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U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Ethics

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual Financial Disclosure Statements of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, 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.

Name of Traveler: Cynthia ("Cindy") M. Buhl	(1)	X
a. Name of accompanying relative: b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify):	or None	
a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: 8/10/18 Return: 8/18/	18	
b. Dates at personal expense (if any):	or None	
Destination: Return city:		-
Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): J Street Education Fund		
Describe meetings and events attended: Israeli & Palestinian elected & appointed political	al leaders,	
	leaders	
 a. a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form; b. the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms; c. page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the employee; and d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip. 	including all	1
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	a. Name of accompanying relative: b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: 8/10/18 Return: 8/18/2 b. Dates at personal expense (if any): Departure city: Washington, DC Destination: Tel Aviv, Israel Return city: Washington, DC Destination: Tel Aviv, Israel Return city: Washington Fund Describe meetings and events attended: Israeli & Palestinian elected & appointed political UN & international orgs, NGOs & think tanks; villages, kibbutz Attached to this form are EACH of the following (signify that each item is attached by 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, attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms; c. page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the employee; and d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached spons (Signify that statement is true by checking box): b. If not, explain: Actify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the whedge. NATURE OF TRAVELER: Date form were necessary and that the travel was in connect post-Travel Disclosure form were necessary and that the travel was in connect post-Travel Disclosure form were necessary and that the travel was in connect policyee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using private gain. ME OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: James P. McGolvern DATE: 9/4 NATURE OF SUPERVISING MEMBER: James P. McGolvern	a. Name of accompanying relative: b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: Washington, DC Destination: Tel Aviv, Israel Return city: Washington, DC Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): Destination: Tel Aviv, Israel Return city: Washington, DC Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): J Street Education Fund Describe meetings and events attended: UN & international orgs, NGOs & think tanks; villages, kibbutz leaders, 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 Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms; c. page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the employee; and d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda (Signify that statement is true by checking box): B. If not, explain: PATE: PAT

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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

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 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 for the trip): J Street Education Fund				
2.	Travel Destination(s): Tel Aviv, Jerusalem				
3.	Aug. 10, 0010				
4.					
5.	(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if <u>all</u> information is <u>identical</u> for each person listed.) Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:				
		Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
	Traveler	\$1,911.84	\$2,025.69	\$750.00	\$851.46 (details in addendum B)
	Accompanying Relative				
6.	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.				lete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.
	Signature: Name: Jeremy Ba-Am, Title: President Organization: J Street Education Fund				
				n (signify state	ment is true by checking box):
	Address: P.O.				
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	Telephone numb	per: 202-448-1	The state of the s	Western Later Late	
	Email Address:	madeleine@	jstreet.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.				

## TRAVELER FORM

1.	Name of Traveler: Cynthia ("Cindy") M. Buhl
	Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): J Street Education Fund
3.	Travel destination(s): Israel
4.	a. Date of departure August 10, 2018 Date of return: August 18, 2018
	b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☐ No  If yes, dates at personal expense:
5.	b. If yes:
	(2) Relationship to traveler:  Spouse  Other (specify):
	(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: ☐ Yes ☐ No
6.	<ul> <li>a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? ☐ Yes ☐ No</li> <li>b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:</li> </ul>
7.	Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: Yes \sum No 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 <u>individual</u> official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
	Legislative Director - Responsible for all foreign policy, defense, intelligence, international trade issues. Israel and the Middle East figure largely in these debates.
9.	Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip?   Yes  No
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.  Date:
	Signature of Employing Member

