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Pro-Israel Groups Praise Trump's Closure of PLO DC Office



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A number of US-based, pro-Israel groups have praised the Trump administration's decision to close the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) office in Washington, DC.

The American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) said in a statement, "This action

complies with legislation adopted by bipartisan congressional majorities. The PLO itself triggered the law's required closing of the office by pursuing efforts at the International Criminal Court to isolate and delegitimize Israel."

"For years, the PLO has placed obstacles in the path of peace and has now refused to enter negotiations with the Israelis or meet with American officials," the AIPAC statement continued. "We urge the

Palestinian leadership to return to the negotiating table with the Israelis and cease its efforts to delegitimize Israel in international forums."

Pastor John Hagee — the founder and chairman of Christians United for Israel (CUFI) — said, "Despite the US and Israel bending over backwards, through aid and concessions, to try to bring Palestinian leaders to the negotiating table in good faith, the PA

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PA Demands Arab Support for Anti- Trump Diplomatic Campaign

BY BENJAMIN KERSTEIN

The Palestinian Authority has decided to embark on a political and diplomatic campaign against the Trump administration, Israel's *Channel Two* reported on Wednesday.

The Palestinian Authority's foreign minister, Riad al-Maliki, told official Palestinian radio that he had turned to the Arab states for support against Trump's policies toward the Palestinians.

These policies have included the defunding of the Palestinian refugee agency UNRWA, major cuts in aid to the PA, and the shuttering of the PLO mission in Washington, DC.

Maliki informed attendees at an Arab League summit



US President Donald Trump and Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas in Bethlehem on May 23, 2017. Photo: The White House.

in Cairo of the Palestinian decision to engage in an anti-Trump campaign, including in international forums, and demanded Arab support.

A columnist close to Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas asserted in a recent column that "the US has been conquered by Israel," and *Channel Two* said this was the general attitude in the PA government, according to anonymous sources.

However, the sources also said, "Our toolbox is empty, we have to keep our heads down and wait."

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Opinion.

Why Did the Clintons Share the Stage With Farrakhan?

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A version of this article first appeared in *The Hill*.

Imagine President Trump being invited to speak at the funeral of a white singer who he admired (say, Ted Nugent, if he were to pass) and seeing that David Duke was on stage in a place of honor. Well, President Clinton gave a speech in the presence of Louis Farrakhan at the funeral for Aretha Franklin. Hillary Clinton was sitting off to the side but did not speak.

Why would President Clinton, a good man and a friend of the Jewish people, do this? There are several possible answers. First, he was taken by surprise at Farrakhan's presence and didn't want to do anything to disrupt the service. But the "shoe on the other foot" question remains: Would he have acted similarly if it had been Duke rather than Farrakhan?

Second, Clinton doesn't believe that refusing to sit alongside a bigot is the proper response to bigotry. Again the "shoe on the other foot" question remains: Would he sit alongside Duke?

Third, Clinton doesn't regard Farrakhan as comparable to Duke. But that is simply wrong. Farrakhan is a blatant anti-semitite with an enormous following. Finally, Farrakhan's antisemitism is not considered as serious

a problem as Duke's white supremacy. But without getting into comparisons of bigotry, antisemitism is a serious and growing problem.

Farrakhan is at least as bigoted as Duke. This is a man who only last year called Jews members of the "Synagogue of Satan" and claimed that Jesus called Jews the "children of the devil." Farrakhan is also a homophobe claiming that Jews are "responsible for all of this filth and degenerate behavior that Hollywood is putting out turning men into women and women into men." In the past, Farrakhan delivered similar remarks claiming that "when you want something in this world, the Jew holds the door" and calling Adolf Hitler "a very great man." He's also a racist claiming a few years ago that "white people deserve to die."

Many younger people on the left may not know the extent of Farrakhan's bigotry, or they may condone it by claiming he did a service for African American communities. For example, Tamika Mallory, cofounder of the Women's March, called Farrakhan a "GOAT," or greatest of all time, and Congressman Keith Ellison, deputy chairman of the Democratic National Committee, once called him a "role model for black youth."

Earlier this year, a photo of Barack Obama smiling with Farrakhan taken in 2005 emerged. (Although I supported President Obama, both in 2008 and 2012, I would not have campaigned as enthusiastically for him had I known then about this suppressed photograph.) Ellison, who may become Minnesota's next attorney general, later distanced himself from Farrakhan but, like Mallory, claimed

that Farrakhan's contribution to African American empowerment is "complex." Would we accept this kind of complexity and nuance if a white singer's family had invited Duke?

Liberals need to make unequivocally clear that the Democratic Party tent will never be big enough for anti-semites and anti-Americans like Farrakhan, just as Republicans need to do the same with sympathizers of the alt-right. There are not "good people" on the side of antisemitism, any more than there are "good people" on the side of white supremacy.

There is no place for a double standard when it comes to antisemitism. Black antisemitism should not get a pass on account of the oppression suffered by so many African Americans. Neither should "progressive" tolerance of antisemitism of the kind shown by Bernie Sanders backing Jeremy Corbyn, the antisemitite leader of the British Labour Party who may well become the next prime minister of America's closest ally.

Just contrast the Aretha Franklin memorial service with the controversy surrounding the decision of the New Yorker to invite Steve Bannon for what promised to be a critical conversation with the magazine's editor, David Remnick. After many prominent



Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan. Photo: Reuters / Rebecca Cook.

liberals, such as Judd Apatow, Jim Carrey and Patton Oswalt, announced that they would not attend lest they "normalize hatred," Bannon was disinvited. Chelsea Clinton tweeted, "For anyone who wonders what normalization of bigotry looks like, please look no further than Steve Bannon being invited by both @TheEconomist & @NewYorker to their respective events in #NYC a few weeks apart."

To that I would add, look no further than the Clintons sharing the stage with Farrakhan. I hope they will take this occasion to distance themselves from, and strongly condemn, Farrakhan's antisemitism.

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Soviet Antisemitism in a British Guise

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It's back.

The "it" I refer to is a phenomenon pretty much unknown to newer generations of Jews in terms of direct experience, but it will be remembered clearly by folks who lived through the Cold War — and particularly those Jews, in the United States and around the world, who campaigned for their brethren imprisoned in the Soviet Union.

Soviet antisemitism — a form of Jew-hatred whose distinctive characteristics mark it out from other forms of antisemitism — was state policy in the USSR, arguably from the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution onwards, but indubitably so in the post-World War II period.

Some people find it hard to compute that the same USSR whose Red Army liberated Auschwitz in 1945 also practiced antisemitic policies using the official classification of Jews as a "constituent nationality" to then discriminate against them in employment, education, and emigration rights, to harass them in their observance of the Jewish religion, and to conduct a mass propaganda campaign against "Zionists."

By the same token, it's hard for people to understand how Britain's Labour Party — many of whose activists and leaders fought against British fascism in the 1930s — has now itself become immersed in antisemitism under a leader, Jeremy Corbyn, who has spent the greater proportion of his political career

using the word "Zionist" as a pejorative, rather as the USSR's official mouthpieces used to do.

Sadly, just as Nazi antisemitism didn't quite die out after the war, Soviet antisemitism has survived the rubble of the Berlin Wall. So it is perhaps fitting that it should reemerge in the pages of a newspaper that bewailed the fall of that very same wall, and the attendant collapse of Communist Party tyranny, as a tragedy of world-historic proportions.

For much of its existence, *The Morning Star*, Britain's Communist newspaper, was a slave of the Soviet Union. Old habits die hard, it seems — an editorial in the paper this week that attacked the "Jewish establishment" for allegedly scheming to bring down Corbyn was horribly reminiscent of the kind of screed about "Zionists" that was once daily fodder in the Soviet press.

Here is a flavor of what was said, and how it was expressed: To start with, the phrase "the Jewish community" was published with quotation marks around it, intimating that, in contrast to other communities in Britain, it is somehow artificial or inorganic. This was done to underscore that the British Jewish communal bodies subsequently listed in the

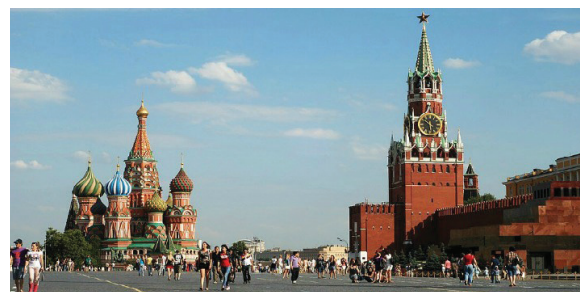
piece — from the Board of Deputies to Labour Friends of Israel — are actually unrepresentative, corrupt agencies that function as a "pro-Israel Lobby ... more concerned with silencing critics of Israel than combating anti-Semitism."

The article went on to charge Margaret Hodge, a Jewish Labour parliamentarian and staunch opponent of Corbyn, with "belittling" her own father's experiences as a refugee from the Nazis; quoted a Jewish left-winger who ventured in all seriousness that Britain's Jewish leaders are committed to "censorship and outlawing views other than their own"; and warned that even if Labour adopted the IHRA definition of antisemitism without qualification — the source of the present row — the relentless campaign against Corbyn would continue.

"Labour's enemies, including its most embittered fifth column, have tasted blood," the article concluded, "and won't end their attacks until Corbyn is hung out to dry."

How do these accusations and denunciations resemble Soviet antisemitism? To take one example, in January 1977, Soviet TV broadcast a "documentary" titled *Traders of Souls*. In that one hour-film, noted the American scholar William Korey, "the image of the Jew as money-changer ran throughout ... he is the 'trader of souls.'"

Korey carried on describing the film as follows: "Television footage of Israel portrayed scenes of battlefields strewn with hideously misshapen corpses and bandaged Arab children. ... Soviet



Red Square in Moscow. Photo: Wiki Commons.

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World News.

US Special Envoy Jason Greenblatt Details Thinking Behind Israeli-Palestinian Peace Plan

BY JOSH HASTEN
/ JNS.org

Tasked by US President Donald Trump to help reach the “deal of the century,” Jason Greenblatt, who serves as one of Trump’s top Middle East envoys, has a herculean task before him: to help negotiate the peace plan between the Israelis and the Palestinians.

Along with Trump’s son-in-law and senior adviser Jared Kushner, Greenblatt — whose official title is assistant to the president and special representative for international negotiations — has been the face of the Trump administration’s efforts to roll out a comprehensive plan for Mideast peace. He has traveled numerous times to the region over the past 18 months, often meeting with top officials from Israel and the Arab world to gauge the situation.

The son of Hungarian Jewish refugees, Greenblatt has had a longstanding relationship with Trump, serving as executive vice president and chief legal officer to the Trump organization prior to him taking office. A lawyer by trade, Greenblatt is a relative newcomer to the world of diplomacy, especially when it comes to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, which has befuddled its share of Middle East experts and US senior diplomats over the decades.

Ahead of Rosh Hashanah, Greenblatt speaks with JNS reporter Josh Hasten about current bonds with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Israel, the rocky relationship with Palestinian Authority leader Mahmoud Abbas, other regional powers at play, and the complex and uncertain prospects for peace.

Q: How do you view the overall relationship at this point between the United States and Israel under the current Trump administration?

