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Shalom laYehudim, Shalom laBnai Noach, Shalom laGoyim. It is the evening of the 2nd day, *tes-zion beElul, Parashas Ki Savo, tav-shin-ayin-vav*, the evening of the 1st day, Sunday, 18 September 2016, webcasting from the hills of civilization burdened with masses of barbarians.

And how do I know that? Well, since the last webcast, after some days and even weeks of quiescence, the Ishmaelites struck five times, five Jew-killing attempts.

But I imagine you all know that and even watched one of them on the Net, a video of an Arabian whipping out a knife and started slashing and stabbing until Israeli soldiers overcame him and killed him, I think. The news as usual said they “neutralized” him.

On the one hand, I salute our people for recoiling from the act of killing and must resort to this euphemism. Remember what Golda Meir of blessed memory said? “We’ll forgive you for killing our sons but not for making us kill yours.” So we do what we have to do but are squeamish, so we say the mad dog Arab bent on stabbing Jews was “neutralized.”

On the other hand, it distorts the truth and that makes yours truly uncomfortable. They should say they killed him.

I think we killed all four of them in the last few days altogether. One, I think, is wounded, and again this is unfortunate. None of these attackers should be just neutralized, incapacitated, wounded just enough to render them harmless. No, they must be killed on the spot.

Speaking of which, if I ever had any doubts about my own judgment of Haaretz, the newspaper, as antisemitic, they evaporated on Friday when on the front page there was a

short piece by veteran Haaretz journalist Aluf Benn with the headline, “IDF Soldiers murdered dozens of POWs in war, say two Israeli vets.”

And then came one of the most amazing articles I have ever read in the Israeli press, very short, in which there was not one fact, not one identifying of a man’s name, a place-name, a year. It was just this nameless massacre of POWs by Israelis soldiers.

The war was not named. The soldiers doing the murdering were unnamed. It was almost Kafkaesque. It had a dream-like quality to it.

It was fit for any accusation like it against the Jews in every generation on record. Has there ever been a generation without the oppression and persecution of Jews, including not only the big pogroms but the mundane occasional murder of a Jew for which murder no one ever had to pay, no one was ever convicted?

This Haaretz piece was like a template of Jew-hatred unbounded by any century, place culture or country. In it, there was this vague presentation of Jews as mass murderers, details not included. And that this appeared on the front page of the newspaper called Haaretz, short for Eretz Yisrael/the Land of Israel. It is the final proof that this newspaper is at times in a class with Nazi Germany’s *Der Sturmer* or *Der Beobachter* or some of the sermons of Catholic priests that spewed Jew-hatred as a matter of course. I couldn’t believe I was reading this in this once respectable Israeli newspaper.

It was worthy of those Breaking the Silence betrayers of Israel who tell of Israelis and their war crimes but facts, names, places, nothing concrete is ever produced. Nameless accusations directed namelessly, not at the specific war criminals in uniform with names who are alleged to have committed these crimes. No one is named, and really in a way, that is much better. This way, all IDF soldiers are potentially the war criminals the accusers have in mind; this way, every soldier is smeared with guilt.

Anyway, it was, I guess, sort of back to normal yesterday with these five attempts to murder Jews. The most interesting one I found was the Jordanian who was given a visa as a tourist – I wonder how often that happens. He apparently was aware of all the previous attempts over the last year to murder Jews at the Damascus Gate, on the Arab side of Jerusalem, who had to be shot dead like a rabid dog, a wild ass infected with rabies, as he lashed out with a knife in each hand.

You can see by the body language how they all operate. They saunter up to an Israeli soldier in full combat gear as if peacefully presenting an ID and when he hands it over and the soldier’s hands are preoccupied with the document, they whip out in this case two knives and start stabbing and slashing until one of the other soldiers was able to shoot this wild animal dead.

