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## Netanyahu Seeking to Work With Trump to Roll Back Iran Nuclear Deal



Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu speaks with CBS's Lesley Stahl on "60 Minutes." Photo: Screenshot.

BY JNS.ORG

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that he has a number of ideas in mind for how to roll back the Iranian nuclear deal once President-elect Donald Trump takes office.

"There are various ways of undoing [the deal]," Netanyahu said in an interview that aired

Sunday on the CBS "60 Minutes" program. "I have about five things in my mind."

The prime minister declined to elaborate on these possibilities.

"Well, I'd like to talk to the president before I talk to '60 Minutes,'" Netanyahu told reporter Leslie Stahl.

Netanyahu also responded to questions concerning the Israeli-

Palestinian peace process, saying that he would be willing to launch negotiations "at any moment" and dismissed the suggestions that Jewish settlements are an obstacle to peace.

"The real reason we haven't had peace is because of a persistent refusal of the Palestinians to recognize a Jewish state in any

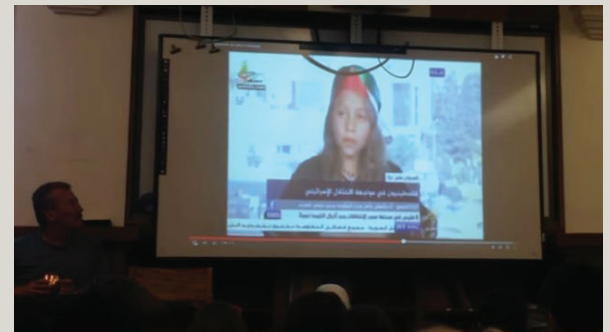
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## New Footage Shows Anti-Israel Indoctrination at New York State Elementary School

BY LEA SPEYER

Footage showing young children at a New York state elementary school being indoctrinated to hate Israel at an event last year has recently been released following a campaign by the popular blog *Legal Insurrection*.

The event in question — a "Palestinian human rights" presentation to third-graders at the Beverly J. Martin School



Bassem Tamimi (left) showing a video of his daughter during an anti-Israel presentation to third-graders at an Ithaca elementary school. Photo: Video screenshot.

in Ithaca, which took place in September 2015 — featured two radical anti-Israel activists. One was Bassem Tamimi — infamous for pushing his own children to provoke Israeli soldiers, and then catching the encounters on camera for propaganda purposes. The other, Ariel Gold, has described his personal goal as "delegitimizing Zionism."

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## Opinion.

## John Kerry Rants, While Heading Towards Oblivion

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John Kerry may go down as one of America's worst secretaries of state, perhaps surpassed only by his predecessor, Hillary Clinton. Together they have carried out President Obama's strategy to undermine our most fervent allies, such as Israel; make catastrophic deals with enemies such as Iran; and, in a nod to Nero, fiddle while Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Libya and Yemen burn.

Neither Kerry nor Clinton have had a significant foreign policy accomplishment, though some still contend that Kerry's negotiation of the Iranian nuclear deal represents Obama's single foreign policy success.

Those who are not sycophantic supporters of Obama see the nuke deal as a disaster on multiple levels. The Iranians are already flouting the agreement, while the IAEA and US administration ignore the violations or conceal them from the public. The agreement's time frame is a blink in the context of Middle East history; the verification regime is riddled with loopholes; and even Obama admits nothing will prevent Iran from getting a bomb when the deal expires. The great accomplishment of the deal was to extend the breakout time from three months

to perhaps one year. It's mystifying why anyone finds this comforting.

One of the worst aspects of the deal is that the Iranians have used it to successfully blackmail Obama. Any action that is objectionable to Iran immediately prompts a threat from Tehran that it will renege on the deal. Kerry and Obama are so petrified of losing their signature achievement that they are paralyzed from taking any action against Iran's violations or the broader threats posed by its ballistic missile development, sponsorship of terrorism, interventions in Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Yemen and Libya, and bullying of its Gulf neighbors.

Contrary to Obama's naïve notion that Iran would moderate its views after signing the nuclear deal, the opposite has happened. Iran hasn't abandoned its constant attacks on the "Great Satan." Iranian leaders still threaten to destroy Israel, while also boasting of their victory over the US. Iran now feels safe to arrest American citizens, capture US Navy personnel and use its military to harass American troops in the Gulf. Iran has also been allowed to interfere in Syria, Iraq and Yemen with impunity. It does so knowing that Obama will not act for fear of destroying the deal.

Obama lost all credibility in the region when he failed to bomb Syria after Assad ignored his red line and used chemical weapons. Instead, Obama was snookered by Putin, who convinced him to let Syria dispose of the weapons. The weapons were not all destroyed, however, and they continue to be used in Syria's apocalypse. Meanwhile, Kerry has futilely tried to negotiate

a ceasefire with the Russians, while they bomb rebels and civilians alike

American's top foreign policy priority in the Middle East for more than 40 years was to keep the Soviets/Russians from gaining a foothold in the region. The goal was finally accomplished in the early 1970s, when Egypt threw the Soviets out. From that point until Obama's arrival, the Russians were kept at bay, holding only a naval base in Syria. But look at the Russians now. Suddenly they seem to be everywhere. They are engaged in large-scale military operations in Syria to wipe out not just ISIS, but any opposition to Bashar Assad.

Vladimir Putin understood that if Assad fell, Russia would likely lose its last foothold in the region. Now Russia is expanding relations with Egypt, Saudi Arabia and other Middle East nations. Kerry still doesn't understand the consequences of his catastrophic failure to rein in the Russians.

Given all these problems, did Kerry use his last foreign policy address to lay out a plan to save the people being slaughtered in Syria?

No, he didn't.

Did he speak about Russia's role in murdering helpless civilians?

No.

Did Kerry express concern for the tens of thousands of Shiites and Sunnis butchering each other?

No — that wouldn't fit his mantra of Islam as a religion of peace.

So what did Kerry talk about at the Saban Forum in Washington?



US Secretary of State John Kerry. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

The evil Israelis.

Sounding much like the Iranians and other enemies of Israel, Kerry parroted the tired old arguments, which showed how deeply out of touch he has become as secretary. Specifically, Kerry accused Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's government of suffering from a lack of leadership, and explicitly cited Education Minister Naftali Bennett's recent comments lauding the demise of the two-state solution as "profoundly disturbing."

Kerry also challenged Netanyahu's claim that the failure to recognize Israel as a Jewish state is at the heart of the failure to reach an agreement.

Really?

If the Palestinians are unwilling to accept the reality that Israel is a Jewish state, then what reason is there to believe they are

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## You Can't Make Peace With Bad Leaders

BEN COHEN  
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On one of my first assignments abroad as a rookie journalist in the early 1990s, I found myself in the Serbian capital, Belgrade, just as the violent disintegration of Yugoslavia was getting underway.

One afternoon, while sitting with a group of journalists and writers in a café in the city center, I was drawn into a long conversation with an Israeli professor who was temporarily teaching in Belgrade. We began comparing nationalism in the Balkans with nationalism in the Middle East, and an observation he made has stuck with me ever since. "I think the Croats should have an independent state for the same reason as the Palestinians," he said, as we sipped Turkish coffee along with shots of the lethal local plum brandy. "It's much better to get screwed over by your own leaders than by someone else's."

A quarter of a century later, Croatia's achievement of independence seems like a distant memory — yet full national sovereignty still remains elusive for the Palestinians.

True, the Palestinian Authority (PA), created in 1994, is widely regarded, including in Israel, as a stepping stone on the path to negotiated statehood. But successive Israeli prime ministers, among them Ehud Barak of Labor and Ehud Olmert of Kadima, have offered serious concessions to the Palestinian leadership — in essence, a state in more than 90 percent of the West Bank and Gaza, with land swaps also part of the bargain — only to

have these rebuffed for one simple reason: neither Arafat nor Abbas, never mind the Islamists of Hamas, have been willing to make peace, philosophically or politically. The reason is that they reject the legitimacy of Israel's presence in the region as a Jewish and democratic state.

In some ways, this persistent pattern suggests that my Israeli interlocutor all those years ago was wrong: even if you don't have an independent state, you absolutely can get screwed over by your own leaders — when those same leaders decide to blame someone else's leaders for your ongoing misfortune.

I'm not, of course, overlooking the polling data, which shows that large numbers of Palestinians regard Israel's leaders as their greatest enemies and remain opposed to any compromise with Israel, even tactically. The two-state solution, which has been the foundation of international efforts to bring a solution to this particular corner of the Middle East, has been obstructed by many factors, most of all Palestinian discomfort with the very idea of a Jewish state in what Hamas and others consider the "Dar al Islam" — the domain of Islam. That viewpoint, and not the promise of peace based on economic cooperation as envisaged by

politicians as varied as former Israeli President Shimon Peres and former British Prime Minister Tony Blair, has counted for far more.

