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Subject: Namibia's Response: Reporting Request for Gaza Flotilla-related Rise in Anti-Semitism Worldwide

1. (U) The Gaza flotilla incident did not result in an increase in anti-Semitism in Namibia. Independent and government-owned media outlets published the story, but the articles were either verbatim placement of wire service reports or based on wire reports. The least objective account of the incident appeared in the June 4, 2010 issue of "Namibia Today," the SWAPO party weekly newspaper. The newspaper ran an op-ed by Bill Van Auken entitled "Israel's Massacre At Sea." "Namibia Today" routinely places anti-American articles drawn from the World Socialist Web Site. It has a very small circulation, and even smaller readership. Post observed no public Namibian debate or commentary about the incident.

2. (U) As noted in the annual International Religious Freedom Report, the Namibian constitution provides for freedom of religion, and other laws and policies contribute to the generally free practice of religion. Furthermore, the Government generally respects religious freedom in practice.

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Reference: A) 10 STATE 72296
Subject: Suriname Response: No Gaza Flotilla-related Increase in Anti-Semitism

1. (U) Post is pleased to report that there was no increase in anti-Semitic statements or incidents after the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident.

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 Subject: Anti-Semitism in Egypt Related to Gaza Flotilla

1. (SBU) Summary: Post has not witnessed a large number of anti-Semitic reactions to the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident, nor a significant increase in anti-Semitism overall since that incident. Egyptian press, editorialists, and political leaders continue to express harsh anti-Israel opinion. However, with the exception of a few political cartoons highlighted below, anti-Israel political expression has not crossed the line into anti-Semitism. End Summary

2. (SBU) Post has not found significant anti-Semitic material, as defined in Reftel A, in speeches and editorials by Egyptian political leaders regarding the Gaza flotilla incident. Some Egyptian editorialists continue to use language such as "Zionists" or "Jews." However, in the context of Egyptian political discourse, these terms are often used interchangeably with Israel or Israelis, without a secondary racial or religious connotation. For example, articles talked about "Zionist forces" assaulting the aid ships and the "Zionist occupation army" in Gaza, but these terms are used interchangeably with Israeli Defense Forces. This interchangeable use of terms has been the case both before and after the Gaza flotilla incident. A public affairs officer at the Israeli Embassy shared this same analysis on Egyptian political discourse, specifically that such language is not anti-Semitic without broader context.

3. (SBU) However, a number of political cartoons published after the flotilla incident, have had anti-Semitic elements. On June 2, Rose El-Yusuf, a pro-government paper, published a cartoon with the headline "The

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Israeli Attack on the Freedom Flotilla." In an anti-Semitic caricature, the cartoon depicts an Israeli soldier as the devil, with a forked tail, jutting nose and chin, hands dripping blood, and a Star of David on his helmet. The soldier says, "I don't understand why the world is so shocked by me. I've been killing innocent people all my life and no one spoke to me (about it)..." A second cartoon, published on June 15 in Al Watani Al Youm, a pro-government newspaper, shows an aid ship being grabbed by an octopus carrying an Israeli flag with a Nazi swastika in place of the Star of David. The Israeli Embassy in Cairo sent a complaint to the newspaper. This is similar to another cartoon published in Al-Youm As-Sabe, an independent online Egyptian news source, entitled "A Zio-American Arab Massacre." This cartoon reveals a sea monster with the Star of David destroying a ship.

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SUBJECT: LIBYA: GAZA FLOTILLA RELATED REPORTING

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1. (SBU) Summary: Embassy has not seen any reporting in the Libyan press on the Gaza flotilla incident that is expressly anti-Semitic. Libyan officials have repeatedly used anti-Israel language in reference to the incident, condemning the actions of the "Zionist entity," (a term regularly used in the Libyan media) and Libyan media reports related to the Gaza flotilla episode have also been strongly critical of Israel and its policies. Post has not noted any public demonstrations or protests which have cross the line into anti-Semitism. End summary.

2. (SBU) Following the Gaza flotilla incident, there were numerous instances of anti-Israel language in Libyan press reports referencing the episode. Such statements were published

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in several of Libya's state-owned publications. Al-Shams, a state-owned daily newspaper, referred to "the government of the so-called Israeli entity" in a July 19 article with the headline "Israeli Entity Creative in Humiliating Palestinians." Libyan media outlets have also frequently used the word "Zionist" to derogatively refer to everything Israeli, including terming Israel the "Zionist Entity." In a July 18 article published by Azzahaf al-Akhdar, another state-owned daily newspaper, the author referred to Israeli Foreign Minister, Avigdor Lieberman, as a "Zionist terrorist...seeking to propose a plan to separate Israel and the Gaza Strip." The article went on to reference Lieberman's so-called "Zionist" actions, referencing the state of Israel as "the enemy." Azzahaf al-Akhdar also published an article entitled, "Two-State Solution: Zionism, Zionists and Zionism Advocacy" on July 19 criticizing the West and the U.S. administration's treatment of the "Arab Zionist" conflict.

3. (U) In the wake of the Gaza flotilla incident, the Qadhafi International Charity and Development Foundation (QDF) run by Saif al-Islam al-Qadhafi, pro-reform son of Libyan leader Muammar al-Qadhafi, was strongly critical of Israeli military actions and government policies, but was careful not to use anti-Semitic language in its public statements. The QDF's official response to the Gaza flotilla incident criticized "the Israeli aggression as an expression of lack of respect for the international public opinion and values, and a crime by all standards at both the legal and moral levels committed in total disregard of international humanitarian law and the Geneva Conventions, and an assault on innocent citizens from around the world."

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Subject: Finnish Reaction to Gaza Flotilla Incident Cuts Both Ways

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Sharon Ahmad, Senior Reviewer

1. (SBU) SUMMARY: In response to ref A request, Post is not aware of any public statements by prominent leaders or in the media following the Gaza flotilla incident that would cross the line from being merely critical of Israel to anti-Semitic. Since our last reporting on Finnish reaction to the incident (ref B), there has been a pro-Israel demonstration (reportedly twice the size of the previously reported anti-Israel demonstration) and a visit by Israeli FM Lieberman. In a less positive vein, public broadcaster YLE decided to rebroadcast a radio program in which its commentator lamented that criticism of Israel is too often reflexively labeled anti-Semitic, a response which she alleged is inculcated into Israeli Jews from the time they are schoolchildren. The Israeli Embassy raised its concerns to YLE about their decision to rebroadcast the program shortly after the flotilla incident. END SUMMARY.

PRO-ISRAEL DEMO TWICE THE SIZE OF ANTI-ISRAEL DEMO

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Photo of June 10 Pro-Israel demonstration in Helsinki from www.cbn.com.
The message on the sign reads in Finnish "Media, are you afraid of the truth?"

2. (U) Following and apparently in response to the June 1 demonstration against Israel's action against the Gaza flotilla, in which about 900 people participated (ref B), around 2000 people took part in a pro-Israel demonstration on June 10. According to media reports, most of the demonstrators were reportedly members of Christian groups or churches, though the event was reportedly coordinated with Finland's small Jewish community of some 1,500 residents.

LIEBERMAN VISIT POSITIVE, THOUGH MEDIA FOCUS ON CONTROVERSY

3. (SBU) Israeli Foreign Minister Avigdor Lieberman visited Helsinki on July 7 for meetings with President Halonen, FM Stubb, and Development and Trade Minister Väyrynen. The Israeli DCM provided a generally positive assessment to P-E Chief, noting that he was pleased that Lieberman was able to see the President (a meeting he described as "comfortable" in its atmosphere) as well as his GOF counterparts. While Israel and Finland didn't see eye to eye on all issues, both Stubb and Lieberman emphasized their strong bilateral relations in their meeting, which lasted twice as long as had been scheduled. The Foreign Ministers held a thirty-minute press conference following the meeting. The Israeli DCM lamented that the only portion of the press conference that aired on the Finnish news was a question from a documentary filmmaker about Israel's responsibility for the death of a Finnish UNIFIL peacekeeper in Lebanon in 2006. The question drew a vehement response from Lieberman, who accused the questioner of hypocrisy, and an attempted follow-up question was deftly squelched by FM Stubb.

