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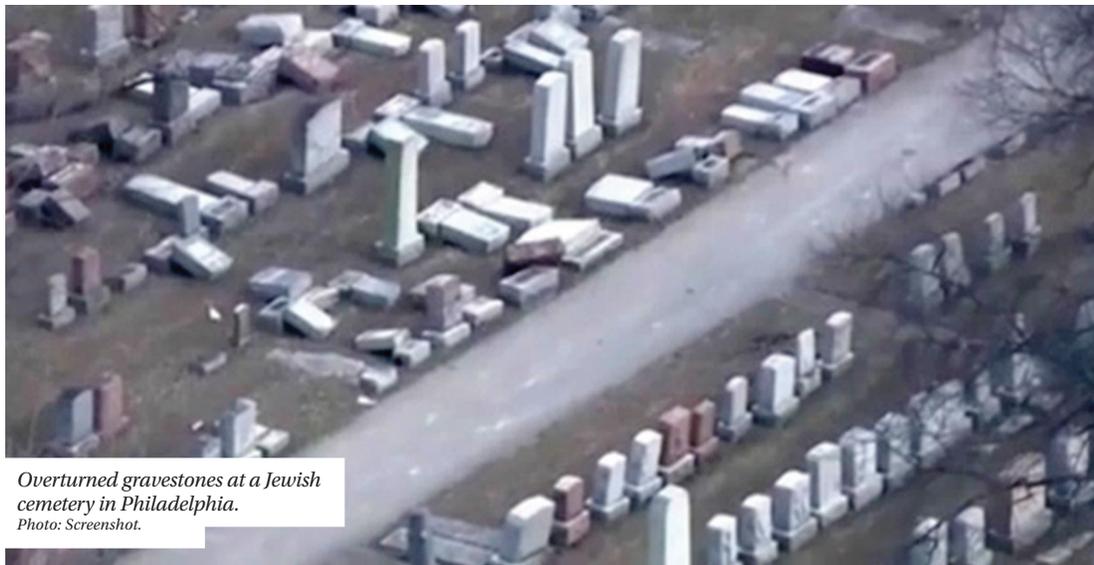
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## White House: Trump 'Deeply Disappointed' by Ongoing Anti- semitism Across US



Overturned gravestones at a Jewish cemetery in Philadelphia.  
Photo: Screenshot.

BY BARNEY BREEN  
-PORTNOY

President Donald Trump is "deeply disappointed and concerned" by the ongoing upsurge in antisemitism across the US, White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer said on Monday.

At a White House press briefing, Spicer referred to the recent desecration of two Jewish cemeteries — in St. Louis and

Philadelphia — and the spate of telephone bomb threats targeting Jewish institutions.

"The president continues to condemn these and any other form of antisemitic and hateful acts in the strongest terms," Spicer said. "No one in America should feel afraid to follow the religion of their choosing freely and openly. The president is dedicated to preserving this originating principle of our nation."

On Monday, bomb threats were called into Jewish community centers and schools in 11 states.

"Antisemitism of this nature should not and must not be allowed to endure in our communities," David Posner — director of strategic performance at the JCC Association of North America — said in a statement.

"The Justice Department, Homeland Security, the FBI,

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## Report: ISIS Chat Room Calls on Followers to 'Dress Up Like Jews' for Attacks

BY RUTHIE BLUM

An ISIS-linked Telegram channel is calling on aspiring "lone-wolf" terrorists to carry out attacks against Jewish targets, particularly in Britain, by disguising themselves as Jews and concealing weapons in their clothes, the multi-media international news platform *The Foreign Desk* reported on Monday.

According to the report, this call to action — which reads: "IF YOU'RE STILL IN THE WEST! Dress up like a Jew! Go



An ISIS terrorist from the West. Photo: Screenshot.

to your nearest Jewish area! Make sure you have plenty of weapons under you coat! Then unleash the pain of the Muslims upon these A.P.E.S!!! — was posted in a chat room called "Lone Mujahid," which regularly features guides to committing jihad and bomb-assembly and knife-attack tutorials.

Another post provides a list of Jewish targets in the UK, above a photo of Amedy Coulibaly — killed after perpetrating the January 2015 HyperCacher supermarket massacre in Paris — with the caption, "Take the brother's... example and terrorize the yahood [Jew]." I

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## Opinion.

## Why Do We Allow the Palestinians to Pay Terrorists?



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JERUSALEM

On March 8, 2016, Taylor Force, a 28-year-old West Point graduate and veteran of Iraq and Afghanistan, was visiting Israel with members of his graduate class from Vanderbilt University when a Palestinian terrorist attacked civilians in Jaffa with a knife. Force was killed, and 10 others, including a pregnant woman, were wounded.

US vice president Joe Biden, who happened to be in Israel on a state visit at the time, said: "The kind of violence we saw yesterday, the failure to condemn it, the rhetoric that incites that violence, the retribution that it generates, has to stop."

But the rhetoric and the Palestinian payments to terrorists have not stopped. In fact, the very next day, Abbas' Fatah party praised the attacker, Bashar Masalha, as a "hero and martyr," and added that these attacks would continue as "long as Israel does not believe in a two-state solution and ending its occupation."

Masalha, who was shot and killed by police after he stabbed his last victim, was given a hero's funeral with thousands in attendance.

The PA even criticized Israel for not releasing Masalha's body in a timelier fashion.

But the truly obscene part of this story is not really Masalha's killing spree; it is the PA's efforts to incentivize more terrorists to commit acts of violence against civilians in Israel.

According to Law Number 14, Articles 1 and 2, enacted by the PA in 2004, Masalha's family will receive a pension for life, amounting to three times the average yearly salary in the West Bank.

The Palestinian government makes absolutely no attempt to hide its rewards for terrorism. In the Amended Palestinian Prisoners Law 19 of 2013, the payments were actually enhanced for a terrorist who commits a violent act and is jailed. Under this law, the longer the sentence (i.e., the greater the violence), the higher the salary that a terrorist receives.

Article 4 offers free tuition to the children of those jailed. In Article 6, there is even a clothing allowance and monthly stipend linked to the cost-of-living index. Health insurance is included in Article 4, section 12. Article 5 provides the ultimate bonus: a lifetime pension for a prison term of five years (or only two years in the case of a female terrorist).

In response, some members of the US Congress are planning to introduce the Taylor Force Act, which would cut off funds to the PA until it revokes its laws supporting terrorism.

Why the Israeli government fails to highlight that the PA has legislation incentivizing terrorism, and that it allocates \$315 million, nearly 8% of its budget, to pay terrorists in prison and the families of the "martyrs," is bewildering.

While the Israeli government has begun to

criticize the PA for paying terrorists, it has never done anything to stop the PA from doing so.

The PA has named 25 schools throughout the West Bank after terrorist murderers. Three of them honor Dalal Mughrabi, a member of the Fatah faction of the PLO (the precursor to the PA), who was part of the group that ambushed a bus near Tel Aviv in 1978 (38 Israeli citizens were killed, including 13 children). The late Ms. Mughrabi also has a public square, a soccer tournament, a summer camp and a computer center named after her.

Perhaps it is time for Israel to admit that no two-state solution and no peace will ever be achieved if the Palestinian leadership continues to incentivize terrorism against Israel and teaches its children to hate and kill Jews.

There has been a continued argument that being too forceful with the PA could weaken it, which would lead to the rise of an even more lethal entity, like Hamas or Hezbollah. This is simply wrong, and the US, under President Donald Trump, is now setting into motion the simple idea that terrorism of any sort and against any people is completely unacceptable.

For more than 50 years, much of the world has accepted the Palestinians' argument of moral equivalence: that one man's terrorist is another man's freedom fighter. We've heard this in response to the PLO airplane hijackings of the 1960s, the Munich Olympic massacre,



Taylor Force, who was murdered in a Palestinian stabbing attack in Tel Aviv in March 2016.  
Photo: Facebook.

the Ma'lot slaughter of Jewish children and the stabbing death of Taylor Force.

But things appear to finally be changing.

In December, Great Britain temporarily suspended funding to the PA because the UK claims, correctly, that the money winds up in the hands of terrorists. Shortly after his inauguration, President Trump held up a last-minute cash giveaway of \$221 million to the Palestinians that Barack Obama authorized just hours before he left office.

Too many innocent victims like Taylor Force have suffered at the hands of Palestinian terrorists. It's time we stop adding to this list.

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## Keith Ellison Defeated by His Own Actions, Not Any Smear



ALAN DERSHOWITZ  
BOSTON

The close vote by the Democratic National Committee to reject Keith Ellison as its chairperson was a victory for basic decency, and a defeat for the kind of bigotry represented by Ellison's past associations with Louis Farrakhan and his current voting record against Israel's Iron Dome. Ellison's loss is not attributable to any "smear campaign," as some of his supporters have falsely alleged, but rather to his own actions, both past and present.

Would anyone call it a smear if a candidate's history of sexism, racism or homophobia had been exposed? Why, then, is it a smear to have raised questions based on Ellison's past associations with antisemitism and his current anti-Israel voting record? Nor was it a smear to question Ellison's credibility when he said that he was not aware that Farrakhan was an antisemite, as Farrakhan himself was publicly boasting about his Jew-hatred.

