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Shalom laYehudim, Shalom laBnai Noach, Shalom laGoyim. It is the evening of the 6th day, *kebes beKbodesh Kislev, Parashas Vayetsei, tav-shin-ayin-vav*, the evening of the 5th day, Thursday, 19 November 2015, webcasting from the Holy Land that drives men mad.

Drives them to the point of suicide. Unfortunately, this morning in Tel-Aviv, a would-be Muslim suicide was denied his wish when after lightly stabbing a Jew at the entrance to a shul and powerfully enough two other Jews to end their lives, he was surely expecting his own death but was disappointed when some other Jews captured him and held him until the police came to take him away. How sad for him, how sad for us that this evening and tomorrow for sure we Jews will pay for this man's lodging, give him food and drink and a blanket and a bed when he should have been killed on the spot.

And then late this afternoon, at the ever-popular-for-murderers Gush Etzion junction in Judea -- popular among these homicidal Muslim maniacs -- two more Jews were murdered. An Arab bystander was also inadvertently slain. Several other people were wounded. And I think the Ishmaelite who did the shooting was brought down. I am not sure of the details at this point.

And all I can say is, "Oy! This is not the Judenstaat that Herr Herzl envisioned."

What I would like see within the next 24 hours is the closest relatives of these terrorists arrested, taken to Gaza and pushed through a gate that closes forever behind them.

Would the Enlightened scream? Of course. So what else is new? Everything we do is wrong. It is always disproportionate. A violation of human rights. Another instance of the Jews abusing the victims of their “racist, national liberation movement.”

On my book’s Amazon page, if you click on the first volume’s Comments link, there are 25 of them, the last one on that page is a rant by a lunatic anti-Jew. His initial comment a few weeks ago was up there first, but a friend and subscriber complained for me to Amazon and it was deleted as abuse. I think my two my responses to his comment -- that my book was “cheap Zionist propaganda” -- remain but now he has posted a much longer rant. The first one used the terms “racist” or “racism” four times. Here only twice but it is clear: this is the problem in his mind: “Zionism is racism.”

And as much as this deranged man is a pain in the keyster, I am grateful to him for teaching me something about Jew-hatred. When antiJews say, “Zionism is racism,” it really is a protest against the very existence of the Jewish people.

I believe I have, at least in the past, mentioned an ex-friend, an English gentile and his wife, who once told me, he -- a fine fellow, by the way -- without malice, that the reason people hate Jews is, “You lot stick together.”

And that, I believe, is in the black heart of the “Zionism is racism” expression so characteristic of time. For millennia, Jew-hatred was the decide charge: “You Jews, all of you, are guilty of the murder of a Jewish carpenter from Nazareth who all happened to be G-d.”

Today, though, the decide charge is passé, hardly ever heard any more except among the most marginal of lunatic Christian skinheads. In its place, we have the politically correct and acceptable view that “Zionism is racism, Zionists are racists who every day oppress and humiliate the Ancient Palestinians whose land they stole from them because they are racists.”

What is being said is what my ex-friend in London said. It is a protest against the very existence of the Jewish nation, the Jewish collective. And I think that is so because every antiJew knows the plain and simple fact that 3,000 years ago there was a Jewish people and legions of other peoples and communities: Egyptians, Persians, Phoenicians, Philistines, Canaanites, but not one of those is alive today but the Jews are.

Two thousand years ago, there were Greeks, Romans and Carthaginians, Franks and Vandals, Goths and Visigoths, later Byzantines and the Jews. And again all those others are gone and the Jews survive.

Where is the Holy Roman Empire? Where are the Druids, the Etruscans and the Gauls?

Where is the Austro-Hungarian Empire? The Ottoman Empire? All gone.

The Soviet Union? Bye-bye.

Only the Jews survive and that enrages too many people in the human race. It angers them deeply because it plants the seed that maybe, just maybe, the Jews are the

Chosen People, which means there really is a G-d as they claim Who wants man to choose good over evil, prefer mercy over cruelty and sadism.

What is behind the Israel Apartheid Week festivals, some now two weeks long, if not this same accusation as that UN resolution in 1975? "Zionism is a form of racism." That was the exact language of that notorious UNGA Res. 3379.

Translated it meant that Jewish national feeling and efforts on behalf of the Jewish nation by Jews are inherently racist. Jewish patriotism is a racist endeavor. Other nations can be patriotic but not the Jews. Jewish national, fellow feeling is racist because it is exclusionary.

In early 1948, there were already six or seven independent Arab states that came into being in the wake of WWI, but no Jewish state.

Then in May of that year, the Jews declared independence, so now there were six officially Arab states and one officially Jewish state.

And here we are 67 years later and there is still only one Jewish state but now 21 officially Arab Muslim states, with the international consensus that the Arabs still don't have enough states, and Israel greedily refuses to hand over land that really belongs to the primeval Palestinians. It is not okay for the Arabs to have just 21 officially Arab states, while the Jewish desire for one Jewish state is inherently racist because it is just for Jews.