But the most tangible result of this rejectionism has been to freeze negotiations on Palestinian independence. The result is that two other solutions, both of them fraught with risk, are now in the mix.

The first "solution" involves elements of both Palestinian unilateralism and international pressure on Israel; in essence, recognizing a Palestinian state without Israeli consent, and pressuring Israel to concede territory that it currently controls. In the final days of the Obama administration, it's an approach that is again being mooted in the context of the United Nations Security Council resolution which hypothetically the US, in an absolute break with its policy of solidarity with Israel in UN forums, would support.

Will this resolution be a gift of sorts to the Palestinians from the departing administration of President Barack Obama? Concern about that prospect has been widespread, with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, among others, forcefully restating the importance of achieving peace through direct negotiations between Israel and the PA.

Those concerns were heightened with the recent publication of a New York Times op-ed by former President Jimmy Carter, a proponent of the slanderous lie that Israel is evolving into an apartheid state. Carter called for American recognition of "Palestine" through a UN Security Council resolution that would define the end of result of negotiations before they begin, and punish Israel for not following these measures to the letter. The UN resolution concerns were further solidified by



PA President Mahmoud Abbas at the United Nations. Photo: UN.

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## World News.

## Israel Urges United Front Against Terror After Deadly Bombings in Egypt, Turkey

BY JNS.ORG

Israel strongly condemned the deadly attacks in Egypt and Turkey over the weekend, calling for a united front against terrorism.

In a statement, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu called the Sunday bombing on an Egyptian Coptic Christian church a “reprehensible terrorist attack,” and expressed outrage over twin bombings that killed 44 people in Istanbul late Saturday.

“We must unite forces and fight terrorism together,” Netanyahu said. “The fight against terrorism must be mutual. It must be mutual in condemnation and in countermeasures.”

The prime minister added that, “Israel

shares in the grief of the families of the victims and of the Egyptian people,” following the suicide bombing during a prayer service at Cairo’s Saint Peter and Saint Paul Church, which is located next to Saint Mark’s Cathedral, the seat of Coptic Christian Pope Tawadros II. The attacker has been identified as 22-year-old Mahmoud Mahmoud Shafik Mohamed Mostafa, though no terror organization has claimed responsibility.

Egypt’s Coptic Christians, who make up roughly 10 percent of the country’s population, have been frequently targeted by Islamic extremists.

Netanyahu also called on Turkey to reciprocate and “condemn all terrorist attacks in Israel.”

## Scottish Rabbi Says Family Is ‘Distressed’ After Being Assaulted in Edinburgh

BY BARNEY BREEN-PORTNOY

A Scottish rabbi and his family were recently assaulted in central Edinburgh, Deadline News reported last week.

During a meeting with members of the Scottish Parliament on Thursday, Rabbi Yossi Bodenheim — the Jewish chaplain for Scottish universities — recounted the incident that took place in early November.

“My wife and I took our four young children for a walk in this beautiful city,” he was quoted as saying. “However, as we were walking, a woman pushed my wife aside, grabbed my kippa, threw it on the ground and ran away. That took place less than a mile from here, in front of my young children. You can imagine how distressed they were.”

Bodenheim went on to say, “Chessed is kindness, empathy and support for others. That hatred is the very opposite of chessed... As Scotland’s Jewish student chaplain, my role is to bring chessed to Jewish students and to make sure that they are comfortable on campus, whether it is ensuring their welfare, providing social and educational events, or just



Rabbi Yossi Bodenheim and his wife Sarah. Photo: [www.mychaplaincy.co.uk](http://www.mychaplaincy.co.uk)

being a listening ear. I also have to help them cope with antisemitism, because unfortunately it is an issue on campus as well.”

Nicola Livingston — the head of the Jewish Student Chaplaincy Scotland — was quoted as saying that the incident was an indicator of growing antisemitism in Scotland.

“I know the family were quite traumatized, it’s quite a difficult thing to speak about publicly, you don’t want to be seen as too vulnerable,” she stated. “The Scottish government needs to condemn such incidents when they happen.”

As reported by The Algemeiner in August, a new study found that Scottish Jews were increasingly keeping their identity a secret for fear of being the target of antisemitism.

school district — a court ordered all of it to be released. The event was subsequently condemned by the superintendent of the Ithaca City School district, who in a Letter of Reprimand called the presentation “politically skewed [and] inflammatory.”

One video shows Tamimi presenting the infamous “Janna Jihad” interview, which features his young daughter, Ahed, issuing a “message for the world from the Palestinian children.”

“We don’t like [that] Israel kill us, kill Gaza, kill Palestinian and we don’t like they to kill us [sic],” she is heard saying. “They [Israel] can’t be terrorists. We don’t like them to be terrorists.”

Ahed made headlines in 2012 when

## Antisemitic Attacks in US Are Often Precursor to Larger-Scale Terrorist Strikes Against General Population



Antisemitic attacks in the US are often a precursor to larger-scale terrorist strikes against the general American population, a new report says. Photo: Tony Webster / Wikimedia Commons.

BY BARNEY BREEN-PORTNOY

Antisemitic attacks in the US are often a precursor to larger-scale terrorist strikes against the general American population, a new report published by a nonprofit Jewish security group on Monday said.

The Community Security Service (CSS) analysis — authored by Yehudit Barsky — detailed 104 antisemitic attacks that have taken place in the US since 1969.

The perpetrators of the 1993 World Trade Center bombing and 2009 Little Rock military recruiting center shooting — among other significant terrorist incidents in US history — first attacked Jewish targets, the report noted. Antisemitic Attacks in US Are Often Precursor to Larger-Scale Terrorist Strikes Against General Population

Nearly 70% of the attacks covered in the report were carried out by adherents to radical Islamic or white supremacist ideologies.

Speaking with The Algemeiner on Monday, CSS Executive Director Jason Friedman said, “Personally, I was surprised, even as someone who is a professional in the field of Jewish security, to see the breadth and geographic range of the attacks.”

“Post-election news has really focused a lot of people on antisemitism and I think one of the great parts of this report and the timeliness of it is that it does provide the

much-needed perspective that while this is in front of our eyes more now, it’s not necessarily new,” he continued.

Friedman welcomed President-elect Donald Trump’s nomination of retired Marine General John Kelly to serve as the next head of the Department of Homeland Security.

“I think it’s really critical to have alignment on all levels,” Friedman said. “If DHS can continue to provide grants to synagogues and other Jewish institutions to help fund physical security, that’s important.”

US law enforcement agencies, Friedman said, “definitely take the threats to Jews seriously, almost more than the Jewish community itself does. But it’s always a question of resources. And there is an opportunity for the Jewish community to improve its own internal security capabilities and its own ability to look for trouble. If those capabilities are increased, it would allow for much more effective partnering with law enforcement, who despite their best efforts, can’t be everywhere all the time.”

The most important thing, Friedman stated, is “security awareness.”

“People have to be cognizant of their surroundings and have situational awareness and look for suspicious behavior,” he said. “If members of the Jewish community on the ground get a little bit of training to detect things that are out of place, they can really help make themselves more secure.”

she appeared in a video confronting an IDF soldier — prompting Turkey to invite her to the country to receive a “courage” award. In 2015, Ahed once again caught the attention of the international community when she was filmed biting and hitting an Israeli soldier who was attempting to subdue her rock-throwing 12-year-old brother.

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This is not the first time that Tamimi has been the focus of controversy. As The

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as part of a presentation on the suffering of Palestinian children at the hands of Israel.” When the story broke, the principal of the elementary school at which the event took place denied that it had involved any improper anti-Israel propaganda — and pointed to a video clip as proof.

However, through a New York Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) request, *Legal Insurrection* discovered that the Ithaca City School District had been withholding some key footage of the presentation and — after a long legal battle between the blog and the

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## World News.



President-elect Donald Trump. Photo: Gage Skidmore via Wikimedia Commons.

## Former Top Israeli Official: Trump Should Demand Renegotiation of Iran Nuclear Deal

BY BARNEY BREEN-PORTNOY

US President-elect Donald Trump should “demand a renegotiation” of the Iran nuclear agreement, a former director-general of Israel’s Ministry of International Affairs and Strategy wrote on Monday.

“Such a choice would probably dovetail with other aspects of his approach to foreign policy in general and to the Middle East in particular,” IDF Brig. Gen. (res.) Yosef Kuperwasser — currently a senior project manager at the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs think tank — noted in an article published on the JCPA website. “Trump, in contrast to [outgoing President Barack] Obama, is looking to strengthen ties with the United States’ natural allies, namely, Israel and the pragmatic Arab states — particularly Egypt, Saudi Arabia, and Jordan. He indeed wants to avoid unnecessary frictions with Russia. He is prepared, however, to defend vital U.S. interests (preventing Iran’s nuclearization and constraining its actions in the region) and thereby demonstrate that the United States is, in fact, a superpower (which is what the slogan ‘make America great again’ means in this context).”

