



U.S. House of Representatives

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

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, by email at [gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov](mailto: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.**

- Name of Traveler: Bradford (Brad) Decker
- a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ OR None   
 b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- a. Dates: Departure: Jul 29, 2023 Return: August 6, 2023  
 b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ OR None
- Departure City: Washington, D.C. Destination: Israel Return City: Washington, D.C.
- Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: AIEF
- Describe Meetings and Events Attended:  
 Heard from speakers who discussed various topics like the threats Israel faces, discussed the Holocaust and the impact it still has today, and the judicial review decision which has recently been in the news. In addition, we visited several Biblical sites, held discussions on the history of Israel, and heard from experts across all platforms.
- Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
  - a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
  - the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
  - page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
  - 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 statement is true by checking the box.*  
 b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signature of Traveler:  Date: 08/20/2023

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Congressman Keith Self Date: 8/18/2023

Signature of Supervising Member:

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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.

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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: July 29, 2023 Date of Return: August 6, 2023

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Brad Decker, Kathy Mahan

*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	\$5,939.63	\$2,502.62	\$1,028.01	\$4,566.59 breakdown attached
Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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: 8/17/2023 | 06:14 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.

Michael Guest, Mississippi  
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Susan Wild, Pennsylvania  
*Ranking Member*

David P. Joyce, Ohio  
John H. Rutherford, Florida  
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1015 Longworth House Office Building  
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July 26, 2023

Mr. Bradford Decker  
Office of the Honorable Keith Self  
1113 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Decker:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Israel,<sup>1</sup> scheduled for July 29 to August 6, 2023, sponsored by American Israel Education Foundation.

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 \$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 employees 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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<sup>1</sup> 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](mailto: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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Guest". The letters are cursive and somewhat stylized.

Michael Guest  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan Wild". The signature is highly stylized and cursive.

Susan Wild  
Ranking Member

MG/SW:rp



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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](http://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: July 29, 2023 Date of return: August 6, 2023
7. a. City of departure: Washington, D.C.  
b. Destination(s): Israel  
c. City of return: Washington, D.C.
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:  
 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):  
 \$170  
 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:  
 The trip is in Israel to educate participants about the U.S.-Israel relationship.
16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:  
 Hotel Name: Mamilla City: Jerusalem Cost Per Night: \$412  
 Reason(s) for Selecting: location and affordability  
 Hotel Name: Sheraton City: Tel Aviv Cost Per Night: \$402  
 Reason(s) for Selecting: location and affordability  
 Hotel Name: Magdala City: Tiberias Cost Per Night: \$249  
 Reason(s) for Selecting: location and affordability
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	\$3,933.94	\$2,289.00	\$1,190.00
For each Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a	n/a

  

	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	\$4,966.67	please find breakdown attached
For each Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a

**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.

DocuSigned by:  
 Signature: *Rachel Hirsch* Date: 6/28/2023 | 14:13 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](mailto:ethicscommittee@mail.house.gov) | 202-225-7103  
More information and forms available at [ethics.house.gov](http://ethics.house.gov)



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## TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Bradford Decker

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: July 29, 2023 Date of Return: August 6, 2023

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.

I handle Foreign Affairs for Congressman Keith Self (TX-03) and this trip will give me the opportunity to learn first hand about what is going on in 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 \_\_\_\_\_

6/28/23



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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](mailto: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: Bradford Decker

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: Bradford Decker

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): \_\_\_\_\_

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Congressman Keith Self

Office Address: 1113 Longworth HOB, Washington DC 20515

Telephone Number: 202-225-4201

Email Address of Contact Person: Brad.Decker@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](mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov).

