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US Ambassador Nikki Haley Lambasts UN Human Rights Council



US Ambassador to the UN
Nikki Haley. Photo: US Mission
to UN.

BY BEN COHEN

Nikki Haley, the US ambassador to the UN, excoriated the international organization's Human Rights Council over its anti-Israel bias in a toughly-worded speech before the council's 35th session at UN Headquarters in Geneva on Tuesday afternoon.

Speculation that the US would leave the council was rife

in the run-up to Haley's speech. Since assuming the ambassador's post, Haley has frequently hinted at a potential US resignation from the council because of its disproportionate focus on alleged Israeli human rights violations, as well as the presence of serial human rights abusers among its members.

Haley did not say explicitly on Tuesday whether a US departure was imminent, but she ended her speech by warning that the "status

quo is not acceptable."

"I call on all like-minded countries to make the Human Rights Council reach its intended purpose — we will never give up on the cause of universal human rights," she declared.

Earlier in her speech, Haley tore into the council over its so-called "Agenda Item 7" — a dedicated slot for the condemnation of Israel.

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After London Attack, UK Jewish Actress Maureen Lipman Pays Tribute to 'British Spirit'

BY BEN COHEN

The legendary British Jewish actress Maureen Lipman has spoken about her experience of being caught up in the ISIS terrorist attack in London on Saturday night, paying tribute to the "remarkable spirit" displayed by the British people in the ensuing hours and days.

Lipman — whose credits include a starring role in Roman Polanski's 2002 film about the Holocaust,



British Jewish actress Maureen Lipman. Photo: Twitter

"The Pianist" — told The Algemeiner that she had been performing in the play "Lettuce and Lovage" at the Menier Chocolate Factory near Borough Market when the incident occurred. The three terrorists embarked on a stabbing spree in the market after ramming their van into pedestrians on London Bridge.

"We did a second show on Saturday and the police came in at the end," Lipman said. "I thought, 'Oh my God, they've done it again.' They kept the audience and the players back for a little while and then they slowly let us out."

Unable to access her car, Lipman said she eventually

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Opinion.

Jewish Students Must Learn How to Protest — and Fight Back



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Jewish students need to go outside the campus as well to mobilize alumni, trustees and donors to join their protest. For instance, there is now a group called Alums for Campus Fairness that has chapters around the country who are anxious to come to the assistance of Jewish students. The graduates and supporters of the university don't need to sit in the plaza holding signs and shouting slogans, but they can bombard the administration with calls and threats to withhold contributions. Losing major donors would get the chancellor's attention quicker than any other form of protest.

There's no guarantee that such a demonstration would move the chancellor to act, but



An anti-Israel demonstration at UC-Santa Cruz. Photo: UC Students for Justice in Palestine / Facebook.

it would show that students are serious about fighting for their rights on campus, and that Jewish students are mad as hell and won't take it anymore. If done right, it would also attract publicity about the treatment of Jews at UC-Santa Cruz; one of the few things besides money that can motivate university administrators is bad PR.

Jewish students should not go overboard and engage in the kind of extreme reactions associated with the Jewish Defense League, but they also shouldn't restrict themselves to fighting by the Marquess of Queensberry rules. Not every slight requires "going to the mats"; however, if students are not prepared to confront officials with action, they should not be surprised if administrators continue to treat them differently than groups that refuse to tolerate harassment or discrimination.

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New York Times Marks Six-Day War Anniversary With 'Morally Wrong... Inaccurate' Piece Funded by Soros



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The lead article in the *New York Times* Sunday Review section — the old "Week in Review" — is headlined "Israel's Everlasting Occupation."

The article claims:

official Israeli and Palestinian population statistics indicate that Jews have been a minority in the territory Israel controls for several years now, and with no repercussions: A majority of the world's nations still speak of undemocratic rule by a Jewish minority as a hypothetical future, not an unacceptable present.

That's not accurate. At year-end 2016, the Israeli Jewish population was 6.45 million and the Israeli Arab population was 1.796 million, and there were 345,000 "others." The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics, meanwhile, counted a Palestinian population of 2.9 million in the West Bank and 1.8 million in Gaza.

The key point here is that Gaza is not "territory Israel controls." In fact, Israel withdrew from Gaza unilaterally in 2005, uprooting and evacuating the Jews who lived there. The place is now ruled by Hamas, a terrorist group opposed to the existence of

Israel. If Israel controlled it, Hamas wouldn't be in charge there. It is true that Israel patrols its borders with Gaza, but that doesn't constitute "control." The error would be like counting the Hispanic population of Mexico as part of that of the United States just because the United States maintains a border patrol along the Rio Grande.

Subtract Gaza, and there is unquestionably a Jewish majority. Even if you add together the entire West Bank and all of Israel, 6.45 million Jews are more than 1.796 million Israeli Arabs and 2.9 million West Bank Palestinians. It isn't even close.

And that's just the beginning of the problems with the *Times* article, written by Nathan Thrall of the International Crisis



The New York Times. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

Group. David Makovsky, a former State Department official now with the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, wrote his own detailed and perceptive critique on his Facebook page, observing:

I have many problems with Nathan Thrall's NYTimes Week in Review piece on June 4, 2017, claiming Israel only makes compromises if forced. His piece makes clear that such pressure is often Palestinian violence. ... I think the idea as evinced in the piece is both morally wrong and it is historically inaccurate. This history matters because it creates a fatally mistaken sense of cause and effect.

**Thrall claims that Yitzhak Rabin went to Oslo because the first intifada "intensified" in 1993. In fact, the mass nature of the intifada essentially died out by the start of the Gulf War in January 1991. Rabin pursued back-channel talks in Oslo largely because he promised his voters in 1992 of major progress on the Palestinian front and the front-channel was stuck. (I wrote a book on this topic Making Peace with the PLO: The Rabin Government's Road to the Oslo Accord.)*

**In December 2003, Ariel Sharon announced Gaza disengagement - yet not because of Hamas as Thrall contends. The second intifada had already peaked. ...*

**Thrall makes it sound like from Gaza pullout in 2005 until 2015, nothing occurred.*

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World News.

Senior Palestinian Authority Official: Western Wall Is Israel's, But Temple Mount 'Is Ours'

BY JNS.ORG

Senior Palestinian Authority (PA) official Jibril Rajoub said on Saturday the Western Wall should remain under Israeli control, but that the Temple Mount belongs to the Palestinians.

"We understand that the wall [US President Donald Trump] visited [in May] is sacred to the Jews, and ultimately it has to remain under Jewish sovereignty," Rajoub told Israel's Channel 2. "There is no argument over this. Obviously, it's a holy place for Jews."

But Rajoub — secretary of the Fatah party's Central Committee and head of the PA's soccer association — added, "The Temple Mount is ours, not yours, and I think you should stop talking as if it's yours. That's the status quo since 1967, as established by [Israeli general] Moshe Dayan, and we both have to strive for that. If you want to create an explosion just say, 'It's ours, it's ours.'"

Rajoub's remarks depart from the official Palestinian policy of labeling all of Jerusalem's Old City as "occupied territory" that will be integrated into a future Palestinian state. Hamas spokesperson Hazem Qassem slammed Rajoub's comments on the Western Wall as a "national crime," namely the "abuse of the Palestinian people and their holy places." Such statements undermine "the struggle and sacrifices of the Palestinian people," Qassem added.



The Western Wall and Temple Mount in Jerusalem's Old City.
Photo: Paul Arps via Wikimedia Commons.

Denmark Follows Norway, Demands Palestinians Return Funding Over Terror Glorification

BY JNS.ORG

Denmark followed Norway in demanding the return of its state funding for a Palestinian Authority-supported women's youth center named after female terrorist Dalal Mughrabi.

Danish Foreign Minister Anders Samuelsen said he was outraged that the Women's Technical Affairs Committee (WATC), a Palestinian NGO "which claims to work for human rights," has "not only glorified a terrorist but also abused the trust of a generous people like the Danish."

"It is completely unacceptable and I can't distance myself strongly enough from it," Samuelsen said. "Denmark and Danish tax kroner (the country's currency) must under no circumstances be used for anything that glorifies or promotes terrorists in any way. Therefore, we will now also demand that the

WATC return the Danish aid."

Additionally, the Danish Foreign Ministry said it has ceased all cooperation with the "Martyr Dalal Mughrabi Center" due to the center's withholding of "crucial information" about its namesake, who masterminded a terror attack that killed 37 Israelis — including 12 children — in 1978.