And what I found most interesting in this particular situation was the official protest from Jordan’s Foreign Ministry. The spokesman there called the killing of this Jordanian a “premeditated barbaric act.” He took note that the Israeli police itself said no Israeli police were wounded, as if this was evidence that there was no reason to kill this fellow. It was a

“premediated barbaric thing” to do, said this Jordanian Foreign Ministry spokesman in Amman, whose employees are presumably among the most literate and well-educated people in Jordan. And if that is the case, they are in serious trouble, and this is why it has been a fool’s errand, from the feverish brain of Shimon Peres’s brain, to attempt to become friends with these people. We must demand respect and tranquility, but friendship is just not possible.

This statement from the Foreign Ministry exposes a mind that cannot think rationally, a mind enslaved to its owner’s passions. This foreign ministry statement accused our Border Policemen of premediated murder when there is video of the attack, so this statement is evidence of a truly sub-civilized culture, the denial of what is on that security camera video. His accusation assumes that this group of Border Policemen decided as a group to murder this man for no reason because that is, I suppose, in their minds, the way the Jews are: barbaric murderers.

And I say that with a culture that produces such thinking, it a fool’s errand to strive for peace and friendliness, the dream of the Israelis in the mold of Peres and Beilin. For them the State of Israel is not about protecting the Jews but dejudaising them, transforming them so that the non-Jews will stop hating us and murdering us. The non-Jews see us as conscienceless, sadistic demons, but we will show them how nice we are and that will modify their behavior.

Another example of the Arab mind can be seen in the reaction the other day by the Secretary General of the UN Ban Ki Moon to Prime Minister Netanyahu’s nifty little video last week in which he said that calling for a Judea and Samaria without Jews is calling for the ethnic cleansing of Jews, which Bibi said was outrageous and the international acceptance of the idea even more outrageous.

And how did Ban Ki-Moon respond? He said Bibi’s remarks were “outrageous.” And I thought, “Spoken like a true Arab.” Call an Arab a terrorist and he does not defend himself against the charge. He does not explain his behavior, explain why the charge is false. He just throws it back at you. “No, you are the terrorist!”

And I connect this Arab behavior to Ban Ki Moon because he is in a way a paid agent of the Arabs, of the Muslims, who dominate at the UN, without whose support this bureaucrat shuffler would not have his exalted job.

For the umpteenth time, Ban Ki Mon said, “Let’s be absolutely clear, settlements are illegal in international law.” And true to form, he did not name the law. It is never named.

Bibi asked, “What is the problem with Jewish children playing in their sandboxes in Judea and Samaria?” and Ban said, “The international community, including the Security Council and the Middle East Quartet, universally views the expansion of settlements as an obstacle to peace.”

Yes, universally, humankind is united in its view that Judea and Samaria must be *Judenrein!* Jews gotta go, and this nobody from Korea is oblivious to the blatant discrimination here. Next time, I'd like to see Bibi say, "Driving the Jews from Judea and Samaria would be like the Japanese driving all the Koreans in Japan out of Japan." It is well known that the Japanese look down and abuse the Koreans living among them. Koreans can be living in Japan for generations speaking fluent Japanese but they are still contemptible in Japanese eyes.

And as for his claim that universally the settlements are seen as an obstacle to peace, I would reply it was universally thought not so long ago that every Jew was a guilty Christ-killer.

So what? If Jews believed all the terrible things said about us, believed they were true, we would have stopped being Jews. "What terrible people" other peoples have thought about the Jews and so many still do.

Ban Ki-Moon is nothing but a mouthpiece for this same community of nations that has universally persecuted us on the basis of their inner experience of evil that they project onto us. Jesus is the ultimate Jew in bearing all the guilt of mankind. He takes all of it on himself so that in the acme of his passion, he is the guiltiest man on earth who is put to death "He died for your sins.

Not a Jewish idea. You die for your own sins.

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Now here's another item in the news, the kind of which confirms yours truly in my view that the war for Eretz Yisrael has always been religious in character because materially it is nothing to fight over.

Sometimes when I go the Kotel /the Western Wall, I marvel at the crowds of tourists from all other world who have come to see it and slip a piece of paper into the cracks. I marvel at the behavior, when the Wall is nothing but a wall of boulders, a civil engineer's retaining wall to buttress the sides of the plateau.

