



U.S. House of Representatives COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

MEMBER/OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual *Financial Disclosure Statement*. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Congressman Juan Vargas (CA-51)
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: None OR None
 b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): N/A
3. a. Dates: Departure: 3-18-22 Return: 3-22-22
 b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: None OR None
4. Departure City: Washington DC Destination: Tel Aviv Return City: San Diego
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Israel Allies Foundation
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended (attach additional pages if necessary):
No Trip Ended Up Taking Place - SEE IMPORTANT ATTACHMENT

7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
 - a. a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the Member or officer; **and**
 - d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda. - NO
Signify statement is true by checking the box.
- b. If not, explain:
SEE IMPORTANT ATTACHMENT - NO TRIP TOOK PLACE ←

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

Member / Officer Signature: 

Date: 3/30/22



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This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within ten days of their return. You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: Israel Allies Foundation
2. Travel Destination(s): Israel
3. Date of Departure: March 18, 2022 Date of Return: March 20, 2022
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Rep. Juan Vargas

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.

5. Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$8,691.37	0	0	0
Accompanying Family Member	NA	NA	NA	NA

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Date: 03/31/2022

Name: Mark Milosch Title: Executive Director

Organization: Israel Allies Foundation

- I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: 5614 Connecticut Ave. NW, #247, Washington, DC 20015

Email: mark@israelallies.org Telephone: (202) 344-9876

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.



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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Rep. Juan Vargas
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip:
Israel Allies Foundation
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel : Israel
4. a. Date of Departure: March 18, 2022 Date of Return: March 22, 2022
b. Yes No Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes No Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
(3) Yes No Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:
6. a. Yes No Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:

7. Yes No *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.

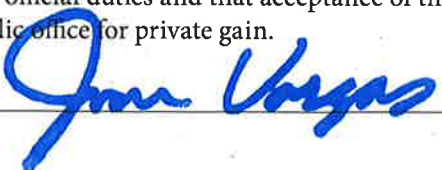
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties.
Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
Rep. Vargas is a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, which has jurisdiction over foreign policy generally, including U.S relations with Israel. The agenda of the sponsor's Jerusalem Chairman's Conference features foreign policy issues of concern to both the U.S. and Israel as well as the relationship between the two countries, issues on which the Congressman has been active.

9. **Yes No Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**

10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member  Date 2-16-22



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TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. This form and any attachments may be delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth or e-mailed to travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Rep. Juan Vargas

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): EDDIE MEYER

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): JUAN VARGAS

Office Address: 2244 Rayburn House Office Bldg., Washington DC 20515

Telephone Number: 202-225-8045

Email Address of Contact Person: eddie.meyer@mail.house.gov

Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via e-mail: travel.requests@mail.house.gov.



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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a **Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip**. The trip sponsor should **NOT** submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:
Israel Allies Foundation
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip: **OR**
 - b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds: **OR**
 - c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.
If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:
See accompanying additional pages.
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members *and* employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary):
See accompanying additional pages.
5. Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of departure: March 18, 2022 Date of return: March 22, 2022
7. a. City of departure: Washington, D.C.
b. Destination(s): Jerusalem
c. City of return: San Diego
8. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: **OR**
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: **OR**
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. **Check only one of the following:**
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:



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- 10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*
- 11. **Check only one of the following:**
 - a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box; OR*
 - b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
- 12. For *each* sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip *and* its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
See accompanying additional pages.

- 13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**
 - a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: _____)
 - b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (specify: _____)
 - c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

- 14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*
- 15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:
 - a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
 - b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation.
If "b" is checked:
 - 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided):
 - 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:

- 16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Name: <u>King David Hotel</u>	City: <u>Jerusalem</u>	Cost Per Night: <u>\$342</u>
Reason(s) for Selecting: <u>KDH is centrally located with capacity to host conferences.</u>		
Hotel Name: _____	City: _____	Cost Per Night: _____
Reason(s) for Selecting: _____		
Hotel Name: _____	City: _____	Cost Per Night: _____
Reason(s) for Selecting: _____		

- 17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*



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18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$6,000	\$1,025	\$327
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$200	taxi
For each Accompanying Family Member		