The smear charge itself reflects the kind of double standard within elements of the Democratic Party that worry centrist pro-Israel voters. Both Democrats and Republicans alike must have the same zero tolerance for antisemitism as they do for sexism, racism and homophobia.

The growing influence of intolerant hard-

Left extremists endangers both our country and the Democratic Party. Democrats must recognize the reality that the United States is not a hard-Left country. Unlike some European countries, we have never had significant Communist or socialist parties. Nor are we a hard-Right country with a history of fascist parties. We govern from the center, alternating centrist liberals, such as Obama and Clinton, with centrist conservatives like the Bushes and Reagan.

When the Democrats tried to move leftward, even with such moderate Leftists as McGovern, Mondale and Dukakis, they have been overwhelmingly defeated. The combined electoral votes of these three leftist candidates would not have been enough to win a single election. The Republicans experienced similar rejection when they went to the far-Right of their party and nominated Barry Goldwater.



US Rep. Keith Ellison (D-Minn.). Photo: Lorie Shaull via Wikimedia Commons.

Had Sanders won the Democratic nomination, he would have won no more than a handful of states. It is far easier for the hard-Left fringe of the Democrats to win primaries and conduct loud demonstrations than to win national or state wide elections. If the Democratic Party fails to understand this reality, it will emulate the British Labour Party, which rejected the kind of moderate liberal leadership represented by Tony Blair in favor of the extreme leftist Jeremy Corbyn. The Corbyn-led Labour Party is popular among left-wing extremists, but today it could not be competitive in a national election. Nor would the Democrats be competitive if they allow themselves to be taken over by the Sanders fringe.

Great Britain has a far greater proportion of hard-Left voters than the United States, yet, even there, the radical Corbyn Left cannot attract enough voters to be competitive, even in the post Brexit environment. It would be worse — much worse — for America if Democrats become the party of the extreme Left.

Those who believe that Democrats can win by attracting the kind of hard-Left radicals who voted for Green Party candidates such as Jill Stein or Ralph Nader are blinking reality. The Democrats could never nominate a winning candidate far-Left enough for those hard-Left ideologues to abandon their extremist candidates — extremists like Susan Sarandon who seemed to believe that voting for Trump would hasten the "revolution," during which "things will really explode" (in Sarandon's words).

## World News.

## 'Go Figure a Guy I Drank Coffee With Was Suddenly the Enemy'

BY RUTHIE BLUM

An Israeli security guard who miraculously survived an ax at the hands of a Palestinian co-worker in a West Bank mall a year ago described slowly putting the pieces of his life back together in an interview with Israel's *Channel 2* on Monday.

Zvika Cohen sustained serious wounds to his head and torso last February when a young man he considered to be his friend bludgeoned him with the deadly instrument and left him for dead.

"This was a guy I ate and drank coffee with," Cohen said with the slurred speech he has been in therapy to repair. "He was 19 — younger than my son. [He would say,] 'How are you, Zvika? How's it going?' We would bum cigarettes from each other... So go figure that he's suddenly your enemy."

Cohen, who has spent the past year in and out of the hospital undergoing rehabilitation, missed his eldest son's induction into the IDF and the bar mitzvah of his middle child. He also has frequent nightmares about the

attack, a reminder of which he is faced with every time he looks out his window.

"I won't go near there," he told *Channel 2*, while performing the simple tasks he has had to re-learn since the incident, such as speaking, reading, writing and putting the kettle on.

The attack was committed on February 26, 2016 by Saadi Ali Abu Hamed from al-Azariya, who worked at the Ma'ale Adumim shopping center where Cohn was a security guard. Hamed fled the scene and was apprehended two days later Israeli security forces, who had been alerted by the terrorist's family members that he was ready to turn himself in.



Zvika Cohen. Photo: Channel 2/Screenshot.

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**Antisemitism**

and the White House, alongside Congress and local officials, must speak out — and speak out forcefully — against this scourge of antisemitism impacting communities across the country," he continued. "Actions speak louder than words. Members of our community must see swift and concerted action from federal officials to identify and capture the perpetrator or perpetrators who are trying to instill anxiety and fear in our communities."

"We remain grateful to local law enforcement who continue to serve our communities and ensure that our JCCs and schools remain safe and open for business as the vital community institutions they are," Posner concluded.

Last Monday, at least ten Jewish community centers in the US received bomb threats.

Last month, an international security consultant and political risk analyst told *The Algemeiner* that the bomb threats directed at the Jewish community were part of an "unfortunate growing trend."

## Swastika Made of Human Feces Found in Dorm Bathroom Rattles Students at Rhode Island School of Design

BY LEA SPEYER

A swastika made of human feces, discovered in a dorm bathroom last week at the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD), has students rattled, local news station NBC 10 reported.

There is "no place for hateful symbols on a college campus or anywhere," the school's Hillel chapter stated, praising RISD officials for their "swift and clear response."

RISD student Cooper Thompson told NBC 10, "It's pretty shocking because I think everyone is wondering, you know, who it is. What they did is antisemitic. I have a feeling

"There has been an increase in non-profit organizations — both Jewish and not — receiving these types of bomb threats, whether through robocalls or other telephonic means," Dr. Joshua Gleis, president of Gleis Security Consulting, said.

One reason for this, according to Gleis, is technology.

"It's very easy today to anonymously make phone calls," he noted. "Law enforcement cannot always find out where they are coming from."

The perpetrators, Gleis said, might "just be looking to sow fear in the community."

"But another concern, which is more sinister, is that it is not just to create panic and fear, but really, God forbid, to see how different organizations respond and then potentially attack them while they're responding — for example attack them while they are evacuating, where they could be potentially more vulnerable because now there are hundreds of people outside," he added.

most likely they're really trying to shock people." Another student, Rory Hernandez, said, "It's kind of disgusting, actually, and really sad that somebody would go to that length to kind of express their frustration or some kind of angst or mental disease."

However, Hernandez added, "There have [been] people using their own fecal matter in a harmful way in the bathrooms, in the showers, all over the bathroom. It's been happening repeatedly and it should just be over by now. It should just be stopping."

School officials said in a statement, "This level of disrespect and vitriol is completely unacceptable

## Gaza Regional Councils Express Hope That Israel Will Learn From Failures of Operation Protective Edge



Sha'ar HaNegev Regional Council. Photo: Wiki

BY RUTHIE BLUM

The heads of local authorities in the "Gaza envelope" in southern Israel expressed hope on Monday — in the wake of a report that Hamas has 15 terror tunnels leading into the Jewish state, and ahead of the release of the State Comptroller's Report on the failures of Operation Protective Edge — that the defense establishment is implementing lessons learned from the 2014 war, Israel's *Channel 2* reported.

"We trust the political echelon and the army to learn from the report's findings and recommendations, and to continue addressing the issue of the tunnels," said Sdot Negev Regional Council head Tamir Idan. "I am not familiar with the information about the 15 tunnels in question, but I am certain that if they do exist, they are being tackled with the utmost seriousness by the relevant authorities... the tunnel threat created a new reality on the ground, which has taken a toll on the area's civil resilience. We are aware of the threat and its major impact on our residents, which is why we are following and will continue to monitor how it is being handled."

Sha'ar HaNegev Regional Council head Alon Schuster said, "I would like to reiterate and reemphasize that the IDF acted and is still operating in the area to safeguard the security of the residents. The underground

barrier currently under construction will not just prevent the digging of new tunnels, but will destroy existing ones... It appears that a solution to the problem is drawing near."

Merhavim Regional Council head Shai Hajaj criticized what he called the "hysterical debate, full of political accusations, surrounding the release of the Comptroller's report," calling it "a waste of time and ineffective in fixing what was defective."

Hajaj added that the report should "speak for itself," and stated that its findings are of great interest and import — but chiefly in order for the defense establishment to learn from them.

Sderot Mayor Alon Davidi told *Channel 2*: "We trust the IDF and defense establishment, which are working around the clock to keep us safe."

MK Haim Yellin from the centrist Yesh Atid Party said that the government "should not rely on the resilience of the Gaza envelope residents, because it needs to lead them and be responsible for their safety and well-being at all times."

He added, "Despite the tunnels and lack of security, the area is flourishing and its residents continue to reveal themselves as true heroes worthy of admiration."

The State Comptroller's Report, whose findings on Israel's war against Hamas in Gaza in the summer of 2014 are purported to be damning, is slated to be released on Tuesday.

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**Chat Room**

In December, the report said, the channel featured such posts as, "Chritmas [sic], Hanukah and New Years Day is very soon InshaAllah. So let's prepare a gift for the filthy pigs / apes," below a screenshot of a lesson on how to craft a pressure-cooker bomb.