A: I think that the relationship between the United States and Israel has never been stronger, and I don’t think we’ve ever had a president more supportive of the State of Israel. And I think that it’s clear that the support is returned by Israelis, who have clearly expressed their appreciation to President [Donald] Trump for his policies relating to Israel. He’s done something no other president had the courage to do. He recognized the reality that Jerusalem is and always will be Israel’s capital. And he finally moved the United States embassy to Jerusalem, where it always belonged.

Probably the best way I can end this answer to your question is by quoting a friend of mine who everybody in Israel knows well and does a terrific job here in Washington, DC, representing the State of Israel, Ambassador Ron Dermer. [He] recently said in a speech at a Christians United for Israel [CUFI] event and I quote, “There has never been a US administration more supportive of Israel than the Trump administration. Frankly, it’s not even close,” he said.

Q: Without getting into specific details, what makes this attempt at peace between Israel and the Palestinians fundamentally different than previous attempts?

A: Well, first of all, let me thank you for not asking for specifics. You are unique in starting your question that way. I usually have to start the interview by saying, “I’m not going to give you any details,” so I appreciate that very much.

I think our plan begins with reality. It recognizes the history of the conflict of course, but [other plans] were always relying on tired notions of what it should be. Instead, it focuses on what it could be. Our plan isn’t just a two-page term sheet; it’s an extensive document that we’ve developed that explains how we think the conflict can be resolved. It lays out each issue and proposed solutions very clearly so both sides can understand beyond an aspirational term sheet what the solutions really are and whether they are going to be willing to live with those proposed solutions. It’s the result of extensive consultation with Israelis, Palestinians from before the Jerusalem announcement because at the moment Palestinian leadership is not talking to us — much to their detriment, I would add. It’s also after extensive conversation with regional leaders and other stakeholders. All of their questions and concerns have helped us forge a plan into a deal which we think is realistic, fair, and equally important, implementable.

Q: Turning attention to Syria, with a much more serious conflict continuing to rage in that country, why is America focusing efforts on resolving a relatively calm conflict in the West Bank, in which there is security cooperation right now between Israelis and Palestinians?

A: Jared [Kushner], David [Friedman] and I have been charged by the president to try and achieve a comprehensive peace deal between Israelis and Palestinians. That’s our mandate. And I understand that serious people may be skeptical about whether or not we can reach a peace agreement — a comprehensive peace agreement — and I think that’s very understandable. But I think there are very few people in the world who would oppose an attempt at finding a solution, and while it’s true that there are other conflicts in the region — and as I’ve said many times, this is certainly not the core conflict in the region, as others have said — we think that there are unique circumstances now that warrant an attempt at trying to see whether or not we can do this. President Trump, as devoted and dedicated to the State of Israel and the Jewish people as he is, he’s also dedicated to trying to help the Palestinian people, and the way we can marry those two ideas is by trying to reach a comprehensive peace agreement.

Q: In the same vein — and we have seen this in recent weeks — the Trump administration has announced a series of cuts to the Palestinian Authority and funding for UNRWA. What is the goal by making those cuts, and do you think this will help urge the Palestinians to come back to the negotiating table?

A: I think there are a couple of things I have to unpack in that question. The first is that earlier this year, the president directed a review of US assistance to the Palestinian Authority, as well as to the West Bank and Gaza, to ensure that the funds were being spent in accordance with US national inter-

ests, and also providing value to the US taxpayer. Per that review and at the direction of the president, we’re going to be — as was announced a few weeks ago — redirecting more than \$200 million of fiscal year 2017 economic support funds that was originally planned for programs in the West Bank and Gaza. Instead, those are going to go to higher priority projects elsewhere. And I want to make clear that that decision is separate from, but also consistent with, Congress’ purpose in passing the Taylor Force Act, which restricts assistance to the Palestinian Authority unless

tion. But I want to stress again that we view UNRWA’s model as irredeemably flawed.

Q: In your Aug. 9 CNN op-ed, “Israelis and Palestinians must unite against shared threat,” you call Hamas “an Islamic fundamentalist terror organization” that seeks to destroy Israel, while at the same time you call on the Palestinians in Gaza to choose peace. How is it possible to put the Palestinians in Gaza on a path towards peace as long as Hamas continues to rule over their lives while neglecting their interests?

A: I was a little bit surprised when I



Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu (right) is pictured here meeting in Jerusalem with President Donald Trump’s international negotiations representative Jason Greenblatt (left), US Ambassador to Israel David Friedman (second from left), and Trump’s son-in-law and adviser Jared Kushner to discuss the peace process in June 2017. Photo: Matty Stern / US Embassy in Israel.

the Palestinian Authority ends the abhorrent practice of payments to imprisoned terrorists and the families of terrorists.

Let’s move over now to UNRWA [United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East]. Because as you are probably aware last week, we made an announcement regarding UNRWA, and there are a few points I want to make about UNRWA. First of all, it’s been clear for years that UNRWA’s model of operations is completely unsustainable. And we’ve said repeatedly that UNRWA needs to seek out new voluntary funding streams. They need to increase their burden-sharing among donors, and they also have to find ways to reduce their expenditures. A little bit of progress has been made, but as the current situation demonstrates, not nearly enough progress.

We also made it clear back in January, when we made our \$60 million contribution, that the US is no longer willing to shoulder a disproportionate share of UNRWA’s costs while other donors lag behind, and they don’t match their rhetoric with real-world action. Our \$60 million contribution that we made back in January still makes the United States one of UNRWA’s most generous donors for 2018. I’ll point out in praise that Jordan, Egypt and Sweden, and other stakeholders, have encouraged better burden-sharing, and others have stepped forward. But at the end of the day, the international community did not prove itself willing to fix this problem. UNRWA is nearly out of funds, and it’s time in our view to have everybody acknowledge that their business operation is a failing model. It’s tied to an endlessly and exponentially expanding community of beneficiaries; it’s unsustainable, it operates in permanent crisis mode, and we have decided to no longer commit to funding this irredeemably flawed operation.

We also believed that Palestinians deserved better than this crisis-driven model. Wherever they live, they deserve to plan for their future and the future of their children. We’re mindful of the impact on innocent Palestinians, including schoolchildren. And we’re ready to engage with other governments in the region and elsewhere to see if we can transition UNRWA’s services to other governments or international organizations; we welcome participation in that conversa-

started on this file how little attention was paid to Hamas in Gaza. Most people spend a lot of time just talking about catchwords and phrases and slogans that have been used on this file for years without focusing [on the fact] that at the end of the day, if we don’t resolve the situation in Gaza, it will be an obstacle on the road to peace. So separate from the humanitarian issue that I feel terrible about — what the Palestinians in Gaza are going through. Hamas itself is an obstacle on the road to peace. It’s not a secret that the Palestinians of Gaza are hostage to Hamas, and they have suffered terribly under Hamas’s iron-fist rule. It’s also not a secret in my opinion that Hamas bears the ultimate responsibility for that suffering, much to the detriment of the Palestinians in Gaza. Many countries will not admit that out loud, although they certainly tell me that in private meetings. But the Palestinians of Gaza are not monolithic. And there are Palestinians in Gaza who would rather seek peace, instead of watching violent protests and rockets and burning kites with swastikas adorned on them. And we’re just going to have to work very hard to reach that population, and I think we can and we have to. There is no way around that. We must do that.

Q: While we’re on the topic of Hamas, is there a major risk if Israel decides to give up important tracts of land in a peace deal, and afterwards, the PA — as was the case in Gaza — becomes replaced by Hamas? Is there a huge risk that they would then not live up to their side of the bargain?

A: Without getting into the specific details, I will tell you this very, very clearly: This administration is absolutely committed to Israel’s security, and we very much believe that the plan that we developed clearly reflects that. Ultimately, both sides are going to have to be comfortable with the plan. When I say “be comfortable,” among the things that they’ll have to be comfortable with is [that] Israel is going to have to be comfortable that what we put forth in the plan does not put Israel at risk. And we think we’ve devised a plan that takes all of

Israel’s security issues — and they are many, as you know — and we take that into account. When we reveal the plan, the security experts are going to digest it, and they are either going to confirm that we did the right job

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US Ambassador to Israel David Friedman lays a flower in honor of those who died in the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks. Photo: Yossi Zamir, KKL-JNF Photo Archive.

9/11 Memorial Ceremony Held in Jerusalem

BY JNS.ORG

The US Embassy in Israel, along with several other Jewish organizations, held its annual service in commemoration of the 17th anniversary of those who lost their lives during the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

The memorial ceremony took place at the only 9/11 memorial outside the United States—a 30-foot-high bronze sculpture created by Israeli artist Eliezer Weishoff and landscape architect Yechiel Cohen.

It depicts “the American flag folded into the shape of a memorial flame; a metal shard from the ruins of the Twin Towers is incorporated into the base of the monument, which overlooks a magnificent vista of the Jerusalem Hills and the Arazim Valley,” according to a joint press release from the embassy, the Jewish National Fund (JNF-USA) and Keren Kayemet LeIsrael-Jewish National Fund (KKL-JNF).

“In this beautiful plaza, at this inspiring location, we remind the families of those lost,

and we confirm to people everywhere, that we stand together—Americans and Israelis—and that together we continue to heal and to build, in a spirit of solidarity and commitment to the future,” said US Ambassador to Israel David Friedman.

“This monument holds with it a commitment to all the victims, survivors and their families,” said KKL-JNF vice chairman Yair Lootsteen. “It is a commitment to plant and grow, in a place where some wished to disrupt, uproot and tear apart. Here we choose, each year, to take an oath in the name of those who have lost their lives—to do all we can to build a better future for the next generations.”

JNF-USA chief Israel officer Eric Michaelson said, “the 9/11 Living Memorial stands as a bright beacon of the shared values and brotherhood of both our nations; as we look past even the darkest times and remain standing together, giving each other the strength to continue building a better world for the future.”

“We are grateful to Pres. Trump for taking this bold and righteous stance,” Hagee added. “And we would also like to thank Congressional leaders including Sen. Ted Cruz and Reps. Mark Meadows and Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, for their consistent strength on this issue.”

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persists in inciting violence against the Jewish state and thumbing its nose at the US. The PLO remains, first and foremost, an advocate for terror against Israel. In the face of such persistent Palestinian obstinacy, this move is long overdue.”

Report: Popular Ex-IDF Chief of Staff Benny Gantz to Form New Political Party

BY BENJAMIN KERSTEIN

Benny Gantz, the former IDF chief of staff who led the army during the last war with Hamas, is set to form his own political party, Israel's Channel Two reported on Wednesday.

Gantz's performance in 2014's Operation Protective Edge was viewed largely positively in Israel, and his political ambitions have been the subject of much speculation. Gantz is generally presumed to be center-left in orientation, but has kept silent on political issues thus far.

According to Channel Two, Gantz has chosen the option of setting up an independent party because this will give him greater latitude in the next round of coalition negotiations. Rather than tie his destiny to the

center-left parties Yesh Atid or the Zionist Union, which would likely remain in opposition, an independent Gantz would be able to maneuver for a possible ministerial post in a Likud-led government.