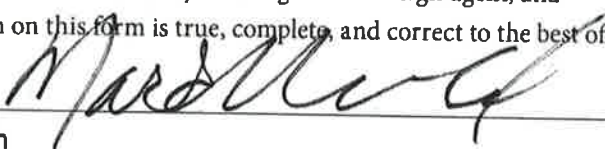
NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

19. Check only one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b. Not Applicable. Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify by my signature that

- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
- b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
- c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Date: 2/15/2022

Name: Mark Milosch Title: Exec. Director

Organization: Israel Allies Foundation

Address: 5614 Connecticut Ave. NW, #247, Washington DC 20015

Email: mark@israelallies.org Telephone: (202) 344-9876

INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* and submit the agenda, invitation list, any attachments, and any *Additional Trip Sponsor Forms* directly to the Travelers.

Written approval from the Committee on Ethics is required before traveling on this trip. The Committee on Ethics will notify the House invitees directly and will not notify the trip sponsors.

Willful or knowing misrepresentation on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

For questions, please contact the Committee on Ethics at:

1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

ethicscommittee@mail.house.gov | 202-225-7103
More information and forms available at ethics.house.gov



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ADDITIONAL TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by an organization that provides funds, services, or in-kind assistance to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation. Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: Israel Allies Foundation
2. Name of your organization: Bridges for Peace
3. Yes No Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes No Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
 - a. Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
 - b. Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to
Destination: _____ on Date: _____
that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. **OR**
 - c. Has provided in-kind support to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor (e.g., meeting planning assistance, meeting space and set-up, and paying for expenses related to this trip directly to the service provider).
6. **Check only one:**
 - a. My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent **OR**
 - b. My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
7. I certify by my signature that
 - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
 - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
 - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
 - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Date: February 16, 2022

Name: Rebecca Brimmer Title: Intl. President and CEO

Organization: Bridges for Peace

Address: PO Box 1093, Jerusalem, Israel 910101

Email: bbrimmer@bridgesforpeace.com Telephone: 972-52-840-8967

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March 11, 2022

The Honorable Juan Vargas
U.S. House of Representatives
2244 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Israel,¹ scheduled for March 18 to 22, 2022, sponsored by Israel Allies Foundation, Bridges for Peace, All Nations Convocation Jerusalem (ANCJ)/Progressive Vision International, Combat Hate Foundation, and International Christian Embassy Jerusalem (ICEJ).

This approval represents the Committee's determination that the proposed trip complies with relevant House rules, federal laws, and Travel Regulations promulgated by the Committee. You should engage in your own assessment of the risks and implications of engaging in travel during the current COVID-19 pandemic.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$415 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

¹ Please be aware that the Committee's review of the proposed trip does not extend to either the security situation in the destination country or security related to foreign travel in general. We recommend you contact the Office of House Security (OHS) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. OHS may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or ohsstaff@mail.house.gov. House travelers should also register for the U.S. State Department's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at <https://step.state.gov>.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$415] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



Theodore E. Deutch
Chairman



Jackie Walorski
Ranking Member

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**Additional pages
for Primary Trip Sponsor Form
Israel Allies Foundation**

Question 3. List of names of additional sponsors.

Bridges for Peace.

Question 4. Names and titles of all House members and staff invited and explanation why.

Rep. Juan Vargas (invited as a member of Foreign Affairs Committee and leading congressional voice in support of a strong U.S.-Israel relationship).

Rep. Doug Lamborn (invited as a member of Armed Services Committee and leading congressional voice in support of a strong U.S.-Israel relationship).

Question 10. Detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in.

Accompanying document.

Question 12. Description of the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip *and* its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip.

Israel Allies Foundation has a mission to conduct educational activities on issues involving Israel and to promote relationships among legislators interested in issues involving Israel. IAF is responsible for all aspects of the organization and execution of the Jerusalem Chairman's Conference in which the Representatives will participate.

Bridges for Peace has a mission to support Israel and build relationships between Christians and Jews, particularly in a common effort for a more secure Israel, which closely parallels the shared Judaeo-Christian values motivating the participating legislators in their support for Israel. Bridges for Peace has no role in organizing or conducting the trip.



