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M. Sharett to T. Lie (Paris)

העתק: 93.02/186/15

Paris, 29 November 1948

Sir,

On May 14, 1948, the independence of the State of Israel was pro- claimed by the National Council of the Jewish people in Palestine by virtue of the natural and historic right of the Jewish people to independ- ence in its own sovereign State, and in pursuance of the General Assembly Resolution of November 29, 1947. Since that date, Israel has been consoli- dated administratively and defended itself successfully against the aggres- sion of neighbouring States. It has so far achieved recognition by nineteen Powers.

On behalf of the Provisional Government of Israel, I have now the honour to request the admission of Israel as a member of the United Nations in accordance with Article 4 of the Charter.

In view of the special nature of this application I would request that its consideration should proceed without regard to the deadlines fixed by Rule 60, paragraphs 1-4, but in conformity with paragraph 5 of the same Rule 60 of the Provisional Rules of Procedure of the Security Council.

A formal declaration that the Government of Israel accepts all the obligations stipulated in the United Nations Charter is enclosed.1

My Government submits that Israel’s admission to the United Nations will constitute an act of international justice to the Jewish people, fully

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consistent with United Nations policy on Palestine, and will contribute to the stabilisation of the Middle East and to the cause of international peace.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Yours faithfully,

Moshe Shertek

Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Provisional Government of Israel

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