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## Netanyahu: I Look Forward to Speaking With Trump About 'Bad' Iran Deal



Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.  
Photo: YouTube screenshot.

BY BARNEY BREEN  
-PORTNOY

The Jewish state is "committed to preventing Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons," Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu reiterated on Sunday. "That has not changed and will not change."

Speaking from Jerusalem via video feed to the 2016 Saban Forum in Washington, DC,

Netanyahu criticized the nuclear agreement reached between six world powers and Iran last year and said, "I look forward to speaking to [President-elect Donald Trump] about what to do about this bad deal."

"Now, I opposed the deal because it doesn't prevent Iran from getting nukes," the prime minister explained. "It paves the way for Iran to get nuclear weapons. The problem isn't so

much that Iran will break the deal, but that Iran will keep it because it just can walk in within a decade, and even less, and certainly within 12 years, it can just walk in to industrial-scale enrichment of uranium to make the core for an arsenal of nuclear weapons."

Iran, Netanyahu went on to note, "has actually become an even more aggressive power" following the signing of the nuclear deal.

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## European Jews 'Breathe Sigh of Relief' After Austrian Presidential Election Rerun

BY BARNEY BREEN-PORTNOY

European Jewish groups are welcoming the defeat of far-right candidate Norbert Hofer in Sunday's presidential election rerun.

According to projections, Hofer — of Austria's Freedom Party (FPÖ) — lost by a 53%-47% margin to Alexander Van der Bellen — a Green Party politician who ran as an



Norbert Hofer, the FPO candidate who lost in Sunday's Austrian presidential election. Photo: Franz Johann Morgenbesser via Wikimedia Commons

independent. In May, the 72-year-old Van der Bellen beat the 45-year-old Hofer by less than one percentage point, but the result was challenged in court and annulled, setting the stage for Sunday's do-over.

"Austria has just passed a difficult test," the Conference of European Rabbis said in a statement. "Let's hope that the results in Austria will strengthen political forces in Europe which are committed to combat racism, antisemitism and xenophobia."

Dr. Moshe Kantor — president of the European Jewish

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## Opinion.

## Keith Ellison's Disinformation Campaign

STEVEN EMERSON  
WASHINGTON

Confronted by his own words and facing a direct threat to his bid to become the next Democratic National Committee (DNC) chairman, Congressman Keith Ellison flagrantly lied in a prepared statement on Thursday.

Two days earlier, the Investigative Project on Terrorism released audio of Ellison during a 2010 political fundraiser, criticizing what he saw as the inappropriate and disproportionate influence Israel carries over American foreign policy.

"The United States foreign policy in the Middle East is governed by what is good or bad through a country of 7 million people. A region of 350 million all turns on a country of 7 million," said Ellison, D-Minn. "Does that make sense? Is that logic? Right? When the Americans who trace their roots back to those 350 million get involved, everything changes. Can I say that again?"

In a statement on Thursday, the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) said that it found Ellison's comments "deeply disturbing and disqualifying." That's because, "whether intentional or not, his words raise the specter of age-old stereotypes about Jewish control

of our government, a poisonous myth that may persist in parts of the world where intolerance thrives."

In an open letter to the ADL, Ellison falsely claimed that "the audio released was selectively edited and taken out of context." He also claimed that he was merely "responding to a question about how Americans with roots in the Middle East could engage in the political process in a more effective way." And then he chose to attack the messenger.

None of Ellison's comments are true.

We have released the full audio of his remarks (click here to hear them and to read a complete transcript) to show that no edits were made, and to show the full context of his remarks. Ellison should also explain this other clearly antisemitic comment he made: "But it makes all the sense in the world when you see that [Israel] has mobilized its diaspora in America to do its bidding in America."

As we reported, Ellison's 2010 comments came during a fundraiser for Esam Omeish's state assembly campaign. Omeish is a former president of the Muslim American Society (MAS), a group created by Muslim Brotherhood members in the United States. In 2007, Omeish was forced to resign from a Virginia immigration panel after the IPT produced a video of him praising Palestinians in 2000 for learning that "the jihad way is the way to liberate your land." A second video, shot two months earlier, shows Omeish congratulating "our brothers and sisters in [Palestine] for their bravery, for their giving up their lives for the sake of Allah."

Just this week, Omeish posted a paean to the Muslim Brotherhood on Facebook.

Nihad Awad, the only executive director the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) has ever had, also attended the Omeish fundraiser. Court records show that Awad was a member of the Palestine Committee — a Muslim Brotherhood-created Hamas support network in the United States. So was CAIR, the organization he leads.

Awad attended a pivotal 1993 gathering of committee members in Philadelphia, which convened to discuss ways to "derail" the US brokered Oslo Accords.

Palestine Committee members opposed Oslo because it included recognition of Israel's right to exist and because it empowered the secular Fatah movement over the Islamists in Hamas. We know this because the FBI secretly recorded the meeting.

Six months later, Awad appeared in Miami, where he publicly stated that, after some research, "I am in support of the Hamas movement more than the PLO."

When Keith Ellison stands before Omeish and Awad and asks whether it makes sense that America's Middle East policy "is governed

Rep. Keith Ellison, D-Minn.  
Photo: keithellison.org

by what is good or bad through a country of 7 million people," or when he says "that country [Israel] has mobilized its diaspora in America to do its bidding in America," the context seems pretty clear.

Democrats should choose the candidate they think can best lead their party to success in the future. They might decide Ellison fits that description.

But they do so armed with greater understanding of Ellison's true feelings toward an issue pivotal for a lot of voters of all political persuasions.

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## Good Riddance, John Kerry

RUTHIE BLUM  
TEL AVIV

Every time a member of the Obama administration makes a statement about domestic or foreign affairs, one is reminded why Donald Trump was elected president last month. Many of those who voted for him despite concerns about his unconventionally brash persona did so in the hope that his picks for top jobs would compensate for his own lack of experience in Beltway politics.

So far, it appears, this was more than a smart gamble. But one of the highest positions, which has yet to be determined, is that of chief diplomat. The list of Trump's possible candidates now includes former Gov. Mitt Romney, former CIA Director David Petraeus, former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chair Bob Corker, former UN Ambassador John Bolton, former ambassador to China Jon Huntsman, Exxon Mobile CEO Rex Tillerson, Democratic Sen. Joe Manchin and retired Navy Adm. James Stavridis.

But let's face it: Even Bozo the Clown would be better than Secretary of State John Kerry.

To be fair to Kerry, he was following the foreign policy spelled out by Obama four years earlier: that America was about to embark on a new path, reaching out to enemies who would suddenly transform into friends when faced with a more gentle and multicultural America — one that "leads from behind."

Nevertheless, it was Kerry who did most of the shuttling, predominantly to the Middle

East, alternating between his many trips to Europe to grovel before his Iranian counterpart, and visits to Israel, where he expressed severe displeasure with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu for not behaving similarly with the Palestinian Authority.

In what was hopefully one of his last public appearances in his role this week — at the 13th Annual Saban Forum in Washington, DC, where he delivered the keynote address — Kerry highlighted the disaster that constituted his tenure, without an iota of remorse — other than in his failure to force Israel to create a Palestinian state.

On the third and last day of the conference — hosted by the Brookings Institution and titled "Challenges for the Trump Administration in the Middle East" — Kerry reiterated his position in an on-stage interview with *The Atlantic's* Jeffrey Goldberg.

"I come to you as somebody who is concerned for the safety and the security of the state of Israel — for the long-term ability of the state of Israel to be able to be what it has dreamt of being, and what the people of Israel, I believe, want it to be," he said, implying that it has not lived up to that dream.

He then professed his concern for the



Secretary of State John Kerry with President Barack Obama. Photo: White House.

Jewish state, claiming to "want to see this thing develop into the full-blossomed beacon that Israel has the potential of being." Indeed, he went on, "Israel has all these skills," in so many realms "that it could be sharing with Egypt, with Jordan, with the Emirates, with Saudi Arabia, with all of these countries.... But the issue is, how do get from here to there?"

Netanyahu could have pointed out that attempting to get "from here to there" has been his guiding principle — one that he has been putting into practice with every Arab and African country that is open to it. This year alone, he has forged friendly relations and cooperation with Cairo. He has even made enormous strides with the Saudis, who consider Israel an ally in preventing Iran from acquiring the nuclear weapons that Kerry and his boss handed the mullahs on a silver platter.

Nevertheless, Kerry asserted with almost palpable disgust, "There will be no separate peace between Israel and the Arab world...I've heard several prominent politicians in Israel sometimes saying, 'Well, the Arab world's in a different place now. We just have to reach out to them, and ...then we'll deal with the Palestinians. No. No, no and no. There will be no advance and separate peace with the Arab world without the Palestinian process and without the Palestinian peace."

He continued by lambasting settlements, while claiming he understands that they are not the root cause of the conflict, saying he "cannot accept the notion that they do not affect the peace process — that they aren't a barrier to the capacity to have peace."

And here was the clincher. He said he knows this, because "the Left in Israel is telling

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## World News.

## UK Home Secretary Vows to Spend Millions for Jewish Security

BY JNS.ORG

United Kingdom Home Secretary Amber Rudd has promised to spend millions to provide all Jewish schools and synagogues in the country with security guards.

Speaking at a UK-Israel conference in the British Parliament last week, Rudd cited the research of the Community Security Trust, a British organization that monitors and records antisemitic incidents.

"Last year, the Community Security Trust received 924 reports of antisemitic incidents, including 86 violent assaults. Let me be clear, any attack of that kind is one attack too many," Rudd said.

"We are providing £13.4 million (about \$17 million) for guarding at all Jewish state, free and independent schools, colleges and nurseries and at synagogues, and to support the continuing efforts of the police to provide security and reassurance to the Jewish



UK Home Secretary Amber Rudd. Photo: Facebook.

community," she added.

Rudd said far-right extremists have become "increasingly sophisticated" in their tactics to use social media to promote their cause and to gain new followers.

"I am absolutely determined that we challenge extremism in all its forms and the terrible damage it can cause to individuals, families and communities," she said.

