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C/o Magen Hasidim Synagogue,
8, Morland Road,
-11, INDIA.

JUNE 20, 1961.

Dear Dr. Weiss,

We were all anxiously awaiting word from you and your letters of June 6 and 7, 1961 have made us all very happy and we are all very grateful to you for the same. When we say 'We', we voice the feelings and opinion of all on the Executive as well as our well wishers.

Permit us also to thank you for the despatch of all the publications, which we are sure will go a long way, in educating our people and creating a healthy religious atmosphere in every Jewish home. We will request you for further copies, if and when they are required.

Rabbi Lamm, that wonderful person has done a wonderfully good job in establishing cordial relations with all those he met. We are also grateful to him, because he made it a point to study the entire situation obtaining here and no effort was too tiresome for him.

We are approaching the Import and Export authorities to authorise us to receive shipments of gift parcels of religious books sent by you.

It is very of generous of Mr. Max Stern to have donated one years salary for the Hazan at the Beth El, Panvel amounting to \$ 250/- and for having secured for us \$ 700/- for Tefillin from his personal friend. We shall feel obliged, if you could kindly advise Rabbi Gotthold to send the Tefillin via the route, suggested by Mr. I. Kellman, in his letter to Rabbi Gotthold.

We are on the look out for a good used typewriter. We suppose we should be able to secure one at the price of five to six hundred Rupees.

We give below the financial position and would request you to view it sympathetically.

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>
For Office and publication UOJCA \$ 500/- 2362.50 Mr.Baris \$ 100/- 472.00 By advertisement so far collected Rs. 65/- 65.00	For Office Stationery Postage and Type- writer hire. 331.89 Publication of Mebasser to date. 2656.12
For Tefillin and other purposes \$ 700/- 3309.25 (your letter of Dec.26,1960)	For Tefillin 271.08 For Samuel's passage,etc. <u>1270.92</u> 1512.00
Local collection 1257.00	During Rabbis Weinberg and Lamms visit. 1699.00
<u>7465.75</u> =====	<u>6229.01</u> =====

The amount received for office establishment and publication is entirely used up and the balance out of the Tefillin fund, after paying Rs.1180/- to Panvel for their Hazan's salary for one year, will not leave sufficient fund to purchase the Typewriter. The expenditure, during the two learned Rabbis visit to this country was for major heads, like booking of halls, furniture, conveyance to different places in and out of Bombay and Photographs etc. It will therefore, be seen that we have overspent a sum of Rs.531.25 from the amounts, received for specific purpose.

The cost of each issue of 'Mebasser' of roughly 25-30 pages will be Rs.400/- to 450/-. Six issues in a year will therefore entail an expenditure of Rs.2700/-. We would suggest that a further sum of Rs.300/- for special issue, block making etc., may be added. We entreat you to help us continue this publication, which is being widely accepted with appreciation.

Samuel [REDACTED] left for Yeshiva Kol Torah in Israel on May

31, 1961 and with your blessings, the other student Solomon [REDACTED] will be able to come over to Yeshiva University. Solomon has forwarded the forms received by him duly completed. He had, however not received forms for scholarship. For this he has made a request to the Yeshiva.

About the office accommodation project, we shall write separately in detail.

We have received from Mr. E. E. Jhirad of New Delhi a sum of Rs. 500/- to be used for the education of poor students especially from the villages. We are approaching the JOINT to assist us in this scheme. We will feel obliged if you could kindly take up the matter with the JOINT Headquarters to extend to us their cooperation and funds.

English We are enclosing herewith a copy of letter (addressed to Mr. B. B. Benjamin) received from Dr. Tartakower and our reply thereto. If difficulty is being experienced to find an American Rabbi to come out to India, Rabbi Nissim's offer could be accepted. We hope Dr. Tartakower writes to you and that some settlement is arrived at for us to have a Rabbi. However, if it is going to be a Israeli Rabbi, it is necessary for him to know ~~Hebrew~~ and that he should not have school going children, unless he is prepared to leave them behind.

We also request information if the Jewish Agency has agreed to give us the benefit of their Teachers. This particular activity of ours is held in abeyance for want of Teachers.

There are a few other publications, which we need, but about these we will write in our next letter to you.

We have mailed separately two copies of the latest issue of 'Mebasser' to you.

Enclosed herewith is also the copy of the letter we have obtained from Samuel, before he proceeded to Israel. We are in the process of getting our Union registered with the Charity Commissioner, so that it gets an official standing.

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With our warmest regards to self and Mr. Feuerstein.

We are,

Sincerely yours,

Saul S. Penkar

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Dr. Samson R. Weiss
Executive Vice President
Union of Orthodox Jewish
Congregations of America.

P.S.: A suggestion has been made that we should obtain photographs with brief life sketches of Mr. Feuerstein, your goodself, Mr. Max Stern and other officers of the U.O.J.C.A., to be published in 'Mebasser'. Would you have any objection to this? If you are agreeable, kindly mail us the necessary material for reproduction in next issue of 'Mebasser'.