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## Abbas' Fatah Movement Praises Har Adar Terrorist as 'Martyr'



Palestinian terrorist Nimir Mahmoud Ahmed Jamal. Photo: Facebook.

BY BEN COHEN

The ruling Fatah movement in the Palestinian Authority rushed on Tuesday to praise Nimir Mahmoud Ahmad Jamal — the terrorist who murdered three Israelis in the West Bank community of Har Adar, near Jerusalem.

On its Facebook official page, Fatah honored the killer by posting his picture alongside the text, "The one who carried out the operation

in Jerusalem (sic — Har Adar) is Martyr (Shahid) Nimir Mahmoud Ahmed Al-Jamal," Israeli monitoring organization Palestinian Media Watch (PMW) reported.

Former Israeli Interior Minister Gideon Sa'ar drew attention to the financial compensation Jamal's family can now expect from the PA, declaring that there "is no greater encouragement of terror than the Palestinian Authority's generous policy of allowances

for the terrorists and their families."

According to PMW, Jamal's family will receive annual compensation for life of approximately \$9,000, based on the PA's sliding scale that adds extra funds for each wife and child of dead or convicted terrorist. Jamal is reported to have had one wife and four children.

Fatah — the faction headed by PA President Mahmoud Abbas — added that Israel bore respon-

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## Bernard-Henri Lévy: Jews Have 'Special Obligation' to Support Kurdish Independence

BY BEN COHEN

Lévy was scathing on the subject of the Kurds' immediate neighbors, calling Turkey, Iran and Iraq "the same gang" as far as the Kurds are concerned.

"When you think that the three of them have the nerve to appeal to international law," he said. "The hands of Iran's leaders are still wet with the blood of the 400,000 Syrians that Bashar al-Assad has butchered with the help of Hezbollah.



Kurdish Peshmerga from Syria and Iraq on the frontline against ISIS. Photo: ekurd.net.

Turkey has on its hands the blood of the lawyers, intellectuals, military officers, and ordinary citizens who have been tortured to death in the jails of Istanbul and Ankara. Iraq, just in recent memory, has that of the thousands of Kurds gassed in Halabja (when thousands of Kurds were killed in a poison gas attack on this city launched by Iraqi forces.)

"And this merry band is invoking law and morality?" Lévy continued. "We must be dreaming." He argued that the Erdogan regime poses the most immediate threat to Kurdish independence, "because it has, in addition to all the rest, economic leverage."

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## Bulgaria's Rescue of 50,000 Jews

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## Opinion.

# Can Liberals Overlook Trump's Flaws and Embrace His Policies?



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Is there anything that would entice liberal Jews to stand with President Donald Trump or to join with him in trashing former President Barack Obama's legacy?

The obvious answer is nothing. In the wake of Charlottesville, most voters' disgust with Trump is at an all-time high — but especially liberal Jews, who were already appalled with him. Moreover, the longer that Trump is in office, the better that his predecessor looks to many Americans, if only for his more presidential temperament — if not his policies.

Yet a desire to defend Obama's record has been very much in the news these days. One especially egregious instance took place at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington.

That museum's board is made up of both scholars and political appointees. So it was little surprise that after eight years of being packed with loyal Jewish Democrats (following eight years of Jewish Republicans appointed by George W. Bush), the board would commission a study about the events in Syria, which was essentially a whitewash of Obama's dismal failure to act to prevent what

is arguably one of the worst human rights disasters of the 21st century.

The report was a scandal that undermined the museum's mission by exonerating Obama for his decision to let Syria and its people burn, even when chemical weapons were being used to kill innocents. The shock that the study generated forced the museum to almost immediately withdraw the document.

The lesson here was not so much the chutzpah of those involved in this disgrace, but the extent of the loyalty that prominent Jewish Democrats still feel for Obama — especially now that he's been replaced by Trump.

Yet as dismaying as this episode was, we may soon witness a similar scenario being played out on a far greater stage, as Jewish Democrats are faced with a choice about how to react to Trump's efforts to roll back the Iran nuclear deal.

The Iran deal was Obama's signature foreign policy achievement. In order to prevent a dubious Congress from preventing its confirmation, Obama made it a litmus test of party loyalty, and Democrats filibustered Republican efforts to vote it down.

One of the key episodes of that battle was Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's mistake in accepting a GOP invitation to address a joint session of Congress to speak out against the accord. Obama was able to pressure most Democrats to view this as a personal insult, and Netanyahu's speech undermined opposition to the deal.

But another key test awaits Jewish Democrats. With Trump intent on either renegotiating the deal with Iran or nullifying it, the Jewish community will soon be faced with a difficult choice.

If this issue were removed from partisan politics and personalities, the debate would be one-sided. Support for an effort to either improve or throw out an agreement that empowered and enriched the world's leading state sponsor of terror — a country that is still intent on destroying Israel — would be a no-brainer.

Instead of seizing, in Obama's words, an opportunity to "get right with the world," Iran has used the last two years to become even more aggressive. The ayatollahs' military expedition in Syria has established what is, for all intents and purposes, a land bridge to its Hezbollah terrorist auxiliaries in Lebanon. Along with the Iranians' renewed alliance with Hamas, Tehran now has the ability to launch a three-front war against Israel at any time of its choosing. Moreover, the terms that Obama negotiated for the nuclear deal have done nothing to make the world safer. At best, the deal merely puts off an Iranian bomb for a few years.

In other words, the Iran nuclear pact is an indefensible swindle negotiated by an administration so determined to get a deal at any price that it abandoned every principle that it should have defended. Were it not the personal project of Obama and the particular



US President Donald Trump delivers his first address before the UN General Assembly.  
Photo: UN.

object of Trump's enmity — a point emphasized during his address to the United Nations — it would likely be roundly denounced by every segment of responsible Jewish opinion.

Yet because many Jews see this fight as a political battle, rather than a genuine security threat, reactions to Trump's effort are predictably partisan.

Perhaps it is too much to ask liberals to realize that even Trump can be right, and Obama could have been dead wrong about something so important. But if that is the only way they can view this issue, then the moral failure is theirs.

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# Valerie Plame Knew Exactly What She Was Tweeting



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Valerie Plame had to know what she was tweeting. Plame re-tweeted a virulently antisemitic article by a well-known bigot, which she characterized as "thoughtful." Now she's trying to make excuses, but they don't wash.

The article by Philip Giraldi itself contains the usual antisemitic tropes: Jews are guilty of dual loyalty; they control politicians, the media and entertainment; they want the US to fight wars for the country to which they have real allegiance— Israel; they are dangerous to America. Giraldi has been pushing this garbage for years and Plame is one of his fans.

But this particular article goes much further in its neo-Nazi imagery. It advocates that "The media should be required to label [Jews like Bill Kristol] at the bottom of the television screen whenever they pop up ... That would be kind-of-like a warning label on a bottle of rat poison — translating roughly as ingest even the tiniest little dosage of the nonsense spewed by Bill Kristol at your own peril."

In other words, Jewish supporters of Israel, like Kristol and me, should have to wear the modern day equivalent of a yellow star before we are allowed to appear on TV and poison real Americans. Nice stuff that Plame was retweeting and characterizing as thoughtful.

This was not the first time Plame retweeted Giraldi's garbage. In 2014, she re-tweeted one of his screeds with the following notation: "Well put." And after tweeting the current antisemitic article she described it as: "Yes, very provocative, but thoughtful. Many neocon hawks ARE Jewish. Ugh." Nor is this the only time that Plame has re-tweeted other nonsense from the bigoted platform this piece came from — a platform of which she has pleaded ignorance. According to journalist Yashar Ali, Plame has tweeted at least eight other articles from the same website since 2014. Sounds like she is into some strange websites.

I actually read the Philip Giraldi article before I was aware of the Plame tweet. I read it on a neo-Nazi website, where Giraldi's articles are frequently featured. That's where Giraldi's articles belong — on overtly antisemitic and neo-Nazi websites. For Plame, a former CIA operative, to claim that she was unaware of the antisemitic content of Giraldi's article is to



Valerie Plame. Photo: Wikipedia.

blink reality. Plame had to know what she was doing, since she was aware of Giraldi's bigotry. Her apologies ring hollow. Her true feelings were revealed in what she said before she realized that she would be widely condemned for her original re-tweet. She must now do more than apologize. She must explain how she came upon the article? Who sent it to her? Does she regularly read bigoted websites? Why is she reading and re-tweeting a known antisemite? What are her own personal views regarding the content of Giraldi's article.

The Plame incident reflects a broader problem about which I have written. There is a growing tolerance for antisemitism. Even when some people themselves do not harbor these feelings, they are willing to support those who do, as long as the antisemites are on their side of the political spectrum. This is an unacceptable approach, especially in the post-Holocaust era. Unfortunately, Valerie Plame is the poster child for this growing tolerance. She must be called out on it, as must others who follow the same path of bigotry.

The problem exists both on the hard right and the hard left. Both extremist groups see the world in racial, ethnic and religious terms. Both engage in identity politics: the hard left gives more weight to the views of certain minorities; while the hard right gives less weight to the views of these same minorities. Both are equally guilty of reductionism and stereotyping. Neither group is prepared to judge individuals on their individual merits and demerits. Both insist on judging entire

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## World News.

## Israel Moves to Prevent Palestinian Authority From Joining Interpol

BY JNS.ORG

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has ordered his country's Foreign Ministry to increase its efforts to prevent the Palestinian Authority (PA) from joining the international police organization Interpol. The Palestinian membership bid is scheduled to be discussed at Interpol's annual assembly, which will take place Sept. 26-29 in Beijing.

Based in Lyon, France, Interpol numbers 190-member states, making it the second-largest international organization after the United Nations.

The Palestinians have been eyeing an Interpol membership for several years. An Israeli Foreign Ministry official said over the weekend that admission to the prestigious

international law enforcement body would significantly bolster the Palestinians' statehood bid, and may unilaterally "state facts on the ground."

Israel has also expressed concern that the Palestinians might abuse their membership and use Interpol as a platform from which to undermine the Jewish state, including potential demands to extradite Israeli officials or pursue other legal action against them, based on the Palestinian argument that the settlement enterprise is a "crime."

A two-thirds majority vote is required for the PA membership bid to be approved. According to the Foreign Ministry official, Israel is working to toughen the acceptance criteria while simultaneously trying to postpone the vote.

## German Far-Right Leader Questions Country's Relationship With Israel

BY JNS.ORG

The leader of the far-right political party Alternative for Germany (AfD) Monday questioned why Israel's existence should remain a German national interest, following his party's third-place finish in Sunday's election.

"If Israel's existence is part of the German national interest then we would have to be prepared to send German soldiers to defend the Jewish state," AfD co-leader Alexander Gauland told reporters Monday, referring to the issue as "problematic" for Germany.

Gauland reiterated his position in an interview with the Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung newspaper, saying, "German society doesn't really understand what the significance is. That is, that German soldiers would fight and die alongside Israeli soldiers."