RADIO PROGRAM ALLEGES POLITICAL USE OF ANTI-SEMITISM

4. (SBU) Post's survey of Finnish media and public commentary since the Gaza flotilla incident revealed significant numbers of articles and statements both criticizing and supporting Israel, with others calling for a neutral assessment before any blame could be apportioned. None of the comments appeared to veer towards anti-Semitism.

5. (SBU) YLE, the national public broadcaster, did take the opportunity to rebroadcast a radio program by journalist Kirsi Virtanen in which she directly addressed the issue of anti-Semitism. In the broadcast Virtanen indicates that she does not see any anti-Semitism in Finland whatsoever but then goes on to question why those who criticize Israel are so often labeled as anti-Semitic. She offers her opinion that Israelis are brought up with a siege mentality in which they are taught that the outside world hates them and thus criticism from outside is automatically anti-Semitism. Many listeners posted comments on the program's webpage both supporting Virtanen's view ("at last someone is telling the truth," etc.) and attacking it for being ignorant of the situation Israel faces. The Israeli DCM related to P-E Chief that his embassy expressed their concerns to YLE after the original broadcast. When the embassy again raised the matter with YLE after the re-broadcast, it attributed the re-broadcast to a "technical error." (NOTE: For a limited time, the program can be heard online (in Finnish) at

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Subject: Costa Rica: No Incidents of Anti-Semitism Reported

After a review of media sources and speaking with contacts within the Jewish community, there is no evidence to suggest that any anti-Semitic behavior has occurred in Costa Rica related to the Gaza flotilla incident. While various politicians, editorials, and other groups have been critical of Israel's response to the flotilla, nothing suggests that this criticism meets the definition of anti-Semitic behavior as outlined in REFTEL.

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Reference: A) 10 STATE 72296
Subject: GAMBIA REACTION TO GAZA FLOTILLA INCIDENT

1. Per tasking in reftel, Embassy Banjul hereby submits the following report on reactions in The Gambia to the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident.

2. NO ANTISEMITIC STATEMENTS

Although The Gambia is predominantly a Muslim country, there have been no outward reactions to the May 31 attack by Israeli forces on a Palestinian flotilla in Gaza. In general, Gambians sympathize with the Palestinians, but there were no statements by political or religious leaders or demonstrations condemning the attack or remarks of an anti-Semitic nature. The media merely reported the incident without comment and in most cases carried syndicated reports from international news agencies and broadcast institutions such as CNN and the BBC.

3. Although most Gambian Muslims side with the Palestinians in their conflict with Israel, they also accept the teachings in the Koran that Christians and Jews are their cousins with whom they can inter-marry. They show no hatred for followers of the other two faiths.

4. FRIENDLY SOCCER MATCH WITH ISRAEL

As further testimony to The Gambia's peaceful coexistence with the Jewish faith, the national soccer team, the Scorpions, will be travelling to Tel Aviv on August 11 to play a friendly match against Israel as part of their preparations for the qualifying rounds of 2012 African Cup of Nations tournament.

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The Gambia's brand of Islam is generally moderate and religious tolerance is observed with Jews, Christians, and those of other faith. It is not surprising that there have been no reported incidents of anti-Semitic activity in relation to the flotilla incident. END COMMENT.

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Reference: A) STATE 72296
Subject: No Reports of Gaza Flotilla -Related Anti-Semitism in Ecuador

1. (SBU) In response to Ref A, Post has reviewed the media, and polled political leaders and the Jewish Community leader – Rabbi Alejandro Mlynski for reports of anti-Semitism following the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident. While all sources, including Rabbi Mlynski, report instances of political expression against the incident (Ecuador briefly recalled its Ambassador in Jerusalem, the National Assembly issued a resolution on June 3 condemning the incident, and there were numerous political statements condemning the incident in the media), there were no reports that crossed the line to anti-Semitism.

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1. (SBU) This is an action request. USUN may draw from elements in para 2 for use in the UNSC Middle East open debate scheduled for July 21, and in replying to media queries. Mission should remain alert for updates to this guidance, in order to ensure that its remarks reflect the latest developments in ongoing negotiations currently underway.

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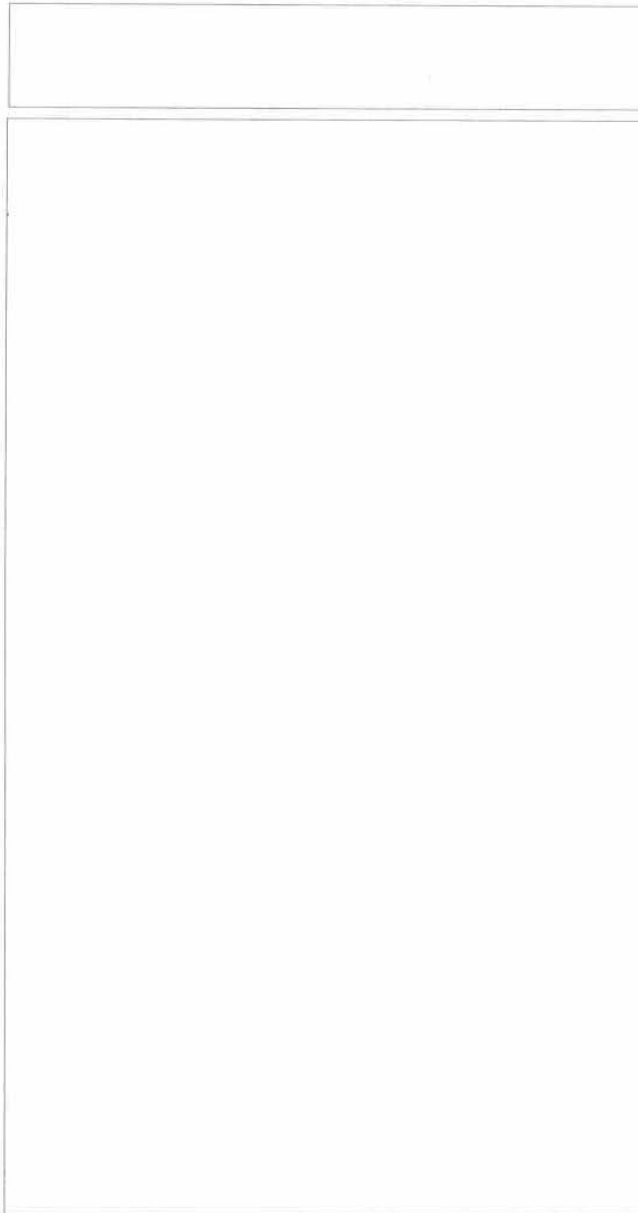
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Madam President, in its June 1 statement on the Gaza flotilla incident, this Council expressed support for the proximity talks, & urged the parties to act with restraint, avoiding any unilateral or provocative actions,⁸ and called on & all international partners to promote an atmosphere of cooperation between the parties and throughout the region.⁸ We urge the international community to shun unilateral action and confrontation and instead undertake conciliatory steps that promote cooperation between the parties. We call on all parties to act responsibly to meet the recovery needs of the

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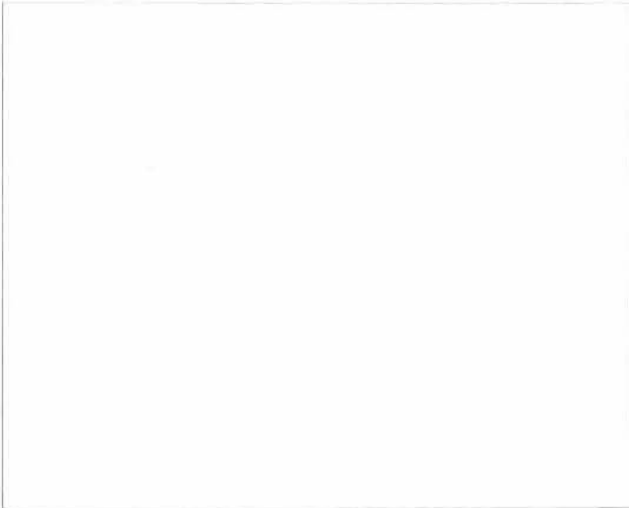
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people of Gaza and to rebuild Gaza,s civilian private sector, which will be the engine of Gaza,s recovery.

