

Former Georgia Rep. Says D.C. 'Occupied by Zionists'

By Dave Gahary

In the shadow of the more than 500,000 Americans who are homeless on any one night, Congress is poised to give the Zionist state of Israel \$38 billion over the next decade—more than half of all direct military aid the U.S. provides worldwide—forcing many Americans to ask who really controls the levers of power in this once-great nation.

One of those Americans, former Rep. Cynthia Ann McKinney (D-Ga.)—currently an educator, as well as an anti-war and human rights activist—knows more than most who's in charge, and for those who still think it's their president, senators, or representative, it's time to smell the coffee.

Ms. McKinney—who earned her Ph.D.—sat down with this reporter for an hour-long candid discussion of the power of Israel in the United States. She is one of several U.S. politicians targeted by the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) for not being sufficiently servile to the Mideast state, and who lived to tell about it, specifically about the pledge of allegiance to Israel all U.S. politicians are forced to sign if they want any real chance at reelection.

AIPAC targeted Ms. McKinney for termination for her refusal to sign “the pledge,” but many other politicians weren't as lucky, like former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

“He's in prison not because he had a conversation,” explained Ms. McKinney. “It's because of his appointment to the Senate. The Israel-first people had their candidate he was supposed to appoint to the Senate, and he didn't do that . . . and they sought their revenge. That is the underlying reason for his prosecution.”

She continued: “You can cite as an example to Rep. Jim Traficant. They've got a whole trail of people who have been in prison. You can go to Bob Ney from Ohio. You can go to Curt Weldon; he didn't go to prison, but he got kicked out, with an FBI raid, just because he talked about 9/11. So, you've got a trail of detritus, the carcasses of politically dead politicians—with my carcass there as well—for the vultures to feed on.”

Ms. McKinney first detailed “the pledge”—a result of President George H.W. Bush's defiance of AIPAC—on a PressTV episode, which she elaborated upon to this reporter. “The pledge was a piece of paper that was faxed to my home,” she said, unabashedly sent from AIPAC. Its demands were clearly listed. “I only remember the first three,” she said. “There were five or seven. I can't remember.”

Jerusalem is the capital, the military superiority of Israel, and economic assistance were the three that stood out, she said.

“The third one that I remember was about keeping the levels of aid consistent with Israel's request,” she explained, “so that I would not vote for aid levels to go down.”

“In other words, do everything that Israel wants?” asked this reporter. “Yes,” she answered.

American-Jewish politicians did AIPAC's dirty work, with Congress resembling more the German Democratic Republic's *Volkskammer* (unicameral legislature) than the bastion of representative democracy.

“You knew when there were these certain point people,” she explained, “and when those point people [Ben Cardin, Eliot Engle, Jerry Nadler, Jerry Ackerman] authored legislation, you knew that was AIPAC's making, and they were also in the room taking notes on who said what during the deliberations of the bill.”

Ms. McKinney recalled a time when AIPAC's authorship of a bill was exposed. “There was a letter or bill or something that AIPAC had sent over to one of the congressional offices,” she explained, “and the congressional office was not savvy enough to erase the original title, which was AIPAC's. Then that became like a little mini-firestorm, but there is no such thing as a real firestorm with AIPAC, because they are able to suppress everything.”

Ms. McKinney lasted through six terms without ever signing the pledge. “I was offended by it,” she said. “My entire 12 years in Congress was bumping up against these people who controlled everything. They literally controlled the budget process; what got in the budget, what got a line item.”

Ms. McKinney explained how AIPAC uses “the pledge” to control Congress. “I would get a call and the person on the other end of the phone would say, ‘I want to do a fundraiser for you,’” she explained. “And then we would get into the planning. I would get really excited because you have to have money in order to run a campaign. And then two weeks, three weeks into the planning they would say, ‘Did you sign the pledge?’ And then I would say, ‘No, I didn't sign the pledge,’ and then my fundraiser would go kaput.”

