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*Shalom laYehudim, Shalom laBnai Noach, Shalom laGoyim.* It is the evening of the 4th day, *kaf-tes bekhodesh Mar Khashvan, Parashas Toldos, taf-shin-peh*, 5780, the evening of the 3rd day, Tuesday, 26 November, 2019, webcasting from Israel whose good news today was the decision of Avichai Mandelblit, the most powerful Israeli in politics thanks to a political system Israelis evince no desire to change. His Majesty Mandelblit decided that despite accusing the PM of multiple crimes, he does not have to stop being prime minister.

Welcome to the village of Chelm.

And for those who don't know, Chelm is an imaginary village in Yiddish folklore where everybody in it is an idiot. Logic is turned inside out. The very name is a Yiddish mangling of the Hebrew word for "dream"/*khalom*.

Last week, Mandelblit's heart was heavy, he told us, as he supported the proposition that the prime minister who gave him a life in politics is a criminal, but yesterday he cited a law passed in the Knesset in March 2001 that does not require an indicted prime minister to step down. I don't think he discussed in this statement the background that law, but the date of that law is significant. In February, 2001, the people terminated the tenure of Ehud Barak, making it the shortest prime ministership in Israeli history and voted into office Ariel Sharon. Drafting and voting on this law was one of that government's first acts, supported by even Tsipi Livni, Labor and Meretz. Without going into the history of that moment, that was when the Second Intifada was raging, this law has now ended the demand that Netanyahu has to stop being prime minister. That's good news, and one would want to know if Mandelblit knew he was going to this before he did what he did last Thursday.

Tonight, in Tel-Aviv, there will be a demonstration by supporters of the prime minister, significantly absent major players in the Likud Party. The standout challenger is Gideon Sa'ar who is openly calling on the PM to resign, which I find simply ugly. The PM is innocent until proven guilty and for his contributions to Israel he has earned backing in his time of need, even if you think he is guilty.

Let's do a mind experiment. Imagine a dear friend who goes a *simcha*, a happy occasion, a celebration of a wedding or a circumcision and has more than one drink.

At the end, he drives home and is involved in a terrible accident. Someone in the other is killed and a blood-test shows he was a hair's breadth over the legal limit of alcohol in his system. Now, you have a choice: even though you may believe he was the guilty party you can still help your friend by helping him find the best lawyer possible; or you can stand out in front of his house, point and shriek, "Murderer! Murderer!" Of course, you help him find a good lawyer.

Likewise, Bibi deserves the support of his party, period. Even if he is guilty of all the four charges, none matches the behavior of an Obama who sent 150 billion dollars to a nation responsible for the killing of Americans by the thousands that also pays people to attend "Death to America!" rallies. Netanyahu's alleged crimes are chump change.

And I confess I know so little of Gideon Sa'ar and his accomplishments in life to make me think he would be a superior prime minister to the current one.

It is the absence of accomplishments as well that I see in all those Democratic candidates. They are all snake-oil salesmen of their big ideas for the future. None talks of a past of accomplishments that would make a voting citizen want to vote for them and think they could handle the job of commander-in-chief of the United States Armed Forces. The president is at all times within reach of the so-called "football," a suitcase of equipment he could use to launch atomic bombs against an enemy, and I would not want any of these democratic aspirants to be a president. I have no reason to think Kamala Harris has the right stuff to be in that position. Certainly not the antisemitic Communist of Jewish extraction Mr. Sanders last seen hugging Ilhan Omar.

I would not want to see Elizabeth Warren as president, this woman who like Hillary cannot stop lying. For her admission to the bar, or was it to law school(?), I forget which, she claimed to be a Cherokee Indian. As an American schoolboy, they taught me George Washington could not tell a lie about chopping down a cherry tree. As adults, we learned the whole story was apocryphal, the imagination of Parson Weems, but it does not matter. The point of the myth told to children is making a virtue of not lying.

Versus the seditious attempt to remove Trump from office by some of the highest public servants in the land, in law enforcement no less, in the Department of Justice and the FBI, none of whom seems to have had any sense of restraint when it came to using their powers. And it is no accident, no coincidence, that the attempted

coup against Trump was committed by allies of Hillary Clinton who exposed herself in the 1970s as a woman with no sense of right or wrong in the practice of law. Fresh out of Yale Law School, valedictorian no less thanks to, I believe, not her intelligence but extraordinary memory, she was hired by the Congressional committee investigating Watergate led by a Liberal New York Democrat who no less than Hillary wanted to depose Nixon, but unlike her he had a healthy respect for the law and knew what a lawyer can and cannot do, and he had to fire her for that. For this reason, all these years I have called her Lady Macbeth Clinton for she is ravenous with ambition for power, the power of a man. She wanted to become the most powerful man on the planet, and nothing else matters.