The Arabs can have even 21 even 22 states that are officially Arab but for the Jews to have even one is racism.

Every nation on the planet makes a distinction between members of the nation and everybody else on the planet. The former are called citizens and the latter are called aliens. The word in Hebrew for alien is goy.

When a Jew complains, for example, that a goy tried to murder him, he is accused of using an insulting term when it is not. All he is saying is that he was an alien, not member of the nation.

Israelis, though, are the first Jewish community in Jewish history that does not use the term "goy" and this is symptomatic of their deep identity crisis that is far more serious than that of Alexander Portnoy.

The rabid antiJew on my book's Amazon page revealed himself to me as most livid at Israel for our alleged crimes against the Ancient Ones because he is a slave of the words "racist" and "racism." And in this I now hear, thanks to his mental derangement, echoes of what my friend in London in a pub years ago told me in describing antisemitism in his post British circles: "You lot stick together."

My response to him was, "Why not? We like each other. There is a great heritage to maintain, and in a sea of hostility, it is nice to have friends."

In other words, his British variety of genteel anti-Jewism was not and is not based on the deicide charge or latter-day crackpot theories of the Jews' alleged racial and biological inferiority. There used to be a time when people said Jews had a certain smell. Now, it is "You lot don't assimilate. You don't shed your Jewish identity but

keep it alive and therefore preserve your separate identity and community that is different from the larger community.”

It bothers antiJews that we don't assimilate completely and thereby disappear and go the way of the classical Greeks and Romans. Jewish national identity is inherently offensive to antiJews. It makes them angry.

Look what happened the other day when Michelle Bachman stunned Jews who know her as an enthusiastic lover and supporter of Israel who said something like “the second coming is coming” and everybody's got to get on the band wagon, including the Jews, she wants us all to convert too.

How to respond to this or even understand this? There is video of her on YouTube I think of speechifying for over an hour so warmly about Israel, so I doubt that she understands that her wish is the same thing Adolf Hitler wished for. If she wishes to see all Jews convert, she wants a world of no Jews.

I'd rather believe that for all her affection and support for Israel -- she spent a summer here after high school on a kibbutz and loved it -- she is not aware that Jews experience the desire by Christians to convert us as a major aggression that we do not like.

When I was at Arutz 7 and occasionally got email from Christians trying to convert me, I could only write back that in my eyes, Christian missionaries are in the same category as exterminationist Nazis.

Both want to see a world without Jews.

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So back to the news here and the latest Jew-killing today, five in all. I hope to see the families, as I say, of the murderers out of the country instantaneously and it is also about time for Israel to crack down on the PA. The government just declared that the Islamic Movement Northern Branch is an illegal organization and shut it down, and it is time to take action against the “moderate, peace-loving” Fatah Jew-haters.

PMW reported yesterday that a member of the Fatah Central Committee at a rally honoring the murderer who stabbed not one but two rabbis to death and plunged his blade into the neck of a Rebbitzin before being killed himself, said, “It is right for our young men to cause Israeli women to cry.” The murderer was Muhannad Halabi, and “he is a role model for generations to come.” The PA had already named a street for him and now they have built a memorial on it to him as well.

Any reporting of this in the PA media, I think, should result in the shutting down of that media.

Would the Enlightened protest this violation of free speech? Yes, and so what? Israel should reply that in the Land of Israel -- the sole property of the Jewish people -- the government will not tolerate such abuse of speech. As no civilized society allows for incitement to murder via speech, as it does not allow crying “Fire!” in a crowded theater

as a joke, so the government of Israel will not tolerate using the news media, electronic or print, to praise murderers and thereby incite others to become murderers too. If the PA's newspapers print anything in this manner, they should be shut down too. Likewise the PA TV and PA radio.

The time is also very ripe for such a move in light of the ISIS massacre last Friday in Paris and the waves it has created. One most positive result to come from that horror is the clearing away of the cobwebs in the brain for those who to date still do not understand just who Barack Hussein Obama is, starting with the fact that he is named for the second martyr in Islam, Hussein ibn Ali, who was assassinated just like his father.

This is an American president who publicly addressed the Muslim Brotherhood in Cairo and said the call to prayer from the minaret is one of the most beautiful of sounds – versus my opinion which is that the muezzin (or azzan) sounds like a hungry, braying, wild jackass of a man whose wailing grates on my ears.

This is a U.S. president who oversaw the toppling of the by-then docile Gaddafi and friendly Pharaoh Mubarak in Egypt and their replacements by the Muslim Brotherhood.

And now with this press conference in Antalya after the horror in Paris exposing him further, a lot more people can no longer fool themselves about this man. He is on the other side. He identifies with Muslims and agrees with them that in their relationship to the United States, they have been abused. That is why he went on his apology tour.

Even after the horror in Paris, this anti-American, Islam-loving Communist still could not speak the words “Islam” and “Muslim.” That is his, evidently, “holy of holies” deep in the core of his being. No matter what happens, he will say nothing against Islam.

