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MEMORANDUM

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DATE: 29 Adar 5723
March 25, 1963

TO: Moses I. Fauerstein

FROM: Dr. Samson R. Weiss

SUBJECT: Enclosed Communications

The letter of Dr. Gaon mentions an enclosed copy, but there was no copy enclosed. I have therefore made a photo copy of the letter addressed to me, for your information.

I believe it would be more advisable that you write to the Chief Rabbi, rather than I. Please advise.

cc: Rabbi Joseph Karasick

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Dr. Samson R. Weiss,
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Dear Dr. Weiss,

Thank you very much for your letter of March 14th.
I am sorry I was not available when you telephoned me and I was also
sorry that I was not able to take personal leave from you before
leaving the United States.

I want to take this opportunity of thanking you for
all your kindness and most gracious welcome to me whilst I was in
the United States. I am especially grateful to the Union of
Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America for having invited me
to participate in the Convention in Washington, which was a very
happy opening for my stay of three months in the United States.
The Convention was not merely, in my opinion, a success from the
organisational point of view, but, it was a source of inspiration
to all those who followed its deliberations and who were able to
realise the great work that your Union is doing for the strengthening
of Judaism in America.

I am sorry I was not able to write to you before,
but, as you can well imagine, my office is inundated with so many
letters which need my immediate attention, that I cannot always
free myself to deal with the correspondence of my friends abroad.

In the first place I want to tell you that I have
spoken to the Chief Rabbi concerning the discussion I had with
Mr. Feuerstein, Rabbi Karassik and yourself, prior to my leaving
the United States. I think the Chief Rabbi, on the whole, is in
agreement with the suggestion that we have made, but, I thought

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Dr. Sassoon R. Weiss.

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10th March, 1963.

it would be the best thing if you were to write to him direct and put in writing our suggestions, so that he could consider them and make the final decision. I believe that the time is running short and we must make a decision immediately as to whether we are going to hold the meeting at the end of June, in London. I believe that such a meeting would be of great importance for the strengthening of Orthodoxy, not only in our two countries, but, throughout the world. If you would be kind enough to send me the copy of the letter that you despatch to the Chief Rabbi, I would immediately contact him and arrange for a speedy reply.

I have just received your telegram concerning funds available to Rabbi Sassoon in India. He tells me that these funds are not yet available. Frankly speaking he is rather reserved about the whole matter.

I believe that if the Conference takes place in London in June, then perhaps we could consult him and he may be more forthcoming as to the help that he could give for a Rabbinic appointment in India. In the meantime, I shall continue pressing him for a decisive answer and as soon as I have it, I shall write to you again.

My wife joins me in sending you and your family our best wishes and with reiterated thanks.

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Yours very sincerely,

J. L. Sassoon

P.S. I have just received the photographs. Thank you so very much. They brought back memories of a very happy occasion.

I have not received any of your publications, including "Jewish Life".