Furthermore, Kuperwasser said, appointments made by Trump thus far “bolster the impression that he will choose” the renegotiation option over stricter enforcement of the deal or the imposition of additional sanctions related to non-nuclear issues.

“Legally,” he wrote, “there is no problem here because the US commitment to the JCPOA (Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action) was based on a presidential decree. From the US standpoint, the plan did not become an international treaty (incidentally, none of the sides signed it). The new president could announce that if Iran refuses to reopen it for discussion, Washington will renounce it and reapply the secondary sanctions (some of which were never canceled in the first place but only suspended, with Congress recently voting to extend them for 10 years). That means the United States would freeze economic ties with any entities doing business with Iran; European companies and banks would react by putting an end to such commerce.”

“This approach,” Kuperwasser continued, “views the agreement as so dangerous to international security that the previous proposals entail a very high, unacceptable risk that Iran would in fact strictly adhere to the plan despite the pressures since it promises Iran the ability to produce a large nuclear-weapons arsenal in

another 9-14 years. Such a step could prompt a dispute with the Europeans and with Russia and China, and stoke tensions and even an escalation toward Iran, which may renounce the agreement and even try to break out toward nuclear weapons. A firm stance by the new administration, however, would certainly deter the Iranians. At present their point of departure for a nuclear breakout is clearly less favorable than it was before the agreement was reached (on that point the agreement’s supporters and opponents agree).”

Kuperwasser also pointed out that Iran “has been working hard to make the most of the last days of Obama’s tenure.”

“It is quickly closing international deals aimed at rehabilitating its oil industry,” he wrote. “It is also boosting its aid for the takeover of Aleppo by [Syrian President Bashar] Assad’s supporters and, apparently, stepping up arms shipments to Hezbollah, meaning Israel must act to thwart them.”

Kuperwasser told *The Algemeiner* last week that Iran was stepping up the speed at which it has been arming its proxies in the region due to fear that after Trump assumes the presidency in January, its room to maneuver in Syria will be greatly hampered.

Last month, Iran expert Ilan Berman — vice president of the Washington, DC-based think tank the American Foreign Policy Council — told *The Algemeiner* the Islamic Republic was worried it could be the “big loser” from Trump’s election victory over Hillary Clinton.

Behnam Ben Taleblu — senior Iran analyst at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies (FDD) think tank in Washington, DC — recently said in an interview with *The Algemeiner* that the Trump administration “should look to recent history and course-correct some of the issues in the [nuclear] deal that the current administration overlooked.”

“For instance,” Taleblu stated, “it should not excuse Iran’s excess production of heavy water, which has happened twice now. More broadly it should work to change a key dynamic in the JCPOA’s implementation, namely the asymmetry. Iranian officials often tout that America needs the deal more than they do. They regularly transgress the deal’s spirit and occasionally its letter. To change this, the Trump administration should aim for, borrowing from the noted academic Thomas Schelling, ‘the manipulation of risk,’ and make it known that Iran needs the accord more than the US.”

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prepared to coexist no matter what concessions Israel offers?

Hours after Netanyahu emphasized in his video address before the same forum that settlements are not the cause of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, Kerry said, “I cannot accept the notion that [settlements] don’t affect the peace process, that they aren’t a barrier to the ability to create peace.”

Like many of his predecessors, Kerry is ignorant of history. Even though their claim to the land is much more justifiable than that of the Arabs, Jews have accepted a two-state solution since Lord Peel’s proposal to partition Palestine into two states in 1937. The Palestinians have rejected that solution from that time to the present.

Kerry also criticized proposals voiced by Israeli legislators to first negotiate an agreement with neighboring Arab states, and only then sit at the table with the Palestinians. Previously, the Obama administration had been gung-ho about the Arab Peace Initiative, but instead of trying to capitalize on the new ties between Israel, Jordan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and the Gulf States, Kerry has swallowed the Arabist line that the Palestinian issue is the core issue in the region. He ignores that the Palestinian issue is irrelevant to every major problem we’re facing in the region, from Iran, Syria and Iraq to ISIS, Al Qaeda and Hezbollah.

Historical experience cannot faze the Arabists. The Arab states have demonstrated for decades now that they don’t care about the Palestinians (they won’t go to war for them, provide the amounts of aid they promise or support them anywhere but at the UN). If it is in their interests, Arab states will make a deal with our without the Palestinians, as both Egypt and Jordan did.

Furthermore, Kerry’s unwillingness to recognize the religious war under his nose has prevented him from understanding the cause of the slaughter across the region. His failure to understand how the Arab-Israeli conflict has changed from political to religious allows him to pursue the fantasy of a two-state solution while ignoring that the domination of radical Islamic thinking among Palestin-

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**Bad Leaders**

the rather bitter recent comments of Secretary of State John Kerry, in which he portrayed Israeli settlements, rather than Palestinian eliminationism, as the key obstacle to ending the conflict.

Then we come to the second “solution.” In a speech to the Brookings Institution, Kerry highlighted the remark of Israeli Education Minister Naftali Bennett that Israel had reached “the end of the two-state solution.” That internal Israeli discussion, which doesn’t change the fact that government policy remains committed to a secure state of Israel alongside a demilitarized Palestinian state, has attracted a good deal of attention, especially now that certain aides to President-elect Donald Trump have been expressing sentiments similar to Bennett’s. A Wall Street Journal report on the issue even cited the head of a leading Palestinian think tank observing that, in this political climate, “There are people who say let’s have members in the Knesset from Nablus, Hebron and Ramallah.”

Israel should resist international pressure for an imposed solution. At the same time, Israeli politicians should be more wary of the implications of rejecting a two-state solution. The relationships that Israel has developed with Sunni Arab countries confronted by growing Iranian power are of major strategic value; the question, then, is whether it is worth risking those relationships’ further enhancement with provocative statements that suggest that Israel has turned its back on

ians ensures that they will continue to pursue Israel’s destruction.

At the Forum, Kerry repeated his warnings that if a two-state solution is not achieved, Israel will be untenable as a Jewish and democratic state. He asked rhetorically, “How do you have a one state that is Jewish and democratic and also has provisions in place for Israel’s security?” Furthermore, he said, “What’s your vision of a unitary state?” “If Palestinians are [a] majority, will there be a Palestinian prime minister of Israel?”

The questions he should be asking are: Why won’t the Palestinians negotiate? Why didn’t they accept the compromises Israel made in 1937, 1948, 1979, 1993, 2000 and 2008? What evidence does he have that the Palestinians have abandoned their desire to destroy Israel? What will prevent a Palestinian state from becoming another Hamastan? What will guarantee Israel’s security once its troops leave the West Bank? The status quo has lasted since 1967, why can’t it continue for another 50 years? The Palestinians never had a state in recorded history — neither Jordan nor Egypt permitted them to establish one when they controlled the West Bank and Gaza — so on what basis are they entitled to demand statehood in the land of Israel?

Instead, Kerry resorts to the time-honored tradition of blaming the Jews for the ills of the Middle East. He couldn’t get Abbas to negotiate, let alone agree to anything. Was that Netanyahu’s fault, or evidence of Kerry’s incompetence as a diplomat and inability to learn anything about the region from history or contemporary events?

One can only hope that Donald Trump will find someone to take Kerry’s place who is knowledgeable about Middle East history; understands the religious war taking place there (and beyond); recognizes Israel’s role as an ally and ensures it remains secure with unified Jerusalem as its capital; and is capable of distinguishing between America’s friends and enemies.

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Palestinian statehood.

Kerry himself addressed this point. “There will be no separate peace between Israel and the Arab world. Let me make that clear to you,” he declared. “There will be no advance or separate peace in the Arab world without advancing the Palestinian issue. Everybody needs to understand that. That is a hard reality.”

Leaving aside the hint of wishful thinking here, it is important to prove Kerry wrong. By developing closer relations with Israel, Arab states might in fact exercise positive influence on the Palestinian leadership — a leadership that still can’t accept that the Palestinian question is no longer at the heart of the Middle East conflict, which is one reason why it pursues offensive and self-defeating initiatives like securing an apology from the UK government for the 1917 Balfour Declaration, which promised a “Jewish national home” in Mandatory Palestine.

If the outside world wants to be useful, it should start cultivating a new generation of Palestinian leaders who grasp this strategic reality, paving the way for a solution that enables Jews and Arabs alike to live with dignity and opportunity.