These are the types who committed major felonies in pursuit of reversing the election of 2016. Talk about high crimes and misdemeanors! Starting with Obama who was at the top of this cabal, they all deserve a firing squad. The nerve of trying to reverse the results of the American electoral system, meaning, giving the middle finger to the “deplorable” ones, a Hillary expression.

And what so angered and shocked yours truly was the ignorance of Trump’s enemy plotters and schemers, the shameless ignorance of calling for his impeachment on the day he took office, which told me these idiots do not understand the word or the process. It is impossible to even think of impeaching him and removing him from office on his first day because he had done nothing, let alone committed any high crime, any misdemeanor.

It was all so troubling because of this ignorance and really lack of patriotism. Never in American history was there such an insult to the America electoral system as this. Americans like sports and good sportsmanship, and the tradition was always respecting the results of an election even though your man lost, because it is respecting your neighbor’s choice for a candidate. And for supporting him, your neighbor is not a deplorable person. He has the right to see his candidate emerge victorious.

This assault on Trump from day one in office to remove him was nothing less than massive disrespect for the 60-some million others in the country who did vote for him, and a good sport is never a sore loser. That is what Hillary, queen of the resistance and her followers are not. They are the kings and queens of sore losers.

Likewise, here in Israel, the hatred of Bibi is very much like the hatred of Trump. I am reminded of an interview I saw like two weeks ago on CNN where their Brian Stelter interviewed Robert DeNiro the movie actor infamous was his two-word outburst during one of those award shows that entertainers so love, “F... Trump.” That is all he said, and with body language said there is nothing more to say; that is all you need to know about him. Stelter asked him repeatedly -- sympathetic Stelter, anti-Trump Stelter -- to name a thing Trump had done to make him so hate-able, and it is an amazing piece of video. DeNiro could not think of one thing that Trump had done that he did not like. Complete silence. You could see him thinking and thinking and

discovering nothing. and likewise, Bibi is the target of that kind of hatred that is baseless, suggesting deep-seated envy and anger for feeling so inferior to such a successful man. You hate him because his success diminishes you in your own narcissistic eyes.

So, it was good news today that Netanyahu remains at the helm of the ship of state, as he should for even if all the charges are true, they are not serious enough in my mind to invalidate him as a leader with a head for economics and sober assessment of the Muslims who surround us.

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Well, as promised today, mobs of Ishmael androids, all modeled on their forebear, wild asses of teenagers, were out for the umpteenth time in my lifetime using the same slingshot Ishmael used, which was one of the first weapons *homo sapiens* invented, meaning, a tool for killing, for killing animals, for killing people. Controlling a flock of sheep by flinging rocks at those who stray to nudge them back into the flock is one of its purposes. The sling was a labor-saving device. Without it, a shepherd would wear himself out running from straying sheep to straying sheep to push them where he wants to go, instead of using the sling to hit a stray on one side to drive him in the other direction.

Today, in five locations as planned and supported by Mahmoud Abbas who believes the Jews never had any temples on Haram a-Sharif, which belief was implicit in the reason for the mob violence today, the official cause was the decision by the Trump administration to confirm a central position of the League of Nations Mandate according to which Judea and Samaria are part of the historic homeland of the Jewish people, a mandate saying not one word about any Balestinians and their alleged history in this land. Congresswoman Rashida Talib always manages to speak of her Balestinian ancestors regardless of the topic at hand, and it is a crying shame that no pro-Israel Jew in Congress, there a dozen or two, not one in the House of Representatives with her has said, “You have no Palestinian ancestors. You were lied to from the day you were born that you are a Balestinian, and never mind there is nothing Balestinian about you.”

Mike Pompeo is a serious Christian who respects the language of the Christian Bible so that he cannot deny that this country is the country of the Jews found in the Bible and no intellectually honest can Christians claim it is also the property of the phantom “Palestinians.” Where in a Christian Bible can one find even one reference to such a people in this country?

The invention of the Balestinians has been in a class with the deicide charge, a legitimate way of smearing Jews with guilt for the evil they have allegedly done and do.

So today the Ishmaelites were at it again. It was a “day of rage” in protest. It was the nth time in my life of following the news there were visuals of wild Arab young men throwing rocks at Jews, using slingshots again because the new policy in Washington

reiterated the truth of the historical record. Judea, the origin of the word Jew, is most certainly a place where Jews can live, which was the essence of the policy statement, and for this statement of historical truth, the barbarians became violent for the nth time in time-honored fashion, attacking Israeli soldiers and police in uniform with rocks and flaming bottles of gasoline, I assume.

Ishmael, the Holy Book tells us, when he was expelled from his father's tents and community, he went to live in the desert, not a civilized place, with a bow and arrow. And what was an arrow way back when? A rock chiseled to penetrate and a bow an improvement on the sling. It was a new and improved way to throw a rock faster, further and with greater force than ever before.