A poll taken in June showed that an independent party led by Gantz would have a considerable effect on Israeli politics. While Likud would remain the dominant force, with 28 Knesset seats, Gantz's party would take 13, just behind Yesh Atid at 14 seats and well ahead of the Zionist Union, which would drop to 10 seats.

The results indicated that Gantz would draw seats that would otherwise have gone to all three of the leading parties, not just the center-left opposition bloc.

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Jewish activists were shown embracing Israeli athletes while the commentator asked: ‘How can it be that Zionist cadres were allowed to form inside the USSR?’ The broadcast was followed by a slew of newspaper articles with headlines like “The Espionage Octopus of Zionism,” replete with wild claims that will probably be familiar to many British Labour Party social-media activists — for example, that US oil companies “are directly controlled by pro-Zionist capital.”

Most of all, there was the Soviet practice of wheeling out “citizens of Jewish nationality” to denounce Zionism as a “racist” tool of “imperialism.” In March 1983, the Soviet news agency TASS even published a definition of Zionism drawn up by the state-run “Jewish Anti-Zionist Committee” that read as follows:

“In its essence, Zionism is a concentration of extreme nationalism, chauvinism, and racial intolerance, justification of territorial seizure and annexation, armed adventurism, a cult of political arbitrariness and impunity, demagoguery and ideological sabotage, sordid maneuvers and perfidy.”

To my mind, the most obvious question here to Jeremy Corbyn, *The Morning Star*, and those of a similar pedigree, is this: Is there anything in this Soviet definition of Zionism that you *disagree* with? Make no mistake, the answer is critically important, because it is exactly this characterization of Zionism that grounded both the USSR's domestic persecution of its Jewish community, and its international alignment with Arab regimes and terrorist groups.

If the answer is to disagree with this formulation — highly unlikely, given that Corbyn himself was present at dozens of left-wing political gatherings during the 1970s and '80s where Soviet and Arab antisemitic

literature was distributed — then it is a disingenuous one. Because when Corbyn and those in his camp speak and write about the triangle of Jews, Zionism, and Israel, these are the terms in which they think, and have always thought.

That is why Corbyn's house journal uses terms like “embittered fifth column” to describe their leader's Jewish opponents — also used by Valery Emelyanov, an official Soviet ideologue, in 1978 to describe the “internal danger” posed by Soviet Jews. It's why they have no qualms about saying that Jewish leaders opposed to Corbyn have “tasted blood,” despite the associations with the antisemitic blood libel that such a metaphor unleashes; then again, Vladimir Begun, a particularly toxic Soviet antisemite, wrote with great enthusiasm of the “blood-thirstiness” that was inherent in “Zionist gangsterism.”

Given the number of occasions that Corbyn publicly defended the Soviet regime — “The Soviet Union makes far greater nursery provision than this country” (1984), “I do not believe that [the USSR] has ever intended to invade western Europe” (1990) — he was clearly well aware of Moscow's stance on all the key international matters of the time, as well as its propaganda practices. That doesn't make him a spy, but it does make him an ideological fellow-traveler. And as *The Morning Star* has demonstrated by defending Corbyn with an ugly rhetorical assault on British Jews, that Soviet-inspired journey rolls on.

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and took everything into account, or if we didn't, we're going to hear their comments and concerns, as we will listen to all comments and concerns about it. But we will not put forth a plan or endorse a plan that doesn't meet all of Israel's security issues because they are of extreme importance to us.

Q: At a rally in Charleston, W.V., on Aug. 21, President Trump said that Israel would pay a "higher price" in future talks with the Palestinians as a result of the US recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital and moving the embassy. The president added that the Palestinians "will get something very good, because it's their turn next . . ." What is that "higher price," and what is in store for the Palestinians, especially at this juncture as their leadership is threatening to thwart any US-led peace plan?

A: We think what we have developed is the best opportunity for a fair deal for both sides. There are parts of the plan Israel is going to love, and there are parts that Israel is not going to like. And the same is true for the Palestinians. So what we want people to ask themselves after reading the plan is: Will we be better off with this plan or continuing without it? We think both sides are going to gain a lot more than they give. But to answer your question specifically — and I didn't discuss the specific comment with President Trump — but I believe that he meant that if we're lucky enough to have both sides negotiating our plan in good faith, we hope that Israel will take into account President Trump's good-faith efforts in advancing the goal of peace. His recognition of Jerusalem though, and the moving of the embassy, was not intended to exact a price out of Israel. There is no particular demand on Israel in exchange for those decisions.

Q: When 31-year-old Israeli Yotam Ovadia was murdered this summer just outside of Jerusalem by a Palestinian terrorist, you asked the following on Twitter: "When will President Abbas and the Palestinian leaders condemn the violence?" A few days later, you defended Ambassador Friedman for visiting Ovadia's widow after he was condemned by the P. for doing so. You added that it was "not surprising" that no condemnation over the attack itself had been issued. What does that say to you about America's ability to work with the current PA leadership?

A: I think David [Friedman] and my tweets speak for themselves, and I think that what happened was outrageous. However, I will point out that we are ready to work with the current PA leadership if the PA leadership is ready to lead. That does mean condemning terror; it means fully engaging with our peace plan in good faith. I'll remind everybody that no one loses more than the Palestinian people when their leadership condemns a plan that they've never seen. No one loses more than them when the leadership falsely claims that they have killed a plan that hasn't even seen the light of day yet. And no one loses more than them if their leadership will refuse to engage on the peace plan when it is revealed.

Q: That said, since Oslo — and here we are, 25 years later — the PA has systematically incited its population through state media, schools and textbooks, public speeches, the glorification of "martyrs" and the sponsorship of terrorism, including the PA's "pay to slay" policy that Abbas says he will continue to implement, despite bills passed both in the United States and Israel to prevent it. What makes you think that the Palestinian people are prepared to enter into a peace accord?

A: We do believe that many Palestinians want to live in peace, and they want to see their lives improved. They wanted to see their lives improved, by the way, even before a peace accord would be reached, but certainly after a peace accord. If we're wrong, then we are going to fail as others have failed before us. But I would say that we owe it to Israelis and Palestinians to try our utmost to see if we can finally achieve a peace deal. And I firmly believe under today's circumstances that we find ourselves in, for so many reasons, that history will judge us if we don't try.

Q: Can Mahmoud Abbas one day become a partner for peace?

A: I certainly hope that President Abbas chooses to engage with the peace plan, and I hope he decides to lead his people to a better and brighter future, which is what this plan could bring the people. I think that working with the Trump administration is President Abbas's best opportunity to possibly achieve many of the goals that he has set out for himself and his people. And without engaging on the peace plan, there is not only not going to be any such opportunities, but the Palestinian people will fall further and further behind. Moreover, the continued condemnation of the peace plan is going to yield no solution whatsoever to the Palestinian people. So our hope is that, yes, he will realize when he sees the plan that he should become a partner for peace.

Q: Taking the Middle East into account when talking about a future peace plan, how does Israel's new status as a regional economic, technological and military superpower change Israel's bargaining position in any peace negotiations?

A: I wouldn't describe it as bargaining positions. What I see relevant is Israel's success over the last 70 years, which has been nothing short of amazing. And I think it should stand as an example to Palestinians and the region of what they could achieve if their leaders engage on the peace plan and let us help them help themselves. And we have spent a great deal of time not just on the political aspects of the peace plan, but also on the economic portions of the peace plan. It's important for us to point out that the peace agreement itself is not the end of

the road; it's the days after and the years after. We have spent a great deal of time figuring out what happens post-peace agreement. And obviously, a big component of that is the economy, and I think that the Palestinians can see what Israel has accomplished, and I hope that they want that for themselves as well. That's not to say that we are pushing an "economic peace"; we're certainly not, and we understand the Palestinians will not accept an "economic peace." So I wanted to be clear that our plan is not an economic peace; it's a comprehensive peace, but of course, it focuses on the economy because that's so important to a successful peace agreement.

Q: Will any peace deal need approval from regional partners, including Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Jordan? Is that something that is needed to achieve the comprehensive plan you are describing?

A: Approval is a strong word. I think that the only real path forward to a peace deal is direct negotiations between Israelis and Pales-

tinians. I do think that the regional partners are key players in our efforts, and we have done extensive consultations throughout the region and throughout our process. We're also hopeful that we can count on their support, and I use the word "support" rather than "approval," so they can help the Palestinians achieve a better future. I think they are essential; I think they will be helpful. I hope they will be helpful, but I would not use the word "approval."

I just want to add one more point — the advice that I would give everybody, Israelis, Palestinians, everybody else who is interested in the file — is wait until the plan is released, and when it's released, please read it cover to cover to judge the plan on its merits — not on rumors, not on speculation, not on news reports, but on what's in it. Really read it. We hope that once Israelis and Palestinians in the region and everybody else who wants to help will read it, that Israelis and Palestinians are going to have the courage to engage in the plan and lead their people to a better future.

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GREETINGS FROM RABBI MEIR KAHANE BETH SHIFRA

I have always said that in Heaven there is a great Synagogue. And as with all synagogues there is an East wall at which, like in all synagogues, sit the truly distinguished. But, unlike all synagogues where the truly distinguished are distinguished for their money and external attributes, in this great synagogue, we will be stunned to see whom the Almighty - the great Gabbai, warder, of Heaven - seats at the East Wall and who is relegated to the "ordinary" rows.

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Bogus Purim Service Broken Up

A group of missionaries in Brighton Beach who rented Public School 225 on the premise they were holding a social, attempted to hold a bogus "Purim Megilla" reading. The missionaries widely advertised their program in Russian as well as English throughout the Manhattan Beach and Brighton Beach area in an effort to entice young people to their service. However, when the real purpose of the "service" was discovered, groups from Boro Park, Flatbush, Crown Heights

and Monsey descended on the area to help the staff of the Beth Shifra Institutions break up the rally.

Since many of the protesters missed the Megilla reading, the staff of Beth Shifra held to Megilla readings, so those who were instrumental in breaking up the rally could observe the Mitzva properly.

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Opinion.

New Book Defends Resurgent Nationalism by Quoting Ben Gurion



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BOSTON

Many of the latest headlines boil down to a conflict about nationalism.

Great Britain's exit from the European Union, Donald Trump's attempt to erect a border wall and renegotiate the terms of international trade agreements, Russian meddling in American politics, and public marches by avowed racists wind up being described in the press as actions by "white nationalists."

Into this fray comes Yoram Hazony, president of the Herzl Institute in Jerusalem, with a new book, *The Virtue of Nationalism*, just published by Basic Books.

Hazony argues that nationalism — "when nations are able to chart their own independent course, cultivating their own traditions and pursuing their own interests without interference" — is preferable to the alternative of imperialism, "uniting mankind, as much as possible, under a single political regime."

He argues that the two options are mutually exclusive. He finds the roots of nationalism in the Hebrew Bible, contrasting it with the Roman Catholic Church's more universal vision.

It's a provocative case. Hazony takes aim at a series of intellectual giants much beloved by classical liberals and libertarians. John Locke was an English philosopher who was read and appreciated by America's founding fathers. Hazony faults him for emphasizing the individual at the expense of loyalty to families, tribes, and nations. Ludwig von Mises was an Austrian economist who found refuge in New York in 1940. Hazony accuses von Mises of having "openly advocated dispensing with national states in favor of a 'world super-state.'" Friedrich Hayek was a Nobel laureate economist who taught at the University of Chicago. Hazony faults Hayek for having endorsed, in a 1939 article on "The Economic Conditions Of Interstate Federalism," in Hayek's words, "the abrogation of national sovereignties and the creation of an effective international order of law."