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## U.S. News.

# Trump's Pick for National Security Adviser: In Context of Broader Mideast Radicalization, 'No Peace Between Israel, Palestine'

BY RUTHIE BLUM

President-elect Donald Trump's pick for national security adviser said just under a year ago that he did not think there was going to be "peace between Israel and Palestine," the foreign policy blog *LobeLog* revealed this week, calling attention to a YouTube video posted at the time.

Lieutenant General (ret.) Michael T. Flynn made the statement during a lecture on Capitol Hill hosted by the Endowment for Middle East Truth (EMET) think tank last January — in the broader context of what he was highlighting as a growing problem of radical Islamist indoctrination in madrassas across the region.

Calling many of the Muslim institutions of learning "hate factories," Flynn explained why he considered it crucial to rectify the situation. "In 1,000 years — at least — there hasn't been a Nobel Prize-winner coming out of the Middle East," he said. "There are two that are from the Middle East, but one was educated in the United States of America school system; the other was educated in the European school system. But if we could [be transported back] 1,000 years, most of the Nobel Prize-winners would have come out of the Middle East. So, there's a problem."

He continued: "And the Middle East countries that are struggling right now...are going to be crushed by their own internal problems if they don't fix them. And why do they ask about the Palestinian issue? You know what, the rest of the Arab world? You figure it out!"

It was here that he expressed doubt about peace between Israel and the Palestinians:

*I mean, come on. How many people have we struggled to go through that? So let's be honest about this and not have another big name going in there and getting in the middle of the two countries and try to figure this out, while people that are coming from one side of that line with daggers are putting knives into women and children in Israel. I mean, if you want to have a conversation with me, I'll say, alright sit down and we'll have a conversation. And we'll figure out what is best. Should we invest in education? Should we invest in economic development?*

Flynn, author — with Michael Ledeen — of the recently released book, *The Field of Fight: How We Can Win the Global War Against Radical Islam and Its Allies*, also said during the lecture — titled "Predictions for an Increasingly Volatile Middle East":

*We have to differentiate between the religion of Islam and the twisted, deadly culture of radical Islam that distort the ideas of Islam to justify the murder of anyone who doesn't like them. They innocent that are being murdered daily are mostly and often Muslims and that is a fact lost on many observers...*

Comparing Islamism to other "isms" in history, Flynn said: *The reason why Hitler thought that he could beat the United States of America was because he thought that this mixed-race society could never defeat this perfect race, you know the Nazi race. That's one of the things, that's part of his belief system if you read books like Mein Kampf. He believed that there was this perfection and that there was no way that this crazy, mixed-race country could beat this perfect race. Unbelievable. And ...we would be praying at the altar of Adolf Hitler if he had won... [T]he world must unite and stand up against these barbaric murderers by specifically targeting and undermining their radical interpretation of Islam...We've stood up to murderous groups and regimes in the past, whether they were Russian communist or Japanese imperialists or the...Nazis...*

Speaking about the Iran nuclear deal, Flynn said: "It's insane that we have this relationship, and it's insane, with the leading state sponsor of terrorism, and we have this really lousy relationship with Israel. How did that ever come to be?"

Flynn served as the 18th director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, from July 22, 2012 to August 7, 2014, after filling numerous combat, special ops and intelligence roles in the US Army. He was selected by Trump to become national security adviser in the incoming administration on November 18. As a member of the president's executive office staff, he will not require Senate approval.

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Algemeiner reported, in October 2015, Tamimi caused an uproar when he accused Israel of stealing the organs of Palestinians. On Facebook, Tamimi shared an image showing the sutured side of a man's body. The caption read, "When Israelis arrest Palestinian CHILDREN, what is the purpose? To STEAL THEIR ORGANS. The same #Zionists doing this control the #media. So don't expect to be told this by the #BBC."

More recently, in March, Tamimi accused the US of revoking his travel visa "to stop [his] efforts against the Israeli occupation." As an investigation later revealed, Tamimi's visa was permanently revoked after US immigration officials discovered he had lied on his application about never having been arrested.

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border," he said. "You (the Palestinians) ask us to recognize you, I'm willing to do that. I ask you to recognize us. Recognize the Jewish state, for God's sake."

Netanyahu added that he still supports a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and looks forward to receiving Trump's help on that issue.

"Two states for two peoples," he said. "And that's where I'm focused. I'd like to have President Trump, when he gets into the White House, help me work on that. I'd like to see if the Arab states can help me achieve that. It's a new reality. A new possibility."

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## Opinion.

# The Stench of Hypocrisy at Yale University



**JEROLD AUERBACH**  
NEW YORK

In recent years liberal anti-liberalism has been vividly – and noxiously – displayed on many American college and university campuses. The creation of “Hate Spaces” (the title of an appropriately scathing video recently released by Americans for Peace & Tolerance), where anti-Semitism is fashionable, Israel is demonized and Jewish students feel besieged, has transformed “academic freedom” into an oxymoron.

Few universities have struggled more arduously to placate sulking students than Yale. Its bygone view of Jews as an “alien and unwashed element” unworthy of admission led to decades of discrimination against Jewish applicants. Its currently fashionable campus bias, having nothing to do with Jews but invidious nonetheless, is political correctness.

Last year Yale temporarily transformed itself into a de facto nursery school with a brouhaha over Halloween costumes (yes,

Halloween costumes). Administrator Erika Christakis (with appropriate experience as a child development specialist) found it necessary to urge Yale students to behave like adults and tolerate individual choice of costumes. A group of infuriated Yalies, feeling deprived of their “safe space,” verbally assaulted Ms. Christakis and her husband, a Yale sociology professor and house master. The “crybullies” won: Ms. Christakis resigned and her husband relinquished his administrative position.

That triumph of intolerance achieved, Yale undergraduates channeled their political correctness energy to changing the offending name of Calhoun College, one of eight residential colleges. It was named (eighty years ago) for John C. Calhoun, a Phi Beta Kappa graduate in 1804 whose distinguished public career subsequently included service as a Congressman, Secretary of War, Vice President and Senator. A South Carolina slaveholder, he was nonetheless described in a 1914 biography by the Yale Secretary as an “eminent Yale man.” He would become one of eight “Yale worthies” to be honored with a statue in Harkness Tower.

But that was then. Once the Halloween fiasco subsided, Calhoun became the villain of choice for Yale students who demanded the



*The Peabody Museum of Natural History at Yale University.*

renaming of Calhoun College. Yale President Peter Salovey appropriately rejected their attempt at “effacing our history.” But persistent student dissatisfaction prompted his reconsideration. Salovey appointed a 12-member committee, chaired by a Yale Law School historian, to devise “Principles on Renaming” that might mollify aggrieved students.

The committee report cited Yale’s history of “creative destruction” of campus symbols and names as consistent with “the mission of the university.” That “mission” has evidently been redefined as political correctness, evidenced by the report’s praise for “liberal,” as opposed to “illiberal,” alterations in the past. President Salovey was pleased to learn that Yale’s principles “allow us to consider renaming a building in a way that preserves history, to remember but not to honor.”

But the committee report, duly endorsed by President Salovey, could jeopardize the name of his university. Before long,

Yale students – if they have the courage of their politically correct convictions – should similarly demand the erasure of another name stained by slavery, whose bearer recorded far fewer noteworthy achievements than John C. Calhoun. That would be Elihu Yale, the successful slave trader after whom the university is named.

Yale, born in Boston, grew up in London to become an official for the East India Company in Madras. There he participated in, and profited from, a thriving slave trade. As Company governor and president, he issued orders for the purchase of slaves from Madagascar and enforced a rule that a minimum of ten slaves be sent on every ship bound for Europe. His accumulation of wealth from illegal profiteering eventually cost him his position as governor in 1692.

Some twenty-five years later Yale was approached by the founders of the “Collegiate School,” recently relocated to New Haven, for financial assistance. He generously donated several hundred books, a portrait of King George I, and nine bales of goods that were subsequently sold for 800 pounds sterling. In gratitude, school officials named a new building, and then the college, after him.

Surely students troubled by politically incorrect Halloween costumes and Calhoun College should shudder at the prospect of receiving a degree from a university named after an avaricious slave trader. Or does the market value of a Yale degree override their moral scruples – and merely make them hypocrites?

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# How the Grinch Stole Hanukkah



**RUTHIE BLUM**  
TEL AVIV

A Hanukkah party co-hosted by the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations and the Embassy of Azerbaijan next Wednesday is causing a stir among left-wing Jews.