When a Muslim makes his pilgrimage to Mecca, to the site when Ibrahim bound his son Isma'il for sacrifice, at the end of his pilgrimage, after visiting a series of sites, he climaxes his holy mission by throwing rocks at a symbolic representation of the Devil.

Last webcast I mentioned that Egyptian teenage jihadi who woke up and rejected the indoctrination at the root of which was the belief that the root of all evil is the Jews.

And I think it is worth the effort by official Israel someday to launch a mission to the all Arabs west of the Jordan, via TV documentaries, online sites, whatever, all in Arabic, of course, deprogramming of this false narrative of lies about Jews and the lie of there having been a Balestinian people.

Versus the reality that Israel has never tilted its lance at the verbal hologram of the Balestinian people and the Balestinian narrative -- Edward Said's invention, that phrase. All Israel ever does is express its desire for a peaceful and respectful relationship with the Palestinians, instead of exploding the lies at the heart of their hatred.

Admittedly, anger would be directed at Israel first and foremost by the mainstream, so-called American Jewish organizations, the very same sourpusses who reacted to Pompeo's speech with curled lips. I agree with Caroline B. Glick who yesterday posted the idea that it is time for Israel to face facts, face the reality that these once-supportive organizations are no longer supportive of an Israel that does not wave the banner of the messianic Two-State Solution and does not respect the need for a State of Balestine for the Balestinians.

She had in mind, and so I do, the American Jewish Congress and American Jewish Committee, both relics of an earlier period in American Jewish history. AJCommittee came together, if memory serves, in the wake of the lynching of Leo Frank in 1915 in Atlanta by a mob believing he was responsible for the rape/murder of a girl, when of course he was not.

AJCommittee was the handiwork of Reform German Jews. Then three years later, AJ Congress came together by those less snooty Eastern European immigrants. This was a period in which there was friction between the Reform German Jews toward the impoverished, Yiddish-speaking immigrants. The Reformers were embarrassed by their poverty and Orthodoxy. Some quarter-million German Reform Jews had entered the US

in the 1850s in the wake of the nationalist rebellions in Europe in 1848 which included hostility and danger to the Jews. They established themselves comfortably. Pioneers in 1845 had established Temple Emanuel on the Upper East Side of Manhattan, and eventually this community would create Mt. Sinai Hospital. These Reform Jews were then less than happy with the sudden arrival of these *Ostjuden*, these eastern Jews, and built Beth Israel Hospital downtown to service this community of ragged immigrants on the Lower East Side and keep them away from Mt. Sinai.

Hence the two separate self-defense organizations the American Jewish Committee and the American Jewish Congress, who now represent little but the post-religious millionaires who keep them their staffers in business. Their responses to Pompeo's speech were pabulum because they are the millionaires who marry off their sons and daughters to non-Jews; their community fashionably disgusted like Robert DeNiro with Donald J. Trump.

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So, Caroline B. Glick expressed what I have thought for some time. The time has come -- generations come, and generations go -- for Israel to be more realistic about the mass of Jews in America who call themselves Jews, many of them not really Jews at all.

Glick took note, if less sharply than I have, of the jaw-dropping transformation of AIPAC and how in the future, she suggested, Israeli prime ministers avoid their conventions. She did so politely, of course; I would suggest "scheduling conflicts" and the like. AIPAC demurred in its response to Pompeo, claiming to have no position on settlements, to which I say, "horse feathers." The settlements are shorthand for Israel's overall presence in Judea and Samaria which every sober Israeli knows now Israel can never abandon.

It was before I became observant that I changed my politics on Judea and Samaria. The Iran hostage crisis 1979-1981, during which my cousin was a hostage and threatened with execution for being a CIA spy, which he was not. His crime that made him suspect was knowing the language. Of the 52 hostages, I think only three could speak Farsi, so typical of American diplomats abroad, which is unfortunate.

During the crisis, a friend, a military historian, a decorated Marine veteran of Viet Nam, said it reminded him somehow of the Barbary Pirates and suggested I look into that. I did and was captivated. It required learning about Islam in history that I never knew, which changed my view of Israel's relationship to the locals here.

By the mid-1980s, I understood that Israel can never relinquish Judea and Samaria and survive. And that being the case, Israel had to settle and live in Judea and Samaria, make it permanently part of Israel.

And if AIPAC does not know that Israel can never tolerate a Balestinian state in a *Judenrein* Judea and Samaria, it knows nothing of Israel and our eternal fight for survival.

It was shocking two years ago when AIPAC during its first convention in the Trump Presidency for the first time ever did not back the Netanyahu policy and remained loyal to the world according to Obama.

UNSC Resolution 2334 of December 2016 could not have more plainly conveyed the message that in Obama's mind, Israel was in illegal occupation of land that did not belong to Israel, every square meter it took from the Jordanians in 1967, and so in 2017, AIPAC remained steadfast in its loyalty to the world according to Imam Barack Hussein,

And so, it is a new era, a new generation, and it is time for Israel to face facts.

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