The far-right leader's comments came during the same press conference in which he said Jews have nothing to fear from his party's electoral victory.

"There is nothing in our party, in our program, that could disturb the Jewish people who live here in Germany," he said.

AfD garnered around 13 percent of the vote in Germany's national election, finishing behind Chancellor Angela Merkel's center-right Christian Democrats and the center-left Social Democratic Party.

German Jewish leader Charlotte Knobloch, president of the Jewish Community of Munich and Upper Bavaria as well as a former president of the German Jewish Council, called AfD's electoral showing a "true nightmare."

"This changes the political debate and culture and affects the image of Germany in the world," she said.

because one has no others."

Arguing that Israel and Kurdistan "share the same ethical and political principles," Lévy declared that "Iraqi Kurdistan is the only Muslim country where the alliance with Israel is perceived not as a necessary evil but as a source of pride." Israeli politicians across the spectrum have spoken out in support of Kurdish independence, with Yesh Atid leader Yair Lapid telling The Algemeiner on Sunday, "The Jewish people know what it is to struggle for an independent homeland."

Lévy added, "By the way, that is what Erdogan had in mind when he said, in his inimitable style, that he feared the birth of a 'second Israel.'" In recent weeks, pro-Erdogan media outlets in Turkey have been filled with antisemitic conspiracy theories alleging that the Kurdish vote is a "Zionist plot" coordinated by Israel in order to resettle 200,000 Kurdish Jews in the region.

## Brutal Murder of Sarah Halimi Motivated by 'Antisemitism,' Paris Prosecutor Concludes



Murdered French Jewish pensioner Sarah Halimi. Photo: Halimi family.

BY BEN COHEN

French Jews have cautiously welcomed the decision of the Paris public prosecutors' office to recognize the murder of Sarah Halimi — a Jewish pensioner who lived alone in public housing in Paris — as an antisemitic hate crime.

The prosecutor's decision was announced last week, and was based on interviews conducted by psychiatrist Dr. Daniel Zagury with Halimi's killer, 27-year-old Kobili Traore. In the early hours of April 4, Traore — who had previously made antisemitic remarks to Dr. Halimi — broke into her apartment and proceeded to beat her ferociously while yelling Islamist slogans. Police who arrived at the scene during Halimi's ordeal reportedly feared a terrorist attack was underway and failed to rescue her before Traore threw her out of a third-floor window to her death.

According to Zagury, Traore's assault on Halimi was both "antisemitic" and a "delirious act" influenced by the heavy consumption of marijuana. However, Zagury was clear that Traore was not sufficiently intoxicated at the time of the attack to be absolved of criminal responsibility — a key demand of Traore's lawyers.

In a statement, French Jewish representative body CRIF said it was "relieved" and "satisfied" with the announcement, which coincided with the Jewish New Year on Wednesday last week. Francis Kalifat,

CRIF's head, said that if a judge was to uphold the prosecutors' position, then "the trial of the murderer must also be the trial of the antisemitism that murders in France."

Gilles-William Goldnadel, a lawyer for the Halimi family, pointed out that he had consistently urged that the murder be regarded as an antisemitic crime — on July 10, after spending over two months under psychiatric observation, Traore was charged with "voluntary manslaughter" and "kidnapping," but the antisemitic aspect of the murder was ignored.

"Of course I am satisfied, but it seemed to me to be obvious," Goldnadel commented on the prosecutors' decision. "Better late than never."

Thomas Bidnic, Traore's lawyer, accused the prosecutor of following "the direction of the wind" — a reference to the outpouring of public anger over Halimi's murder, which was virtually ignored by the French media in its immediate aftermath because of concern that too much coverage might boost the electoral chances of Marine Le Pen, the far-right candidate who was resoundingly defeated by centrist Emmanuel Macron in the May 7 presidential election.

"I do not really see anything new in the record — my client refutes all charges of antisemitism," Bidnic was quoted as saying by the French newspaper Liberation.

Lévy had similarly harsh words for the Western democracies that have acquiesced to Turkish, Iranian and Iraqi pressure on the referendum, despite the consistent records of the Kurds as allies of the west. "When you see the democracies with their eyes riveted on the slightest change in the mood of these sensitive characters, when you see them tripping over each other to serve as their interpreters and even as their press attachés, well now the dream [of Kurdish independence] has become a nightmare," Lévy reflected.

The philosopher described his two recent films on the Kurds — "Peshmerga," the name for Kurdish fighters, and "The Battle of Mosul," which documents the fight against ISIS in the northern Iraqi city — as "a modest attempt to repay them in very small part for what they have given us."

A forthcoming showing of "Peshmerga"

in New York City would, Lévy said, serve as a partial riposte to US President Donald Trump for his "scandalous lack of gratitude... throwing the Kurds away now that they've served their purpose." On September 15, the Trump administration expressed its opposition to the Kurdish vote, claiming that the US "has repeatedly emphasized to the leaders of the Kurdistan Regional Government that the referendum is distracting from efforts to defeat ISIS and stabilize the liberated areas."

Lévy urged Jews around the world to engage in a "generous show of friendship" toward the Kurds.

"Jews have a special obligation to support the Kurds," he said. "I hope they will come say to the Peshmerga: 'For years now you have spilled your blood to defend the values of our shared civilization. Now it is our turn to defend your right to live freely and independently.'"

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Kurdish Independence

"Everything on which the Kurdish economy depends comes and goes through Turkey," he said.

Lévy praised Israel for its supportive stance on the Kurdish referendum — the only country to express such backing. By Monday night, with nearly all the votes counted, more than 93 percent of voters had answered "yes" to the question — posed in the Kurdish, Arabic, Turkmen and Assyrian languages — "Do you want the Kurdistan Region and the Kurdistan areas outside the administration of the Region to become an independent state?" Some 25 million mainly Muslim Kurds are currently divided between Turkey, Iraq, Iran and Syria.

"I'm glad that Israel's leaders have finally understood that the Kurds are their natural allies," Lévy said. "Not allies of convenience, not tactical allies, not the sort of allies that one embraces in spite of disagreements simply

## World News.



The University of Maryland-College Park campus. Photo: UMD.

## Pro-Israel University of Maryland Professor Dismissed After Complaining of Religious Discrimination Plans Legal Action

BY SHIRI MOSHE

A Jewish professor at the University of Maryland (UMD) who was dismissed months after complaining of facing religious discrimination plans to pursue legal action against the school. The Algemeiner has learned.

Dr. Melissa Landa, who worked as an assistant clinical professor at UMD's College of Education and has been a vocal opponent of anti-Israel activism in academia, was informed on June 8 that her contract would not be renewed. Her firing, which is currently being investigated by UMD's Office of Civil Rights and Sexual Misconduct, came shortly after the resolution of a faculty grievance that Landa filed in February against two of her colleagues.

Faculty members who submit such complaints may not be "reprimanded or discriminated against in any way," according to university policy, and Landa's attorney Ari Wilkenfeld said legal steps against UMD "are forthcoming."

Landa told The Algemeiner that her troubles began shortly after she started vocally advocating for Israel "in November 2015, when I wrote an essay for Scholars for Peace in the Middle East denouncing the [anti-Israel Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions] movement in academia." The next month, Landa — who completed her undergraduate degree at Oberlin College — formed a group to address what she and other concerned alumni saw as rising antisemitic and anti-Israel sentiment at their alma mater.

The group soon came across social media posts by then Oberlin professor Joy Karega, who called the Islamic State terrorist group "a CIA and Mossad operation" and endorsed claims that "Israeli and Zionist Jews" were behind the 9/11 terror attacks. When Landa started speaking to the press about Karega's comments, she shared those articles with the associate chair of UMD's Teaching and Learning, Policy, and Leadership (TLPL) department, Dr. John O'Flahavan, who previously served as her doctoral adviser.

"He discouraged my participation and defended Joy Karega's freedom of speech, and was critical of my involvement in [the Oberlin chapter of the anti-BDS group Alums for Campus Fairness]," Landa said.

She recounted that although O'Flahavan had once urged her to stop displaying an Israeli flag in her office — indicating that it was a problematic symbol and a sign of oppres-

sion for many students — they generally had "a friendly relationship" before her activism surrounding the Karega controversy.

Landa said she began to feel a negative change in her interactions with O'Flahavan, which only worsened after she joined the Academic Engagement Network (AEN), a group that seeks to mobilize professors and administrators in opposition to the BDS movement.

Landa noted that she informed O'Flahavan about her participation in AEN in April, and shortly afterwards about her invitation to speak at the group's inaugural conference. Less than a week later, O'Flahavan withdrew from a paper that he and Landa were set to jointly present on April 12, at the annual conference of the American Educational Research Association in Washington, DC. The paper was a comparative study based on research that Landa had conducted in Israel, and O'Flahavan — who contributed research from the United States — was the second author.

"He said he was not going to present the paper with me and he was not going to attend the conference for the first several days. He gave no explanation other than he had family obligations, and I was unable to contact him by phone or email throughout the conference," said Landa, who ultimately delivered the paper alone.

Ten days after the conference, Landa went to Israel for Passover, a trip she said she approved with TLPL department head Dr. Francine Hultgren "weeks in advance." While Landa arranged to have her teaching assistant cover her classes and also joined them via video conference, she said she received an email from Hultgren right before the first Seder on Friday, April 22, telling her that she was "compromising my professional responsibilities by being away for such a long period of time." Landa had been in Israel for three days at that point. By Monday, she was on a plane heading back to the United States.

The situation continued escalating after Landa received a microgrant from the AEN to establish a partnership with colleagues at the Levinsky College of Education in Tel Aviv over the summer. The partnership was based on Landa's research in Israel.

Landa said that days after she informed O'Flahavan about this opportunity, he reassigned her from the literacy team, which she had been involved with for over a decade, and which was crucial for her collaboration

with the Levinsky College.

"I was in shock, and tried to understand what the reason was, and the reasons kept shifting, both from [O'Flahavan] and Hultgren." Landa said she was distraught, and explained to Hultgren that this was her life's work and that her research depended on her participation in the literacy team, but "she supported Dr. O'Flahavan's decision."

Ultimately, "the explanation they gave me was that this course was now going to be taught partly on campus and partly in elementary school, and they didn't feel that I had enough experience and enough contact in the elementary school to do it successfully, despite the fact that I spent 17 years in Montgomery County public schools as a literacy educator before doing my PhD," Landa said.

When she asked to be assigned to a different course in the literacy program, "Dr. O'Flahavan informed me that none were available," Landa said. "Subsequently, I learned that he assigned them to doctoral students to teach." She noted that this goes against the policy of the college of education, which prioritizes the teaching requests of faculty members over those of doctoral students.

Landa said her offer to meet with UMD's ombuds officer to reach a compromise was rejected by O'Flahavan, while Hultgren met with the officer privately but did not agree to her proposed compromise.

