Mr. Morgenthau,
American Ambassador,
Constantinople.

Dear Mr. Morgenthau,

I have received your telegram and letter, for which I thank you.

Last Thursday I had the pleasure of welcoming Mr. Wertheim at the landing-station. The money which he has been kind enough to bring with him has been safely deposited in the building of the Anglo-Palestine Company. You will understand that it proved to be impossible to conceal the fact that an American cruiser had arrived and had brought subsidies for the Jews of Palestine; there was a large crowd on the landing-station to witness the scene; neither could the transport of the money be practised without causing a smaller or greater sensation. However, I daresay that the fact that the son-in-law of the American Ambassador on board an American cruiser has brought subsidies from the United States for the Jews of this country has deeply impressed the Palestinian population and will no doubt have a wholesome effect on people's attitude towards us. This was the first time that the population had an opportunity of seeing that the cruiser of a grand power has done something for the Jews of Palestine, and the people have become aware of the fact, that although the Jewish community here is not yet strong as far as the number of its members are concerned, it receives strong support from our co-religionists abroad.

On the day of Mr. Wertheim's arrival I had the pleasure of seeing him to Petach Tīva and Ain Ganim (the same tour which I have made with you). On the afternoon of that day
day we showed him Tel Aviv and some of its philanthropical institutions.

On the following day we went to Telva Israel, together with Mr. Fril, the representative of Baron Rothschild and the Jewish colonization Association, and saw also Rishon le Zion, and on Friday night we arrived in Jerusalem. I was obliged to return to Jaffa, while your son-in-law has spent these last days in Jerusalem, in the presence of Mr. Ephraim Cohen.

To-day I shall return to Jerusalem with Messrs. Dr. Ghissini and Hooflen (the other members of the Committee) to meet

We expect there Mr. Aaronsohn and several delegates from the colonies and shall resolve on the distribution of the money.

I shall not fail to let you know what has been decided and to keep you informed on the application of the money.

I suppose you will have the kindness of informing the American Jewish Committee on the use which has been made of the amount which they have so kindly granted us; but if you wish us to communicate with the Committee direct, I shall have pleasure in doing this.

I remain, dear Mr. Morgenthau,

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed) D. A. Ruppin.