The Danish and Norwegian demands followed a recent report on the youth center by *Palestinian Media Watch* (PMW), an organization that monitors Palestinian incitement.

PMW Director Itamar Marcus told *JNS.org* the Palestinian Authority "has been responding recently to international criticism over its terror glorification by actually increasing its terror glorification."

"In one month, the Palestinian Authority honored 44 terrorists involved in the murder of 440 people," said Marcus.

observed. "It's just a pity it has to be a crisis like this that brings people together."

But Lipman did express concern about the prospect of a victory for the country's Labour Party, led by far-left figurehead Jeremy Corbyn, in Thursday's parliamentary elections. Corbyn is a visceral critic of Israel whose two years at the helm of Labour have been dogged by accusations of antisemitism throughout the party's ranks.

"I'm fairly terrified that Labour is doing as well as it is," Lipman said. "Corbyn looks very dashing on a soapbox because that's all he can do, that's what he's been doing for the last thirty years."

"If he does get in, then we all need to buy a place in Brooklyn," she added.

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'British Spirit'
got home in a taxi.

Lipman was optimistic that a full house would be back in the theater to see the show on Tuesday night.

"We're already sold out, and I imagine there will be enough spirit of defiance that people will do everything they can to get there," she said. "There's a remarkable spirit in this country, in this 'scepter'd isle' — a description from William Shakespeare's play *Richard the Second*."

British Jews were part of that collective spirit, Lipman said. "There's no tribalism in this, the political parties come together, and people behave magnificently in a crisis," she

Experts: Qatar Facing Unprecedented Pressure From Arab States Over Terror Support



US President Donald Trump meeting with the emir of Qatar at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia last month. Photo: Shealah Craighead / White House.

BY BEN COHEN

As the diplomatic crisis between Qatar and four key Arab states intensified on Monday, Middle East policy experts argued that time may be running out for the emirate's twin strategy of seeking international acclaim and recognition while supporting terrorism at the same time.

Four key Arab states — Saudi Arabia, Egypt, the United Arab Emirates and Bahrain — all cut ties with Qatar earlier on Monday, citing the various forms of support the ruling Al Thani family provides to Iran as well as to Sunni Islamist groups like the Muslim Brotherhood. As Saudi Arabia announced that it was closing land, sea and air links with Qatar, the stock market in the capital Doha fell by 7.2 percent.

"There is a diplomatic earthquake taking place in the Gulf right now," Jonathan Schanzer — a senior vice president at the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies (FDD) think tank in Washington, DC — told *The Algemeiner*. "It's the culmination of several years of strong disagreements between the Gulf states and Qatar."

"The Qataris are strong proponents of various Islamist groups — Hamas in the West Bank and Gaza, the Taliban in Afghanistan and Pakistan, jihadi factions in Syria, Islamists in Tunisia," Schanzer continued. "This has over time chafed the Arab states."

The richest country in the world thanks to its outsized per capita GDP, Qatar has become a major player in financial and property markets around the globe, boosting its self-image as an international destination that will host the 2022 FIFA World Cup, among other prestigious events.

But Arab impatience over Qatar's relations with Sunni and Shiite Islamists finally snapped last week when the state-run news agency carried comments by Qatar's ruler, Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, in which he criticized mounting anti-Iran sentiment.

The Saudis and the UAE have also been pressuring Qatar over its support for the Muslim Brotherhood and its Palestinian branch, Hamas, which rules Gaza. Reports on Monday indicated that Qatar had asked

senior Hamas officials based in the country — including Saleh al-Aroui, the military commander overseeing West Bank terror cells — to leave, but this was denied by a Hamas spokesman.

"The Arab states are sending a signal to Iran that they are going to put pressure on anyone in the Iranian sphere of influence — which includes Qatar and Hamas and Hezbollah — to stop backing and engaging in terror," Michael Pregent — an adjunct fellow at the Hudson Institute think tank and a veteran of the Iraq War — told *The Algemeiner*.

Schanzer suggested that any expulsions of Hamas personnel from Qatar were more likely the consequence of US President Donald Trump's recent visit to the region, rather than any immediate Saudi pressure.

"The Gulf leaders present at Trump's speech in Riyadh, including the Qataris, vowed to remove terrorists from their territory and cease funding for terrorism," Schanzer said. "This is high drama, but it's safe to say that Qatar's policies and permissive environment for terrorist groups is front and center."

Pregent hailed what he called an "opportunity" to "pull Qatar out of the Iranian sphere."

"There have been credible intelligence reports that Qatar continues to finance all sides of these conflicts — I wouldn't be surprised if this is a coordinated effort to pull Qatar away from Iran and stop it from supporting groups like Hamas and Hezbollah," Pregent said.

As a top priority, policymakers in Washington will be closely watching any change in Qatar's financial support for terrorism.

"In recent months, there has been much discussion specifically about the extent of Doha's progress in countering private terrorist funding activity inside its borders," Lori Plotkin Boghardt — an analyst with the Washington Institute for Near East Policy — observed in a just-published briefing on the Gulf diplomatic crisis.

"This is viewed as a measure of any change in approach toward the terror financing challenge," she went on to write. "Under the Trump administration, the issue of countering terrorist financing has been a reoccurring theme in high-level discussions with the Qataris."

World News.



The Israeli flag at Jerusalem's Western Wall. Photo: Hynek Moravec via Wikimedia Commons.

Poll: Vast Majority of Israelis Prefer Sovereignty in Jerusalem Over Peace Deal

BY JNS.ORG

While it is often reported that most Israelis favor a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, an entirely different picture emerges once Jerusalem is added to the equation, a new survey has found.

The poll, commissioned by *Israel Hayom* and conducted by Maagar Mochot, found 67 percent of Israelis would oppose a peace deal granting the Palestinians partial sovereignty over the Old City of Jerusalem. Opposition to a peace deal rose to 84 percent if it allowed the Palestinians full sovereignty over the Old City. "Partial sovereignty" means the Old City's Jewish Quarter would be in Israeli hands, while the other quarters or most of their area would be under Palestinian control; under this

scenario, Israeli sovereignty over the Western Wall would not include sovereignty over the entire Temple Mount.

The survey contrasts sharply with the results of a poll released last week by Israel's Channel 2, which showed 47 percent of Israelis would support a peace deal based on the pre-1967 borders, with land swaps preserving the large settlement blocs. Following the Channel 2 poll, some on the Israeli political left claimed the current government of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is out of step with the electorate. The television network's poll, however, did not address the status of the Old City.

In the *Israel Hayom* poll, asked if there was a chance of reaching a peace deal with the Palestinian Authority in the near future, 75 percent of Israelis said no.

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Fight Back

Jewish students should not need protest tactics to ensure that they are safe from vilification on campus. It is a sad commentary on the character of many university leaders today that their inaction is allowing hatred to fester and grow, and that they need to be prompted or coerced to speak out and take action in response to antisemitism on their campuses.

Dr. Mitchell Bard is the author/editor of 24 books including the 2017 edition of *Myths and Facts: A Guide to the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, *The Arab Lobby*, and the novel *After Anatevka: Tevye in Palestine*.

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Israeli Authorities Devise Plan to Combat Threat of Arson Terrorism

BY JNS.ORG

Israel's Fire and Rescue Services, the Israel Police and the IDF have joined forces to fight a potential new wave of arson terrorism.

The "Red Flame" counterterrorism plan has been devised following the wave of fires that raged across Israel last November, including 1,773 forest and brushfires, 39 of which were classified as "major." The fires forced the evacuation of nearly 100,000 people nationwide, and some 5,000 acres of land were destroyed. While a large number of fires were attributed to extreme weather conditions, about a dozen were classified as terrorist arson.

Israeli Public Security Minister Gilad Erdan announced on Thursday he planned to form a team of law enforcement and security officials who will be tasked with devising ways to counter the arson threat.

In a recent letter to the Israel Police and the IDF, Fire and Rescue Services Commissioner David Simchi underscored the need to



Israeli firefighters extinguish a blaze. Photo: Etan Tal via Wikimedia Commons.

devise a response to the growing threat arson poses to West Bank communities near forests.

The state and the IDF "must combine their efforts in the area of civilian defense against arson attacks in a manner similar to the civilian defense against the missile threat and other terrorist threats," Simchi wrote. He suggested mapping the communities most vulnerable to wildfires, making sure security forces and community leaders are familiar with seasonal weather conditions and wind patterns across the West Bank, and introducing fire prevention plans.