The Foreign Desk pointed to additional ISIS attacks on Jewish targets:

*In May 2014, Mehdi Nemmouche, a 29-year-old French national of Algerian origin opened fire at the Jewish Museum in Brussels, killing three people. A fourth died*

*later due to injuries sustained in the attack. Nemmouche was arrested later that month. Police recovered a recording with a claim by Nemmouche in the name of the Islamic State.*

*Belgian officials investigating the suicide bomb attack at Brussels airport last year believe the attackers were intending to hit Jews and Americans.*

*In South Africa in July 2016, twin brothers Brandon-Lee and Tony-Lee Thulsie were arrested for an alleged ISIS-inspired plot to target the US Embassy and Jewish targets in Pretoria.*

able and RISD Public Safety is investigating it as both an act of vandalism and a crime of hate."

This is among a string of similar incidents that have been occurring on North American campuses over the past year. This month alone, images of a Nazi gas chamber

and nearby crematorium were scrawled in the room of a Jewish student at the University of Minnesota; and a Valentine's Day card with a photo of Hitler next to the message "my love 4 u burns like 6,000 jews" was distributed at Central Michigan University.

## World News.



McGill University campus. Photo: Paul Lowry/Wikimedia Commons.

## 'Punch a Zionist' Tweeter Enabled by McGill Student Government to Remain in Key Post

BY RACHEL FROMMER

Jewish leaders at McGill University in Montreal attributed the ability of the student government representative who tweeted "punch a Zionist" to remain in one of his positions — though he resigned, under pressure, from another — to widespread anti-Israel sentiment on campus.

Simon Paransky, co-president of the student group Israel on Campus, told *The Algemeiner* that "support for Igor [Sadikov's] violent views" led to a vote Wednesday not to impeach him from the Arts Undergraduate Society Legislative Council (AUS).

"The problem is, I think, student government at McGill is composed mostly of people who think like Igor — who mistakenly think that there is no way to criticize Israel or be anti-Zionist without backing incitement," said Paransky. "For a long time, Jewish and Zionist students have told me they that believe the McGill student leadership is not on our side when it comes to issues of Israel and Judaism, and I've tried to convince them we have other channels. But those channels are drying up. I worry that, institutionally, we have no more avenues in student government to make our voice heard."

Grace Miller-Day, an executive of McGill's pro-Israel group, told *The Algemeiner* that at the AUS meeting determining if Sadikov would be impeached, "Far more students spoke in favor of him than against him. The conversation became not about the violence Igor encouraged, but about their political views of Israel, Palestine and Zionism. Some said that they couldn't condemn him for

espousing violence against Zionism, because Zionism is inherently violent — which is, of course, untrue."

Furthermore, she added, "Students also said the threats Igor has personally received since this whole thing started outweighed the threat he posed by advocating violence. It was distressing."

Miller-Day said that student leadership has thrown its support behind Sadikov, leaving students like her feeling like they are not welcome.

According to Paransky, the AUS first issued a call for Sadikov's resignation, but retracted it after the McGill principal involved herself in the controversy, as *The Algemeiner* reported, and stated that Sadikov must go.

Paransky welcomed the administration's intervention, saying, "At this point, there is nothing more the pro-Israel community can do without it."

Independent student-run newspaper *The McGill Tribune* reported late last week that Sadikov stepped down from his role on the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) Board of Directors, and the SSMU legislative council will be voting March 9 on a motion to remove Sadikov from his remaining student government posts.

The Students' Society, the AUS and Sadikov did not respond to *The Algemeiner's* request for comment.

McGill — which ranked fourth on *The Algemeiner's* 2016 list of the "40 Worst Colleges for Jewish Students" in North America — has been described by students as one of the most contentious institutions in Canada for Jews and Israel-supporters.

## New Hezbollah Sign Placed on Israel-Lebanon Border Threatens 'Account Not Settled'

BY BARNEY BREEN-PORTNOY

Hezbollah recently placed a large sign on the Israel-Lebanon border bearing a threatening message to the Jewish state: "The account is not settled."

On the sign, according to the Hebrew news site nrg, are images of Hezbollah leaders, including the late Imad Mughniyeh, who was killed in a February 2008 car bombing in Damascus that the Lebanon-based Shiite terrorist group and foreign media outlets

attributed to Israel.

The sign also displays a map showing potential infiltration routes from southern Lebanon into northern Israel. Hezbollah has vowed that its fighters will seize parts of the Galilee region during a future war.

"We can see the sign very clearly...it's hard to miss it," a resident of the northern border kibbutz of Malkia was quoted by nrg as saying.

Last week, as reported by *The Algemeiner*, Israel's military chief told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee that the IDF

## In 'Humanitarian Gesture' California Mosque Hosts Parents of Fallen IDF Soldier Whose Body Is Still Held by Hamas

BY BARNEY BREEN-PORTNOY

The recent hosting by a California mosque of the parents of a fallen IDF soldier whose body is still held by Hamas was a "humanitarian gesture" meant to "help the healing process," a mosque official told *The Algemeiner* on Monday.

"We're American Muslims and it was an appropriate thing for us to do," Mohammed Akbar Khan — the director of public relations and interfaith outreach at the King Fahd Mosque in Culver City — said of last week's visit by Simha and Leah Goldin, the father and mother of the late Lt. Hadar Goldin, who fell in battle in the Gaza Strip during Operation Protective Edge in August 2014.

"When you have bereaved parents, we don't get into political issues," Khan stated. "For the parents, they lost a son and they want to get closure. It could be any parent on any issue. Any house of God is a house of healing. We're all one human family."

"We have a moral duty to show kindness, love and affection to parents who lost their son and would like to see their son come home and have a proper ceremony," he continued.

In a video he published showing the meeting with the Goldins, Khan said, "It is very clear in Islam that when a person passes away or is killed, the body has to return to the ground as soon as possible. And that's how the soul returns back home to the creator. And it's a major sin in Islam if you prevent that."

"God owns us all," he went on to say. "God owns your son's soul and God wants that soul

to come home to him."

Rabbi Abraham Cooper — associate dean of the Simon Wiesenthal Center in Los Angeles — accompanied the Goldins during their mosque visit.

"It was very special," he told *The Algemeiner*.

In the video, Leah Goldin said, "For me, visiting the mosque was really a great experience, deep excitement."

She continued, "We have so much to share...I mean, why fight? As we were told by the imam, the basic values of the Koran are similar



The visit of the late IDF Lt. Hadar Goldin's parents to a California mosque last week. Photo: Screenshot.

in a way to our Tanakh (the Hebrew Bible)."

Also last week, as reported by *The Algemeiner*, the Goldins met in New York City with US Ambassador to the UN Nikki Haley.

Hadar Goldin is one of two IDF soldiers — along with Staff Sgt. Oron Shaul — who were killed during Operation Protective Edge and whose bodies have not been returned to Israel by Hamas.

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**Defeated**

Nor can the Democrats win by emulating the tactics of the Republican Party. The Tea Party did move the Republicans to the right by their uncompromising and obstructionist approach. But the United States has more tolerance — unfortunately, in my view — for rightward movement (as long as it's not too extreme) than the Democrats have for leftward movement.

The current leadership of the Democratic Party is reacting short term to a long-term problem. It is responding to the loudest, shrillest and most demanding voices — voices that are hardly representative of the tens of millions of voters it will need to remain competitive in upcoming races.

The Democrats can win only by regaining their traditional base among the working class Rust Belt voters they lost to Trump. These voters will never support the kind of radical leftist candidates promoted by the Keith Ellison-wing of the party.

was "operating under the radar to prevent Hezbollah from getting stronger."

IDF Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Gadi Eizenkot's remark last Wednesday came amid reports that the Israeli Air Force had targeted a Hezbollah-bound arms shipment near Damascus the previous night.

The Israeli military has reportedly conducted a number of such strikes in recent years to prevent Hezbollah from receiving advanced weaponry. Iran-backed Hezbollah is a staunch ally of Syrian President Bashar Assad's embattled regime.

Eizenkot, according to nrg, also told

lawmakers that Hezbollah was facing a budgetary shortfall and a crisis of morale due to its ongoing involvement in the grinding military effort — led by Russia and Iran — to keep Assad in power.

Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah's recent threat against vital infrastructure sites in the Jewish state, Eizenkot said, were meant to deter Israel and maintain the status quo. Like Hamas in the Gaza Strip, Eizenkot assessed, Hezbollah was not interested in an escalation with Israel at this time.

Israel and Hezbollah last fought a major war in the summer of 2006.

## U.S. News.

## Alan Dershowitz Following Ellison Defeat: I Will Remain in Democratic Party

BY RUTHIE BLUM

World-renowned law professor Alan Dershowitz told The Algemeiner on Sunday that he will not be leaving the Democratic Party, as he announced he would do in the event of a victory for Minnesota Rep. Keith Ellison in Saturday's Democratic National Committee elections.

Instead, he said — in the wake of former Labor Secretary Tom Perez's victory over Ellison — he will “remain and fight hard for it to move toward the center and away from the anti-Israel and far-Left trends” that have become dominant of late.

Dershowitz, a long-time and fierce defender of the Jewish state — and member of the Democratic Party — called Ellison's defeat “a good sign that we can win, though it will not be easy.”

## Jewish-Christian Group Urges Unity to Counter Wave of Antisemitism

BY JNS.ORG

An interfaith Christian and Jewish group has launched an online campaign urging its supporters to condemn the ongoing rise of antisemitism across the US.

