

# 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.**

1. Name of Traveler: Melissa Kelly
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR**  None  
b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates: Departure: 05/26/24 Return: 06/03/24  
b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ **OR**  None
4. Departure City: Washington, DC Destination: Israel Return City: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: American Israel Education Foundation, Inc. (AIEF)
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: Attached itinerary reflects the meetings we attended every day while we were on the trip.
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 employee; **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 on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature of Traveler:  Date: 06/17/24

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: Rep. C. Scott Franklin Date: 06/17/24

Signature of Supervising Member: 

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## 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: May 26, 2024 Date of Return: June 3, 2024

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Melissa Kelly

*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	\$10,817.21	\$2,886.31	\$1,191.90	\$5,440.06
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: 6/13/2024 | 11:07 PDT

Name: Arne Christenson Title: Executive 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) 309-3987 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.

# COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Melissa Kelly
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip: American Israel Education Foundation Inc. (AIEF)
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel: Israel
4. a. Date of Departure: May 26, 2024 Date of Return: June 3, 2024  
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, invitation, 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.**  
As Chief of Staff to a Member on the Appropriations Committee, the activities and events planned will help me better understand the US/Israel relationship as it applies to policies related to funding and national security  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Yes  No  **Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in 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: C. Scott Franklin Date: 05/10/24

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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's website (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form. The Committee will notify the House invitees directly of its decision and will not notify the trip sponsors.

**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. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.**

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, services, or in-kind assistance 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: May 25, 2024 Date of Return: June 2, 2024
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. \_\_\_\_\_

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 the statement is true by clicking the 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 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a charitable and educational mission which includes, among other things, 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 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): \_\_\_\_\_  
\$176.29

2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: \_\_\_\_\_  
The trip is in Israel to educate congressional staff 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: \$402

Reason(s) for Selecting: location and affordability

Hotel Name: Sheraton City: Tel Aviv Cost Per Night: \$439

Reason(s) for Selecting: location and affordability

Hotel Name: Magdala City: Tiberias Cost Per Night: \$294

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.*

18. **Total Expenses for each Participant:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total <b>Transportation</b> Expenses per Participant	Total <b>Lodging</b> Expenses per Participant	Total <b>Meal</b> Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$8,028.05	\$2,854	\$1,234
For each Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a	n/a


	<b>Other</b> Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$3,630	breakdown attached
For each Accompanying Family Member	n/a	n/a

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:  Date: 4/19/2024 | 09:42 EDT  
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 Name: Rachel Hirsch Title: Chief Legal Counsel  
 Organization: American Israel Education Foundation, Inc. (AIEF)  
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If there are questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

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May 21, 2024

Ms. Melissa Kelly  
Office of the Honorable Scott Franklin  
249 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Kelly:

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 May 26 to June 3, 2024, 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. 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 first letter "M" is large and loops around the start of the name.

Michael Guest  
Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan Wild". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the "S" and "W" being particularly prominent.

Susan Wild  
Ranking Member

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**American Israel Education Foundation  
Educational Seminar in Israel  
Senior Congressional Staff  
May 26 – June 3, 2024**

**Itinerary**

**Sunday, May 26, 2024**

7:30 AM Andrew Ross departs Austin on Delta #1166

11:00 AM Boris Medzhibovsky departs San Diego on Delta #3796

12:05 PM Boris Medzhibovsky arrives in Los Angeles on Delta #3796

12:22 PM Andrew Ross arrives in New York (JFK) on Delta #1166

2:00 PM Chelsea Brossard and Boris Medzhibovsky depart Los Angeles on El Al #6

2:35 PM Hannah Spengler, Sally Fox, Stephen Siao, Melissa Kelly, Jim Notter, and Hunter Ridgway departs Washington, D.C. on Amtrak #156

5:30 PM Andrew Ross departs New York (JFK) on El Al #21

5:38 PM Amtrak #156 arrives at Newark

9:00 PM Hannah Spengler, Sally Fox, Stephen Siao, Melissa Kelly, Jim Notter, Hunter Ridgway, and Sam Pritchard (arranged prior personal travel to N.Y.C.-area) depart Newark on El Al #26

