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U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

MEMBER / OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must **complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, B-106 Cannon House Office Building, 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: Bill Johnson
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: _____ *or* None
 b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: 2/17/2014 Return: 2/25/2014
 b. Dates at personal expense: _____ *or* None
4. Departure city: SARASOTA, FL Destination: TEL AVIV ISRAEL Return city: Washington, DC
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): International Israel Allies Caucus Foundation (DBA: Israel Allies Foundation), Proclaiming Justice To The Nations
6. Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): _____

Please see attached detailed itinerary

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 Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
 - c. page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the Member or officer; *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 sponsor's agenda. (*Signify that statement is true by checking box*):
 b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER:

Bill Johnson

DATE:

3/11/14

A.

Original Amendment

U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

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 on 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.

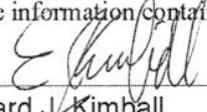
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- Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): International Israel Allies Caucus Foundation (DBA: Israel Allies Foundation)
- Travel Destination(s): Israel
- Date of Departure: Feb 17, 2014 Date of Return: Feb 25, 2014
- Name(s) of Traveler(s): Rep. Bill Johnson
(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)
- Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	10814.32	1890.00	884.11	4,806.48
Accompanying Relative				

- 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: 

Name: Edward J. Kimball Title: Washington Director

Organization: International Israel Allies Caucus Foundation (DBA: Israel Allies Foundation)

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box):

Address: 1150 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 515

Washington, DC 20036

Telephone number: 202-821-6091

Email Address: e.kimball@israelallies.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.



Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form Descriptions for Other Expenses

Breakdown of Other Expenses

Security - We consider the security of our trip participants as a high priority. A security team accompanies participants throughout the trip.

Speaker Fees - Honoraria for guest speakers

Tour Guide☐- As a detailed historical understanding is crucial to maximizing the educational aspect of the trip, a licensed tour guide accompanies the group throughout the trip.

Miscellaneous☐- Water, snacks, briefing materials

Tips☐- It is customary to tip the driver and tour guide that accompany tour participants.

Entrance fees☐- Several sites require an entrance fee, including the City of David and national parks; private guided tours such as Yad Vashem.

Cost per participant: \$4,806.48

C.

U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Rep. Bill Johnson
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): International Israel Allies
Caucus Foundation (DBA Israel Allies Foundation), Proclaiming
Justice to the Nations
3. Travel destination(s): Israel - Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Sderot, Gush Etzion, Hebron,
Bethlehem, Galilee, Samaria
4. a. Date of departure 02/17/2014 Date of return: 02/25/2014
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? Yes No
If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? Yes No
b. If yes:
(1) Name of accompanying relative: _____
(2) Relationship to traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: Yes No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? Yes No
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: Yes No
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.
Please see attached explanation

9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? Yes No

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.

Date: _____

Signature of Employing Member

8. As a Member of Congress, I believe that America's commitment to the nation of Israel must continue to be a primary foreign policy position of the United States Congress. I have supported several initiatives relating to the defense of Israel and its culture. Meeting Israeli citizens, seeing firsthand what life is like in Israel and how well current defense systems are working, and speaking with members of the Israeli government will provide me with a greater understanding and unique perspective of the challenges faced by the Israeli people that can only be obtained by personally visiting Israel. This trip will further my understanding of ways the United States can assist Israel. As Israel is the United States' most important ally in the Middle East, I plan to use insight gained from this trip to further advance legislative and funding initiatives.

B.

U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

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 Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

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.

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): _____
International Israel Allies Caucus Foundation (DBA: Israel Allies Foundation)
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 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):
Rep. Bill Johnson, Rep. David McKinley, Rep. Raul Labrador, Rep. Mark Meadows,

Rep. Tom Marino, Rep. Mike Kelly, Rep. Peter Roskam - see attached
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? Yes No
6. Date of departure: 2/17/2014 Date of return: 2/25/2014
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC or Hometown
b. Destination(s): Tel Aviv, Israel
c. City of return: Washington, DC or Hometown
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
 - 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 one of the following:
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging:
 - 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 "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: _____

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the 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 one:

- 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 that the statement is true by checking box): or
b. N/A - 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:

The Israel Allies Foundation works to facilitate inter-parliamentary dialogue between the United States Congress and the Israeli Knesset. The foundation educates members about the current security interests in Israel and the role of the United States in maintaining peace and security throughout the Middle East. The Israel Allies Foundation is in charge of organizing and conducting the 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: _____)
c. If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:

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. I represent that either (check one of the following):

- 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): _____
Approximately \$100 per day
2) Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:
We are traveling to Israel to educate Members on current regional events and promoting inter-parliamentary dialogue.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel name: Inbal Hotel City: Jerusalem Cost per night: \$450
Reason(s) for selecting: location, ease of access, includes breakfast, good security
Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____
Reason(s) for selecting: _____
Hotel name: _____ City: _____ Cost per night: _____
Reason(s) for selecting: _____