It is a world tourist attraction unlike any other for its utter nothingness. It is, in other words, a wholly spiritual and abstract place. This is not Niagara Falls, not Victoria Falls, not the Grand Canyon, not the Colosseum in Rome where there is something to see.

And yet it is the center of world politics. In my seventy years, there had never been a time when Israel was out of the news. It is said too that the foreign press corps here is the largest in the world second only to the one in Washington. All the major international media have offices here, not in Amman, not in Beirut, not in Damascus. Forget that.

And as I found out, attacking Israel is far and away the number one topic of discussion at the UN. We all know of the UNHRC which targets Israel uniquely in the

world for being a violator of human rights, which is as demented as calling all Jews Christ-killers.

I sometimes wonder how these bureaucrats in Geneva, who meet once a month, live with themselves. Hundreds of thousands of people have been killed in Syria, millions turned into homeless, cities destroyed and never mind Afghanistan and Iraq and Yemen and Sudan and South Sudan. These 47 states with representatives that meet monthly in Geneva are obsessed with Israel, and it is plainly evident that what is going on here is beyond rational comprehension. There is a psychological, religious-spiritual dimension to the world's hostility to Israel, which makes perfect sense, even if Israel's post-Jewish leadership has yet to see this.

There was, though, on Friday, a bright light shining through a feature on Ron Prosor, the former Israeli ambassador to UN, in Makor Rishon, who said something new. He has been in government service in various capacities for thirty years and said that in the 1990s, the hostility to Israel was explainable in his own mind as big power politics and economics but in his recent service at the UN, he sensed for the first time – fasten your seat belts -- “antisemitism.”

And I say that is quite a leap forward for Israelis like him. It has always been antisemitism.

I'm worried about the up and coming generation of Israeli leaders who have no knowledge, certainly no memory, of Israel before the Six Day War, before Judea and Samaria were captured in self-defense. That war started without one iota of anger over “the settlements in the West Bank” because there were no settlements and no West Bank as it is designated these days. The term in the New York Times then was “the western bank of the Jordan River,” and in early 1967, the 20th year of Jordanian occupation, no one ordered King Hussein to get out of the West Bank because the Palestinians deserved their own independent state there. Here was the Hashimite King Hussein, a direct descendant of Muhammad, whose tribe was the same Hashim tribe, who did not think the Arabs in Judea and Samaria belonged to another nation.

But as my book shows, although only two states in the world recognized pre'67 Jordanian rule in Judea and Samaria, immediately after the Six-Day War they were shrieking in chorus: Israel must hand back what it took from Egypt, Syria and Jordan. Overnight, the policy of scores of nations, of the goyim, flip-flopped, unofficially, and all began demanding that Israel get out of Jordan. They de facto, post-facto, extended recognition.

When the Muslims ruled there, the world could live with it. No resolution at the UN for 20 years in the UN was passed in defense of the “Palestinians” and their national rights.

Only when the Jews threw out the Jordanians and returned to the heartland of the Bible that they had read and studied and lived by every year for thousands of years, the world got up on its high horse, Ban Ki Moon the Korean jackass too, to say, “The settlements are illegal in international law and the obstacle to peace.”

This universal hostility to Israel's presence in Judea and Samaria is proof of the world's respect for Jewishness. Take the case last week of the French squawking on Wednesday that Israel was destroying structures in Area C that France had erected as humanitarian facilities funded by international donors.

Israel responded correctly by referencing the Oslo Accords that respect Israel's sovereign rule in all respects in Area C, which include handing out building permits, as in every civilized community on the planet. The French complained, "This is the fourth time that Israeli authorities have destroyed humanitarian structures since the start of 2016. France expresses its deep concern at the unprecedented rate of the demolition and confiscation of structures intend for the Palestinian population. It calls on the Israeli authorities to put an end to these operations which are [fasten your seat belts] "contrary to international law and jeopardize the two-state solution to which France is attached."

