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## UN Ambassador Nikki Haley Rips Security Council's 'Breathhtaking' Anti-Israel Bias

### SAVE THE DATE!

**SUNDAY, MAY 7th, 2 P.M. at TBS**



Mark your calendars to attend a special presentation by Dr. Itzhak Brook of the Israeli Embassy.

Dr. Brook will speak on his personal account of the Yom Kippur War.

The Yom Kippur War was launched in 1973 in a surprise attack by Syria and Egypt. This Arab-Israeli war posed the most serious threat to the existence of Israel in modern history. Even though Israel was eventually able to achieve a military victory, the country paid a steep price, both in lives lost and in the citizenry's self confidence.

Dr. Brook served as a battalion physician during the war and authored the book, "In the Sands of Sinai: a Physician's Account of the Yom Kippur War."

Dr. Brook's presentation will include a description of the historical background of the Yom Kippur War and its effects on Israeli society, as well as his experiences and challenges as a battalion physician in the Sinai. He will speak on the physical and psychological traumas with which his soldiers had to cope, the effect of religion on them, the cost of war in human life and suffering, and the daily struggle for survival in the difficult war which threatened Israel's existence.

Dr. Brook's appearance is sponsored by the Adult Education Committee, the Israel Affairs Committee, the Men's Club, and Sisterhood.

Refreshments will be served.

**DON'T MISS THIS SPECIAL EVENT!**

United States Ambassador to the United Nations Nikki Haley issued a scathing criticism of the UN Security Council over its "anti-Israel" bias after emerging from her first regular monthly meeting at the international body.

"I have to admit; it was a bit strange," Haley said of the council's agenda.

The former South Carolina governor noted that while it is the UN Security Council's mission to discuss ways to maintain international peace and security, their meeting on the Middle East failed to address some of the region's most pressing issues — namely, Hezbollah's illegal buildup of rockets in Lebanon, the money and weapons the Iran regime is supplying to its terrorist entities throughout Latin America and the Middle East, ways to defeat the Islamic State, and how to hold Syrian dictator Bashar al-Assad accountable for the deaths of hundreds of thousands of his countrymen.

"Instead, the meeting focused on criticizing Israel, the one true democracy in the Middle East," Haley said.

She added that while she is "new" to the United Nations, she is well-seasoned in her understanding of

the UN Security Council's generations-long bias against Israel. "I'm here to say the United States will not turn a blind eye to this anymore," she said. "I'm here to underscore the ironclad support of the United States for Israel."

She called out the "breathhtaking" double standards inherent in the Security Council.

"Incredibly, the UN Department of Political Affairs has an entire de-

Recommended viewing—Nikki Haley at the UN:



<https://www.unwatch.org/u-n-obsess-israel-nikki-haley/>

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partment devoted to Palestinian affairs,” she said. “Imagine that. There is not a division devoted to illegal missile launches from North Korea. There is no division devoted to the world’s number one state sponsor of terror, Iran.”

Last December, the Obama administration fired a parting shot at Israel and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu by departing from longstanding U.S. policy of vetoing anti-Israel resolutions and instead abstained from voting on a Security Council resolution (UN Res 2334) calling for a halt to Israeli construction in the West Bank and eastern Jerusalem.

“We will never repeat the terrible mistake of Resolution 2334 and allow one-sided security council resolutions to condemn Israel,” Haley said. “Instead, we will push for action on the real threats we face in the Middle East.”

In January, a group of Republican and Democratic senators signed onto bipartisan legislation that rejects UN Resolution 2334 and calls for it to be either “repealed or fundamentally altered so that it is no longer one-sided.”

Because the United States is a permanent member of the UN Security Council, a veto from it would have automatically prevented the resolution from passing.

Haley also pointed out the rise of anti-Semitism in the world, which has seen an uptick over the last few years, and reiterated the Trump administration’s commitment to seeing to a peaceful solution to the Israel-Palestinian conflict “that is negotiated directly between the two parties.”

Despite the meeting of the Security Council, Haley said “there is good news” outside of the UN. “Israel’s place in the world is changing,” she said. “Israel is building up new diplomatic relationships; more and more countries recognize how much Israel contributes to the world.” Haley said they realize that Israel is “a beacon of stability in a troubled region.”

She concluded her speech by saying, “it is the UN’s anti-Israel bias that is long overdue for change... The United States will not hesitate to speak out against these biases in defense of our friend and ally Israel.”

Haley’s role in reordering U.N. priorities -- and in asserting U.S. power in blocking appointments unfriendly to Israel -- could also be seen in a dispute over Secretary General Antonio Guterres’ naming of a former prime minister of the Palestinian Authority to be a Libya envoy. Haley embarrassed the new U.N. chief not only by blocking a diplomat respected by his colleagues, but also by doing so after the announcement was made. Her statement was meant to send a signal of her reset: “For too long the U.N. has been unfairly biased in favor of the Palestinian Authority to the detriment of our allies in Israel.”

[breitbart.com and cbsnews.com]

## Arab League to Resist Embassies’ Move to Jerusalem

Arab League foreign ministers recently unanimously adopted a resolution by the 22-member bloc against any attempt to move diplomatic missions to Jerusalem, following Donald Trump’s presidential campaign pledge to move the American embassy in Israel. The League “considers setting up any diplomatic mission in Jerusalem or moving it to the city an explicit attack on the rights of the Palestinian people and all Muslims and Christians”, the resolution read.

Departing from Washington’s long-standing position, Trump promised while campaigning to recognize Jerusalem as Israel’s capital and relocate the American mission there, drawing a fierce rebuke from Palestinian officials and concern from the European Union. Trump said he would “love to see that happen”, and on January 29th, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu urged Trump to keep his promise.

US Congressman Ron DeSantis, chairman of the Subcommittee on National Security, met Israeli leaders to examine the possibility of moving the American embassy to Jerusalem, Israeli officials said. Israel’s deputy foreign minister Tzipi Hotovely, who met DeSantis, said she was “optimistic” it would happen. [dailymail.co.uk ]

## Israel to Honor Cyprus Health Minister Who Helped Save Israeli’s Life.

Israel will award Cyprus Health Minister Giorgos Pamboridis a certificate of appreciation after he helped save the life of an Israeli. On Jan. 13, Hadassah Medical Center requested the Israel Foreign Ministry’s assistance in saving the life of a patient who needed a drug that was not available in Israel.

As the country’s embassies across Europe were contacted in a bid to locate the drug, Israeli Ambassador to Cyprus, Yael Ravia-Zadok, immediately contacted Pamboridis, who responded despite it being Friday night. He got back to the ambassador in under an hour, saying: “We have the medication. Nicosia General Hospital is waiting for you to come and pick it up.” When the ambassador asked how to transfer payment, the minister replied: “Payment? What payment?” and refused to accept any compensation. The medicine was flown to Israel in time to save the patient’s life.

The Israeli ambassador said, “We will always remember the Cypriots’ commitment to human lives experienced first-hand by Jewish Holocaust survivors who were on their way to Israel and deported by the British to Cyprus; 53,000 survivors were concentrated in detention camps on the island in 1946-1949. Even then, we saw humane gestures of many Cypriots who assisted people in the camps.” [Cyprus Mail]