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MEMORANDUM

November 12, 1954

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Robert A. McDowell, Director Division of Corporate Regulation

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Lawrence M. Greens, Assistant Director Division of Corporate Regulation

Subjects Ampal-American Israel Corporation Report of telephone conversation between the staff and Maurice Boukstein, counsel for Ampal-American Israel Corporation, held on November 9, 1954

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We telephoned Boukstein, who had attempted to reach the staff by telephone earlier in the day. Boukstein inquired as to developments concerning Ampal's excaption from the investment Company Act. We informed him that the matter had been discussed with the Commission at length, and suggested that instead of our describing developments, he inform us whether he had any suggestions to neet the problems which the staff believes are presented by the company's proposal to sell \$10,000,000 of debentures and its effect on the public investor interest.

After some discussion, Boukstein indicated that a possible solution would be to limit the proposed sale of additional debentures to \$5,000,000, except for sales made for refunding purposes. We told Boukstein that we would consider his suggestion and communicate with him again.

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After reviewing all the questions, we believe the Division should recommend that the Commission take no adverse action if the proposed offering is limited in this way.

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