One might have expected liberals to laud the theme of the event – “freedom and diversity” – and even welcome the participation of a Muslim-majority country in the holiday celebration. But no. Because the festive occasion is being held at a Washington, DC hotel owned by President-elect Donald Trump, it is being denounced and boycotted by several groups. Among these are the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCAR) – the rabbinic arm of the Reform movement – and IfNotNow, a self-described group of young American Jews who came together during Operation Protective Edge in Gaza in the summer of 2014 to demand an end to Israeli “occupation” and “freedom and dignity for all.”

Other organizations in an uproar are the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the National Council of Jewish Women, Americans for Peace Now, Ameinu and the Workmen’s Circle.

CCAR explained its objections by stating, “We will not be attending or supporting the Hanukkah party... which is supposed to represent the diversity of Jewish organizations. Holding this event at Mr. Trump’s hotel is at

odds with that idea and with many policies and values of Jewish life and community. Especially as representatives of a community that has been so deeply impacted by the history of both the Holocaust and immigration, we believe that all Jewish groups must fiercely and consistently oppose any normalization of bigotry. Certainly, the theme of the Hanukkah party, ‘freedom and diversity,’ is at odds with the language we are hearing from Mr. Trump’s inner circle and appointments. Until Mr. Trump denounces the anti-Semitism, racism, homophobia and sexism that have plagued his campaign and his transition, we join with our colleague Rabbi Rick Jacobs of the Union of Reform Judaism in asserting that this is an inappropriate venue for a Conference of Presidents event.”

Responding to the hysteria, Conference of Presidents Executive Vice-chairman Malcolm Hoenlein said in an interview with JTA that the Azerbaijani embassy selected the venue based on its proximity to the White House, since many of the 150-200 guests will also be attending President Barack Obama’s Hanukkah party, which is taking place the same evening. Other hotels nearby were not available, Hoenlein said, or could not meet the requirement for kosher food.

But for these Jewish leftists, whose utter despair at last month’s election results knows no bounds, such arguments carry no weight. As far as they are concerned, any association with Trump – even one that involves eating jelly doughnuts in a building with his name on it – is worse than partaking of pork, a Jewish dietary no-no that many of them enjoy regularly anyway.

To justify their outrage on ostensibly sounder, more “legitimate” grounds, two of the

groups – Americans for Peace Now and the Workmen’s Circle – lashed out at Azerbaijan. You know, a Muslim country with increasingly close diplomatic and strategic ties to Israel. The Workmen’s Circle revealed its innate hypocrisy in a letter to Hoenlein, first bemoaning Trump’s attitude towards Muslims, and then decrying Azerbaijan’s human rights record. It is interesting that this organization and its bleeding-heart counterparts have had a very different view of Minnesota Rep. Keith Ellison, an anti-Semite with radical Islamist leanings, who is running for the chairmanship of the Democratic National Committee.

But then, what can we expect from members of the tribe whose rabbis held services at their synagogues to mourn Trump’s election?

Thankfully, not all Jews in the United States have lost their dreidels. Take the American Sephardi Federation, for example. In a statement issued to praise the event, it wrote, “ASE, which proudly represents the voice of Greater

Sephardic Jewish communities (including Azerbaijan’s) in the Conference of Presidents, is honored to stand with Azerbaijan in the tradition of tolerance exemplified by Sephardi pioneers of trade, diplomacy and scholarship throughout the ages.”

For his part, Hoenlein has been puzzled – perhaps foolishly, given his years of experience with Jewish leaders – by what Isi Leibler this week called “collective madness” on the part of whose swaths of the Reform and Conservative movements.

“What are you going to do?” Hoenlein asked rhetorically. “Boycott the next president of the United States in everything?”

Judging by the ruckus that a simple party is causing, I would wager that the answer is a resounding yes. In which case, let the Jewish Grinches stop trying to steal Hanukkah, and leave their saner co-religionists to celebrate the miracle of Jewish survival under siege in peace.

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# Even a New York Times Movie Review Is a Slam-Dunk Case of Anti-Israel Bias



**IRA STOLL**  
BOSTON

If anyone is relentlessly partisan here, it is the *New York Times*, which can’t even manage to review a movie about an Israeli sports team without complaining that the other side doesn’t get a voice.

The review complains: “The movie makes

no attempt to engage any current situation, basking instead in a one-dimensional nostalgia.”

That’s a silly complaint. It’s not a movie about the current situation; it’s a movie about the 1977 basketball team. And again, if anyone is being one-dimensional here, it is the *New York Times*, which seems to want to view nearly every piece of art that ever comes out of Israel through the *New York Times* obsession of the contemporary Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

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**Pomegranate. of course.**



**Pomegranate**

## Impressions.

## Making Traditional Jewish Food Great Again

BY ROBERT GLUCK / JNS.ORG

Two emerging young chefs are on a mission to reclaim and revolutionize Ashkenazi cuisine for the millennial generation.

Liz Alpern and Jeffrey Yoskowitz both fell in love with Eastern European Jewish cooking early on in life, and they have used that passion to start a revolution — starting with a makeover of gefilte fish. In 2011, they founded The Gefilteria with partner Jackie Lilinshtein, their response to the packaged glass jars of ground fish patties on supermarket shelves. The business sells a signature gefilte fish dish and hosts pop-up dining events. That venture has grown into a mission to revamp all the Ashkenazi classics, resulting in *The Gefilte Manifesto: New Recipes for Old World Jewish Foods*, a cookbook that puts modern and lighter twists on tradi-



The cover of "The Gefilte Manifesto." Photo: Flatiron Books.

tional fare— and even includes a chapter on “choosing your own leftover adventure.”

“Gefilte is not just about your bubbe,” Alpern and Yoskowitz write. “It is not about kitsch or a foodie revolution. Gefilte is about reclaiming our time-honored foods and caring how they taste and how they’re sourced. It is about serving a dish with pride, not simply out of deference to hollow convention. It is about taking food traditions seriously and reclaiming the glory of Ashkenazi food — what it has been and what it can be.”

The duo met soon after they graduated college when they were both working in the food industry — she as a recipe taster, he as a fellow at a Jewish organic farm — and found that they were both “super on fire about Jewish foods,” Alpern told *JNS.org*.

As an undergraduate student at McGill University, Alpern had baked and sold challah out of her home because there was no kosher bakery in her neighborhood. Yoskowitz, raised in New Jersey, would go on field trips as a child with his father to New York’s Jewish food institutions, and even studied the kosher industry for his senior thesis at Brown University.

Alpern and Yoskowitz, who were featured in *Forbes*’s 2014 “30 Under 30” list for food and wine, are drawing praise from prominent chefs for their efforts to save the foods of their heritage.

Jewish food writer and cookbook author Leah

## Eric and Happie’s Debut Album Takes You to Jewish Summer Camp

BY EREZ SAFAR

Eric and Happie’s debut album “It’s Yours” hit #11 on the iTunes Singer-Songwriter charts when it was released a few months ago. We sat down with Eric and Happie to discuss Jewish song-leading, and making a folk record with the person you fell in love with in Jewish summer camp.

Q: We heard you two are big in the Jewish song leading world and that is how you met. How did you get into that scene?

how nervous and scared I was, diving into such a completely new world of music, reminds me that even when I think I know what I’m doing — I probably don’t know enough. It reminds me to always stay a student of the work.

Q: I would imagine with that many Shabbatons and summer camps, there must be some pretty memorable experiences, any crazy stories come to mind?

Eric: As far as crazy experiences go — there are definitely a lot. The first that comes to mind was about three years ago on the March of the Living (MOTL).



Eric and Happie. Photo: Courtesy.

Eric: I’ve been song-leading for 10 years. It all started when my buddy gave me a call during my freshman year at the University of Pittsburgh. We had been in BBYO (Jewish high school youth group) together, and he asked me if I needed a summer job. I asked him what it would be, and he went on to tell me that a Jewish Summer camp needed a songleader and he recommended me. That sounds pretty normal now, but back then I didn’t know anything about Jewish music, let alone song-leading. But, like any college student, I needed the money and my friend insisted that he could teach me his ways, so I said yes. He invited me to his house and gave me a three-hour crash course on song-leading. Looking back, it’s pretty hilarious to imagine me learning “Salaam” and “B’tzelem Elohim” with full-on dances and hand movements in his living room — but I was willing to do whatever it took. The first year of my song-leading was, well... let’s say it was a work in progress. Every night at camp, the director would let me know what they needed from me the next day and I would immediately call my friend and make him teach it to me over the phone. I still remember quietly learning the *Shehecheyanu*, word by word, over the phone and then passing it off the next day like I had been singing it for years.