Former UK Islamist Leader: 'Stop Pretending Violence Has Nothing to Do With Islam'

BY BEN COHEN

A former leader of the UK branch of the hardline Islamist group Hizb ut-Tahrir (HuT) has urged British Muslims to "stop pretending" that violence and terrorism are completely alien to Muslim beliefs.

Noted author and broadcaster Maajid Nawaz — who served on the national leadership of HuT as a university student — was speaking on London's LBC radio station in the wake of Saturday night's terrorist atrocity in the British capital, in which seven people were killed and more than 50 injured. The assault was carried out by a terror cell of three men who rammed pedestrians on London Bridge with a van, before running to nearby Borough Market where they began stabbing visitors to the neighborhood's bars and restaurants. Several eyewitnesses described the terrorists repeatedly stabbing one woman while shouting, "This is for Allah!"

Responding to a caller who asked, "How can somebody say that Islam has anything to do with violence?," Naawaz responded, "Well it has something to do with it, doesn't it? Not everything, not everything, but something."

Naawaz continued, "Let's agree that context is important, interpretation is important, but let's not pretend it's got nothing

to do with violence — because making the argument that we need context acknowledges that we're having a discussion about violence and placing violence in its context within Islam. That's different to saying violence has got nothing to do with Islam."

Naawaz's comments came as British Prime Minister Theresa May issued a four-point plan to deal with Islamist extremism. May spoke of the need to defeat Islamist ideology, crack down on internet companies that give platforms to terrorists and their sympathizers, stamp out extremism through military action against ISIS, implement tougher measures against domestic Islamists and introduce new counter-terrorism laws.

May said that the three Islamist outrages on British soil over the last ten weeks — two in London and one in Manchester — were "bound together by the single, evil ideology of Islamist extremism that preaches hatred, sows division, and promotes sectarianism."

Naawaz highlighted what he said was the importance of the British government's 'Prevent' program directed at Muslim communities, which forms an integral part of May's new drive against extremism. With the British general election approaching on Thursday, Naawaz said that "any politician who calls for the scrapping of 'Prevent' in this climate does not understand the risk that this country faces."

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U.S. News.

Texas Public High School Reportedly Teaches Students That Israel Was to Blame for 1948 War of Independence

BY RACHEL FROMMER

A public high school in Texas reportedly offered a tenth-grade lesson on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict that claimed the 1948 War of Independence was precipitated by the fact that “Jews do not want two states,” the Elder of Zion blog reported.

The line was allegedly included in a Bellaire High School (located in the Houston area) slideshow presentation on “decolonialization,” in a slide titled, “The Solution????”

Einat Wilf, a former member of Knesset and outspoken defender of Zionism, dismissed the claim as “simply false.”

“The Zionist leadership clearly accepted and said yes to the United Nations 1947 partition resolution,” Wilf told The Algemeiner, adding that those at the helm did so “despite



Bellaire High School in Texas. Photo: Henry Han via Wikimedia Commons.

Countering Ransomware Attacks, Japan Turns to Israeli Expertise

BY JNS.ORG

The extensive cyberattack on computer networks in 150 countries last month, during which the ransomware known as “WannaCry” was unleashed by hackers, has prompted the Japanese authorities to seek Israeli expertise as they attempt to secure their national networks.

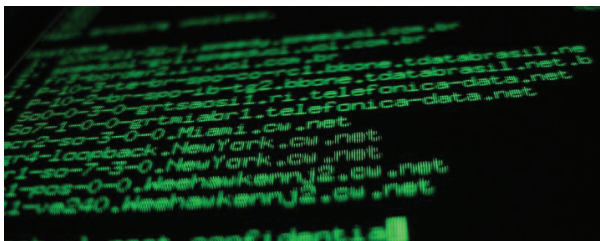
On Monday, the Nikkei Asian Review noted that Hiroshige Seko, Japan’s minister of economy, trade and industry, had signed an agreement with Israel in early May for greater cooperation on cyberdefense. “This marks the first cabinet-level deal between the two countries on cybersecurity,” the paper said.

“Some 16 percent of global investment in cybersecurity happens in Israel, even though the country accounts for just 0.1 percent of the world’s population,” the paper said. “It is home to over 300 companies in the field.”

A key consideration for the Japanese is Tokyo’s hosting of the 2020 Olympic Games.

The head of Israel’s National Cyber Bureau, Eviatar Matania, told the Nikkei that “only a handful of other countries, including the US and the UK, are considered for such strategic partnerships.”

The UK and Brazil experienced a surge in cyberattacks while hosting the Olympic Games in 2012 and 2016 respectively. The Japanese government worries it could suffer a similar fate in 2020. It hopes to mitigate such risks by working closely with Israel, the paper said.



all the drawbacks,” which included “receiving only half of what was initially promised by the 1922 Mandate of the League of Nations (the predecessor to the UN), mostly desert, without Jerusalem (that is without the ‘Zion’ in ‘Zionism’) and without Judea (the ‘Jude’ of ‘Judaism’).”

Wilf said Zionist leaders agreed to the plan, because “it did mean that the Jewish people would thus have a sovereign state of their own in their ancient homeland and could liberate and govern themselves.”

In contrast, she said, “the Arabs clearly and openly rejected the plan — there is no fudging the historical record here — arguing that they will not accept any form of a Jewish sovereign presence in the land.”

The surrounding Arab states then launched a war on the newly-established Jewish state, explained Wilf.

According to the Elder of Zion report, in another slide — titled “Conflict: Pride and Land” — the claim was made that, “Migration of European Jews to the area begins about 1918, they buy best lands from the Arabs.”

Small waves of European Jews had immigrated to modern-day Israel throughout the 14-19th centuries, with the period under Ottoman rule known as the “Old Yishuv.” Moves motivated by Jewish nationalistic ideals began as early as the mid-to-late 1800s.

The city of Petah Tikva, which today boasts a population of some quarter of a million people, was founded in 1878 and is known as “Em HaMoshavot,” or “Mother of the Moshavot.”

Bellaire High School representatives did not immediately respond to The Algemeiner’s requests for comment.

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To Honor Elie Wiesel's First Yahrzeit, Israel Should Bomb Syria's Crematoria



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This month, on the 26th of Sivan, we will mark the first yahrzeit of Elie Wiesel.

Almost no one in my life has touched and inspired me quite like this great man.

It began the early 1990s, when my wife and I served as rabbi to the students of Oxford University. We were developing what we hoped would become an international speaker program. We started small, but with just a bit of time, the crowds began to grow, and we felt that we could reach out to personalities of the highest caliber, men and women who occupied the highest realms of respect and influence. I wanted to show these students a man of true wisdom and grace, a man who sanctified the name of our people and our G-d. And so, I put in a call to Elie Wiesel.

I had been an avid student of Elie Weisel's works for years. His books took me back to a time where my people were searching desperately for any trace of the God within whom they had laid their faith.

Elie accepted our invitation and delivered a characteristically mesmerizing speech. The audience was transfixed — a phenomenon familiar to anyone who had the privilege of hearing an address from Elie Wiesel.

From there, Elie and I would embark on a relationship of nearly thirty years: Elie the mentor. I, the student.

Nearly three decades later I was rushing back to New York from the American Hebrew Academy in North Carolina where my son Yosef goes to school. Elie had fallen seriously ill and his son, my dear friend Elisha, extended to me the kindness of inviting me to visit with

his father. I arrived at his home on what would turn out to be the last night of his life.

Two weeks ago, our organization, The World Values Network, had the immense honor of hosting Elisha as he recited the last kaddish for his father in the first year of mourning. The kaddish prayer is among the holiest of the Jewish canon. It contains multitudes of mystical secrets and much of its meaning is a mystery. It has the power, claim the Jewish texts, to uplift the soul to the highest levels of its newfound heavenly abode. It is a chance for the children of those who've departed to impart yet more love, to bestow yet more honor, upon those whom they adore and dearly miss. Six million Jews died without having anyone to recite Kaddish for them. Many left no children, or were killed along with their children, or died at a time unbeknownst to their children, thus precluding their ability to say the prayer on their behalf. So, as Elisha recited the prayer, he was saying it for all of those six million, and we all answered Amen in unison.

But Elie represented even more than those lost to us in the Holocaust. He represented those lost in every genocide since, and there have been far too many, and also those threatened by genocide — who we still have a chance at saving. If only we give a damn.