**American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)  
Educational Seminar in Israel  
U.S. Congressional Staff  
July 29 – August 6, 2023**

**Addendum**

**4. List of Invitees**

As congressional staff to a U.S. Representative, these invitees are consistently engaged in issue areas relevant to the U.S. – Israel relationship. These issues include U.S. foreign policy, U.S. appropriations, refugee and immigrant issues, homeland security, cybersecurity, and veteran’s affairs. These issues—along with issues more broadly related to the strategic partnership between the U.S. and Israel—will be explored during the AIEF Israel Seminar, which is focused on educating congressional staff on events throughout the region by providing on-the-ground context.

1. Hadar Azari, Operations Director, Rep. Pete Aguilar (D-CA)
2. Thomas Boodry, Legislative Director, Rep. Mike Waltz (R-FL)
3. Morgan Cintron, Deputy Chief of Staff, Rep. Jared Moskowitz (D-FL)
4. Brad Decker, Legislative Director, Rep. Keith Self (R-TX)
5. Ryan Dilworth, Legislative Director, Rep. Beth Van Duyne (R-TX)
6. Eric Haley, Legislative Assistant, Rep. Wesley Hunt (R-TX)
7. Jay Kronzer, Legislative Director, Rep. Mark Green (R-TN)
8. Kathy Mahan, Deputy Chief of Staff, Rep. Jim Costa (D-CA)
9. Seamus McKeon, Legislative Assistant, Rep. Jimmy Panetta (D-CA)
10. Ian Spears, Deputy Chief of Staff, Rep. Lucy McBath (D-GA)

**18. Breakdown of other expenses**

<b>Other Cost</b>	<b>Cost per person</b>
Security	\$1,533.33
Speaker Fees	\$1,000.00
Room Rentals	\$666.67
Hotels for contract staff	\$466.67
Meals for contract staff and guests	\$400.00
Tour Guide	\$300.00
Security - West Bank	\$233.33
Transportation for contract staff & speakers	\$133.33
Airport Assistance	\$80.00
Entrance Fees	\$60.00
Photography	\$46.67
Misc.	\$33.33
Tips	\$13.33
<b>Total per person =</b>	<b>\$4,966.67</b>

**American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)**  
**Educational Seminar in Israel**  
**U.S. Congressional Staff**  
**July 29 – August 6, 2023**  
**Itinerary**

**Saturday, July 29, 2023**

10:55 PM United #90 departs Newark Airport

**Sunday, July 30, 2023**

4:05 PM United #90 arrives at Ben-Gurion Airport

4:45-5:45 PM Transfer to Jerusalem

5:45 PM Check in to the Mamilla Hotel

7:30 PM Depart for dinner

8:00-9:30 PM

**Setting the Stage**

Welcome and Orientation with:

- Deryn Sousa, Southwest Political Director, Houston, TX
- Penny Katsch, Assistant Director for Policy and Administration,

Jerusalem

-at Touro

9:30 PM

Overnight at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

**Monday, July 31, 2023**

7:30-8:00 AM Breakfast on own  
 -at the hotel, main dining hall

8:00-9:00 AM

**Pulse of the Nation**

Coffee with Herb Keinon

Senior Contributing Editor, *The Jerusalem Post*

-at Mamilla Hotel

9:15 AM

Depart for Old City of Jerusalem

**9:45 AM-12:45 PM Historical Survey of Jerusalem: The Historic and Holy Basin**

Guided survey of the Old City of Jerusalem:

- City of David
- Robinson's Arch
- Western Wall
- Church of the Holy Sepulchre

**12:45-1:15 PM** Depart for lunch

**1:15-1:45 PM** Lunch  
-at Eucalyptus

**1:45-2:45 PM** Israeli Political Primer  
Conversation with Haviv Rettig Gur  
Senior Analyst at *Times of Israel*  
-at Eucalyptus

**2:45 PM** Depart for Gilo

**3:15- 4:15 PM** Strategic Survey of Jerusalem: Post-1967 Neighborhoods  
-at Gilo

**4:15 PM** Depart for hotel

**4:45-5:30 PM** Change attire

**6:00 – 6:45 PM** A View from the Coalition  
Conversation with The Honorable Boaz Bismuth  
Member of Knesset, Likud party  
-at Mamilla hotel