"O'Flahavan cut me off from his cell phone, which he gives to all students and faculty members, he blocked my number, he informed me that his office phone was broken, and I had absolutely no way to reach him. He refused to speak with me," Landa said.

"Finally, when it was clear to me that there wasn't going to be an amicable resolution ... I filed a formal faculty grievance in February 2017," she added. She said this is when her work environment became "more hostile," and that neither O'Flahavan or Hultgren were on speaking terms with her.

"Two of the most senior members of the faculty attended the grievance hearing on my behalf, praising my work, and my professionalism, and my experience," she said.

UMD's Faculty Grievance Panel did not vote in Landa's favor, noting that TLPL had modified its curriculum and, according to O'Flahavan and Hultgren, other professors were better suited to teach the amended courses. However, the panel observed that some "underlying interpersonal issues between [Landa] and [O'Flahavan] may have also factored into the staffing decision." It added that Landa had a good teaching record, and should not be prevented from teaching

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**Tweeting**

groups and on stereotyping.

American Jews—like other Americans — are deeply divided on important issues, such as the Iran deal, the current prospects for peace between the Israelis and Palestinians, and the Trump administration's foreign policies. To generalize about "Jews" is both factually and morally wrong.

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**Praises**

sibility for the murders of border policeman Solomon Gavriyah, 20, and civilian security guards Youssef Ottman, 25, from Abu Ghosh, and Or Arish, 25, a resident of Har Adar.

"Israel alone bears responsibility for the Palestinian responses to the occupation's crimes against the members of our people," the movement stated.

Fatah activist Munir al-Jaghoub offered a further threat. "If it [Israel] continues its incessant aggression against the Palestinian people, it can only expect more violence," he

other literacy courses.

Three days after the panel issued its recommendation on June 5, Landa was informed that her contract would not be renewed.

"I believe that retaliation was part of their reason for firing me," she said.

Landa noted that several UMD professors expressed their support for her, but asked to remain unnamed due to fear of retaliation. "Two of them do not have tenure," she explained, while "three of the doctoral students who have supported me have experienced retaliation."

She noted that many of her former students have written letters protesting her dismissal, pointing to an open letter published by 17 of Landa's self-described "current and former students, and people of color," in UMD's student newspaper on September 13.

Landa "recognized and addressed the reality of racism in all her classes while advocating for faculty and students of color for more than 10 years," the students wrote. "Landa is our ally and was one of the best professors at this institution."

"Knowing that we attend a university that does not value her enough to retain her makes us feel the exact opposite," the students added, calling on UMD to reverse its "careless decision" and demonstrate its commitment "to lessening racism on the campus."

Landa's attorney observed "that every time Professor Landa stepped up her activism or spoke out, there was a quick and adverse response from her school [lost course, lost vacation time, not having her contract renewed]."

"When you see a pattern like the one we have here, you must question if there was a discriminatory motive for the actions taken against Professor Landa," Wilkenfeld added.

UMD representatives told The Algemeiner on behalf of O'Flahavan and Hultgren that while the university was "barred by law from commenting publicly about confidential personnel matters," it "does not tolerate discrimination in the workplace, and freedom of speech is protected on this and all public college campuses."

"For context on student and academic life, the Hillel chapter at UMD is the nation's third largest and most active," said spokesperson Katie Lawson. "The Gildenhorn Institute for Israel Studies, one of the nation's premiere programs of its kind, and Meyerhoff Jewish Studies Center support broad-based academic inquiry. The university also maintains strong exchange programs with premiere Israeli universities."

What the hard right and hard left share in common is special bigotry toward Jews: the neo-Nazi right hates the Jewish people; and the hard left hates the nation state of the Jewish people and those Jews who support it. Both views are bigoted and must not become acceptable among centrist liberals and conservatives.

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said. Many Israeli security analysts fear that the reconciliation process between Fatah and its Islamist rival, Hamas, will result in greater competition between the two as to who can more effectively prosecute Palestinian "resistance" to Israel's presence in the West Bank and Jerusalem.

The Har Adar attack comes as the US Congress prepares to vote on the Taylor Force Act — named for the former American serviceman murdered in a Palestinian attack in Jaffa in 2016 — that would make US aid to the PA conditional on a complete, verifiable end to its "martyr payments" policy.

## U.S. News.

## University of Illinois Chancellor Slams 'Antisemitic Attacks Hidden Under Anti-Zionist Rhetoric'

BY SHIRI MOSHE

The chancellor of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) on Sunday condemned rising antisemitism at American universities, including "anti-Semitic attacks hidden under the guise of anti-Zionist rhetoric."

In a statement issued in response to "growing national instances of intolerance, especially on college campuses," Chancellor Robert Jones denounced the pervasiveness of racist and antisemitic symbols and behaviors, from painted swastikas and KKK costumes to illegitimate attacks on the Jewish state and its supporters.

"Members of our Jewish, African American, Latino/a and many other residents of our diverse community find themselves asking whether they are welcome and safe here," Jones wrote. "The answer to that — whether in Urbana-Champaign, Chicago, or any place in this country — must be a clear and resounding: 'Yes, you are.'"

Earlier this month, while promoting a rally it was co-sponsoring, UIUC's chapter of Students for Justice in Palestine equated Zionism — the movement for Jewish national self-determination — with white supremacy and fascism. The group threatened to use "any means necessary" against supporters of each ideology, including "full-scale armed conflict."

During the rally, SJP displayed an Israeli flag that was covered in fake blood and the word "genocide."

Illini Public Affairs Committee (IlliniPAC) — a bipartisan, pro-Israel student group at UIUC — praised Jones' statement on social media "for affirming to Pro-Israel and Jewish students that our voice matters, and has been heard, on this campus."

"The University of Illinois is a pro-Israel campus that is a safe and welcoming community for all members," Hayley Nagelberg, a junior at UIUC and co-president of IlliniPAC, told The Algemeiner on Monday. "We work year round to stay in communication with our administration."

The group helped organize a letter campaign to the UIUC administration following SJP's comments, allowing students and alumni to express their frustration over the university's failure to respond to incidents that target and isolate the Jewish community.

"We feel that [Jones'] letter to the campus community responded to these statements," Nagelberg said.

"Words must be supported by action," she added. "IlliniPAC leaders will continue to advocate for the University of Illinois to take concrete steps toward protecting pro-Israel and Jewish students. Individuals and organizations who perpetuate hate must be held accountable. We will continue our efforts until that is achieved."

## Swastika Found at Georgetown U. on Rosh Hashanah Eve

BY SHIRI MOSHE

The president of Georgetown University in Washington, DC has called on his community to reject antisemitism and other forms of hatred after a swastika was found on campus on the eve of Rosh Hashana, the third such incident in recent weeks.

The painted symbol, which President John DeGioia described as "an abhorrent act of anti-Semitism," was discovered in a women's restroom at the LXR Hall dorm on Wednesday, alongside violent and misogynistic language.

"There is never a time or place for these acts, and this incident is even more disturbing during Rosh Hashanah," DeGioia wrote. "We stand in solidarity with our Jewish community and strongly condemn this act of hate, anti-Semitism, and sexism."

Earlier this month, two red swastikas were discovered in an elevator at LXR Hall. A swastika was found in another elevator at the Village C West residence a day before.

The school's police department is investigating the three cases and has ramped up its patrols around the residence halls.

Antisemitic vandalism has been uncovered at Georgetown five times this calendar year, according to the campus watchdog group AMCHA Initiative.

The number of reported hate crimes motivated by religious bias in the DC area rose from five in 2015 to 18 in 2016 — a 260 percent increase — according to police. A dozen of the 18 incidents targeted members of the Jewish faith.

## IBM Acquires Israel's Cloudigo Data Center Company

BY JNS.ORG

The American software giant IBM has announced its acquisition of the Israeli data center company Cloudigo for an undisclosed sum.

"I am glad to share that IBM acquired Cloudigo. Thank you very much to the amazing Cloudigo Team. Looking forward for our journey in IBM," Cloudigo co-founder and CEO Eran Gampel wrote on LinkedIn last week.

Cloudigo specializes in building data center infrastructure and is a leading provider of networking services.

Sources referred to the acquisition cost as "small," the Israeli financial news outlet Globes reported.

"IBM acquired a high-performance team focused on advanced networking technology that moves the networking function from the server to the edge, increasing data center efficiency," John Considine, general manager of cloud infrastructure services at IBM, wrote in a blog post.

Considine noted the Cloudigo team will work in IBM's "Cloud Innovation Lab."

IBM has made several previous acquisitions of Israeli technology companies, including the security software vendor Trusteer for an undisclosed amount believed to be around \$1 billion, as well as Israel-based Computing Solutions Leaders for an undisclosed amount that is reportedly about \$20 million.

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## Opinion.

# Trump Hammers UN Apathy and Amorality



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What a shame that the NFL controversy over the national anthem drowned out what should have been President Donald Trump's shining moment on the world stage — as he delivered one of the most powerful speeches on foreign policy that the famously amoral body has ever heard.

Last week, the world's leaders gathered for the 72nd United Nations General Assembly session. What they and millions of onlookers around the globe were waiting to see was what the famously outspoken president of the United States would say in his first address at the United Nations. What they got was a brilliant and decisively moral speech emphasizing how the United States would no longer tolerate the belligerency of rogue nations.

In the run-up to the speech, multiple diplomatic crises had converged in a frightening fit of concurrent escalation. North Korea was upping the stakes in a nuclear game of chicken with the United States, conducting its 15th illegal missile test this year — this time, firing a rocket right over Japan. Twelve days prior Pyongyang tested what appeared to be a hydrogen bomb, invoking a new wave of UN sanctions. And all this was before Kim Jong-un referred to Trump as “a mentally deranged US dotard,” causing people all over the internet to look up the meaning of dotard.

Meanwhile, the world's other nuclear menace, Iran, seemed to be charting its own crash course with the United States — one that, though subtler, is just as dangerous. Less than two years into the disastrous nuclear deal signed by former President Barack Obama, Iran already seems to be violating its barely-extant side of the agreement. Israeli intelligence officials have reportedly learned that interna-

tional IAEA inspectors were denied entry into a critical Iranian military installation and didn't bother trying to enter a number of other sites of suspected nuclear research and development. Speaking to reporters aboard Air Force One, Trump declared that Iran had “violated so many different elements” of the deal that the US would no longer “stand for what [the Iranians are] doing.”

With a deadline for Iranian sanctions relief coming up this October, many had come to believe that Trump might just scrap what he called “the worst deal ever.” Iranian President Hassan Rouhani responded just a few days ago with the not so veiled threat that Iran would “react swiftly” to an American cancellation of the deal. Apparently trying to intimidate the United States, Rouhani added that “if the US wants to increase the tensions, it will see the reaction from Iran.”

With all this circling, Trump was set to give his first address to the global community. And he delivered.

Trump offered a speech of crystal-clear moral clarity, one composed of words that were unequivocal in their denunciation of the world's most evil regimes — though he promised not to violate the sovereignty of other states.

