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Mr. Under Mr.
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His Excellency

Mr. Francis Maurice Egan,
Ambassador of the United States,
Copenhagen.

Your Excellency:-

We beg to refer to our letter dated April 30th as well as to your answer of May 1st in regard to the check for \$ 44,000.- and to repeat the following:

The Provisional Executive Zionist Committee of New-York is continually remitting greater amounts to the American Embassy at Constantinople in order to cover the expenses for the poor Jews of Palestine and in order to maintain the Hebrew schools there. It is a rather great difference between the present value of the Turkish paper money and the gold and that is why we are interested that the relief-money from America is being paid in gold at Constantinople. After the respective governments have given the license, the American Ambassador at Constantinople, His Excellency Mr. Abraham Elkus, has asked the American Government at Washington to send a check of Dollars 44,000.- to the National-Bank of Denmark, Copenhagen. "Den Danske Landmandsbank, København" has bound itself to pay the equivalence in gold.

Now, however, it has proved itself that the way proposed by Mr. Abraham Elkus does not be the most advisable. The Danish Nationalbank demands that the corresponding amount for the 44.000 Dollars should not be sent to its adress in a check but should be paid on its account to its correspondent in New-York, the National City-Bank of New-York.

Owing to the breaking off of the diplomatic relations between the United Syates of America and the Turkey, His Excellency Mr. Elkus has no more been able to send this cable, asking for the annulment of the Washington check to his Govern~~m~~ent in Washington.

Therefore we beg to ask Your Excellency whether you would be kind enough to cable to Washington that the check of Dollars 44.000 which Mr. Elkus some weeks ago has asked for should be annulled and that instead of this check the corresponding amount should be paid at the National-City-Bank at New-York for the credit of the "Dan~~ske~~ Nationalbank, K~~o~~benhavn". The Danish Nationalbank should be informed by cable as soon as the National-City-Bank has received this money; the corresponding amount in gold will then be paid here.

Please have the great kindness to answer to our request, as matters are really urgent and necessary; the costs for the cables will you please inform us of; we will not fail to send you the expenses as soon as we know their height.

Thanking you very much, we remain, Yours Excellency

most obedient

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