for his early perusal. Thank you for thinking of sending it to him.

Sincerely,

Cecil R. Nussbaum

(Mrs.) Cecil R. Nussbaum
Research Assistant
Gale W. McGee, U.S.S.

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United States Senate

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December 8, 1961

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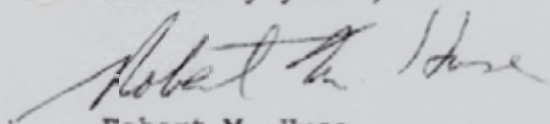
Dear Mr. Givelber:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 6th, and the accompanying address by Dr. Silver which you so thoughtfully forwarded to Senator Muskie.

The Senator is currently in Maine and is not expected to return to Washington until mid-December. I know, however, that he will be interested in this address and you may be sure that it will be brought to his attention upon his return.

With all kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



Robert M. Huse
Executive Assistant to
Senator Edmund S. Muskie

RMH:mb

PHILIP A. HART
MICHIGAN

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 8, 1961

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you for sharing with me the excellent sermon by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. It made a great impression on me, as it did on you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Philip A. Hart

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
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8 December 1961

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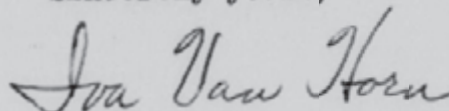
Dear Mr. Givelber:

Your letter of December 6 arrived in the absence of Senator Mundt who is currently representing the Senate Appropriations Committee on an inspection tour of the United States installations in Europe and the Near East.

You may be sure your letter and the speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio, will be brought to the attention of Senator Mundt when he returns to Washington, enroute to South Dakota, for the remainder of the congressional recess.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



(Miss) Iva Van Horn
Secretary to Senator Mundt

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COMMITTEE ON
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December 19, 1961

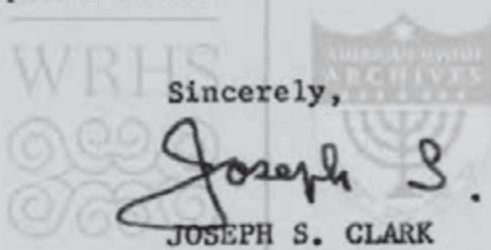
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you for sending me a copy of the speech
delivered by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

I do appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending
a copy of the speech to me.

Sincerely,


Joseph S. Clark
JOSEPH S. CLARK

JSC/brb

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Washington, D. C.
December 8, 1961

Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

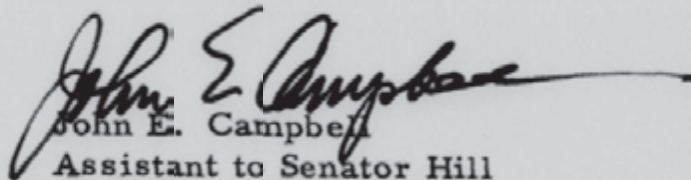
My dear Mr. Givelber:

Let me, in Senator Hill's absence, thank you for
your letter of December 6 enclosing a recent speech by
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, which you may be sure will be
brought to the Senator's attention as soon as possible.

I know the Senator will appreciate your kindness
in sending Dr. Silver's speech to him.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Very sincerely,


John E. Campbell
Assistant to Senator Hill

JEC:mm

BARRY GOLDWATER
ARIZONA

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SENATORIAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 27, 1961

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

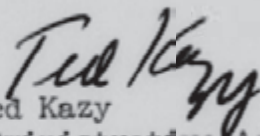
Dear Mr. Givelber:

In the absence of Senator Goldwater, I would like to thank you for sending him the speech of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

Your thoughtfulness in sending the Senator this speech is appreciated very much and it is being placed on his desk in order that he may see it upon his return to Washington.

Thank you again for your kindness.

Sincerely,


Ted Kazy
Administrative Assistant

A. WILLIS ROBERTSON, VA., CHAIRMAN

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MATTHEW HALE, CHIEF OF STAFF

December 26, 1961

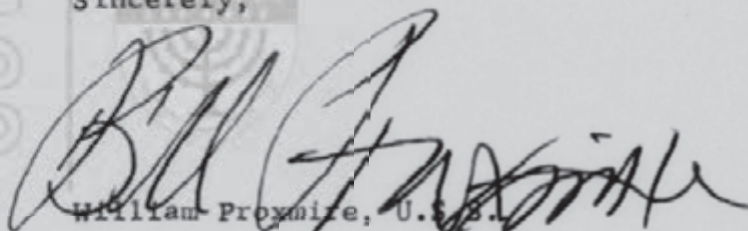
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you very much for sending me the magnificent
speech by Dr. Silver.