## Michael Oren: Trump Administration 'Spells End of Two-State Solution'

BY JNS.ORG

Member of Knesset Michael Oren (Kulanu), the deputy minister for diplomacy in the Israeli Prime Minister's Office and Israel's former US ambassador, said Monday that the forthcoming Donald Trump administration "spells the end of the two-state solution."

Oren's comments came during a gathering of international press in Jerusalem at the Jewish Media Summit, which was organized by the Israeli Government Press Office, the Ministry of Diaspora Affairs and the Foreign Ministry.

Oren and several other Israeli leaders — including Justice Minister Ayelet Shaked (Jewish Home), Yesh Atid party leader Yair Lapid and Education Minister Naftali Bennett (Jewish Home) — answered questions from Israeli and foreign journalists during separate sessions.

Bennett and Oren were asked what the Trump administration would mean for Israel. Oren said, "We don't know entirely, we see possibilities...possibly moving the US Embassy to Jerusalem... the will to stand up to the Iranians." Oren added that President Barack Obama and President-elect Trump share similar policies on "America's place in

the world," claiming that Trump favors isolationism.

"The advent of the Trump administration spells the end of the two-state solution," Oren said.

Bennett said that with a Republican in the White House, Israel will set the course in its relationship with America.

"The question is not Donald Trump; it's Benjamin Netanyahu and what the prime minister will ask for," Bennet said, calling it a "once-in-a-generation opportunity" to work with a Republican US president, as well as Republican majorities in the House and Senate.



MK Michael Oren. Photo: Wikimedia Commons, by Anne Mandelbaum.

similar extremists across the continent, like the National Front leader Marine Le Pen who is competing in the upcoming French presidential elections."

Kantor continued: "We hope that this creates momentum for mainstream and decent politicians to start to fight back against those who are using recent economic and social upheavals to push their intolerant agenda."

Hofer campaigned against open borders

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### Relief

Congress — said in a statement, "We join democrats and all right-minded people in Austria and across Europe in breathing a sigh of relief that the first openly racist and xenophobic head of state was not elected on our continent. This would not just have been a disaster for Austria but also for Europe, as it might have given a strong tailwind for other

## Iranian Foreign Ministry: Tehran Has Concrete Plans in Place to Respond to US Breaches of Nuclear Deal



Iranian missile boats in the general area of Strait of Hormuz, Persian Gulf. Photo: Wikipedia.

BY RUTHIE BLUM

Tehran has concrete plans in place to respond to any possible breach of the nuclear deal, the Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman announced on Monday, following the recent unanimous US Senate vote to extend sanctions on the Islamic Republic for an additional 10 years, the regime-aligned news agency Tasnim reported.

According to the report, at a weekly press conference in the Iranian capital, Bahram Qassemi said that there would be serious consequences to every American violation of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA). "Our reaction in the first stage will be a political and legal move, and if we fail to reach a certain solution to the US breaches, we will press on with our measures in various fields according to a package we have," he declared, in a veiled reference to possible military steps or speeding up of nuclear activity.

He also went on to call the US to task for behaving as though the JCPOA were a bilateral agreement, as opposed to one that was reached with five other world powers — China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom and Germany.

Qassemi further echoed threats made by President Hassan Rouhani on Sunday about a harsh response from Iran if the Senate bill were to be implemented, warning outgoing President Barack Obama not to sign it. If

Obama does not do so, the federal sanctions imposed on Iran will expire on Dec. 31, less than one month before the Jan. 20 inauguration of President-elect Donald Trump, who has said that he would either cancel or renegotiate what he has called "one of the worst deals made by any country in history."

Speaking at a nuclear security conference on Monday, the head of Iran's Atomic Energy Agency, Ali Akbar Salehi, referred to the bill indirectly, warning Washington to desist from "irrational and provocative" moves.

In an interview with The Algemeiner last week, an expert on the Islamic Republic said top Iranian officials were trying to "blackmail" the US into making further concessions.

As The Algemeiner reported last week, a former senior Israeli official said that Iran has been stepping up the speed at which it is arming its terrorist proxies in the Middle East, due to its fear that Trump assumes office, its room to maneuver in Syria will be greatly hampered.

This followed months of belligerent statements emanating from Tehran and actions in the form of ballistic-missile testing and boasts of military advancements — the most recent of which was the entry of two Islamic Republic naval warships into the Atlantic Ocean.

The Senate vote was a response to concerns that the United States will not be able to reimpose sanctions in the event that Iran violates the terms of the JCPOA, which many members of Congress consider to be already breached by the Islamic Republic.

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Iran Deal

"It's developing ballistic missiles that will ultimately be capable of reaching the United States," the prime minister warned. "The Iranians are developing intercontinental ballistic missiles, and for those who forget, Israel and Iran are on the same continent... they're not developing these ICBMs for us, they're developing them for you, for America. The Iranian regime continues to shout 'Death

to America' and 'Death to Israel.' So we have to stop Iran's march to the bomb, its development of long-range ballistic missiles and its support for terror in the Middle East and throughout the world."

In a pre-election interview with The Algemeiner last month, senior Trump adviser David Friedman said a Trump administration would "reengage with the world powers in a way that seeks to reintroduce leverage on Iran."

and the "Islamization" of Europe. His party has denied links to the neo-Nazi movement.

According to the European Jewish Congress, approximately 15,000 Jews currently live in Austria — mostly in Vienna,

the country's capital.

The role of president in Austria is largely ceremonial. Elections for the position are held every six years.

## World News.



The US Capitol building. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

## Human Rights Expert Says Unanimous Passage of Senate Antisemitism Bill Will Have 'Ripple Effect' on US Campuses

BY LEA SPEYER

A newly passed US Senate bill advancing the fight against antisemitism will have a "ripple effect" on educational institutions, the head of a Jewish human rights organization told *The Algemeiner* on Friday.

Kenneth Marcus — president and general counsel at the Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law — was referring to the unanimous passage on Thursday of the bipartisan Antisemitism Awareness Act of 2016, which identifies the phenomenon as a "persistent, disturbing problem in elementary and secondary schools and on college campuses." It also demands that the Department of Education take into consideration the definition of antisemitism set forth by the State Department and its Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Antisemitism.

According to the bill:

*Awareness of this definition of antisemitism will increase understanding of the parameters of contemporary anti-Jewish conduct and will assist the Department of Education in determining whether an investigation of antisemitism under Title VI [of the Civil Rights Act of 1964] is warranted.*

"At every university, the general counsel will need to advise the administration on this new federal guidance," Marcus told *The Algemeiner*. "And university policy will need to be revised to reflect it."

## Twitter Grants Verification Status to Muslim Brotherhood Portal

BY JNS.ORG

Twitter recently granted verification status to an official mouthpiece of the Muslim Brotherhood, an Egypt-based Islamist organization that has been designated as a terrorist group in its home country since December 2013.

The status was assigned to the Muslim Brotherhood operated website known as Ikhwan Web, which serves as the Brotherhood's "official" English-language feed.

In response to Twitter's decision critics accused the social media giant of legitimizing the group's antisemitic propaganda.

"Verifying the Muslim Brotherhood's Twitter feed helps further their narrative of

The Antisemitism Awareness Act has faced criticism from members of the anti-Israel movement, which accuses it of hindering freedom of speech.

Rejecting this claim, Marcus said that the authors of the bill — Sens. Bob Casey (D-PA) and Tim Scott (R-SC) — "were very smart" in their wording, to avoid infringing on any rights.

"The First Amendment protects a lot of antisemitic speech, just as it protects lots of racist, sexist and homophobic speech. This bill wouldn't change that. The point is that some activities are not constitutionally protected, and this bill would help the Department of Education identify which of them are antisemitic," he said.

As Jewish students have become increasingly vulnerable targets on college campuses, Marcus said, "It's about time the government take action."

"Some of us have been pointing out for several years that antisemitic incidents are surging and need to be addressed. Over the last couple of years, the levels have become so unacceptable that Congress is beginning to take notice," he added.

According to a recently published FBI Hate Crime Statistic Report, 2015 saw a major spike in antisemitism in the US, with Jew-hatred accounting for 51.3 percent of all victims targeted due to religious bias. A total of 664 antisemitic incidents were recorded.

civilization-Jihad," US Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Texas), told the *Washington Free Beacon*.

"This maneuver makes the Brotherhood seem like a legitimate group while providing them cover to spread their radical version of Islam," Cruz added. "I look forward to working with the new administration to expose the Brotherhood's efforts to increase their influence in America."

Kyle Shideler, director of the Center for Security Policy's Threat Information Office, said Twitter's decision is "deeply concerning."

"At a time when Twitter is already facing criticism for banning individuals based solely on speech, Twitter has effectively lionized a group responsible for the burning of Coptic churches and the killing of Egyptian police

## UCLA Pro-Israel Students Slam Screening of 'Antisemitic' Film Featuring BDS Activist Roger Waters

BY JNS.ORG

A group of pro-Israel student leaders at University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) slammed a documentary film screening event on campus that was hosted Nov. 30 by Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP) and attended by former Pink Floyd bassist Roger Waters, an outspoken anti-Israel activist.

The documentary film — "The Occupation of the American Mind: Israel's Public Relations War on the United States" — is produced by Sut Jhally, a communications professor at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, and narrated by Waters.

The film, which focuses on pro-Israel public relations efforts in the US, seeks to explore "how the Israeli government, the US government and the pro-Israel lobby have joined forces, often with very different motives, to shape American media coverage of the conflict in Israel's favor," a description of the event on Facebook said.

In an open letter published in UCLA's *Daily Bruin* student newspaper, the pro-Israel students said that the film peddles in "centuries-old anti-Semitic conspiracy theories" that "a group of powerful, manipulative and domination-obsessed Jews have gained control of politics and media through a combination of wealth, power, influence and deceit."

"By choosing to screen this film, Students for Justice in Palestine has unabashedly endorsed and legitimized this perception of



Roger Waters. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

the Jewish people," the statement added.

The students said their goal was not to silence the viewpoints expressed in the film, but to "combat bad speech with constructive speech."

"Along with their right to screen this film comes our moral responsibility to call it what it is: inflammatory, anti-Semitic propaganda," they wrote.