But, the world has never stopped genocide. We simply *don't* care enough. The tragedy doesn't touch us enough. It's across an endless sea, or beyond some impossibly high mountain, or maybe contained within the confines of a periodical front page, the ink simply unable to rise off the paper and penetrate the flesh of a deadened heart.

This was, in my understanding, the great challenge in the life of Elie Wiesel. How could he get people to care?

And, his answer was to tear through that disconnect, to write a book that could



Sednaya Prison. Photo: US State Department.

pluck us from the comforts of our lives, to take us out of our offices and beyond our living rooms, far away from our provincial, self-centered lives, and draw us down into the depths of his world. A world ravaged by evil and demanding the most urgent repairs. Elie Wiesel's power lay in his ability to make us all feel something of what he was feeling. To tell the story that wouldn't just be scanned by its readers but would pull them inside it. With a book, Elie Wiesel could take us all to the hell of Auschwitz.

His works moved a generation. Wiesel sparked something in the global consciousness, a wave of righteous indignation, of human beings beginning to bear responsibility for other human beings, a wave of ceasing to tolerate atrocities, a wave that we must all ride until humanity surmounts the shores of indifference.

Now, the torch has been passed to his son Elisha, who gave the keynote speech at our gala tribute to his father, which featured as honored guests Rwandan President Paul Kagame, who stopped the 1994 genocide of the Tutsi people, former Spanish Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar and Israeli Agriculture Minister Uri Ariel.

Elisha is the inheritor of his father's legacy and is his father's grandest achievement, a young man of deep conviction, moral clarity and total commitment. Elisha electri-

fied our audience in New York with his clarion call for the world to intercede in the genocide of Arabs in Syria, the slaughter of Christian and gays throughout the Middle East and honor killings of women. He spoke of the need for America and the Western powers to open their doors to those fleeing oppression and persecution.

Being the son of a great man carries with it great responsibility. Elisha is rising to the occasion with a courageous call to the Jewish community to serve as the conscience of the world and the foremost opponents of human right abuses.

Israel, the world's only Jewish state, would do well to answer the call by deciding immediately to bomb the Syrian crematoria which were revealed by the US State Department with satellite imagery of bodies being burned at Bashar Assad's Sednaya Prison, where tens of thousands are said to have been murdered.

Functioning crematoria, just 140 miles from the Jewish state, seventy years after the Holocaust, is an abomination.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt defeated Adolf Hitler. Yet Roosevelt's moral legacy is severely tarnished today for his refusal to bomb the crematoria at Auschwitz. History will judge all of us who turn a blind eye to functioning crematoria after six million Jews were incinerated.

Current US President Donald Trump has already showed his commitment to protecting Arab and Muslim lives when he retaliated against Assad in April for the Syrian dictator's use of poison gas against innocent men, women, and especially children. Israel should follow suit by bombing the crematoria and demonstrate that moral nations will never again turn a blind eye to poison gas and crematoria — words which should make every Jew and every person of conscience shudder with horror.

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Questions of Societal Cluelessness



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This week, I was contacted by a young woman conducting background research for an Israeli documentary on the socio-political fabric of the country.

"We are seeking average Israelis of all stripes and sectors for the program," she said, asking me if it is true, as she had been told by the person who gave her my phone number, that I am a right-winger. The delicate way in which she broached the subject — as though careful not to cause offense — made me giggle.

"Yes," I answered, stifling a full-blown laugh. After all, she was merely performing a task she had been assigned.

"I mean, like, really? You're actually on the Right? I just have to know, so I can chat with you to find out whether you're appropriate for the program," she said, revealing she

had never heard of me and had not thought to do a Google search before calling.

I replied again in the affirmative, adding that I am secular rather than religious.

"Even better for our purposes," she said, noting my supposedly sui generis status with satisfaction.

This is not the first time that I have been approached by media outlets to fill the "conservative woman" slot. Nor is it unusual for millennials in journalism to ask me to explain who I am and what I think, rather than doing a bit of investigating on their own.

This particular "interview," however, was noteworthy, because it gave me an additional glimpse into the secluded intellectual and cultural castle that many Israelis inhabit without even realizing it, let alone venturing beyond its carefully constructed moat. The woman with whom I spoke — let's call her Maya — is such a person. Like an anthropologist studying a primitive tribe member considered dangerous by the rest of the civilized world, she advanced with caution.

"How do Israelis view right-wingers?" Maya began, apparently unaware that a

majority of the country keeps electing what the Left refers to as a "far-right" government. "How are you different from left-wingers?"

She continued: "Is there any left-wing position that you would be willing to consider as valid? Have you ever attempted to look at the world through left-wing eyes?"

I could hear Maya jotting down fragments of my replies, mostly without rebutting them. After about 15 minutes, however, she was unable to refrain from protesting the positions she had requested I articulate. Key among these were my assertion that political conservatives tend to oppose big government, high taxes and the notion that the West is responsible for Islamist terrorism, while championing individual liberty and a free-market economy.

Maya was stunned. It clearly had not occurred to her that she was in favor of interference from the government, particularly not one headed by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Nor would she ever have said she was happy to take home only half of every shekel she earns to fund such a government's activities and priorities. Above all, she was certain that only the Left cared about individual liberty, which is why she practically gasped when I referred her to the gay caucus of Netanyahu's Likud party.

But it was my description of the right-wing view of free speech that seemed to surprise if not disconcert her the most. Using Culture Minister Miri Regev's pronouncements about withdrawing government funding from certain plays — either for

their content or for their creators' refusal to perform in Judea and Samaria — I explained that people like me believe in the right of all citizens to express themselves as they please (with the exception of support for or incitement to violence); we just don't think this presupposes financing anything and everything with our hard-earned money.

"So you're saying that the Right doesn't really support freedom of speech," Maya concluded.

"On the contrary," I said, to no avail.

Before wrapping up our chat, Maya suddenly discovered she had neglected to ask a key question on her list: whether I think the Right is more Zionist than the Left. Oy.

My long answer, which involved an overview of the decades since Israel's establishment — and the way even the definition of Zionism has evolved — led to my short answer.

"Yes," I said.

Maya thanked me profusely for my "interesting perspective," which she seemed to consider an oddity or an aberration, rather than a perfectly common, mainstream point of view. It is this aspect of Israeli society — the ability of a small yet prominent segment of the Jewish state to be ignorant of and baffled by the mind frame of the far less visible masses — that would make for a good documentary. Alas, most of the country's filmmakers are afflicted with precisely this kind of societal cluelessness.

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Opinion.

What's Happened to the Anti-Defamation League?



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Where is the Anti-Defamation League (ADL)?

As a "new antisemitism" casts the Jewish state as the cruelest of nations, and her Jewish supporters as "racists," the ADL has been largely silent. The lies are spread in newspapers, churches and college classrooms. On campuses, Jewish students are harassed and intimidated. Even the curricula in many public high schools and middle schools is biased against Israel. Yet the ADL, once the Jewish people's defense agency, seems unable or unwilling to effectively fight back.

Case in point: Linda Sarsour, a virulently anti-Israel Islamist who is a supporter of terrorists, and a defender of Sharia law, was a featured speaker at the City University of New York (CUNY) School of Public Health's graduation on June 1.

Yet it was only after weeks of silence, and only when upbraided for that despicable silence, that the ADL finally issued a statement criticizing Sarsour. (Ms. Sarsour is an antisemite who fights to bar Jewish women from the "feminist" movement unless they renounce Israel, and has tweeted that, "Nothing is creepier than Zionism.")

And even the ADL's belated criticism of Sarsour, penned by its CEO, Jonathan Greenblatt, was weak. The ADL statement rejected Sarsour's support of BDS, but it supported CUNY's decision to invite her, citing her "right to free speech." But, as former CUNY trustee Jeffrey Weisenfeld has pointed out, allowing someone to speak and giving them one of the most honored platforms that a university can provide are two different things. Even Abe Foxman himself, the legendary ADL leader who reportedly selected Greenblatt as his heir, unblinkingly told reporters that CUNY should not have invited Sarsour.

The ADL's problem is that it has never figured out what to do about "the new antisemitism" — which is exactly what Sarsour represents.

When the enemies of the Jewish people were only Nazis, neo-Nazis, Christian antisemites and skinheads, the ADL did just fine. They exposed, they warned, they scolded and they sued. In every city with a sizable Jewish population, the ADL functioned as the Jewish "Civil Defense Department."

