February 5, 1958

His Excellency
Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion
Jerusalem
Israel

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

As you undoubtedly know, our mutual friend, Meyer Weisgal, has been here to help us straighten out some of our problems in connection with the Tenth Anniversary Observance in the United States. It was at my urgent request that he, as well as Teddy Kollek, came here.

I want you to know that both were very helpful. Of course, Teddy was just here for 48 hours. Meyer came, and at our request, stayed beyond the time he had set for his stay. He was extremely useful to us, and helped immeasurably to straighten out the administrative and fiscal problems which had been frustrating us rather completely.

Since the purpose of this letter was mainly to advise you of our appreciation for Meyer's great assistance -- and Teddy's, also -- I will only mention, in passing, our great hope that you will be able to visit the United States sometime during the present anniversary year. It would not only be a great personal pleasure for me to join in welcoming you here, but it would be of great assistance to the Observance.

With kind personal regards to you and Mrs. Ben-Gurion, in which Mrs. Lehman joins me, I am

Yours very sincerely,