She added: “The Zionist, Israel-first money is what underpins the Republican and the Democratic parties.”

She then described how it's done. “The way it works is that the pro-Israel money is in your environmental PAC [political action committee], is in your labor union PACs, is in your corporate PACs,” she explained. “It's across the board.”

Ms. McKinney, who never took a “free” trip to Israel, remains unapologetic. “The U.S. national interest is not equivalent to the Israeli national interest,” she stated.

“Is the U.S. a Zionist occupied government?” asked this reporter.

“Yeah, yeah, for sure,” she chuckled. ★

HOW ISRAEL SPIES ON US CITIZENS

The truths that won't be heard

A never-shown Al Jazeera documentary on the pro-Israel lobby in the United States reveals possibly illegal Israeli spying on American citizens, and the lobby's fear of a changing political mood

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Since the failure of the Oslo accords, Israel has been led by far-right parties that reject any diplomatic solution. There is no question of any discussion of the fate of the Palestinians, the settlements or the tragedy in Gaza

AN INVESTIGATIVE documentary by Qatari broadcaster Al Jazeera scheduled for broadcast earlier this year was expected to cause a sensation. Its four 50-minute episodes centred on the young and personable James Anthony Kleinfeld, British, Jewish, an Oxford graduate who speaks six languages including Dutch and Yiddish and is well-informed about Middle East conflicts – seemingly a natural fit for a western foreign ministry or a major thinktank.

The documentary showed Kleinfeld being enthusiastically recruited for his skills by The Israel Project (TIP), which defends Israel's image in the media, and associating with senior members of organisations that support Israel unconditionally, especially the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (Aipac), the powerful US lobbying group. For five months, he mixed with them at cocktail parties, congresses and conventions, and on training courses. He won their trust and they opened up to him, abandoning doublespeak and official lines. How, he asked, did they go about influencing the US Congress? 'Congressmen don't do anything unless you pressure them, and the only way to do that is with money.'¹ How did they counter Palestinian rights activists on university campuses? 'With the anti-Israel people, what's most effective, what we found at least in the last year, is you do the opposition research, put up some anonymous website, and then put up targeted Facebook ads.'

Kleinfeld's contacts told him they were spying on US citizens with the help of Israel's Ministry of Strategic Affairs, founded in 2006, which reports directly to Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu. One official said: 'We are a different government working on foreign soil, [so] we have to be very, very cautious.' And indeed some of the things they do could be subject to prosecution under US law.

At the end of Kleinfeld's time at TIP, his boss there, Eric Gallagher, was so happy with his performance that he wanted to hire 'Tony'² on a permanent basis: 'I would love it if you came to work for me. I need someone who's a team player, hardworking, excited, passionate, curious, well rounded, well spoken, well read. You're all of those things.' Kleinfeld turned down the job. His qualifications were genuine, but he was of course an undercover reporter, sent by Al Jazeera to investigate the pro-Israel lobby. He filmed conversations using a hidden camera and later, as part of an Al Jazeera investigations team led by executive producer Phil Rees, put together a spectacular documentary. There was all the more excitement over its impending broadcast, because a 2017 Al Jazeera report on the pro-Israel lobby in the UK³ had revealed Israel's interference in Britain's internal affairs, and its attempts to bring

down the deputy foreign secretary, Alan Duncan, whom it considered too pro-Palestinian. This had led to the Israeli ambassador in London making a public apology and a high-ranking diplomat being recalled to Tel Aviv.

The documentary was expected to be a media sensation, bringing outraged denials and intense controversy. But then the broadcast was postponed, with no official explanation. Eventually, articles in the US Jewish media⁴ revealed that it would never be shown. Clayton Swisher, Al Jazeera's director of investigative journalism, expressed regret at the decision in a published article, and announced he was taking sabbatical leave.⁵ The documentary had been sacrificed to the fierce battle between Qatar on one side and Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) on the other for US support in the feud that began in June 2017. What better way to do this than by winning the favour of the pro-Israel lobby, known for its influence on US policy in the Middle East?