#### 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 <u>at least 30 days before the start date of the trip</u>. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (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):  J Street Education Fund			
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.	<ul> <li>Check only one: I represent that:</li> <li>a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly of finance any aspect of the trip of the trip of 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 of the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance a 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:</li> </ul>			
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 see addendum A.			
5. 6.	Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)?  Yes No  Date of departure: Aug. 10, 2018  Date of return: Aug. 18, 2018			
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7.	a. City of departure: Washington, DC			
	b. Destination(s): Tel Aviv, Jerusalem			
	c. City of return: Washington, DC			
8.	I represent that (check one of the following):			
	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: $\square$ or			
	<ul> <li>b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: or</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>			
€.	Check one of the following:			
	a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:			
	<ul> <li>b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging: □</li> <li>c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: □ or</li> </ul>			
	d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night: $\Box$ or			

10.	Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the 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): $\Box$
11.	Check one:  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):   Description of higher education.
12.	For <u>each</u> sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip <u>and</u> its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
	The J Street Education Fund (JSEF) is a non-profit organization that works to promote a nuanced understanding of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. JSEF alone has planned this trip, chosen the list of attendees and shaped the itinerary. JSEF employees will be staffing the 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:)
	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 box): $\Box$
15.	I represent that either (check one of the following):  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:   \[ \sum_{or} \]
	b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically with regard to congressional participation:
	If "b" is checked:
	Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided):  \$75
	2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:
	We chose to visit israel and the Palestinian Territory as it is important to see first-hand the complex issues related to the conflict.
16.	Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
	Hotel name: David Intercontinental City: Tel Aviv Cost per night: \$321
	Reason(s) for selecting: This hotel is a popular choice due to proximity, security and comfort.
	Hotel name: Inbal Hotel City: Jerusalem Cost per night: \$305
	Reason(s) for selecting: This hotel is a popular choice due to proximity, security and comfort.
	Hotel name: City: Cost per night:
	Reason(s) for selecting:

17.	<ol> <li>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 box):</li> </ol>			
18.	. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:			
	☐ actual amounts ☐ good faith estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total <i>Lodging</i> Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
	For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$525
	For each accompanying relative			
		Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature o taxi, parking, registration	f "Other" Expenses (e.g., fee, etc.)
	For each Member, Officer, or employee	Please see Addendum B		
	For each accompanying relative			
19.	NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.  19. Check one:  a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below.   b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.			
20.	). I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.			
21.	. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.			
	Name: Jusica Smith  Title: Chret Operating Officere  Organization: J Street Education Fund			
	Name:	sica Smith		
	Title:	et operating	Officer	
	Organization: J Street Education Fund			
	Address: P.O. Box 66073, Washington, DC 20035			
	Telephone number: 202		40	
	Email address: Madeleine (2) 1street. org.			
If th	ere are any questions regard			ving address:
	Committee on Ethics U.S. House of Representatives 1015 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 (202) 225-7103 (phone) (202) 225-7392 (general fax)			
	Version date 4/2013 by Committee on Ethics			

## GRANTMAKING TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by a public charity or private foundation (both as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code) that provides a grant of funds 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.

4	I certify that (name of your organization):  Leonard Hill Charitable I rust  Leonard Hill Charitable I rust  Leonard Hill Charitable I rust			
l.	has been designated a § 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service.			
2.	Name of Primary Trip Sponsor:  J Street Education Fund, Inc			
3.	<ul> <li>I certify that my organization (complete a or b):</li> <li>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</li> <li>b. Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to</li> </ul>			
	(destination) on (date) that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor.			
4.	<ul> <li>Check one:</li> <li>a. ■ My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent <u>or</u></li> <li>b. □ My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was <i>de minimis</i> under the travel regulations.</li> </ul>			
5.	I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.			
6.	to the state information contained in this form is true complete, and correct to			
	Name: Patricia Gordon Title: Administrative Trustee			
	Organization: Leonard Hill Charitable Trust			
	Address: 400 5 Beverly Dr, #420, Beverly Hills, CA 90212			
	Telephone number: 310. 314. 8393 Email: pgordon md 11@gmail.com			
lf	there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:			
	Committee on Ethics U.S. House of Representatives 1015 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515 (202) 225-7103 (phone) (202) 225-7392 (general fax)			