It seems that the expressions "two-state solution" and "international law" have become the new Apostles Creed or something.

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So what, after all, did France think it was doing by paying for and installing these pre-fab structures in Judea and Samaria that Israel has knocked down? On one level, for sure, the French foolishly think being generous will somehow make Muslims like them better, what with La France being swallowed up by its Muslims.

But I think there is also something in it for France regardless of the Muslims, France as France, and that is connected to the age-old French Christian hostility to Jews, and in this case the virtually supernatural return of the Jews to the Holy Land and making it live again. It is as if the French are saying, "We have a stake in this land too. You Jews do not have 100% ownership and authority here. We don't need your permission to build here and to help the Ancient Palestinians." It is a naked display on France's part of disrespect, and they have a record of that too.

It is a staking of a French claim to ownership of the Holy Land by supporting the Arabs against Israel and this continues their long historical record -- every major European nation has one -- of anti-Jew abuse over the centuries. When Germans overran France in 1940, the French police, the French people, leastwise a significant percentage of them, became willing collaborators of the conquering Germans in rounding up and shipping off to the gas chambers 75,000 Jews.

Also, go back in French history and find multiple expulsions from different provinces at different times, and the burning of the Talmud by King Louis IX a.k.a. St. Louis. Remember the Dreyfus Affair.

And in my lifetime a major French aggression was De Gaulle's outrageous, shameless, stab in the back betrayal of Israel five days after the passage of Res. 242 in

November 1967. If ever there was a man deserving of the nickname “Judas,” it was French Catholic De Gaulle. For two decades, France had been Israel’s No. 1 supporter. Then overnight, De Gaulle switched sides and sneeringly insulted the Jews as “*assure et dominant*” /self-assured and domineering.

Psychological projection again? Who was more self-assured and domineering than Charles De Gaulle himself?

So here we had France last week protesting that Israel has destroyed structures that the French are involved in constructing on land that Israel rules over legally. Imagine some French developer showing up one day at a vacant lot in midtown Manhattan with heavy equipment and starts work on building some hotel or office building, without having gone to the proper administrative authorities for building permits.

Then again, like the English, who have a Janus-faced relationship to the Jews -- a strong antisemitic tradition matched by a strong philosemitism unknown elsewhere in Christendom -- and the French too, who were the first to offer full citizenship to the Jews during the French Revolution. France is a land of high quality engineers and mathematicians and rationalists, and not only the Dreyfus Affair but an Emile Zola to oppose it.

And so in their rational mode, last week, head of France’s counter-terrorism apparatus, Georges Fenech, addressed a conference here in Israel on counter-terrorism at the IDC in Herzlia and stunned listeners by speaking up in support of the Israeli practice known as administrative detention, which is basically martial law for certain individuals, and he will work to see it adopted in France.

And of course in both cases the targets of this practice are Muslims whose religion is surely unique in the world these days for glorifying the murder of people at random, identified as infidels who do not believe as they do.

In my book’s long chapter on Algeria and the rebellion there 1954-62, I found in my research how just like in Israel the terror war waged against the French was unlike anything known in the West when it comes to wars.

For example, the American Colonists raised an army of volunteers who drilled soldiers, wore uniforms and attacked British forces in uniforms. What they did not do was murder the children and wives of British officers defending the Crown.

In a word, the Muslims, in the Western context, fight dirty. They play by no rules, which makes for much moral confusion among the civilized. As I’ve said before, the Arabs in Gaza fire rockets, military weapons, into Jewish communities of families, so Israel responds militarily but then its forces must act as if they were policemen in an urban setting among fellow citizens who shared the same citizenship and constitution. Israel gets hit with rockets, responds with a military invasion but its soldiers are expected to read act like policemen in an urban setting and perhaps read the Arabians their Miranda Rights.

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The difference, though, between our administrative detention and what theirs might be is that the Arabs who are arrested and locked up without civilian rights are not Israeli citizens.

In France, the Muslims likely to be arrested will be citizens and that should complicate things for the French big time.

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