Burying the project

To tip the balance in its favour, Qatar 'postponed' the broadcast, winning a halt to the campaign against Doha by a section of the right wing of an already rightwing lobby. Morton Klein, president of the Zionist Organisation of America (ZOA) and a close friend of Donald Trump's former advisor Steve Bannon, flew to Doha and said he was delighted to see the documentary buried (see *Qatar charms and wriggles out of trouble*). That groups such as the ZOA, which had not long ago been accusing Qatar of funding Hamas and terrorism, should change sides in return for the documentary's suppression says a lot about its revelations.

But burying over a year's work caused turmoil at Al Jazeera. Some were keen for the revelations not to sink into the quicksand of geopolitical compromise, which is why, thanks to a friend in the Gulf, I was able to watch all four episodes in their near-final version.

What was striking was the feverish mood of the pro-Israel lobby over the last few years due to a blind fear of losing its influence. How can that be, when support for Israel is massive in the US, and both Republicans and Democrats unfailingly back it, no matter what its ventures? And when, since Trump's election, Washington no longer wishes to act as 'unfair' broker in the Israeli-Arab conflict, and has sided with Israel's most rightwing government ever? Despite this apparently favourable climate, a spectre haunts the lobby: the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement (BDS).

BDS, launched in 2005, aims to use the non-violent methods that proved effective in South Africa under apartheid. It is growing in popularity on US

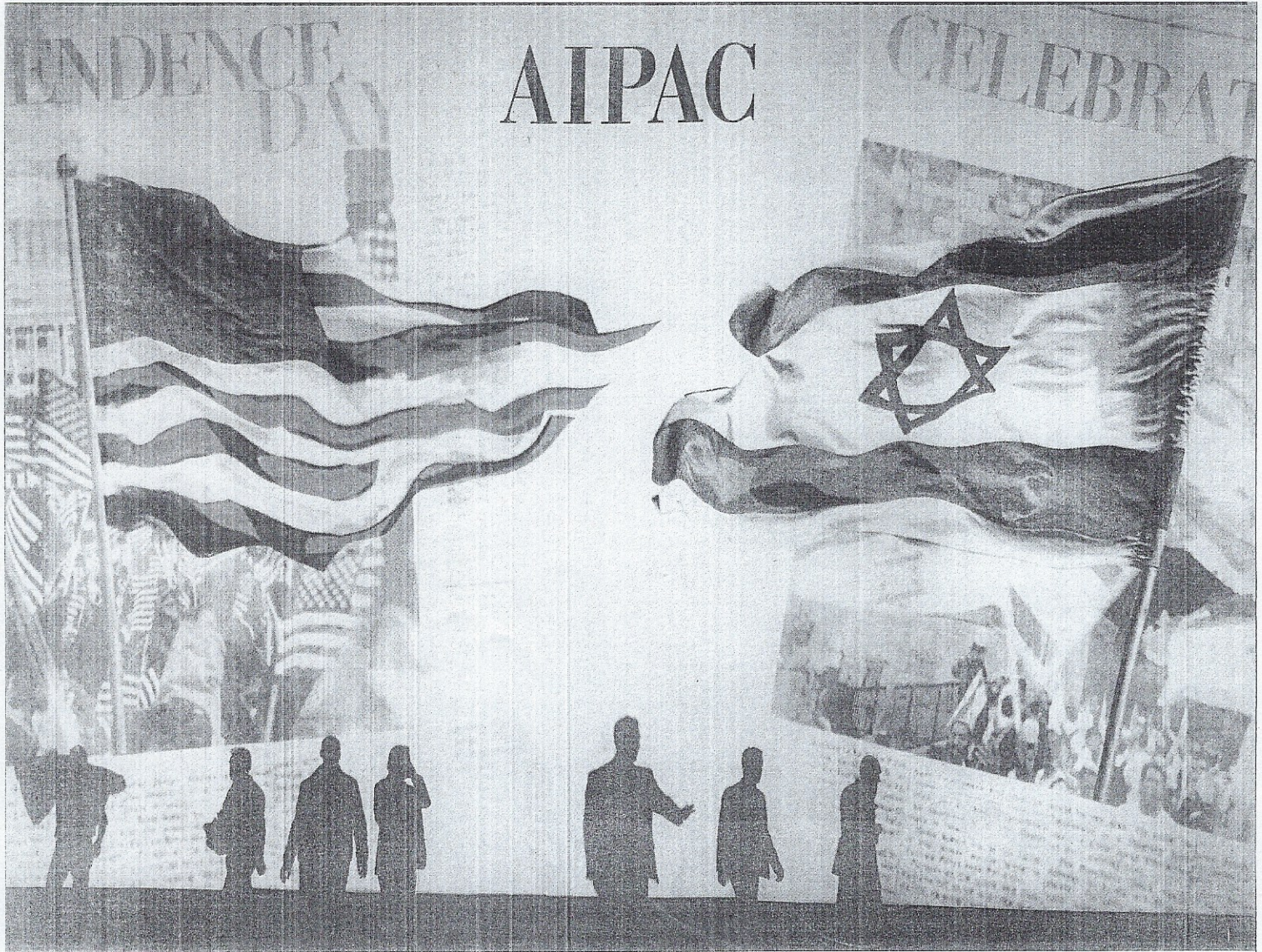
campuses, but David Brog, director of strategic affairs of Christians United for Israel and executive director of the Maccabee Task Force, a group fighting against BDS, questioned whether it is really a cause for alarm. He said: 'Israel's booming. It's the startup nation. More venture capital is going into Israel today than at any other time in history. So why don't we just calm down, realise that BDS is worthless, it's losing, and ignore it... I don't think BDS was ever supposed to be about getting colleges to take their money out of Israel. So if we focus on the dollars we can feel really good about ourselves. If we focus on the fact that an effort is being made to distance us, those who love Israel, from the rising generation, I think we need to worry. When you get to millennials and students, it's a bad situation. And it's getting to the point now where the majority is more favourable towards the Palestinians than the Israelis.' Jacob Baime, executive director of the Israel on Campus Coalition, a group of organisations that fights BDS in universities, is also worried: 'The one thing every member of Congress and president and ambassador and newspaper editors has in common is, by and large, they spent a little bit of time on campus and probably those were formative years.'