Susan W. Brooks, Indiana Chairwoman Theodore E. Deutch, Florida Ranking Member

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# U.S. House of Representatives

#### COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

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July 30, 2018

Office of the Honorable James P. McGovern 438 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Buhl:

Ms. Cynthia M. Buhl

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Israel, scheduled for August 10 to 18, 2018, sponsored by the J Street Education Fund, with financial support from the Leonard Hill Charitable Trust.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) 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. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 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 employees may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$390] 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 filed with the Committee, and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

Thomas A. Rust Staff Director and Chief Counsel

Donna Herbert

Director of Administration

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Daniel J. Taylor Counsel to the Ranking Member

1015 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515–6328 Telephone: (202) 225–7103 Facsimile: (202) 225–7392

¹ We note that the U.S. Department of State (State Department) has issued a travel warning concerning travel to Israel, *available at* https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/IsraeltheWestBankandGaza.html?wcmmode=disabled. You may wish to contact the State Department regarding the safety of your proposed trip.

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

Sincerely,

Susan W. Brooks Chairwoman

Theodore E. Deutch Ranking Member

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#### Addendum A

As Congressional staff, the following trip participants are asked to advise their bosses on legislation related to the issues that will be addressed on this trip surrounding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, US foreign aid and other policies related to Middle East issues.

- Aaron Weinberg, office of Rep. Jan Schakowsky
- Betsy Dudley, office of Rep. Steve Cohen
- Briegna Marticorena, office of Rep. Ellison
- Chris Gaspar, office of Sen. Dianne Feinstein
- Erica DiCio, office of Rep. John Yarmuth
- James Huddleston, office of Rep. Peter DeFazio
- Joe Minges, office of Rep. Ed Perlmutter
- Leslie Zelenko, office of Rep. Mark Pocan
- Yunjin Lee, office of Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman
- Cindy Buhl, office of Rep. Jim McGovern
- Emma Mehrabi, office of Rep. Barbara Lee
- Janette Yarwood, office of Rep. Karen Bass
- Jonathan Martinez, office of Rep. Nydia Velazquez
- Kate Stotesbery, office of Rep. Lloyed Doggett
- Samantha Schifrin, office of Rep. David Price

# Addendum B (Other Expenses)

Other Expenses	\$851.46
hostess	\$184.21
Hotel porterage, water, snacks on bus	\$50.00
Tour Guide (Old City)	\$21.41
Private meeting rooms	\$131.58
guests at meals	\$110.53
Danny Seidemann East Jerusalem Tour Fee	\$26.32
Ron Shatzberg Security Barrier Tour Fee	\$32.63
Independence Trail	\$18.42
Oslo Diaries Film Screening Fee	\$26.32
Rabin Center tour and entrance fee	\$28.47
Machane Yehuda Tour	\$44.74
Printing	\$13.68
Tips for guides and bus driver	\$105.26
Security + expenses	\$57.89



Len Hill Israel Education Program

# August 10 - 18, 2018

# Congressional Staff Delegation to Israel and the Palestinian Territory

#### **ITINERARY**

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10: TRAVEL

TBD Group flight departs from Washington, DC area airports

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11: WELCOME

Check in on your own upon arrival

6:25 PM Meet on 2nd floor of David Intercontinental Hotel

depart for dinner

7:00 – 9:00 PM Welcome Dinner

The delegation's leaders will meet and introduce themselves, while we set

the tone for the week ahead.

Hotel: David Intercontinental Hotel | 12 Kaufman Street, Tel Aviv | +972-3-795-1111

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12: ISRAEL - HISTORICAL NARRATIVE AND SECURITY CHALLENGES

6:30 - 8:55 AM Buffet breakfast served at hotel

9:00 – 10:30 AM Seminar: Israeli-Palestinian Conflict 101 (Part 1)

This session will serve as an orientation, with the goal of framing the week

ahead in light of the history, geography and political dynamics in the

region.

