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Misc.

May 18, 1948

Dear Jimmy:

Many thanks for your telegram of May  
fifteenth which I have read with a lot of interest.  
It was good of you to send me this expression of  
your approval.

Very sincerely yours,

(Sgd) HARRY S. TRUMAN

Honorable James Roosevelt,  
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MR. NILES: Congrats Pres on recognition of State of Israel;  
appeals for 2 further immed steps -- first, to lift embargo  
against shipment of military supplies to Palestine; second, to  
fight for swift and just solution of Palestine problem in UN.

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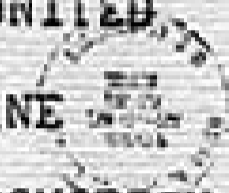
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THE PRESIDENT  
THE WHITE HOUSE



PLEASE ACCEPT MY GRATITUDE AND CONGRATULATIONS FOR YOUR COURAGE IN GRANTING THIS GOVERNMENT'S RECOGNITION TO THE NEW STATE OF ISRAEL, PERMIT ME ALSO TO APPEAL TO YOU FOR TWO FURTHER IMMEDIATE STEPS. THE FIRST OF THESE TWO IS TO LIFT BY EXECUTIVE ORDER THE PRESENT EMBARGO AGAINST THE SHIPMENT OF MILITARY SUPPLIES TO PALESTINE. THE SECOND IS

TO FIGHT WITH ALL OF THE POWER AND PRESTIGE OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR A SWIFT AND JUST SOLUTION OF THE PALESTINE PROBLEM IN THE COUNCILS OF THE UNITED NATIONS. RECOGNITION OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL BY OUR COUNTRY CARRIES WITH IT THE MORAL DUTY FOR US TO LEAD THE BATTLE WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS AGAINST ANY AGGRESSION ENDANGERING THE PEOPLE AND THE TERRITORY OF THIS NEW AND STRUGGLING NATION. WHEN THESE TWO STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN YOU WILL FULFILL THE HOPES OF EVERY AMERICAN CITIZEN WHO BELIEVES IN THE FREEDOM OF ALL SMALL NATIONS RESPECTFULLY AND SINCERELY  
JAMES ROOSEVELT.



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