Jerusalem Chairman's Conference 2022 Draft Itinerary

March 20-22, King David Hotel

**Time and Speakers are tentative and subject to change*

Saturday, March 19th

Late afternoon Rep. Vargas arrival at Tel Aviv airport; picked up and driven to King David hotel in Jerusalem

Sunday, March 20th

07:00 – 07:45 Breakfast (for guests staying at the King David hotel)
08:00 – 08:40 Welcome & Introductions
Josh Reinstein (Israel Allies Foundation), Becky Brimmer (Bridges for Peace)
09:00 Depart from hotel to Western Wall
09:30 – 12:00 Western Wall and City of David
13:00 – 14:30 Lunch with discussion led by parliamentarians
15:15 - 16:00 Samuel's Tomb Complex, **Chaim Silberstein, Keep Jerusalem Founder**
16:30 – 18:00 Old Atarot airport terminal, briefing on the new proposed 10,000 unit neighborhood in Atarot and the Aviation/settlement Museum.
19:00 Dinner - Herzl Center on Mt. Herzl
Meeting and Address – Speaker TBD

Monday, March 21st

07:00 – 09:00 Breakfast (for guests staying at the King David hotel)
09:00 - 9:10 Welcome - **Dr. Dave Weidon, IAF Chairman of the Board**
09:10 – 10:00 **Combat Antisemitism Movement Speaker**
10:00 – 10:30 **Member of Knesset/Minister**
10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break
11:00 – 11:30 Working Session
11:30 – 12:45 Breakout Working Groups: Europe, Latin America, Africa & US
13:00 – 14:30 Lunch with **Minister of Religious Affairs Matan Kahana**
14:30 – 15:00 IAF Briefing - Europe, Latin America, Africa
Leo Van Doesburg, Leopoldo Martinez & Bishop Scott Mwanza: IAF Regional Directors
15:15 Depart for Prime Minister's Office
16:00 – 17:00 **Meeting with Prime Minister Naftali Bennet**
18:00 – 21:00 Dinner at Kedma, **Remarks by KCAC MKs**

Tuesday March 22nd

07:00 – 08:45 Working breakfast (parliamentarian discussion with Israeli officials TBD) at King David Hotel
9:00 – 9:30 **Minister of Diaspora Affairs Nachman Shai**
9:30 – 10:00 Press Conference re: IHRA definition of anti-Semitism
10:00 – 10:30 Coffee Break
10:30 – 11:00 "Apartheid - the Modern Blood Libel." **Eugene Kontorovich, Professor of Law and Director of the Center for International Law in the Middle East at George Mason University Scalia Law School**
11:00-11:30 **Pastor Steve Khoury, President Holy Land Missions**
11:30 – 11:45 Concluding Session - **Josh Reinstein, Israel Allies Foundation President**
12:00 Checkout

12:30 – 14:00 Working Lunch (parliamentarians lead discussion on implications and results of conference) at King David Hotel

Conference concluded

Evening or following

morning Rep. Vargas departure from King David hotel; driven to Tel Aviv airport

Dear House Ethics Committee,

Congressman was approved to attend his trip to Israel 3-18-22- thru 3-22-22. Congressman Vargas departed Washington DC on 3-18-22 and flew to Frankfurt to catch a connecting flight to Tel Aviv. When Congressman Vargas attempted to board his connecting flight in Germany, he was informed he could not board the plane because he did not have a visa for entry into Israel.

Congressman Vargas was denied entry to the flight and was forced to find a very unexpected return flight home from Germany after a five-hour layover in the airport. Our staff was forced to use my personal credit card to get the Congressman the unexpected flight home. The cost of the flight charged to my personal credit card was \$2,387.37 - see attached receipt.

I immediately informed House Ethics and Spoke with Adam Wambold. Adam Spoke with the committee and confirmed the sponsor of the trip could issue a reimbursement check to me for \$2,387.37 to pay off my credit card which was charged for the unexpected flight home for Congressman Vargas.

Due to his denial of entry into Israel this Ethics Approved trip never took place for the reasons outlined above.

Please call with any questions.