There's another worry for the lobby: support for Israel has traditionally transcended the Republican-Democrat divide, and a few months before the end of his presidency, Barack Obama unconditionally approved \$38bn of aid to Israel over 10 years, though his relations with Netanyahu were terrible. But the political landscape is changing, and the lobby's unconditional support for Trump is narrowing its base to the Republican Party and the evangelical right.

'The bigger problem'

David Hazony, founding editor of *The Tower Magazine* and an influential member of TIP, said in the documentary: 'The specific potential of an immediate boycott, that's not a problem. What's a bigger problem is the Democratic Party, the Bernie Sanders people, bringing all the anti-Israel people into the Democratic Party. Then being pro-Israel becomes less a bipartisan issue, and then every time the White House changes, the policies towards Israel change. That becomes a dangerous thing for Israel. There is actually an important battle being fought on the campuses.' John Mearnsheimer, co-author of a well-known book on the lobby,⁶ confirmed this in his frequent comments in the documentary. He said that support for Israel is now growing among Republicans and falling among Democrats: 'There is a substantial difference in support for Israel in the two parties.' How to halt this trend? It would be hard to do it

Courting the US: Qatar's defence minister Khalid bin Mohammad al-Attiyah (centre right, in white robe) with his US counterpart, James Mattis (centre left), in Doha, Qatar on 22 April 2017



through political debate. Since the failure of the 1993 Oslo accords, Israel has been led by far-right parties that reject any diplomatic solution. There is no question of any discussion of the fate of the Palestinians, the future of the settlements or the tragedy in Gaza. And the lobby's support for Netanyahu and Trump is unlikely to generate much enthusiasm among US students. Journalist Max Blumenthal points out that the lobby took a similar approach to the documentary, refusing discussion and likening investigative journalism to espionage; discrediting Al Jazeera by dismissing it as a puppet of Qatar; and insisting that the documentary's subject was 'the Jewish lobby' not support for Israel (Twitter, 15 February 2018). It could thus avoid any discussion of the details of the documentary's revelations.