Hazony notes that the German philosopher Immanuel Kant, in his book *Perpetual*

Peace, also backed an "international state, which would necessarily continue to grow until it embraced all the people of the earth."

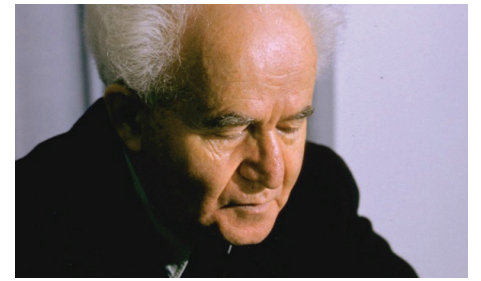
Hazony marshals a series of arguments about why these worldwide visions are worse than nationalism. He says they are unworkable, coercive, and inconsistent with human nature.

His most vivid argument, though, may be his least abstract one.

"I have been a Jewish nationalist, a Zionist, all my life," Hazony writes.

Hazony quotes David Ben-Gurion, a founder of the State of Israel, speaking in November 1942, bemoaning that Jewish children and elders were being "buried alive in graves dug by them ... because the Jews have no political standing, no Jewish army, no Jewish independence, and no homeland."

Though Zionism long predated the Holocaust, the Holocaust became important to Jewish nationalism. For most Jews, in other words, the absence of a Jewish state — not enough nationalism — led to the Holocaust. Yet as Hazony notes, there's a competing, "almost perfectly irreconcilable" view in which German nationalism led to the Holocaust. "According to this view, it is not Israel that is the answer to the Holocaust, but the European



Israel's first prime minister David Ben Gurion.
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Union," Hazony writes.

It's that juxtaposition that is Hazony's strongest case. To most Jews the answer to this one is self-evident. It doesn't require reading a lot of abstract philosophical tracts. It's a simple choice. Safety and survival and freedom are far more likely to come from having a land with borders and a military under the control of one's own people — a nation — than by relying on a distant bureaucracy in Brussels or at the United Nations that emits lofty language about universal ideals and liberal internationalism.

Voters in Britain, America, and elsewhere are increasingly reaching similar conclusions. Those seeking to understand these developments can look to Hazony's book for a concise, thoughtful, strongly put case that resurgent nationalism is reason not for concern but for relief.

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Iran Is Smuggling Weapons Through Lebanon, and Israel Must Respond

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A recent report by Fox News stated that Iran has begun using civilian flights to Beirut international airport for the trafficking of weapons to Hezbollah. This report, which may well have been leaked to Fox by an intelligence service, points to a highly dangerous development. If continued, it has the potential to place the 12-year-old period of calm between Israel and Hezbollah in jeopardy.

While Iranian arms-smuggling across the region is nothing new, Tehran's efforts have traditionally focused on moving the arms by land vehicles into Lebanon from Syria.

From Syrian airports, the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) disperses the weapons by ground transport to Hezbollah depots and launch sites across Lebanese villages, towns, and cities. This is how Hezbollah's arsenal of projectiles — estimated at around 150,000 — has grown larger than that of most NATO armies. This arsenal is deliberately planted in the midst of civilian areas and pointed at Israel. Many of the projectiles are hidden in civilian buildings that house Lebanese families.

Other times, the weapons are produced in Assad regime factories in Syria and smuggled to Lebanon along the Iranian-run trafficking network.

On many such occasions, Israel, which monitors these activities very closely — and has developed an entire doctrine to interrupt the enemy's force build-up process — has chosen

to intervene. Israel reportedly disrupted these weapons-smuggling runs in many instances through airstrikes across Syria. Nevertheless, some of the weapons got through.

Hezbollah's arsenal is currently made up mostly of short-range rockets, which have a range of 45 kilometers, but it also includes thousands of medium-range rockets that can go well past that distance, and several hundred long-range projectiles that place almost the whole of Israel in Hezbollah's sights.

It also probably has dozens of ballistic missiles and hundreds of drones.

To be sure, Israel has been busy building up its own forces. Israel's airstrike capabilities have grown to unprecedented levels, and the ground forces today are better prepared than ever before to seize Hezbollah's turf and destroy its fighting force, if called upon to do so.

Yet allowing an enemy as powerful as Hezbollah to build up its force even more would mean sitting back and watching an intolerable threat develop to Israeli cities and critical strategic sites. This would boost Hezbollah's confidence, emboldening it to take risks and thereby increase the chances of war.

An active Israeli defense campaign, by contrast, not only places limitations on this arms race, but indicates to the Iranian-Hezbollah axis how penetrated they have become by Israeli intelligence. This, in turn, strengthens Jerusalem's deterrence and decreases the chances of conflict. An enemy that feels it is being watched constantly feels less confident to attack.

Thus, over the past six years, Israel has relied on the highest quality intelligence and precision air power to consistently disrupt the Iranian-Hezbollah force build-up. This campaign grew in 2017, when Iran began trying to install its own military bases and



Lebanese army soldiers take part in a military parade to celebrate the 74th anniversary of Lebanon's independence in downtown Beirut, November 22, 2017.
Photo: Reuters / Mohamed Azakir.

arms factories in Syria.

The IDF confirmed in recent days that it struck some 200 targets in Syria over the past year-and-a-half alone in response to the Iranian takeover program. This confrontation came to a head in May of this year, when Iranian forces fired a volley of rockets at the Golan Heights from truck-mounted launchers. Israel's crushing response saw more than 50 Iranian targets in Syria destroyed. It represented the first direct exchange of fire between Israeli and Iranian forces in Syria.

The Iranians, sustaining a painful blow, then decided to step back and look for a new strategy. They remained committed to keeping the arms flow to Lebanon and Syria going, but looked for new ways to go about it.

The Fox News report on the use of Beirut airport appears to be part of a new Iranian effort to move weapons around.

The Iranians might be banking on the assumption that Israel will not act to intercept arms inside Lebanon itself for fear of setting off a war with Hezbollah. This is a dangerous assumption to make.

The Iranian assumption could be based on an informal understanding that seems to have been in place between Israel and Hezbollah, according to which Israeli airstrikes in Syria are one thing, something Hezbollah has learned to "live with." Strikes in Lebanon, however, are quite another thing; they are a violation of Hezbollah's own red line.

This arrangement seems to have come into place in April 2014, when Israel report-

edly struck a Hezbollah weapons convoy on the Syrian-Lebanese border and the Lebanese terror organization responded by setting off bombs near an IDF convoy in Har Dov. Hezbollah's response was essentially a message to Israel, saying: think twice before hitting targets in Lebanon.

As long as Israel was able to enforce its red lines in Syria, the arrangement seemed to have held up. But if Iran is now indeed trafficking rockets and missiles into Beirut's airport through civilian flights, the calm that has been in place in Lebanon could be facing new risks.

If the Iranian-Hezbollah axis ignores the warnings, Israel may decide to act — and Hezbollah's response remains unknown. Once again, Iran is playing with fire.

Despite its fundamentalist rhetoric, it seems unlikely that Hezbollah, for its part, would be interested in a new war with Israel. It's just beginning to think about the end of the Syrian conflict — a war in which it has lost 1,800 armed members and suffered thousands of injuries. Hezbollah is just beginning to consider bringing its forces home to Lebanon and beefing up its southern Lebanese front with Israel.

Southern Lebanon is already filled to the brim with Hezbollah units that spend day and night keeping up war readiness, maintaining equipment and arms, and thinking about ways to attack Israeli civilians and soldiers. But Hezbollah's leadership is well aware of Israel's overwhelming firepower, and its ability to seize Lebanon militarily and deal an unprecedented blow to it.

It is this knowledge that helps keep the Lebanese-Israeli border quiet — at least for the moment. Iran's risky new moves throw a shadow over that calm.

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Opinion.

ISNA Speaker: Focus on Palestinian Incitement Is a 'Form of Islamophobia'

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Like most Islamist gatherings, "Islamophobia" was a big topic at the Islamic Society of North America (ISNA)'s annual convention on Labor Day weekend. For example, author Khaled Beydoun linked Islamophobia's origins to white supremacy, while pollster Dalia Mogahed cited concerns over Islamic honor crimes as a form of liberal Islamophobia.



Relatives and friends mourn and hug during the funeral of Itamar Ben Gal, an Israeli killed in the Jewish settlement of Har Bracha during a stabbing attack on February 5.
Photo: Reuters/Jim Hollander.

But commentator and comedian Amer Zahr — an adjunct law professor — broadened the concept of "Islamophobia" dramatically, using the often ambiguous and blanket label to describe any criticism of Palestinian incitement to violence or murder.

Invoking Investigative Project on Terrorism founder and Executive Director Steven Emerson, Zahr alleged that "for 70 years, the pro-Israel lobby has been saying things like the Palestinians teach their children to hate. That's a form of Islamophobia. That they send themselves out to kill people. That is a form of Islamophobia."

To make such claims, Zahr must have completely dismissed the overwhelming body of evidence showing Palestinian factions and officials systematically engage in violent incitement to murder Jews.

Hamas hosts an annual "Pioneers of Liberation" summer camp, seeking to provide about 30,000 children and teenagers with military training to seed future terrorist operations against Israel. Instead of arts and crafts, Palestinian campers are taught how to stab and use firearms against Israelis. Whether in Jerusalem or Gaza, Palestinian summer camps heavily emphasize religious indoctrination and radical brainwashing.

"The goal of the camps is to instill the spirit of Jihad and of fighting in these cubs, these youth, so that they will become the next generation of liberation," said a Hamas operative and camp counselor in 2015.

So when Palestinian summer camps actively indoctrinate young children with radical jihadist ideology and prepare them to conduct terrorist attacks, Zahr thinks the best thing for people to do is look away?

And this quote about the goal of these summer camps was no exception.

It's not only Hamas that runs radical Palestinian camps. In 2015, little children

at a summer camp at Jerusalem's Al-Aqsa Mosque were subjected to a radical sheikh's lecture on suicide operations and the virtues of martyrdom.

While this type of terrorism glorification may be expected from designated terrorist organizations like Hamas, Palestinian factions and leaders of all stripes also regularly incite violence.

Palestinian glorification of violence is so institutionalized that the so-called moderate Fatah faction and the Palestinian Authority (PA) pay people for attacking Israelis. In fact, Palestinian terrorists and their families receive far higher government payments than welfare recipients.

After virtually every terrorist attack, Palestinian officials from across the spectrum offer praise for the "operation," and encourage future generations to emulate murderers. Fatah, for example, referred to the cold-blooded murder of a rabbi as a professional assassination by a "skilled and experienced" Palestinian.

In 2014, an advisor to PA President Mahmoud Abbas offered direct praise for the terrorist who killed three-month-old American-Israeli Haya Zissel-Brown and injured eight others, calling him a "heroic Martyr" on Fatah's official Facebook page.

