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: Hillary J Scholten

2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: Jesse Holcomb ***OR*** □ None

   b. Relationship to Traveler: ■ Spouse □ Child □ Other (specify): _____

3. a. Dates: Departure: 08/05/2023 Return: 08/13/2023

   b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ ***OR*** ■ None

4. Departure City: Grand Rapids, MI Destination: Tel Aviv, IS Return City: Grand Rapids, MI

5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: American Israel Education Foundation

6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended (attach additional pages if necessary): See attached Itinerary

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. *Signify statement is true by checking the box.*

   b. If not, explain: _____

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: 08/25/2023

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

☒ *Original* ☐ *Amendment*

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 in the trip *within 10 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.

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

1. Sponsor(s) who paid or provided in-kind support for the trip: American Israel Education Foundation Inc. (AIEF)
2. Travel Destination(s): Israel
3. Date of Departure: August 5, 2023 Date of Return: August 13, 2023
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Rep. Hillary Scholten

   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	$8,854.16	$1,300.81	$1,614.28	$3,148.21
Accompanying Family Member	$8,854.16	$1,300.81	$1,614.28	$3,148.21

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: DocuSigned by: Arne Christenson 177E715472C848E... **Date:** 8/24/2023 | 11:11 PDT

Name: Arne Christenson **Title:** Managing Director

Organization: American Israel Education Foundation Inc. (AIEF)

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

Address: 251 H Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20001

Telephone: 202.639.5266 **Email:** achristenson@aiefdn.org

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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August 1, 2023

The Honorable Hillary J. Scholten
U.S. House of Representatives
1317 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your and your spouse's proposed trip to Israel,[1] scheduled for August 5 to 13, 2023, sponsored by American Israel Education Foundation.

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 $480 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.

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 $480] 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.

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[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.

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

Sincerely,

Michael Guest
Chairman

Susan Wild
Ranking Member

MG/SW:rp

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TRAVELER FORM

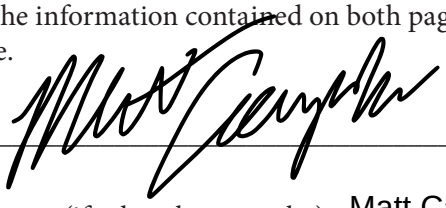
This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, 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: Hillary J Scholten

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): Matt Campbell

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Office of Congresswoman Hillary Scholten

Office Address: 1317 Longworth HOB

Telephone Number: 2022253831

Email Address of Contact Person: Matt.Campbell@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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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Hillary J Scholten

2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip:
American Israel Education Foundation Inc.

3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel : Israel

4. a. Date of Departure: August 5 Date of Return: August 13
   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: Jesse Holcomb
   (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.
   Congresswoman Scholten will be able to see, firsthand, how foreign affairs policy impacts delicate regions, such as Israel.

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 08/25/2023

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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:
   American Israel Education Foundation Inc. (AIEF)
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:
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):
   Please find attached
5. Yes ☒ No ☐ Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of departure: August 5, 2013 Date of return: August 13, 2023
7. a. City of departure: Washington, D.C. or home district
   b. Destination(s): Israel
   c. City of return: Washington, D.C. or home district
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:

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:
AIEF is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization with the fundamental purpose of educating policy makers and opinion leaders about the U.S.-Israel relationship. AIEF is solely responsible for recruiting, coordinating, executing, and funding all aspects of this trip.

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: charter bus)
c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:
n/a

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):
$166
2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:
The trip is in Israel to educate members of Congress about the U.S.-Israel relationship.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
Hotel Name: King David City: Jerusalem Cost Per Night: $410
Reason(s) for Selecting: location and affordability
Hotel Name: Magdala City: Tiberias Cost Per Night: $273
Reason(s) for Selecting: location and affordability
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:**

☐ Actual Amounts ☒ Good Faith Estimates	Total **Transportation** Expenses per Participant	Total **Lodging** Expenses per Participant	Total **Meal** Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	$9,219.20	$2,528.00	$1,160
For each Accompanying Family Member	$9,219.20	n/a	$1,160

	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	$2,271.21	please find breakdown attached
For each Accompanying Family Member	$2,271.21	please find breakdown attached

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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: DocuSigned by: Rachel Hirsch 3634BCB643B8439... Date: 6/30/2023 | 10:09 EDT