**7:00 PM** Depart for dinner

**7:30-9:15 PM** Dinner  
-at Andalucia

**9:15 PM** Overnight at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

Dinner with:  
• Danrefit Abraham, Executive Director, Volcani International  
• Eran Poliak, CEO, N-DRIP  
-at Studio 5

**9:15 PM** Overnight at the Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv

**Tuesday, August 1, 2023**

7:00-8:00 AM	Breakfast on own - at the hotel, main dining hall
8:00 AM	Depart for Yad Vashem
8:30-10:30 PM	<b>The Significance of the Holocaust in Israeli Society</b> Visit to Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial and Museum
10:45 AM	Depart for the Vert Hotel
11:15-12:15 PM	<b>Overcoming Obstacles to Peace</b> Conversation with Dr. Tal Becker Legal Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs -at the Vert Hotel/ meeting room
12:15-12:45 PM	Lunch -at the Vert Hotel
12:45-1:45 PM	<b>Understanding Palestinian Politics</b> Conversation with Ibrahim Dalalshe Executive Director, Horizon Center for Political Studies -at the Vert Hotel
2:00 PM	Depart for Ramallah
3:00-4:00 PM	<b>A View from the Palestinian Authority</b> Conversation Mr. Ziad Hab Al Reeh Minister of Interior Palestinian Authority -at PLO Headquarters
4:00 PM	Depart for Tel Aviv
5:30 PM	Check in to the Sheraton Hotel
5:30 PM	Break
7:00-9:30 PM	<b>Israeli Innovation Solving Global Challenges</b> Dinner with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Danielle Abraham, Executive Director, Volcani International</li><li>▪ Eran Pollak, CEO, N-DRIP</li></ul> -at Studio 5
9:30 PM	Overnight at the Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv

**Wednesday, August 2, 2023**

- 7:00-8:00 AM Breakfast on own  
- at the hotel, main dining hall
- 8:00-9:30 AM **Regional Strategic Threats**  
Briefing with Brig.-Gen. (Res.) Nitzan Nuriel  
Former Director of the Counter Terrorism Bureau, Prime Minister's Office  
-at the hotel, Studio 5 (AV)
- 9:45 AM Depart for the Gaza Envelope
- 10:45-11:15 AM **Kibbutz Kfar Aza**  
Gaza overlook briefing
- 11:15 AM-12:30 AM **Life in the Gaza Periphery**  
Walking tour with local resident Chen Abrahams  
-at Kibbutz Kfar Aza
- 12:30 PM Walk to private dining room
- 12:45-1:45 PM Lunch  
-at Kibbutz Kfar Aza
- 1:45-2:45 PM **Overcoming the Challenges of Life in the Gaza Periphery**  
Conversation with Ayelet Shmuel  
Director, Sderot Resilience Center  
-at Kibbutz Kfar Aza
- 2:45 PM Depart for Givim
- 3:00-3:30 PM **Missile Defense: U.S.-Israel Strategic Cooperation**  
Visit Iron Dome battery  
-at Givim
- 3:30 PM Depart for Tel Aviv
- 4:45-6:15 PM Return to hotel and break
- 6:15-7:15 PM **Fruits of Peace: The Abraham Accords**  
Conversation with Ksenia Svetlova  
Executive Director, ROPES  
-at the Sheraton Hotel

7:30 PM Depart for dinner  
 8:00-10:00 PM **The Israeli Mosaic**  
 Dinner with  
 ■ Ibrahim Abu Ahmed, Political and Regional Analyst  
 ■ Ashager Araro, Founder of Ethiopian Israeli Heritage Center  
 ■ Ofer Erez, LGBTQ Activist  
 -at Darya  
 10:00 PM Overnight at the Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv

