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NEW YORK. February 14, '99.

Prof. Igaaz Goldziher,
Budapest, Hungary.

Dear Sirs:—

We have finally determined to undertake the publication of the Jewish Encyclopedia, on which Dr. Singer has been laboring for many years.

Permit us to enclose to you a tentative program, (1) giving a list of Associate Editors, your name included; (2) a list of the Advisory Committee; (3) rules governing the collaboration.

A large proportion of the scholars have been communicated with, and we have no doubt nearly all will accept the position offered. But no names will be published until the list shall be perfected, and then, as perfected, sent to each one for his final assent. In this way each scholar, before he finally assents, will know the names of his associates.

We send this program to you for two purposes; (1) To know whether you will accept (as conditioned above) the position for which you are named in the list of **Advisory Committee**; (2) To have you give us any suggestions of changes in the program that may seem to you desirable. If there are names of collaborators that you think should be substituted for those we give, please so state. Whatever you write us will be simply for our guidance and not for publication.

We wish about 24 names on the Advisory Committee---more names are suggested on the list as it is quite likely some will not be able to serve through age or sickness or other engagement. Please indicate those you think desirable to omit. This, of course, will be confidential.

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Let it be perfectly understood that this list of editors and collaborators, as finally made up, will be submitted to you before publication, and if not satisfactory, your present assent to become one of the Associate Editors, will be in no way binding. Any suggestions of changes by you in the regulations will be carefully weighed.

You will observe that the functions of the Board of Associate Editors are detailed in Section 3 of the accompanying tentative program. The Index which will be prepared, as shown in a hastily prepared sample page sent herewith, shall be compiled in the office and afterwards, so as to bring it up to as perfect a state as possible, shall be submitted to five members of the Advisory Committee who are recognized as scholars in the first rank and specialists in many matters pertaining to Judaism. These gentlemen will bring the Index as near perfection as their erudition will permit. Thereafter, each member of the Board of Associate Editors will be invited to examine and pass upon this Index and to suggest additions or emendations, as is deemed best, thus so perfecting it scientifically that it shall form a backbone of the work that will be above criticism.

Please freely suggest improvements in this working plan.

If you are willing to cooperate as indicated in the plan, kindly sign and return to us the enclosed conditional acceptance, and oblige,

Yours most respectfully,

Thos B Wagnalls