

August 20, 1941.

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the Zionist organization in this country contributed large sums to the world organization. Mr. Schulson stated that his organization would be perfectly willing to submit a Registration Statement if that were required, but he said that the officers of the organization were thoroughly convinced that no agency relationship existed in their affiliation with the world Zionist organization. He stated that a number of the officers of the organization would be glad to come in and discuss further the possible obligations of the Zionist Organization of America if that would help clear up the situation. He showed me the draft of a letter that had been prepared in reply to the Department's letter of July 28 stating substantially what he had told me. I suggested that he submit this letter to the Department which he said he would do. He left a copy of the constitution of the Zionist Organization of America for the files of the Department.

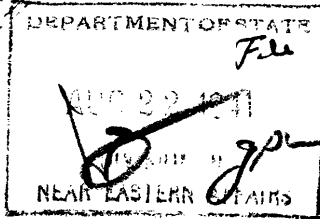
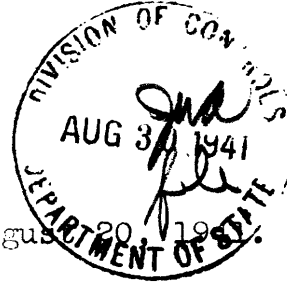
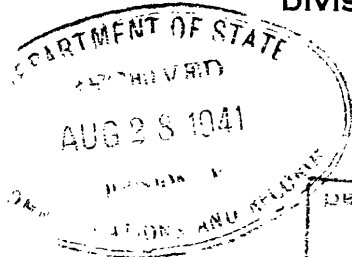
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