In some of the strongest terms available to a head of state, Trump went after what he called “the scourge of our planet” — the regimes in North Korea and Iran. These regimes, he appropriately pointed out, “violate every principle on which the United Nations is based,” respecting “neither their own citizens nor the sovereign rights of their countries.”

North Korea is a country that has brutalized its citizens, starving them for years, while diverting resources to the country's military and nuclear program — a nuclear program that as Trump pointed out, “threatens the entire world with unthinkable loss of life.” Trump said that if forced to defend itself or its allies, America would “be left with no choice but to totally destroy North Korea.”

“Rocket man” and his “band of criminals,”



US President Donald Trump delivers his first address before the UN General Assembly last week. Photo: UN.

he said, were embarking not on a quest for nuclear power, but rather a “suicide mission.”

Trump would later be criticized for engaging in a war of words with Kim. But it was a relief to finally hear a head of state speak with candor about the evil that the North Korean government represents, and the extreme dangers of allowing rogue regimes to acquire nuclear weapons.

Iran, too, was finally called out by the American president as an “economically depleted rogue-state” whose financial woes were best explained by the fact that their “chief exports are violence, bloodshed and chaos.” He was referring of course to the blind-to-blood murderers that the Iranians fund in Lebanon, Iraq, Yemen and — to the most horrific effect — Syria. He did not, however, criticize Russia for its efforts in Syria. Beyond being the greatest destabilizing force in the Middle East, of course, Iran is also hell-bent on acquiring a nuclear weapon.

In addition, Iran not only suppresses its citizens' freedoms, but actually kills them in the streets, as the world witnessed in the 2009 Green Revolution. Our president made it clear that the American people would not be fooled by the “murderous” regime's “false guise of democracy.” Trump, instead, said that their regime was a “corrupt dictatorship.”

Trump then turned to the Iran nuclear deal. Again, he chose to unmask it for the farce that it is, calling it “one of the worst and most one-sided transactions the United States

has ever entered into,” and, more succinctly, an “embarrassment to the United States.” He threatened that with a recertification deadline less than a month away, “I don't think you've heard the last of it — believe me.”

The denunciations of rogue states is rare to nonexistent in the halls of the UN. The United Nations has embarrassed itself as it has repeatedly morally equivocated when it comes to brutal governments and terrorists regimes. Trump upended the UN's pathetic apathy. He made it clear that overall support from the United States to the UN would be dependent on the UN chartering a new course, hopefully one where terror-funding “rogue nations” like Iran, and not democracies like Israel, become the target of the UN's wrath.

In Trump's own words, “If the righteous many don't confront the wicked few, then evil will triumph.”

I watched as Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel praised Trump's speech as the boldest that he had ever heard at the UN. As a Jew, I felt gratitude. As an American, I felt pride.

The need for leaders to identify and confront evil was epitomized by Winston Churchill, when he stood atop his own historical podium in the bleakest moments of World War II. There, he stared down the evil of Nazism as he delivered his famous “Fight Them on the Beaches” speech, following the Dunkirk evacuation. He spoke without ambiguity of the existence of true wickedness, calling his German foes “a monstrous tyranny never surpassed in the dark, lamentable catalogue of human crime.” He told the free world, which was gradually rallying behind him, that even in the face of such a powerful enemy, they dare not abdicate their “duty to defend the world cause to which we have vowed ourselves.”

With leaders from around the globe in New York for a new session of the United Nations, we can only hope that President Trump's colleagues will follow his bold words and stop criminal regimes before they claim countless more innocent victims.

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# UK Newspaper Runs Op-Ed Promoting Palestinian Propaganda



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Former PLO adviser Diana Buttu has a history of not telling the truth about Israel.

During interviews in the early-to-mid 2000s, Buttu claimed (to several media outlets) that “between the period of 1997 until the year 2000, there wasn't a single Israeli who died of a suicide bombing inside Israel.” However, as CAMERA revealed at the time, 24 Israeli civilians were killed in six separate Palestinian suicide attacks during that period.

During the 2008-09 Israeli war with Hamas, Buttu bizarrely alleged, during interviews on CNN and Fox News, that rockets

fired from Gaza “do not have explosive heads.” In fact, those Palestinian rockets carried between 9-18 kilograms of explosives.

At a Harvard conference in 2012, she repeated the lie about “rockets without explosive heads,” and added another one, claiming that: “there weren't any grad rockets fired in 2008 and 2009.” Actually, as CAMERA revealed, dozens were fired.

More recently, CAMERA caught Buttu in another lie, complaining to journalist David Remnick (in a September New Yorker article) that the Israeli TV show “Fauda” never mentions the word “occupation,” and that the series doesn't show “a single checkpoint.” But contrary to Buttu's claim, the word “occupation” is heard in “Fauda,” and checkpoints do appear.

Buttu's latest smear against Israel was published in the *Guardian*.

Her op-ed (“Issa Amro is merely the latest casualty of Palestine's war on free

speech”) primarily focuses on the arrest of a Palestinian named Issa Amro for the “crime” of using Facebook to call for the release of a journalist who was detained by the PA for criticizing Mahmoud Abbas. Amro's arrest was based on a new law, which allows the imprisonment of Palestinians who use social media to criticize Abbas or other PA officials. Yet in her article, Buttu pivots to Israel by suggesting that Jerusalem has similarly enacted laws to “quash dissent.”

Here is the sentence in question:

*As part of Israel's tactics to quash dissent, it has arrested Palestinians, including Palestinian citizens of Israel, for writing poems, for criticizing Israel on Facebook and for broadcasting stories critical of Israel, its occupation or leadership.*

Once again, Buttu is being dishonest.

Whilst incitement to violence on social media is against the law in Israel, the police do not arrest Palestinians (or anyone for that matter) merely for criticizing Israel, its leaders or its policies — nor for broadcasting stories critical of the state. As the human rights organization Freedom House reports, there are no Israeli restrictions on criticizing government policy.

Further, the woman likely alluded to by Buttu, who was allegedly arrested for “writing a poem,” is Doreen Tatour. Tatour was indicted in 2016 for several acts of incite-

ment, including a poem that she posted on Facebook imploring Palestinians to “Resist, my people, resist them.” The poem called on Palestinians to join the “caravan of martyrs,” and was accompanied by a video:

The indictment also cited a Facebook post by Tatour suggesting that she'd become the next shahid (martyr), and another post in which she shared the following message by the terror group Islamic Jihad:

*The Islamic Jihad movement hereby declares the continuation of the intifada throughout the West Bank. ... Continuation means expansion ... which means all of Palestine. ... And we must begin within the Green Line ... for the victory of Al-Aqsa, and we shall declare a general intifada.*

While reasonable people can argue about whether or not the totality of the Facebook messages posted by Tatour amount to incitement, the suggestion that she was imprisoned merely for a poem criticizing the Israeli government is absurd.

Moreover, it's instructive to note that the UK has online hate and incitement laws, which are arguably harsher than those in Israel.

Under British law, you can be imprisoned for sending social media messages that are “indecent or grossly offensive, or which conveys a threat, or which is false, provided there is an intent to cause distress or anxiety

## Opinion.

## Iraqi Kurds' Independence Is Decades Overdue

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The Iraqi Kurdish vote for independence, taking place on Monday, is more than likely to pass. Sadly, however, not a single country (with the exception of Israel) has expressed support for the Kurds' impending historic decision to finally achieve self-determination. Although the passage of the referendum will not automatically lead to statehood, it represents a crucial step forward that opens the door for negotiations with the Shiite-led government in Baghdad to reach a lasting, permanent agreement on statehood.

Regardless of how difficult these negotiations will be, and notwithstanding the opposition to the referendum even by the Kurds' allies — especially the US — the Kurds must move forward with their plans.

To put things in perspective, a brief historical account of the Kurds' plight is warranted.

The Kurds are an ethnic group originating in the Middle East and are predominately Sunni Muslims; they speak a distinct language and share a singular cultural identity, despite being scattered across four countries. For centuries, the Kurds have been the largest stateless ethnic group (currently 30 million) in the Middle East, living under various empires and despots — where they faced discrimination and oppression, while being denied the right to enjoy their unique culture.

When the Kurds did attempt to establish a homeland, their efforts were short-lived: an independent Kingdom of Kurdistan that emerged in the aftermath of World War I lasted less than two years (1922-1924) before it was parceled out between Iraq, Iran, Turkey and Syria. In 1946, Iranian Kurds (with the support of the Soviet Union) declared a republic called Mahabad, but it collapsed the same year, when Iranian forces retook the territory.

Unsurprisingly, the four countries that most oppose Kurdish independence are the worst offenders of Kurdish human rights: Turkey, Iran, Syria and Iraq. They have systematically and ruthlessly oppressed their Kurdish minorities, which has left an indelible mark of resentment and disdain toward these countries.

Turkey houses the largest Kurdish community (15 million people, approximately 18 percent of the Turkish population). They have been fighting to preserve their ethnic identity and way of life, but their plight under the brutal reign of Turkey's President Erdogan is hard to enumerate. A UN report documented human rights violations including killings, disappearances, torture, destruction of houses and prevention of access to medical care, among scores of other abuses. Many Kurdish journalists are in jails and a dozen Kurdish parliamentarians were recently arrested, while collective punishment tactics have been employed against Kurdish towns and villages.

The eight million Kurds in Iran (nearly 10 percent of the population) officially enjoy political representation, but have historically experienced profound sociopolitical inequality, which emboldened the militant wing of the Kurdistan Democratic Party in Iran (KDPI) to turn to violence. In recent years, the conflict between the two sides has further intensified, forcing many Kurdish civilians to flee the country.

In Syria, the two million Kurds (about

9 percent of the population) have largely been politically inactive — though persecuted — under the Assad regimes. In the past five years, they have established a semi-autonomous region that Turkey vehemently opposes, fearing that it could prompt its own Kurds to seek autonomy à la the Iraqi Kurds.

None of these countries have the legal or moral right to oppose the Iraqi Kurds' referendum.

There are seven million Iraqi Kurds (roughly 15 percent of the population), who have been the target of persecution from day one following the establishment of the state of Iraq in 1922. The Kurds were mercilessly victimized under Saddam Hussein's regime, which killed at least 50,000 Kurds during the 1980s. Hussein also gassed 5,000 men, women and children to death in 1988. Since 1991, the Kurds have consolidated autonomous rule under American protection, which gave them the space to build a self-governing region that now enjoys all the markers of an emergent independent state.

Years of subjugation, mistreatment, discrimination and brutal repression have left the Iraqi Kurdish community determined to never again subject themselves to the whims of any Iraqi government. Kurdish nationalism is the real engine behind their drive toward statehood, and they will never compromise that — regardless of the near-universal opposition to their political independence.

The Iraqi Kurdish president, Mr. Barzani, has rejected a warning from the US that pursuing independence at this juncture will further destabilize the region and irreparably divide Iraq. "When" he asked, "have we ever had stability and security in this region that we should be concerned about losing it? When was Iraq so united that we should be worried about breaking its unity? Those who are saying these, they are just looking for excuses to stop us."