It is indeed extremely moving and inspiring.

Sincerely,


William Proxmire, U.S.S.

WP:lm

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

ELIZABETH B. SPRINGER, CHIEF CLERK

December 28, 1961

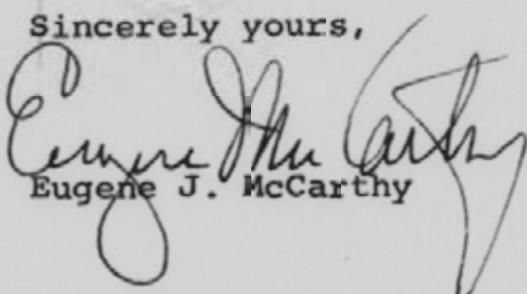
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

I appreciate your sending me a copy of
the speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple
in Cleveland.

I enjoyed reading it.

Sincerely yours,


Eugene J. McCarthy

EJM:mn

JOHN J. WILLIAMS
DELAWARE

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 18, 1961

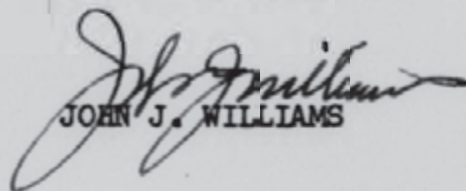
Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 6, 1961, and the copy of the speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver that you enclosed.

I appreciate your courtesy in sending this material to me and look forward to reading through it more thoroughly at my earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely,



JOHN J. WILLIAMS

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COMMITTEE ON
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December 8, 1961

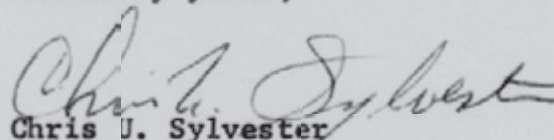
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Senator Young is presently in North Dakota where he maintains an office at LaMoure during the Congressional recess.

In the Senator's absence it is a pleasure to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of December 6 and the enclosed speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. Your letter and the speech will be called to the Senator's attention as soon as possible. I am sure he will appreciate your thoughtfulness in making a copy of this speech available to him.

Sincerely yours,



Chris J. Sylvester
Administrative Assistant to
SENATOR MILTON R. YOUNG

CUS:jbv

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON
INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

December 21, 1961

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you for sending me a copy of the
address by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver. You may be
sure I will give it my closest attention.



Sincerely,

Vance Hartke, U. S. S.

ALLEN J. ELLENDER, LA., CHAIRMAN

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December 11, 1961

Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
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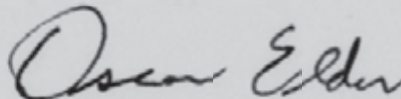
Dear Mr. Givelber:

In the absence of Senator Holland, who is in Florida, permit me to acknowledge and thank you for your kindness in sending a copy of the speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver entitled "Building Walls and Shelters".

I know that Senator Holland will appreciate having this address and it will be brought to his attention upon his return to Washington.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,



OSCAR ELDER
Assistant to Senator Holland

OE/t

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United States Senate

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ELIZABETH B. SPRINGER, CHIEF CLERK

December 8, 1961

Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights-20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

This will acknowledge and thank you
for your letter of December 6 enclosing a
copy of a speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

I appreciate your thoughtfulness, and
with every good wish, I am

Sincerely,

Herman E. Talmadge

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Washington, D. C.
December 8, 1961

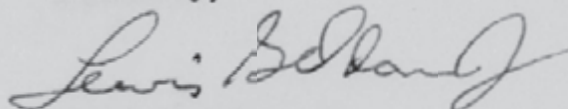
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Senator Sparkman is in Alabama, where he is maintaining an office during the adjournment period of Congress. In his absence, I am taking the liberty of acknowledging your letter of December 6 and the copy of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver's speech.

I know Senator Sparkman will appreciate your thoughtfulness in making a copy of Dr. Silver's speech available to him.

