

April 9, 1961

Mr. A. Manasseh
11 Bank Street
Bombay 1, India

Dear Mr. Manasseh:

A puzzling misunderstanding seems to have developed here in New York concerning the confidential information I gave you about the Joint Distribution Committee's \$2500 grant to the Sassoon School. I was under the impression that [redacted] gave me this information, and [redacted] in turn does not recall where he got it from and believes that his source was [redacted]. [redacted] in turn, remembers only that I told him about it.

Whatever the case may be it is by now irrelevant. [redacted] has just informed me that the Joint has decided to give much more than \$2500 to the school. They are to receive, at least for this year, \$500 per month. An equal amount is to be given to the Kadoorie School, and another sum is to be allocated for the orphan asylum, etc. The total of \$6000 per year should give considerable impetus to the school.

Meanwhile I have been in contact with [redacted] and the impression I get is that he would like as much as possible not to be involved in the local controversies. He also said it is not up to him to choose the members of the committee, but that he would see what he could do about recommending the names I submitted to him and which I received from you.

I do hope things will work out and that you will be able to rally community support to the cause which unites us and for the organizations in Bombay which are working towards the achievement of our ideals.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Norman Lamm