Governor Herbert H. Lehman
Executive Mansion
Albany, New York

My dear Governor Lehman:

May I, on behalf of the Synagogue Council of America, express the sense of deep satisfaction at your appointment by the President to the position of Director of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation.

It is one of the greatest responsibilities which can come to any man to try to heal the wounds of war and make life liveable again for its hapless victims. Your great gifts of mind and heart qualify you ideally for this noble work of reconstruction on a world scale.

To us it is a source of pride both as Americans and as Jews that a great task of human reclamation has been entrusted into your hands. May the Divine blessing strengthen your hands.

Respectfully yours,

Dr. Israel Goldstein
President