The International Fellowship of Christians and Jews (The Fellowship) has asked its Christian supporters to sign a statement slamming the surge in anti-Jewish incidents and calling for religious tolerance in America, and said it plans to deliver the letter to President Donald Trump.

The statement reads: “As a Christian and supporter of The Fellowship, I stand with the Jewish people as they endure rising attacks and displays of anti-Semitism in America and



An interfaith rally at the Chicago Loop Synagogue after it was vandalized with swastikas in an antisemitic incident Feb. 4, 2017. Photo: Courtesy of the International Fellowship of Christians and Jews.

abroad. Never again will we remain silent in the face of such threats. We stand side by side with our Jewish brothers and sisters in deploring the attack on the Jewish cemetery in St. Louis, threats to Jewish community centers, and other such attacks. We declare that there is no place in America for hatred, even as we pledge to build bridges of love, healing, and unity in our nation.”

Rabbi Yechiel Eckstein, president and founder of The Fellowship said about the initiative, “We have heard from so many of our Christian brothers and sisters expressing their profound dismay at the recent rise of antisemitic and hate crimes nationwide, and offering their love and support.”

“Hatred only reinforces our mutual determination and resolution to continue building bridges between Christians, Jews and other faith communities, each and every day, to counter anti-Jewish bigotry,” he added.

Nearly 100 bomb threats have been called in to Jewish organizations since the start of 2017, and two Jewish cemeteries — in Missouri and Philadelphia — have been vandalized, with headstones toppled.

Still, he said, “I wish Perez had not appointed Ellison as his deputy. I consider Ellison to be disqualified, due to his association with Nation of Islam leader the Reverend Louis Farakhan; his denial that Farakhan is an antisemite; and because he opposed providing the Iron Dome missile defense system to Israel.”

Calling the Democrats' trend toward the extreme Left “self-defeating,” Dershowitz nevertheless denied the suggestion that this is what ushered President Donald Trump into the White House. Still, he added, “The party should not be responding to its loudest, most radical voices, but rather address the concerns of its centrist base.”

He said that the Democratic Party he is aiming to restore is that of the late senators Henry “Scoop” Jackson, Daniel Patrick Moynihan and Ted Kennedy, and former

President Bill Clinton.

In an op-ed on Friday ahead of the election, Dershowitz wrote that if Ellison is victorious,

I will quit the party after 60 years of loyal association and voting. I will become an independent, continuing to vote for the best candidates, most of whom, I assume, will still be Democrats. But I will not contribute to the DNC or support it as an institution. My loyalty to my country and my principles and my heritage exceeds any loyalty to my party. I will urge other like-minded people — centrist liberals — to follow my lead and quit the Democratic Party if Ellison is elected Chairman. We will not be leaving the Democratic Party we have long supported. The Democratic Party will be leaving us!

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Opinion.

# Donald Trump and the Antisemitism Smear



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Let's cut through all the clutter and get straight to the main issues surrounding Donald Trump and the allegations of antisemitism.

Firstly, to suggest that President Trump dislikes Jews would have us believe that he despises his own daughter and grandchildren when precisely the opposite appears to be true. Ivanka seems to be the apple of his eye. Indeed, when his daughter was dating Jared Kushner, an orthodox Jew from a famously observant family, her father could have easily dissuaded her from converting, but instead publicly supported her doing so and threw a kosher wedding for the couple.

Secondly, the charge also suggests that Trump's strong support for Israel is inauthentic, though he has worn those views on his sleeve for his entire adult life.

Trump as antisemite is not implausible; it is absurd and libelous.

Okay, so Trump is definitely not an antisemite. One would even suggest that he's a philo-Semite. He has surrounded himself

with Jews who are his business colleagues, employees and friends. I know orthodox Jews who have long worked for Trump and say that his respect for the Jewish faith has been exemplary.

But is Trump sending dog whistles to his white supremacist supporters who dislike Jews? Has his fear of alienating racist backers been behind his failure to publicly decry antisemitism until late last week?

To answer that we have to identify two different varieties of modern antisemitism. The first is hatred of Israel and a spoken desire to annihilate the Jewish state. Think Iran, Hamas and Hezbollah, which openly call for holocausts of the Jews. On these threats Trump has thus far been far better than Barack Obama, who legitimized Iran and gave it \$150 billion — even as Obama surrogates, like then-National Security Adviser Susan Rice, admitted that some of that money would go toward murdering innocent people. As Trump was campaigning against the Iran deal, President Obama was literally sending hundreds of millions of dollars by plane in cash to the mullahs, while they openly referred to Israel as a cancer that must be completely obliterated.

Trump has also condemned the anti-semitic Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement infesting Western universities and which Obama was reluctant to openly confront.



Then-candidate Donald Trump (center) gives a speech, as daughter Ivanka and son-in-law Jared Kushner look on. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

So, Trump is definitely not sending any hidden signals to the Israel-haters. On the contrary, his strong and vocal support for Israel is far better than that of the previous administration.

Let's move on, then, to the second kind of antisemitism. This is the much more traditional, good-old "I hate Jews" variety — the world's oldest hatred, which precedes the creation of the state of Israel and is the source of hatred for it. Is Trump sending signals to its carriers, like white supremacists?

Well, what are those signals? That the Jews control finance and media? In that case, Trump is sending a pretty bad signal by choosing people like Steve Mnuchin to be secretary of the treasury and his son-in-law, Jared Kushner, to be senior adviser to the president. After all, how can you say that Trump

is using dog whistles to promote traditional antisemitic tropes if he is the one actually perpetuating alleged Jewish control of finance and the reins of power by appointing Jewish individuals to the highest offices in the land?

So clearly, it's ridiculous to say that Trump is sending any kind of hidden signal other than, "I really respect Jewish people, consider them colleagues, and rely on them for some pretty important stuff."

Take, for example, the radical and ridiculous attack on Trump by Steven Goldstein of the Anne Frank Center for Mutual Respect, who said, "Make no mistake: The antisemitism coming out of this administration is the worst we have ever seen from any administration. The White House repeatedly refused to mention Jews in its Holocaust remembrance, and had the audacity to take offense when the world pointed out the ramifications of Holocaust denial."

Antisemitism coming out of this administration is the worst ever? Who, pray tell, is it coming from? The president's son-in-law, who is an orthodox Jew and comes from a family famous for its support for Jewish causes? Is it coming, perhaps, from Jason Greenblatt, another senior adviser to the president who is also an orthodox Jew completely invested in Jewish life? Is the antisemitism coming from David Friedman, Trump's nominee for America's ambassador to Israel, also orthodox and a huge supporter of Jewish causes?

What we're left with is this: The Trump administration was late to condemn the growing tide of antisemitism in America and the president's strong condemnation that came at the National Museum of African-American History should have come earlier.

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4/11	1:00 pm	Meal/Seuda
	2:00 pm	Q & A: Judaism
	8:30 pm	Doors Open
<b>Sedar II</b>	9:00 pm	Exodus: Legend or History
4/12	1:00 pm	Meal/Seuda
	2:00 pm	7 Wonders of Our Jewish Nation
	9:00 pm	Meal/ Seuda
	9:30 pm	Defending The Faith
4/13	2:00 pm	Meal
	2:00 pm	Spectacular Children's Show: Arkaidy the Clown & animal show.
	7:30 pm	Meal
	7:30 pm	Popular Aish HaTorah Speaker: Q&A National Revelation (SINAI)
	9:00 pm	Shomer Shabos Singles Program With Live Music, Matchmakers & Smorgasboard. SYAS successful Shadchan Goldie (The Shadchan with a Heart.)
4/14	1:00 pm	Meal
	1:30 pm	What is kosher food?
	9:00 pm	Meal/ Seuda
	9:30 pm	The Power of Prayer

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4/15	1:00 pm	Meal / Seuda
	1:30 pm	The Deeper Beauty of Shabbos
	9:00 pm	Meal / Seuda
	9:30 pm	Oral vs. Written Torah
4/16	1:00 pm	Meal
	1:30 pm	"Friend or Foe: Torah & Science"
	8:30 pm	Meal/ Seuda
	9:00 pm	Why Bad Happens to Good People?
4/17	1:00 pm	Meal / Seuda
	1:30 pm	Moral Relativism & Torah
	8:45 pm	Meal/ Seuda
	9:15 pm	Post Holocaust - 2 Million
4/18	2:00 pm	Meal / Seuda
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## Impressions.

# Due to India's Dwindling Bene Israel Population, Mumbai Muslim Artisans Unlikely to Pass on Trade to Next Generation

BY SHIRYN GHERMEZIAN

A Muslim father and son from Mumbai who have been engraving Jewish gravestones together for decades may not be able to pass on their trade to the next generation due to the Indian city's dwindling Jewish community, the Los Angeles Times revealed, in an in-depth feature on Sunday.

Mohammad Abdul Yaseen, 76 — who has been practicing his artisanship since 1969 — and his 53-year-old son, Islam, have been embellishing the headstones of Bene Israel community members buried in Mumbai's oldest Jewish cemetery, most of whose more than 6,500 graves are decorated with Stars of David.