The joint statement was signed by Jackie Schaeffer, the strategic policy director of the Bruin-Israel Public Affairs Committee; Amir Kashfi, legislative director of the Bruin-Israel Public Affairs Committee; Arielle Yael Mokhtarzadeh, president of Bruins for Israel; Noah Wallace, finance chair of the Hillel at UCLA Student Board; Hannah Tudzin, president of the Hillel at UCLA Student Board; Ariel Rafalian, financial support commissioner of the Undergraduate Students Association Council and Inbar Goren, president of Students Supporting Israel at UCLA.

## Officials at Ben-Gurion Airport Refuse Entry to Israel of Known BDS Activist

BY JNS.ORG

Israel refused entry to an activist for the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement Monday, the first time such action was taken since a bill was introduced to the Knesset proposing the policy.

Isabel Phiri, a Malawian member of the World Council of Churches and a known BDS activist, was stopped by Ben-Gurion International Airport authorities while trying to enter the Jewish state on a tourist visa.

According to reports, Phiri's passport was flagged and Population and Immigration Authority officials at the airport contacted the Interior Ministry for instructions. Minister of the Interior Aryeh Deri instructed airport authorities to deny Phiri's entry, effectively setting a precedent for barring entry to individuals who promote economic, cultural, and academic boycotts against Israel.

Deri and Strategic Affairs Minister Gilad Erdan jointly head Israel's public diplomacy

efforts against the BDS movement.

"We will continue to prevent BDS activists from entering, as their purpose is to undermine Israel by gathering information and presenting it in a distorted and false manner. BDS activists belong outside the country, and we will continue to pursue the measures at our disposal to prevent them from entering Israel," Erdan said.



Inside Ben-Gurion's International Airport. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

and judiciary officials," Shideler told the *Free Beacon*. "How is Twitter supposed to help defeat online radicalization when it essentially endorses the biggest source for Islamist

radicals in the world?"

The Muslim Brotherhood is the parent group of the Palestinian terrorist organization Hamas.

## U.S. News.

# Bernard-Henri Lévy Says Election of Donald Trump a 'Major Event for Jews'; Warns of Rise of 'American Antisemitism'

BY ALGEMEINER STAFF

*Editor's note: Bernard-Henri Lévy — French philosopher, filmmaker, and activist; defender of Israel and of Jewish values — returns to New York on January 11 for a conversation with Charlie Rose at the 92nd Street Y. On the same day, Random House will publish The Genius of Judaism, an English translation of Lévy's best-seller, L'Esprit du judaïsme. The following brief interview provides a sample of what you'll hear:*

## Why did you choose the Y for the launch of your book?

Because there is in New York no finer locus of Jewish thought and culture than the Y. Known all over the world, it is a model for the great European community centers. I am not aware of many other places where "knowledge" and "study" are found together in such perfect balance. For a book like *The Genius of Judaism*, which advocates for an affirmative Judaism, there could not be a better place for the launch.

## What do you mean by affirmative Judaism?

A glorious Judaism that is proud of itself and its values. A strong Judaism. But hold on! I don't mean naked strength or brute force. I mean the force of intelligence, the strength that comes from reflection and commentary. The strength that Jews derive from familiarity with their sacred texts, notably the Talmud.

## You are aware, of course, that your presentation will occur just a few days before the United States inaugurates a new president?

Of course. And, with all of the humility required by my status as a foreigner accepting the hospitality of an institution of high American culture, I will express how I view this event. I will discuss Mr. Trump with respect to Jews, Judaism, and what I know of his, at least very strange, relationship with Israel. Once again, I will do so with courtesy and care, and in a way that reflects my unconditional love for America and its credo. But I will not dodge the issues or dance around the tough questions.

## Are you among those Europeans who are condemning the president-elect in advance?

"In advance" is not my style. I believe that the most decent stance, for someone who believes in democracy, is the one taken by Barack Obama, by Hillary Clinton, and, indeed, by *The Algemeiner* — namely, that the people have spoken, that Trump has been elected and that we all have to wish the United States and its administration the best of luck. That said, I have my own ideas about what is occurring in the US heartland and my own ideas about what today's American Jews should be alert to. I believe that this election is — in addition to everything else—a major event for the Jews. And I will explain why.

## Can you share a bit more about that?

I would prefer to wait until January 11, if you don't mind. Especially since the book, which addresses this point squarely, is embargoed until then. I can tell you one thing, however. American Jews are rightly horrified by the rise of antisemitism in Europe generally and in France in particular. One of the themes of the book is that the United States is not just a spectator here. Unfortunately, there exists an American antisemitism whose genealogy and triggers I explore in the book. And that American antisemitism is undergoing a resurgence.

## Can you cite some examples?

Here again, let's wait until January 11. But one example is all the antisemitic voices (KKK, white supremacist and so on) that the Trump event liberated and emboldened. And another one is, of course, the BDS movement, which stands for boycott, divestment, and sanctions. I will retrace the movement's history. I will demonstrate that its deepest roots lie in the soil of European Nazism. And I will explain how and why this manner of being anti-Semitic without appearing to be and without suffering from a guilty conscience is just getting started in this country, to my great dismay. Please forgive my bluntness. But when you see the enemy coming, when you know his true face, you have to find ways to fight him. And that's what we'll talk about, this night, at the Y. Be there.

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everybody they are a barrier to peace and the Right that supports it, openly supports it, because they don't want peace."

And there you have it. Kerry's utter gall. His accusation that most Israelis oppose peace. Not that we long to live without fear of being stabbed, car-rammed, torched, blown up by bombs and hit by rocket-fire by hate-filled terrorists bent on our annihilation. Not that we have relinquished most of the West Bank and all of Gaza to those killers. Not that every territorial withdrawal has been accompanied by an escalation in violence against us.

Netanyahu also addressed the Saban Forum, via video feed. His remarks were decidedly different from Kerry's. He stressed the danger of the Iran nuclear deal; reminded

everyone that the Palestinian Liberation Organization was created in 1964, three years before the Six-Day War, which led to Israel's taking control of the territories it is accused of "illegally occupying." He also pointed out that the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is not about settlements or Palestinian statehood, but rather part of the "battle between modernity and medievalism."

If Netanyahu is waiting with bated breath for Trump's inauguration in January, it is with good reason — if only never to have to hear from the insufferable Kerry, who quipped that his wife complained over the years about his spending more time conversing with the Israeli prime minister than with her.

*Ruthie Blum is the managing editor of The Algemeiner.*

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## Opinion.

# A Heart-Tugging Report From a Jerusalem Refugee Camp Falls Flat With New York Times Readers



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Last Sunday's *New York Times* magazine carried a long and heart-rending account, by a writer named Rachel Kushner, of the miserable lives of some residents of the Shuafat refugee camp in Jerusalem.

One of the fine things about the Internet is that even before the story was delivered to print subscribers of the *Times*, readers have had the chance to rebut it. The *Times* online commenters (at least the ones not likening Israel to the Nazis) have done a pretty good job already.

"I will look forward to Ms. Kushner's next story from Aleppo. If she can write these many words about the 'suffering' Palestinians, I am sure her story on Aleppo will take up 1,000 *times* more column space....and will get this same top billing from the *NY Times*," wrote "Ralph" from Chicago, sarcastically.

"Working Mama" from New York City wrote, "If you want to be taken seriously about the Middle East, you need to have the same standards for all players. Where are your accounts of the plight of Palestinian Arabs kept in camps in Arab nations? Where is the mention of the 800,000 or so Jews forced from their homes in Arab countries contempora-

neously with the creation of Israel? Why no coherent discussion of why refugees from 1948 have failed to resettle or assimilate to new homes over nearly 70 years?"

There also are a few points I didn't see addressed by the *Times* commenters that are worth adding.

First, Ms. Kushner writes, "I was invited on an extensive tour of the occupied West Bank, including East Jerusalem, and was asked to choose a subject to write about, for a book to be published next year. With no previous experience in the region, and little knowledge..." This is just weird. "Was invited" uses the passive voice, almost always a giveaway that a writer is trying to hide something. Who, exactly, "invited" her or "asked" her? Did the person or organization doing the inviting and asking pay for her expenses or pay for her writing, or offer to do so? How does someone with zero experience in the region and "little" knowledge wind up writing about it for the *New York Times*?

I sent Ms. Kushner a message over Facebook asking some of those questions, and haven't yet gotten a response.

Another point worth mentioning relates to this paragraph:

*Adel kept making reference to his 9-year-old daughter, who is physically disabled and cannot attend school. I asked to meet her or Adel asked if I wanted to meet her. Either way we ended up in Adel's large apartment, and his daughter Mira was wheeled out to the living room. Mira was burned over most of her body and is missing part of one arm and*



Shuafat, east Jerusalem.  
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*a kneecap. Her face and scalp are disfigured. A school bus filled with children from the Shuafat camp were on a trip to Ramallah when their bus collided with a truck on wet roads. The bus overturned and burst into flames. Five children and a teacher burned to death. Dozens were injured. Emergency services were delayed by confusion over who had jurisdiction. As a result, Mira and other children had to be taken in the cars of bystanders to the closest hospital. The accident took place between the Adam settlement and Qalandiya checkpoints, in what is called Area C of the West Bank, which is entirely under Israeli control. The likelihood of something like this occurring was well known. Later, a report from Ir Amim, an Israeli human rights group, established that the tragedy resulted from the multiple challenges of living beyond the separation barrier. Roads were substandard. There were too many children on the bus, the children had no access to education in their own communities and there was no oversight.*

This is all sad, but it ignores the fact that people are horribly injured in bus accidents in other places, too. Ir Amim, which the *Times* describes as an "Israeli human rights group,"

in fact got 62.6% of its funding from 2012-2014 from European governments, according to NGO Monitor.

The *Times* piece refers to "Moriel Rothman-Zecher, a writer and organizer who had walked me into the camp in order to make introductions between me and Baha and to serve as my Arabic interpreter." How Ms. Kushner picked up Mr. Rothman-Zecher as a guide is unexplained by the *Times*, though a search of the *Times* archives does turn up a piece from 2015 by Mr. Rothman-Zecher talking about his serving a month in jail for refusing to serve in the Israeli military, before eventually being released with a mental-health exemption.