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 box):

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$5000	\$2700	\$700
For each accompanying relative	\$5000	\$200	\$700

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$1500	Entrance Fees, Tour Guide, materials
For each accompanying relative	\$1500	Entrance Fees, Tour Guide, materials

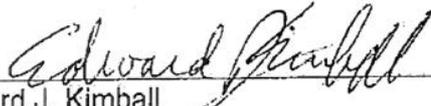
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19. Check one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below. *or*
 b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 
 Name: Edward J. Kimball
 Title: Washington Director
 Organization: International Israel Allies Caucus Foundation (DBA: Israel Allies Foundat
 Address: 1150 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 515, Washington, DC 20036
 Telephone number: 202-821-6091
 Email address: e.kimball@israelallies.org

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee at the following address:

Committee on Ethics
 U.S. House of Representatives
 1015 Longworth House Office Building
 Washington, DC 20515
 (202) 225-7103 (phone)
 (202) 225-7392 (general fax)

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4. The invited individuals are Congressmen who are involved in Middle East affairs, particularly Israel, with a desire to learn more and be educated on the history and current events that affect this area of the world and United States interests there.

D.

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The Honorable Bill Johnson
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Israel, scheduled for February 17 to 25, 2014, sponsored by the International Israel Allies Caucus Foundation (DBA: Israel Allies Foundation) and Proclaiming Justice to the Nations, Inc.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form 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.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value¹ 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.

¹ "Minimal value" for FGDA purposes is currently \$350. However, the amount is recalculated every three years by the General Services Administration (GSA). It is due to increase slightly retroactive to January 1, 2014, but GSA has not yet announced the new amount.

The Honorable Bill Johnson

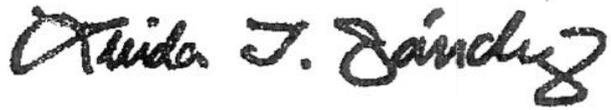
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If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



K. Michael Conaway
Chairman



Linda T. Sanchez
Ranking Member

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Yes! Israel Mission

February 18-24, 2014

Hosted by the Israel Allies Foundation & Co-Sponsored by PJTN

Day 1, Tuesday, February 18th – Arrivals & Jerusalem

3:10pm – Arrive Ben Gurion Airport, Tel Aviv

VIP Service and transfer to Jerusalem

5:30pm – **City of David** - Light Refreshments & Introductions

EJ Kimball, Washington Director of the Israel Allies Foundation

Ruth Lieberman, Founder of Yes to a Strong Israel

Tour of Jerusalem: Where it All Began

7:30pm – Dinner

Topic: Regional Strategic Challenges

Overnight in Jerusalem, Inbal Hotel

Day 2, Wednesday, February 19th – Prime Minister, Knesset, Iron Dome

7:30am – Breakfast at the Hotel

Briefing: Ambassador Dore Gold, with Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations

Topic: US-Israel Relations, A Two Way Street

8:30am – Depart for Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Museum

11:00am – The Knesset: Israel's Parliament

Roundtable Discussion with Knesset Members, Knesset Christian Allies Caucus

12:00pm – Minister of Tourism Uzi Landau – working meeting

12:30pm- Lunch at the Knesset

Deputy Defense Minister Danny Danon

1:30pm – Depart for the South, Ashkelon

3:00pm – Tour of Ashkelon Power Plant

Chief Engineer: Daniel Jaffe

Topic: Israel Energy Challenges Today

4:30pm – Visit Iron Dome with IDF Spokesperson

6:00pm – Visit to Sderot

Speaker: Dov Fendel

Topic: Courage under Fire

Strategic Tour - Views to Gaza, light dinner

8:30pm – Jerusalem – Mati Dan, at the Mark Twain house

Overnight in Jerusalem, Inbal Hotel

Day 3, Thursday, February 20th – Judea

7:00am – Breakfast

7:30am – Morning Briefing

Speaker: Ambassador Yoram Ettinger

Topic: US-Israel Relations a Two Way Street

Israel's unique contributions to vital American interests

8:30am – Depart for Gush Etzion

9:00am – Overview, Neve Daniel
9:30am – Walk in the Footsteps of the Patriarchs
11:00am – Kfar Etzion
12:15pm – Lunch at Gavna restaurant with local officials, residents
1:45pm – Depart for Hebron
2:30pm – Tomb of the Patriarchs & Ancient Hebron
 Speaker: Noam Arnon
 Topic: From Biblical to modern challenges
4:30pm – Depart for the hotel
7:00pm – Dinner Menachem Begin Heritage Center
8:15pm – Townhall Meeting with Jerusalemite US-Israeli Citizens
 Moderator: Marc Zell, Republicans Overseas
 Topic: Town Hall in Israel
Overnight in Jerusalem, Inbal Hotel