Speakers:

Yael Patir, J Street Israel Director

Location: Hotel

10:45 - 12:45 PM

**Independence Trail Walking Tour** 

It was here in Tel Aviv that the State of Israel was born. Participants will embark on a fascinating journey that takes us from a Hebrew city to a Hebrew state, a trail that begins with the founding of Tel Aviv in 1909 and

ends with the Establishment of Israel in 1948.

Guide: Itzik Doron, Tel Aviv Municipality

12:45 - 2:00 PM

Lunch discussion - The Vision of Israel

The modern State of Israel was born in 1948, based on an idea of reclaiming Jewish history and the Jewish people's right to self-determination. At lunch, we explore the Israeli founding fathers'

vision and reflect upon where we are today.

Speaker: MK Tamar Zandberg

Location: Goshen

2:00 - 3:30 PM

**Executive Time** 

3:30 - 4:00 PM

**Drive to INSS** 

4:00 - 5:00 PM

Two-State Solution? Where do we go from here?

This session will serve to layout Israeli strategic interest in promoting the two-state solution given the momentous geo-strategic developments and

emerging regional reality.

Location: INSS

5:15 PM - 6:15 PM US-Israel Relationship at Critical Juncture

Speaker: Ambassador Daniel Shapiro

Location: INSS

7:00 - 9:30 PM

**Dinner with Young Israelis** 

Hotel:

David Intercontinental Hotel | 12 Kaufman Street, Tel Aviv | +972-3-795-1111

### Monday, August 13: Going South - Gaza

7:30 – 7:45 AM Load luggage onto the bus (2nd floor)

8:00 - 9:30 AM Breakfast: Gaza Briefing by Gisha

A Palestinian voice from Gaza will also be presented through Skype.

Speaker:

Tania Hary, Executive Director, Gisha

Location: Hotel

9:30 - 10:30 AM Drive down south: Israeli-Palestinian Conflict 101 (Part 2)

The Road to Peace - an overview of peace-processes, agreements and

core issues, as well as the US role in the conflict.

10:30 - 11:30 PM Gaza Border Tour with IDF

11:45 PM – 12:45 PM Gaza Briefing by the Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories (COGAT)

Location: Erez Crossing

1:00 - 2:30 PM Lunch with Local Residents + Tour

At lunch, we will be joined by local residents to discuss the effects of the

on-going rockets from Gaza.

2:30 - 4:30 PM Drive to Jerusalem

4:30 – 5:30 PM Briefing by H.E. Nikolay Mladenov, UN Special Coordinator for the

Middle East Peace Process

Location: UN Headquarters in Jerusalem

6:00 – 7:15 PM Check-in to hotel and freshen up for dinner

7:30 - 9:30 PM Dinner with Israeli and Palestinian Peace and Human Rights

Activists

Location: Olive and Fish

Hotel: Inbal Hotel | 3 Ze'ev Jabotinsky Street , Jerusalem | +972-2-675-6666

# TUESDAY, AUGUST 14: JERUSALEM AND ISRAELI POLITICS

8:30 - 9:30 AM Breakfast Briefing by Boaz Rakocz: Israeli Politics

Location: Hotel

10:00 - 12:00 PM MK Meetings

Location: Knesset

12:30 - 1:15 PM Meeting with MFA - Yaron Sidemann

Location: MFA

1:15 - 2:15 PM Lunch

2:30 - 3:30 PM Meeting with CG Political Team staff/US Embassy Political Team

3:45 - 6:00 PM East Jerusalem Tour

On this tour we will visit hot spots in East Jerusalem and evaluate the developments in Jerusalem and their impact on a potential solution for

the core issue of Jerusalem.

