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Paris, October 5th, 1959.

Mr. Moshe KOL,
Chairman of the Progressive Party,
16, Arlozorov Street,
Jerusalem.

Dear Mr. Kol,

I returned to Paris after having participated on the Congress of the Liberal International in Gardona. I shall send you a report of this Congress shortly.

In the meantime, I wish to let you know that amongst the Delegates from various countries, a Representative of India, Mr. M.R. MASANI, M.P., participated on the Congress.

Mr. Masani reported about the foundation in India of a Liberal Party under the name "SWATANTRA PARTY". A number of Members of Parliament are already affiliated to the new Party. The Chairman of this Party, Mr. S.G. RANGA, and Mr. Masani, both Members of Parliament, hope to succeed in having a very important representation in Parliament after the elections in 1962.

I had several conversations with Mr. Masani who impressed me very much. I explained him the tasks and aims of the Progressive Party in Israel.

Mr. Masani, as well as his friends in the Party, are friendly disposed towards Israel; he told me that on several occasions he criticized Mr. Nehru's policy of non-recognition of Israel.

We agreed that both our Parties ought to enter into close relationship.

I shall be grateful to you to kindly write to Mr. Masani in order to establish the first contact.

With best regards,

This is the address of
Mr. Masani :

Mr. M.R. MASANI,
148, Mahatma Gandhi Road,
Bombay. (India)

Yours sincerely,

Sam Segal.