But sometime during the late 1960s, the virus of antisemitism began to morph. Age-old accusations against the Jews and their religion

were re-directed toward the Jewish state, and its Jewish supporters. Antisemitic smears were used to paint Israel as "the Jew among nations" — an art that the United Nations has perfected. And much of this hate comes from liberals and leftists, along with the traditional antisemites (white supremacists, neo-Nazis, etc.)

But the ADL and its donors — stuck in



Anti-Defamation League CEO Jonathan Greenblatt. Photo: ADL.

the past, like old generals fighting the last war — cannot or will not adjust.

The ADL was born on the progressive side of politics, fighting right-wing Jew-hatred, and supporting social justice. The group has chosen to stay there, even when — in my view — the threats from the "left" now eclipse those of the right in their intensity and reach. And so the ADL kept sending those (fundraising) postcards with swastikas found in bathroom stalls in Iowa, and campaigned against Pat Robertson, whom it painted as the same sort of right-wing threat that we all once knew — even though many people now believe that Robertson and Christian evangelicals are Israel's, and the Jews', best allies.

And as it ignores antisemitism from the left, the ADL has similarly shrunk from confronting Islamic Jew-hatred — the biggest threat to Jewish life on the planet — for fear of being labelled "Islamophobic" by its left-wing allies. Some scholars now describe the new antisemitism as being propelled by a "Red-Green Alliance" — of radical leftists and radical Islamists. The ADL hesitates to defend the Jews against either threat.

Morton Klein, of the Zionist Organization of America, and others like him who pressured the ADL to condemn Sarsour were right, and they deserve credit for shining a light on the Sarsour/ADL scandal. ADL's weakness on this controversy is emblematic of its failure to adopt to the new antisemitism. And it is a timely reminder to American Jewry of the need for a new, and bold, leadership that is up to the challenge of confronting these dangerous times.

a "pathological campaign against a country with a good human rights record." She described as "hateful" a database maintained by the council "to deter businesses from doing business" in Israel. This, Haley asserted, amounted to an "official stamp of approval to the antisemitic BDS movement."

"It must be rejected," she affirmed.

Haley argued that any genuine claims that could be brought against Israel did not require a separate council agenda item. She suggested an agenda item concentrating on North Korea, Iran and Syria, whom she described as "the world's leading violators of human rights."

New York Times Takes Linda Sarsour-Style Approach To 'Wonder Woman' Movie



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In not one, not two, not three, not four, but five — 5! — separate and prominently displayed pieces over the past three days, the *New York Times* has celebrated the box office success of the movie "Wonder Woman" as a feminist breakthrough.

Leave aside how a 5-foot, 10-inch tall, 32-year-old actress appearing in a starring movie role in a skimpy costume is a victory for feminism — I'll take people's word for it. What's illuminating for our purposes is that the *Times* has repeatedly and emphatically framed the story of the commercial success of "Wonder Woman" as a victory for women, but totally ignored the idea that it might be a triumph for Israel or for Jews.

The "Wonder Woman" movie, after all, was banned in Lebanon because of its star Gal Gadot's Israeli background. Gadot has also been criticized by Jewish Voice for Peace, a group that advocates sanctions against Israel and that described Gadot as a "former IDF combat trainer." A tweet yesterday by Yair Rosenberg that sardonically observed, "That 'boycott Wonder Woman because the actress is Israeli' campaign seems to be going well" garnered more than 1,000 likes and retweets.

The *Times* has a choice of how to frame and interpret this story, of what narrative to fit

the news into. It's chosen, clearly, to interpret the movie's commercial success as a victory for women, and not to interpret it as a victory for Jews or Israelis. There may be reasons why the *Times* made this decision: The Wonder



Gal Gadot in an ad for "Wonder Woman." Photo: Twitter.

Woman character in the movie is female, but not clearly Jewish or Israeli, the way the actress playing her is. And half the population (or the *Times* readership) can identify with the "woman triumphs" narrative, while the percentage of the *Times* readership that identifies with Jews and Israel is smaller.

Even so, though, with five pieces pushing the woman-protagonist story, you'd think the *Times* might manage to find room for at least one article that considers Gadot's success as an Israeli, or as a Jew. The absence is almost enough to make one wonder if the *Times* agrees with Linda Sarsour that there's no room in the feminist movement for uncritical supporters of Israel. In other words, to judge by the *Times* coverage so far, a movie's success can be a victory either for feminism or for Zionism, but not for both at the same time, because the two are mutually exclusive.

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In fact, it was the opposite of the Thrall thesis. The unilateral impulse of the Gaza pullout that Thrall yearned for was completely destroyed by the rockets that came into Israel after Israel withdrew from Gaza and after Israel faced a war in Lebanon in the summer of 2006. ... Violence discredited Israeli pullouts. It did not facilitate it.

... violence will not solve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. It just makes its resolution much more distant.

"We will not sit quietly while this body continues to damage the cause of human rights," Haley told the council.

Hillel Neuer — executive director of UN Watch, a Geneva-based human rights organization that monitors UN bias — lauded Haley's speech.

"Ambassador Haley spoke truth to power," Neuer, who was present at the address, told *The Algemeiner*. "She called out the council for its ridiculous membership — half of whom are non-democratic countries like Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Venezuela — as well as for its obsession with Israel."

Neuer asserted: "The ball is now in council's court." He argued that it was difficult to conceive of meaningful change when it was initially designed to end overcome the flaws of its predecessor, the Commission on Human Rights.

"We are dealing with a supposedly reformed

The International Crisis Group that employs Mr. Thrall has on its board of directors George Soros, who has described himself as neither a Zionist nor a practicing Jew and who has falsely accused Israel of "not seeking a political solution but pursuing military escalation — not just an eye for an eye but roughly speaking ten Palestinian lives for every Israeli one."

It sure looks like Mr. Soros has gotten his money's worth with his investment in the International Crisis Group and Mr. Thrall, who got a big Sunday splash in the *New York Times* to smear Israel, inaccurately.

body in the Human Rights Council, but the same diagnosis applies — ignoring the worst abuses, electing the worst dictators, targeting Israel at every opportunity," Neuer said.

Nonetheless, Neuer counseled against a US withdrawal from the council. "I recognize the dilemma, but I think it's more useful if the US stays inside," Neuer said. "The council will still remain a body with global influence worldwide — I would like to see someone like Nikki Haley in Geneva who would be there to call out the council on its abuses."

Neuer suggested that the US could appoint an eminent person to represent its position on the council, describing former Senator Joe Lieberman and prominent lawyer Alan Dershowitz as examples of suitable envoys. "They have excellent credentials on human rights and are outspoken on the council's abuses," Neuer said.

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"Item 7 is a scandalous provision that must be removed," Haley said. "It is a central flaw that turns the Human Rights Council from a universal force for good to one overwhelmed by political agendas."

Haley observed that since the council succeeded the old UN Commission on Human Rights in 2006 — in what was billed at the time as a reform exercise that would lessen the body's fixation with Israel — there had been "70 resolutions targeting Israel, and only seven on Iran."

The council, Haley said, was engaged in

Impressions.

Rapid Population Growth Drives Israel's Transportation Revolution

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Israel's rapid population and economic growth during the past two decades has prompted the Israeli government to revolutionize the country's infrastructure and transportation systems to accommodate a flourishing citizenry.

The average annual growth rate of Israel's population from 1990-2017 has been approximately 2.25 percent. This is "among the highest rate of population growth in the Western world," Professor Yoram Shiftan,



Jerusalem's light rail system. Photo: Twitter.

the head of transportation research at the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, told *JNS.org*. During that same period, Israel's GDP, the key indicator of a nation's economic growth, averaged a 4.9-percent annual increase.

These figures are used by Israel's Ministry of Transportation to project what the future transportation and infrastructure needs of the Jewish state will be decades down the road, and to modify the country's infrastructure accordingly.

Israel's above-average economic and demographic advancements are directly reflected by parallel growth in the country's transport industry, including in the number of vehicles on roads, cargo passing through seaports, passengers traveling through Ben Gurion International Airport and commuters using the railway system.

Because of these trends, the development of Israel's transport infrastructure has become a top government priority during the past decade, and the state's budget for infrastructure development is gradually increasing.

According to a spokesperson from the Transportation Ministry who asked not to be named, Israel's budget forecasts for the five-year period from 2020-2025 are projected to be significantly higher than the budget for 2015-2020, largely due to a government commitment to heavily invest in the expansion of mass transit systems via land, water and air.