Guide: Daniel Seidemann

6:00 - 6:30 PM Freshen up

6:45 - 7:15 PM Visit JEST Hub in E. Jerusalem

7:30 - 9:30 PM Dinner with Palestinian Business and Civil Society Leaders from

Jerusalem

Location: Ambassador Hotel

Hotel: Inbal Hotel | 3 Ze'ev Jabotinsky Street , Jerusalem | +972-2-675-6666

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15: SETTLEMENTS & SECURITY

6:30 - 8:00 AM Buffet breakfast served at hotel

8:00 - 9:30 AM Maps, Borders, Solutions, and the US Role in the Region

Speaker: Dan Rothem

Location: Hotel

9:30 – 11:30 AM Settlement and Security Barrier Tour

On the ground visit to settlements and the security barrier; understanding Israel's security concerns, the legal and international ramifications of settlement expansion, as well as potential territorial and security solutions.

Guide: Col. (res.) Ron Schatzberg

11:30 AM-12:30 PM Meeting with Settlers

**Location: Efrat** 

12:30 - 1:15 PM Drive to Hebron

1:15 - 2:00 PM Falafel Lunch in Hebron

2:00 - 4:00 PM Walking tour of Hebron

On this walking tour of Hebron, we will visit the H2 area, see checkpoints in the city and see the Jewish settlement of Hebron

4:00 - 4:30 PM Drive to S. Hebron Hills

4:30 - 6:30 PM Tour of S. Hebron Hills and Visit to the Palestinian Village of Susya

Learn about the situation of Palestinians living in Area C of the West Bank and hear firsthand from a resident of Susya about daily life and the

village's pending demolition order.

Speaker:

Nasser Nawaja, Palestinian human rights activist from Susya

6:30 - 8:00 PM Dinner in Susya

8:00 – 9:30 PM Drive to Jerusalem

Hotel: Inbal Hotel | 3 Ze'ev Jabotinsky Street , Jerusalem | +972-2-675-6666

Thursday, August 16: Palestinian Policy and Politics

6:30 - 8:30 AM Buffet breakfast served at hotel

8:30 - 10:00 AM Drive to Rawabi - Seminar on the bus: Palestinian Politics 101

This session will serve as an orientation, with the goal of framing the week ahead in light of the history, geography and political dynamics in the

region.

10:00 - 11:30 AM Tour of Rawabi

> Rawabi is Palestine's first planned development community. It seeks to provide opportunities for home ownership, employment, education and leisure all in one place. We will tour the construction site and meet with

the project's engineers.

11:30 - 12:30 PM Drive to Ramallah

12:30 - 2:30 PM Lunch with Palestinian Business Leaders

Location: Ramallah

3:00 - 5:00 PM Meeting with Palestinian Politicians

Location: Ramallah

5:00 - 6:30 PM Drive back to Jerusalem

6:30 - 7:30 PM Prepare for dinner

7:45 - 9:15 PM **Group Debrief Dinner** 

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# FRIDAY, AUGUST 17: LOOKING FORWARD

*Logistical note: We will be checking out of the hotel today. Before we meet, please (1) bring your luggage to the lobby and leave it with the front desk; (2) settle any additional items charged to your room at the front desk and (3) bring your passports.

8:30 - 9:00 AM Walk to restaurant in German Colony

9:00 - 10:30 AM Breakfast with International Journalist - Future of the US-Israel

Relationship

# 10:45 AM-12:00 PM Promoting a Progressive Agenda for Change

A conversation with Israeli progressive leaders about their strategies for political change.

**Location: Molad Offices** 

12:15 - 2:15 PM Lunch on Machane Yehuda Tasting Tour

Learn about and experience the intermingling of cultures in Jerusalem's

largest market.

2:45 - 5:00 PM Old City of Jerusalem Walking Tour

Jerusalem's Old City contains important religious sites for three of the world's major religions. The status of Jerusalem and its holy sites is one

of the key elements of a peace negotiation.

5:00 - 6:00 PM Prepare for dinner

6:30 – 8:30 PM Farewell Dinner

8:30 PM Drive to Ben Gurion Airport

TBD PM Flights depart to US

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18: TRAVEL

TBD AM Flights land in US