In this context, Israel, like any other nation, should be allowed to undertake an investigation into events that involve its national security. Israel is capable of conducting a serious and credible investigation, and the structure and terms of reference of the independent public commission on the Gaza flotilla can meet the standard of a prompt, impartial, credible, and transparent investigation. We will prejudge neither the process nor its outcome, and we will await the conduct and findings of the investigation before drawing further conclusions.



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Subject: NO GAZA FLOTILLA-RELATED ANTI-SEMITISM RISE SEEN IN NEW ZEALAND

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Sharon Ahmad, Senior Reviewer

1. (SBU) While there was widespread condemnation in New Zealand of the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident, Post sees no evidence that reaction will cross the line from anti-Israel political expression to anti-Semitism. There was a New Zealand citizen aboard one of the vessels who was taken into Israeli custody unharmed, and this may have stoked local interest in the story. Foreign Minister Murray McCully summoned the Israeli Ambassador to his office to express the New Zealand Government's displeasure, and in a public news release, he stated, "The New Zealand Government condemns the violence and especially the loss of life in the incident in international waters off the coast of Gaza." McCully went on to say that, "This violent event serves to underline the fact that the situation in Gaza is not sustainable. We urge an intensification of the efforts to find a solution to that, and the wider challenges in the region."

2. (SBU) COMMENT: New Zealanders have consistently opposed violence between Israel and Palestine. However, the population here is generally fair minded, tolerant of all religious beliefs, and not inclined to unleash its frustration on the Jewish faith in response to Israeli Government actions it views to be heavy handed. END COMMENT

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1. (SBU) Post is not aware of any specific anti-Semitic reactions related to Gaza flotilla incident. There continues to be strong anti-Israel editorials and commentary both in the media and amongst the general public. The Government of Brunei (GoB) also condemned the Israeli government's actions. (NOTE: Brunei does not officially recognize the Government of Israel. End Note.) Media coverage of the incident was extensive in Brunei. A local paper, the Brunei Times, had two reporters who were part of the flotilla. Editorials throughout June strongly condemned the "Zionist" nation and its response to the flotilla as well as U.S. support for Israel. The Brunei Times extensive coverage may have played a role in triggering widely circulated text messages and emails to boycott any Israeli products. Local sermons in Brunei's mosques have not discussed or mentioned the Gaza flotilla incident.

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IN MOROCCO

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B. RABAT 477

(SBU) Moroccan outrage toward Israeli actions in response to the Gaza flotilla incident was vocal and immediate. However, in no case did Moroccan reaction on any level cross the line from anti-Israel political expression to anti-Semitism. In the aftermath of the flotilla incident, Post carefully monitored the media; discussed the incident with a range of government and non-governmental contacts, including several leaders of the Moroccan Jewish community; and observed first-hand a major public protest demonstration in Rabat on June 6 organized by Islamists to condemn Israeli military actions (Reftel B). In all our conversations and observations, we have received no reports of harassment of Jews in Morocco or condemnations of Jews generally. Government officials, the media and private Moroccans

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continue to roundly denounce Israeli actions, but not
Israelis themselves.

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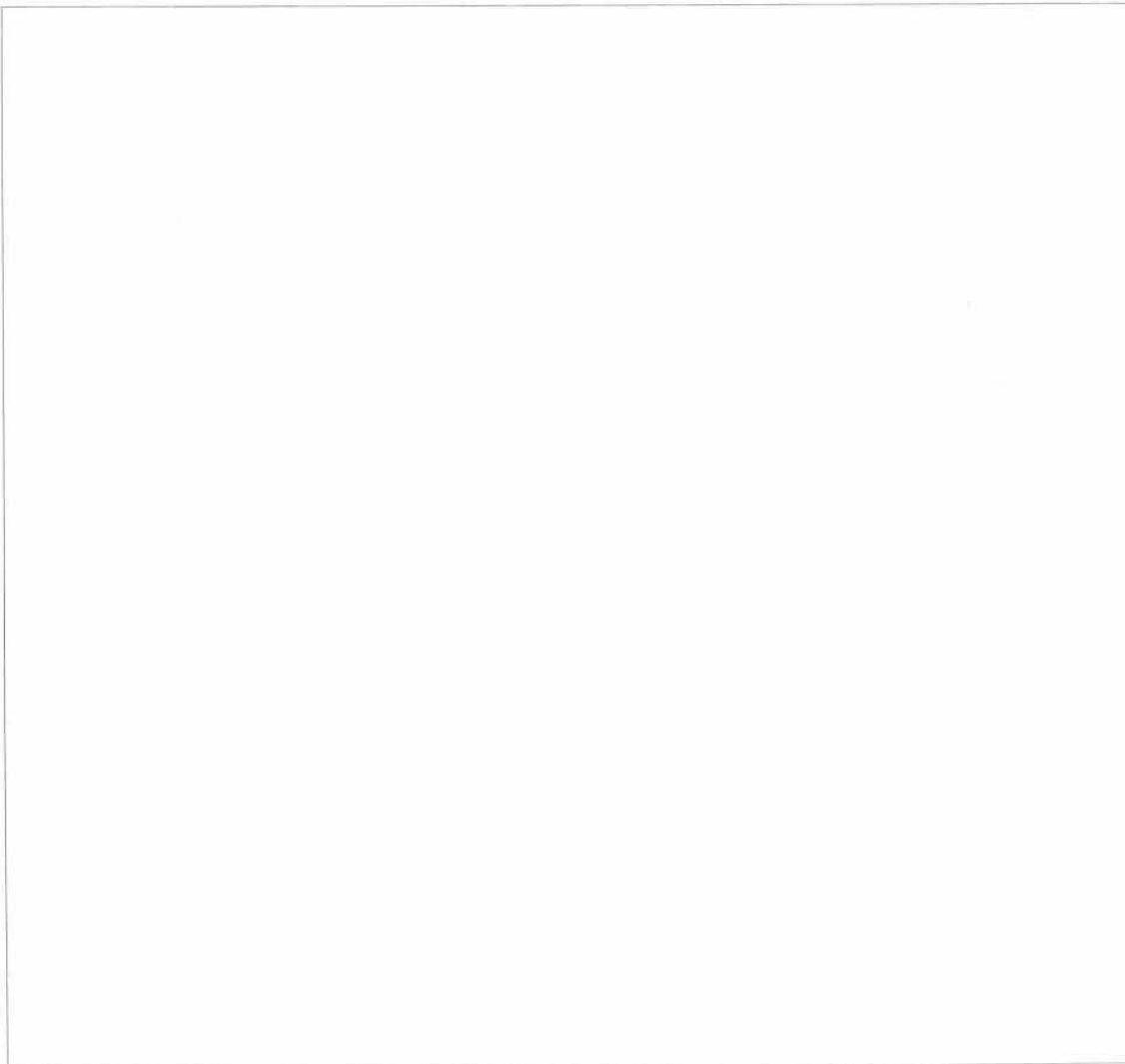
[REDACTED] Heads of State endorsed these decisions on June 23 and issued a summit declaration which included a comment on the May 31 flotilla incident in Gaza. End summary.

