

MRS. HALPRIN

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Mr. Gottlieb Hammer
Jewish Agency for Israel
16 West 66th Street
New York, New York

Dear Gottlieb:

This will confirm the discussion which we had on February 16, 1959 among Mrs. Halprin, yourself, Rabbi Miller, Mr. Rich and myself in which we arrived at certain budgetary decisions.

Taking note of the fact that two-thirds of our budget goes for salaries, fees, and irreducible fixed items, we agreed to a reduction of the basic budget for the fiscal year, April 1, 1958 through March 31, 1959, from \$500,000. to \$460,000. representing, therefore, an actual cut in our functional budget of over 20%. This also takes into account the fact that we have been absorbing the cost of AUSPI for over 6 months, primarily through accepting tax fare on our payroll.

This basic budget of \$460,000. is exclusive, of course, of the \$26,500. for the Youth Department and various unbudgeted items. In the usual monthly accounting, due on February 1st, I shall deduct from the total of \$460,000. those amounts paid to us through December 31, 1958. The resultant balance will be the sum still due to us for the months of January, February, and March, 1959, as our regular monthly allocation.

In the next few weeks, I assure you that our Finance Committee and I will diligently seek to review our entire operations and strive not only to hold the line, but to reduce expenditures and thereby realign the budget wherever it is feasible.

With warm regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Rabbi Jerome Liger
Executive Director

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