The saddest part of all, to me, at least, in this very sad *Times* article was not anything about the Palestinian Arabs, sad as their plight is. It was, rather, this passage about an exchange between Ms. Kushner and an Israeli soldier at a checkpoint:

*"You're a Jew, right?" he blurted into the microphone. For the context in which he asked, for its reasoning, I said no. But in fact, I'm ethnically half-Jewish, on my father's side, although I was not raised with any religious or even a cultural connection to Judaism. My mother is a white Protestant from Tennessee. I might have said, "Yes, partly," but I found the question unanswerable, on account of its conflation of Zionism and Jewish identity. My Yiddish-speaking Odessian great-grandfather was a clothing merchant on Orchard Street. My grandfather worked in his shop as a boy. That is classically Jewish, but my sense of self, of what it might mean to inherit some trace of that lineage, was not the kind of patrimony the soldier was asking after. I was eventually waved along.*

When a grandchild of a Jew is raised with no religious or cultural connection to Judaism, to the point where the notion of a Jewish state — Zionism — renders her speechless as an adult, it puts a whole new spin on the title of Ms. Kushner's article, "We Are Orphans Here."

# The World Cannot Ignore Assad's Crimes



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It was one of the most dramatic moments so far in the five-year civil war that has torn Syria apart.

In August 2014, a man disguised with dark glasses and a hood, known as "Caesar," testified before the House Foreign Affairs Committee. A former sergeant in the armed forces of the ruling regime of President Bashar al-Assad, Caesar had worked as a photographer; his principal job was to document the gruesome torture and murder of the thousands of ordinary Syrians taken into custody. As he explained matter-of-factly to the members of the Foreign Affairs Committee, "I had the job of taking pictures of the dead — before and after the revolution. Our work increased greatly after the revolution."

The spectacle of cruelty and brutality that Caesar was exposed to over the course of two years would probably have driven most human beings insane. Not just dead bodies, but maimed bodies, bodies with their eyes

gouged out, bodies emaciated from the effects of enforced hunger, bodies of men, women and children alike. These sorts of atrocities come naturally to a dictator like Assad, just as they did to his father, the late tyrant Hafez al-Assad.

In 2013, Caesar escaped from Syria, faking his own death — even having relatives and friends stage a funeral. He took with him 55,000 of the images he'd photographed, stored on memory sticks that he hid inside his shoes. As he told the Foreign Affairs Committee, the images were gruesome proof that Assad's drive to retain power would lead him to kill "his own brother" if necessary. "I endangered my life by coming to the US, testifying before Congress in hopes for justice and appealing to the moral conscience of free Americans," Caesar said. "I now believe that with this bill, Congress has taken the first step toward justice and accountability in my wounded nation."

The bill Caesar was referring to, designed to bring the perpetrators of these atrocities to justice, began making its way through the US legislature two years ago, with both strong bipartisan support and backing from Syrian-American groups working to highlight the profound human cost of Assad's war.

H.R. 5732, also known as the Caesar Civilian Protection Act of 2016 — in recogni-

tion of the critical role played by the provider of the evidence, passed through the House this week in a voice vote. The bill includes tough sanctions against individuals and entities associated with the Assad regime in such vital sectors as banking, airline and energy. In addition, it would mandate the US president to report to Congress on the prospects for a no-fly zone in Syria, as well as requiring the president to make available to Congress the names of Syrian regime war criminals, with an eye on future prosecutions for war crimes and crimes against humanity.

Now the bill needs to pass the Senate and be signed into law by the president. There is no shortage of reasons for the importance of this legislation; foremost is the assault by the Assad regime, backed by Russia and Iran, on Aleppo, where 250,000 civilians have been told they will be "annihilated" if they do not leave. In case there was any doubt as to Assad's intentions, it's worth pointing out that medical facilities and hospitals have been targeted at least 30 times during the regime's all-out assault on Aleppo. Human rights groups working on Syria are hence calling on Senators Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) and Bob Corker (R-Tenn.) to push through the bill via an expedited process called "hotlining," which bypasses committee review and allows the legislation to be introduced directly on the floor before Congress goes home for the year.

Predictably, progressive and far-left opponents of firm action on Syria are now marshaling their arguments. Some of what is being said — for example, the smear that Caesar is a confidence trickster peddling fraudulent evidence — is only to be expected

from the folks who were, just more than a decade ago, defending Saddam Hussein's Ba'athist regime in neighboring Iraq from Western pressure.

A more conventional set of objections is that the legislation would drive resources away from the fight against Islamic State, risk conflict with Russia, and threaten the survival of the nuclear deal with Iran. It's certainly true that under President Barack Obama's very own nose, the Russians have made enormous strides in Syria, to the point where the Admiral Kuznetsov aircraft carrier is now deploying S-300 and S-400 missile batteries in defense of Assad — and Russian defense officials have made clear that they will use them.

The argument about Islamic State is specious, because Assad and his Russian, Iranian and Hezbollah allies have spent much time fighting other rebel groups while enabling, indirectly and sometimes even directly, the Islamic State advance. The net result of this has been to make the war even more complex and enduring, as outside powers like Turkey and Iran have used the ostensible fight against Islamic State to pursue their own agendas — in Tehran's case, building a Shia crescent through the region, in Ankara's case, waging brutal war against the Kurdish minority in both Syria and Turkey.

Yet the Assad regime remains the core of this sectarian cauldron. Its "war crimes drive ISIL (Islamic State) recruitment and hamper the rebel forces fighting ISIL," Evan Barrett of the Washington, DC-based Syria Emergency Task Force told me.

Even so, it's an open and vexed question

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## Opinion.

# Women Represent a New Threat in ISIS' Strategy



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This is Laura Hansen's story.

It may also be the story of the future of Islamic terrorists in the West.

Born and raised in the quiet Dutch city of the Hague, Laura Angela Hansen was 17 years old when she converted to Islam in 2012. She married a Dutch-Palestinian man seven years her senior, whom she met through a dating site for Muslims, and quickly became pregnant. She also became the victim of his abuse; neighbors repeatedly called the police to their home, fearing not only for Hansen, but for her four-year-old daughter — evidently from a previous relationship.

But life improved once her new son, Abdullah, was born, Hansen later explained in an interview with Kurdistan24. In September 2015, her husband suggested they take a family vacation to Turkey, where they might also help Syrian refugees.

It didn't turn out quite that way. Instead of going to the refugee camps, Hansen told Kurdistan24, her husband led her into Syria, where she was brought into a house guarded by "men with beards and guns." From there, she and her husband were transferred to Mosul, where, she said, she tried many times to "flee from the hell in which I was living."

She succeeded in July, escaping both her husband and the Islamic State and finding sanctuary with her children among the



Laura Hansen. Photo: screenshot.

Peshmerga forces. Through them, she was able to return in early August to the Netherlands, where she was immediately taken into custody.

That, anyway, is Laura Hansen's story as Laura Hansen has told it — both to her lawyers and to the press. But like all stories, Hansen's has another side: the public prosecutor's.

Based on Hansen's previous statements on social media and some of her activities shortly before she and her family departed for their Turkish "holiday," prosecutors say the now-21-year-old knew exactly where she was going and indeed was happy to make the trip. They cite her response to a beheading video sent her by her father, presumably to dissuade her from joining the Islamic State. Chatting with him on Facebook, she insisted, "These people have to be removed. Eye for eye, tooth for tooth."

Moreover, despite telling Kurdish television that she suffered in the "hell" of the Islamic State, she has neither said anything about her experiences, nor outright condemned ISIS, since her return. While she no longer wears a hijab and allegedly now eats pork, appearing to have turned her back on Islam, no threats have been made against her on Islamic State social media sites. And she has not been accused by others of being an infidel — a situation some prosecutors find

perplexing, if not suspicious.

Faced with her ongoing silence, the public prosecutor's office questioned her current motives during a recent hearing. Either she is a naive woman who is genuinely renouncing her jihadist past, they said, or she's been sent back to execute an attack, and the "reformed" Laura is a ruse to throw off investigators.

Hansen did not respond.

"Only she really knows," Wim de Bruin, a spokesman for the public prosecutor's office said when reached by phone. "We can't answer either way at this point."

For the moment, then, Hansen is being held on charges of participating in terror activity and support of a terrorist organization; prosecutors have said that "so long as Laura explains nothing, we will assume the worst-case scenario."

Recent events add support to the prosecutor's suspicions. Numerous reports point to the possibility that Islamic State leaders will lean increasingly on women and even children to join in their now-faltering ambitions — including allowing women to join a battlefield that was previously off-limits to them. And the Islamic State "is using increasing numbers of women to evade security measures and spearhead a wave of attacks across Europe and the Islamic world as it loses territory in the Middle East," the Guardian reported last month.

Such efforts also seem to include a renewed focus on attracting women to the cause. In Amsterdam, for instance, police recently arrested a so-called "loverboy" for seducing girls he then recruited for jihad.

The endeavors have already paid off. In Morocco, ten young women, all in their teens, were arrested in October and charged with planning suicide attacks. All had allegedly sworn allegiance to the Islamic State.

"This is the first time we have found a terrorist cell that was entirely composed of women," Abdelhak Khiame of Morocco's Central Bureau of Judicial Investigations told the Guardian.

In Paris, French police arrested four women in September for allegedly planning to bomb the Gare de Lyon. At least two of those women were, like Laura, converts to Islam.

In San Bernardino, California, Tashfeen Malik played the central role in the jihadist killings last December. She allegedly fired the first shots in the attack, and possibly helped radicalize her husband, US-born Rizwan Farook.

And according to Dutch journalist Brenda Stoter, who has reported extensively from Syria and Iraq, two new training camps for women have opened near Raqqa in the past year.

Moreover, as European law enforcement cracks down on those they suspect of planning to leave for Syria, Stoter reports, some — including young women — are likely "to seek out alternatives to supporting IS."

"The repeated calls of IS leaders to execute attacks in their own countries don't only reach male sympathizers," she notes.

Indeed, Matthieu Suc, author of *Femmes de Djihadistes* (Wives of Jihadists), told Newsweek's Jack Moore, "In different jihadist records, you can see, you can hear, women — often young — regretting not to be able to commit terrorist acts."