The irony is that while the Iraqi, Iranian and Turkish governments want their Kurdish communities to be loyal citizens, they have never understood that the Kurds' allegiance to their respective countries depends on the way that they are treated, the freedoms they are granted and the civility that they are accorded. To demand unconditional loyalty while robbing the Kurds of their basic human rights is the height of hypocrisy and falsehood.

Moreover, the raging madness in the Middle East further strengthens the Kurds' resolve to establish autonomous rule.

The Iraqi government will eventually resolve to negotiate with the Kurds — provided that Kirkuk is not included in the new state. Kirkuk is a contentious issue because of its huge reservoir of oil, and the fact that nearly half of its population are Arabs and Turkmen. Although Barzani insists that Kirkuk must be included in the referendum, he must work with the Iraqi government to negotiate a mutually acceptable solution.

The US and the EU must demonstrate that human rights, freedom and democracy are the inherent rights of every ethnic group, wherever they may reside — especially when they are grossly mistreated and their basic civil and human rights are systematically violated. Preaching the gospel of human rights but denying them to people who have been subjected to persecution and marginalization is hypocritical, deceitful and sinister.

The US' hypocrisy is particularly daunting because the Kurds have and continue to faithfully fight side-by-side the US and its allies against ISIS. Rejecting their quest for self-determination after years of

## Tradition.

## On Becoming an American

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This week, I became an American citizen. As I intently studied my naturalization certificate after the oath-taking ceremony, it struck me how fortunate I am to be accepted into this nation on the eve of Rosh Hashanah, of all occasions.

I should stress that my own story is rather routine and uninteresting. I came to the US from the United Kingdom with my family, I had a job and a home in New York, and as the years went by, I progressed from a work visa to a "green card" to full citizenship. Along the way, I did nothing more dramatic than fill out lots of forms and attend periodic interviews with immigration officials.

But there were 199 other people in the room with me, from 60 different countries, and with vastly different experiences that, nonetheless, led us all to this single moment. As I wound my way to my seat, climbing as delicately as possible over the outstretched knees and handbags on the narrow floor between the rows in the auditorium, I said hello to individuals I learned were originally from New Zealand, the Dominican Republic and the Philippines. When we went up to the stage to collect our naturalization certificates, it felt as if the entire world had been locked in the embrace of American democracy: a fellow from Cote d'Ivoire, another from Mali, a young woman from Bangladesh, an older woman from Ukraine, even a couple of people from Israel, just moments after we all swore the same oath of allegiance before the same flag.

For me, taking the oath was the most powerful part of the ceremony — the clearest reminder that America is built upon the idea of liberty, and the most compelling signal to all of us present we were now participants in the American republic. Consider, if you will, the last clause of the oath: "...and that I take this obligation freely without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; so help me God." Is there any pithier expression of the idea that we are, as humans, bestowed with individual consciousness, along with an innate ability to think and speak freely and make our own decisions, so long as the circumstances allow? Does any country represent and respect that idea better than the United States?

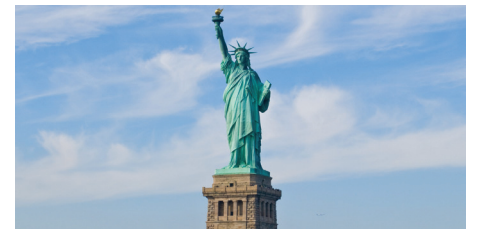
More than two centuries after the American Revolution, we accept this idea as commonplace. But that ceremony reminded me of just how revolutionary it is. Thomas Paine — a son of Norfolk, England, who came to these shores in 1774 — wrote in his splendid pamphlet, "Common Sense," that the "independence of America, considered merely as separation from England, would

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to the recipient." For instance, British courts in 2014 sentenced a 21-year-old man to six weeks in prison for a Facebook post praising the fatal stabbing of a 61-year-old teacher at a college in Leeds. That same year, a man was arrested for posting anti-Muslim material after the jihadist murder of Lee Rigby. And, in 2012, a British Muslim was prosecuted for a Facebook post in which he wrote that "all [British] soldiers should die and go to hell."

suffering and brutalization is unconscionable and shameful.

The US and EU must be at the forefront of supporting Iraqi Kurdish independence, and help bring an end to the historic travesty

*The Statue of Liberty. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.*

have been but a matter but of little importance, had it not been accompanied by a revolution in the principles and practice of governments."

These principles have been considered utopian, but I believe they also reveal a fundamental truth about how humans should be governed. We are imperfect, we are selfish, we will always clash, but we have as well common principles and common beliefs that bring us together — the task of government, therefore, is to reconcile those two poles in a manner that is lawful and liberal in the classical sense of that term. For all the bitterness of our current politics, who wants to live in a society where beliefs and opinions are imposed from above? I'd rather be free to pick my way through the drek of social media than have my access blocked by the government. I'd rather be free to express disappointment in the society I live in — silly and unjustified or eloquent and persuasive — than be compelled by my rulers to toe the line. That is a key element of the historic promise the US continues to offer.

In his speech to the UN on Tuesday, President Donald Trump quoted John Adams, the second US president, observing the American Revolution was "effected before the war commenced. The Revolution was in the minds and hearts of the people." That collective sense of freedom — which breeds furiously divergent opinions, rather than dull uniformity — is what led the French writer Alexis de Tocqueville to note in 1831 that America's free press contained "such a strange mixture of good and evil that, without its presence, freedom could not thrive and with its presence good order could hardly survive."

That ever-present tension, perhaps, is part of freedom's very nature — yet as the years have progressed, "good order" has become more stable at no discernible cost to our revolutionary liberties. And it's that same good order that allows us to take for granted what our forefathers in foreign lands certainly did not: the right to spend a peaceful Rosh Hashanah with one's family in a land with no established religion. This year, I will do that as an American for the very first time. Shanah Tovah.

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Buttu's allegations in the *Guardian*, characterizing Israel's crackdown on incitement to terror as an "assault on Palestinian dissent," are both context-free and counter-factual — essentially everything you'd expect from a PLO propagandist with such a well-documented record of lying about the Jewish state.

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that has been inflicted on this population.

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## Impressions.

### Member of IDF Aid Mission to Mexico: Helping People in Need Is in Our Hearts

BY BARNEY BREEN-PORTNOY

As Israelis prepared to celebrate Rosh Hashanah last week, several dozen members of the IDF Home Front Command were packing their equipment ahead of a 20-hour journey to Mexico, where they were being dispatched to provide assistance in the wake of the deadly Sept. 19 earthquake that rocked the central part of country.

Since their arrival in Mexico City on Thursday, members of the Israeli delegation have been taking part in search-and-rescue operations, as well as surveying damaged buildings.



Members of the IDF delegation in action on the ground in Mexico City. Photo: IDF Spokesperson's Unit.

"Our mission is to support the people here, and this is very important for us," Colonel (res.) Gili Shenhar told *The Algemeiner* by telephone from Mexico on Monday.

More than 300 people were killed and thousands were injured by the 7.1-magnitude tremor, whose epicenter was located around 76 miles southeast of the Mexican capital.

Shenhar praised the "very strong" resilience of the Mexican people, saying it was "really nice to see."

"So far, we have not been lucky enough to pull out anyone alive from under the rubble, but we have been able to find some bodies and bring them to the families who were waiting for them," Shenhar said.

On Monday, the Israeli team was working at the site of a collapsed six-story building.

"The gratitude of the people has been amazing," Shenhar said. "I've never seen such warmth. They keep saying, 'Thank you for coming.'"

"All people on the street, they recognize us immediately and say that we are the best and they are so happy we arrived," he continued.

The delegation is expected to return to Israel later this week.

Shenhar has taken part in numerous IDF aid missions over the past 25 years in different parts of the world, including Asia, Africa and Latin America.

"This is something that is in our hearts — helping people when they are in need," he said.

### The Unheard Story: Bulgaria's Rescue of 50,000 Jews During the Holocaust

BY KATRIN GENDOVA

You have probably heard of "Schindler's List" — Steven Spielberg's movie, which brought to life the story of a German member of the Nazi party who saved the lives of more than 1,000 Jews during the Holocaust, by employing them in his factories in occupied Poland.

You may have also heard of the heroic rescue of the Danish Jews: With the help of the Danish government, people and resistance movement, 7,220 out of the 7,800 Jews in that country escaped the Nazis, and found salvation in Sweden.

What's lesser known is the story of the 50,000 Jews who were saved by Bulgaria.

In his book, *Beyond Hitler's Grasp*, Michael Bar-Zohar states that, "For years, Bulgaria's Communist regime had tried to suppress the real story about [this] rescue for a very simple reason. The Bulgarian rescue had been carried out mostly by Communism's three worst enemies: the Church, the royal court, and the pro-Fascist politicians. The Communist regime couldn't admit that, fact because it contradicted its basic beliefs."

What's even more astonishing is that these 50,000 Jews were saved while Bulgaria was actually an ally of Hitler.

Bulgaria gained its independence from the Ottoman Empire in 1878. Yet the newly independent state did not receive all of the territories that it desired, leaving ethnic Bulgarians outside of its newly-formed borders. In order to gain its territories back, the country allied with Germany, because Hitler promised to help Bulgaria. But that alignment came at a certain price.

The rescue of the Bulgarian Jews was preceded by a series of dark events — especially the loss of 11,000 Jews in Thrace and Macedonia, who were sent to the Nazis, despite the fact that those territories were under Bulgarian administration. This happened because Germany did not acknowledge the annexation of Thrace and Macedonia to Bulgaria. Therefore, none of the Jews living in those areas received Bulgarian citizenship or nationality, making it impossible for the Bulgarian authorities to interfere.

The deportation of the Jews from Thrace and Macedonia alerted Bulgaria to what was about to follow in its country. In March of 1943, trains arrived in Bulgaria to transport all of the Jews straight to a death camp in Treblinka. Arrests began early in the morning, as policemen gathered Jews to await their deportation. However, not a single Jew left the country.

The local Metropolitan Kiril, ordinary Bulgarian citizens and members of the parliament mobilized against the deportation, and succeeded in preventing it.

The head of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church played a major role in the rescue, having arrived on the day of the deportation at the railroads where the trains were supposed to depart. Bishop Metropolitan Kiril sent a letter to the king of Bulgaria, pleading for the Jews to be saved. The

church also opened its doors and provided shelter for the Bulgarian Jews.

Due to the pressure of the public outcry and the persistence of the bishop, the king canceled the deportation, leaving the trains for Treblinka entirely empty.

Yet that did not stop Hitler from continuing to demand the deportation of the Jews. Months later, he tried again, requesting that all of Bulgaria's Jewish population be sent to Poland. In response, King Boris told the German leader that the country needed the Jews for labor; he then created labor camps where 20,000 men were sent to work — but remained in the country. The king's skillful and quick response to Hitler's demand prevented the second deportation of the Bulgarian Jews to the death camps.