Sincerely,

Larry Cohen

Chief of Staff

Congressman Juan Vargas (CA-51)

Cell1-619-804-6200

Cohen, Larry

From: Cohen, Larry
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2022 6:03 PM
To: Wambold, Adam
Subject: FW: eTicket Itinerary and Receipt for Confirmation AW424L

Adam,

Here is receipt for the ticket we discussed for your information.

Larry Cohen, MBA
Chief of Staff
Rep. Juan Vargas (CA-51)
2244 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
Office(202) 225-8045 / Fax (202) 225-2772



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From: Murray, Brittany <Brittany.Murray@mail.house.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2022 5:59 PM
To: Cohen, Larry <Larry.Cohen@mail.house.gov>
Subject: FW: eTicket Itinerary and Receipt for Confirmation AW424L

Flight from Germany

From: United Airlines, Inc. <Receipts@united.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 19, 2022 5:54 AM
To: Murray, Brittany <Brittany.Murray@mail.house.gov>
Subject: eTicket Itinerary and Receipt for Confirmation AW424L



Sat, Mar 19, 2022

Thank you for choosing United.

A receipt of your purchase is shown below. Please retain this email receipt for your records.

Note: There are travel restrictions in place due to the coronavirus. Check our [Important notices page](#) for the latest updates

Get ready for your trip: Visit the [Travel-Ready Center](#), your one-stop digital assistant, to find out about important travel requirements specific to your trip.

Confirmation Number:

AW424L

Flight 1 of 2 UA59

Class: United Economy (Y)

Sat, Mar 19, 2022

12:50 PM

Frankfurt, DE (FRA)

Sat, Mar 19, 2022

04:20 PM

San Francisco, CA, US (SFO)

Flight 2 of 2 UA2641

Class: United Economy (Y)

Sat, Mar 19, 2022

07:10 PM

San Francisco, CA, US (SFO)

Sat, Mar 19, 2022

08:48 PM

San Diego, CA, US (SAN)

Traveler Details

VARGAS/JUANCARLOS

eTicket number: **0162401254538**

Frequent Flyer: **UA-XXXXX381 Premier 1K®**

Seats: **FRA-SFO -----**

SFO-SAN 20C

Purchase Summary

Method of payment:

Date of purchase:

Visa ending in 0357

Sat, Mar 19, 2022

Airfare:

1891.00 EUR

Equivalent Airfare:	2093.00 USD
U.S. Transportation Tax:	19.70 USD
September 11th Security Fee:	5.60 USD
U.S. APHIS User Fee:	3.96 USD
Germany Passenger Service Charge:	39.30 USD
U.S. Customs User Fee:	6.11 USD
Germany Airport Security Charge:	11.00 USD
U.S. Immigration User Fee:	7.00 USD
Germany Air Transportation Tax:	64.40 USD
International Surcharge:	132.80 USD
U.S. Passenger Facility Charge:	4.50 USD

Total Per Passenger: **2387.37 USD**

Total: 2387.37 USD

Carbon Footprint

Your estimated carbon footprint for this trip is **0.55315 tonnes of CO2**.

You can reduce your environmental impact by participating in our CarbonChoice program which supports projects that reduce greenhouse gases. [Learn more.](#)

Fare Rules

Additional charges may apply for changes in addition to any fare rules listed.

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Cancel reservations before the scheduled departure time or TICKET HAS NO VALUE.

MileagePlus Accrual Details

Juancarlos Vargas					
Date	Flight	From/To	Award Miles	PQP	PQF
Sat, Mar 19, 2022	59	Frankfurt, DE (FRA) to San Francisco, CA, US (SFO)	22704	2064	1
Sat, Mar 19, 2022	2641	San Francisco, CA, US (SFO) to San Diego, CA, US (SAN)	1782	162	1
MileagePlus accrual totals:			24486	2226	2

Baggage allowance and charges for this itinerary

Origin and destination for checked baggage	1st bag charge	2nd bag charge	1st bag weight and dimensions	2nd bag weight and dimensions
Sat, Mar 19, 2022 Frankfurt, DE (FRA) to San Diego, CA, US (SAN)	0 USD	0 USD	70lbs(32kg) - 62in(157cm)	70lbs(32kg) - 62in(157cm)