For law enforcers, the situation poses any number of risks. On the one hand, there is the obvious danger in letting a returnee go free, but there is also the concern that, by imprisoning someone who claims she wants to rejoin Western culture, they will inadvertently reignite her resentment and anger, turning her against us once again.

All of this makes Laura Hansen's story

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at Laban's expense. Jacob senses that Laban himself is becoming hostile. Rachel and Leah agree, saying, "he treats us like strangers! He has sold us and spent the money!" (31:14-15).

Jacob realizes that there is nothing he can do or say that will persuade Laban to let him leave. He has no choice but to escape. Laban then pursues him, and were it not for God's warning the night before he catches up with him, there is little doubt that he would have forced Jacob to return and live out the rest of his life as his unpaid labourer. As he says to Jacob the next day: "The daughters are my daughters! The sons are my sons! The flocks are my flocks! All that you see is mine!" (31:43). It turns out that everything he had ostensibly given Jacob, in his own mind he had not given at all.

Laban treats Jacob as his property, his slave. He is a non-person. In his eyes Jacob has no rights, no independent existence. He has given Jacob his daughters in marriage but still claims that they and their children belong to him, not Jacob. He has given Jacob an agreement as to the animals that will be his as his wages, yet he still insists that "The flocks are my flocks."

What arouses his anger, his rage, is that Jacob maintains his dignity and independence. Faced with an impossible existence as his father-in-law's slave, Jacob always finds a way of carrying on. Yes he has been cheated of his beloved Rachel, but he works so that he can marry her too. Yes he has been forced to work for nothing, but he uses his superior knowledge of animal husbandry to propose a deal which will allow him to build flocks of his own that will allow him to maintain what is now a large family. Jacob refuses to be defeated. Hemmed in on all sides, he finds a way out. That is Jacob's greatness. His methods are not those he would have chosen in other circumstances. He has to outwit an extremely cunning adversary. But Jacob refuses to be defeated, or crushed and demoralised. In a seemingly impossible situation Jacob retains his dignity, independence and freedom. Jacob is no man's slave.

Laban is, in effect, the first anti-Semite. In age after age, Jews sought refuge from those, like Esau, who sought to kill them. The nations who gave them refuge seemed at first to be benefactors. But they demanded a price. They saw, in Jews, people who would make them rich. Wherever Jews went they brought prosperity to their hosts. Yet they refused to be mere chattels. They refused to be owned. They had their own identity and way of life; they insisted on the basic human right to be free. The host society then eventually turned against them. They claimed that Jews were exploiting them rather than what was in fact the case, that they were exploiting the Jews. And when Jews succeeded, they accused

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as to whether Obama would sign the bill into law before he leaves office. After all, Obama backed down on taking military action against Assad out of his desire to please the Iranians — and there is little to suggest that he would make a different calculation this time around. As for President-elect Donald Trump, the shape of his foreign policy remains indistinct, and we have no idea whether his desire for an alliance with Russia against Islamic State terrorists will be the final guarantee of Assad's long-term survival.

The Senate should be urged to pass the Caesar Act as resoundingly as the House did. As Evan Barrett says, "it will demonstrate to the president elect that both parties in both

more urgent. Dutch prosecutors say that they want to make her "an example." But if she has genuinely apostatized, or if her experiences in the Islamic State have led her to renounce radical Islam and violent jihad, she would be just the example Western Muslim women

them of theft: "The flocks are my flocks! All that you see is mine!" They forgot that Jews had contributed massively to national prosperity. The fact that Jews had salvaged some self-respect, some independence, that they too had prospered, made them not just envious but angry. That was when it became dangerous to be a Jew.

Laban was the first to display this syndrome but not the last. It happened again in Egypt after the death of Joseph. It happened under the Greeks and Romans, the Christian and Muslim empires of the Middle Ages, the European nations of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, and after the Russian Revolution.

In her fascinating book *World on Fire*, Amy Chua argues that ethnic hatred will always be directed by the host society against any conspicuously successful minority. All three conditions must be present.

[1] The hated group must be a minority or people will fear to attack it.

[2] It must be successful or people will not envy it, merely feel contempt for it.

[3] It must be conspicuous or people will not notice it.

Jews tended to fit all three. That is why they were hated. And it began with Jacob during his stay with Laban. He was a minority, outnumbered by Laban's family. He was successful, and it was conspicuous: you could see it by looking at his flocks.

What the sages are saying in the Haggadah now becomes clear. Pharaoh was a one-time enemy of the Jews, but Laban exists, in one form or another, in age after age. The syndrome still exists today. As Amy Chua notes, Israel in the context of the Middle East is a conspicuously successful minority. It is a small country, a minority; it is successful and it is conspicuously so. Somehow, in a tiny country with few natural resources, it has outshone its neighbours. The result is envy that becomes anger that becomes hate. Where did it begin? With Laban.

Put this way, we begin to see Jacob in a new light. Jacob stands for minorities and small nations everywhere. Jacob is the refusal to let large powers crush the few, the weak, the refugee. Jacob refuses to define himself as a slave, someone else's property. He maintains his inner dignity and freedom. He contributes to other people's prosperity but he defeats every attempt to be exploited. Jacob is the voice that says: I too am human. I too have rights. I too am free.

If Laban is the eternal paradigm of hatred of conspicuously successful minorities, then Jacob is the eternal paradigm of the human capacity to survive the hatred of others. In this strange way Jacob becomes the voice of hope in the conversation of humankind, the living proof that hate never wins the final victory; freedom does.

chambers of Congress seek greater accountability for war crimes in Syria." It will also send a message to those who believe that Assad is now safe from international justice that many past dictators, from Benito Mussolini to Saddam Hussein, thought that they too would go on forever. And they were wrong.

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## Impressions.

# Jewish Pundit Hounded by Black Lives Matter, White Supremacists Says He's Received More Antisemitic Tweets Than Any Media Peer

BY RUTHIE BLUM

Calling himself “more conservative than [President-elect Donald] Trump on every issue,” yet the bane of the alt-right, the editor-in-chief of the Daily Wire — who has the distinction of being “one of the few people who has managed to unite the Black Lives Matter movement and white supremacists in protest against him” — told the UK-based J-TV that he has received more antisemitic tweets in the past year than any of his colleagues in the media.

On the program “Current Affairs” — moderated by the UK-based Henry Jackson Society founder and executive director Dr. Alan Mendoza — Ben Shapiro, an American political author, pundit and Orthodox Jew, who resigned from Breitbart News Network in March after a widely publicized incident involving reporter Michelle Fields and former Trump staffer Corey Lewandowski — said nevertheless that he does not believe that the incoming administration in Washington will be antisemitic.

“I’ve been a very critical voice about Donald Trump and about [former Breitbart editor] Steve Bannon, his White House chief strategist, in particular,” he said. “[But] I don’t have any evidence that [either is] antisemitic. I think that both are willing to pander to some of the worst people in the world on the alt-right in order to advance their agenda on particular issues, but there is no evidence that Trump is particularly anti-Israel, and Breitbart has never been an anti-Israel site; it’s always been a very pro-Israel site, so I’m not deeply concerned about antisemitism in the Trump administration as much as I am about the emboldenment of antisemites through a kind of patting on the head... But as far as policy [is concerned]...I think it’s going to be a more pro-Israel administration than the Obama administration was...”

Shapiro, author, most recently of *A Moral Universe Torn Apart*, was referring to Bannon, who has been the focus of ongoing debate since leaving the leadership of Breitbart to work for the Trump

*“If they see someone in a room with \$5 and someone else with \$1, they assume that the person with the \$1 was screwed by the other,”*

campaign and, more recently, when he was appointed to be chief White House strategist.

Though a fierce opponent of the alt-right — a group he said he hadn’t even heard of until it reared its head in the last year — Shapiro said that it is a reaction to the extremism of the Left, which bases its policies on “multiculturalism and multi-ethnic diversity — the idea being that America is a terrible place for black people, for gay people, for Asian people, for Mexican people, for people of various stripes. And those people can band together and take over the system.”

And though an equally fierce opponent of Trump’s, Shapiro said, “If you read the alt-right sites, you’ll see that they say Trump isn’t one of us, but he’s

made us feel more comfortable.”

Why, then — asked Mendoza — have there been such strong responses to Shapiro’s campus appearances, with students considering his views, like those of the alt-right, to be beyond the pale? In fact, Mendoza added, Shapiro is one of the few people who

siding with some of the worst people on earth, because a lot of the worst people on earth are poor and living in dire circumstances, specifically because of the philosophies they impose or the choices that they make. So, the campuses that are willing to countenance BDS or have ex-terrorists debate — DePaul was willing to have



Ben Shapiro. Photo: Facebook.

has managed to unite the far-left Black Lives Matter movement and the alt-right in protest against him.

Shapiro replied:

“Only because they’ve never listened to anything I’ve said or read anything that I’ve written. I’ve been banned on campuses for speaking about free speech and about diversity of thought and against racism, and in these speeches, I explicitly rip the alt-right, white ethnocentrism, white superiority and any concept of it.”

At California State/Los Angeles there was essentially a riot when I arrived, professors were telling their students that I was a KKK sympathizer. KKK sympathizers not only don’t wear yarmulkes, but KKK sympathizers don’t dump a candidate like Donald Trump specifically over his failure to smack down the KKK on national TV.

Giving his take on the rise of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement across US campuses, Shapiro said it has to do with the overall philosophy of the political Left. “If they see someone in a room with \$5 and someone else with \$1, they assume that the person with the \$1 was screwed by the other,” he said. “The same thing holds for international affairs. They...see that Israel is rich and prosperous and free and...the Palestinians are poor and repressed. And...that must be Israel’s fault, and therefore, [we] shouldn’t do business with Israel.”

This, he said, “gives students a feeling of unearned moral superiority. It also means you’re going to end up

an ex-Palestinian terrorist — are the same campuses that will actually send a police force to block me from speaking about BDS, for example.”

Shining a spotlight on this issue is the “best antidote,” Shapiro said, because “most people don’t pay much attention to campus affairs,” and pressure on administrations actually has an effect.