However, according to the LA Times, with a



Members of India's Bene Israel community. Photo: Wikimedia Commons.

mere 2,000 Jews left in Mumbai and the surrounding state of Maharashtra — and fewer than 5,000 in all of India — the two men receive requests to carve only two or three headstones each month, other than an occasional one from a nearby church.

Abdul Yaseen, the article said, was illiterate until 1968, when he began working as an assistant to a headstone engraver and member of Bene Israel, who taught him Marathi, Hindi, English and Hebrew. When his boss immigrated to Israel in the 1970s, Abdul Yaseen took over the practice.

Though he has been invited by community members to move to Israel and continue his work there, he declined on the grounds that he has never traveled abroad and never considered leaving India.

About his working with Jews in a country with a strict ethnic and religious hierarchy, Abdul Yaseen said, "India should always be mixed like this. It doesn't matter that I am Muslim. It only matters that the community has taken us in and treated us well."

The Bene Israel — which believe they are descended from 14 Jews who were stranded on India's Konkan shore after being shipwrecked — have lived in India for two millennia. Their population, which reached 20,000 in the 1940s, began shrinking following India's independence in 1947 and the creation of the state of Israel in 1948, when many began immigrating to the Jewish state.

# Jewish Identity, Through the Eyes of Benjamin Disraeli

BY JEREMY ROSEN

We may think that current political discourse is crude and vicious. But, believe me, beneath a veneer of gentility, politics in the British Empire was worse. Hobbes called it "nasty and brutish," and if Benjamin Disraeli were alive today, he would agree.

Disraeli (1804–1881) was born in London, after his family emigrated to England from Italy. His father, Isaac, held membership in the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue — though he never attended, even as he served mandatorily on the board for a time — but a dispute led to Isaac's official resignation, and the Disraelis then left the Jewish community altogether. Benjamin and his sister were converted to Anglicanism as children, and brought up in the Church of England. Benjamin had hardly any knowledge of Judaism and its practices and came to believe that it was a racial phenomenon, a barbaric faith that had been superseded by Christianity. All Jews should abandon the Old Testament for the New, he believed. He rebuked his friends, the Rothschilds, for hanging on to their Jewish identities. But, when it suited him, Benjamin played up his supposed Jewish aristocratic lineage.

He wrote popular novels throughout his life and had an attraction to journalism, but he entered politics professionally, first — unsuccessfully — as a member of the Radical party. Benjamin soon went conservative, joining the Tories — the party of aristocratic landowners, supporters of the monarchy, the Church of England and protectionism. In 1868, he became, briefly, prime minister, before leading his party to a majority win in the 1874 election, after which he served as premier until 1880.

Over his career, he developed a very close friendship with Queen Victoria, though he was also quite the ladies' man and was accused of using his wives to charm the monarch. Benjamin was a proud Brit, and he threw his support behind its imperial interests, including looking to maintain the declining Ottoman Empire in order to thwart Russian expansionism, and buying the Suez Canal (with the help of the Rothschilds) to facilitate British access to its Eastern colonies.

Throughout all this, Benjamin tried to distance himself from Judaism, rather like Henry Kissinger in his prime. Benjamin avoided getting involved in the long struggle to allow a Jew to serve as MP, without taking the oath of office that included the line, "[A]nd I make this Declaration upon the true Faith of a Christian."

When he visited the Middle East and Jerusalem, he spoke to no Jews and visited no synagogues. He refused to support Sir Moses Montefiore and Albert Cremieux's attempts to aid the Syrian Jews imprisoned and tortured over the 1840 blood libel known as the Damascus Affair, or to speak out on the 1858 kidnapping by the Catholic Church of the Jewish child Edgardo Mortara. He also would not back Laurence Oliphant, the Christian Zionist who came to him in 1879, asking for his support to establish a Jewish homeland in Palestine.

Yet, for all his attempts to escape his Jewish identity, he was hounded and reviled throughout his life — and beyond — as an oily, devious, dishonest Jew.

British society's aversion to Jews was so intense that when the Jewish Naturalization Act of 1753 — granting Jews civil rights — was passed by Parliament and signed by King George, it was revoked because of outcry from the church, commerce, aristocracy and the middle classes. It would take another 100

years for Lionel de Rothschild to be finally allowed to take his seat in Parliament as a Jew, when he was permitted to take the oath of office on the Old Testament and not swear fidelity to Christianity. There were philo-Semites too, of course, like George Eliot and Laurence Oliphant, but they were few and far between, and overwhelmed by the primitive hatred of Jews by both England's educated and ignorant, its upper and middle classes.

In 1877, Disraeli took steps to block a Russian military assault on the Ottomans, who had reacted to a Christian rebellion in Serbia and Bulgaria with barbaric force and cruelty. But the political establishment and public opinion were looking for the Turks to be punished. When Disraeli refused and worked with Germany and France to hold off the Russians, he was scurrilously attacked as a Jew who undermined Christianity in favor of the Turks because they were more sympathetic to Jews.

Benjamin later came to acknowledge his Jewish birth with pride, crediting his race with having bequeathed nobility upon humanity by inspiring Christianity and Islam. His novels were sprinkled with Jewish heroes and portraits of Jewish wisdom and generosity. True, they were all without an iota of Jewish religious commitment or identity, and on the few occasions he tried to insert something of the Jewish religion, he got it completely wrong. Yet, his famous reply to an antisemitic attack was, "Yes, I am a Jew, and when the ancestors of the right honor-



Benjamin Disraeli. Photo: Wikimedia Commons

able gentleman were brutal savages in an unknown island, mine were priests in the temple of Solomon."

The late, much-lamented and talented British historian David Cesarani was commissioned to write a short biography of Disraeli for the Yale University series called Jewish Lives. (A series so inconsistent that it covers anyone from King David to Rothko to Spielberg. The inclusion of Disraeli shows just how widely the net has been thrown.) The book is not an easy read, but a very worthwhile one, if only to remind us of the deep antisemitism that lead to Disraeli being so excoriated, despised and mistrusted because of his Jewish birth. Cesarani notes that his subject's view of his Jewish blood as a racial, not a religious, matter was eagerly adopted by the evil pantheon of European Jew-haters: "Ultimately he fits squarely into modern Jewish history for the worst reasons: he played a formative part in the construction of anti-Semitic discourse. Within a few years of his demise his words were being cited by Baurer, Marr, Drumont, Chamberlain, Hillaire Belloc, The Protocols of the Elders of Zion, even Hitler, to justify their insane and pathological hatred of Jews."

In the end, Disraeli was, in Bismarck's words, just considered "the Old Jew." His successes resulted from an ability to use the rigged system to his advantage. If anything, he proved that you don't have to be loved to be successful. Some of the most effective politicians have been the least likable. Times have not changed as much as we like to think they have.

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SUPREME COURT – COUNTY OF KINGS MVMF III FIN TRUST, Plaintiff against JOSEPHINE JEAN PIERRE; PHENICIEN JEAN PIERRE, EMMA JEAN PIERRE, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on January 26, 2017. I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction in Room 224 of the Kings County Courthouse, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. on the 23rd day of March, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. premises 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, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the Easterly side of East Nineteenth Street, distant three hundred and fifty (350) feet Northerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the Northerly side of Avenue G with the Easterly side of East Nineteenth Street; Running thence Easterly parallel with Avenue G one hundred and one (101) feet, six and three-quarter ( 6 3/4 ) inches; Thence Northerly parallel with East Nineteenth Street fifty (50) feet; Thence Westerly and again parallel with Avenue G one hundred and one (101) feet, six and three-quarter (6 3/4 ) inches to the Easterly side of East Nineteenth Street; Thence southerly along the said Easterly side of East Nineteenth Street fifty (50) feet to the

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point or place of beginning. Avenue G is now Glenwood Road. Subject to covenants and restrictions as contained in former instruments of record affecting the said premises, and to an easement granted to the New York and New Jersey Telephone Company, by agreement recorded in the Office of the Register of the County of Kings. Together with all right, title and interest of the party of the first part in and to any land lying in the bed of East Nineteenth Street in front of said premises to the center line thereof. Said premises known as 689 East 19th Street, Brooklyn, NY. 11230. (Block: 5240, Lot: 80). Approximate amount of lien \$ 1,476,235.56 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 6953-09. Elena Makau, Esq., Referee. Stern & Eisenberg, PC Attorney(s) for Plaintiff Woodbridge Corporate Plaza 485 B Route 1 South – Suite 330 Iselin, NJ 08830 (732) 582-6344  
AJ 2/17/24; 3/3/10

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: skyline creative works LLC articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/01/2016 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 the process to: Thevan D.Parker 944 herkimer street Brooklyn, NY 11233. Purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ 2/17/24; 3/3/10/17/24

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: BAJX GENERAL RENOVATION LLC articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 01/25/2017. Office location Richmond County. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of the process to: Cristian Manolo Bajxac Estrada 328 Clove Rd. APT.1FL staten Island, NY 10310 purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ 2/17/24; 3/3/10/17/24

