## Union of Orthodox Tewish Congregations of India

C/o Magen Hasidim Synagogue,

8, Morland Road, Bombay-11, INDIA.

Dated January 30th, 1962.

Dear Rabbi,

Subsequent to my letter of January 19, 1962, I received yesterday by Post Parcel three Pakkages containing the undermentioned books. Dr. Weiss had given me to understand that these were being sent on your recommendation.

Tales of Yore - 12
The Story of Vilna Gaon - 12
The Spirit of Jewish History - 10
The Story of Chasam Sofer - 10
The Book of Passover - 10
Pursuit of Happiness - 14
Movements in Contemporary Judaism - 18
Universal Jewish History - 3

I went through the Tales of Yore and pursuit of Happiness this morning. The books are most interesting and will be very useful for our people here.

There is another matter, about which I have been asked to communicate with you. Probably you have heard in New York that a convention/conference of the conservative World Council of Synagogues is to be held in April/May this year in Israel. I have this on reliable authority that the officers of the United Synagogue of India have been invited to attend and that half the expenses of the Indian Conservative delegates will be borne by the World Council.

I do not know what has prompted them to hold such a conference in Israel, where the Conservative or Reform Rabbis are not recognised. Could it be to attract new

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adherants from Israel or is it to impress Israel in general of their World Organisation? May be by holding this proposed conference in Israel, they expect to be accepted by the Israeli Religious Authorities. This is for your information and any action that you may consider necessary.

I sincerely am of opinion that many of our problems will be solved when once we have a young Rabbi amongst us. He will be our leader in all our spititual, cultural and take other activities or problems. Has there been any development on Rabbi Nissim's offer to send an Orthodox Rabbi to India?

I am collecting details for the procedure to be adopted in the formation of a company, the registration and the licence to be obtained for import, etc. Mr Kollet of New Delhi, who was in Bombay last week has promised to give all assistance in getting over the official formalities once we start the ball rolling.

With best wishes.

Most sincerely yours,

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P.S.: How is your dear child who has to be operated for eye trouble?

P.P.S.: We would like to have information if the additional copies of Mebasser despatched by Sea Mail are regularly received.