**Monday, May 27, 2024**

11:00 AM El Al #21 arrives at Ben Gurion  
Transfer to Jerusalem  
Check-in to the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

1:55 PM El Al #6 arrives at Ben Gurion

2:25 PM El Al #26 arrives at Ben Gurion  
Transfer to Jerusalem  
Check-in to the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

6:00 – 7:30 PM      **Welcome and Orientation Dinner**  
 -at the Mamilla Hotel, Hall A

7:30 – 8:30 PM      **Pulse of the Nation**  
 Dessert with Yaakov Katz  
 Journalist and Author  
 - at the Mamilla Hotel, Hall A

8:45 PM              Depart for City of David

9:00 – 10:00 PM    **Strategic Survey of Jerusalem - Part I**  
 Tour of City of David

10:15 PM            Depart for hotel

10:30 PM            Overnight at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

**Tuesday, May 28, 2024**

8:00 AM              Breakfast on own  
 - at the hotel dining hall

9:00 - 9:45 AM      **Israeli Politics 101**  
 With Tova Serkin  
 -at the hotel, Hall A

10:00 AM            Depart for the Old City

10:15 AM – 12:15 PM **Strategic Survey of Jerusalem - Part II: The Origin Stories**

- Robinson’s Arch
- Western Wall
- Church of the Holy Sepulchre

12:15 PM            Lunch like the Locals  
 -at Abu Kamal

1:15 PM              Depart for Yad Vashem

1:45 – 3:45 PM      **The Significance of the Holocaust in Israeli Society**  
 Guided visit to the Yad Vashem Holocaust Museum

4:00 PM              Depart for hotel

4:30-5:30 PM      **A Palestinian Voice, Post October 7**  
Meeting with Meeting with Bashar Azzeq  
Member of the PLO Palestine National Council  
PLO Center Council  
-at the hotel, Hall A

7:15 PM            Depart for dinner

7:30 – 9:00 PM    **Dinner and Discussion**  
-at Jacko St.

9:15 PM            Depart for hotel

9:30 PM            Overnight at the Mamilla Hotel, Jerusalem

**Wednesday, May 29, 2024**

7:30 AM            Breakfast on own

8:15 AM            Depart

8:30 – 10:00 AM    **Paying Tribute to Israel’s Fallen Soldiers**  
A visit to Har Herzl, military cemetery

10:00 AM           Depart for Knesset

11:00 – 11:30 AM   **A View from the Opposition**  
Meeting with the Honorable Karine Elharrar  
Member of Knesset, Yesh Atid Party  
-at the Knesset, Negev hall

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM **Israeli Politics in Action**  
Visit to Plenary Hall

12:00 – 12:45 AM   **A View from the Coalition**  
Meeting with the Honorable Amir Ohana  
Speaker of the Knesset, Likud Party  
-at the Knesset, Negev hall

12:45 – 1:30 PM    Lunch  
-at the Knesset

1:30 PM            Depart

2:00 – 3:00 PM      **Regional Strategic Overview**  
 Briefing by Jonathan Conricus  
 - at the Vert hotel

3:15 PM              Depart for Tel Aviv

4:45 PM              Check into Sheraton Hotel

6:30 – 7:30 PM      **Gaza: A Situational Analysis**  
 Briefing with Miri Eisin  
 Director of the International Institute for Counter Terrorism at  
 Reichman University  
 -at the Sheraton, Studio 5

7:45 PM              Depart

8:15 – 9:30 PM      **Dinner and Discussion**  
 -at Ha’Achim

9:30 PM              Overnight at the Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv

**Thursday, May 30, 2024**

7:30 AM              Breakfast on own  
 -at the hotel dining hall

8:00 - 9:00 AM      **Israel’s Quest for Peace: From Oslo to October 7**  
 Meeting with Dr. Shany Mor  
 Political theorist, lecturer and writer  
 -at the Sheraton, Tiffany hall

9:00 – 9:30 AM      **The Story of October 7: Overview**  
 Briefing with Tova Serkin  
 Missions Director, AIEF Israel  
 -at the Sheraton, Tiffany hall