Name: Rachel Hirsch Title: Chief Legal Counsel

Organization: American Israel Education Foundation Inc. (AIEF)

Address: 251 H Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20001

Email: rhirsch@aiefdn.org Telephone: (202) 246-0519

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**

American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
Educational Seminar in Israel
Democratic Members of Congress
August 5-13, 2023

4. Names of Travelers

1. The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries (New York)
2. The Honorable Steny Hoyer (Maryland)
3. The Honorable Pete Aguilar (California)
4. The Honorable Brad Schneider (Illinois)
5. The Honorable Haley Stevens (Michigan)
6. The Honorable Becca Balint (Vermont)
7. The Honorable Yadira Caraveo (Colorado)
8. The Honorable Jasmine Crockett (Texas)
9. The Honorable Don Davis (North Carolina)
10. The Honorable Chris DeLuzio (Pennsylvania)
11. The Honorable Robert Garcia (California)
12. The Honorable Dan Goldman (New York)
13. The Honorable Greg Landsman (Ohio)
14. The Honorable Rob Menendez (New Jersey)
15. The Honorable Jared Moskowitz (Florida)
16. The Honorable Wiley Nickel (North Carolina)
17. The Honorable Brittney Petterson (Colorado)
18. The Honorable Pat Ryan (New York)
19. The Honorable Andrea Salinas (Oregon)
20. The Honorable Hillary Scholten (Michigan)
21. The Honorable Eric Sorensen (Illinois)
22. The Honorable Emilia Sykes (Ohio)
23. The Honorable Shri Thanedar (Michigan)
24. The Honorable Jill Tokuda (Hawaii)
25. Tasia Jackson, Chief of Staff, Office of the Democratic Leader
26. Gideon Bragin, Executive Director, Office of the Democratic Leader
27. Emily Berret, Senior Advisor, Office of the Democratic Leader
28. Christie Stephenson, Communications Director, Office of the Democratic Leader
29. Victoria Rivas, Policy Director, House Democratic Caucus
30. Brian Romick, Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of The Honorable Steny Hoyer
31. Manya-Jean Gitter, National Security Advisor, Office of The Honorable Steny Hoyer

5. Breakdown of Other Expenses

Item	**Cost per person**
Room Rentals	$1,005.90
Security	$767.61
Miscellaneous	$312.82
Hotels contract staff and guests	$263.21
Speaker fees	$206.62
Meals contract staff and guests	$204.80
Tour Guide	$179.83
Airport Assistance	$154.65
Entrance fees	$26.98
Photography	$25.79
TOTAL =	**$3,148.21**

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Itinerary

Saturday, August 5, 2023

All Day	Flights depart from the United States

Sunday, August 6, 2023

9:55 AM – 8:00 PM	Arrivals ▪ Flights arrive at Ben Gurion Airport ▪ Transfer to Jerusalem ▪ Check-in to the King David Hotel, Jerusalem
1:00 PM	Lunch (for early arrivals) -at the King David Hotel
2:00 PM	Depart
2:30 – 4:30 PM	**Welcome to Jerusalem** (for early arrivals) Visit to the Old City Tower of David
4:00 PM	Return to hotel
7:45 – 8:30 PM	Dinner -at Ambassador Hall, King David Hotel
8:30 PM	Depart
8:45 – 9:30 PM	**Shalom Jerusalem: A View from Outside the Old City Walls** Begin Center/Cinematheque Observation Point Yemin Moshe Windmill Observation Point
9:30 PM	Overnight at the King David Hotel, Jerusalem