The rescue of the Bulgarian Jews remained a long kept-secret until the end of the communist regime in 1989. Fortunately, documents that recorded details of it were only hidden and locked



The Sofia Synagogue in Bulgaria's capital city. Photo: Vassia Atanasova via Wikimedia Commons.

up — not destroyed. Historians were then able to show the world the bravery of ordinary citizens and the decisive intervention of the Orthodox Church and the king of Bulgaria during the Holocaust.

After the war ended, approximately 96% of the Jewish population in Bulgaria emigrated to Israel. The two countries have shared a special bond ever since. On a recent trip to Israel, former Bulgarian President Rosen Plevneliev said that, "As a relatively new country with cutting edge entrepreneurship that also boasts an ancient history, Israel is attractive to Bulgaria, which is one of the older countries in Europe, with a Jewish community whose roots date back more than 1,300 years."

In February of 2017, President Plevneliev was given the Friends of Zion Award in recognition of the 50,000 Jews rescued during the Holocaust — and acknowledging that Israel will not forget the lives saved by Bulgaria. With all of its dark and heroic moments, the story of a country that managed to protect its entire Jewish population whilst being an ally to Hitler is one that deserves to be recognized and remembered. Israel does — hopefully the rest of the world will, too.

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Notice of formation of 11 WATERFORD LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY, SSNY on 08/10/2017. Office located in Richmond County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 11 WATERFORD LLC, 421 Home Ave, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
AJ; 9/1/8/15/22; 10/6

Notice of formation of 421 HOME LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY, SSNY on 08/14/2017. Office located in Richmond County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 421 HOME LLC, 421 Home Ave, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
AJ; 9/1/8/15/22; 10/6

Notice of formation of 18 IROQUOIS LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY, SSNY on 08/14/2017. Office located in Richmond County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 18 IROQUOIS LLC, 421 Home Ave, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
AJ; 9/1/8/15/22/29; 10/6

Notice of formation of 105 MERSEREAU LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY, SSNY on 08/14/2017. Office located in Richmond County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 105 MERSEREAU LLC, 421 Home Ave, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
AJ; 9/1/8/15/22/29; 10/6

Notice of formation of 2910 RICHMOND LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY, SSNY on 08/14/2017. Office located in Richmond County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 2910 RICHMOND LLC, 421 Home Ave, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
AJ; 9/1/8/15/22/29; 10/6/

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION; Plaintiff(s) vs. KAIUM AKANDA; 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 December 8, 2016, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201. On October 12, 2017 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 922 HERKIMER STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11233 Block: 1713 Lot: 22 ALL that

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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, City and State of New York, known and designated on the Tax Map of the City of New York as Section 6 Block 1713 Lot 22 as said Map was on October 20, 1965. 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 \$608,434.66 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 4719-13 Kecia Juanita Weaver, Esq., Referee  
AJ; 9/8/15/22/29;

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court Of Kings HSBC Bank USA, National Association, as Trustee, in trust for the registered holders of ACE Securities Corp. Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2006-FM2, Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Plaintiff AGAINST Brenda Robbins, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 1/3/2017 and entered on 1/31/2017, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on October 12, 2017 at 02:30 PM premises known as 773 Logan Street, 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 and County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 4481, LOT: 56. Approximate amount of judgment is \$782,849.45 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 016170/2007. Lynn S. Okin, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706  
AJ; 9/8/15/22/29;

Notice of formation of 667 HUNTER LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY, SSNY on 07/13/2017. Office located in Richmond County. SSNY has been designated for service of process. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 667 HUNTER LLC, 421 Home Ave, Staten Island, NY 10305. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
AJ; 9/8/15/22/29; 10/6/13

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF Kings, MTGLQ Investors, L.P., Plaintiff, vs. Merley Alleyne a/k/a Merley C. Alleyne, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on June 01, 2017, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on October 12, 2017 at 2:30 p.m., premises known as 9101 Avenue N, Brooklyn, NY. 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, City and State of New York, Block 8275 and Lot 9. Approximate amount of judgment is \$365,355.18 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 510655/2015. Jageshwar Sharma, Esq., Referee Knuckles, Komosinski & Manfro, LLP, 565 Taxter Road, Ste. 590, Elmsford, NY 10523, Attorneys for Plaintiff  
AJ; 9/8/15/22/29;

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) name: 246 SANILAC REALTY LLC. Articles of organization

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filed with the secretary of state of New York (SSNY). On 09/01/2017 . Office location Richmond 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: The LLC 246 Sanilac street Staten Island, NY 10306. Purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ; 9/15/22/29; 10/6/13/20

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Homebridge Financial Services, Inc., Plaintiff AGAINST Josianne Valery; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated February 1, 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 October 19, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 871 East 46th 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 of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 4980 Lot 51. Approximate amount of judgment \$405,534.36 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 501049/2014. Joseph Defelice, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 10, 2017 47947  
AJ; 9/15/22/29; 10/6/

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS HSBC Bank USA, National Association as Trustee for Mortgageit Securities Corp. Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2007-1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Plaintiff AGAINST Patsy Carter; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated January 3, 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 October 19, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 388 East 57th 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 of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 4767 Lot 15. Approximate amount of judgment \$599,692.48 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 6390/2013. Steven David Cohn, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: July 27, 2017 47659  
AJ; 9/15/22/29; 10/6/

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings Bank of America, N.A., Plaintiff AGAINST George S. Gabriel, Celine Gabriel, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 3/15/2017 and entered on 4/10/2017, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on October 19, 2017 at 02:30 PM premises known as 144 Sterling Street, Brooklyn, NY 11225. 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: 1319, LOT: 17. Approximate amount of judgment is \$784,767.21 plus interests and costs. Premises will

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be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 506780/2013. Barry Martin Goldstein, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706  
AJ; 9/15/22/29; 10/6/

Notice of Formation of PONCHOS ROJAS LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/28/17. Office location: Kings County. Princ. office of LLC: 300 Greene Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11238. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at the addr. of its princ. office. Purpose: Any lawful activity.  
AJ; 9/15/22/29; 10/6/13/20

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT- COUNTY OF KINGS WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, AGAINST CLAYTON GREENE, MERLIN GREENE, et al. Defendant(s) Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly entered May 9, 2017 I the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Room 224, Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on October 19, 2017 at 2:30 PM premises known as 1064 E 105TH STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11236-3002 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, Block 8231 and Lot 68 Approximate amount of judgment \$162,716.49 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment. Index #508211/2013 Gregory T. Cerchione, Esq., Referee, Aldridge Pite, LLP - Attorneys for Plaintiff - 40 Marcus Drive, Suite 200, Melville, NY 11747  
AJ; 9/15/22/29; 10/6/

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY U.S. BANK TRUST, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR LSF9 MASTER PARTICIPATION TRUST; Plaintiff(s) vs. HYMAN WERZBERGER; 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 March 6, 2017, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201. On October 19, 2017 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 564 WYTHE AVENUE UNIT 8A, BROOKLYN, NY 11249-6642 Block: 02165 Lot: 1131 The Condominium Unit (the "Unit") known as Unit No. 8A in the premises (the "Premises") known as and by the street number 564 Wythe Avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, and being a unit of the Condominium plan known as THE 564-580 PARK PLAZA CONDOMINIUM, said Unit being designated and described as Unit No. 8A in a certain Declaration made pursuant to Article 9-B of the Real Property Law of the State of New York (the "Condominium Act"), establishing a plan for condominium ownership of the Building and the Land (the "Property") upon which Parcel I of the Land, the Building is situate (which Land is more particularly described below), which Declaration was date October 31, 2001 and recorded on January 25, 2002 in Reel: 5451 Page 14 of the Kings County Office of the Register of The City of New York. This Unit is

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also designated as Tax Lot 1131 in Block 2165 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 Maurice Brezel, R.A. and filed with the Real Property Assessment Department of The City of New York as Condominium Plan No. 872. Together with an undivided 1.358% interest in the Common Elements (as such term is defined in the Declaration). Parcel I (Lot 102). Parcel II (Lot 105). 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 \$243,813.49 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 511587/2014 Leo Salzman, Esq., Referee  
AJ; 9/15/22/29; 10/6/

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: LEE'S MEALS ON WHEELS,LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York (SSNY) on 06/05/2017. 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 C/O United states corporation agents, Inc. 7014 13th Ave. Suite 202 Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ; 9/15/22/29; 10/6/13/20

CITATION File No. 2015-4765/A PA. No. 145951 SURROGATE'S COURT, KINGS COUNTY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, By the Grace of God Free and Independent TO: Itamar Lichtenstadt, Jechiel Lichtenstadt, Johoshua Lichtenstadt, Moshe Lichtenstadt, Attorney General of the State of New York, New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, New York City Human Resources Administration, Rachel Alster, The spouse, if any, and any and all unknown distributees and creditors of PETER ALTSTADTER, deceased, whose whereabouts are unknown and if any of the aforesaid persons be dead, to their heirs at law, next of kin and distributees whose names and places of residence are unknown and if the persons died subsequent to the decedent herein, to their executors, administrators, legatees, devisees, assignees and successors in interest whose names and places of residence are unknown and to all other heirs at law, next of kin and distributees of PETER ALTSTADTER, the decedent herein, whose names and places of residence are unknown and cannot after due diligence be ascertained, A petition and an account having been duly filed by the Public Administrator of Kings County, who has offices at 360 Adams Street, Room 144A, Brooklyn, New York 11201, United States. YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Kings County, at 2 Johnson Street, Room 319, Brooklyn, New York, on October 17, 2017, at 9:30 o'clock in the fore noon of that day why: (a) The account of proceedings of the Public Administrator of Kings County as Administrator of the estate of PETER ALTSTADTER, a summary of which has been served herewith, should not be judicially settled; (b) The Public Administrator of Kings County should not be paid his commissions pursuant to SCPA §2307 in the amount of \$15,813.11, as set forth in Schedules C-1 and I of the Account; (c) The Public Administrator of Kings County should not be paid his administrative