Noah Pollak, executive director of the Emergency Committee for Israel, said to a gathering of pro-Israel students: 'You discredit the messenger as a way of discrediting the message. When you talk about... BDS, you talk about them as a hate group, as a movement that absolutely endorses violence against civilians... aka terrorism'—and of course as antisemitic. Pollak called Jewish Voice for Peace (a US leftwing organisation focused on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict) 'Jewish Voice for Hamas'. He told Kleinfeld: 'The majority of Americans are pro-Israel. Whereas if you take a poll of Israel in the UK, it's just pure hatred of

Israel. Your country basically let half of fucking Pakistan move in. So you have a different problem than we do here.'

To discredit the messenger, as the documentary reveals, the pro-Israel lobby has built up a spy network over the last few years to gather information on opponents' private lives, careers and political convictions. Baime said: 'The research operation is very high-tech. When I got here a few years ago the budget was \$3,000. Today it's like a million and a half, or more. Probably it's two million at this point. I don't even know, it's huge. It's a massive budget.' He and his colleagues are keen to stay invisible: 'We do it securely and anonymously. That's the key.'

'If you're a racist, the world should know'

One of the groups most feared by Palestinian rights activists is Canary Mission,⁷ whose funding, members and methods are shrouded in secrecy. A journalist with close links to the lobby said: 'People who hate it, the people who are being targeted by it, call it a blacklist. You have names here that show up on this database. Students and professors, faculty, speakers, organisations that have ties to terrorism, outright ties to terrorism, or terrorists who have called for the destruction of the Jewish state.' Canary Mission's website describes its aim as being to 'ensure that today's radicals are

not tomorrow's employees'. Above the biography of each victim is the slogan 'If you're a racist, the world should know'.

Kleinfeld managed to talk to Canary Mission's founder and financial backer, Adam Milstein, chairman of the Israeli-American Council (IAC). Milstein was jailed briefly for tax fraud in 2009, but that didn't prevent him from carrying on his activities from prison. He explained his philosophy to Kleinfeld: 'First of all, investigate who they [the pro-Palestine activists] are. What's their agenda? They're picking on the Jews because it's easy, because it's popular. We need to expose what they really are. And we need to expose the fact that they are anti everything we believe in. And we need to put them on the run. We're doing it by exposing who they are, what they are, the fact that they are racist, the fact that they are bigots, [that] they're anti-democracy.'

Students recounted in the documentary exactly what they faced. Summer Awad, who took part in a campaign for Palestinian rights in Knoxville, Tennessee, was harassed on Twitter, and information about her, some of it dating back a decade, was posted online: 'They are digging and digging. Somebody contacted my employer and asked for me to be fired. If they continue to employ me they will be denounced as antisemitic.'