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Statement on Flotilla

13. (U) The SEECF's June 23 declaration included the following statement: "We deplore the loss of life and injuries during the incident in international waters of the Eastern Mediterranean on 31 May 2010, resulting from the use of force by the Israeli military against the convoy sailing to Gaza Strip. We convey our deep condolences and compassion to the families of the casualties. We emphasize our interest in an impartial, independent and internationally credible investigation on this matter. Reaffirming our commitment to international law, we stress the urgent need for alleviation of the humanitarian situation in Gaza. In this context, we expect that the announcements of the Government of Israel will be quickly followed by concrete measures with immediate positive impact on the lives of the people of Gaza."

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Subject: DOHA: RESPONSE TO GAZA FLOTILLA -RELATED TASKING

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SUBJECT: DOHA: RESPONSE TO GAZA FLOTILLA -RELATED TASKING

REF: SECSTATE 72296

1. (U) Per refel request, Embassy Doha reviewed local media coverage of the Gaza flotilla incident and public statements by senior government officials regarding the incident. While all local media outlets reported the incident, our review found no coverage or reports of public demonstrations that in our judgment crossed the line from anti-Israeli political expression to anti-Semitism.

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Reference: A) 10_STATE 72296
Subject: PORTUGAL: NO GAZA FLOTILLA -RELATED RISE IN ANTI-SEMITISM

(SBU) Per refTel, Poloff contacted the Israeli Community of Lisbon and reviewed news reports regarding anti-Semitism in the media or by the general public in Portugal related to the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident. There was a small demonstration in front of the Israeli Embassy in Lisbon shortly after the incident, and some negative public commentary in the press, but nothing that crossed the line from political expression to anti-Semitism. Anti-Semitic episodes are relatively rare in Portugal, which has a Jewish population of only about 1,000, according to the Israeli Community of Lisbon.

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B) 10 ABU DHABI 708
C) 10 ABU DHABI 734
Pass Line: FOR ELIJAH LOGSDON DRL/IRF, AND FOR MARIA SISK NEA/ARP
Subject: No Rise in Anti-Semitism in UAE After Gaza Flotilla Incident

1. (U) Post is not aware of any incidents of anti-Semitism in the media as defined in reftel A. COMMENT: While the media has harshly criticized Israel, and even the USG (see reftels B and C), news coverage and op-eds do not meet the Department's definition of anti-Semitism. END COMMENT.

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SUBJECT: CYPRUS: GAZA FLOTILLA-RELATED REPORTING

REF: SECSTATE 72296

1. (U) Per Reftel, Post reviewed news media and statements by political leaders following the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident. Although the incident, which occurred close to Cyprus' territorial waters, received significant media coverage in both the Turkish Cypriot and Greek Cypriot communities, the coverage consisted mainly of political analyses and commentary and did not appear to "cross the line" into anti-Semitism.

2. (SBU) Post also contacted the leaders of the local Jewish community center in Larnaca, which reported no Gaza flotilla-related commentary or public statements that appeared to be anti-Semitic. The center did, however, report a slight increase after the Gaza flotilla incident in the number of verbal assaults and harassing phone calls, which they report receiving on a regular basis throughout the year. (Note: The Cyprus Jewish Community Center, led by members of the Chabad-Lubavitch Hasidic Orthodox faith, is located in Larnaca, an area with a significant number of Palestinian refugees. End note.) The rabbi of the synagogue located in

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the Turkish Cypriot community reported no increase in anti-Semitism following the Gaza flotilla incident; he reported cordial and mutually respectful relations with local residents and authorities.

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SUBJECT: JORDAN: TONE OF FLOTILLA PROTESTS WAS POLITICAL,
NOT ANTI-SEMITIC

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1. (SBU) SUMMARY: Per refel request, Embassy Amman conducted a survey of media coverage to determine whether reactions to the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident crossed the line from anti-Israeli political expression to anti-Semitism. Embassy Amman completed an assessment and determined that the incident has not/not yielded anti-Semitic sentiment. Below is a chronological summary of media coverage in the days immediately following the incident. END SUMMARY

2. (SBU) "Protests in Amman respond to Israeli attack in Aid Ships for Gaza" (May 28-31) Many news sites (Ammonnews, Ammannet, Jordanzad, Ejjbed, Rumonline, Khaberni, Factjo, Allofjo, Assawsana) reported a May 31 sit-in in the

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Professional Associations Complex in Amman to protest the Israeli attack on activists onboard ships headed for Gaza. News sites said that demonstrators planned to convene at the Prime Ministry and the Israeli Embassy to demand the closure of the Israeli Embassy in Amman and the cancellation of the Wadi Araba peace agreement between Israeli and Jordan.

3. (SBU) "Jordanians Protest Israeli Aggression on Freedom Flotilla" (June 1) All dailies and many news sites (Ammonnews, Ammanet, Jordanzad, Ejbed, Rumonline, Khaberni, Factjo, Allofo, Assawsana) reported that hundreds of Jordanians demonstrated May 31 in protest of the Israeli forces' attack on the Freedom Flotilla convoy carrying humanitarian assistance to the people of the blockaded Gaza Strip. The Israeli attack left 19 activists dead and dozens injured. Demonstrators delivered a memorandum to Prime Minister Samir Rifai asking the government to inquire about the situation of Jordanians accompanying the vessels and ensure their safety. At least 23 Jordanians were onboard the Gaza flotilla, including prominent unionists and politicians. The Jordanian Medical and Bar Associations strongly condemned the Israeli attack in the open seas on the fleet carrying humanitarian aid. The Bar Association called for a withdrawal of the Arab peace initiative.

4. (SBU) Freedom Flotilla Coverage: (June 3) All papers continued to carry extensive coverage, focusing on the "heroes' welcome at the Professional Associations Complex for Jordanian activists. All papers also highlighted Foreign Minister Naser Judeh's strong remarks at the Arab Foreign Ministers meeting in Cairo, focusing on his statement that "the crime has exposed the Israeli government and revealed its evasion of peace." Papers continued to report on international reactions, especially Turkey's threat to reconsider its ties with Israel if Turkish activists were not released. Full inside pages continued to focus on reactions of condemnation and rejection of the Israeli "crime" by political parties, civil society organizations, and associations, as well as international reactions.

5. (SBU) Freedom Flotilla Coverage: (June 4-6) All papers continued to carry extensive follow-up coverage on developments related to the Freedom Flotilla issue. On June 6, headlines focused on Israel's "hijacking" of the Rachel Corey ship carrying assistance to Gaza. Reports also highlighted Turkey's decision to open a criminal investigation into the death of the Turkish activists on board the Freedom Flotilla, who were allegedly shot in the head at close range. Moreover, papers reported on the Turkish Prime Minister's reported consideration to visit Gaza, as well as continuing protests and demonstrations against Israel in various capitals around the world. News sites and dailies on the front of local sections highlighted official coverage of the thank you letter from Palestinian President Abbas to the King for Jordan's support to the Palestinian people. Reports also highlighted the departure of the Jordanian convoy carrying medical assistance to Gaza, and the medical treatment given to Freedom Flotilla activists at Al-Hussein Medical City.

