

October 2, 1962

Haham Dr. Solomon Gaon
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Dear Haham Gaon:

It is some time since we have corresponded, and the truth is that I had hoped that, by this time, we could have met personally in New York.

I know that the request I am now going to make is a difficult one to fulfill. Nevertheless, on the remote chance that it can be done, I want to ask you if it is at all possible to find a qualified Orthodox Rabbi in England, either Sephardi or Ashkenazi, who would be willing to undertake a one or two year trip to Bombay. This would be primarily for the purpose of putting some order into the present confused situation with regard to marriage and divorce.

I am enclosing an excerpt of a letter I recently received from The Jewish Agency Representative in Bombay with whom I am keeping up a regular correspondence. I understand that the expenses for such a visit would be shared by a number of the responsible agencies involved, including our own U.O.J.C.A.

Please accept my very best wishes for you and Mrs. Gaon for a year of health, happiness, and continued achievements for Torah and Israel.

Cordially yours,

RABBI NORMAN LAMM

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Encl

CC: Dr. Weiss w/encl
Mr. Feurstein w/encl