At the same time, Israel's prioritization of transport infrastructure development "is a relatively new trend," said Technion's Shiftan, explaining that 15

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Trump, the Palestinians and Incitement

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It was heartening to hear that President Donald Trump reportedly confronted Palestinian Authority (PA) President Mahmoud Abbas about Abbas' incitement of terrorism and his payments to terrorists. The question now is whether the Trump administration will confine itself to rhetoric, or follow up with concrete steps regarding the Palestinians, incitement and terrorism.

An unnamed US "official" has told various media outlets that during their meeting in Bethlehem, Trump told Abbas, "You lied to me in Washington when you talked about commitment to peace ... the Israelis showed me you were personally responsible for incitement."

According to the report, Trump "made it clear to Abbas that he must curb anti-Israeli incitement in the Palestinian education system, saying Abbas cannot turn a blind eye to Palestinian incitement and pay stipends to terrorists' families while simultaneously setting conditions that hinder any progress in the peace talks."

Abbas' reported response is very important, because it gives us a clue as to how he may try to wiggle out of the controversy. The unnamed source said that Abbas replied by saying that "in the past, there was a joint Palestinian-Israeli committee that sought to deal with incitement on both sides, but it has not met for years."

Here's what Abbas was talking about.

In 1998, Israel began complaining seriously to then-President Bill Clinton that the PA's incitement to violence and hatred was a blatant violation of the Oslo Accords. So Clinton created a committee called "the Trilateral US-Israeli-Palestinian Anti-Incitement Committee." Its purpose was to decide the validity of complaints from either side.

That formula seemed to make sense. Obviously, each side has a very different view of what constitutes "incitement." So there needed to be a neutral, reasonable-minded third party to judge them. Presumably, the US could serve that role. But after meeting just a few times in 1999 and 2000, the committee stopped functioning. Fifteen years later, the public was given a glimpse of what went wrong.

In an op-ed in the *Washington Post* in December 2014, Professor Shibley Telhami of the University of Maryland, who was one of the American members of the committee, pulled back the curtain. Telhami, as a Middle East scholar, superficially seemed to be impartial and therefore qualified to be one of the American delegates to the committee. But in fact, he was deeply biased.

Telhami explained in his op-ed that the committee reached an impasse because the Israeli and Palestinian representatives "could not agree how to define incitement." The Israelis, he wrote, "would present, for instance, a statement by a Muslim religious figure against Israel, and Palestinians would respond by citing settlement construction or episodes of Palestinian humiliation."

Telhami's self-serving description did not actually tell the whole story. The Israeli delegates

didn't present just "a statement by a Muslim religious figure." According to Palestinian Media Watch Director Itamar Marcus, who was one of the Israeli representatives, he and his colleagues presented multiple statements made by paid PA officials (some of whom were Muslim religious figures), as well as statements that were broadcast by the official PA media.

Clearly, the Palestinian position was ridiculous and illogical. "Settlement construction" and "humiliation" do not qualify as incitement. The fact that the PA doesn't want Jews building homes in Jerusalem or having Palestinians checked for weapons at security checkpoints is simply not incitement.

But for Telhami and some of the other American delegates to the committee, the real goal was not to stop incitement. Their goal was to keep the "peace process" going. Confronting the PA on incitement might cause a crisis in the "peace process." So instead of siding with the truth, these US representatives chose to be "evenhanded" and not take sides.

This is where the Trump administration needs



Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas and President Donald Trump at the White House last month. Photo: White House via YouTube.

to be very careful. Reviving the Trilateral Committee on Incitement is no solution unless the American delegates clearly do not have a pro-Palestinian bias.

And the committee would need to start its work with a clear definition of what constitutes "incitement." American policymakers can find a precedent by checking the criteria used in the Nuremberg Trials, when Julius Streicher, publisher of the antisemitic newspaper *Der Sturmer*, was convicted of incitement to mass murder. They could also look to the 2003 case of the Rwandan newspaper editor and two radio broadcasters who were convicted by the International Criminal Court of incitement to genocide because they used dehumanizing language and encouraged violence in their country.

I thank Shibley Telhami for being (unintentionally) honest about his bias, and about the reasons for the failure of the anti-incitement committee. Now that we know what went wrong and why, the Trump administration can fix it — if it is committed to actually stopping Palestinian incitement, instead of just talking about it.

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE AS SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES I LLC, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-HE2, Plaintiff AGAINST Davrin Faison and Stephanie Faison FKA Stephanie Bennett, et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated January 12, 2017 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, on June 22, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 937 EAST 103RD STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11236. 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 8211, LOT 25. Approximate amount of judgment \$919,651.37 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment for Index# 9736/13. Nancy Mottola Schacher, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 46152
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PROBATE CITATION File No. 2017-850 SURROGATE'S COURT - QUEENS COUNTY CITATION THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, By the Grace of God Free and Independent the heirs at law, next of kin, and distributees of Anita Rozsa, deceased, if living, and if any of them be dead to their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, legatees, executors, administrators, assignees and successors in interest whose names are unknown and cannot be ascertained after due diligence. ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK and the PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR OF QUEENS COUNTY A petition having

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been duly filed by SUSAN FRIEDMAN who is domiciled at 31 Valley Greens Drive North Woodmere, NY 11581 YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, QUEENS County, at 88-11 Sutphin Blvd., Jamaica, New York, on JUNE 29 2017, at 9:30 o'clock in the fore noon of that day why a decree should not be made in the estate of ANITA ROZSA lately domiciled at 99-63 66th Avenue Rego Park, NY admitting to probate a Will dated June 20, 1994 a copy of which is attached, as the Will of ANITA ROZSA deceased, relating to real and personal property, and directing that Letters Testamentary issue to SUSAN FRIEDMAN Dated, Attested and Sealed MAY 4 2017 Hon: PETER J. Kelly Surrogate Lee J Coulman Acting Chief Clerk. LINDA F. KATZ. ESQ. 108-18 Queens Boulevard Forest Hills, NY 11375-4748 718-261-4800 [NOTE: This citation is served upon you are required by law. You are not required to appear. If you fail to appear it will be assumed you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney appear for you.]
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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF8 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST, Plaintiff against PERCIVAL BLACKWOOD A/K/A PERCIVAL A. BLACKWOOD; SHIRLEY BLACKWOOD A/K/A SHIRLEY C. BLACKWOOD A/K/A SHIRLEY C. RUSSELL; JEFFREY BLACKWOOD A/K/A JEFFREY N. BLACKWOOD; OSCAR P. BLACKWOOD, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on April 10, 2017. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Courthouse, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY. on the 29th day of June, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. premises described as follows: 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. Said premises known as 2049 Strauss Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11212. (Block: 3555, Lot: 10) Approximate amount of lien \$ 850,679.31 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 504504/2014. Steven Z. Naiman, Esq., Referee. Fein, Such & Crane, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff 28 East Main Street, Suite 1800 Rochester, NY. 14614 (585) 232-7400
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SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff against LORREN WHITFIELD A/K/A LORREN V. WHITFIELD, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on April 6, 2017. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Courthouse, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY. on the 29th day of June, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. premises Lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn and State of New York. In the condominium known as "SUMPTER COURT CONDOMINIUM." Together with an undivided 9.25% interest in the Common Elements. Said premises known as 246-250 Sumpter Street, # 3C A/K/A 250 Sumpter Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11233. (Block: 1526, Lot: 1011). Approximate amount of lien \$ 236,221.99 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 502623-14. Steven Z. Naiman, Esq., Referee. McCabe,