6. (SBU) COMMENT: While much has been written and expressed about the Gaza flotilla incident in Jordan, especially in the local daily media and by political leaders, it is all apparently focused on anti-Israel political

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sentiment and not/not on anti-Semitism. Embassy will
continue to monitor this issue. END COMMENT.
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2. (SBU)

[Redacted] The Indonesian president thanked Gul for the GoI's assistance in repatriating 12 Indonesian citizens, who had been detained by Israel Defense Forces during the May 31 interdiction of the Gaza flotilla. Because Indonesia does not maintain diplomatic relations with Israel, Turkey's assistance was crucial. One of the Indonesian citizens participating in the flotilla was injured during the interdiction and treated in a Turkish hospital before being flown back to Jakarta. The Turkish and Indonesian sides jointly condemned the Israeli interdiction and pledged to work towards lifting of the Gaza embargo.

3. (SBU) COMMENT:



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Subject: RE: Lebanon O/I July 21, 2010

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(SBU) **Flotilla watch:** We again visited the Tripoli port this morning to check on possible flotilla ships. The *M/V Julia* remains in the same inactive status. The investigators reported that at 1730 they learned that the *Jounieh Star*, which some suspect may be a possible flotilla ship, had entered the port for maintenance and repairs. We will continue daily visits to the port, including on the weekend.



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Pass Line: PASS TO ELIJAH LOGSDON DRL/IRF
Subject: CAMEROON: GAZA FLOTILLA DID NOT TRIGGER ANTI-SEMITISM

1. (SBU) In response to the reftel action request, Post reports that the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident did not trigger anti-Semitic reactions by Cameroonian journalists, politicians, civil society organizations, or general public. Historically, Cameroon enjoys a reputation of religious tolerance and anti-Semitism has not been a problem in Cameroon. The Government of Cameroon maintains relatively good relations with the State of Israel and in the past has engaged in bilateral security cooperation. Although it is possible that some Cameroonians did not agree with the May 31 action by the Israel Defense Forces, Post is unaware of any inappropriate public statements that might point to anti-Semitism.

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Subject: POLAND - NO GAZA FLOTILLA -RELATED RISE IN ANTI-SEMITISM

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Sharon Ahmad, Senior Reviewer

1. (SBU) Summary. Leaders of Poland's Jewish community, as well as NGOs that monitor anti-Semitism, report no significant increase in anti-Semitism in Poland in the wake of the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident. Most NGOs note that anti-Semitic vandalism, including occasional desecration of Jewish cemeteries, is generally caused by hooligans whose views and behavior are the result of historical prejudices and stereotypes, unrelated to anti-Israeli sentiment. Polish government officials and Jewish community leaders continue to tell us that Poland and Israel enjoy close relations and that Poland is one of the strongest supporters of Israel in the EU. In the aftermath of the May 31 flotilla incident, there has been one (small) demonstration in front of the Israeli Embassy. With the exception of a dozen or so protesters, who stood apart from the rest of the group, none expressed anti-Semitic views. In addition, a few radical left-wing websites have used anti-Semitic rhetoric to condemn the flotilla incident, and some announcers on the Catholic ultraconservative Radio Maryja have reportedly used the flotilla incident to justify anti-Semitic comments. Ref B provides a general assessment of anti-Semitism in Poland. End Summary.

2. (SBU) Contacts at the Foundation for the Preservation of Jewish Heritage in Poland told us they have seen no evidence that the May 31 Gaza flotilla incident had caused an increase in anti-Semitism in Poland. Although there was an increase in June in acts of anti-Semitic vandalism over previous months and in comparison with June 2009, the Foundation's analysis concluded the perpetrators were not motivated by political events in the Middle East. Instead, they said the warmer-than-usual weather at night had encouraged potential vandals.

3. (SBU) According to contacts at the Open Republic Association, Polish anti-Semitism is generally not caused by anti-Israel sentiment, but derives from historical prejudices and stereotypes. Anti-Semitic vandalism and even violence are generally caused by hooligans, most of whom are neither politically aware nor motivated by ideology. Anti-Semitic rhetoric is mostly used in relation with internal affairs, and is employed by radical fringe political factions (especially those associated with the Catholic ultraconservative Radio Maryja) to condemn liberals or leftists.

4. (SBU) Open Republic recorded one minor demonstration, in front of the Israeli Embassy in Warsaw, to protest the Gaza

flotilla incident. According to Open Republic, demonstrators focused on human rights issues and did not employ anti-Semitic rhetoric. Moreover, demonstrators protested the actions of the Israeli government, but did not challenge the State of Israel's right to exist.

5. (SBU) According to contacts at the Forum for Dialogue Among Nations, the flotilla incident did not prompt an increase in anti-Semitic acts or rhetoric. Like other NGOs, Forum for Dialogue contacts told us Polish anti-Semitism stems mainly from local nationalist sentiment, rather than anti-Israeli, or even pro-Palestinian, views. They did note that a small number of radical left-wing Polish websites had responded to the Gaza flotilla incident with anti-Semitic rhetoric.

6. (SBU) Contacts at the Never Again Association took a slightly different view, arguing that although the flotilla incident had not specifically encouraged new expressions of anti-Semitism in Poland, it had in a few cases been used to justify and encourage existing anti-Semitic rhetoric. Although the demonstration at the Israeli Embassy had been a peaceful, left-wing protest focused on human rights, a small number of demonstrators, standing apart from the larger group, had used anti-Semitic rhetoric. Contacts at Never Again also noted that Radio Maryja announcers had used the flotilla incident to justify anti-Semitic comments.

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REVIEW AUTHORITY: Sharon Ahmad, Senior Reviewer

SUMMARY

1. (U) In a statement released on July 24th, 2010 OIC Secretary General Ihsanoglu welcomed the International Court of Justice's (ICJ) favorable opinion on Kosovo's Declaration of Independence. In addition, the Turkish diplomat expressed support for the United Nations Human Rights Council's decision to appoint an international fact-finding mission to investigate the Gaza Flotilla incident, which claimed the lives of 9 Turkish citizens in May 2010. The following are full statements released by the OIC regarding these recent actions.

BEGIN TEXT:

OIC SECRETARY GENERAL WELCOMES THE ICJ'S ADVISORY OPINION ON KOSOVO'S DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

2. (U) The Secretary General of the OIC, Prof. Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu welcomes the Advisory Opinion of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) that the declaration of independence by Kosovo is in accordance with international law.
3. (U) The OIC Secretary General was one of the first to welcome the declaration of Independence by Kosovo in 2008. He said that the opinion of the ICJ reflected the aspirations of the people of Kosovo and would encourage them further to build a prosperous nation which would live in peace side by side with all its neighbours. He also underscored the fact that Europe will continue to be a home, and not a host, for the Muslims.
4. (U) To this end, Ihsanoglu called on all concerned parties to respect the opinion of the ICJ and engage in support of peace and stability in the Balkans through constructive dialogue and cooperation. He expressed his hope that the ICJ's opinion would allow Kosovo and its neighbors to move beyond their differences and

work together toward their peaceful and stable future.

THE OIC SECRETARY GENERAL WELCOMES THE APPOINTMENT OF THE FACT-FINDING MISSION TO PROBE THE ISRAELI ATTACK ON THE GAZA-BOUND FLOTILLA

- 5. (U) The Secretary General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) Prof. Ekmeleddin Ihsanoglu welcomed the announcement of the President of the United Nations Human Rights Council of appointing three experts to an independent international fact-finding mission to investigate violations of international law, including international humanitarian and human rights law, resulting from the Israeli attacks on the flotilla of ships carrying humanitarian assistance to the blockaded Gaza Strip which took place on 31 May 2010.
- 6. (U) Commending the role of the OIC Ambassadorial Group in prompting the Human Rights Council to convene and adopt its resolution on June 2nd 2010, the OIC Secretary General expressed his hope that the fact-finding team would be able to accomplish its mission in an independent, impartial and transparent manner as soon as possible and to allow for bringing the perpetrators of the attack to justice.