After the mass head-chopping last winter, he raised the Crusades to wag his finger at Christians, and of course ignored the truth that the Crusades were launched because -- just like today -- Muslims were murdering Christians in Terra Sancta, as they called it at the time.

Not that Obama is the only politician whose vocabulary needs refurbishing. Yesterday, the Jerusalem Post held its Diplomatic Conference, as they call it, that is no conference but just a stage for speeches by different politicians and journalists expressing their opinions. Prime Minister Netanyahu, replying to the recent antiJew comments of Sweden's foreign ministress, said there is a “battle in the Arab world between modernity and early medievalism...There is [also] a century-old struggle between Jewish and Palestinian nationalism, with the Palestinians refusing to accept that Israel is the homeland of the Jewish people.”

And all I can say is, “there he goes again,” this secular sabra, left or right. it doesn't matter, who cannot see our situation through the prism of religion. As I argue in my book, Israelis like him are as responsible for inventing the “Palestinians” as the enemy. They are desperate for the Arabs here to act like a fellow nation, when clearly they are not.

Historically, and as I argued in a JPost op-ed a few weeks ago, there was no “Palestinian” nationalism a century ago. For Israelis like Bibi, the conflict with the

Palestinians dates to 1897 and the first Zionist Congress in Basel, Switzerland convened and chaired by Dr. Herzl himself.

Bibi also spoke like Obama (almost) using another dubious expression, but first some music.

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So in his speech yesterday at the JPost Conference, Prime Minister Netanyahu whined, as usual, that “Palestinian” refusal to accept Israel as the Jewish homeland is the obstacle to peace and added that the “Palestinian” people who live in Gaza are now governed by “militant Islamists.”

And I say that not only should he not call these Arabs “Palestinians,” but their rulers are not “militant Islamists.”

The other evening on a webcast I protested against the words “Islamism” and “Islamists” and I also object to the word “militant.” The history of that word in the story of the last half-century tells a tale. “Militant” is a cousin of “military” and should never be used to describe the Arabs who are violent against us because they are not soldiers but terrorists intent upon spreading terror among civilians by murdering them at random.

“Militant” was introduced into the glossary of terms when discussing Israel and our fight for survival in order to displace the term “terrorist.” In my book, there are examples of how in the 1950s and early ‘60s, the New York Times wrote of Arab terrorists to describe Arab terrorists, but after the Six-Day War, the Times began to place the word “terrorist” in quotation marks in order to indicate to the reader that an Israeli government source reporting on an Arab terrorist attack used the term “terrorist,” not the New York Times. It was a signal to the PLO that the Times itself did not think their “freedom fighters” were terrorists.

In fairness to the Times, they were also trying to protect their men in the field who could lose their lives by insulting the PLO with improper use of language.

And then over time even that word “terrorist” was discarded for the current “militant.” These are murderers in cold blood, and if their victims are Jews in Israel, they are no longer “terrorists” but “militants.”

Hence, Prime Minister Bibi yesterday spoke of “militant Islamists.”

I would prefer him to speak of “homicidal Muslim maniacs.”

The Prime Minister also called on the international community to fight “radical Islamist terrorism” like it once fought Nazism.

“Radical Islamist terrorism,” he said, when, as I noted before, radical Islam is real Islam in its roots. Radicals are not outliers but the true defenders of the faith that is distinguished by a belief in the rightness of Believers to murder people who don’t believe that Muhammad was the greatest prophet of all.

So-called “radical Islamists” are not Islamists but just Muslims and their rootedness in the root of Islam makes them belligerent Muslims, from the Latin word *bellum* for war.

I think “belligerent Muslim” is better than “radical Islamist” meaning a Muslim for whom homicidal violence is an act of the purest religious piety.

* * (Musical Interlude) * *

A last thought: This morning’s papers portrayed Europe as being on edge as if waiting for the next horror to erupt, especially in France. Tensions are very high.

Well, let’s hope not, but there is meaning, perhaps, in the tension there, the country that more than the Brits and the Germans has been so warm to the Balestinians and their violence against Jews. France was the first in Europe to recognize the PLO as a legitimate organization; the standard-bearer for the PLO in the European Community, up to the present with numerous UN and other votes by a France hostile to Israel.

What goes around comes around. *Mida kaneget mida*/measure for measure. How ironic that this country most hospitable to the monsters in the PLO is now quaking in their boots and berets as the victims of Arab Muslims who are, as Arab Muslims, just like those in the PLO.

For decades now, the French and the Italians and others in Europe have thought that by coddling this generation’s Jew-killers -- these Arabs, these Muslims -- they would buy protection for themselves. Feed them the Jews and everything would be okay.

Well, it seems, the chickens, if not *les coqs au vin*, then *les coqs au sang* /the chickens if not in wine than blood, are coming home to roost.

Leila tov veShabbat shalom miEretz Yisrael.