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Weisberg & Conway, P.C. Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 145 Huguenot Street - Suite 210 New Rochelle, New York 10801 (914) 636-8900
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861 Group LLC. Art. Of Org. Filed with the SSNY on 04/20/16. Office : Kings county SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail copy of process to the LLC, 14 Bond St. #404 Great neck New York 11021. Purpose: Any lawful purpose
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS HSBC Bank USA, National Association as Trustee for Wells Fargo Asset Securities Corporation, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-AR14, Plaintiff AGAINST Janice Smith a/k/a Janice T. Smith a/k/a Janis T. Smith; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated September 29, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on July 6, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 2 Paerdegat 3rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11236. 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 NY, Block 8031 Lot 6. Approximate amount of judgment \$640,204.53 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 503256/2015. Philip L. Kamaras, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: May 10, 2017 46078
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Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC). Name: Arnaudde la Torre LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York on: 05/18/2015. Office location kings county. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail copy of the process to: Arnaudde la Torre LLC PO Box 10873, Albany, NY 12201 purpose: all lawful activity
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff AGAINST Winston Rose; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated April 26, 2017 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on July 6, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 664 New Jersey Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough & City of Brooklyn, County of Kings, State of New York, Block: 3840 Lot: 37. Approximate amount of judgment \$545,094.48 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 6131/2013. Stuart Adler, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: May 25, 2017 46353
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS HSBC Bank USA, National Association as Trustee for PHH Alternative Mortgage Trust, Series 2007-3, Plaintiff AGAINST Barbara Laurencin; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated February 9, 2017 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on July 13, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 830 Greene Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221. 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 1620 Lot 30. Approximate amount of judgment \$328,301.40 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 510754/2014. Gregory M. LaSpina, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: April 24, 2017 45870
AJ; 6/9/16/23/30

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR ARGENT SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-W4, Plaintiff, Against Index No.: 503003/2015 ANTONIS LIONAS, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale, duly entered in the Kings County Clerk's Office on 2/28/2017, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on 7/13/2017 at 2:30 pm, premises known as 1510 East 33rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11234, and described as follows: ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, in the State of New York, and designated on the tax maps of the Kings County Treasurer as Block 7694 and Lot 42. The approximate amount of the current Judgment lien is \$561,384.62 plus interest and costs. The premises will be sold subject to provisions of the aforesaid Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale; Index # 503003/2015. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Gregory LaSpina, Esq., Referee. Leopold & Associates, PLLC, 800 Business Park Drive, Suite 110, Armonk, NY 10504 Dated: 5/17/2017 GNS
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR STRUCTURED ASSET INVESTMENT LOAN TRUST, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2004-10; Plaintiff(s) vs. GEORGE MARSHALL; CHERRY SUTHERLAND; et al; Defendant(s) Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI, ROSICKI

Tradition.

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Leadership Beyond Despair



JONATHAN SACKS
LONDON

Tanakh, the Hebrew Bible, is remarkable for the extreme realism with which it portrays human character. Its heroes are not super-human. Its non-heroes are not archetypal villains. The best have failings; the worst often have saving virtues. I know of no other religious literature quite like it.

This makes it very difficult to use biblical narrative to teach a simple, black-and-white approach to ethics. And that – argued R. Zvi Hirsch Chajes (Mevo ha-Aggadot) – is why rabbinic midrash often systematically re-interprets the narrative so that the good become all-good and the bad all-bad. For sound educational reasons, Midrash paints the moral life in terms of black and white.

Yet the plain sense remains (“A biblical passage never loses its plain interpretation,” Shabbat 63a), and it is important that we do not lose sight of it. It is as if monotheism brought into being at the same time a profound humanism. God in the Hebrew Bible is nothing like the gods of myth. They were half-



human, half-divine. The result was that in the epic literature of pagan cultures, human heroes were seen as almost like gods: semi-divine.

In stark contrast, monotheism creates a total distinction between God and humanity. If God is wholly God, then human beings can be seen as wholly human – subtle, complex mixtures of strength and weakness. We identify with the heroes of the Bible because, despite their greatness, they never cease to be human, nor do they aspire to be anything else. Hence the phenomenon of which the sedra of Beha’alotecha provides a shattering example: the vulnerability of some of the greatest religious leaders of all time, to depression and despair.

The context is familiar enough. The Israelites are complaining about their food: “The rabble among them began to crave other food, and again the Israelites started wailing and said, ‘If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we ate in Egypt at no cost—also the cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic. But now we have lost our appetite; we never see anything but this manna!’”

(Num 11:4-6)

This is not a new story. We have heard it before (see for example Exodus 16). Yet on this occasion, Moses experiences what one can only call a breakdown:

He asked the Lord, “Why have You brought this trouble on Your servant? What have I done to displease You that You put the burden of all these people on me? Did I conceive all these people? Did I give them birth? . . . I cannot carry all these people by myself; the burden is too heavy for me. If this is how You are going to treat me, put me to death right now—I find I have found favour in Your eyes—and do not let me face my own ruin.” (Num. 11:11-15)

Moses prays for death! Nor is he the only person in Tanakh to do so. There are at least three others. There is Elijah, when after his successful confrontation with the prophets of Baal at Mount Carmel, Queen Jezebel issues a warrant that he be killed:

Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, while he himself went a day’s journey into the desert. He came to a broom tree, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. “I have had enough, Lord,” he said. “Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.” (I Kings 19:3-4)

There is Jonah, after God had forgiven the inhabitants of Nineveh:

Jonah was greatly displeased and became angry. He prayed to the Lord, “O Lord, is this not what I said when I was still at home? That is why I was so quick to flee to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity. Now, O Lord, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live.” (Jonah 4:1-3)

And there is Jeremiah, after the people fail to heed his message and publicly humiliate him:

“O Lord, You enticed me, and I was enticed; You overpowered me and prevailed. I am ridiculed all day long; everyone mocks me . . . The word of the Lord has brought me insult and reproach all day long . . . Cursed be the day I was born! May the day my mother bore me not be blessed! Cursed be the man who brought my father the news, made him very glad, saying, “A child is born to you—a son!” . . . Why did I ever come out of the womb to see trouble and sorrow and to end my days in shame?” (Jeremiah 20:7-18)

Lehavdil elef havdalot: no comparison is intended between the religious heroes of Tanakh and political heroes of the modern world. They are different types, living in different ages, functioning in different spheres. Yet we find

a similar phenomenon in one of the great figures of the twentieth century, Winston Churchill. Throughout much of his life he was prone to periods of acute depression. He called it “the black dog.” He told his daughter, “I have achieved a great deal to achieve nothing in the end.” He told a friend that “he prays every day for death.” In 1944 he told his doctor, Lord Moran, that he kept himself from standing close to a train platform or overlooking the side of a ship because he might be tempted to commit suicide: “A second’s desperation would end everything.”

Why are the greatest so often haunted by a sense of failure? Storr, in the book mentioned above, offers some compelling psychological insights. But at the simplest level we see certain common features, at least among the biblical prophets: a passionate drive to change the world, combined with a deep sense of personal inadequacy. Moses says, “Who am I . . . that I should lead the Israelites out of Egypt?” (Ex. 3:11). Jeremiah says: “I cannot speak: I am only a child” (Jer. 1:6). Jonah tries to flee from his mission. The very sense of responsibility that leads a prophet to heed the call of God can lead him to blame himself when the people around him do not heed the same call.

Yet it is that same inner voice that ultimately holds the cure. The prophet does not believe in himself: he believes in God. He does not undertake to lead because he sees himself as a leader, but because he sees a task to be done and no one else willing to do it. His greatness lies not within himself but beyond himself: in his sense of being summoned to a task that must be done however inadequate he knows himself to be.

Despair can be part of leadership itself. For when the prophet sees himself reviled, rebuked, criticised; when his words fall on stony ground; when he sees people listening to what they want to hear, not what they need to hear – that is when the last layers of self are burned away, leaving only the task, the mission, the call. When that happens, a new greatness is born. It now no longer matters that the prophet is unpopular and unheeded. All that matters is the work and the One who has summoned him to it. That is when the prophet arrives at the truth stated by Rabbi Tarfon: “It is not for you to complete the task, but neither are you free to stand aside from it” (Avot 2:16).

Again without seeking to equate the sacred and the secular, I end with some words spoken by Theodore Roosevelt (in a speech to students at the Sorbonne, Paris, 23 April 1910), which sum up both the challenge and the consolation of leadership in cadences of timeless eloquence:

It is not the critic who counts, Not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, Or where the doer of deeds could actually have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, Whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, Who strives valiantly, Who errs and

comes short again and again – Because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; But who does actually strive to do the deeds, Who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions, Who spends himself in a worthy cause, Who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, And who, at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, So that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat.

Leadership in a noble cause can bring despair. But it also is the cure.

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Fairness that has chapters around the country who are anxious to come to the assistance of Jewish students. The graduates and supporters of the university don’t need to sit in the plaza holding signs and shouting slogans, but they can bombard the administration with calls and threats to withhold contributions. Losing major donors would get the chancellor’s attention quicker than any other form of protest.