Notice of formation of DREAMLAND PROPERTY NY LLC, Arts of Org filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/06/2017. Office location: Kings County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 316 Fountain Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11208. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.  
AJ 2/17/24; 3/3/10/17/24

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN STANLEY MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-12XS, V. CLAUDE L. HENRY, et al. NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 31, 2016, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of KINGS, wherein US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK OF AMERICA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN STANLEY MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-12XS, is the Plaintiff and CLAUDE L. HENRY, ET AL. are

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the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the KINGS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 224, 360 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN NY 11201, on March 16, 2017 at 2:30pm, premises known as 1934 BERGEN ST, BROOKLYN, NY 11233: Block 1452 Lot 42: ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE COUNTY OF KINGS, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 5359/2013. Elena Makau, Esq. - Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 106, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff  
AJ 2/17/24; 3/3/10/

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS, FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff, vs. BRENDA A. BULL, ET AL., Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly filed on September 15, 2016, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, Room 224, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on March 23, 2017 at 2:30 p.m., premises known as 609 East 96th Street, Brooklyn, NY. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, Block 4756 and Lot 31. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 12064/13. Dominic J. Famulari, Esq., Referee Berkman, Henoach, Peterson, Peddy & Fenchel, P.C., 100 Garden City Plaza, Garden City, NY 11530, Attorneys for Plaintiff  
AJ 2/17/24; 3/3/10/

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: Magestic Visions, LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/24/2016 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 the process to: The LLC C/O United States corporation agents inc. 7014 13th Ave. Suite 202 Brooklyn New York 11228 purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ 2/24; 3/3/10/17/24/31

Notice of formation of a limited liability company (LLC) Name: NRIA 227 Berkeley Manager, LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/01 /2017 Office location Richmond County SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail copy of the process to: Gabor & Marotta LLC, 1878 Victory Blvd, Staten Island NY 10314. Purpose: all lawful activity  
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Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: Berkeley Place Capital 227, LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York on 02/01/2017. Office location Richmond County. SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY Shall Mail copy of the process to: Gabor & Marotta LLC, 1878 Victory Blvd, Staten Island NY 10314. Purpose: any lawful activity  
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# The Architecture of Holiness



JONATHAN SACKS  
LONDON

From here to the end of the book of Exodus the Torah describes, in painstaking detail and great length, the construction of the Mishkan, the first collective house of worship of the Jewish people. Precise instructions are given for each item – the Tabernacle itself, the frames and drapes, and the various objects it contained – including their dimensions. So for example we read:

*“Make the tabernacle with ten curtains of finely twisted linen and blue, purple and scarlet yarn, with cherubim woven into them by a skilled worker. All the curtains are to be the same size—twenty-eight cubits long and four cubits wide... Make curtains of goat hair for the*



*tent over the tabernacle—eleven altogether. All eleven curtains are to be the same size—thirty cubits long and four cubits wide... Make upright frames of acacia wood for the tabernacle. Each frame is to be ten cubits long and a cubit and a half wide...” (Ex. 26:1-16)*

And so on. But why do we need to know how big the Tabernacle was? It did not function in perpetuity. Its primary use was during the wilderness years. Eventually it was replaced by the Temple, an altogether larger and more magnificent structure. What then is the eternal significance of the dimensions of this modest, portable construction?

To put the question more sharply still: is not the very idea of a specific size for the home of the Shekhinah, the Divine presence, liable to mislead? A transcendent God cannot be contained in space. Solomon said so:

*“But will God really dwell on earth? The heavens, even the highest heaven, cannot contain you. How much less this Temple I have built.” (1 Kings 8:27)*

Isaiah said the same in the name of God Himself:

*“Heaven is My throne, and the earth is My footstool. Where is the house you will build for Me? Where will My resting place be?” Isaiah 66:1*

So no physical space, however large, is big enough. On the other hand, no space is too small. So says a striking midrash:

*When God said to Moses, ‘Make Me a tabernacle,’ Moses said in amazement, ‘The glory of the*

*Holy One blessed be He fills heaven and earth, and yet He commands, Make me a tabernacle?... God replied, ‘Not as you think do I think. Twenty boards on the north, twenty on the south and eight in the west are sufficient. Indeed, I will descend and confine My presence even within one square cubit.’ (Shemot Rabbah 34:1)*

So what difference could it make whether the Tabernacle was large or small? Either way, it was a symbol, a focus, of the Divine

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Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC) Name: THIRD STREET CAPITAL 423, LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York (SSNY) on 12/12/2016. Office location Richmond County SSNY has it been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY Shall mail copy of the process to: Gabor & Marotta LLC, 1878 Victory Blvd, Staten Island NY 10314. purpose: all lawful activity  
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Notice of formation of limited liability company(LLC) Name: NRIA 423 THIRD MANAGER,LLC. Articles of organization filed with the secretary of state of New York (SSNY) on 12/12/2016 .SSNY has been designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY Shall Mail copy of the process to: Gabor & Marotta LLC, 1878 Victory Blvd, Staten Island NY 10314. Purpose: all lawful activity  
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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for RASC 2006-EMX6, Plaintiff AGAINST Norma Tirado; Joao F. Camilo a/k/a Joao Camilo; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated December 7, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on March 30, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 281 Ashford Street, Brooklyn, NY 11207. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of NY, Block 3984 Lot 7. Approximate amount of judgment \$865,788.92 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 4148/2013. Gregory T. Cerchione, Referee Shapiro, DiCaro & Barak, LLC Attorney(s) for the Plaintiff 175 Mile Crossing Boulevard Rochester, New York 14624 (877) 759-1835 Dated: February 16, 2017  
AJ 2/24; 3/3/10/17

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE FOR STANWICH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, SERIES 2010-2 ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, Plaintiff against- PAMELA ELLIS-COOMBS, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a

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Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered herein and dated January 3, 2017, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Courthouse 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY on March 30, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. premises situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the westerly side of East 49th Street, distant 90 feet southerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the westerly side of East 49th Street with the southerly side of Avenue I; being a plot 100 feet by 18 feet by 100 feet by 18 feet. Block 7774 and Lot 51. Said premises known as 12-72 EAST 49TH STREET, BROOKLYN, NY Approximate amount of lien \$795,765.44 plus interest & costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment and Terms of Sale. Index Number 12567/2007. ANTHONY M. ABRAHAM, ESQ., Referee Jeffrey A. Kosterich, LLC Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 68 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Tuckahoe, NY 10707  
AJ 2/24; 3/3/10/17

Notice of formation of Limited liability company LLC. Name: SQWAB LLC. Articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/08/2017. Office location Kings County . SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served.SSNY shall Mail process to: SQWAB LLC 190 72nd St., Apt. 198, Brooklyn, NY 11209. Purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ 2/24; 3/3/10/17/24/31

NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF KINGS JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff AGAINST Jamal Williams, Individually and as Co-Administrator of the Estate of Jermaine Williams a/k/a Jermaine M. Williams a/k/a Jermaine Michael Williams a/k/a Jermain Michael Williams a/k/a Jermain Williams; Marcel Florestal, Esq.; Sandy Martinez, as Co-Administratrix of Justin Michael Williams; et al., Defendant(s) Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated June 17, 2016 I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Room 224, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on April 6, 2017 at 2:30PM, premises known as 647 East 103rd Street, Brooklyn, NY 11236. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York, Block: 8172 Lot: 17. Approximate amount of judgment \$703,031.16 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index# 21373/2012. 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: February 16, 2017  
AJ 3/3/10/17/24

SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS CIT BANK, N.A. F/K/A ONEWEST BANK N.A. F/K/A ONEWEST BANK, FSB, V. GEORGENE S. THOMPSON AS EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF ERIC OSWALD NORMAN CAMERON A/K/A ERIC OSWALD CAMERON A/K/A ERIC O. N. CAMERON A/K/A OSWALD O. CAMERON, A/K/A ERICO CAMERON A/K/A ERIC O. CAMERON, DECEASED, et al. NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure

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dated July 28, 2016, and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the County of KINGS, wherein CIT BANK, N.A. F/K/A ONEWEST BANK N.A. F/K/A ONEWEST BANK, FSB, is the Plaintiff and GEORGENE S. THOMPSON AS EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF ERIC OSWALD NORMAN CAMERON A/K/A ERIC OSWALD CAMERON A/K/A ERIC O. N. CAMERON A/K/A OSWALD O. CAMERON, A/K/A ERICO CAMERON A/K/A ERIC O. CAMERON, DECEASED, ET AL. are the Defendant(s). I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction at the KINGS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, ROOM 224, 360 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN NY 11201, on March 30, 2017 at 2:30pm, premises known as 383 BRADFORD STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11207: Block 3776 Lot 20: ALL THAT CERTAIN PLOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH THE BUILDINGS AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON ERECTED, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN, COUNTY OF KINGS, CITY AND STATE OF NEW YORK Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 2506/2013. Matthew J. Kazansky, Esq. - Referee. RAS Boriskin, LLC 900 Merchants Concourse, Suite 106, Westbury, New York 11590, Attorneys for Plaintiff  
AJ 3/3/10/17/24

