February 17, 1944

Mr. Parke
War Refugee Board
Treasury Building, (Room 387½)
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Parke,

Allow us to thank you sincerely for your courtesies to our Mr. Schoen. The matter discussed is so fraught with possible difficulties, that we are giving it earnest and most careful consideration.

Consistent with our program to forward funds in Teheran for transport of food parcels to our refugee Rabbis and scholars in Teheran, we enclose copy of our application to the Federal Reserve in New York. The number given the application is #NY607999.

Since the application must clear in Washington, may we ask you to please expedite it for us.

With sincere best wishes and appreciation,

Very truly yours,

Rabbi Abraham Kalmanowitz

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[Signature]

[Stamp: Approved by the Treasury on 3/27/44]
APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO ENGAGE IN A FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSACTION, TRANSFER OF CREDIT, PAYMENT, EXPORT OR WITHDRAWAL FROM THE UNITED STATES, OR THE EMBARGO OF GOLD OR SILVER COIN OR BULLION OR CURRENCY, OR THE TRANSFER, WITHDRAWAL OR EXPORTATION OF OR DEALING IN, EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS OR EVIDENCES OF OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY.*

(To be executed and filed in triplicate with the Federal Reserve Bank for the district or with the Governor or High Commissioner of the territory or possession of the United States in which the applicant resides or has his principal place of business or principal office or agency. If the applicant has no legal residence or principal place of business or principal office or agency in a Federal Reserve district or such territory or possession the application should be filed with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.)

TO THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In accordance with Executive Order No. 8389 of April 10, 1940, as amended, regulating transactions in foreign exchange, etc., and the Regulations and Rulings issued thereunder, the undersigned hereby applies for a license to execute the transaction described below:

A. (1) The name of the applicant is: **UNION OF ORTHODOX RABBIS OF UNITED STATES**

(2) Applicant resides at or, in the case of a corporation, partnership, association or other organization, has its principal place of business at:

- 158 Nassau Street (New York)
- New York, U.S.A.

(3) Applicant is and has been a citizen of: **mostly U.S. citizens** since:

- (Month) (Day) (Year)

(4) The nationality of the applicant is: **mostly U.S. citizens**

(5) Since **1908** the applicant has been engaged in the business of

- organization of Rabbis engaged in religious functions

B. The applicant desires a license in order to:

(State in detail the nature, purpose and amount of the transaction, and the name, address, nationality** and extent of interest of every party, including the applicant, involved or interested in the transaction.)

*All definitions appearing in Executive Order No. 8389 of April 10, 1940, as amended, and the Regulations and Rulings issued thereunder shall apply to the terms employed herein.

**In the case of a corporation, partnership, association, give country in which organized and indicate the approximate percentages of stock, shares, bonds, debentures, notes, drafts, or other securities or obligations of such organization owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by a blocked country or one or more nationals thereof.

To authorize any Bank or Trust Company to remit the sum of Ten Thousand ($10,000) Dollars to Rabbi Isaac Levi whose address is Hotel Naderi, Teheran, Iran to be used by him for the transfer of food and clothing parcels to the Rabbis and Rabbinical scholars in the USSR. The Rabbis and scholars are the same as given in a previous list which was attached to a prior application submitted to the Federal Reserve Bank. On September 14, 1942, we received license # NY4478599 to remit $3900 and this sum was paid to the Polish Ministry of Finance 14 Wall Street N.Y. who was to remit it to their Embassy at Kubyshev USSR to be used for the purpose mentioned in that License. Said License expired Sept. 30, 1942. A previous License was issued Dec. 14, 1941 #85929 for $25,000 and was used for transportation of Rabbis and scholars. On October 30, 1942 we received License #49712 to remit $10,000 to be used for the purpose of food, clothing, medicine supplies etc., (same purpose as License of September 14, 1942) for the students and Rabbis. On Dec. 3rd, 1942 we received License #NY468194R to remit $5000. This sum was remitted thru the Sterling National Bank of New York on December 4th. Applicant No.

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C. The applicant represents and warrants that no party other than those mentioned in item B above has any interest, direct or indirect, in the transaction or transactions for which a license is applied for herein. If there are any exceptions, note them below.

D. The applicant represents and warrants that all the facts herein stated are correct and true and that he does not have knowledge of any material facts in connection with such application which are not fully and accurately set forth herein. (Attach hereon schedules of any additional material information.)

E. The applicant represents and warrants that he has compiled, and agrees that he will comply, in all respects, with Executive Order No. 839 of April 10, 1940, as amended, and the Regulations and Rulings issued thereunder, and with any and all licenses issued to the applicant pursuant thereto, and that, with respect to the transaction here involved, no other application of the undersigned for a license has been filed or is pending, except as follows:

"Union of Orthodox Rabbis of United States"

Rabbi L. Seltzer

By: Rabbi L. Seltzer, Exec. Dir.

State of: New York

County of: New York

I, Rabbi Leib Seltzer, on oath, depose and say that I am the applicant in the above application for license, or the

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

of Union of Orthodox Rabbis of United States

is the applicant in the above application for a license; and that I am duly authorized to make the foregoing application on behalf of the applicant: that I have personal knowledge of the facts as set forth in said application and know the same to be true and accurate; and that I do not have knowledge of any material facts in connection with such application which are not fully and accurately set forth herein.

(Rabbi L. Seltzer)

Signature of affiant)

132 New York Street, New York City

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of, 1944.

(Notarial Seal)

My commission expires

RECOMMENDATION OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANK

To the Secretary of the Treasury:

The above application is forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury with the recommendation that a license should be (granted in the following amount).

(denied).

Remarks:

Respectfully,

Federal Reserve Bank of New York

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NOTE: If this application covers gold in any form the provisions of the Provisional Regulations issued under the Gold Reserve Act of 1934 must also be complied with.

Copies of this form may be obtained on request, at any Federal Reserve Bank, mint or assay office, or the Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.