Day 4, Friday, February 21st - Jerusalem

7:30am – Starting Line: Jerusalem Begin Heritage Center Run w/ Mayor of Jerusalem
8:15am – Morning Briefing
 Speaker: Itamar Marcus, Palestinian Media Watch
 Topic: Framing the Message
9:30am – Depart for walking tour of the Old City of Jerusalem
11:30am – Tour of Jerusalem – outlying Neighborhoods
1:30pm – Lunch at IAF Headquarters
 Speaker: Rabbi Benny Elon, IAF
2:30pm – Garden Tomb Visit
6:30pm – Greeting the Sabbath
 Traditional Sabbath Dinner – Home Hospitality
Overnight in Jerusalem, Inbal Hotel

Day 5, Saturday, February 22nd – Bethlehem, Masada & the Dead Sea

8:00am – Breakfast at the Hotel
8:30am – Depart for Bethlehem
9:00am – Guided Tour of the Church of the Nativity
10:00am – Meet with Pastor Khoury & Tour of Bethlehem
 Speakers: Pastor Naim Khoury
 Topic: Christians in the Middle East
11:30am – Lunch in Bethlehem
12:30pm – Depart for Dead Sea area
2:00pm – Tour of Masada & the Dead Sea
7:00pm – Dinner in Jerusalem
 Working Dinner
Overnight in Jerusalem, Inbal Hotel

Day 6, Sunday, February 23rd – The North

6:30am – Breakfast at Hotel
7:00am – Visit to Temple Mount, hosted by Israel's Police Chief & Rabbi Richman
10:00am – Tour Ofer military base and court, hosted by IDF Spokesperson
12:00pm – Depart for the Golan Heights via helicopter
1:30pm – Lunch at IAF base, tour and talk with soliders

2:15pm- Strategic Overlooks in the Golan Heights with Yashar Lachayal
2:30pm – Visit to Israeli field hospital near Syrian border
4:00pm – Tour of the Galilee: Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum & Sea of Galilee
6:00pm – Dinner on the shore of the Sea of Galilee
Return to Jerusalem
Overnight in Jerusalem, Inbal Hotel

Day 7, Monday, February 24th – Samaria (Shomron) & Departures

8:00am – Breakfast at Hotel and Checkout
8:45am – Depart for Prime Minister’s Office
9:30am – Meet with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu
10:30am – Depart for Shomron
11:45am - Tour of the City of Ariel
Visit to Barkan Industrial Park
Speakers: Arab & Jewish Workers
12:45pm – Visit to Ariel University
Tour of facilities; meetings scientists, researchers and technology exploration
Symposium: Members of Congress address University’s student body
1:30pm – Lunch at Ariel University
Speaker: President of the Ariel University, Chairman of the Board
Topic: Israel Start-up Nation, Scientific R&D
3:45pm – Tour of the Shomron
Shiloh - Site of the first Tabernacle
5:30pm – Psagot – meeting with locals
6:30pm – Closing Dinner at the Psagot Winery
Speaker: Danny Dayan, YESHA Council
Topic: Israel at a Crossroads
Summary: IAF
Depart for Ben Gurion Airport: Farewells

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PROCLAIMING JUSTICE
TO THE NATIONS

Yes! Israel Mission

February 18-24, 2014

Hosted by the Israel Allies Foundation & Co-Sponsored by PJTN

Tentative Itinerary

Day 1, Tuesday February 18th – Arrivals & Jerusalem

Arrival, Ben Gurion Airport, Tel Aviv

Transfer to Jerusalem

12:00pm – Meet in Hotel, **Opening Reception & Lunch**

Introduction: Ruth Lieberman, Founder of Yes to a Strong Israel

Speaker: Rabbi Benny-Elon, Chairman of the Israel Allies Foundation

1:00pm – **City of David: Sifting Project and Tour**

Speaker: Doron Spielman

Topic: **Jerusalem, Where it All Began**

3:30pm – Light Refreshments - Between the Arches Restaurant

Tour of the Old City Quarters – Davidson Center, Western Wall, Via Dolorosa, St. Anne's Church, Pool of Bethesda: Renewed Jewish Presence