A scholarly review of Palestinian textbooks found that the curriculum systematically "teaches students to be martyrs, demonizes and denies the existence of Israel, and focuses on a 'return' to an exclusively Palestinian homeland." Educational programs on TV contribute to this hateful brainwashing as well.

In 2013, Gaza's Hamas-run *Al-Aqsa TV* showed children singing the virtues of suicide attacks and wishing to blow themselves up to liberate Jerusalem and Palestine: "Jihad bestows pride and glory upon you when you become a martyrdom-seeker," the elementary school-aged children sing. "Oh explosive device of glory — with her blood she created freedom."



While Palestinian officials lead these radical education programs, Palestinian society — which has been bombarded with this level of incitement for decades — helps disseminate violent propaganda. Amid rising numbers of terrorist attacks in 2014, Palestinian social media activity routinely featured graphic and violent tweets calling on Palestinians to run over and kidnap Jews.

Furthermore, following major terrorist attacks, ordinary Palestinians distribute celebratory sweets in the streets. A 2016 bus bombing in Jerusalem, for example, was met with jubilation in Gaza, and candy was handed out to cheering Palestinians.

The list goes on. Policy reports, scholarly publications, and several organizations are devoted to exposing Palestinian violent incitement by highlighting cases on a near daily basis.

The UNRWA Charade



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The recent decision by the Trump administration to defund the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) was nothing less than a long overdue moral imperative.

In many ways, it was also a master-stroke of international diplomacy that exposed one of the most-long standing and mendacious myths that has, for decades, plagued the discourse on the Arab-Israeli conflict in general, and the Israeli-Palestinian one in particular.

UNRWA is not really a humanitarian organization. Rather, it is a political organization that employs emotive humanitarian issues to further its underlying political goal — preserving, perpetuating, and promoting the so-called Palestinian "Right of Return."

Implementation of this "Right of Return" would mean that around five million people, comprising mainly descendants of those who left Israel during its 1948 War of Independence, and who reside today in various countries around the globe — mainly in Jordan, Lebanon, and Syria — would have the right to return to Israel.

This would effectively eliminate Israel as the as the nation-state of the Jewish people. The mendacious intent was clearly reflected in a 1961 interview with Gamal-Abdul Nasser who proclaimed: "If the refugees return to Israel, Israel will cease to exist."

The callous disregard for the Palestinians themselves, who have been sacrificed for cynical political goals, was tellingly conveyed in a 1952 statement by Lt. Gen. Alexander Galloway, then director of UNRWA in Jordan: "It is perfectly clear that Arab nations do not want to solve the Arab refugee problem. They want to keep it as an open sore, as an affront

against the United Nations and as a weapon against Israel. Arab leaders don't give a damn whether the refugees live or die."

The same enduring unfeeling indifference to the plight of their Palestinian "brethren" on the part of the wider Arab world was later reflected in a 2004 Los Angeles Times interview with Hisham Youssef, then-spokesman for the 22-nation Arab League, who admitted that Palestinians live "in very bad conditions," but maintained that the official policy on denying Palestinians citizenship in the counties of their decades-long residence is meant "to preserve their Palestinian identity."

According to Youssef: "If every Palestinian who sought refuge in a certain country was integrated and accommodated into that country, there won't be any reason for them to return to Palestine."

The significance of this is clear.

The nations comprising the Arab League are prepared to subordinate the improvement of the dire humanitarian conditions of the Palestinians living throughout the Arab world to the political goal of using them as a pawn to effect the elimination of Israel as the nation-state of the Jews.

To begin to comprehend the egregious anomaly of UNRWA and its pernicious consequences, it is crucial to realize that all other refugees on the face of the globe fall under the auspices of the UN High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR).

These two organizations have different definitions of who is a refugee and a different mandate for dealing with them — differences that have far-reaching political ramifications. In very broad brush strokes, the differences and their significance can be summarized as follows:

The UNRWA definition of a refugee includes any one "whose normal place of residence was Palestine during the period 1 June 1946 to 15 May 1948 [i.e. even transient laborers resident there for less than two years!]

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human shields of the women, the children, the elderly, and the mujahedeen in order to challenge the Zionist bombing machine. It is as if they were saying to the Zionist enemy: "We desire death like you desire life," Hamas politician Fathi Hammad said in 2008 remarks broadcast on *Al-Aqsa TV*.

The claim that Palestinians desire death more than Israelis value life is often invoked by Palestinian leaders, their supporters, and their media. Three years before Hammad's comments, Hamas commander Raed Sa'ad summed up the distorted educational values that have been successfully instilled in the Palestinian youth.

"We have succeeded, with Allah's grace, to raise an ideological generation that loves death like our enemies love life," he said.

These are not quotes fabricated by "liberal Zionists."

Baseless claims of "Islamophobia" are attempts to discard or discredit any legitimate criticism of Palestinian politics and society.

If Zahr wants to advocate for Palestinian nationalism or bemoan as unfair the reputation Palestinians have, he could opt to demand changes in Palestinian education and culture that focus on improving life rather than glorifying violence and death. Denying reality isn't going to get it done.

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Zahr also added another demonstrably false Islamophobia allegation during his ISNA remarks.

"When prime ministers of Israel are quoted over and over even by liberal Zionists saying, 'We can make peace with the Palestinians when they learn to love their children more than they hate us,' this is a form of Islamophobia," Zahr proclaimed.

Zahr misses the fact that many Palestinian leaders themselves brag that "we desire death like you desire life."

"For the Palestinian people death has become an industry at which women excel and so do all the people living on this land. The elderly excel at this, and so do the mujahedeen and the children. This is why they have formed

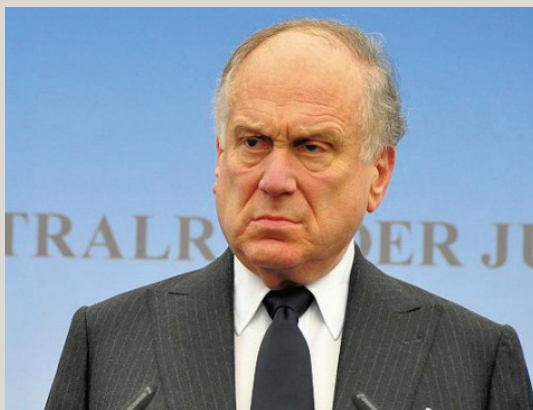
Impressions.

Lauder Clarifies New York Times Op-Ed That Caused 'Unintended Pain'

BY IRA STOLL

The president of the World Jewish Congress, Ronald Lauder, is issuing a Rosh Hashana-eve clarification of his August *New York Times* op-ed that was critical of Israeli government actions.

"In August, I published an op-ed about my deeply held views regarding Israel's Nation-State law. In it, there were words about the Orthodox community that created unintended pain," Lauder wrote in a full page advertisement in the Sunday, September 9 *New York Times*. "So now, let me be equally unequivocal



World Jewish Congress President Ronald Lauder.
Photo: Michael Thaidigsmann via Wikimedia Commons.

and as clear as the Shofar: Orthodox Judaism must be respected and supported, and its success is vital to the future of the Jewish People. I have always believed this, and continue to do so strongly today."

The August article by Lauder published in the *Times* was the subject of a critical column in the *Algemeiner* back when it was originally published.

The period from Rosh Hashana to Yom Kippur is traditionally a time for Jews to repent their sins from the previous year and try to correct them by apologizing to those who were wronged. Lauder doesn't use the word "sorry" or "apologize" in the advertisement, but the ad seems to be in the spirit of the Jewish holidays.

It is interesting that though he addresses "the Orthodox community," he does not address Prime Minister Netanyahu or the members of the Israeli parliament who voted for the nation-state law. They were also targeted by the August op-ed. Though the print ad in the front section of the Sunday *Times* is hard to miss, it will likely reach just a fraction of those who saw Lauder's original op-ed, which was widely shared online and in social media and was heavily promoted on the *Times* website.

Why Cutting Aid to UNRWA Is Necessary

BY GERSHON HACHOEN

With the sole exception of the Palestinians, international law does not grant refugee status to generation after generation of any group until the end of time. The American decision to cut funding to UNRWA is therefore a correction of a false reality that was established with the aim of perpetuating, rather than solving, the Palestinian refugee problem.

The US administration's decision to cut funding for UNRWA is a bold decision that should have been made in the last century. The Palestinian refugee phenomenon is not unique in human history, but the international approach to it — especially in its treatment by the UN and its institutions — deviates from any universally

called "false consciousness." The workers continue to be exploited through the argument that they are better off preserving the existing situation.

A change in an undesirable reality begins, therefore, when people are willing to shake off their familiar understanding of reality in anticipation of a new and potentially better one. Such daring requires the willingness to pay the possible price of disrupting an existing system. Moses faced such a difficulty when he went to Pharaoh with the demand, "Let my People go." Pharaoh's immediate response created an even more difficult situation for the Israelites, leading Moses to complain to God: "Why did you send me to Pharaoh?"

This dynamic is familiar to every leader who would introduce change. Experts will always be on hand to supply convincing reasons why the status quo should be preserved, with all its problems.



Palestinian schoolchildren sit inside a classroom at an UNRWA-run school, on the first day of a new school year, in Gaza City, Aug. 29, 2018. Photo: Reuters / Mohammed Salem.

accepted measure.

Nevertheless, some Israeli security experts warn against the consequences of this decision, which they believe may undermine stability. This is a classic response of experts who cling to a familiar reality rather than take necessary steps that venture into an unknown.

This response reflects natural human anxiety about a changing reality. Consider workers who inform management that they need a raise. The management is faced with a dilemma. To cover the cost of a wage increase, there would have to be a corresponding increase in the price of the products, which could drive buyers towards the competition. If no corresponding increase in the price of the products is made, production will cease to be profitable. Either way, the factory will face difficulties and might close down. In view of these concerns, the management might refuse to raise the workers' wages, warning: "You are marching towards an abyss."

This is a classic, rational dynamic that causes people to avoid taking a step that, while desirable, could have risky consequences. Karl Marx presented this behavior as a surrender to what he

Because it is familiar, it is labeled the lesser evil.

Here lies the substantive difference between the vantage point of experts — such as intelligence officers who are responsible for warning about what could happen if a familiar, stable pattern is disrupted — and that of leaders. While a leader must pay close attention to the warnings of experts, he or she must have the boldness to act when necessary to change realities that require correction. As David Ben-Gurion said, experts specialize in what has already happened — not what is going to happen.

Maj. Gen. (res.) Gershon Hachoen is a senior research fellow at the Begin-Sadat Center for Strategic Studies. He served in the IDF for forty-two years. He commanded troops in battles with Egypt and Syria. He was formerly a corps commander and commander of the IDF Military Colleges. BESA Center Perspectives Papers are published through the generosity of the Greg Rosshandler Family. A version of this article appeared in Hebrew in Israel Hayom on September 2, 2018.