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Subject: MALTA: NO NOTICABLE INCREASE IN ANTI-SEMITISM FOLLOWING GAZA FLOTILLA

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Sharon Ahmad, Senior
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1. (U) SUMMARY: In response to reftel, post researched periodicals for instances of anti-Semitism following the flotilla incident. Since the May 31 flotilla incident, anti-Semitism does not appear to have increased, however, isolated incidents of anti-Semitism or anti-Israel comments have appeared in the media and in pro-Palestinian demonstrations. Post does not detect any change in Maltese public or government position toward the Israel-Palestinian issue generally, which has tended to side strongly with calls for a Palestinian state, removal of most Israeli controls on shipments to Gaza and additional aid for Palestinians living in Gaza. The GOM seeks to maintain good relations with Israel, and conducts reciprocal visits on a regular basis.



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3. (U) Several days after the May 31 flotilla incident, police officers confiscated signs showing the Nazi Swastika before a protest by the Muslim community of Malta. The local Imam of Malta, Mohammad el Sadi stated that, "[the incident] is proof of Israel's arrogance and contempt for world legitimacy."



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5. (U) In a remark to the European Parliament during a plenary debate on the May 31st flotilla incident, European People's Party MEP and the EPP's LIBE Committee director Simon Busuttil said, "this attitude on Israel's part, that it has some special license to break the law and to kill whomsoever and whenever it wants cannot be tolerated."

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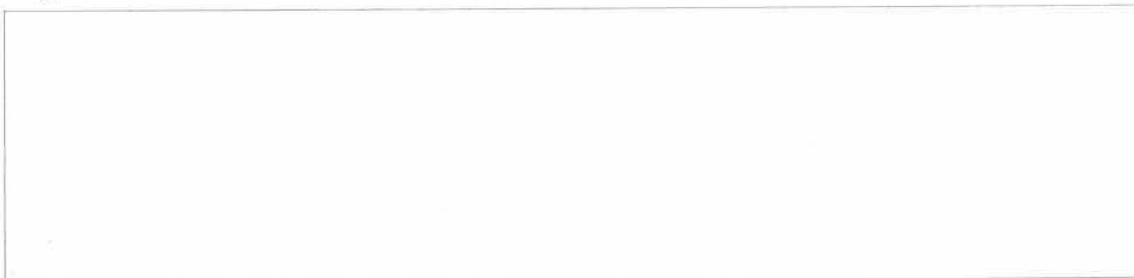


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1. (SBU) In answer to request in reftel, Post has no reason to believe that international response to the Gaza flotilla incident has led to an increase in anti-Semitism in Chad, which in any case has long traditions of religious tolerance. The incident received no play in local media outlets, nor did Chadian officials comment on it publicly or in conversations with Embassy staff. There have been no public expressions of anti-Semitism of any sort of which the Embassy has been aware in recent years, although educated Chadians take an interest in the Middle East peace process and sometimes express support for Palestinian statehood.



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1. (C) Post has not detected a significant increase in anti-Semitism in Switzerland following the Gaza Flotilla incident. Swiss media coverage of the incident was extensive and largely critical of Israeli actions, with many journalists questioning the proportionality of the force used by Israeli security forces. However, there was no media linkage of these events with the Jewish community per se. Following the incident, Switzerland's Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA) called for "an international inquiry into the circumstances of this tragic event." It further stated that "the FDFA deplores the deaths of several civilians and the injuries caused including to members of the Israeli forces. It expresses its condolences to the families and friends of the victims. ... The FDFA invited the Israeli ambassador to provide further information about the event and to express its great concern."

2. (C) In response to our inquiry, the Swiss Federation of Jewish Communities indicates that it has received no reports of anti-Semitic violence following the incident. However, it notes that its members did report around a dozen anti-Semitic e-mails or telephone calls in the two months following the Gaza events, which the Federation thinks is somewhat above average. The Jewish Center Against Defamation (CICAD), which monitors anti-Semitic behavior in Switzerland, also informed us that it has received no reports of violence or vandalism directed against Jewish individuals or Jewish community property in Switzerland in the two months since the incident.

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B) ABIDJAN 562
Subject: Cote d'Ivoire: Reporting on Gaza Flotilla Based Rise in Anti-Semitism

Per ref a request, there has been no increase in anti-Israel sentiment or anti-Semitism in Cote d'Ivoire since the Gaza flotilla incident, and press coverage of the incident has been limited and very balanced. As reported ref b, Cote d'Ivoire is a model of religious tolerance. The Israeli DCM told us that his Ambassador, Benny Omer, had held a press conference on the issue on June 4, which was well received and useful in counteracting what he perceived to be the biased reporting of Agence France Press.

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Subject: AZERBAIJAN: RESPONSE TO REPORTING REQUEST FOR GAZA FLOTILLA -RELATED RISE IN ANTI-SEMITISM WORLDWIDE

1. (U) Summary: In response to Reftel, Post has not observed any anti-Semitic sentiment in Azerbaijan resulting from the May 31, 2010 Gaza flotilla incident. The Jewish communities in Azerbaijan, which have existed peacefully here for centuries, continue to enjoy a special relationship with Azerbaijani society and the Government of Azerbaijan (GOAJ). This relationship appears unaffected by GOAJ criticism of Israel over the incident, pointed criticism of Israel from Azerbaijani civil society and media, and some criticism of Israel by Muslim groups, including a brief protest outside the Israeli Embassy. End summary.

Jewish and Israeli Perspectives

2. (C) [redacted] indicated that there was no pressure or action taken against the community following the May 31 incident. He further remarked that "everything is quiet and tension (referring to that between Turkey and Israel) is calming down." On a note broadly indicative of the positive relationship between Jewish communities and the GOAJ, he noted that local authorities have allocated a location for the construction of a new synagogue. The current synagogue is marked for destruction as part of

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a large reconstruction project in the downtown area where the building is located. As long ago as last year, [redacted] had expressed some concern about the fact that the GOAJ had yet to allocate property for a new synagogue. Israel's Ambassador to Azerbaijan, Michael Lotem, told Charge that he knows of no anti-Semitic incidents and doubted there would be any anti-Semitic impact from the flotilla incident.

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GOAJ comments

3. (C) During a speech in Turkey in June during the Conference on International and Confidence-Building Measures in Asia, the President of Azerbaijan, Ilham Aliyev, condemned the May 31 attack on the ship and expressed "our solidarity with Turkey, the Turkish people, [and] offer our condolences to the families of the martyrs." [redacted]

[redacted] A Parliamentary session on June 8 featured speeches by two members of Parliament that expressed similar views. However, Post has seen no connection between the GOAJ comments and a manifestation of anti-Semitism in Azerbaijan.

Media Reaction

4. (U) Media outlets largely provided news segments generated from Turkish media coverage of the events. Largely, these pieces decried Israeli actions and were anti-Israeli in nature. Again, Post has not observed a slip into anti-Semitism.

Civil society

5. (S/NF) Post noted that much of Azerbaijan civil society ignored the incident, with the exception of The Center for Protection of Conscience and Religious Freedom (or, the acronym for the Azerbaijani translation, DEVAMM), headed by Haji Ilgar Ibrahimoglu, which is engaged in the protection of rights of religious people in Azerbaijan.. The organization published a statement accusing Israel of shedding the blood of peace activists and continuing the occupation of Palestine. On May 31, five DEVAMM activists conducted a protest in front of the Israeli Embassy in Baku; the protest was short-lived, as law enforcement quickly dispersed demonstrators. (NOTE: [redacted])

End note.)