He also dismissed the notion that it is possible to mobilize all students, Jewish or otherwise, against the phenomenon. Most, he said, are too busy “studying or drinking or having sex.” However, he added, “The ones who are engaged should know how to fight, and there I think there is a bit of a disservice done. A lot think that the best way to counter [BDS] and have their views heard is to be nice and cordial, when unfortunately that’s not the way it works on campus.”

Finally, Mendoza asked Shapiro about the possible role that Trump’s Jewish son-in-law, Jared Kushner, might play in negotiating a peace deal between Israel and the Palestinians.

No one is going to do this, Shapiro replied, “because it’s essentially a religious conflict that is incapable of bridging so long as one side of the conflict is interested in destroying the other... The best thing the Trump administration could do is be hands-off and allow Israel to defend itself.”

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File No. 2015-1130/APA. No. 143815 CITATION SURROGATE'S COURT, KINGS COUNTY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, By the Grace of God Free and Independent TO: Gilbert Sandler, Sally (a/k/a Selma) Rackson, Capital Funeral Homes, Inc. Attorney General of the State of New York New York State Department of Taxation and Finance New York City Human Resources Administration ESTHER GLENER, if living but if dead, to her heirs at law, next of kin and distributees whose names and places of residence are unknown and if she died subsequent to the decedent herein, to her executors, administrators, legatees, devisees, assignees and successors in interest whose names and places of residence are unknown, and The spouse, if any, and any and all unknown distributees and creditors of JULIUS BOLTAX, deceased, whose whereabouts are unknown and if any of the aforesaid persons be dead, to their heirs at law, next of kin and distributees whose names and places of residence are unknown and if the persons died subsequent to the decedent herein, to their executors, administrators, legatees, devisees, assignees and successors in interest whose names and places of residence are unknown and to all other heirs at law, next of kin and distributees of JULIUS BOLTAX, the decedent herein, whose names and/or places of residence are unknown and cannot after due diligence be ascertained, A petition having been duly filed by the Public Administrator of Kings County, who has offices at 360 Adams Street, Room 144A, Brooklyn, New York 11201, United States. YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Kings County, at 2 Johnson Street, Room 319, Brooklyn, New York, on December 20, 2016, at 9:30 o'clock in the fore noon of that day, why (a) The account of proceedings of the Public Administrator of Kings County as Administrator of the estate of JULIUS BOLTAX, a summary of which has been served herewith, should not be judicially settled; (b) The Public Administrator of Kings County should not be paid his commissions pursuant to SCPA §2307 in the amount of \$7,822.56, as set forth in Schedules C-1 and I of the Account; (c) The Public Administrator of Kings County should not be paid his administrative expenses pursuant to SCPA § 1106(3) in the amount of \$1,705.64, as set forth in Schedules C-1 and J of

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the Account; ( d) The Court should not fix, determine and approve the legal fees of Cullen and Dykman LLP, counsel to Petitioner, in the amount of \$10,233.85 as shown in Schedules C-1 and J of the Account; ( e) The Court should not fix, determine and approve the disbursements of Cullen and Dykman LLP in the amount of \$12.00 as shown in Schedules C-1 and J of the Account; (f) The claim of Capital Funeral Homes, Inc., in the amount of \$4,030.00, for decedent's funeral expenses, as set forth in Schedule D of the Account, should not be allowed; (g) The claim of the New York City Human Resources Administration, in the amount of \$95,810.24, as set forth in Schedule D of the Account, should not be allowed; (h) The claim of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, if any, should not be fixed and determined; (i) The Petitioner should not be permitted to distribute so much of the net estate to the decedent's distributees, as now known or hereafter determined, as their interests may appear, and to deposit any amount not so distributed with the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York to be held for the benefit of decedent's unknown distributees or for the benefit of any distributees of the decedent who are under disability for whom no guardian of the property has been appointed; (j) The Petitioner, upon fully complying with the Decree to be made in this proceeding, should not be released and discharged of and from any and all liability, responsibility and accountability with respect to the Petitioner's acts and proceedings as Administrator as set forth and embraced in said account and the Court grant such other and further relief as it deems just and proper; Dated, Attested, and Sealed, October 27, 2016 HON. MARGARITA LOPEZ TORRES Surrogate, Doreen A Quinn Chief Clerk Joseph J. Borges, Esq. Attorney Cullen and Dykman LLP 44 Wall Street New York NY 10005-2407 (212) 701-4175 NOTE: This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not required to appear. If you fail to appear it will be assumed that you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney appear for you, and you or your attorney may request a copy of the full account from the petitioner or petitioner's attorney  
AJ 11/18/25; 12/2/9

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings U.S. Bank Trust N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust, Plaintiff AGAINST Violeta E. Dy, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 10/6/2016 and entered on 10/20/2016, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on December 15, 2016 at 02:30 PM premises known as 1216 East 82nd Street, Unit 103, Brooklyn, NY 11236-4909. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 8060, LOT: 1147. Approximate amount of judgment is \$296,528.40 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 506613/2014. Albert Sardar, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706  
AJ 11/18/25; 12/2/9

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY FEDERAL

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NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION; Plaintiff(s) vs. MOHANIE RAMSARAN; et al; Defendant(s) Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI, ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, New York, 12524, 845.897.1600 Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about September 26, 2016, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at Public Auction in Room 224 at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201. On December 22, 2016 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 154 NICHOLS AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11208 Block: 4121 Lot: 91 ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. As more particularly described in the judgment of foreclosure and sale. Sold subject to all of the terms and conditions contained in said judgment and terms of sale. Approximate amount of judgment \$443,184.10 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 2002-13 Mark A. Longo, Esq., Referee  
AJ 11/18/25; 12/2/9

Notice of formation of PLLC name: Filament Architecture Studio, PLLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 08/23/2016. 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 process to the LLC c/o United States corporation agents Inc. 7014 13th Avenue suite 202 Brooklyn NY 11228. Purpose: All lawful activity  
AJ 11/25; 12/2/9/16/23/30

ACCOUNTING PROCEEDING FILE NO. 2013-4526/C CITATION THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, By the Grace of God Free and Independent TO: ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK NANCY M. MURPHY DONALD HALL DIANNA ERBLAND NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE And to the heirs at law, next of kin and distributees of WILLIAM E. HALL, a/k/a WILLIAM HALL, a/k/a WILLIAM EARL HALL, deceased, if living; and, if any of them be dead, to their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, legatees, executors, administrators, assignees and successors in interest, whose names are unknown and cannot be ascertained after due diligence; being the persons interested as creditors, legatees, devisees, beneficiaries, distributees, or otherwise in the estate of William E. Hall, a/k/a William Hall, a/k/a William Earl Hall, deceased, who at the time of his death was a resident of 26 East 10th Street, Apt. 6F, New York, New York 10003. 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 January 3rd, 2017, 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 the above named persons be cited to show cause why such settlement should not be granted; (iii) that

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a hearing be held to determine the identity of the distributees, at which time proof pursuant to SCPA 2225 may be presented, or, in the alternative, that the balance of the funds, less an appropriate reserve for the preparation of fiduciary income tax returns and the payment of taxes, if any, shown thereon to be due, be deposited with the Commissioner of Finance of the City of New York for the benefit of Decedent's unknown distributees, or for the benefit of any distributee who is under a disability and for whom no fiduciary has been appointed, or who has post-deceased Decedent and for whose estate no fiduciary has been appointed, or whose whereabouts are unknown; (iv) that, if any claim is asserted herein by New York State Department of Taxation and Finance for estate, individual income or fiduciary income taxes, the same be fixed and determined, or if not so fixed and determined, deemed rejected; (v) that the Surrogate approve statutory commissions and the Petitioner's administration expenses pursuant to SCPA 1106(3), and the reasonable amount of compensation to the attorney for the Petitioner for legal services rendered to the Petitioner herein, as reported in Schedules C and C-1 of the account of proceedings; (vi) that the persons above mentioned and all necessary and proper persons be cited to show cause why such relief should not be granted; (vii) that an order be granted pursuant to SCPA §307 where required or directed; and (viii) for such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper. HON. NORA S. ANDERSON, SURROGATE, Dated, Attested and Sealed, November 15th, 2016, DIANA SANABRIA, Chief Clerk, Steven R. Finkelstein, Esq., Counsel to Public Administrator of the County of New York, 90 Broad Street, Suite 1700, New York, New York 10004, (212) 363-2500. Note: This citation is served upon you as required by law. You are not required to appear. If you fail to appear it will be assumed that you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney-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 11/25; 12/2/9/16

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR WELLS FARGO ASSET SECURITIES CORPORATION, MORTGAGE ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES SERIES 2007-AR9, Plaintiff -against- JOYCELIN DOVE, GLADSTONE DOVE, WARREN BLAKE, NATIONAL CITY BANK, CITY OF NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD Defendant(s) Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly dated SEPTEMBER 26, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at ROOM 224 F/K/A ROOM 274 OF KINGS COUNTY SUPREME COURT, 360 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11201 on January 5, 2017 at 2:30 PM premises known as 298 SCHENCK AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11207. ALL that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. Block: 3995 Lot: 23 Approximate amount of lien \$690,841.78 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment Index # 509904/2014 DORON LEIBY, ESQ., REFEREE STEIN, WIENER AND

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ROTH, L.L.P., ATTORNEYS FOR THE PLAINTIFF ONE OLD COUNTRY ROAD, SUITE 113 CARLE PLACE, NY 11514 DATED: November 23, 2016 FILE #: WELLS 64337  
AJ 12/2/9/16/23

Notice of formation of LLC (Limited liability company) Name: Gemini Nikki, LLC Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/19/2016. Office location Richmond County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY Shall mail copy of the process to the LLC c/o United States corporation agents inc. 7014 13th Ave. Suite 202 Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: all Lawful activity  
AJ 12/2/9/16/23/30; 1/6

597 EAST 8 LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 11/9/2016. Office in Kings Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 943 President St., #3R, Brooklyn, NY 11215. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
AJ 12/2/9/16/23/30; 1/6

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF Kings, HIC ACQUISITIONS I, Inc., Plaintiff, vs. Nelson Rodriguez, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on August 22, 2016, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on January 05, 2017 at 2:30 p.m., premises known as 42 Eldert Lane, 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 4112 and Lot 67. Approximate amount of judgment is \$691,093.16 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 876/14. Scott Harris Klein, Esq., Referee Greenspoon Marder, 100 W Cypress Creek Road, Trade Centre South, Suite 700, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309, Attorneys for Plaintiff  
AJ 12/2/9/16/23/

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

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## Tradition.