Sincerely,



Lewis G. Odom, Jr.
Administrative Assistant to
Senator Sparkman

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December 8, 1961

Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
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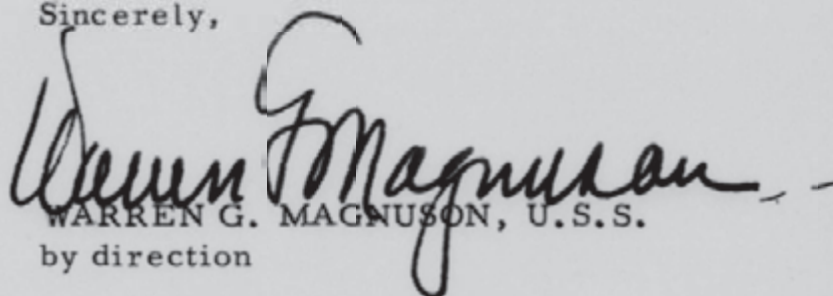
Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you for sending me the remarks of Dr. Abba Hillel
Silver, "Building Walls and Shelters".

It is most interesting and I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Kindest regards,

Sincerely,


WARREN G. MAGNUSON, U.S.S.
by direction

WGM:m

HUGH SCOTT
PENNSYLVANIA

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

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PERSONAL ASSISTANT

December 8, 1961

Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me
a copy of the speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of The
Temple in Cleveland, Ohio.

I have read it, and it is most thought-provoking.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,


HUGH SCOTT

HS:wmv

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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON
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December 8, 1961

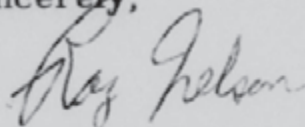
Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

In the absence of Senator Pell who is in Tanganyika on a Presidential mission, I am acknowledging your letter of December 6th enclosing a copy a copy of Dr. Silver's stimulating speech.

Senator Pell will very much appreciate your thoughtfulness and you may be sure that it will be called to his attention as soon as he returns.

Sincerely,



Ray Nelson
Administrative Assistant
to Senator Pell

J. W. FULBRIGHT, ARK., CHAIRMAN

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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

CARL MARCY, CHIEF OF STAFF
DARRELL ST. CLAIRE, CLERK

December 13, 1961

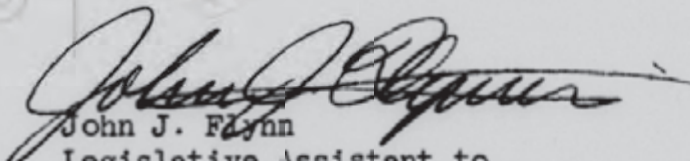
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

In the absence of Senator Humphrey who is in Minnesota this week, I wanted to acknowledge your letter and the speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

I know that the Senator would want me to thank you for sending to him this speech. You may be sure that I will bring it to his attention as soon as he returns to Washington, and I know that he will read it with great interest.

Sincerely yours,


John J. Flynn
Legislative Assistant to
Hubert H. Humphrey

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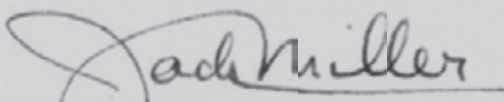
December 8, 1961

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of
December 6 covering a copy of a speech by Dr. Silver. Thank
you very much for your thoughtfulness in bringing this to my
attention.

Sincerely yours,


JACK MILLER

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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

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December 12, 1961

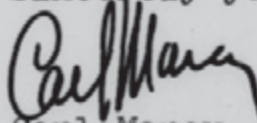
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

In the absence of Senator Fulbright, who is in Arkansas, I want to thank you for your note of December 6 and the enclosed copy of the speech made by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver in Cleveland.

I know Senator Fulbright will appreciate very much your thoughtfulness in sharing Dr. Silver's speech with him.