Monday, August 7, 2023

7:30 – 8:00 AM	Breakfast -at Ambassador Hall, King David Hotel

7:45 – 8:15 AM	**Welcome and Orientation** -at Ambassador Hall, King David Hotel
8:15 – 9:15 AM	**Pulse of The Nation** Conversation with Yaakov Katz Author, Journalist, and Former Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* -at Ambassador Hall, King David Hotel
9:30 – 9:45 AM	Depart En route briefing**: Israeli Politics 101**
9:45 AM	Arrive at the Office of the Prime Minister
10:30 AM–12:00 PM	**Meeting with the Honorable Benjamin Netanyahu** Prime Minster of the State of Israel -at the Office of the Prime Minister
12:00 PM	Depart
12:15 – 1:15 PM	**Strategic Regional Overview** Briefing with Lt. Col. (Res.) Jonathan Conricus Former International Spokesperson, Israel Defense Forces (IDF) -at Nefesh B'Nefesh
1:30 PM	Depart for Ramallah *Members only / alternative programming for family guests* *Lunch at Modern, Israel Museum*
2:45 – 4:15 PM	**Meeting with The Honorable Mohammad Shtayyeh** Prime Minister of the Palestinian Authority -at his office in Ramallah
4:30 PM	Depart
6:30 PM	Return to hotel, break
7:00-7:45 PM	**The Fruits of Peace: Impact of People 2 People Programs** Conversation with Adnan Jaber Palestinian Peace Activist and Entrepreneur -at Ambassador Hall, King David hotel

8:00 – 10:00 PM **Dinner with** The Honorable Isaac Herzog
President of Israel
-at President's Hall, King David hotel

10:00 PM Overnight at The King David Hotel, Jerusalem

Tuesday, August 8, 2023

7:30 – 8:15 AM Breakfast

8:15 – 9:30 AM **Overcoming Obstacles to Peace**
Conversation with Dr. Tal Becker
Senior Legal Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
-at the King David Hotel

9:45 AM Depart for the South

10:00 – 11:00 AM En route briefing**: Gaza: A Situational Analysis**

11:30 AM Congressman Robert Garcia arrives at Ben Gurion Airport

11:30 AM–1:00 PM **Life in The Gaza Periphery**
- Meet with Kibbutz residents
- Walking survey of Kibbutz

-at Kibbutz Kfar Aza

1:00 – 2:00 PM **A Nation of Resilience**
Lunch with Ayelet Shmuel
Director, Sderot International Resilience Center
-at Kibbutz Kfar Aza

2:00 PM Depart

2:15 – 3:45 PM **U.S.-Israel Strategic Collaboration:**
Missile Defense and Tunnel Detection
- Visit to Iron Dome Battery
- Briefing on tunnel detection technology

3:45 PM Depart

5:45 PM Return to hotel, break

7:00 PM Depart

7:15 – 8:45 PM	**The Israeli Mosaic** ▪ Ashager Araro, Ethiopian-Israeli Activist and Social Entrepreneur ▪ Ibrahim Abu Ahmed, Arab-Israeli Activist and Columnist ▪ Hila Peer, Chairwoman at Aguda, The Association for LGBTQ Equality in Israel -at Zappa
9:00 PM	Depart
9:30 – 10:45 PM	**The City of David** Late-night visit
10:45 PM	Overnight at the King David Hotel, Jerusalem
11:55 PM	Congressman Pete Aguilar arrives at Ben Gurion Airport

Wednesday, August 9, 2023

8:15 – 9:15 AM	Breakfast -at the King David hotel
9:15 AM	Depart
9:45 AM–12:15 PM	**The Significance of the Holocaust in Israeli Society** Visit to the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial and Museum
11:30 AM	Leader Hakeem Jeffries, Emily Berret, Tasia Jackson and Christie Stephenson depart Ben Gurion Airport Leader Jeffries arrives Atlanta, Wednesday, August 9, 5:55 PM; Emily Berret, Tasia Jackson and Christie Stephenson arrive Washington D.C. Wednesday, August 9, 9:42 PM
12:15 PM	Depart
12:30 – 1:00 PM	Lunch -at HaAgam
1:00 – 2:00 PM	**Meeting with Stephanie L. Hallett** Chargé d'Affaires**,** U.S. Embassy in Israel -at HaAgam
2:15 Pm	Return to hotel, break
4:15 PM	Depart

4:30 – 6:45 PM **Strategic Survey of Jerusalem**
Part I: The Historic and Holy Basin
- Robinson's Arch
- Western Wall
- Church of the Holy Sepulchre

6:45 PM Depart

7:00 – 8:30 PM **Innovation Nation: Israel's Contributions to Global Challenges**
- Danielle Abraham, Executive Director of Volcani International Partnerships
- Naama Gorodischer, Global CEO, IsraAID
- Sivan Ya'ari, Founder & CEO, Innovation Africa