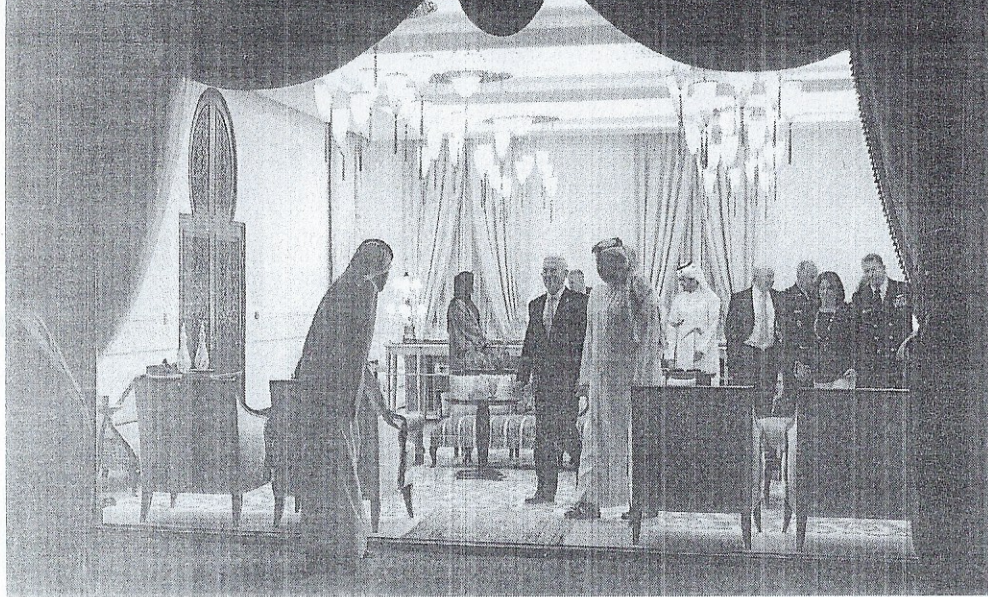
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Setting the scene: preparations for Aipac's policy conference plenary session at the Washington Convention Centre in Washington DC

1 Unless otherwise specified, all quotations in this article are taken from the documentary. 2 Kleinfeld's name is given only as 'Tony' throughout the documentary; his surname is not mentioned onscreen. 3 www.aljazeera.com/investigations/thelobby. 4 For example, Richard Silverstein, 'Israel lobby pressures Qatar to kill Al Jazeera documentary', Tikun Olam, 8 February 2018, www.richardsilverstein.com. 5 Clayton Swisher, 'We made a documentary exposing the "Israel lobby". Why hasn't it run?', *The Forward*, New York, 8 March 2018. 6 John J Mearns and Stephen M Walt, *The Israel Lobby and US Foreign Policy*, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, New York, 2008. 7 *The Forward* published an investigation on Canary Mission and the Israeli authorities' use of background information it publishes when they question 'suspect' US citizens (including Jews) arriving in Israel. See Josh Nathan-Kazis, 'Canary Mission's threat grows, from the US campus to Israel's borders', and Peter Beinart, 'Peter Beinart: I was detained at Ben Gurion Airport because of my beliefs', *The Forward*, 3 & 13 August 2018.

Qatar charms and wriggles out of trouble

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criticised over its coverage of the Arab revolts, especially the war in Libya and, more recently, the situation in Turkey and its complaisance towards the Erdoğan regime – has opened up an unprecedented debate in the Arab world; and this irritates most governments in the region.

In the months after the ultimatum issued by its neighbours, Qatar seemed to vacillate. There was talk of a possible invasion by Saudi Arabia,⁵ especially as Donald Trump, whose son-in-law Jared Kushner has close links with both Saudi Arabia and the UAE, was against Qatar.

Washington offensive

Amid these tensions, Qatar's emir decided on a PR offensive in Washington, where his Saudi and UAE opponents already had strong connections, notably with the Foundation for the Defence of Democracies (FDD).⁶ Qatar hired PR firms in the US; spending on these had reached \$5m by October 2017 and \$20m a few months later.⁷ The targets were conservatives close to Trump, especially the pro-Israel lobby, whose favour Qatar needed.