Sincerely yours,


Carl Marcy

ALLEN J. ELLENDER, LA., CHAIRMAN

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December 13, 1961

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16220 Aldersyde Drive
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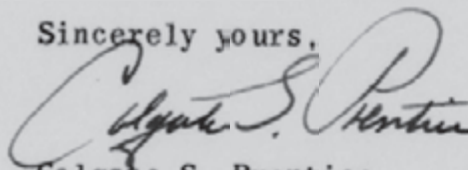
Dear Mr. Givelber:

In the absence of Senator Cooper, who is away from Washington for a few weeks, I am taking the liberty of acknowledging your letter of December 6, with which you enclosed a speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

Senator Cooper would want me to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing him and sending him this material.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



Colgate S. Prentice
Administrative Assistant to
Senator John Sherman Cooper

CSP:bw

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December 12, 1961

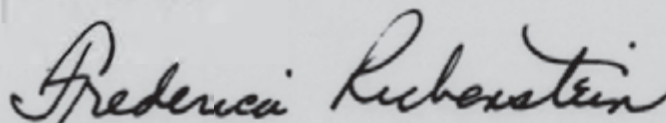
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

In Senator Proxmire's absence, I wanted to acknowledge receiving the speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver that you sent us.

The Senator will be back in Washington on December 18 and I will bring the speech to his attention at that time. I am sure he will read it with great interest. Thank you for thinking of him in this connection.

Sincerely,



Frederica Rubenstein
Research Assistant to
Senator William Proxmire

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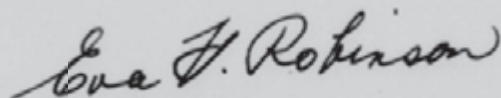
Dear Mr. Givelber:

In the absence of Senator Young from Washington, I take the liberty of acknowledging receipt of your letter and enclosure.

Senator Young is out of the country on official business and will not be returning until the latter part of this month.

You may be sure, however, that I'll call your letter to his attention, and I am certain he will be most grateful to you for your thoughtfulness in sending him Dr. Silver's speech.

Sincerely yours,



Eva V. Robinson
Secretary to Senator Young

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December 12, 1961

Dear Mr. Givelber:

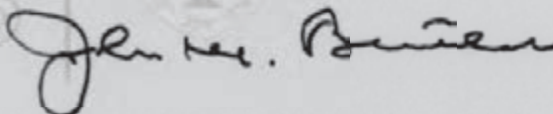
Thank you very much for your recent note and the attached copy of the speech given by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of The Temple in Cleveland, Ohio.

I found Doctor Silver's remarks to be provocative and most pertinent.

Your thoughtfulness is indeed appreciated.

With best wishes and kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



JOHN MARSHALL BUTLER
United States Senator

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

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December 16, 1961

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
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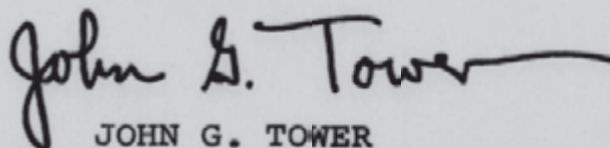
Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you very much for your thoughtfulness in sending me the talk by Dr. Silver.

I must admit that though I respect Dr. Silver's concern for our liberties and our way of life, I can only wonder if, indeed, "every reasonable concession and compromise" would result in peace. Mr. Khrushchev's hunger for power and "living space" is ominously reminiscent of Hitler's attitude in the early '30's. I cannot help but feel--in view of statements by Mr. Khrushchev himself--that he is biding time until he can fulfill his boast that he will bury us. Very little attention was paid to Mein Kampf when it was published--not until after the war was it paid any serious attention. Therefore, though I feel that we should make every effort to realize peace, I also feel that it is our duty to guard against the destruction which Khrushchev promises will come to us.

Again, I thank you for sending me Dr. Silver's speech, for one must never feel so wise that he can neglect to seek the counsel of our spiritual leaders.

Sincerely,



JOHN G. TOWER

JGT:MW

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United States Senate

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December 8, 1961

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

In the absence of Senator Keating who is temporarily away from Washington, I should like to acknowledge your letter of December 6th and the enclosed copy of a speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

I am sure the Senator will be most interested in both your letter and the speech by Dr. Silver. They will be brought to his attention as soon as he returns to the office.

Very sincerely yours,

Phyllis Piotrow

(Mrs.) Phyllis Piotrow
Legislative Assistant to
Senator Kenneth B. Keating

P:g

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December 8, 1961

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Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
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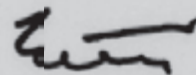
Dear Sam:

Thank you very much for sending me a
copy of Dr. Silver's speech.

