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The following letter from the Jewish Agency for Palestine has been received.

The Jewish Agency for Palestine
16 East 66th Street
New York 21, N.Y.

May 19, 1947

Dr. Victor Hoo
Assistant Secretary-General
Department of Trusteeship
United Nations
Lake Success
New York

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, I desire to offer our whole-hearted co-operation in the inquiry to be undertaken by the Special Committee on Palestine which has been appointed by the General Assembly of the United Nations. The Jewish Agency is eager to assist the Special Committee to the best of its ability and to do all that it can to ensure a speedy and successful conclusion of the investigation.

With this objective in view and in order to be able to discharge its responsibility in a matter so vitally affecting the future of the Jewish people, the Jewish Agency proposes that an accredited representative nominated by the Jewish Agency, be officially attached to the Committee as a permanent liaison. The Jewish Agency feels entitled to ask for such accreditation by virtue of its status under the Palestine Mandate.

It would appear reasonable that the accredited representative should be present at all meetings of the Special Committee, and that proper facilities be granted the Jewish Agency to receive for study and comment

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the memoranda and documents submitted to the Special Committee from other quarters. The Jewish Agency suggests, further, that its representatives should accompany the Committee on any tours and visits which it may undertake in connection with the inquiry.

We submit our requests in the belief that their acceptance will facilitate the progress of the inquiry, and we shall be entirely at the disposal of the Committee or yourself for the discussion of details of the arrangements proposed.

Sincerely yours,

/signed/ ABBA HILLEL SILVER
Abba Hillel Silver
Chairman
American Section

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