9:45 AM              Depart for South

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM **The Story of October 7: Part I**  
 Tour and meeting with Nir Metzger  
 Resident of Nir Oz  
 -at Kibbutz Nir Oz

1:15 PM              Depart for Re’im

1:30 – 2:00 PM	<b>The Story of October 7: Part II</b> Visit to the site of the Nova party
2:00 PM	Depart for lunch
2:30 – 3:25 PM	Lunch -at Hummus Eliyahu, Sderot
3:15 PM	Depart for Tel Aviv
5:00 - 6:00 PM	<b>Humanitarian Aid Update</b> Meeting with Maj. Lior Shweitzer Deputy head of the international relations branch, Cogat -at Link hotel
6:15– 6:45 PM	<b>The Story of October 7: Part III</b> Visit to Hostage Square
7:00 PM	Depart for dinner
7:30 – 9:00 PM	<b>Dinner and Discussion</b> -at Manara
9:30 PM	Overnight at the Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv

**Friday, May 31, 2024**

8:00 AM	Breakfast on own -at the hotel dining hall
8:30 – 9:45 AM	<b>Israel and International Law</b> Briefing with Dr. Eran Shamir Borer Director, Center for National Security and Democracy, Israel Democracy Institute -at the hotel, Studio 5
10:00 AM	Depart
10:15 – 11:30 AM	<b>Understanding the Roots of the Israeli Ethos</b> Guided Survey of Independence Trail
11:30 AM	Depart

12:00 – 1:00 PM	<b>Understanding Oct 7 and its Impact on Israeli Society</b> Visit to ANU Museum of the Jewish People
1:15 PM	Depart for lunch
1:45 – 3:45 PM	<b>The IDF in Israel Life: Meeting with Reservists</b> Lunch with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Naama Agmon Licht</li> <li>▪ 1st. Sgt. (res.) Yoav Tzivoni</li> <li>▪ Lt. Col. (res.) Assaf Hershkovits</li> </ul> -at the Blue Rooster
3:45 PM	Depart for hotel
4:30 – 5:30 PM	<b>The Significance of the U.S.-Israel Relationship</b> Coffee with Stephanie Hallett Deputy Chief of Mission, US Embassy in Israel -at the hotel, Presidential Suite
7:30 PM	Depart
8:00 – 10:00 PM	<b>Reflections on the Sabbath</b> Traditional Sabbath Eve dinner hosted by Drs. Miriam Warshaviak and Ari Varon -at their home
10:00 PM	Depart for hotel
10:30 PM	Overnight at the Sheraton Hotel, Tel Aviv

**Saturday, June 1, 2024**

8:00 AM	Breakfast on own
8:30 AM	Depart
8:45 – 9:45 AM	<b>En route briefing: Jordanian-Israeli Relations</b>
10:00 – 11:00 AM	<b>Shared Society During Crisis</b> Meeting with Mohammad Darawshe Director of Planning, Equality and Shared Living Givat Haviva Educational Institute -at his home in Iksal

11:15 AM	Depart for lunch
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Lunch -at On the River
1:00 PM	Depart
2:00 – 4:00 PM	<b>Historical Significance of the Sea of Galilee</b> Guided Survey of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mt. of Beatitudes</li> <li>▪ Church of the Primacy of Peter</li> <li>▪ Capernaum</li> </ul>
4:00 PM	Depart for hotel
4:30 PM	Check-in to Magdala Hotel
6:10 - 7:10 PM	<b>Life on the Northern Border</b> Coffee with Nisan Zeevi Vice President, Margalit Startup City Galil and Impact Director, Jerusalem Venture Partners -at the hotel
7:15 PM	Depart for dinner
7:30 – 9:00 PM	<b>Dinner and Reflections from the Week</b> -at Magdalena
9:00 PM	Return to hotel