Since then I’ve learned and grown and always try to remind myself of that first year. Knowing

The MOTL is a trip that takes high-school teens through one week of visiting the concentration camps of Poland before continuing on to one week in Israel. The trip is over Yom HaShoa (International Holocaust Remembrance Day) as well as Yom Haatzmeat and Yom Hazikaron (Memorial Day and Independence Day in Israel). To say that the trip is emotionally draining is an understatement. It is an incredible journey through some of the darkest and most joyful times in Jewish History and I was honored to be the song-leader for this particular delegation of about 170 teens. To go from Poland to Israel, we had to fly out of the Warsaw airport. Well, during these trips, there are thousands of other teens from different delegations with very similar itineraries. The lines at this airport were ridiculous. We were looking at a check-in line that took well over an hour to get through, and our teens were getting restless. One of the staff on our trip suggested that I play some music to help pass the time and, of course, I agreed. Well, what started as a small song session with our group quickly grew into a full-terminal affair. Other delegations started joining in and before long I was standing in the middle of a crowd of hundreds of Jewish teens singing in the Warsaw airport. Our elation quickly turned into panic as an announcement came over the loud speaker that the airport was being evacuated. After a quick evacuation and much

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Koenig praised *The Gefilte Manifesto* in her latest book, *Modern Jewish Cooking*, for digging “deep into our Ashkenazi ancestors’ recipe boxes.”

“It pulls out time-tested favorites and lost gems, and finds ways to make them taste at once fresh and innovative, and utterly authentic,” Koenig told *JNS.org*. “We Jewish mothers can be collectively entranced,

inspired and proud,” Mollie Katzen, bestselling author-illustrator of vegetarian cooking classics, told *JNS.org*. “It’s no small feat to retain the character of an old, emotionally held culinary culture while imparting fresh life to the standards. Jeffrey and Liz nailed it, not only with outstanding recipes but also with history and stories and context, impeccably written.”

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF KINGS Index No. 15705/2013 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS WITH NOTICE CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff, -against- THOMASSENIA P. BUCHANAN-FOSTER, ANTHONY FOSTER, If they be living and if they be dead, the respective heirs-at-law, next-of-kin, distributees, executors, administrators, trustees, devisees, legatees, assignees, lienors, creditors and successors in interest and generally all persons having or claiming under, by or through said defendant who may be deceased, by purchase, inheritance, lien or inheritance, lien or otherwise any right, title or interest in or to the real property described in the complaint, CITIBANK N.A., CAPITAL ONE BANK, KENNETH BROWN, CRIMINAL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, KINGS SUPREME COURT, NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION & FINANCE, NEW YORK CITY PARKING VIOLATIONS BUREAU, NEW YORK CITY ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD AND NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU, AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Defendants, To the above-named defendants: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the amended complaint in this action and

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to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the amended complaint is not served with this supplemental summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the plaintiff's attorneys within 20 days after the service of this supplemental summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing supplemental summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Honorable Leon Ruchelsman, Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, KINGS County, dated the 29th day of January, 2016 and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of KINGS, State of New York. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT The object of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$172,550.00 and interest, recorded in the Office of the City Register of Kings County on October 11, 2002 in Reel 5842, Page 357, which mortgage was assigned to CitiMortgage, Inc. by assignment of mortgage dated September 9, 2002 which was recorded in the Office of the City Register of Kings County on October 11, 2002 in Reel 5842, Page 373, covering premises known as 822 EAST 52ND STREET, BROOKLYN, COUNTY OF KINGS, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK (BLOCK 7927, LOT 79). The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above. The Plaintiff also seeks a deficiency judgment against the Defendants, THOMASSENIA P. BUCHANAN-FOSTER, and ANTHONY FOSTER, for any debt secured by said Mortgage which is not satisfied by the proceeds of the sale of said premises, unless discharged in bankruptcy. Premises situate lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn. BEGINNING at a point on the westerly side of East 52nd Street, 80 feet northerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the westerly side of East 52nd Street and the northerly side of Foster Avenue; being a plot 100 feet by 20 feet by 100 feet by 20 feet. BLOCK 7927, LOT 79 Dated: Rego Park, New York September 16, 2016 DAVID A. GALLO & ASSOCIATES LLP. By: Rosemarie A. Klie, Esq. Plaintiff 95-25 Queens Boulevard, 11th Floor Rego Park, New York 11374 (718) 459-9000  
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Notice of formation of limited liability company LLC Name: Dong Family 168.LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/18/2016 Office location kings county. SSNY Has

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been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail copy of the process to: The LLC 528 55th St., Brooklyn, NY 11220 purpose: all lawful activity  
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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A., AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF THE MULTI-CLASS MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, CHASEFLEX TRUST SERIES 2007-3, V. BERYL ANDERSON, et al. NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 28, 2016, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of KINGS, wherein THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A., AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF THE MULTI-CLASS MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, CHASEFLEX TRUST SERIES 2007-3 is the Plaintiff and BERYL ANDERSON, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the KINGS COUNTY SUPREME COURT, ROOM 224, 360 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11201, on January 12, 2017 at 2:30 PM, premises known as 62 EAST 57TH STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11203: Block 4662 Lot 25: ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY OF KINGS, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 506724/2014. Gregory Thomas Cerchione, Esq. - Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 106, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff  
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC; Plaintiff(s) vs. OSCAR CORDNER; ROSETTA CORDNER; et al; Defendant(s) Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI, ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, New York, 12524, 845.897.1600 Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about August 10, 2016, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201. On January 12, 2017 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 36 OAKLAND PLACE, BROOKLYN, NY 11226 Block: 5127 Lot: 61 All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. As more particularly described in the judgment of foreclosure and sale. Sold subject to all of the terms and conditions contained in said judgment and terms of sale. Approximate amount of judgment \$812,122.62 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 20542/09 Sylvia E. DiPietro, Esq., REFEREE  
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## Tradition.

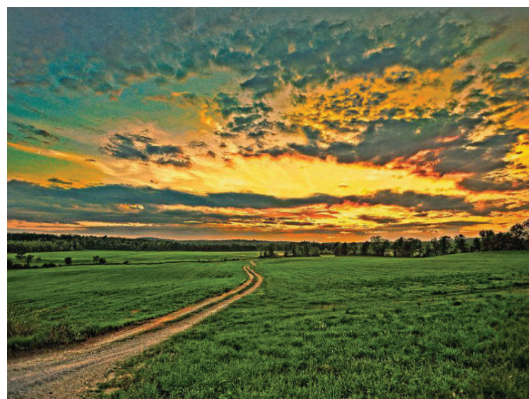
## The Jewish Journey



JONATHAN SACKS  
LONDON

Why is Jacob the father of our people, the hero of our faith? We are “the congregation of Jacob,” “the children of Israel.” Yet it was Abraham who began the Jewish journey, Isaac who was willing to be sacrificed, Joseph who saved his family in the years of famine, Moses who led the people out of Egypt and gave it its laws. It was Joshua who took the people into the Promised land, David who became its greatest king, Solomon who built the Temple, and the prophets through the ages who became the voice of God.

The account of Jacob in the Torah seems to fall short of these other lives, at least if we read the text literally. He has tense relationships with his brother Esau, his wives Rachel and Leah, his father-in-law Laban, and with his three eldest children, Reuben, Simon and Levi. There are times when he seems full of fear, others when he acts – or at least seems to act – with less than total honesty. In reply to Pharaoh he says of himself, “The days of my



life have been few and hard” (Gen. 47:9). This is less than we might expect from a hero of faith.

That is why so much of the image we have of Jacob is filtered through the lens of midrash – the oral tradition preserved by the sages. In this tradition, Jacob is all good, Esau all bad. It had to be this way – so argued R. Zvi Hirsch Chajes in his essay on the nature of midrashic interpretation – because otherwise we would find it hard to draw from the biblical text a clear sense of right and wrong, good and bad. The Torah is an exceptionally subtle book, and subtle books tend to be misunderstood. So the oral tradition made it simpler: black and white instead of shades of grey.

Yet perhaps, even without midrash, we can find an answer – and the best way of so doing is to think of the idea of a journey.

Judaism is about faith as a journey. It begins with the journey of Abraham and Sarah, leaving behind their “land, birthplace and father’s house” and travelling to an unknown destination, “the land I will show you.”

The Jewish people is defined by

another journey in a different age: the journey of Moses and the Israelites from Egypt across the desert to the Promised Land.

That journey becomes a litany in the parsha of Massei: “They left X and they camped in Y. They left Y and they camped in Z.” To be a Jew is to move, to travel, and only rarely, if ever, to settle down. Moses warns the people of the danger of settling down and taking the status quo for granted, even in Israel itself: “When you have children and grandchildren, and have been established in the land for a long time, you might become decadent” (Deut. 4:25).

Hence the rules that Israel must always remember its past, never forget its years of slavery in Egypt, never forget on Sukkot that our ancestors once lived in temporary dwellings, never forget that it does not own the land – it belongs to God – and we are merely there as God’s gerim ve-toshavim, “strangers and sojourners” (Lev. 25:23).