7:00pm – Dinner

Speaker: Minister of Defense Moshe 'Bogie' Ya'alon

Topic: Regional Strategic Challenges

Overnight in Jerusalem

Day 2, Wednesday February 19th – Prime Minister, Knesset, Iron Dome

7:30am – Breakfast

8:00am – **Morning Briefing**

Speaker: Ambassador Yoram Ettinger

Topic: US Evolving Interests in the Middle East

9:15am – Depart for Prime Minister's office

10:00am – **Meeting with Prime Minister Netanyahu**

11:00am – Depart for Tour of Yad Vashem, Israel's Holocaust Museum

11:30am – **Tour of Yad Vashem**

12:30pm – Depart for the Knesset

1:00pm – **Lunch at the Knesset**

Speaker: Speaker of the Knesset MK Yuli Edelstein

Roundtable Discussion with Knesset Members and Members of the KCAC – Minister of Tourism Uzi Landau, Deputy Minister Danny Danon

3:00pm – Depart for the south

4:00pm – Tour of Ashkelon's newest power plant: Energy alternatives in the Middle East

5:00pm - Sderot

Speaker: Dov Fendel

Topic: **Courage under Fire**

Strategic Tour - Views to Gaza; Iron Dome Tour with IDF spokesman

Return to Jerusalem

8:00pm – Dinner

Speaker: General Ya'acov Amidror, former National Security Advisor to PM Netanyahu

Topic: Israel's Security Needs

Overnight in Jerusalem

Day 3, Thursday February 20th – Judea

7:30am – Breakfast

8:15m – Depart for Gush Etzion

9:00am – Overview, Neve Daniel

9:30am – **Walk in the Footsteps of the Patriarchs**

11:00am – **Kfar Etzion**

12:15pm – Lunch at Gavna restaurant with Mayor and local residents

Topic: Diplomacy & Reality

1:45pm – Depart for Hebron

2:30pm – **Cave of the Patriarchs & Ancient Hebron**

Speaker: Mayor of Kiryat Arba

Topic: From Biblical to modern challenges

4:30pm – Depart for the hotel

7:00pm – Dinner

Speaker: Lenny Ben David, US-Israeli citizens

Topic: Town Hall in Israel - with invited press

Overnight in Jerusalem

Day 4, Friday February 21st - Jerusalem

7:30am – Breakfast at Hotel

8:00am – **Morning Briefing**

Speaker: Itamar Marcus, Palestinian Media Watch

Topic: Power of the Media

9:15am – Depart for **Tour of Jerusalem** and outlying Neighborhoods

1:30pm – Lunch on the Mount of Olives

Speaker: Rabbi Benny Elon, IAF

Topic: From King David until today

3:00pm – **Optional Garden Tomb Tour**

6:30pm – **Greeting the Sabbath – Western Wall**

Traditional Sabbath Dinner – Home Hospitality

Speaker: Michael Eisenberg

Topic: An Israeli Entrepreneurial Tale

Day 5, Saturday February 22nd – Bethlehem, Masada & the Dead Sea

8:00am – Breakfast at the Hotel

9:00am – Depart for Bethlehem

10:00am – **Meet with Pastor Khoury & Tour of Bethlehem**

Speakers: Pastor Naim Khoury

Topic: Christians in the Middle East

12:00pm – Lunch in Bethlehem
1:00pm – Depart for Dead Sea area
2:00pm – **Tour of Masada & the Dead Sea**
7:00pm – Dinner in Jerusalem
Overnight in Jerusalem

Day 6, Sunday February 23rd – The North

6:30am – Breakfast at Hotel
7:30am – **Visit to Temple Mount**, hosted by Israel's Police Chief
10:00am – Depart for Tel Aviv
11:00am – **Tour Ofer military base and court – IDF spokesman**
Speaker: IDF officer, judge
Topic: Judicial impartiality under military rule
12:00pm – **Depart for the Golan Heights via helicopter**
1:30pm – **Strategic Overlooks in the Golan Heights**
2:30pm – Lunch at IAF base, tour and meeting
Speaker: IDF Officer Avigdor Kahalani
Topic: Heroism and our Future
4:00pm – **Tour of the Galilee: Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum & Sea of Galilee**
6:00pm – Dinner, Return to Jerusalem
Overnight in Jerusalem

Day 7, Monday February 24th – Samaria (Shomron) & Departures

7:30am – Breakfast at Hotel and Checkout
8:00am – Depart for Shomron
9:15am – **Tour of the City of Ariel**
Visit to Barkan Industrial Park
Speakers: Arab & Jewish Workers
10:30am – **Visit to Ariel University** – Tour of facilities; meetings scientists, researchers and technology exploration
Symposium: Members of Congress address University's student body
12:30pm – **Lunch at Ariel University**
Speaker: President of the Ariel University, Chairman of the Board
Topic: Israel Start-up Nation
2:30pm – **Tour of Shomron**
5:30pm – **Closing Dinner at the Psagot Winery**
Speaker: Minister Naftali Bennett & Mr. Simon Falic
Topic: Israel at a Crossroads
Summary: IAF, PJTN & Yes to a Strong Israel hosts

Depart for Ben Gurion Airport: Farewells

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