-at Modern

8:45 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel, Jerusalem

Thursday, August 10, 2023

8:00 – 8:30 AM Breakfast

8:30 AM Depart

9:30 – 10:30 AM **Meeting with** The Honorable Yair Lapid
Leader of the Opposition and Chairman, Yesh Atid Party
-at Hevel Modiin Cultural Hall, Airport City

10:45 AM Depart

11:15 AM–12:00 PM **Israel's Narrow Waistline: The Quest for Defensible Borders**
Strategic briefing at Alfei Menashe Overlook

11:30 AM Gideon Bragin departs Ben Gurion Airport;
arrives Washington D.C. Thursday, August 10 9:52 PM

12:00 PM Depart

1:15 – 2:45 PM **Ethics in the IDF**
Lunch with soldiers
-at Tanduka

2:45 PM Depart

3:00 – 4:00 PM En route briefing**: The Jezreel Valley and Upper Galilee**

4:30 – 6:15 PM	**Israel's Northern Border Concerns I: Hezbollah in Lebanon** ▪ Visit to Hezbollah Terror Tunnel ▪ Observation Point into Lebanon
6:15 PM	Depart
7:00 – 9:30 PM	**Reflections on the Week** -at Decks
9:30 PM	Overnight at Magdala Hotel, Tiberias
11:25 PM	Congressmen Robert Menendez departs Ben Gurion Airport; arrives Newark, Friday, August 11, 4:20 AM
11:55 PM	Congressman Jared Moskowitz departs Ben Gurion Airport, arrives JFK Friday, August 11, 5:10 AM

Friday, August 11, 2023

12:55 AM	Congresswoman Jill Tokuda departs Ben Gurion Airport; arrives Honolulu, Friday, August 11, 11:30 AM
1:00 AM	Congressman Dan Goldman departs Ben Gurion Airport; arrives JFK, Friday, August 11, 5:50 AM
7:00-8:00 AM	Breakfast on own -at Hotel, Dining Room
8:15 AM	Depart
8:30 – 10:45 AM	**Historical Significance of the Sea of Galilee** ▪ Mount of Beatitudes ▪ Primacy of Peter ▪ Capernaum
11:00 AM	Depart for the Golan Heights
12:00 – 1:45 PM	**Northern Border Concerns II: Iran and Russia in Syria** Strategic survey of the Border with Syria with Col. (ret.) Miri Eisin, Incoming Director, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), Reichman University -at Mt. Bental
12:45 PM	Depart

2:00 – 3:00 PM	Lunch -at Habokrim, Merom Golan
3:00 PM	Depart for Jerusalem
4:00 – 5:00 PM	En route briefing**: Jordanian-Israeli Relations**
6:00 PM	Return to hotel, prepare for Sabbath Dinner
7:30 PM	Depart
7:45 – 9:30 PM	**Reflections on the Sabbath in Jerusalem** Traditional Sabbath Eve dinner hosted by Jerusalem families
9:30 PM	Overnight at the King David Hotel, Jerusalem

Saturday, August 12, 2023

12:50 AM	Congresswoman Brittany Pettersen departs Ben Gurion Airport; arrives DEN Saturday, August 12, 8:51 AM
12:55 AM	Congresswoman Andrea Salinas departs Ben Gurion Airport; arrives PDX Saturday, August 12, 10:17 AM
6:00 – 6:30 AM	**Breakfast on own** -at Ambassador Hall, King David Hotel
6:30 AM	Depart
7:00 – 8:00 AM	En route briefing**: Jericho Road and the E-1 Corridor**
8:00 – 10:30 AM	**History and Geopolitics of the Roman Empire** Guided survey of the National Archeological Park at Masada
9:30 AM	Depart for the Dead Sea
10:00 – 11:30 AM	**Exploration of the Dead Sea Region** - at the Herbert Samuel hotel
11:30 AM	Depart
12:00 PM	Congressman Chris Deluzio departs Ben Gurion Airport; arrives PIT Saturday, August 12, 8:39 PM

1:00 – 2:00 PM	Lunch -at the King David Hotel
2:00 PM	Depart
2:30 – 4:00 PM	**Church of the Nativity** (optional) -Bethlehem
4:00 PM	Depart
5:00 PM	Return to hotel
5:30 – 7:30 PM	**Reflections on the Week: Closing Dinner** -at the King David Hotel
Evening	Flights depart from Ben Gurion Airport

Sunday, August 13, 2023

All Day	Flights arrive in the United States