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Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC). Name: The Locals Food Group Holdings LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York (SSNY) on 01/22/2018. 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: The Locals Food Group 332 Myrtle Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11205. Purpose: all lawful activity
AJ; 8/10/17/24/31; 9/7/14

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: HUAN XI FA DA LLC. Articles of organization filed with secretary of state of New York (SSNY) on 07/24/2017. Office location: Kings County . SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to:Huan XI FA DA LLC 5305 7th Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11220. Purpose: all lawful activity
AJ; 8/17/24/31; 9/7/14/21

Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: ILIANAL-BEAUTY LLC.Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York(SSNY) on05/29/2018. Office location: Bronx County. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: ILIANALBEAUTY LLC 1479 Macombs Rd. , Apt.5B Bronx,NY 10452 Purpose: all lawful activity
AJ; 8/17/24/31; 9/7/14/21

Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: LIGHTING UP YOUR HEART, LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York(SSNY) on 01/31/2018. Office location: Bronx 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: United States corporation agents,inc. 7014 13th Ave. Suite 202 Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: all lawful activity
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14/21/28

SUPREME COURT – COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF ADJUSTABLE RATE MORTGAGE TRUST 2007-2 ADJUSTABLE RATE MORTGAGE-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-2, Plaintiff against ELI ARJE, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on April 20, 2018. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Courthouse, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY, on the 27th day of September, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. premises described as follows: All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, County of Kings and State of New York, known and designated as Unit #2D and Parking Space 13 as shown and laid out on a certain map

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entitled "Map of 355 Kings Highway Condominium and filed in the Office of Register of the City of New York, County of Kings on 3/16/2006 as CRFN No. 2006000151884 together with an undivided 0.03185% and 0.0026 interest in the common elements of the Condominium described in the Declaration of Condominium entitled "The 355 Kings Highway Condominium" recorded in CRFN #2006000151583. This unit is also described and designated as Tax Lot 1024 and 1013 in Block 6653 of the Borough of Brooklyn on the tax map of the Real Property Assessment Department of the City of New York as Condominium Plan No. 1494. Said premises known as 355 Kings Highway, #2D, Brooklyn, NY. 11223. (Block: 6653, Lot: 1024 & 1013). Approximate amount of lien \$ 582,425.77 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 8719-13. Hon. Randolph Jackson, Esq., Referee. Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 10 Bank Street - Suite 700 White Plains, New York 10606 (914) 949-2574
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS, US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE FOR THE RMAC TRUST, SERIES 2016-CTT, Plaintiff, vs. ELIZABETH MATHEW, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale and Order to Amend Caption duly filed on July 10, 2018, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on September 27, 2018 at 2:30 p.m., premises known as 689 Madison Street, 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 1642 and Lot 81. Approximate amount of judgment is \$836,135.45 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 3057/2007. Helene Blank, Esq., Referee Knuckles, Komosinski & Manfro, LLP, 565 Taxter Road, Ste. 590, Elmsford, NY 10523, Attorneys for Plaintiff Cash will not be accepted.
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, Plaintiff AGAINST Ilda Clarke; Daniel Clarke; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated November 28, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on September 27, 2018 at 2:30PM, premises known as 1057 East 95th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11236. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 8164 Lot 18. Approximate amount of judgment \$389,164.90 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 506396/2014. Doron Leiby, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester,

New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 3, 2018 56541
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14/

Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: The Wolf In Me LLC . Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York(SSNY) on 08/15/2018 . 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: The Wolf In Me LLC 100 Dupont St. APT LL6 Brooklyn, NY 11222. Purpose: all lawful activity
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14/21/28

NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF KINGS NYMT LOAN TRUST 2013-RP1, Plaintiff, vs. PATRICIA CHARLES-GITTENS, LANCE CASSIUS GITTENS, et al, Defendants PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT In pursuance of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the office of the County Clerk of Kings County on October 17, 2017, I, Yolanda A. Corion, Esq., the Referee named in said Judgment, will sell in one parcel at public auction on September 27, 2018 at Room 224 of the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, County of Kings, State of New York, at 2:30 PM, the premises described as follows: 3316 Clarendon Road Brooklyn, NY 11203 SBL No.: 4950 - 7 ALL THAT TRACT OF PARCEL OF LAND situate in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York The premises are sold subject to the provisions of the filed judgment, Index No. 7009/2014 in the amount of \$381,340.16 plus interest and costs. Brettanie L. Hart Saxton, Esq. Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP Plaintiff's Attorney 700 Crossroads Building, 2 State St. Rochester, New York 14614 Tel.: 855-227-5072
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14

REFEREE'S NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE SUPREME COURT – COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE OF SW REMIC TRUST 2014-2 WITHOUT RECOURSE, Plaintiff – against – DARREN DOWNES, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on March 3, 2017. 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 27th Day of September, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. 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. Premises known as 546 Chauncey Street, Brooklyn, NY 11233. (Block: 1517, Lot: 117) Approximate amount of lien \$625,716.67 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 501136/2014. Jeffrey R. Miller, 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, 2018
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14

Notice is given that Articles of Organization for Haviland Drive, LLC were filed with the Secretary of State on June 27th, 2018. The office of the LLC shall be located in Kings County, New York. The Secretary of State has been desig-

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nated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address within this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her is: 7014 13th Avenue, Suite 210, Brooklyn, NY 11228. The purpose of this limited liability company is Asset Management.
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14/21/28

ACCOUNTING PROCEEDING FILE NO. 2016-1488/A CITATION THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO: Unknown Distributees, Attorney General of the State of New York, Agnes Greenbaum, a/k/a Agnes Wilcsek Greenbaum, Pavel Goldberger, a/k/a Paul Goldberger, Magda Berkowitz, Lifeline Ambulance, SeniorCare Emergency Medical Services. To Pavel Goldberger, a/k/a Paul Goldberger and Magda Berkowitz, being the alleged paternal first cousin, and alleged maternal first cousin respectively, of Lorraine Goldberger, a/k/a Lilian Goldberger, whose whereabouts are unknown, if living, and if they 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 the heirs at law, next of kin and distributees of Lorraine Goldberger, a/k/a Lilian Goldberger, the decedent herein, if living and if any of them be dead, to their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, legatees, executors, administrators, assignees and successors in interest whose names and places of residence are unknown and cannot, after diligent inquiry, be ascertained by the petitioner herein; being the persons interested as creditors, legatees, devisees, beneficiaries, distributees, or otherwise in the estate of Lorraine Goldberger, a/k/a Lilian Goldberger, deceased, who at the time of her death was a resident of 315 West 57th Street, New York, New York 10019. A petition having been duly filed by the Public Administrator of the County of New York, who maintains an office at 31 Chambers Street, Room 311, New York, New York 10007. YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the New York County Surrogate's Court at 31 Chambers Street, New York, New York, on October 5, 2018, at 9:30 A.M. in Room 509, why the following relief stated in the account of proceedings, a copy of the summary statement thereof being attached hereto, of the Public Administrator of the County of New York as administrator of the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, should not be granted: (i) that her account be judicially settled; (ii) that a hearing be held to determine the identity of the distributees at which time proof pursuant to SCPA Section 2225 may be presented, or in the alternative, that the balance of the funds be deposited with the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York for the benefit of the decedent's unknown distributees; (iii) that the Surrogate approve the reasonable amount of compensation as reported in Schedules C and C-1 of the account of proceedings to the attorney for the petitioner for legal services rendered to the petitioner herein; (iv) that the claim of Agnes Greenbaum, a/k/a Agnes Wilcsek Greenbaum in the total amount of \$1,603.00 for payment of funeral related expenses for decedent be allowed and paid; (v) that the claim of Lifeline Ambulance in the amount of \$325.00 for an unpaid co-payment be allowed and paid; (vi) that the claim of SeniorCare Emergency Medical

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Services in the amount of \$275.00 for non-emergency ambulance transportation be allowed and paid; (vii) that the persons above mentioned and all necessary and proper persons be cited to show cause why such relief should not be granted; (viii) that an order be granted pursuant to SCPA Section 307 where required or directed; and (ix) for such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper. Dated, Attested and Sealed. August 20, 2018 (Seal) Hon. Nora S. Anderson, Surrogate. Diana Sanabria, Chief Clerk. Schram Graber & Opell P.C. Counsel to the Public Administrator, New York County 11 Park Place, Suite 1008 New York, New York 10007 (212) 896-3310 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 the right to have an attorney-at-law appear for you and you or your attorney may request a copy of the full account from the petitioner or petitioner's attorney.
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14

Notice of Formation of LLC. Ateret of Midwood LLC (LLC) filed Arts. of Org. with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/21/2018. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process may be served and SSNY shall mail process to the LLC at c/o Moses Scharf, 1410 East 10th St., Brooklyn, NY 11230. Purpose: any business permitted under law.
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14/21/28

Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: Quality Standard Cleaning L.L.C. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York(SSNY) on 05/01/2018 Office location: Bronx County. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served SSNY shall mail process to: legalinc corporate services Inc. 1967 Wehale Drive suite 1 086 Buffalo, NY 14221. . Purpose: all Lawful activity
AJ; 8/24/31; 9/7/14/21/28

Notice of Formation of NYM LABS, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 08/15/18. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Jordan A. Fisch, Esq. - c/o Cole Schotz P.C., 1325 Ave. of the Americas, 19th FL, NY, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful activity.
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee for Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp., CSMC Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-6, Plaintiff AGAINST Andrea Romeo; et al, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated August 8, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on October 11, 2018 at 2:30PM, premises known as 2952 Gerritsen Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11229. 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 8900 Lot 866. Approximate amount of judgment \$243,106.99 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to

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Tradition.

The Second Mountain

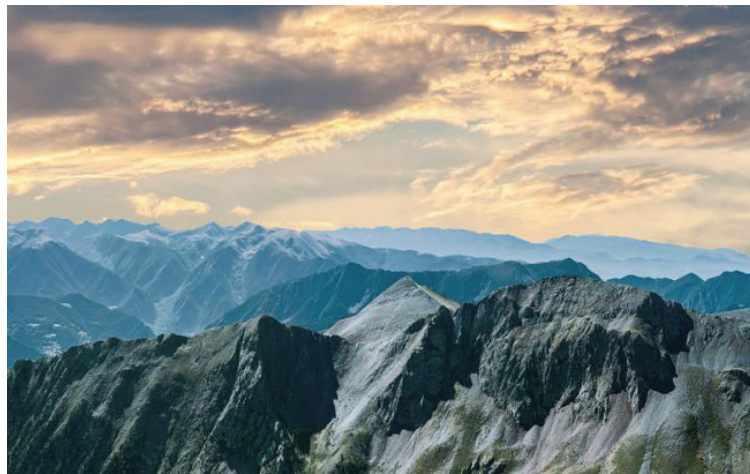


JONATHAN SACKS
LONDON

What do you do when you have achieved it all, when you have risen to whatever career heights fate or providence has in store for you? What do you do as age lengthens its shadow, the sun sinks, and the body

shifts from self to others. They may devote more time to family, or community, or care or voluntary work. Some mentor young people who are following in their career path. They make commitments to others. They ask themselves, how can I contribute to the world? What trace will I leave on those who will live on after me? What, in the world, is better because of me?

The second and related idea is David Brook's concept of *the second*



is no longer as resilient or the mind as sharp as it once was?

That has become a major problem as life expectancy has increased in most parts of the world. There has been nothing quite like it in history. In America, in 1900, average life expectancy was around 41 years, in Europe 42.5. Today in Britain, for men it is 79, for women 83. Much of that has to do with a huge reduction in infant mortality. None the less, the sheer pace in the rise in longevity – every decade since 1900, life expectancy has risen by about three years – remains remarkable. What will keep you young in spirit even if the body does not always keep pace?