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings Federal National Mortgage Association, Plaintiff AGAINST Godfrey Jack, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 11/1/2016 and entered on 12/2/2016, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on March 30, 2017 at 02:30 PM premises known as 964 EAST 34TH STREET BROOKLYN, NY 11210. All that certain plot piece or parcel of land, with the buildings and improvements erected, situate, lying and being in the Borough and County of Kings, City and State of New York, BLOCK: 7561, LOT: 69. Approximate amount of judgment is \$816,041.62 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 010887/2009. Barry M. Goldstein, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS WEISMAN & GORDON LLP 53 Gibson Street Bay Shore, NY 11706  
AJ 3/3/10/17/24

NOTICE OF SALE Supreme Court County Of Kings The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificate holders of the CWABS, Inc., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-9, Plaintiff AGAINST Raja M. Javed a/k/a Raja M. Javid a/k/a Javed Raja, Khawar Latif Raja, et al, Defendant Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale duly dated 1/3/2017 and entered on 1/24/2017, I, the undersigned Referee, will sell at public auction at the Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY on March 30, 2017 at 02:30 PM premises known as 2076 Ralph Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11234. 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: 7807, Lot: 78. Approximate amount of judgment is \$594,467.91 plus interests and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed Judgment Index # 511373/2014. Richard Klass, Referee FRENKEL LAMBERT WEISS

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NOTICE OF SALE SUPREME COURT: KINGS COUNTY WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, NOT INDIVIDUALLY BUT AS TRUSTEE FOR PRETIUM MORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST; Plaintiff(s) vs. SERAFIN VASQUEZ; 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 January 12, 2017, I will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder in Room 224 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201. On April 6, 2017 at 2:30 pm. Premises known as 293 POWELL STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11212-8136 Block: 3763 Lot: 111 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 \$850,185.63 plus interest and costs. INDEX NO. 21054-13 Julie A. Clark, Esq., Referee  
AJ 3/3/10/17/24

REFEREE'S NOTICE OF SALE IN FORECLOSURE SUPREME COURT - COUNTY OF KINGS CITMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff - against - ANTHONY FONTANA, et al Defendant(s). Pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered on January 17, 2017, I, the undersigned Referee will sell at public auction, in Room 274 of Kings County Supreme Court, 360 Adams Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 on the 6th Day of April, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. All that certain plot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Borough of Brooklyn, County of Kings, City and State of New York. Premises known as 1942 East 34th Street, Brooklyn, New York 11234. (Block: 8500 and Lot: 64) Approximate amount of lien \$574,360.05 plus interest and costs. Premises will be sold subject to provisions of filed judgment and terms of sale. Index No. 500204/2014. Charles L. Emma, Esq., Referee. Davidson Fink LLP Attorney(s) for Plaintiff 28 East Main Street, Suite 1700 Rochester, NY 14614-1990 Tel. 585/760-8218 Dated: January 23, 2017  
AJ 3/3/10/17/24

Notice of formation of limited liability company. (LLC) Name: GRR PARTNERS, LLC articles of organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 11/01/2016. Office location Richmond County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall Mail process to the LLC c/o United states corporation agents Inc. 7014 13th Ave. Suite 202 Brooklyn, NY 11228. Purpose: all lawful activity  
AJ 3/3/10/17/24/31; 4/7

143-145 PROSPECT LLC, Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 02/17/2017. Office loc: Kings County. SSNY has been designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 15 Powell Lane, Staten Island, NY 10312. Purpose: Any Lawful Purpose.  
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## Social.



Joshua Malina. Photo: ABC/Screenshot.

## 'Scandal' Co-Star Called 'Jew Rat,' 'Kike' on Social Media After Cursing Oscar-Winning Director Mel Gibson, Infamous for Antisemitic Rant

BY SHIRYN GHERMEZIAN

The Jewish actor who plays David Rosen in the hit ABC series "Scandal" was called a "Jew rat," "Kike" and "Jew fa\*\*ot" on Twitter Sunday night for cursing out director Mel Gibson, whose latest film took home two wins at the 2017 Academy Awards.

Joshua Malina became the target of the social media onslaught after tweeting, "F\*\*\* Mel Gibson" when "Hacksaw Ridge," directed by the latter — who is infamous for launching into an antisemitic rant in 2006 when stopped for drunk driving in LA — won Film

Editing and Sound Mixing Oscars.

One Gibson fan told Malina that he should keep "art and ideology" separate, to which the actor replied, "That's why I tweeted 'F\*\*\* Mel Gibson' rather than 'F\*\*\* Hacksaw Ridge.'"

Another Twitter user admonished Malina saying that, as a Jew, he "should have a better sense of forgiveness." Malina responded, "I don't need Jew lessons from you, thanks. The problem is that you are more concerned about my use of the word 'F\*\*\*' than misogyny, homophobia, abuse, racism and antisemitism."

## Israeli Co-Producer of Oscar-Winning 'La La Land' Score Gets Shout-Out at Academy Awards

BY RUTHIE BLUM

An Israeli co-produced the music for the hit movie "La La Land," which took home the Oscar for Best Original Score at the Academy Awards on Sunday night.

Los Angeles-based composer Eldad Guetta was given a shout-out on stage by award-winner Justin Hurwitz, causing Israel's Channel 2 to quip about the Jewish state's having a hand in everything.

Guetta, according to the report, is a producer with a rich history in the biz — as a member of the Israeli rock band Monica Sex, and with collaborations with Israeli artists, such as Roquefort, Keren Peles and Shlomi

Saban, and even legend Eric Clapton. He moved to LA after a stint in London, and has already worked on movie scores, such as those of "Star Wars" and "Kick-Ass." Currently he is working on an album with Pretenders lead singer Chrissie Hynde.

"Work on 'La La Land' began two and a half years ago, and no one believed that we would get to this place," Guetta told Channel 2, following the awards ceremony. "It was a very happy sequence of events, and I had the honor and good fortune to collaborate with such talented people — especially [director] Damien Chazelle and Justin [Hurwitz]. It is a privilege to be part of something really special."

## Coldplay's Chris Martin Second Trip to Israel in Three Months in Attempt to Ink Deal for 'Peace Tour' in Jewish State, PA

BY SHIRYN GHERMEZIAN

British rock band Coldplay frontman Chris Martin arrived in Israel last week for the second time in three months, to ink a "peace tour" deal to perform in the Jewish state and the Palestinian Authority, the Hebrew news site Ynet reported.

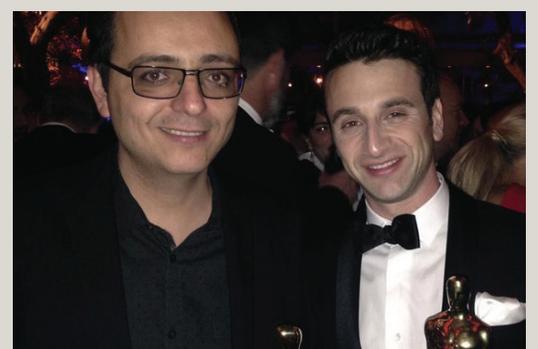


Chris Martin. Photo: Wikipedia.

The singer-songwriter denied he had signed a contract — as purportedly happened in November, when he scouted the country to pen such an arrangement. This, said Ynet, could be due to a refusal on the part of the PA to agree to "double" shows.

For example, the report said, a request by the late Leonard Cohen to perform in Ramallah was denied following a performance in Israel. "As such," according to Ynet, "it is currently unclear how the Palestinians will react or if Coldplay's idea is even feasible in terms of security. The possibility of Coldplay performing for Palestinians in Israel is also being examined."

However, Israeli PR company Nidar Oz Communications claimed that the UK group is in the process of finalizing the details of the concerts.



Eldad Guetta (left) with Justin Hurwitz. Photo: Instagram.

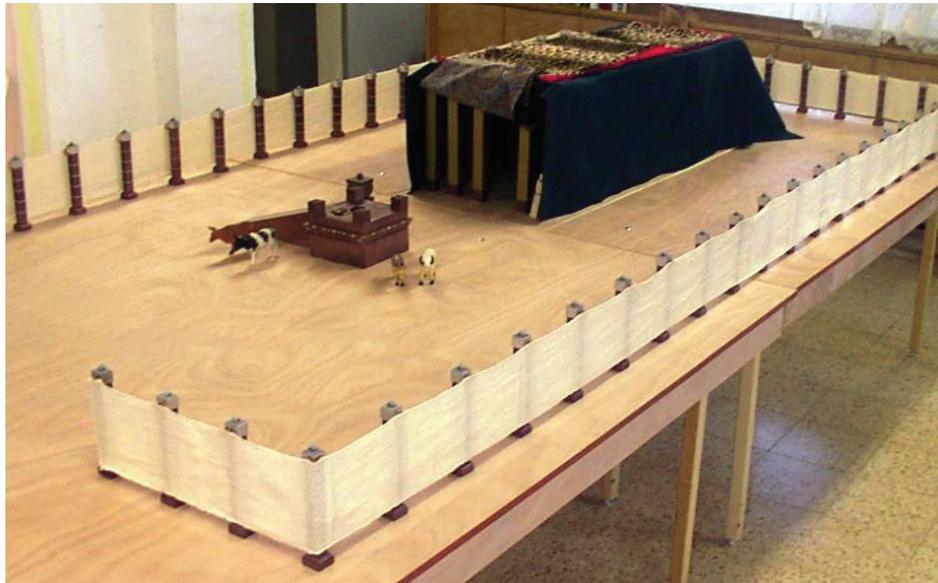
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presence that is everywhere, wherever human beings open their heart to God. Its dimensions should not matter.