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expenses pursuant to SCPA §1106(3) in the amount of \$3,978.76 as set forth in Schedules C-1 and J of the Account; (d) The Court should not fix, determine and approve the legal fees of Cullen and Dykman LLP, counsel to the Petitioner, in the amount of \$23,872.54 as shown in Schedules C-1 and J of the Account; (e) The Court should not fix, determine and approve the disbursements of Cullen and Dykman LLP in the amount of \$474.00 as shown in Schedules C-1 and J of the Account; (f) The claim of the New York City Human Resources Administration, in the amount of \$30,570.03, as set forth in Schedule D of the Account, should not be allowed; (g) The claim of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, if any, should not be fixed and determined; (h) The Petitioner should not be permitted to distribute so much of the net estate to the decedent's distributees, as now known or hereafter determined, as their interests may appear, and to deposit any amount not so distributed with the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York to be held for the benefit of decedent's unknown distributees or for the benefit of any distributees of the decedent who are under disability for whom no guardian of the property has been appointed; (i) The Petitioner, upon fully complying with the Decree to be made in this proceeding, should not be released and discharged of and from any and all liability, responsibility and accountability with respect to the Petitioner's acts and proceedings as Administrator as set forth and embraced in said account and the Court grant such other and further relief as it deems just and proper; Dated, Attested, and Sealed, August 25, 2017, HON. Margarita Lopez Torres, Surrogate, Doreen A. Quinn, Chief Clerk; Joseph J. Borges, Esq., Attorney Firm: Cullen & Dykman LLP, Address: 44 Wall Street, NY, NY 10005-2407, (212)701-4175. [NOTE: This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not required to appear. If you fail to appear it will be assumed that you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney appear for you, and you or your attorney may request a copy of the full account from the petitioner or petitioner's attorney.]  
AJ; 9/22/29; 10/6/13

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff AGAINST David L. Newby, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 3/28/2017 and entered on 4/28/2017, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on October 26, 2017 at 02:30 PM premises known as 390 Madison Street 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 and County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 1825, LOT: 24. Approximate amount of judgment is \$849,187.10 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 21785/2011. Gregory T. Cerchione, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706  
AJ; 9/22/29; 10/6/13

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC., Plaintiff AGAINST

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Anthony Omisore a/k/a Anthony I. Omisore; Ibeth Omisore; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated February 24, 2017 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on October 26, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 1247 37th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11218. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 5296 Lot 57. Approximate amount of judgment \$650,403.31 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 42891/2007. Michael Korsinsky, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 30, 2017 48427  
AJ; 9/22/29; 10/6/13

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff AGAINST Bruno Brancalone; Maria Brancalone; Robert Goldschmidt; Antonella Goldschmidt; Anna Fattorusso; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated July 14, 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 October 26, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 2051 West 10th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11223. 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 7096 Lot 62. Approximate amount of judgment \$1,227,564.11 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 15699/2013. Shmuel Taub, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 18, 2017 48225  
AJ; 9/22/29; 10/6/13

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.; Plaintiff(s) vs. CESAR L. ROCHA; MARVIN E. ZUNIGA; 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 November 28, 2016, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder in Room 224 of, Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201. On October 26, 2017 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 41 LOGAN STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11208-1312 Block: 4102 Lot: 4 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, 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 \$57,813.40 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 508093/2015 Mark A. Longo, Esq., Referee  
AJ; 9/22/29; 10/6/13

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REFEREE'S NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff - against - ANTONETTE WILSON, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on November 1, 2016. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction, in Room 224 Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on the 26th Day of October, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Brooklyn, the County of Kings, and the State of New York. Premises known as 100 07 Seaview Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11236. (Block: 8303, Lot: 7) Approximate amount of lien \$926,587.55 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 506545/2015. Doron Leiby, Esq., Referee. Davidson Fink LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 28 East Main Street, Suite 1700 Rochester, NY 14614-1990 Tel. 585/760-8218 Dated: August 2, 2017  
AJ; 9/22/29; 10/6/13

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 26th Day of October, 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: September 6, 2017  
AJ; 9/22/29; 10/6/13

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR HSI ASSET SECURITIZATION CORPORATION MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES 2006-HE1, Plaintiff AGAINST BARBARA HUGHES AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF ARENZO HUGHES, SEREATHA HUGHES AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF ARENZO HUGHES, SHAKEYIA HUGHES AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OF ARENZO HUGHES, SHAMMEL HUGHES AS HEIR TO THE ESTATE OR ARENZO HUGHES, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated February 21, 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 October 26, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 144 CHESTNUT STREET, 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

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of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK 4127, LOT 32. Approximate amount of judgment \$737,451.76 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment for Index #8644/2013. Lenore Kramer, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williams-ville, NY 14221 48643  
AJ; 9/29; 10/6/13/20

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE TO BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. AS SUCCESSOR TO LASALLE BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MERRILL LYNCH FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-2, Plaintiff AGAINST ANNISA DANCE and RUSSELL DANCE, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated February 01, 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 November 02, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 686 WORTMAN AVENUE, 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 and County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK 4546, LOT 100. Approximate amount of judgment \$844,763.15 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment for Index# 511425/2014. David J. Hernandez, Esq., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williams-ville, NY 14221 48023  
AJ; 9/29; 10/6/13/20

Notice of formation of PLLC Name: City Pain Management and Anesthesiology Service PLLC articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of the New York (SSNY) on 09/09/2017 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 process to :The LLC 7101 Narrows Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11209 Purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ; 9/29; 10/6/13/20/27; 11/3

Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: National precious metals,LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/11/2017 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: Blair Fourney 1810 Front Street #18 East Meadow, NY 11554. Purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ; 9/29; 10/6/13/20/27; 11/3

File No. 2011-901/C CITATION The People of the State of New York By the Grace of God Free and Independent TO: STANLEY WEINBERG ELLIS WEINBERG DAVID LEE WEINBERG EST A TE OF ROSALYN WEINBERG JUVELIER, by KENNETH JUVELIER, Administrator PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR OF NEW YORK COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK To the unknown heirs at law, next of kin and distributees of RUTH ROSENBAUM, deceased, if living and if any of them be dead, to their respective heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, legatees, executors, administrators,

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assignees, creditors and successors in interest whose names are unknown and cannot be ascertained after due diligence. A petition having been duly filed by STANELY WEINBERG, who is domiciled at 67 Maria Court, Kendall Park, New Park, New Jersey, YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court for the County of New York, located at 31 Chambers Street, Courtroom 503 New York, New York, on the 3rd day of November 2017, a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, why an Order should not be made in the estate of RUTH ROSENBAUM, lately domiciles in the county of New York state of New York, determining that there are no distributees of the Estate of Ruth Rosenbaum a/k/a Ruth Weinberg Rosenbaum other than the paternal distributees of Ruth Rosenbaum, to wit, Stanley Weinberg, Ellis Weinberg, David Lee Weinberg, Stanley Weinberg, and the Estate of Rosalyn Weinberg Juvelier, directing that the net estate of the decedent Ruth Rosenbaum remaining in the hands of the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York, to wit, the sum of \$77,419.99, together with all interest, less court allowed fees and expenses, if any, be paid over in equal shares to the above-noted distributees or to whom they may direct in an acknowledged authorization, that this Court direct upon whom and the manner service must be made upon possible unknown distributees, and for such other and further relief as may be just in the premises, and that this Court gives effect to the provisions of SCPA §2225 for the determination of distributees. Dated, Attested and Sealed: New York, New York August 23, 2017 HON. Rita Mella Surrogate Diana Sanabria Chief Clerk, Robert Damast, Esq. Lauterbach Garfinkel Damast & Hollander, LLP 81 Main Street, Suite 304, White Plains, New York 10601 (914) 448-0170 This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not obliged to appear in person. If you fail to appear it will be assumed that you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney at law appear for you.  
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NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings PennyMac Corp, Plaintiff AGAINST Nataliya Dobrer, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 11/28/2016 and entered on 12/13/2016, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on November 02, 2017 at 02:30 PM premises known as 3543 Leif Ericson Drive, Unit C2 a/k/a 3543 Shore Parkway, Unit C2, Brooklyn, NY 11235. 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: 8782, LOT: 1113. Approximate amount of judgment is \$622,665.31 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 507031/2014. Steven D. Cohn, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706  
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Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: MIND ALTAR RECORDS LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 07/18/2017. Office location: Kings county. SSNY

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## Social.



Performers at the "Women in Power" concert during the TLVinLDN event in London. Photo: #TLVinLDN.

## 15,000 People Attend Largest Ever Israeli Cultural Festival in Europe

BY JNS.ORG

The largest-ever Israeli cultural event in Europe, TLV in LDN, attracted some 15,000 people to the five-day event to celebrate Israeli culture and diversity in London.

The Israeli Ministry of Strategic Affairs and Public Diplomacy, the British Jewish community and the British Embassy in Israel hosted the event Sept. 7 – 11.

Some of Israel's top female singers, including Ethiopian-Israeli Ester Rada, performed for hundreds of locals during Sunday's celebration, under the theme "Woman in Power," at the historic Roundhouse Music Hall in London.

"We came from Tel Aviv to bring you love," said Rada, as she opened the evening before a soul music performance from Maximilian Blumin.

Israeli-Arab singer Mira Awad also performed and sang in English, Hebrew and Arabic, with Yemenite-Israeli trio A-WA concluding the three-hour show with

their performance.

The festival saw some 15,000 Londoners revel in Israeli culture, fashion and cuisine. Locals enjoyed culinary workshops provided by Israeli master chefs, as well as performances from an eclectic group of 120 Israeli vocalists, and an LGBT party over the weekend.

The festival encountered some opposition, and saw some anti-Israel BDS protestors demonstrate at the event. An unusual scene unfolded when Israeli Chef Shaul Ben Aderet handed out sweets to the protestors, which had originally been prepared for festival attendees.

"Recently, thousands of Londoners have had the chance to experience Israeli culture, something which we can and should be proud of, especially in places where individuals try to portray in a bad light," said Israel's Minister of Strategic Affairs and Public Diplomacy Gilad Erdan, who initiated the festival in collaboration with the British Jewish community.

## Software Giant SAP Buys Israeli Startup Gigya for \$350 Million

BY JNS.ORG

SAP, the world's fourth-largest software company, announced over the weekend that it has acquired Israeli startup Gigya for \$350 million in cash. The deal is expected to be finalized within the next few weeks.

The German multinational software giant, whose name stands for "systems, applications and products" in data processing, has been active in Israel since 1998. The company is headquartered in Ra'anana and employs over 700 workers.

Customer identity management company Gigya was founded in 2006 in Tel Aviv by Eyal Magen, Rooly Eliezerov and Eran Kutner. The company currently maintains offices in California, New York, Tel Aviv, London, Paris, Hamburg, and Sydney.

Gigya employs 100 people in Israel. Its core operations focus on analyzing user data for large



SAP headquarters in Germany. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

websites, and its clients include Fox News, Forbes, Pepsi and the NBA. Gigya's technology is used by some of the largest media corporations to "get to know" their users by analyzing user habits, in the hope of cementing user loyalty.

Gigya has raised \$104 million to date in seven financing rounds, the latest in November 2014. Gigya investors include Israel's Vintage Investment Partners, Adobe, Intel Capital and Advance Publications, which owns American mass media company Condé Nast. The company's value in the last round was estimated at \$300 million.

## Decapitated Toads Found in 4,000-Year-Old Canaanite Jug

BY JNS.ORG

Archaeologists with the Israel Antiquities Authority (IAA) made a surprising finding — decapitated toads — within a nearly 4,000-year-old jug dating to the Canaanite period, during a recent dig outside of Jerusalem.