The biblical case study is Moses, of whom we are told that even at the end of his life, "his eye was undimmed and his natural energy unabated." At the opening of today's parsha he says, "I am now a hundred and twenty years old. I can no longer come and go, and the Lord has told me, 'You shall not cross this Jordan.'" Rashi points out that the "I can no longer" does not mean that he lacked the strength. It means that he no longer had permission. The moment had come when he had to hand on the role of leader to his successor and disciple, Joshua. He himself stayed full of vigour, as the passion of his speeches in the book of Devarim, delivered in the last month of his life, testify.

To understand what Moses epitomises at the end of his life, two closely related concepts are helpful. The first is Erik Erikson's idea of *generativity*, the seventh of his eight life stages. Relatively late in life, he argues, many people's perspective changes. They begin thinking about legacy, about what will outlive them. Their focus often

mountain. Speaking to people over 70, he found that early in their lives they had identified the mountain

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provisions of filed Judgment Index# 510782/2015. Gregory Laspina, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 24, 2018 57022 AJ; 9/7/14/21/28

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS PHH Mortgage Corporation, Plaintiff AGAINST Tyrelle Johnson a/k/a Tyrelle K. Johnson; Andrew Adams; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated April 24, 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 11, 2018 at 2:30PM, premises known as 10 Pleasant Place, Brooklyn, NY 11233. 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 1568 Lot 31. Approximate amount of judgment \$418,417.08 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 505826/2015. Jageshwar Sharma, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: July 31, 2018 56282 AJ; 9/7/14/21/28

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Federal National Mortgage Association, Plaintiff AGAINST Amer Anwar a/k/a Amer Jamil Anwar; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure

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and Sale duly dated July 25, 2018 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 11, 2018 at 2:30PM, premises known as 2004 Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11210. 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 5231 Lot 60. Approximate amount of judgment \$381,930.42 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 502221/2014. Beverly Benjamin-George, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 21, 2018 56925 AJ; 9/7/14/21/28

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK - COUNTY OF KINGS SANTANDER BANK, N.A. F/K/A SOVEREIGN BANK, N.A. F/K/A SOVEREIGN BANK, V. VERONA DALLAS, ET AL. NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 30, 2018, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Kings, wherein SANTANDER BANK, N.A. F/K/A SOVEREIGN BANK, N.A. F/K/A SOVEREIGN BANK is the Plaintiff and VERONA DALLAS, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the KINGS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 360 ADAMS STREET, ROOM 224, BROOKLYN, NY 11201, on October 11, 2018 at 2:30PM, premises known as 1305 EAST 83RD ST, BROOKLYN, NY 11236; Block 8074, Lot 28: 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 Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 504788/2015. Joel Abramson, Esq. - Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 310, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff. For sale information, please visit www.auction.com or call (800) 280-2832. AJ; 9/7/14/21/28

Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: HASH RESPONSE LLC. Articles of organization filed with secretary of state of New York(SSNY) on 07/05/2018. 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: Hash Response LLC 140 Herkimer Street #3D Brooklyn, NY 11216. Purpose: all lawful activity AJ; 9/7/14/21/28; 10/5/12/

Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: GP 88 REALTY LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York(SSNY) on 08/24/2018. Office location: Bronx county. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail process to: The LLC 2435 Westervelt Avenue Bronx,Ny 10469 purpose : all lawful activity AJ; 9/7/14/21/28; 10/5/12/

STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT: COUNTY OF KINGS U.S.

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BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR CITIGROUP MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-WMC1, Plaintiff, vs. JOSEPH SINGER, YOCHEVED R. SINGER A/K/A YOSSY SINGER A/K/A YOCHEVED SINGER A/K/A YOCHEVED KNOBLOCH, et. al., Defendants NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT In pursuance of a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the office of the County Clerk of Kings County on December 11, 2017, I, Aaron D. Maslow, Esq., the Referee named in said Judgment, will sell in one parcel at public auction on October 11, 2018 at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, County of Kings, State of New York, at 2:30 P.M., the premises described as follows: 1861 61st St Brooklyn, NY 11204 SBL No.: 5519 - 53 ALL THAT TRACT OF PARCEL OF LAND situate in the Borough of Brooklyn, Kings County, State of New York The premises are sold subject to the provisions of the filed judgment, Index No. 501886/2015 in the amount of \$532,366.32 plus interest and costs. Megan S. Kale, Esq. Woods Oviatt Gilman LLP Plaintiff's Attorney 700 Crossroads Building, 2 State St. Rochester, New York 14614 Tel.: 855-227-5072 AJ; 9/7/14/21/28;

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff -against- RIFKA GRUNBAUM, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated May 14, 2018, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Courthouse 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY on October 11, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the southerly side of Beach 46th Street, distant 320 feet westerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the southerly side of Beach 46th Street with the westerly side of Surf Avenue; being a plot 112.43 feet by 127.16 feet by 121.88 feet by 138 feet. Block: 7038 Lot: 61. Said premises known as 4601 BEACH 46TH STREET, BROOKLYN, NY Approximate amount of lien \$1,404,855.36 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgage's attorney. Index Number 21292/2013. PHILIP L. KAMARAS, ESQ., Referee David A. Gallo & Associates LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 99 Powerhouse Road, First Floor, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577 File# 5025.2122 AJ; 9/7/14/21/28;

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley Mortgage Loan Trust 2005-11AR, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-11AR, Plaintiff AGAINST Oral C. Patrick, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 7/25/2018 and entered on 7/31/2018, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on October 11, 2018 at 02:30 PM premises known as

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405 Herkimer Street, Brooklyn, NY 11213. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 1864, LOT: 55. Approximate amount of judgment is \$996,187.89 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 015439/2009. For sale information, please visit Auction.com at www.Auction.com or call (800) 280-2832. Philip Kamaras, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706 AJ; 9/7/14/21/28;

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL CREDIT SERVICES NEW YORK, INC., Plaintiff against MARCO FUENTES A/K/A MARCOS FUENTES; WILFREDO A. FUENTES; JANE FUENTES (REFUSED FIRST NAME), et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on February 28, 2018. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Courthouse, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. on the 11th day of October, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. premises described as follows: All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situated, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. Said premises known as 205 29th Street, Brooklyn, NY. 11232. (Block: 665, Lot: 52). Approximate amount of lien \$ 893,360.06 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 505007-15. Bruno Codispoti, Esq., Referee. Stern & Eisenberg, PC Attorney(s) for Plaintiff Woodbridge Corporate Plaza 485 B Route 1 South - Suite 330 Iselin, NJ 08830 (732) 582-6344 *For sale information, please visit www.auction.com or call (800) 280-2832* AJ; 9/7/14/21/28;

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR SECURITIZED ASSET BACKED RECEIVABLES LLC 2005-FR5 MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-FR5, Plaintiff against GALO MONTESDEOCA A/K/A GALO MONTESDEOCA, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on March 28, 2016. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Courthouse, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY. on the 11th day of October, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. premises described as follows: All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. Said premises known as 1101 Greene Avenue, Brooklyn, NY. 11221. (Block: 3284, Lot: 39). Approximate amount of lien \$ 639,228.21 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 7907-13. Betty Lugo, Esq., Referee. McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 420 Lexington Avenue - Suite 840 New York, N.Y. 10170 (347) 286-7409 AJ; 9/7/14/21/28;

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Shiri Maimon. Photo: The Algemeiner.

Israeli Singer Shiri Maimon ‘Excited’ Ahead of Broadway Debut in ‘Chicago’

BY SHIRYN SOLNY

Israeli pop star Shiri Maimon is both excited and nervous about her Broadway debut in the record-breaking hit musical “Chicago” and representing the Jewish state on stage, she told *The Algemeiner* on Friday.

Maimon, 37, will take on the lead role of Roxie Hart in the Tony Award-winning show — which is the Broadway’s longest-running American musical — from Sept. 21 through Oct. 5. Hart is the wife of a mechanic and a nightclub dancer thirsty for fame. She murders her on-the-side lover and, desperate to avoid conviction, uses her crime to draw media attention and create a series of sensational headlines with the help of her slick criminal lawyer.

This is the first time an Israeli will join the cast of Broadway’s “Chicago.”

“It’s a dream come true,” Maimon said about joining the show’s cast. “It’s a great honor for me, to be a part of it. To be a piece of history — to be the first Israeli actress female playing Roxie, that’s a great honor.”

She added, “I’m really excited about it, I’m nervous [and] I’m happy. I’m [just] trying to have fun.”

Maimon, who represented Israel in the 2005 Eurovision Song Contest, was offered the opportunity to join “Chicago” after a member of “Chicago” co-producer Barry Weissler’s team visited Israel on vacation and saw Maimon perform “Evita” at a production in Tel Aviv. She was then invited to audition in New York for the role of Roxie Hart. She told *The Algemeiner* about the audition process, “[It] was nerve wrecking because you know, I really wanted it to happen; I really wanted to be good at it so I was working very hard.”

Maimon — who will be a judge on the singing competition “HaKokhav HaBa,” the show that will select the Israeli entry for Eurovision 2019 — has been preparing for her role as Roxie Hart for two months starting in Israel, as she juggled her other work commitments. She talked about learning the “amazing” choreography and dance routines in the show, and

getting rid of her Israeli accent to learn the show’s script and tap into her American character. She said she was “a bit scared” working in English, but explained that she had a dialect coach help her pronounce certain words the same way an American, like Roxie Hart, would.

In describing Roxie Hart, Maimon said, “She’s a funny character. I like her because she just wants to be acknowledged. She wants a meaningful life. She doesn’t want to just be a mechanic’s wife, she’s more than that. So she’s trying to fulfill her dream and the minute she saw that opportunity — even though she murdered someone — but she became a star because of that. She was like ‘Ok, I’m a star, Let’s do it.’”

Maimon moved to New York two weeks ago with her husband and two children, and will stay until the end of her run with “Chicago.” She told *The Algemeiner* she was trying not to feel intimidated about joining such an iconic show as “Chicago,” and that she was just trying “to be myself, to be my Roxie [and to] just have fun” with it all.

She does, however, feel that she is representing Israel with her new role. She said, “When I’m on stage, I’m Shiri and I’m just fulfilling my dream. I’m there on stage singing, acting and dancing, and that’s amazing. Probably — before and after — you know after when I come meet the audience, who will ask me questions about Israel and you know even talk to me in Hebrew, [then I’ll feel] I’m for sure an ambassador for Israel and it’s an honor for me.”

“Chicago” will go on tour and come to Israel for one week in March, Maimon told *The Algemeiner*. She will continue to play the lead role of Roxie Hart and said the production will be a “copy and paste” of the American Broadway show, with no changes to it. It will also be performed in English.

As for a future in Broadway after “Chicago,” Maimon is not ruling out the possibility. She said, “Why not? If an opportunity will come, I’m open.”

Kosha Dillz Pays Tribute to Fellow Jewish Rapper, the Late Mac Miller

BY SHIRYN SOLNY

Kosha Dillz wrote a tribute to fellow Jewish rapper Mac Miller on Friday, the same day the latter was found dead in his San Fernando Valley home of an apparent overdose at the age of 26.