There were a number of visits to Qatar, by figures such as Alan Dershowitz, a pro-Israel academic who is a Democrat but also a friend of Donald Trump; Mike Huckabee, a former Republican governor of Arkansas and a Christian Zionist whose daughter Sarah is White House spokesperson; and the conservative radio show host John Batchelor. These suggested that the campaign had some success.⁸ The effects were felt in Washington, which stepped in to mediate. This April Trump invited Al-Thani to Washington, and the emir showed his gratitude by announcing a purchase of US weapons. He also made donations to Zionist organisations such as Our Soldiers Speak, which organises tours of the US by Israeli army officers.⁹

This rapprochement with Qatar divided the pro-Israel lobby. Yigal Carmon, president of the Middle East Media Research Institute (Memri), a website that 'monitors' Arab media – and often distorts what they publish – wrote in an indignant article titled 'Qatar – the emirate that fools them all – and its enablers': 'It is sad to see American Jewish leaders bolstering antisemitic stereotypes by ignorantly intervening in inter-

THE ZIONIST Organisation of America (ZOA) posted on its website on 10 April that it 'and its president Morton Klein are proud and pleased to announce that it was through ZOA's and Mr Klein's efforts, including Mr Klein's numerous, exhaustive and round-the-clock meetings in Doha, Qatar, with the Emir and other top Qatari officials, and follow-up discussions, that Qatar agreed to cancel and not allow the release of a viciously antisemitic Al Jazeera "undercover" film series on the so-called "American Jewish lobby"'.¹

Al Jazeera replied a week later: 'Klein obviously mischaracterises the subject of the series as the "American Jewish Lobby", when the investigation is into American pro-Israel organisations (including the ZOA), which work to further the interests of a foreign power on American soil... It is astonishing that Mr Klein writes about a documentary series that he has not seen in terms that are prejudicial, inaccurate and inflammatory.'² Al Jazeera was right that the documentary does not refer to a 'Jewish lobby', though this term, coined by a former president of the World Jewish Congress,³ is widely used in the

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To understand what is going on, we must go back to 2017, to the beginning of the standoff between Qatar and some of its neighbours, including Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates (UAE), supported by Egypt.⁴ These countries embargoed Qatar, demanding that it break off relations with Iran, shut down Al Jazeera, close a Turkish military base currently under construction, and sever links with 'terrorist organisations', notably the Muslim Brotherhood and Hizbullah.

Since Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa al-Thani (father of current emir Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani) came to power in 1995, Qatar's foreign policy has been original and independent, notably towards Saudi Arabia. Qatar hosts a US strategic military base; until the Arab Spring, it had good relations with Hizbullah and the Syrian government, before deciding to help Syria's rebels; it has close links with Hamas and gives financial aid to Gaza; and it was the only Arab country to host an Israeli trade mission, until it was closed after the 2008-09 Gaza war. Al Jazeera – though

national conflicts that do not concern them, complex inter-Arab conflicts which are difficult to assess even as observers.'¹⁰

In the Israeli daily *Haaretz*, Jonathan Schanzer of the FDD complained: 'There is nothing wrong with analysts and intellectuals travelling to Qatar to learn about the situation there. The problem is that during those visits, they're not hearing the other side of the story. They are getting the government line and then they go home. They need to hear also from Qatar's critics. There is a lot of material they should become aware of about Qatar's ties to Hamas, Al-Qaida, the Taliban, the Muslim Brotherhood and other problematic actors.'¹¹ In the Al Jazeera documentary, Schanzer told 'Tony' Kleinfeld that he was sad his efforts to link the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement to 'terrorist' organisations (initially Hamas, then the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine) in US public opinion had failed.

Over the last year, Qatar has managed to avert danger and put its opponents on the defensive. But the question is what price the Palestinians will pay for this new policy ●