Why so? Because to be a Jew means not to be fully at home in the world. To be a Jew means to live within the tension between heaven and earth, creation and revelation, the world that is and the world we are called on to make; between exile and home, and between the universality of the human condition and the particularity of Jewish identity.

Jews don’t stand still except when standing before God. The universe, from galaxies to subatomic particles, is in constant motion, and so is the Jewish soul.

We are, we believe, an unstable combination of dust of the earth and breath of God, and this calls on us constantly to make

decisions, choices, that will make us grow to be as big as our ideals, or, if we choose wrongly, make us shrivel into small, petulant creatures obsessed by trivia. Life as a journey means striving each day to be greater than we were the day before, individually and collectively.

If the concept of a journey is a central metaphor of Jewish life, what in this regard is the difference between Abraham, Isaac and Jacob?

Abraham’s life is framed by two journeys both of which use the phrase Lech lecha, “undertake a journey,” once in Genesis 12 when he was told to leave his land and father’s house, the other in Gen. 22:2 at the binding of Isaac when he was told, “Take your son, the only one you love – Isaac – and go [lech lecha] to the region of Moriah.”

What is so moving about Abraham is that he goes, immediately and without question, despite the fact that both journeys are wrenching in human terms. In the first he has to leave his father. In the second he has to let go of his son. He has to say goodbye to the past and risk saying farewell to the future. Abraham is pure faith. He loves

God and trusts Him absolutely. Not everyone can achieve that kind of faith. It is almost superhuman.

Isaac is the opposite. It is as if Abraham, knowing the emotional sacrifices he has had to make, knowing too the trauma Isaac must have felt at the binding, seeks to protect his son as far as lies within his power. He makes sure that Isaac does not leave the Holy Land (see Gen. 24:6 – that is why Abraham does not let him travel to find a wife). Isaac’s one journey (to the land of the Philistines, in Gen. 26) is limited and local. Isaac’s life is a brief respite from the nomadic existence Abraham and Jacob both experience.

Jacob is different again. What makes him unique is that he has his most intense encounters with God – they are the most dramatic in the whole book of Genesis – in the midst of the journey, alone, at night, far from home, fleeing from one danger to the next, from Esau to Laban on the outward journey, from Laban to Esau on his homecoming.

In the midst of the first he has the blazing epiphany of the ladder stretching from earth to heaven, with angels ascending and descending, moving him to say on waking, “God is truly in this place but I did not know it . . . This must be God’s house and this the gate to heaven” (28:16-17). None of the other patriarchs, not even Moses, has a vision quite like this.

On the second, in our parsha, he has the haunting, enigmatic wrestling match with the man/angel/God, which leaves him limping but permanently transformed – the only person in the Torah to receive from God an entirely new name, Israel, which may mean, “one who has wrestled with God and man” or “one who has become a prince [sar] before God.”

What is fascinating is that Jacob’s meetings with angels are described by the same verb ‘p-g-sh’, (Gen. 28:11, and 32:2) which means “a chance encounter”, as if they took Jacob by surprise, which clearly they did. Jacob’s most spiritual moments are ones he did not plan. He was thinking of other things, about what he was leaving behind and what lay ahead of him. He was, as it were, “surprised by God.”

Jacob is someone with whom we can identify. Not everyone can aspire to the loving faith and total trust of an Abraham, or to the seclusion of an Isaac. But Jacob is someone we understand. We can feel his fear, understand his pain at the tensions in his family, and sympathize with his deep longing for a life of quietude and peace (the sages say about the opening words of next week’s parsha that “Jacob longed to live at peace, but was immediately thrust into the troubles of Joseph”).

The point is not just that Jacob is the most human of the patriarchs

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY Wells Fargo Bank N.A.; Plaintiff(s) vs. CHRISTOPHER PANLASIGUI; KAREN TANG; et al; Defendant(s) Attorney (s) for

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Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI, ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, New York, 12524, 845.897.1600 Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about July 27, 2016, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at Public Auction in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201. On January 12, 2017 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 35 MCDONALD AVENUE, UNIT 1A, BROOKLYN, NY 11218-1082 Block: 00895 Lot: 1127 The Condominium Unit known and designated as Unit No. 1A (hereinafter called “the Unit”) in the building known as the 35 McDonald Avenue Condominium, 25-47 McDonald Avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York (the “Building”) designated and described in the Declaration establishing a plan for condominium ownership of the Building and the land upon which the Building is situated (said Building and land referred to collectively herein as the “Property” or the “Condominium”), dated January 31, 2007, made by 25-47 McDonald Avenue LLC under the Condominium Act of the State of New York (Article 9-B of the Real Property Law of the State of New York), recorded in the Office of the Register of the City of New York on the 27th day of April, 2007, in City Register File Number (CRFN) 2007000221142 (hereinafter called the “Declaration”). The Unit is also designated as Tax Lot No. 1127 in Block 895 of the Borough of Brooklyn on the Tax Map of the Real Property Assessment Department of the City of New York and on the floor plans of the Building, certified by Douglas Pulaski, Registered Architect, on January 31, 2007, approved with the Real Property Assessment Department of the City of New York on January 31, 2007, as Condominium Plan No. 1794, and filed in the Register’s Office on April 27, 2007, in CRFN 2007000221143. Together with an undivided 1.51 percent interest in the Common Elements (as such term is defined in the Declaration) appurtenant to the unit. As more particularly described in the judgment of foreclosure and sale. Sold subject to all of the terms and conditions contained in said judgment and terms of sale. Approximate amount of judgment \$359,779.64 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 506194/2015 Steven D. Cohn, Esq.; REFEREE  
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR NOMURA ASSET ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-AP3, Plaintiff -against- MARIA POSNER A/K/A M. POSNER A/K/A MARIA POSNET, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR ALLIANCE MORTGAGE BANKING CORP., CHEMICAL BANK, THE FIRE COMMISSIONER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, CITY OF NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, GEORGE BRYANT, HENRY CLARK, SHAWN CAMPBELL, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly dated AUGUST 16, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at ROOM 224 F/K/A ROOM 274 OF KINGS COUNTY SUPREME COURT, 360 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

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11201 on January 12, 2017 at 2:30 PM premises known as 309 ARLINGTON AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11208. ALL that certain plot, piece of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of KINGS, City and State of New York. Block: 3927 Lot: 61 Approximate amount of lien \$479,903.07 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment Index # 501183/2015 JEFFREY R. MILLER, ESQ., REFEREE STEIN, WIENER AND ROTH, L.L.P., ATTORNEYS FOR THE PLAINTIFF ONE OLD COUNTRY ROAD, SUITE 113 CARLE PLACE, NY 11514 DATED: DECEMBER 2, 2016 FILE #: WELLS 66757  
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff AGAINST Leonora Francis a/k/a Lenora V. Francis a/k/a Leonora V. Francis; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated September 22, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn NY 11201 on January 12, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 321 Milford Street a/k/a 321 Milford Street #4, Brooklyn, NY 11208. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, Block 4262 Lot 10. Approximate amount of judgment \$539,476.94 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 508656/2015. Helene E. Blank, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: November 17, 2016  
AJ 12/9/16/23/30;

REFEREE’S NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE SUPREME COURT – COUNTY OF KINGS THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON FKA THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWALT, INC. ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2006-OA6, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OA6, Plaintiff – against – NATALIYA DOBRER, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on October 05, 2016. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction, in Room 274 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on the 19th Day of January, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. Premises known as 3541 Leif Ericson Drive #B2, Brooklyn, New York 11235. (Block: 8782, Lot: 1115) Approximate amount of lien \$602,587.57 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 11418/2012. Cary Kaplan, Esq., Referee. Davidson Fink LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 28 East Main Street, Suite 1700 Rochester, NY 14614-1990 Tel. 585/760-8218 Dated: November 15, 2016  
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COSMO ONLINE LLC filed 10/14/2016 Office Kings County SSNY designated as agent for process and shall Mail to 1411 Avenue V #2L Brooklyn, NY 11229 purpose all lawful  
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## Social.



Canadian pop superstar Justin Bieber. Photo: Official Justin Bieber Facebook Page

## Israeli Education Ministry Rejects High School Students' Appeal to Reschedule National Biology Test Over Justin Bieber Concert

BY LEA SPEYER

The Israeli Education Ministry has declined to comply with the demand of “very angry” high school students to reschedule a matriculation exam slated for the day after a highly anticipated concert by international pop star Justin Bieber in Tel Aviv, The Washington Post reported on Monday.

