

Enlarged Jewish Agency

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NEW YORK---An enlarged and strengthened 22 member National Committee on Control and Authorization of Campaigns of the Jewish Agency has been constituted by the leadership of seven American Jewish organizations concerned with the major fund raising activities in this country in behalf of Israel and the relief of needy Jews throughout the world. Under the co-chairmanship of Mrs. Charlotte Jacobson, Chairman of the American Section of the World Zionist Organization, and Jack D. Weiler, a National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, the Committee, which was first created in 1950, is devoted to the maintenance of the primacy of the annual United Jewish Appeal campaign and its cooperating local welfare fund and federation campaigns throughout the country. The seven participating organizations on the National Committee are the World Zionist Organization, American Section; the Jewish Agency for Israel, the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, the United Jewish Appeal, the United Israel Appeal, the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York and the Joint Distribution Committee.

Along with the announcement of the membership of the National Committee, its co-chairmen, Mrs. Jacobson and Mr. Weiler, explained that "the strengthening and enlargement of the National Committee on Control and Authorization of Campaigns was an urgent necessity in the light of the continuous mass flow of Jewish immigrants to Israel, requiring unprecedented amounts of free dollars for the programs of the Jewish Agency for Israel, which are highlighted by the challenge inherent in the achievement of the successful absorption of Russian and other immigrants to Israel, now and in the future.

"The enlarged and strengthened National Committee in the U.S.," the co-chairmen continued, "is necessary to maximize the support of the American-Jewish community for the UJA. The primacy and priority of the UJA must be reaffirmed in every way. It must not be eroded by a proliferation of appeals by Israeli institutions coming to the U.S. for support, which divert funds and manpower from Israel's most critical needs.

"The enlarged and strengthened National Committee in the U.S.," Mrs. Jacobson and Mr. Weiler stated, "will work with the newly constituted committee in Israel, the World Committee of the Israel Emergency Fund, which will be a co-ordinating committee for fund raising composed of representatives of the government of Israel and the Jewish Agency for Israel. The representatives of the Israel government on this committee are Ministers Pinhas Sapir, Yigal Allon, Yosef Burg, Victor Shemrov, Moshe Kol and Y.S. Shapira. Members of the Jewish Agency Executive on the Committee are Acting Chairman Leon Dulzin, Ezra Shapiro, Raanan Weitz, Rabbi Mordecai Kirshblum and Joseph Klarman. This will give added strength to the National Committee on Control and Authorization, will help minimize the harmful results to the UJA of multiple campaigns, will discourage unauthorized fund raising efforts in behalf of Israeli insti-



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tutions in the U.S. and thus make possible more effective UJA efforts that will result in additional funds being raised by the UJA, and its cooperating local federations and welfare fund campaigns, to meet pressing emergency needs of Israel."

The members of the National Committee, in addition to its co-chairmen, Mrs. Jacobson and Mr. Weiler, are: Albert Adelman, National Chairman, National United Jewish Appeal; Irving Bernstein, Executive Vice-Chairman, National United Jewish Appeal; Philip Bernstein, Executive Vice-President, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds; Melvin Dubinsky, Chairman, United Israel Appeal; Raymond Epstein, President, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds; Max M. Fisher, Chairman, Board of Governors, Jewish Agency for Israel; Harold Friedman, Chairman, Overseas Committee, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds; Edward Ginsburg, Chairman, Joint Distribution Committee; Bram Goldsmith, Chairman of the Task Force on Multiple Appeals, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds; Monroe Goldwater, Honorary President, United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York; Samuel Haber, Executive

Vice-Chairman, Joint Distribution Committee; Gottlieb Hammer, Executive Vice-Chairman, United Israel Appeal; Ernest Michel, Executive Vice-Chairman, United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York; Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, member of the Executive, American Section of the World Zionist Organization; Daniel Rosenberg, Assistant Director, Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds; Mrs. Elaine Siris, National Chairman, Women's Division, United Jewish Appeal; Herbert Tenzer, Campaign Chairman, United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York; Jacques Torczyner, member of the Executive American Section of the World Zionist Organization; and Paul Zuckerman, General Chairman, National United Jewish Appeal. Isadore Hamlin, Executive Director of the American Section of the World Zionist Organization, continues to serve as the National Committee's Co-ordinator.

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