**Sunday, June 2, 2024**

7:00 AM	Breakfast on own
7:45 AM	Depart
8:00 – 8:45 AM	<b>Briefing en route: History of Hezbollah</b>
9:00 – 10:00 AM	<b>Israel's Northern Front: Lebanon and Hezbollah</b> Strategic briefing with Lt. Col. (ret.) Sarit Zehavi Founder and Director, Alma Research Center -at Alma Research and Education Center, Tefen
10:00 AM	Depart

10:45 – 11:30 AM	<b>U.S.-Israel Missile Defense Cooperation</b> Visit and briefing at an Iron Dome Battery, Shraga Base
11:30 AM	Depart
1:15 – 1:45 PM	Lunch -at Yulek Cafe
1:45 -2:30 PM	<b>Israel’s Narrow Waistline</b> Strategic briefing -at Alfei Menashe overlook
2:30 PM	Depart for hotel
3:30 – 5:30 PM	Prepare for departure, check out
5:30 – 7:00 PM	<b>Israeli Resiliency: Rebuilding After Destruction</b> coffee with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Danielle Abraham, CEO, Regrow Israel</li> <li>▪ Miriam Ballin, Founder, Psychotrauma and Crisis Response Unit, United Hatzalah</li> <li>▪ Gal Roitsztein, Alum, Restart</li> </ul> -at the Sheraton, Studio 5
7:00 PM	Depart for dinner
7:30 – 9:30 PM	<b>Closing Dinner and Reflections</b> -at Conmigo
9:30 PM	Depart for airport

**Monday, June 3, 2024**

1:00 AM	Boris Medzhibovsky and Andrew Ross depart Ben Gurion on El Al #1
1:20 AM	Hannah Spengler, Sam Pritchard, Sally Fox, Stephen Siao, Melissa Kelly, Jim Notter and Hunter Ridgway depart Ben Gurion on El Al #27
5:50 AM	El Al #1 arrives at New York (JFK)
5:55 AM	Chelsea Brossard departs Ben Gurion on El Al #9
6:05 AM	El Al #27 arrives at Newark
8:40 AM	Boris Medzhibovsky departs New York (JFK) on Delta #924

8:59 AM Hannah Spengler, Sally Fox, Stephen Siao, Melissa Kelly, Jim Notter and Hunter Ridgway depart Newark on United #4444

9:00 AM Sam Pritchard departs Newark on United #2290

10:28 AM United #4444 arrives in Washington, D.C. (DCA)

10:35 AM United #2290 arrives in Chicago

10:45 AM El Al #9 arrives at New York (JFK)

11:30 AM Andrew Ross departs New York (JFK) on Delta #987

11:51 AM Delta #924 arrives in San Diego

12:55 PM Sam Pritchard departs Chicago on United #3499

2:09 PM United #3499 arrives in Cedar Rapids

2:40 PM Delta #987 arrives in Austin

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**Addendum**

**4. List of Travelers**

1. Boris Medzhibovsky, The Office of the Honorable Pete Aguilar (D-CA)
2. Hunter Ridgway, The Office of the Honorable Matt Cartwright (D-PA)
3. Sally Fox, The Office of the Honorable Tom Emmer (R-MN)
4. Melissa Kelly, The Office of the Honorable Scott Franklin (R-FL)
5. Chelsea Brossard, The Office of the Honorable Josh Gottheimer (D-NJ)
6. Stephen Siao, The Office of the Honorable Mark Green (R-TN)
7. Jim Notter, The Office of the Honorable Steny Hoyer (D-MD)
8. Sam Pritchard, The Office of the Honorable Ashley Hinson (R-IA)
9. Drew Ross, The Office of the Honorable Michael McCaul (R-TX)

**5. Breakdown of Other Costs**

<b>BREAKDOWN OF OTHER COSTS:</b>	
AIRPORT ASSISTANCE	\$ 170.90
TRANSPORTATION GUESTS	\$ 14.95
HOTEL – CONTRACT STAFF	\$ 526.06
MEALS - GUESTS AND CONTRACT STAFF	\$ 452.22
SPEAKER FEES	\$ 1,358.52
PHOTOGRAPHY	\$ 46.71
ROOM RENTAL	\$ 526.43
SECURITY	\$ 1,841.65
MISC	\$ 502.62
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 5,440.06</b>