The dig's site, located near the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, shed light on the burial customs in the Canaanite period during the Middle Bronze Age. During excavations in the past few years, archaeologists have uncovered two settlement sites, two temples and a number of cemeteries.

"At that time, it was customary to bury the dead

with offerings that constituted a kind of 'burial kit' which, it was believed, would serve the deceased in the afterworld," said Shua Kisilevitz and Zohar Turgeman-Yaffe, the excavation directors for the IAA.

"When we removed the stone that blocked the tomb opening, we were excited to discover intact bowls and jars. In one of the jars, to our surprise, we found a heap of small bones," the archaeologists explained. The bones were that of at least nine toads, all of which had been decapitated.

"For an archaeologist, finding tombs that were intentionally sealed in antiquity is a priceless treasure, because they are a time capsule that allows us to



David Tanami, an Israel Antiquities Authority archaeologist, works in the narrow tomb opening to bring out the jar. Photo: Shua Kisilevitz / IAA.

encounter objects almost just as they were originally left," Kisilevitz and Turgeman-Yaffe said.

Found along with the toads were date palms and myrtle bushes, which do not normally inhabit the area and were likely planted intentionally as part of an orchard where funeral rituals were held and offerings, such as the headless frogs, were made for the dead.

## Opinion.

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# Do Advocates for Palestinians Ever Listen to Palestinians?



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If you pay any attention to advocates and supporters of the Palestinians who live outside the Middle East, you would think that the Palestinians in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip are mostly interested in settlements, boycotts, “occupation,” savaging Israel and achieving a two-state solution. You have to wonder if these activists ever speak to Palestinians who live in the territories — because when pollsters ask for their opinion, it becomes clear that their actual views are quite different.

The Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research (PSR) conducted its latest poll this month, and found that “an overwhelming majority of the Palestinian public is worried about the future of liberties in Palestine.” Mahmoud Abbas in the West Bank, and Hamas in Gaza, both deny Palestinians their basic civil rights: freedom of speech, freedom of worship, freedom of the press and freedom of assembly. Women’s rights are virtually nonexistent, and there is zero tolerance of LGBTQ Palestinians.

As I’ve written before, advocates who claim to care deeply about the welfare of the Palestinians never stand up for the Palestinians’ rights when they’re abused by the Palestinian Authority (PA), or criticize the authoritarian rule of Abbas. When was the last time that the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, Arab American Institute, Students for Justice in Palestine, Jewish Voice for Peace, CAIR or any other pro-Palestinian group spoke out against the abuses? They only find their voices if they can find some way to blame the Jews — because they prefer anti-Israel propaganda to aiding the Palestinians.

But the Palestinians oppressed by their leaders know better. While advocates abroad are free to speak out — but do not, journalists and activists in the territories are routinely arrested. More than 80% of respondents said that the PA does not have the right to detain activists such

as Issa Amro, who was arrested and reportedly beaten for criticizing the PA’s detention of Palestinian journalist Ayman al-Qawasmī. Most Palestinians admit, however, that they are afraid to criticize the Palestinian Authority.

When asked what they consider to be the most serious problem confronting Palestinian society, the public ranks poverty and unemployment, and the spread of corruption in public institutions, as their top two concerns. Only 23% say that their top priority is the continuation of occupation and settlement activities. But when was the last time that you heard a Palestinian activist talk about poverty and corruption?

While Abbas periodically threatens to disband the PA in response to Israeli actions, as if this would somehow punish the Israelis, 50%



Palestinians in Ramallah. Photo: Wikimedia Commons

of Palestinians wish that he would — because they consider the PA “a burden on the Palestinian people.” A whopping 67% of the public also want Abbas to resign (80% of Gazans), and 65% are dissatisfied with his performance as president.

We hear a lot from Israel’s detractors about the blockade of Gaza, which was precipitated by Hamas terror attacks, but Gazans are increasingly angry with Abbas. According to the survey, “Gazans are moving away from Fatah and the Palestinian leadership in an unprecedented way,” because of sanctions that Abbas imposed on the Gaza Strip to try to pressure the people there to turn on Hamas.

Given the conditions in the PA, it is not surprising that 43% of Gazans and 22% of West Bank Palestinians say that they want to immigrate to other countries. Note too, how you never hear Palestinians or their supporters calling for people

to move to the PA territories to build the state or fight for independence; this is one of many contrasts with the Jewish people’s commitment to their homeland.

Advocates for the Palestinians who tend to be hostile toward peace talks and a two-state solution are more in tune with the Palestinian people in the territories. Nearly three-fourths of the Palestinian public don’t think that the Trump administration is serious about reaching a peace agreement, and 55% are opposed to accepting an invitation from the administration to resume negotiations with Israel. A slim majority—52%-47% — support the two-state solution; 31% favor a one-state solution.

One positive development in the survey was an increase in support for non-violent resistance (still only 26%), which the pollsters attribute to the success in forcing Israel to remove metal detectors from the entrance to the Temple Mount. The survey also found, however, that support for violence had increased, and that 35% of the public believes that violence is the most effective means of achieving independence. More ominously, 45% support a return to an armed intifada in the absence of peace negotiations.

One interesting finding is that the Palestinians seem to have developed a more realistic view of the importance of their cause to the Arab world. While some advocates (and Arabists) perpetuate the myth that the Palestinian issue is central to the stability of the Middle East, 77% of Palestinians believe that “the Arab world is too preoccupied with its own concerns, internal conflicts, and the conflict with Iran, and that Palestine is no longer the Arab’s principal or primary issue or cause.”

Advocates for Israel are sometimes accused of blindly supporting the Israeli government when, in fact, there are no shortage of Israeli critics of the state’s leaders and policies. The same cannot be said of our Palestinians’ friends.

The selective outrage and morality of advocates for the Palestinians is apparent from their silence when it comes to the mistreatment of Palestinians by their own leaders. This hypocritical obsession with Israel’s real and imagined sins highlights their insincerity, and reveals that most care less about the welfare of the Palestinians than the demonization, if not destruction, of Israel.

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NOTICE OF QUALIFICATION of GELLERT KENT THREE LLC. Authority filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 9/14/2017. Office location: Kings County. LLC formed in DE on 8/23/2016. SSNY has been designated agent upon whom process may be served and shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC c/o Levy, Stopol & Camelo, LLP, 1425 RXR Plaza, Uniondale, NY 11556-1425. Cert of Regis filed DE SOS, 401 Federal St. #4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.  
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In his Rosh Hashanah sermon, Wise said the “horror” of the Nazis’ recent enactment of anti-Jewish laws “was made more full of horror by the act of our own government in apologizing with exaggerated profuseness and abjectness to the Nazi regime for a word of disrespect and contempt for that regime, uttered in the course of a judicial decision from the bench of the lower criminal court of our city. Such apology would have come more fitly if our government had ever uttered one brave word in condemnation of the program and the practices of the Nazi regime.”

President Roosevelt did not utter “one brave word” against the Nazis’ persecution of the Jews from the time Hitler rose to power, in early 1933, until after the Kristallnacht pogrom, in late 1938. The reason for his silence was that FDR was keenly interested in maintaining good diplomatic and economic relations with Nazi Germany. That was apparently a higher priority for the Roosevelt administration than Hitler’s persecution of the Jews.

The Roosevelt administration also appeased the Nazis in other ways.

Secretary Hull apologized to the Nazis again, in 1937, when New York City Mayor Fiorello La Guardia called Hitler a “fanatic who is threatening the peace of the world.” President Roosevelt personally forced Interior Secretary Harold Ickes to remove critical references to Hitler and Nazism from several of his speeches in the 1930s.

And the Roosevelt administration actively undermined American Jewry’s boycott of Nazi goods. The administration quietly permitted goods made in Nazi Germany to be labeled as having been made in a particular city or province rather than requiring that they be stamped “Made in Germany,” so that some consumers would not realize that they were buying German products. The policy was altered only when the boycott activists threatened to sue.

For the president and his advisers, political expediency trumped all other considerations. Some things never change, one might say.

# Rosh Hashanah, FDR and Nazi Germany



RAFAEL MEDOFF/  
JNS.ORG

On Rosh Hashanah, one of the most prominent rabbis in the United States devoted his sermon to condemning the president of the United States, over his response to a recent controversy involving an anti-Nazi protest.

But the year wasn’t 2017. It was 1935, and the president was Franklin D. Roosevelt.

That rabbi, Stephen S. Wise was the head of the American Jewish Congress, a leader of the American Zionist movement and spiritual leader of Manhattan’s Free Synagogue; he was arguably the most prominent rabbi and Jewish leader of his era. Wise was also one of the founders of the NAACP and the American Civil Liberties Union, and a staunch supporter of President Roosevelt

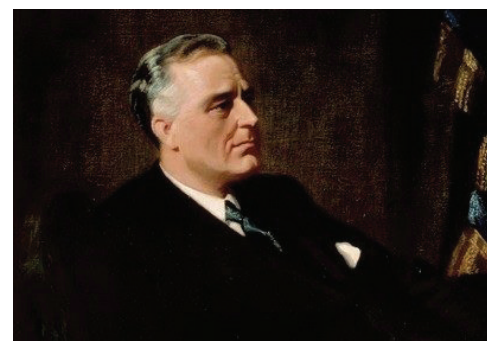
and the New Deal.

The notion of publicly criticizing the president, whom he adored, was anathema to Rabbi Wise — until the day that the S.S. Bremen came to town.

On July 26, 1935, the German ocean liner sailed into New York’s harbor, proudly flying the swastika flag, the notorious symbol of Adolf Hitler’s Nazi regime. It was greeted by crowds of anti-Nazi protesters, some of whom burst past the police lines. They torn down the Nazi flag and hurled it into the water. Six of the demonstrators were arrested.

But when the protesters were arraigned before New York City Magistrate Louis Brodsky on September 6, Brodsky dismissed the charges, on the grounds that tearing down the Nazi flag was justified. It was the S.S. Bremen that was guilty, the judge declared; it had engaged in “gratuitously brazen flaunting of an emblem which symbolizes all that is antithetical to American ideals.” Hitler’s ship was the equivalent of “a pirate ship with the black flag of piracy proudly flying aloft,” Brodsky ruled.

The German press was furious. Propaganda Minister Josef Goebbels’ newspaper, Der



Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

Angriff, called Judge Brodsky “an Eastern Jew,” who promoted “Jewish-communistic agitation.” The Berlin newspaper *Boersen Zeitung* accused Brodsky of “incomparable impudence and brazen-faced provocation of the honor of the German people.” The *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* blasted Brodsky’s ruling as “an unheard-of insult to Germany.”

Hitler’s ambassador in Washington, Hans Luther, demanded an official US government apology. And he got one. Secretary of State Cordell Hull sent the Hitler regime a note expressing “regret” at Judge Brodsky’s ruling.

American Jews were shocked and dismayed by the Roosevelt administration’s position. For the first (and last) time, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise publicly challenged FDR’s policy concerning the Nazis.