**Thursday, August 3, 2023**

7:15-8:00 AM Breakfast on own  
 - at the hotel  
 8:00-9:15 AM **Iran's Nuclear Program: Status Update**  
 Conversation with Yaakov Katz  
 Author, Former Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*  
 -at the hotel, Studio 5  
 9:30 AM Depart  
 10:30-11:00 AM **Israel's Narrow Waistline – Strategic Concerns**  
 Briefing at Alfei Menashe  
 11:15 AM Depart for lunch  
 12:00-1:30 PM **Lunch**  
 -at Tanduka  
 With Capt. (Res.) Yan Thulman  
 1:30 PM Depart for Zarit  
 2:00 – 3:00 PM En route briefing: **The Jezreel Valley and the Upper Galilee**  
 3:00 – 3:30 PM **Visit to Hezbollah Terror Tunnel**  
 -at Zarit  
 5:00 PM Depart for Mt. Adir  
 4:45 – 5:45 PM **Israel's Northern Border Concerns I: Lebanon and Hezbollah**  
 Briefing with Lt. Col. (Res.) Jonathan Conricus  
 Former IDF International Spokesperson  
 -at Mt. Adir

6:00 PM Depart for hotel  
 7:00 PM Check in to the Magdala hotel  
 8:00 PM Depart for dinner  
 8:15-10:00 PM **Reflections on the Week**  
 Dinner and discussion  
 - at Decks  
 10:00 PM Overnight at the Magdala Hotel, Tiberias

**Friday, August 4, 2023**

6:00 AM-7:00 AM **Magdala's Ancient Ruins (optional)**  
 with Father Kelly, Vice Director, Magdala  
 -at Magdala Hotel  
 7:15-8:00 AM Breakfast on own  
 -at the hotel, main dining hall  
 8:00 AM Depart for Christian sites  
 8:30-9:30 AM **Historical Significance of the Sea of Galilee**  
 Survey of Capernaum  
 9:45 AM Depart for the Golan Heights  
 10:45 AM-12:15 PM **Israel's Northern Border Concerns II: Syria**  
 Strategic survey of Israel's border with Syria  
 With Capt. (Res.) Ilan Shulman  
 -at Ein Zivan  
 12:15 PM Depart for lunch  
 12:30-2:00 PM **Minority Rights in Israel**  
 Lunch with Mohammad Darawshe  
 Director of Planning, Equality and Shared Living  
 Givat Haviva Educational Institute  
 -at Habokrim  
 2:15 PM Depart for Jerusalem  
 5:15 PM Check in to the Mamilla Hotel

7:00 PM Depart for dinner  
7:30 - 10:00 PM **Reflections on the Sabbath in Jerusalem**  
Traditional Sabbath evening dinner with Daniel Taub  
Director of Strategy and Planning, Yad Hanadiv Foundation  
- at his home in Jerusalem  
10:00 PM Overnight at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

**Saturday, August 5, 2023**

8:30 -9:00 AM Breakfast on own  
- at the hotel, Main Dining Hall  
9:00 AM Depart  
9:15 - 9:45 AM **Visit to the Garden Tomb**  
-at Garden Tomb  
10:00 AM Depart  
10:00 – 10:45 AM En route briefing: **Jericho Road and the E-1 Corridor**  
10:45 AM-12:00 PM **Exploration of the Dead Sea Region**  
-at Kalia Beach  
12:00-1:00 PM **Lunch**  
-at Kalia Beach  
1:00 PM Depart for Jerusalem  
2:30-6:00 PM Return to hotel, prepare for departure  
Checkout  
6:00-7:30 PM **Closing Dinner: Bringing It All Together**  
-at the Mamilla Hotel  
7:30 PM Depart for Ben Gurion Airport  
11:25 PM United #91 departs Ben Gurion Airport

**Sunday, August 6, 2023**

4:20 AM United #91 arrives at Newark Airport