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6. (C) [redacted]

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1. (SBU) Foreign Minister Ahmet Davutoglu, in remarks published July 19 in Vatan newspaper, strongly criticized Germany for banning The Foundation for Human Rights and Freedoms and Humanitarian Relief (more commonly known as IHH) because of its alleged support for HAMAS terrorism. "It is not possible to understand (German) silence for those who aid the PKK (the Kurdistan Workers Party) while it bans the IHH," Davutoglu said. "There is no court verdict concerning the IHH being banned for aiding Gaza, but there are decisions that prove the PKK is a terrorist organization." [Redacted]

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Subject: SPAIN: NO GAZA FLOTILLA -RELATED RISE IN ANTI -SEMITISM

1. (C) SUMMARY: Embassy Madrid has not seen an increase in anti-Semitism following the May 31 Gaza Flotilla. [redacted]

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[redacted] End summary

2. (C) [redacted]
[redacted]. The Ambassador met with the Jewish Community of Madrid June 28 to discuss their concerns following the Gaza Flotilla. [redacted]

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3. (SBU) [redacted]

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[redacted] The website reports June 10 anti-Semitic graffiti on a Synagogue and Kosher butcher in Torremolinos. [Comment: FCJE representative, [redacted] stated that this incident actually occurred before the Gaza Flotilla. [redacted]

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4. (U) On anti-Israeli sentiment, an Israeli was injured during a protest against the flotilla attack at Madrid's Autonomous University (the MFA issued a statement condemning the protestors). [redacted]

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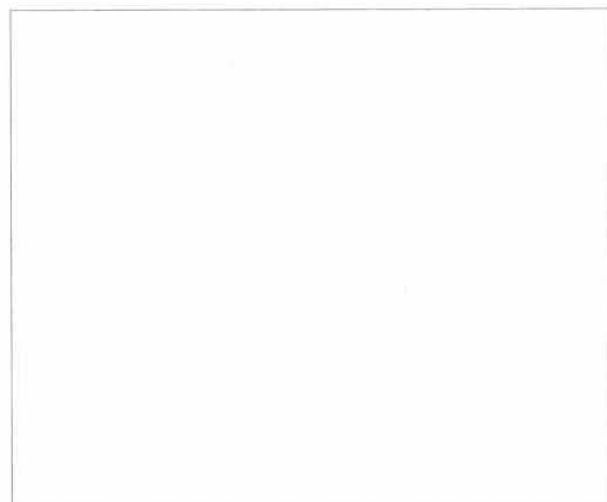
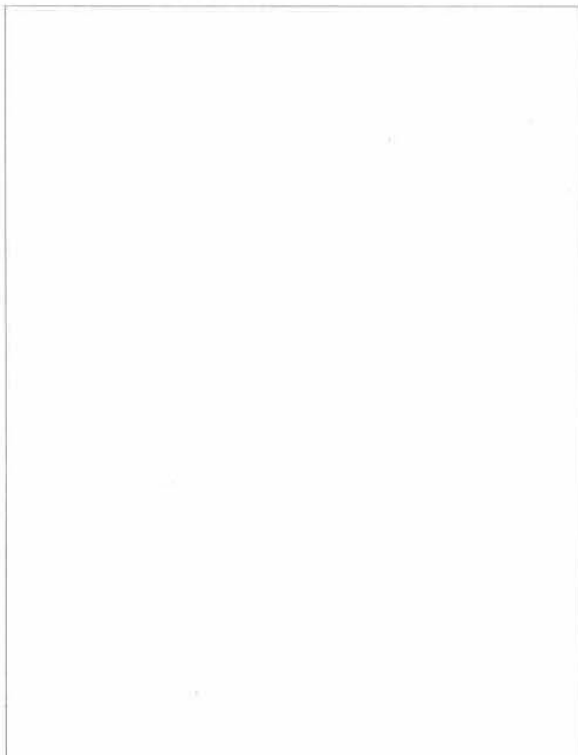
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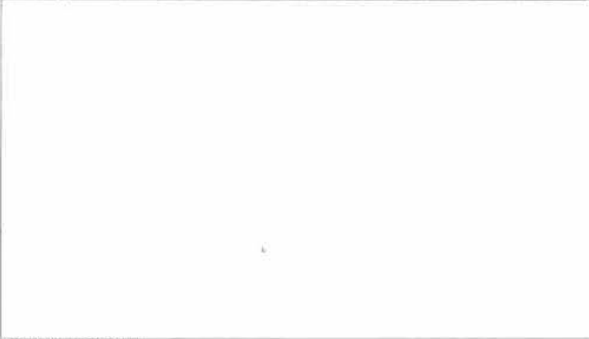
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1. (SBU) Summary: Our contacts that monitor anti-Semitic activity in Australia agreed that there was no noticeable increase in anti-Semitic activity in categories that they traditionally monitored, including assault, graffiti, and hate-mail following the Gaza flotilla incident. However, they all mentioned their growing unease with the increased use of and access to Net-based media by fringe anti-Semites and the lack of regulation of the comment sections of even mainstream Net-based media. They feared that "a few very bad people" were being given unprecedented license to express themselves as never before. End summary.

2. (SBU) In response to State 72296, Embassy Canberra, in consultation with our consulates in Melbourne, Perth, and Sydney, reached out to the Israeli Embassy in Canberra and several local Jewish nongovernmental organizations (NGOs). Our contacts reported no noticeable increase in anti-Semitic incidents after the Gaza flotilla incident of May 31, 2010. However, leaders of Jewish NGOs all noted that there seems to be an ongoing blurring of anti-Israel and anti-Semitic commentaries found within the blogosphere and in the comment sections of online newspapers and other media. They believed the Gaza incident was an opportunity for an increase in such comments.

3. (SBU) [redacted] saw a connection between the media reporting of the Gaza incident and a local backlash against the planned Eruv (the ritual fencing of an area so that Orthodox Jews can move between residences during the Sabbath) in St Ives, a suburb of Sydney. After a barrage of hate mail and comments published by the media or posted on media websites, [redacted] complained to some of these media outlets and the comments were removed. [redacted] told us that some of these comments clearly violated New South Wales' race vilification laws.

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4. (SBU) [redacted] an executive at B'nai B'rith, a prominent Jewish rights organization, reported an incident involving students attending a peace conference at a Sydney university shortly after the Gaza flotilla raid. [redacted] said he found it hard to distinguish the anti-Israel tenor of their remarks from simple expressions of offensive anti-Semitism.

5. (SBU) [redacted] told us, "There was no noticeable increase in physical anti-Semitic activity, including assault, graffiti, or hate mail, after the Flotilla incident." However, he also pointed out that there were a few "lapses in judgment" by some media companies, referring to the incidents with posted comments described earlier.

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1. (SBU) Per refel request, Post reviewed media and spoke with [redacted] about the aftermath of the Gaza flotilla incident. According to [redacted] there had been a notable rise in anti-Israel coverage in the media after the incident, which lasted until public attention shifted to the World Cup in mid-June. He reported no physical incidents or attacks, but expressed frustration that the government had not consulted with his organization prior to releasing official declarations condemning Israel.

2. (U) On May 31, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) released a statement condemning Israel's military actions and expressing concern for the loss of human lives. The ruling Frente Amplio party issued a similar statement. The next day both chambers of Parliament unanimously passed a declaration condemning Israel's military action; expressing the solidarity of the Uruguayan population with the families of the victims; pressing the GOU to formally raise the issue at pertinent UN agencies to reestablish and grant humanitarian assistance to the Gaza Strip; and calling for continued efforts to reestablish peace negotiations in the region.