It looks most interesting and I will read
it at the first opportunity.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,



Estes Kefauver

EK:am

GORDON H. SCHERER
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House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

December 8, 1961

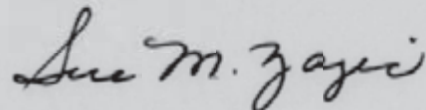
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Since Mr. Scherer has returned to Cincinnati for the adjournment of Congress, I am taking the liberty of acknowledging receipt of your letter, together with a copy of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver's speech.

You may be sure that your correspondence will be brought to Mr. Scherer's attention at the earliest possible date.

Sincerely yours,



(Mrs.) Sue M. Zajic
Secretary to Mr. Scherer

SMZ:bg

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

December 11, 1961

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
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Cleveland 20, Ohio

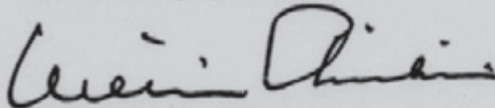
Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you for sending me a copy of the timely
speech by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, entitled
"Building Walls and Shelters."

I have read this with much interest, and
certainly appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Please let me know if I may ever assist you
here in Washington.

Sincerely yours,



William E. Minshall
M.C.

WEM: jph

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

December 8, 1961

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16220 Aldersyde Drive
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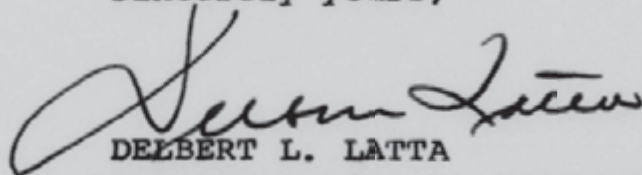
Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending to me a copy of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver's speech, "Building Walls and Shelters."

I found his speech most enlightening and I am sure it will be most helpful to me in dealing with the problems of how to promote the American way of life in competition with Communism.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



DELBERT L. LATTA
Representative to Congress

DLL:ke

FRANCES P. BOLTON
22D DISTRICT OHIO

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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

December 11, 1961

Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

My dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you so very much for the
copy of Rabbi Silver's address at the
Temple. It was most thoughtful of you.

With appreciation, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Frances P. Bolton
by Secretary

(Dictated but
not signed)

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January 15, 1962

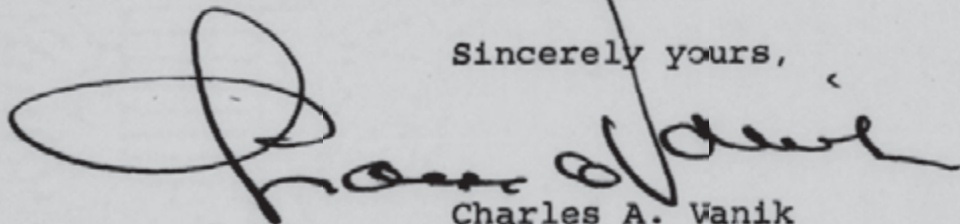
Mr. Samuel H. Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
Shaker Heights 20, Ohio

Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you very much for your
letter and enclosed speech by my good friend
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

I appreciate your directing this
fine statement to my attention.

Sincerely yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Charles A. Vanik". The signature is written over the typed name and title.

Charles A. Vanik
Member of Congress

CAV:ccw

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January 29, 1962

Mr. Sam Givelber
16220 Aldersyde Drive
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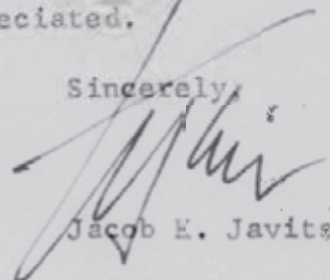
Dear Mr. Givelber:

Thank you for your letter of December 6 enclosing a copy of the speech of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver in Cleveland, Ohio. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in calling this material to my attention.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of my recent remarks entitled "Risks To Be Run For Freedom" which may be of interest to you.

Your interest is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Jacob K. Javits, U.S.S.

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Attach.

From the office of:

SENATOR JACOB K. JAVITS (R-N.Y.)

The following are remarks of Senator Jacob K. Javits prepared for delivery at the Keynote Speaker Luncheon of the Eighth Annual Gannett Invitational Debate Tournament sponsored by the Forensic Society of the University of Rochester, in Rochester, N.Y. on Saturday, December 9, 1961, at 1 PM.