## The Birth of the World's Oldest Hate



JONATHAN SACKS  
LONDON

"Go and learn what Laban the Aramean sought to do to our father Jacob. Pharaoh made his decree only about the males whereas Laban sought to destroy everything." This passage from the Haggadah on Pesach – evidently based on this week's parsha – is extraordinarily difficult to understand.

First, it is a commentary on the phrase in Deuteronomy, Arami oved avi. As the overwhelming majority of commentators point out, the meaning of this phrase is "my father was a wandering Aramean", a reference either to Jacob, who escaped to Aram [Aram meaning Syria, a reference to Haran where Laban lived], or to Abraham, who left Aram in response to God's call to travel to the land of Canaan. It does not mean "an Aramean [Laban] tried to destroy my father." Some commentators read it this way, but almost certainly they only do so because of this passage in the Haggadah.

Second, nowhere in the parsha do we find that Laban actually tried to destroy Jacob. He deceived him, tried to exploit him, and chased after



him when he fled. As he was about to catch up with Jacob, God appeared to him in a dream at night and said: 'Be very careful not to say anything, good or bad, to Jacob.' (Gen. 31:22). When Laban complains about the fact that Jacob was trying to escape, Jacob replies: "Twenty years now I have worked for you in your estate – fourteen years for your two daughters, and six years for some of your flocks. You changed my wages ten times!" (31:41). All this suggests that Laban behaved outrageously to Jacob, treating him like an unpaid labourer, almost a slave, but not that he tried to "destroy" him – to kill him as Pharaoh tried to kill all male Israelite children.

Third, the Haggadah and the seder service of which it is the text, is about how the Egyptians enslaved and practised slow genocide against the Israelites and how God saved them from slavery and death. Why seek to diminish this whole narrative by saying that, actually, Pharaoh's decree was not that bad, Laban's was worse. This seems to make no sense, either in terms of the central theme of the Haggadah or in relation to the actual facts as

recorded in the biblical text.

How then are we to understand it?

Perhaps the answer is this. Laban's behaviour is the paradigm of anti-Semites through the ages. It was not so much what Laban did that the Haggadah is referring to, but what his behaviour gave rise to, in century after century. How so?

Laban begins by seeming like a friend. He offers Jacob refuge when he is in flight from Esau who has vowed to kill him. Yet it turns out that his behaviour is less generous than self-interested and calculating. Jacob works for him for seven years for Rachel. Then on the wedding night Laban substitutes Leah for Rachel, so that to marry Rachel, Jacob has to work another seven years. When Joseph is born to Rachel, Jacob tries to leave. Laban protests. Jacob works another six years, and then realises that the situation is untenable. Laban's sons are accusing him of getting rich

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above-named defendants: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to answer the amended complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the amended complaint is not served with this supplemental summons, to serve a notice of appearance, on the plaintiff's attorneys within 20 days after the service of this supplemental summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME. If you do not respond to this summons and complaint by serving a copy of the answer on the attorney for the mortgage company who filed this foreclosure proceeding against you and filing the answer with the court, a default judgment may be entered and you can lose your home. Speak to an attorney or go to the court where your case is pending for further information on how to answer the summons and protect your property. Sending a payment to your mortgage company will not stop this foreclosure action. YOU MUST RESPOND BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. The foregoing supplemental summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Honorable Leon Ruchelsman, Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, KINGS County, dated the 29th day of January, 2016 and duly entered in the office of the Clerk of the County of KINGS, State of New York. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE object of the above captioned action is to foreclose a Mortgage to secure \$172,550.00 and interest, recorded

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in the Office of the City Register of Kings County on October 11, 2002 in Reel 5842, Page 357, which mortgage was assigned to CitiMortgage, Inc. by assignment of mortgage dated September 9, 2002 which was recorded in the Office of the City Register of Kings County on October 11, 2002 in Reel 5842, Page 373, covering premises known as 822 EAST 52ND STREET, BROOKLYN, COUNTY OF KINGS, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK (BLOCK 7927, LOT 79). The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above. The Plaintiff also seeks a deficiency judgment against the Defendants, THOMASSENIA P. BUCHANAN-FOSTER, and ANTHONY FOSTER, for any debt secured by said Mortgage which is not satisfied by the proceeds of the sale of said premises, unless discharged in bankruptcy. Premises situate lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, BEGINNING at a point on the westerly side of East 52nd Street, 80 feet northerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the westerly side of East 52nd Street and the northerly side of Foster Avenue; being a plot 100 feet by 20 feet by 100 feet by 20 feet. BLOCK 7927, LOT 79 Dated: Rego Park, New York September 16, 2016 DAVID A. GALLO & ASSOCIATES LLP. By: Rosemarie A. Klie, Esq. Plaintiff 95-25 Queens Boulevard, 11th Floor Rego Park, New York 11374 (718) 459-9000 AJ 12/2/9/16/23/

Notice of formation of limited liability company LLC Name: Dong Family 168,LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York(SSNY) on 10/18/2016 Office location kings county. SSNY Has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail copy of the process to: The LLC 528 55th St., Brooklyn, NY 11220 purpose:all lawful activity AJ 12/2/9/16/23/30; 1/6

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A., AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF THE MULTI-CLASS MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, CHASEFLEX TRUST SERIES 2007-3, V. BERYL ANDERSON, et al. NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 28, 2016, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of KINGS, wherein THE BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST COMPANY, N.A., AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OF THE MULTI-CLASS MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, CHASEFLEX TRUST SERIES 2007-3 is the Plaintiff and BERYL ANDERSON, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the KINGS COUNTY SUPREME COURT, ROOM 224, 360 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11201, on January 12, 2017 at 2:30 PM, premises known as 62 EAST 57TH STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11203; Block 4662 Lot 25: ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY OF KINGS, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 506724/2014.

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Gregory Thomas Cerchione, Esq. - Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 106, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff AJ 12/9/16/23/30;

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE LLC; Plaintiff(s) vs. OSCAR CORDNER; ROSETTA CORDNER; et al; Defendant(s) Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI, ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, New York, 12524, 845.897.1600 Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about August 10, 2016, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201. On January 12, 2017 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 36 OAKLAND PLACE, BROOKLYN, NY 11226 Block: 5127 Lot: 61 All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. As more particularly described in the judgment of foreclosure and sale. Sold subject to all of the terms and conditions contained in said judgment and terms of sale. Approximate amount of judgment \$812,122.62 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 20542/09 Sylvia E. DiPietro, Esq., REFEREE AJ 12/9/16/23/30;

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY Wells Fargo Bank N.A.; Plaintiff(s) vs. CHRISTOPHER PANLASIGUI; KAREN TANG; et al; Defendant(s) Attorney (s) for Plaintiff (s): ROSICKI, ROSICKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C., 2 Summit Court, Suite 301, Fishkill, New York, 12524, 845.897.1600 Pursuant to judgment of foreclosure and sale granted herein on or about July 27, 2016, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder at Public Auction in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201. On January 12, 2017 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 35 MCDONALD AVENUE, UNIT 1A, BROOKLYN, NY 11218-1082 Block: 00895 Lot: 1127 The Condominium Unit known and designated as Unit No. 1A (hereinafter called "the Unit") in the building known as the 35 McDonald Avenue Condominium, 25-47 McDonald Avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York (the "Building") designated and described in the Declaration establishing a plan for condominium ownership of the Building and the land upon which the Building is situated (said Building and land referred to collectively herein as the "Property" or the "Condominium"), dated January 31, 2007, made by 25-47 McDonald Avenue LLC under the Condominium Act of the State of New York (Article 9-B of the Real Property Law of the State of New York), recorded in the Office of the Register of the City of New York on the 27th day of April, 2007, in City Register File Number (CRFN) 2007000221142 (hereinafter called the "Declaration"). The Unit is also designated as Tax Lot No. 1127 in Block 895 of the Borough of Brooklyn on the Tax Map of the Real Property Assessment Department of the City of New York and on the floor plans of the Building, certified by Douglas Pulaski, Registered Architect, on January 31, 2007, approved with the Real Property Assessment Department of the City of New York on January 31, 2007, as Condominium Plan No. 1794, and filed in the

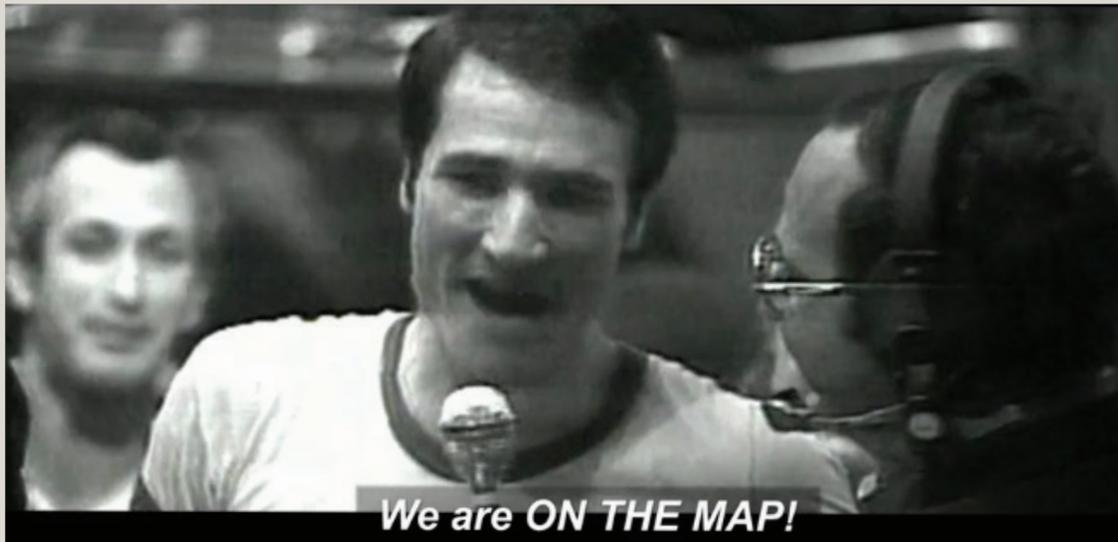
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Register's Office on April 27, 2007, in CRFN 2007000221143. Together with an undivided 1.51 percent interest in the Common Elements (as such term is defined in the Declaration) appurtenant to the unit. As more particularly described in the judgment of foreclosure and sale. Sold subject to all of the terms and conditions contained in said judgment and terms of sale. Approximate amount of judgment \$359,779.64 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 506194/2015 Steven D. Cohn, Esq.; REFEREE AJ 12/9/16/23/30;