3. (U) Several stories appeared in the press immediately after the incident. Since the Uruguayan media do not have correspondents in the Middle East, they relied on wire service stories and coverage of the incident was mostly balanced and matter-of-fact. Center-right Ultimas Noticias and leftist La Republica published the Gaza activists' version of events alongside that of Israel, including a statement by the Israeli Ambassador in Montevideo who called the flotilla "a provocation." Ultimas Noticias' headlined the MFA's statement condemning Israel's military action. The most notable biased coverage of the event was an anti-Israel op-ed piece in La Republica by an extreme-left editorialist, which sparked several letters to the editor.

4 (SBU) Comment. Uruguay's successful World Cup performance dominated press coverage throughout June and early July, and the debate on Israel and the Gaza flotilla incident ceased at that time. Post does not believe the issue will re-emerge in the press, or that anti-Semitism as a result of this particular incident will rise. End comment.

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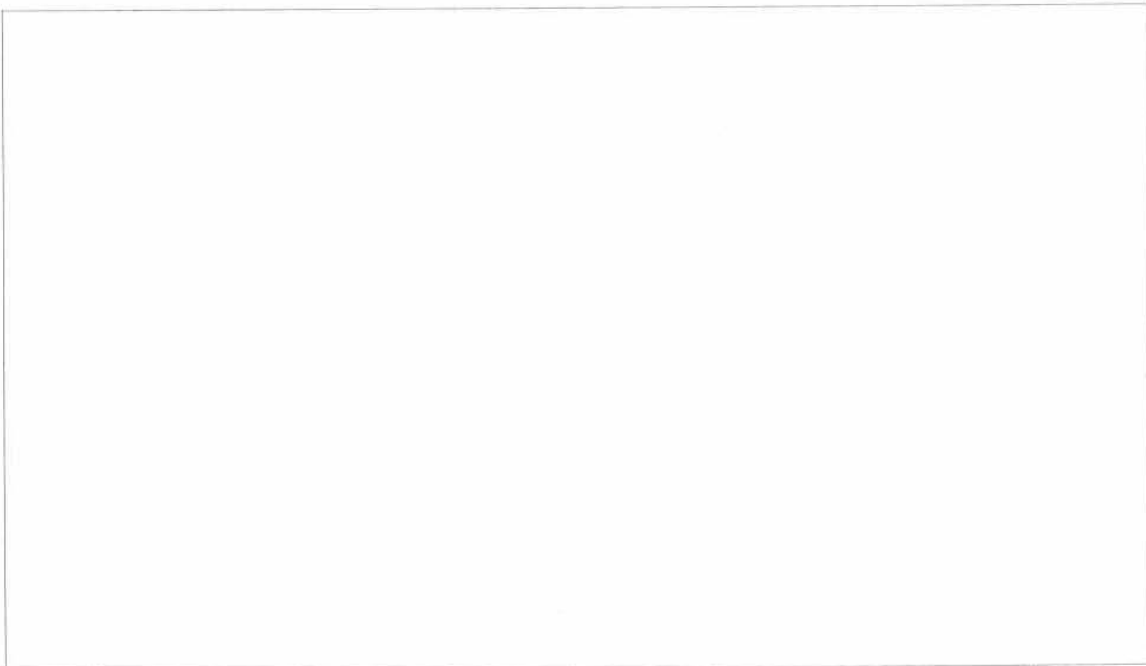
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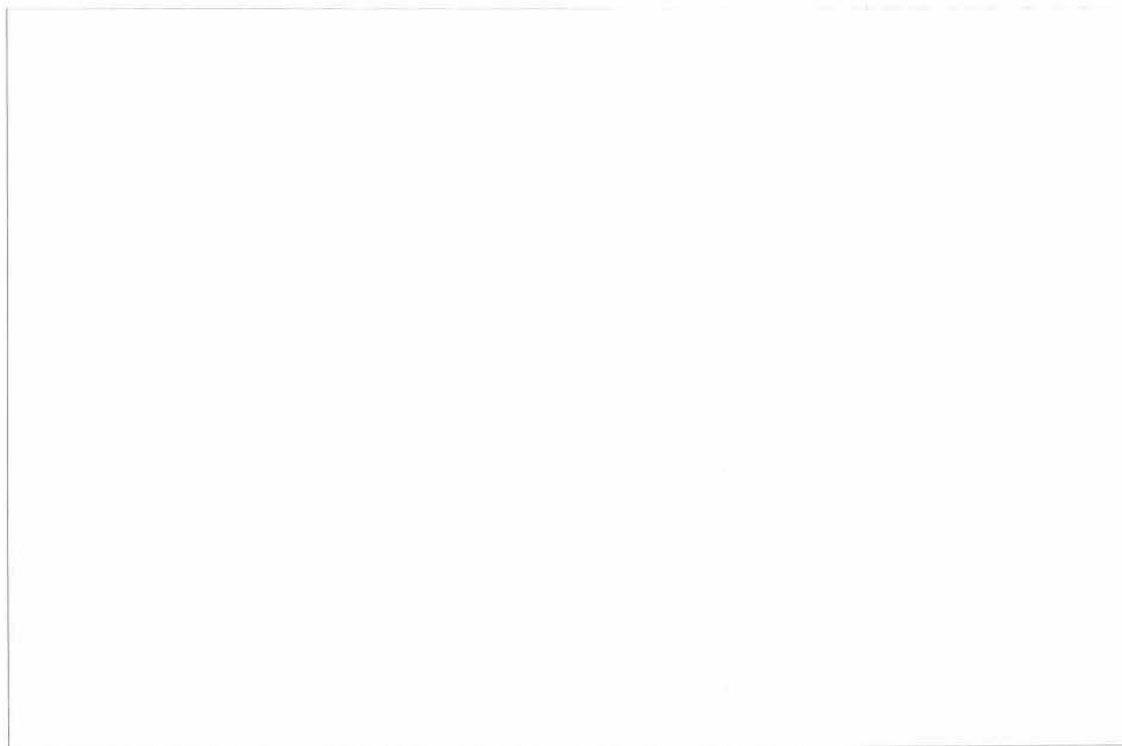
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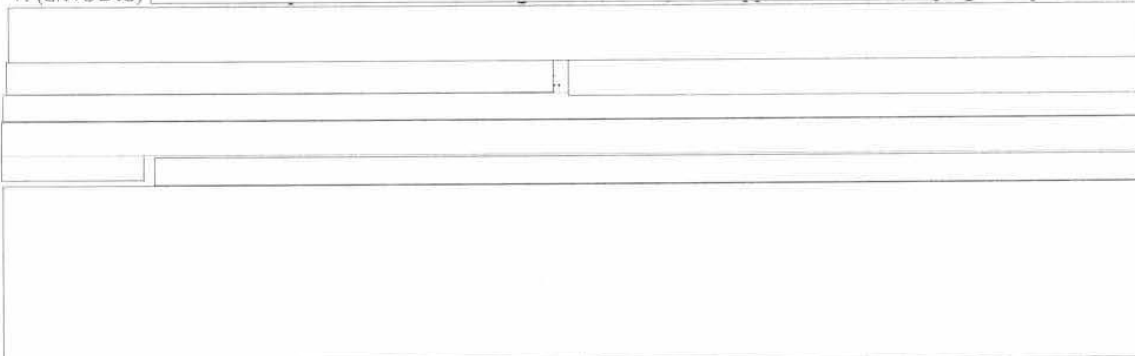
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