I came across an answer in an unexpected and indirect way some years ago. I had gone to Cambridge University to take part in a conversation on religion and science. When the session was over, a member of the audience came over to me, a quiet, unassuming man, and said, "I have written a book I think you might find interesting. I'll send it to you." I did not know at the time who he was.

A week later the book arrived. It was called 'Just Six Numbers,' subtitled "The deep



forces that shape the universe.' With a shock I discovered that the author was the then Sir Martin, now Baron Rees, Astronomer Royal, later President of the Royal Society, the oldest and most famous scientific body in the world, and Master of Trinity College Cambridge. In 2011 he won the Templeton Prize. I had been talking to Britain's most distinguished scientist.

His book was enthralling. It explained that the universe is shaped by six mathematical constants which, had they varied by a millionth or trillionth degree, would have resulted in no universe or at least no life. Had the force of gravity been slightly different, for example, the universe would either have expanded or imploded in such a way as to preclude the formation of stars or planets. Had nuclear efficiency been slightly lower the cosmos would consist only of hydrogen; no life would have emerged. Had it been slightly higher there would have been rapid stellar evolution and decay leaving no time for life to evolve. The combination of improbabilities was immense.

Torah commentators, especially the late Nechama Leibowitz, have drawn attention to the way the terminology of the construction of the Tabernacle is the same as that used to describe God's creation of the universe. The Tabernacle was, in other words, a micro-cosmos, a symbolic reminder of the world God made. The fact that the Divine presence rested within it was not meant to suggest that God is here not there, in this place not that. It was meant to signal, powerfully and palpably, that God exists throughout the cosmos. It was a man-made structure to mirror and focus attention on the Divinely-created universe. It was in space what Shabbat is in time: a reminder of creation.

The dimensions of the universe are precise, mathematically exact. Had they differed in even the slightest degree the

universe, or life, would not exist. Only now are scientists beginning to realise how precise, and even this knowledge will seem rudimentary to future generations. We are on the threshold of a quantum leap in our understanding of the full depth of the words: "How many are your works, Lord; in wisdom You made them all" (Ps. 104:24). The word "wisdom" here – as in the many times it occurs in the account of the making of the tabernacle – means, "precise, exact craftsmanship" (see Maimonides, *The Guide for the Perplexed*, III:54).

In one other place in the Torah there is the same emphasis on precise dimensions, namely, Noah's ark: "So make yourself an ark of cypress wood. Make rooms in it and coat

it with pitch inside and out. This is how you are to build it: The ark is to be three hundred cubits long, fifty cubits wide and thirty cubits high. Make a roof for it, leaving below the roof an opening one cubit high all around" (Gen. 6:14-16). The reason is similar to that in the case of the tabernacle. Noah's ark symbolised the world in its Divinely-constructed order, the order humans had ruined by their violence and corruption. God was about to destroy that world, leaving only Noah, the ark and what it contained as symbols of the vestige of order that remained, on the basis of which God would fashion a new order.

Precision matters. Order matters. The misplacement of even a few of the 3.1 billion letters in the human genome can lead to devastating genetic conditions. The famous "butterfly effect" – the beating of a butterfly's wing somewhere may cause a tsunami elsewhere, thousands of miles away – tells us that small actions can have large consequences. That is the message the Tabernacle was intended to convey.

God creates order in the natural universe. We are charged with creating order in the human universe. That means painstaking care in what we say, what we do, and what we must restrain ourselves from doing. There is a precise choreography to the moral and spiritual life as there is a precise architecture to the tabernacle. Being good, specifically being holy, is not a matter of acting as the spirit moves us. It is a matter of aligning ourselves to the Will that made the world. Law, structure, precision: of these things the cosmos is made and without them it would cease to be. It was to signal that the same applies to human behaviour that the Torah records the precise dimensions of the Tabernacle and Noah's ark.

tion must correct.

Beyond strong statements, the administration should, as Alan Dershowitz recommended, immediately establish a Justice Department task force to investigate the growing threats against Jewish institutions and the vandalism against Jewish cemeteries. These are serious matters that must be

# The Israeli Media Is Out to Get Trump



If you asked most Israelis, they'd say they never really liked or trusted Barack Obama. But if you asked most Israelis today, they'd say they like Donald Trump. This is one of the things that separates Israel's people from Israel's press corps.

If you watch Channel 2's Arad Nir or Channel 10's Gil Tamari, or listen to any of the anchors on Israel TV or Israel Radio, you will discover that they not only despise Donald Trump (and pine for Obama), but think he is mentally ill, antisemitic, or both.

These are the same press outlets that believed that Trump could never win. In fact, on election eve, many Israeli pundits cited two-week-old polls by Reuters showing Hillary Clinton beating Trump by 15% or more. They ignored more up-to-date polls from Gallup, Rasmussen and the Los Angeles Times showing that Trump had a real chance to become president.

And now, despite the fact that Trump's inner circle is full of Jews, even religious and Zionist Jews, these Israeli pundits still suspect that Trump is personally antisemitic.

"He is surrounded by people and by advisers who are antisemites," asserted Arad Nir on Channel 2, without a shred of evidence.

When Trump later condemned the antisemitic desecration of graves in St. Louis, after an initial silence – and even sent Vice President Mike Pence to condemn the attack and personally help clean up the desecration, it "was not enough," according to Nir.

A few days later, on February 26, Nir highlighted the fact that President Trump decided to stay away from the White House Correspondents' dinner, where the president and the reporters make jokes about one another.

Many "progressive" journalists say that Trump is crude and thin-skinned, even deeply hostile to the press. But I believe, despite acts such as banning some press outlets from recent press briefings, that Trump has been more open – much more open – to press access and interchange than any president or presidential candidate in recent years.

President Obama rarely held press conferences. Hillary Clinton avoided the press for nearly an entire year, preferring to keep them behind barricades. Obama liked to sit down with late-night talk hosts, such as David

addressed with actions and not just words.

But amidst these genuine concerns, people like Goldstein – who are throwing hysterics and making the most vile accusations against Trump – would do well to ponder that President Obama never once criticized Iran's threats of annihilation against the Jewish people. Even while he brought Iran out of decades-old diplomatic isolation and gave the world's foremost state-sponsor of terror \$150 billion dollars in unfrozen assets, President Obama never once demanded that, as a precondition to any deal, Iran must stop threatening six million Jews in Israel with extermination. Furthermore, while President Obama was abstaining from defending the Jewish people. Even while he brought Iran out of decades-old diplomatic isolation and gave the world's foremost state-sponsor of terror \$150 billion dollars in unfrozen assets, President Obama never once demanded that, as a precondition to any deal, Iran must stop threatening six million Jews in Israel with extermination. Furthermore, while President Obama was abstaining from defending the Jewish people.

Letterman, Jimmy Kimmel or Jimmy Fallon, or the sycophants on talk shows like *The View*.

And yes, Trump has certainly been crude at times, and he has shown a thin skin, but so have other presidents, including Democrat presidents, though Nir and most of the American and Israeli leftists would prefer not to remember that.

President Truman threatened to attack a reporter who panned his daughter's music career, and Obama regularly whined about Fox News and "talk radio," encouraging his supporters to confront them.

But Trump has a better case for his claims that much of the press is hostile, particularly CNN and *The New York Times*, due to stories they published about alleged Russian



President Donald Trump. Photo: White House.

influence in the US election that sometimes contained leaked information from US intelligence agencies.

Many polls show that most Americans think Trump is right, and that the press is out to get him. Indeed, some polls indicate that they trust him to tell the truth more than the press. One Fox poll this month showed 45% of respondents trusted Trump to tell the truth, compared to 42% that trusted the press more. The same poll showed that 68% thought the press treated Trump more harshly than Obama.

So if you want to hear or watch CNN in Hebrew or read *The New York Times* with a leftist Israeli accent, just tune in to Israel's mass media. But don't be surprised when they get it wrong.

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resolution in the last weeks of his presidency, President-elect Trump was publicly condemning that same resolution and defending the Jewish state. And President Trump has been extremely forceful in warning Iran about their ballistic missile violations, missiles which the Iranians proudly proclaim are aimed at Israel.

So when accusing a man of being an antisemite, let's be a bit factual, lest we falsely libel friends and label allies as foes.

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That is a legitimate criticism and it is good that the president has now stepped up. Likewise, it was absurd not to focus on the Jewish nature of the Holocaust in the White House statement for Holocaust Remembrance Day. These are valid concerns that the administra-