¹ ZOA/Mort Klein convinced Qatar to cancel antisemitic Al Jazeera "Jewish lobby" series; ZOA, zoa.org ² Al Jazeera denies claims of pro-Israel group on The Lobby films; *Al Jazeera*, 17 April 2018, www.aljazeera.com ³ In November 1978, Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, asked US president Jimmy Carter to break the 'Jewish lobby', calling it a destructive force and a major obstacle to peace in the Middle East ⁴ See Fatiha Dazi-Héni, 'Picking a quarrel with Qatar', *Le Monde diplomatique*, English edition, July 2017 ⁵ Alex Emmons, 'Saudi Arabia planned to invade Qatar last summer. Rex Tillerson's efforts to stop it may have cost him his job', *The Intercept*, 1 August 2018, theintercept.com ⁶ See Daniel Lazare, 'America's Saudi lobby', *Le Monde diplomatique*, English edition, July 2017 ⁷ Jordan Schachtel, 'Inside Qatar's \$20+ million a year lobbying effort in Washington', *Conservative Review*, 13 September 2017, www.conservativerewiew.com ⁸ See Amir Tibon, 'Qatar doubles down on PR campaign appealing to US Jews and DC insiders', *Haaretz*, Tel Aviv, 20 January 2018 ⁹ Tamara Nassar and Ali Abunimah, 'Qatar funded Zionist Organisation of America', *The Electronic Intifada*, 10 July 2018, electronicintifada.net ¹⁰ Quoted by Amir Tibon in 'Israeli Embassy in US: We oppose Qatar's "Outreach to pro-Israel US Jews"', *Haaretz*, 31 January 2018 ¹¹ *Ibid*

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Denunciation can end careers or make it hard for students to find a job after graduation. To get their names off the blacklist, some victims write messages of 'repentance', which Canary Mission posts on its site.⁸ These anonymous confessions, whose writers explain that they were 'deceived', are much like those of suspected communist sympathisers under McCarthyism in the US in the 1950s, or victims of authoritarian regimes today. Baime said: 'It's psychological warfare. It drives them crazy. They either shut down, or they spend time investigating [the accusations against them] instead of attacking Israel. It's extremely effective.' Another person told Kleinfeld: 'I think antisemitism as a smear is not what it used to be.'

These campaigns, based on personal information gathered about US citizens, would not be possible without the resources of Israel's Ministry of Strategic Affairs. Its director-general, Sima Vaknin-Gil, said in a talk at the IAC annual conference shown in the documentary: 'The fact that the Israeli government decided to be a key player means a lot because we can bring things that NGOs or civilian entities involved in this thing [don't have]... We've got the budget. We can bring things to the table that are quite different. Everybody out there who has anything to do with BDS should ask himself twice: should I be on this side or do I want to be on the other side?'

'A destabilising force'

Vaknin-Gil admitted that to gather information, 'we have FDD. We have others working on this.' The Foundation for the Defence of Democracies (FDD) is a conservative thinktank that has played an important role in the recent rapprochement between the UAE and Israel. It took part in the 2017 campaign against Qatar and Al Jazeera, which was accused of being a destabilising force in the region. Under US law, organisations and individuals working for foreign governments must register with the Department of Justice. Would the DOJ dare take the FDD to court for failing to register?⁹

As Ali Abunimah, co-founder of the website The Electronic Intifada, says, 'if you had on tape a statement of a senior Russian or Iranian or even Canadian official saying that they were running covert operations, to spy on Americans, and using an organisation like the Foundation for the Defence of Democracies as a front... it would be a bombshell.' This kind of cooperation is not limited to the FDD, and many of the people Kleinfeld talked to, including Baime, told him so in confidence, though they didn't want to elaborate on such a sensitive subject.

There are other revelations, like the way that TIP takes charge of US journalists visiting Jerusalem and feeds them ready-made stories for publication on their return to the US; how the lobby pays for upscale holidays in Israel for US Congress members, circumventing US law; and how it pressures the media, including news agencies, to amend wires and copy.

Everything seems to be going well for Israel, but its American supporters, despite their extensive resources, are nervous. The future seems dark to them, and even those most likely to support them are wavering. The documentary shows Vaknin-Gil admitting in a Knesset hearing: 'Today we [have] lost the second generation of Jews, which are the millennial generation of Jews. I hear this from their parents, who come and explain to me what a hard time they're having with their kids at Friday dinners. They don't recognise the state of Israel and don't see us as an entity to be admired' ●

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⁸ canarymission.org/ex/canary ⁹ Asa Winstanley, 'What's in Al Jazeera's undercover film on the US Israel lobby?', *The Electronic Intifada*, 5 March 2018