There’s no guarantee that such a demonstration would move the chancellor to act, but it would show that students are serious about fighting for their rights on campus, and that Jewish students are mad as hell and won’t take it anymore. If done right, it would also attract publicity about the treatment of Jews at UC-Santa Cruz; one of the few things besides money that can motivate university administrators is bad PR.

Jewish students should not go overboard and engage in the kind of extreme reactions associated with the Jewish Defense League, but they also shouldn’t restrict themselves to fighting by the Marquess of Queensberry rules. Not every slight requires “going to the mats”; however, if students are not prepared to confront officials with action, they should not be surprised if administrators continue to treat them differently than groups that refuse to tolerate harassment or discrimination.

Jewish students should not need protest tactics to ensure that they are safe from vilification on campus. It is a sad commentary on the character of many university leaders today that their inaction is allowing hatred to fester and grow, and that they need to be prompted or coerced to speak out and take action in response to antisemitism on their campuses.

Dr. Mitchell Bard is the author/editor of 24 books including the 2017 edition of Myths and Facts: A Guide to the Arab-Israeli Conflict, The Arab Lobby, and the novel After Anatevka: Tevye in Palestine.

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& 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 February 15, 2017, I will

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sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201. On July 13, 2017 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 1015 E 84TH STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11236 Block: 8036 Lot: 34 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 \$669,565.83 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 6326-13 David Hernandez, Esq., Referee AJ; 6/9/16/23/30

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT-COUNTY OF KINGS HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR WELLS FARGO ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION, MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2008-1, Plaintiff, AGAINST JOSEPH MODICA, et al. Defendant(s) Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly granted August 29, 2016 the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Room 224, Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on July 13, 2017 at 2:30 PM premises known as 1739 RYDER STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11234-4308 All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings and State of New York. Section 23, Block 7886 and Lot 23 Approximate amount of judgment \$836,750.21 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment. Index #501344/2013 MOSHE Z. MIRSKY, ESQ, Referee, Aldridge Pite, LLP - Attorneys for Plaintiff - 40 Marcus Drive, Suite 200, Melville, NY 11747 AJ; 6/9/16/23/30

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS MORGAN STANLEY MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2007-3XS, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, Plaintiff AGAINST CAVIS PILGRIM, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated November 03, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, on July 13, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 305 EAST 38TH STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11203. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK 4892, LOT 41. Approximate amount of judgment \$719,521.43 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment for Index# 21745/2013. Jeffrey R. Miller, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 46256 AJ; 6/9/16/23/30

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Thom Yorke. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

Radiohead Singer: Pressure by BDS Supporters to Cancel Israel Concert Is 'Extremely Upsetting, Disrespectful and Offensive'

BY SHIRYN GHERMEZIAN

The amount of harassment Radiohead has received from BDS supporters about its upcoming concert in Israel is "extremely upsetting," the rock band's lead singer said on Friday.

"It's deeply distressing that they choose to, rather than engage with us personally, throw s**t at us in public," Thom Yorke told *Rolling Stone* magazine. "It's deeply disrespectful to assume that we're either being misinformed or that we're so retarded we can't make these decisions ourselves. I thought it was patronizing in the extreme. It's offensive and I just can't understand why going to play a rock show or going to lecture at a university [is a problem to them]."

Radiohead is scheduled to play in Tel Aviv's Hayarkon Park on July 19 as it wraps up its 2017 *A Moon Shaped Pool* tour. When the band first announced the concert in April, BDS supporters — including Desmond Tutu and Pink Floyd bassist Roger Waters — signed an open letter urging the rockers to cancel their show to "help pressure Israel to end its violation of basic rights and international law [against Palestinians]."

The band refused to call off its concert and has continued to face pressure from BDS supporters. At a recent Radiohead show in Berkeley, California, concert-

goers held a large banner that criticized the band for choosing to play in the "apartheid" state of Israel, according to *Rolling Stone*.

"It's really upsetting that artists I respect think we are not capable of making a moral decision ourselves after all these years," Yorke added. "They talk down to us and I just find it mind-boggling that they think they have the right to do that. It's extraordinary."

The British rocker added that Radiohead guitarist Jonny Greenwood was married to an Arab Jew and had both Palestinian and Jewish friends, so to think he was ignorant of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict was appalling.

Yorke told the magazine: "All these people to stand there at a distance throwing stuff at us, waving flags, saying, 'You don't know anything about it!' Imagine how offensive that is for Jonny. And imagine how upsetting that it's been to have this out there. Just to assume that we know nothing about this. Just to throw the word 'apartheid' around and think that's enough. It's f**king weird. It's such an extraordinary waste of energy. Energy that could be used in a more positive way."

Radiohead has performed in Israel eight times, most recently in the summer of 2000, but this is the first time it has visited the Jewish state since the launch of the boycott, divestment and sanctions (BDS) movement in 2005.

Israel" plan, which aims to establish an inter-city transport network from Israel's northern Galilee to the southern Negev. Some of the program's projects are under construction, and others are already operational.

According to the government spokesperson, "Northern cities such as Beit She'an, Afula, Carmiel, Nahariya, Acco and Haifa, and southern cities such as Be'er Sheva, Ofakim, Netivot, Sderot, Ashkelon [and] Ashdod" will all be connected with the central regions of the country through the national rail network.

When the new train lines are completed, "people who live in places like Ofakim will be able to easily commute to work in Tel Aviv," said Rick Krosnick, the chief development officer for the Jewish National Fund, which works closely with the Israeli government to spur economic development in the peripheral regions of the country.

As a result of the new connectivity, "we will see, in the next five years, high-tech workers in [urban] Haifa who want to live in an area like [rural/peripheral] Beit She'an," Krosnick told *JNS.org*.

One highly anticipated railway project is a high-speed line connecting Jerusalem to Tel Aviv in a trip that will take less than 30 minutes when the railway opens in 2018.

In recent years, Israel has also begun developing urban mass transit systems, the first of which was Jerusalem's light rail line. Now, Israel plans to establish mass transit systems and networks in all urban areas. The first line of the Tel Aviv metropolitan area's light rail system is currently under construction, and the Tel Aviv line and other urban rails are slated for completion between 2020 and 2023.

"Israel must accelerate the implementation of these plans in addition to implementing various policies to reduce single occupancy car travel and encourage public transportation usage, car sharing, cycling and walking," Shifan said.

Maritime development

Israel's primary maritime infrastructure includes main ports in Haifa and Ashdod, and a small privatized port in Eilat. By 2021, "We will see the operation of two new seaports, both in Ashdod and Haifa, alongside the existing ports ... [which] will certainly be an enormous change in terms of the level of capacity and efficiency," the Israeli Transportation Ministry spokesperson said.

It is also anticipated that the existing government-owned ports in Ashdod and Haifa will be privatized, with the goal of encouraging competition and creating efficiency.

Airports

Israel's Ben-Gurion International Airport has seen significant investment applied to improving its infrastructure to accommodate increased air traffic to Israel, a trend that has been spurred by the recently implemented "Open Skies" agreement between Israel and the European Union. In recent years, Ben Gurion has received upgraded runways, a new control tower and a new security system.

There are also future plans to develop a new airport "in the north of the country" through private sector investment, according to the transportation spokesman.

Future trends

Additional transportation projects in Israel include a light rail system connecting Haifa and Nazareth, two additional rail lines in Jerusalem, two additional fast lanes for Tel Aviv's highways, a new 39-mile double track eastern railway running parallel to the cross-Israel highway (Highway 6) and a national plan for smart mobility.

And the innovation doesn't stop there.

"Israel, as a major start-up nation," said Shifan, "is [also] one of the major contributors to driverless automated car technology. ... We expect to see driverless cars on our street in the future. ... Israel must prepare appropriate policies and infrastructure for this era."

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years ago, "significantly less government funding was allocated...and this created an enormous gap in the public transport infrastructure."

Land transport

In the 1990s and 2000s, significant government investment was applied to upgrading and widening

Israel's highway network. But in recent years, the Transportation Ministry has started prioritizing the development of the national rail system and mass transit systems in urban areas, while also emphasizing the development of new rail connections in Israel's peripheral regions.

In 2010, Israeli Transportation Minister Yisrael Katz presented the government with the detailed "Netivei

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We keep it simple: Leave it to us to take care of all the necessary paperwork and details.

For each approved application you will receive a check from us for \$180.

We will also send you a residual check **every month** for as long as the account processes with Tribul.

**Earn a monthly residual,
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