RISKS TO BE RUN FOR FREEDOM

Six weeks ago, I walked along the Berlin Wall. Two weeks ago, I visited the Kremlin. From both places, I came away convinced that the struggle to preserve freedom today demands that we run risks -- and that communism as a way of life is so insufferable that we must take the risks needed to win the "cold war" for freedom.

Our nation has never faced more challenges filled with danger. But it is neither in our tradition nor is it prudent policy to recoil from these tests of our determination.

We must be prepared to look risk in the face more often than we want to -- in Berlin, the Congo, South Vietnam, Taiwan, Cuba and other places under the Communist threat.

Berlin symbolizes today this risk in a most dramatic way. The tension may appear to have eased to some extent but let us not fool ourselves -- this is still a somber situation that promises to be prolonged. We stand in West Berlin today on fundamental principles of European and free world security, through NATO and the UN, upon which both our foreign policy and that of the free world are built. We must be resolute and we must be willing to face the danger that goes with standing by these rights. This is the path that offers hope for peace. The road back is the road to war.

But our firmness must not be confined to the Communists. We must also run the risks of being firm in our convictions with our Allies, too. From time to time, we hear disquieting reports about uncertainty in the position of one or another of our Allies or about their reluctance to make certain sacrifices. We have a right to expect that the durability of our alliances is now so great that we can express to our Allies determined views regarding our common commitments without jeopardizing our alliances. For example, on Berlin we feel we must be willing to negotiate, though the items on which we are willing to negotiate may

--more--

be limited. France does not wish to negotiate right now -- yet we may have to do so. On the Congo, the United Kingdom may not back UN efforts to prevent Tshombe or Gizenga from seceding yet we may have to persevere in backing those efforts or see the whole of the Congo slide into anarchy -- an open invitation to the Communists or to bloody and dangerous civil war.

The United States has carried, for many years after World War II, a great share of the responsibility for world peace and the success of freedom with the combined approval and support of free Europe. Now the opportunities are present -- at a time when these responsibilities are greater than ever for all of us -- for Europe to take over a larger share itself and to handle that added responsibility with the sense of cooperation and partnership that free Europe has for so long properly expected of the United States.

During my recent visit to the Soviet Union, I found the Kremlin leadership extremely confident that they will prevail over us in the economic struggle for the underdeveloped areas of the free world. This is a most critical challenge that may determine whether freedom or communism will dominate the earth.

Here again we must run risks by taking bold initiatives in the field of trade and aid. The free world must accelerate its efforts for the economic development of the underdeveloped nations through integrated aid programs. Also, they need broadened trade. To do so, we run risks in our own economy that require imaginative programs. But not to do so would be to drive the less-developed areas of the world into trade dependence upon the Soviet bloc; and indeed, would negate the effort of our large investment in foreign aid which has given the less-developed areas at least a start in their ability to satisfactorily improve their living standards. Even in giving aid there are risks. We must insist on effective administration of our aid, on sound development plans and on equal justice and opportunity where it is given. Some may refuse to accept necessary conditions and may fall because of it, but the greater risk is to nullify all our aid and make it unsuccessful.

My mission to the U.S.S.R. dealt with East-West trade and I was most impressed by the manner in which the Soviet Union is exploiting the uncoordinated Allied trading policies with the Communist bloc. There are risks inherent in any coordinated Allied trade policy, to be sure. For example, by permitting possibly larger volumes of sales to the Soviet Union of U.S. and Allied non-strategic or consumer products, we may be easing some of the pressure on the Soviet economic

system. But if we don't present a united policy, the Soviet Union will continue to play us against each other, exploiting and dividing us and at the same time getting the strategic equipment they need most while we want them to have the least.

Here at home, we must allow our trade and tariff policy to expand trade, not to contract it. This will require that we take the risks that will result from increased competition with the other industrialized nations of the free world. But, we can in this way avoid the greater risks of stagnating our economy and of splitting the economic power of the free world in two. The great economic forces, like the European Common Market, moving in the free world today require bold and unprecedented action on our part. Yet we can and must at the same time give to businesses and individuals disadvantaged by this policy the means to make the necessary adjustment.

The risks for freedom are great indeed, but I believe that Americans -- and especially the youth of America -- are prepared to accept them once they realize that the alternatives present much greater dangers to freedom, security and a better future.

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