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff AGAINST Leonora Francis a/k/a Lenora V. Francis a/k/a Leonora V. Francis; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated September 22, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn NY 11201 on January 12, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 321 Milford Street a/k/a 321 Milford Street #4, Brooklyn, NY 11208. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, Block 4262 Lot 10. Approximate amount of judgment \$539,476.94 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 508656/2015. Helene E. Blank, Esq., Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: November 17, 2016 AJ 12/9/16/23/30;

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR NOMURA ASSET ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-AP3, Plaintiff -against- MARIA POSNER A/K/A M. POSNER A/K/A MARIA POSNET, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR ALLIANCE MORTGAGE BANKING CORP., CHEMICAL BANK, THE FIRE COMMISSIONER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, CITY OF NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BOARD, GEORGE BRYANT, HENRY CLARK, SHAWN CAMPBELL, Defendant(s) Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale duly dated AUGUST 16, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction to the highest bidder at ROOM 224 F/K/A ROOM 274 OF KINGS COUNTY SUPREME COURT, 360 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11201 on January 12, 2017 at 2:30 PM premises known as 309 ARLINGTON AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY 11208. ALL THAT certain plot, piece of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of KINGS, City and State of New York. Block: 3927 Lot: 61 Approximate amount of lien \$479,903.07 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment Index # 501183/2015 JEFFREY R. MILLER, ESQ., REFEREE STEIN, WIENER AND ROTH, L.L.P., ATTORNEYS FOR THE PLAINTIFF ONE OLD COUNTRY ROAD, SUITE 113 CARLE PLACE, NY 11514 DATED: DECEMBER 2, 2016 FILE #: WELLS 66757 AJ 12/9/16/23/30;

## Social.



American-Israeli basketball star Tal Brody speaks with a reporter following Maccabi Tel Aviv's upset win over CSKA Moscow in February 1977. Photo: Screenshot.

## New Film Tells Story of How Underdog Basketball Team Put Israel 'On The Map' After Yom Kippur War

BY BARNEY BREEN-PORTNOY

"We are on the map and we will stay on the map, not only in sports but in everything!"

Those powerful words — uttered by American-Israeli basketball star Tal Brody — encapsulated the sentiments of an entire nation following underdog Maccabi Tel Aviv's upset victory over powerhouse CSKA Moscow in the 1977 European Cup semi-finals.

Maccabi, led by Brody, would go on to win its first European title by defeating Mobilgirgi Varese two months later. The team's dramatic success — which uplifted a small and battered Israel still reeling from the Yom Kippur War — has now been brought back to life in a new documentary film "On The Map," directed by Dani Menkin.

"It has never been forgotten here," the still-fit 73-year-old Brody told *The Algemeiner* in a telephone interview last week from his home in Israel as he worked out on his treadmill. "Maccabi has won five European titles since then, but you always remember your first love and for forty years we've been remembered like that in Israel. It's amazing. It left a stamp. It was a win with very heavy meaning for generations."

Brody said he was happy the story was now being told to the English-speaking world via the film, which focuses on the team's six American players.

"Each time I've seen it, it has given me goose pimples," he said.

The semi-final match against CSKA Moscow — whose roster featured the best players from across the Soviet Union — was played in a tiny gymnasium in Belgium, as, for political reasons, the Russians would not allow the game to be held in Tel Aviv or Moscow.

"To think that we could beat this team, it was something illusionary or a dream," Brody said. "As sportsmen, you always go into a game feeling like you have a chance to win, but our fans were just hoping we wouldn't be embarrassed. Yet every Israeli and Jewish person in Europe tried to find that gymnasium, and they did. So we had not only the majority, but around 99% of the people in that gymnasium were rooting and cheering for us, with Israeli flags. That gave us spirit, confidence and adrenaline. And the Russians were really shell-shocked, they had never been in an atmosphere like that."

Maccabi ended up winning the game 91-79 and

Brody was carried off the court on the shoulders of ecstatic fans.

Menkin, who was born and raised in Israel and now lives in Los Angeles, told *The Algemeiner*, "I grew up with this story. The team was like a ray of light after the Yom Kippur War. I was just amazed that there wasn't a movie about it. I'm really encouraged by the fact that so many Americans are loving the film and are seeing a positive story about Israel, which is not something they usually get in the news."

The events portrayed in the film, Menkin said, are "kind of like a 'Forrest Gump' of Israeli history. It's an intersection that combines so many things in our journey and our destiny, including figures like Moshe Dayan and Yitzhak Rabin, the Russians and the Cold War, and the peace process with Egypt. So within this sports drama, it was not just a game. It was much bigger than sports."

Referring to Brody, Menkin said, "If there are still people like him out there, can you find them and please let me know? He is somebody who gave up the NBA to play in Israel. And for many Israelis, his iconic statement, 'We are on the map,' has become an 11th commandment. It's beautiful how from the sports world, you can affect so many people."

The 85-minute film includes never-before-seen footage and interviews with prominent American basketball figures Bill Walton, David Stern and Digger Phelps.

Nancy Spielberg — one of the film's executive producers — told *The Algemeiner*, "Roberta Grossman [the film's other executive producer] and I loved the nuanced feel-good story about Israel. We loved the feeling of Jewish pride...A key message I wanted out there was two-fold — first, there are those who want to delegitimize Israel's right to exist and they will not win, just like the Soviets who refused to recognize Israel... That's very current for today with the BDS movement. That's just not going to happen. We're never going to let that happen. We will be victorious, we will stay on the map, no matter what. And secondly, personally, I loved the cooperative American-Israeli effort to rise above what lays in front of us — the hardship and the obstacles."

Furthermore, Spielberg said, "I'm absolutely not a basketball fan, but you don't have to be a basketball fan to love this film. Because the energy and the message, it makes you cry and stand taller at the same time. It's really

## 'Godfather' Co-Star James Caan Tells Facebook Followers: 'You Gotta Come' to Israel

BY JNS.ORG

Movie star James Caan, who played Sonny Corleone in the classic 1972 film "The Godfather," was full of praise for Israel on Thursday, telling followers via a Facebook video clip: "You gotta come here, you just gotta come here."

Caan, whose parents are Jewish immigrants from Germany, took a five-day trip to the Holy Land with his son in July as a guest of the Ministry of Tourism and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. His first stop was the Western Wall, where he lay tefillin (phylacteries), prayed and placed a handwritten note in a crack between the ancient limestones. He also enjoyed a tour of the tunnels that run beneath the Wall and marveled at the ancient construction.

He described his visit to the holy site as surreal, explaining that he had always thought of it "like a prop," a backdrop shown in movies or on television.



James Caan wearing tefillin at the Western Wall in Jerusalem. Photo: Screenshot.

"I was at the Wall and it's just like — I don't want to make it too flowery — but it's just like some magic happens to you...It was really kind of moving," Caan said.

During the trip, Caan also met with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his wife, Sara, visited IDF soldiers and taught a master class at the Hebrew University.

"All my life, I've always had this passion to come to Israel, but never had the opportunity," Caan noted. "There was always something inside of me. I couldn't figure it out."

For those interested in making the trip, he quipped, "I'll put it on my credit card."

wonderful. At screenings, I've sat next to big men who've cried out of pride. I love to see big men cry."

Brody said, "I think people who watch the film see another face of Israel which they haven't ever seen before. They see the real spirit of Israel. They see why people are so happy here. What do you see on the television about Israel? Hamas, Hezbollah, Syria, Iraq you see everything that is happening around us and you don't really see what we have in Israel, the life we have here."

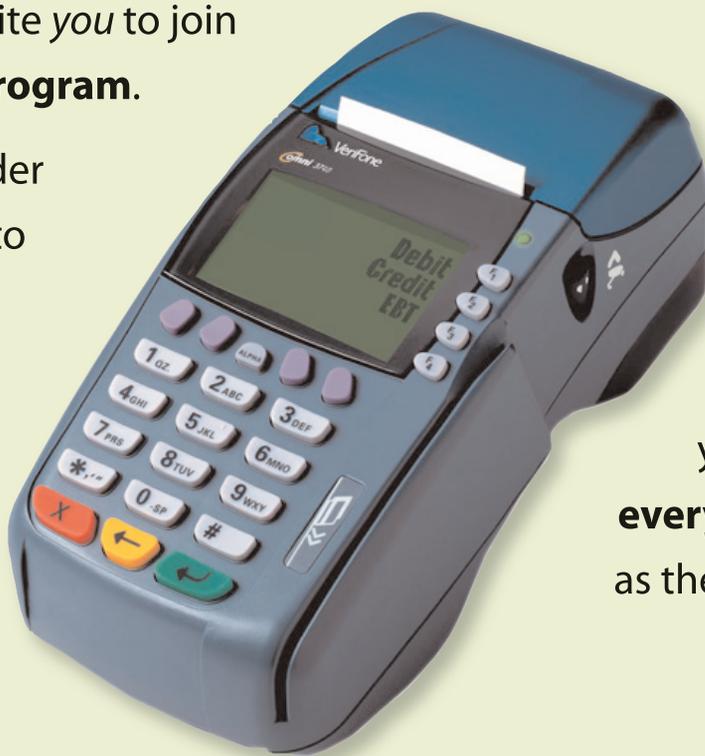
"On The Map" will open at Cinema Village in New York City this Friday. A full list of upcoming screenings can be found here.

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