In the piece, published by *Variety*, Dillz, whose real name is Rami Even-Esh, talked about his friendship with Mac Miller, born Malcolm James McCormick, and those who will miss him. Dillz wrote, “While today the world lost a musical genius, a mother lost her son before the biggest holiday of the Jewish year,” referring to the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashanah.

Dillz also noted that he once spoke to Miller about him possibly performing in Israel, and Miller “lit up at the prospect.” Dillz said, “I’m sure his mother would’ve approved.”



Mac Miller in 2017. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

Dillz and Miller met at a concert in Chicago in 2009, where Dillz said he gave the late rapper “my first-ever piece of merchandise — a T-shirt that said ‘Oy Vey All Day.’” Miller later came out with a song called “Oy Vey.”

Miller, whose mother is Jewish, had a Hebrew tattoo on his arm and proudly discussed the role Judaism had in his life. Miller told a publication in 2011 that he was raised Jewish, celebrated the Jewish high holidays and had a bar mitzvah. He once jokingly challenged a claim by fellow Jewish rapper Drake that he was “the best Jewish rapper.” Miller called himself “the coolest Jewish rapper,” and then suggested that he and Drake collaborate on a Hanukkah song.

Dillz said in his tribute, “I always felt that Mac and I had a similar style, and I was happy that he embraced being Jewish, as there wasn’t really anyone at the time trying to make Judaism cool.”

Dillz, a recovering addict, also talked in his tribute about addiction in reference to Miller’s long history with substance abuse. Miller was open about his addiction, wrote songs about his daily drug usage, struggle with mental health, and how he longed for sobriety.

Included in the *Variety* article was a video Dillz filmed with Miller years ago, in which the late rapper wished fans a happy Passover, and remarks by Rabbi Yonah Bookstein of Pico Shul in Los Angeles, who said in memory of the rapper: “Mac Miller’s tragic passing will lead all of us to pause and reflect about our life direction. That something good can come from this tragedy. And we can dedicate our lives to good and healthy choices and lifestyles, and improving the world around us through spreading light and love.”

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they were going to climb. They had specific aspirations about family and career. They had a vision of the self they wanted to become. By age 70, some had achieved it and were happy. Others had achieved it only to find it not entirely satisfying. Yet others had been knocked off the mountain by misfortune.

At a certain age, though, many identified a second mountain they wanted to climb. This mountain was not about achieving but about giving. It was less about external accomplishment (success, fame) than about internal accomplishment. It was spiritual, moral; it was about devoting yourself to a cause or giving back to the community. It is often, he says, a yearning for righteousness, an inner voice that says, "I want to do something really good with my life." This second peak, associated with later life, may well prove more significant to our sense of self-worth than the ego-driven ascent of the first mountain.

The case of Moses sets all this in dramatic perspective. What do you do if you have already achieved what no human being had ever done before or would ever do in the future? Moses had spoken to God face to face. He had become His faithful servant. He had led his people from slavery to freedom, put up with their complaints, endured their rebellions and prayed for – and achieved – their forgiveness in the eyes of God. He had been the agent through which God had performed His miracles and delivered His word. What else is left to do after such a life?

His closest friends and allies, his sister Miriam and brother Aaron, had already died. He knew that the decree had been sealed that he would not cross the Jordan and lead the people on the last stage of their journey. He would not set foot in the Promised Land. Unlike Aaron, whose children inherited his priesthood to eternity, Moses had to live with the fact that neither of his sons, Gershom and Eliezer, would become his successor. That role would go to his assistant and faithful servant Joshua. These were, surely, huge disappointments to set alongside the momentous achievements.

So, as Moses faced his own life's end, what was there left to do? The book of Devarim contains and constitutes the answer. As it says in its opening chapter: "In the fortieth year, on the first day of the eleventh month, Moses spoke to the Israelites ... On the east bank of the Jordan, in the land of Moab, Moses *began expounding this law ...*" No longer the liberator and miracle-worker, Moses became *Rabbenu*, "our teacher," the man who taught Torah to the next generation.

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UNRWA

– MS] and who lost both home and means of livelihood as a result of the 1948 conflict" — even if they have acquired citizenship and/or resident's rights in another country. Their "rights" also extend to all male descendants.

According to UNHCR, a refugee is a person who "owing to well-founded fear of being persecuted for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group, or political opinion, is outside the country of his nationality and is unable or, owing to such fear, is unwilling to avail himself of the protection of that country."

However, unlike UNRWA, under the UNHCR refugee status does not extend to those who acquire citizenship/resident's rights in other countries, or to migrants, and is not transmitted automatically to descendants — although in certain circumstances, it has been extended to later generations.

Moreover, according to UNHCR's mandate, refugees under its auspices can be resettled permanently outside of their counties of origin — either in their country of refuge or in third party countries. According to the UNRWA mandate, it will only take care of the refugees' humanitarian needs until they can return to their country of origin — i.e. present day Israel — but cannot resettle them permanently anywhere else. Indeed as a recent Foreign Policy article underscores: "UNRWA ... is the only refugee agency in the world whose purpose is not to resettle refugees and help them go on with their lives." [Emphasis in the original]

It should be clear that by UNRWA's very definition of "refugee," the number of refugees under its auspices will increase over time, while its inability to resettle

The way he does so in Devarim is stunning. No longer, as before, does he simply articulate the law. He explains the theology behind the law. He speaks about the love of God for Israel and the love Israel should show to God. He speaks with equal power about the past and the future, reviewing the wilderness years and anticipating the challenges ahead.

Above all, coming at the subject from every conceivable direction, he warns the young people who will enter and inherit the land, that the real challenge will not be failure but success; not slavery but freedom; not the bread of affliction but the temptations of affluence. *Remember*, he says again and again; *listen* to the voice of God; *rejoice* in what He has given you. These are the key verbs of the book, and they remain the most powerful immune-system ever developed against the decadence-and-decline that has affected every civilization since the dawn of time.

That last month in Moses' life, which culminates in today's parsha as he finally hands over the reins of leadership to Joshua, is one of the supreme instances in Tanakh of *generativity*: speaking not to your contemporaries but to those who will live on after you. It was Moses' second mountain.

And perhaps the very things that seemed, at first sight, to have been disappointments, turned out in the end to have played their part in shaping this last chapter in that great life. The fact that he knew he would not accompany the people into the land, and that he would not be succeeded by his sons, meant that he had to turn into a teacher of the next generation. He had to hand on to them his insights into the future. He had to make the people his disciples — and we have all been his disciples ever since.

All of this suggests a powerful and potentially life changing message for all of us. Whatever our life has been thus far, there is another chapter to be written, focused on being a blessing to others, sharing whatever gifts we have with those who have less, handing on our values across the generations, using our experience to help others come through difficult times of their own, doing something that has little to do with personal ambition and much to do with wanting to leave some legacy of kindness that made life better for at least someone on earth.

Hence the life-changing idea: Whatever your achievements, there is always a second mountain to climb, and it may turn out to be your greatest legacy to the future.

them permanently ensures that nothing can be done to reduce that number.

Clearly then, the combination of its definition specifying who is a refugee and its mandate specifying how to deal with them leads to the inescapable conclusion that UNRWA is in fact an organization that perpetuates — indeed, even magnifies — the very problem it was supposed to solve. As such, it creates an insurmountable obstacle to any peace plan intended to



Palestinian students raise their hands in a school run by UNRWA. Photo: UN / Shareef Sarhan.

resolve the conflict over control of the Holy Land.

An influx of millions of Palestinians into the territory west of the Jordan River would either hopelessly overwhelm and destabilize any putative Palestinian state established in the West Bank; or eliminate the Jewish majority within Israel, whatever it borders, and its ability to retain itself as the nation-state of the Jewish people.

Therefore, however one might envisage the Israel-Palestinian conflict being resolved, UNRWA is currently blocking any such resolution.

Martin Sherman is the founder and executive director of the Israel Institute for Strategic Studies.

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Lehman Mortgage Trust Mortgage Pass Through Certificates Series 2007-10, Plaintiff AGAINST Shamika Dowell; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated June 18, 2018 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 18, 2018 at 2:30PM, premises known as 648 Marcy Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206. 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 1774 Lot 47. Approximate amount of judgment \$1,087,478.61 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 512093/2015. Leonard C. Spector, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 6, 2018 56532 AJ; 9/14/21/28; 10/5

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS US Bank National Association, as Trustee for Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust, Inc. 2006-HE2, Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-HE2, Plaintiff AGAINST Ruby Murray; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated July 30, 2018 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 18, 2018 at 2:30PM, premises known as 268 East 39th 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 4892 Lot 16. Approximate amount of judgment \$795,294.89 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 4945/2013. Philip L. Kamaras, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: August 27, 2018 57059 AJ; 9/14/21/28; 10/5

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Plaintiff AGAINST Tino Estrada, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 5/16/2017 and entered on 5/30/2017, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on October 18, 2018 at 02:30 PM premises known as 584 Linwood 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 County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 4050, LOT: 124. Approximate amount of judgment is \$704,389.87 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 24323/2010. Jaime Lathrop, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706 AJ; 9/14/21/28; 10/5

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Plaintiff -against- Shmuel Lowenbein, M&T Bank, FSB, Citibank (South Dakota), N.A., Defendant(s)

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Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale entered on August 21, 2018 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at ROOM 224 F/K/A ROOM 274 OF KINGS COUNTY SUPREME COURT, 360 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11201 on October 18, 2018 at 2:30 PM premises known as 1768 46th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11204-1211. 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. Block: 5438 Lot: 35 Approximate amount of lien \$978,869.51 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment Index # 502828/2014 Aaron Tyk, Esq., REFEREE STEIN, WIENER AND ROTH, L.L.P., ATTORNEYS FOR THE PLAINTIFF ONE OLD COUNTRY ROAD, SUITE 113 CARLE PLACE, NY 11514 DATED: August 27, 2018 FILE #: FCI 69698 AJ; 9/14/21/28; 10/5

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff AGAINST FREDERICK L. GRANT, et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated August 02, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, on October 18, 2018 at 2:30PM, premises known as 660 WARWICK STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11207. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK 4078, LOT 45. Approximate amount of judgment \$653,662.17 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment for Index# 6144/2013. WILLIAM D. BOWMAN, ESQ., Referee Gross Polowy, LLC Attorney for Plaintiff 1775 Wehrle Drive, Suite 100 Williamsville, NY 14221 56684 AJ; 9/14/21/28; 10/5

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff -against- HARVEY B. PACHT A/K/A HARVEY PACHT, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated March 14, 2018, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Courthouse 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY on October 18, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, known and designated as Unit No. 136 in the condominium known as "The Brook Club Condominium", together with a .5989% undivided interest in the common elements. Block: 8060 Lot: 1180 Said premises known as 8110 AVENUE L 3, UNIT NO. 136, BROOKLYN, NY Approximate amount of lien \$333,455.75 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Index Number 2351/2014. ANTHONY J. LAMBERTI, ESQ., Referee David A. Gallo & Associates LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 99 Powerhouse Road, First Floor, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577 File# 5025.1838 AJ; 9/14/21/28; 10/5