According to the report, based on an Israel Army Radio broadcast, the ministry said students would have enough time to “recuperate” from the May 2017 concert before taking their state-wide biology test the following afternoon, leaving Israeli “Beliebers” feeling a “high degree of anguish.”

The ministry’s response came after students took to social media to demand that the exam be moved to another date, to avoid being faced with the choice of either staying up late to study for it or seeing their idol in a live performance.

On Sunday, Israel’s National Student and Youth Council said it had received numerous messages asking it to intervene. “This is one of the weirdest requests we have received, what do you think?” the group quipped on

its Facebook page.

Some 500 commenters responded to the post, the report said, imploring educators to reschedule the exam.

“With due respect to biology, Justin Bieber does not come to Israel every year. This exam will prevent many high school kids from going to his performance,” one student wrote.

Another student pointed out that the concert is “not an opportunity that will repeat itself; maybe it is even the chance of a lifetime. We have to try and delay.”

“Too right. This is a one-time performance and for some people it’s very important to them. I see why those who are majoring in biology have to make the choice of giving up on the show,” another student posted. “The school board really needs to try help move it. This really sucks and I, as a biology student, really don’t know what to do.”

Canadian superstar Justin Bieber — best known for his hit songs “Baby” and “What do you mean?” — is set to perform at Tel Aviv’s Hayarkon Park on Wednesday, May 3, as part of his international Purpose tour to promote his latest album. Bieber first performed in Israel in 2011.

learned that as soon as he went on for his show he threw the cake all over the front rows of excited Jewish teenagers. They loved it. Music is so weird sometimes.

Q: How do you all stay healthy and not get sick while traveling so much? Any tips for others who find themselves globe-trotting?

Happie: We try to eat healthily, but there’s always times where catching something is unavoidable. The only time we’ve ever gotten really violently ill while working was when we were doing a convention in Omaha and there was a stomach bug going around. After a morning of working on a house for Habitat for Humanity with a group of teens, I started to feel very nauseated, and for the rest of the day, let’s just say I was violently ill. I didn’t want to let the conference we were at down, so that night I still led services with Eric. The next day, Eric caught the bug and let’s just say I thought I was violently ill, but Eric was even more so. He still led Havdallah services with me, and at the last minute, they changed it from outside to inside so we were both wearing these big jackets while leading. Mid-Havdallah, I just see Eric looking like he’s seen a ghost and thrashing his coat off while still singing. Looking back, I think that both of us should have probably just let the other lead in those moments. But #dedication. I’ll never forget that convention.

Q: Traveling the world and performing for people, there must be some pretty moving moments. Any special ones that have stuck with you?

Happie: I’ve now staffed three March of the Living trips and Eric has staffed two. Last year we got to staff together on the BJE Los Angeles March of the Living. We also had the honor of playing the music as 15,000 people walked into Birkenau on the walk from Auscheuz to Birkenau. It was one of the most moving experiences in both of our lives. Going on this trip has changed my life, and become a part of who I am. There is no greater privilege I can think of than being able to sing and honor all of the souls who were lost there.

Q: And, of course, the question on all our minds: How did you two meet?

Happie: The summer that Eric and I met, both of us only have one memory together. I was a participant and Eric was the staff song-leader and I wanted him to learn “Or Zarua” by Rick Recht. Two summers later I coordinated the program, and we knew each other but don’t have many memories of interacting, the next year at camp we started working together and were co-songleaders on staff. We also started getting booked together during the year for gigs, but still, we were just friends and coworkers. It wasn’t until 2013 that we became very close friends, and then later in the fall admitted to liking each other as more than just friends and coworkers. We spend almost 100% of our time together but don’t get sick of each other. That is a feat within itself. Like, we travel together every single week. Airports turn people into monsters, and we still manage to like each other. True love? Eric has now spent 10 (and I seven) summers at BBYO Perlman Summer, which is a pluralistic environment with many types of educators and rabbis ranging from Reconstructionist to Orthodox Chabad. Both of us formed and really found our Jewish identities at this camp and through BBYO, and I think that is something really special that we share as an artist duo and as a couple. We both are deeply connected to our Judaism, and we share a love and gratitude for the place and the people who helped us learn who we are and what we believe.

You can check out Eric & Happie’s album “It’s Yours” on iTunes and Spotify

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confusion, it became clear that I had been the cause of the security concern. When everyone joined the singing and dancing, many abandoned their luggage in line. It was a security nightmare. Backpacks and suitcases littered the floor and security had no way of controlling the crowd, so they evacuated the airport. After some bomb-sniffing dogs and a tense wait outside, we all made our flights and

I made very little eye contact with security.

Q: Any other stories you can think of?

Eric: I’ll always remember passing Hoodie Allen backstage at one of the huge annual Jewish events we run music for. He was on his way to go on for his show and surrounded by an entourage of people, one of who was carrying a sheet cake. Obviously, it struck me as odd that a cake was accompanying him to the stage but it was just kind of a “huh…” moment. Shortly thereafter, I

## Opinion.

# The New York Times Recalls Its Jerusalem Bureau Chief After a Record Short Stint



IRA STOLL  
BOSTON

Well, that was quick.

Less than four full months after Peter Baker's less-than-encouraging debut as the Jerusalem bureau chief of the New York Times, the newspaper has announced that he is returning to Washington, where he will in January begin a new assignment covering President Trump.

The announcement leaves the future leadership of the Jerusalem bureau as a question mark for the second time this year. The job was vacated last January, when the previous bureau chief, Jodi Rudoren, left. The Times announced on January 29, 2016 that Mr. Baker would take the job, but he only started writing for the paper from Israel in late August of 2016.

Because there is a learning curve — it takes a while for a foreign correspondent to meet sources, figure out what is going on and gain confidence and knowledge of a place — news organizations generally keep foreign correspondents in place for three to five years at a time, not three to five months.

Mr. Baker's stint in Israel is, in other words, unusually short.

Previous holders of the Times Jerusalem bureau position include Clyde Haberman, who served for four years in the 1990s; Serge Schmemmann, who had the job from July 1995 to September 1998; and Deborah Sontag, who served from August 1998 to August 2001. James Bennet, who is now the Times editorial page editor, had the

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Other publications had a different view of it. The *Wall Street Journal* published a friendly feature about the film, without attacking it as one-sided and without any complaining that it failed to dwell sufficiently on Palestinian grievances against Israeli settlers. The Hollywood Reporter ran a review that called the movie "inspiring" and "compelling," as well as "moving and amusing." *The Algemeiner* had a friendly interview with the movie's screenwriter and with an executive producer.

Only the *New York Times* manages somehow to detect, in an innocuous film about a basketball team, an Israeli stealth propaganda initiative worthy of vigorous denunciation.

As an example of press bias, this one is a slam dunk

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but rather that at the depths of his despair he is lifted to the greatest heights of spirituality. He is the man who encounters angels. He is the person surprised by God. He is the one who, at the very moments he feels most alone, discovers that he is not alone, that God is with him, that he is accompanied by angels.

Jacob's message defines Jewish existence. It is our destiny to travel. We are the restless people. Rare and brief have been our interludes of peace. But at the dark of night we have found ourselves lifted by a force of faith we did not know we had, surrounded by angels we did not know were there. If we walk in the way of Jacob, we too may find ourselves surprised by God.

Jerusalem bureau job from 2001 to 2004, before becoming editor of the Atlantic. Steven Erlanger had the job from 2004 to 2008. Mr. Erlanger was succeeded by Ethan Bronner, who served from 2008 to 2012; Ms. Rudoren served from 2012 to 2015. Thomas Friedman, the author and current New York Times op-ed columnist, had the Times Jerusalem job from June 1984 until February 1988, a period in which he reportedly procured for the New York Times a residence that has subsequently been occupied by many of the correspondents who followed him.

The Times has been suffering from a pronounced decline in advertising revenues, and has been trying to reduce editorial costs by offering buyouts to senior reporters and editors and laying off journalists. Keeping a foreign bureau vacant can be one way to save money. On the other hand, the newspaper has been raising its subscription prices, and it has claimed: "From Election Day through Nov. 26, The Times had a net increase of approximately 132,000 paid subscriptions to its print and digital news products." With that kind of inflow of cash, you'd think the paper could afford to keep its Jerusalem bureau fully staffed.

For Times readers who care about the Jewish state, a vacant Israel bureau has its pluses and minuses. On the positive side, if the Times doesn't have a high-powered journalist based in Israel, there's less chance that Times readers will be subjected to some long and prominently displayed dirge about how Jewish Israeli settlers are the sole cause of any and all the problems that have ever afflicted the Middle East. On the other hand, in the event that some actual news breaks out unexpectedly, the newspaper won't be particularly well-positioned.



The now-former New York Times Jerusalem Bureau Chief Peter Baker. Photo: Wikipedia.

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