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ISSUES

Last Saturday night Chairman of the Palestinian Authority (PA) Mahmoud Abbas called upon the international community to collectively recognize a state of Palestine in 2017.

On Jan 15, a France-hosted international diplomatic conference could lead to further action against the Jewish state at the United Nations, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu warned on Tuesday. Expressing concern about the upcoming Paris conference, that it "could produce a document that could then be brought to the Security Council for an immediate vote."

Ongoing Israeli settlement construction will spark a war that will lead to the Jewish state's "complete destruction," an Iranian military official said on Thursday.

PM Netanyahu is being "aggressively courted" to attend the Jan. 20 event, New York Post reports

Australia stands with Israel. We support Israel, the only democracy in the Middle East," the Australian prime minister stated. We will oppose any 'one-sided resolution against Israel.



THE AUSSIE WAY



- ❖ Former Australian prime minister Tony Abbott called on his country to cut millions of dollars of annual aid to the Palestinian Authority, accusing Ramallah of funneling the money to “terrorists and their families.” He also called on Canberra to join any move by the incoming Trump administration in the US to relocate the embassy to Jerusalem.



HARAM al-SHARIF?



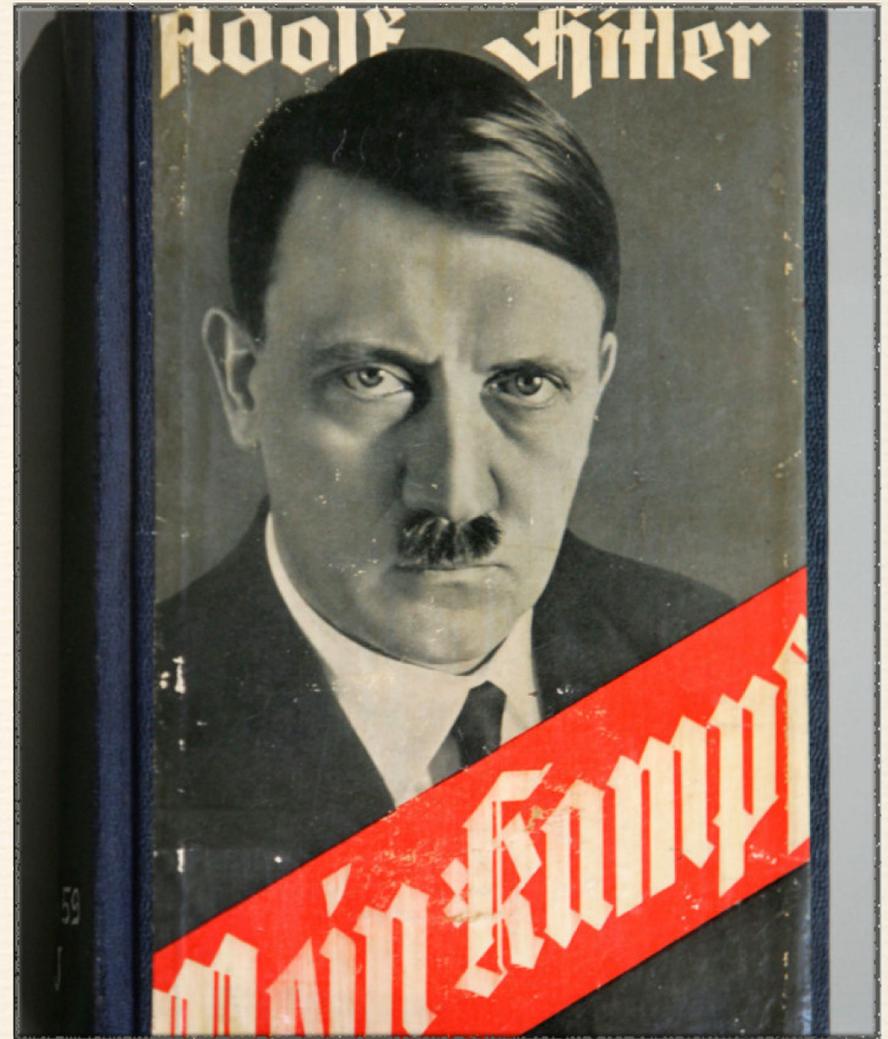
Islamic guards try to boot guide for saying 'Temple Mount' on Temple Mount.

Waqf officials haul an Israeli archaeologist in front of Israeli police for not using term 'Haram al-Sharif' during historical tour of site; police advise him to refrain from saying 'Temple Mount' for rest of visit. This is why, HGE does not visit this site.



MEIN KAMPF

- ❖ BERLIN, Germany (AFP) – The first reprint of Adolf Hitler’s “Mein Kampf” in Germany since World War II has proved a surprise bestseller, heading for its sixth print run, its publisher said Tuesday. The Institute of Contemporary History of Munich (IfZ) said around 85,000 copies of the new annotated version of the Nazi leader’s anti-Semitic manifesto had flown off the shelves since its release last January.
- ❖ It had initially planned to print only 4,000 copies but boosted production immediately based on intense demand. Some 12.4 million copies were published in Germany and from 1936, the Nazi state gave a copy to all newlyweds as a wedding gift.
- ❖ In a statement on Tuesday, Rabbi Pinchas Goldschmidt – president of the Conference of European Rabbis – expressed alarm, saying, “Increased sales of Hitler’s Mein Kampf in Germany coupled with a resurgent of far-right politics across Europe is deeply troubling. Political, community and religious leaders must speak out now. The dangerous rhetoric of the far-right must be starved of oxygen.”

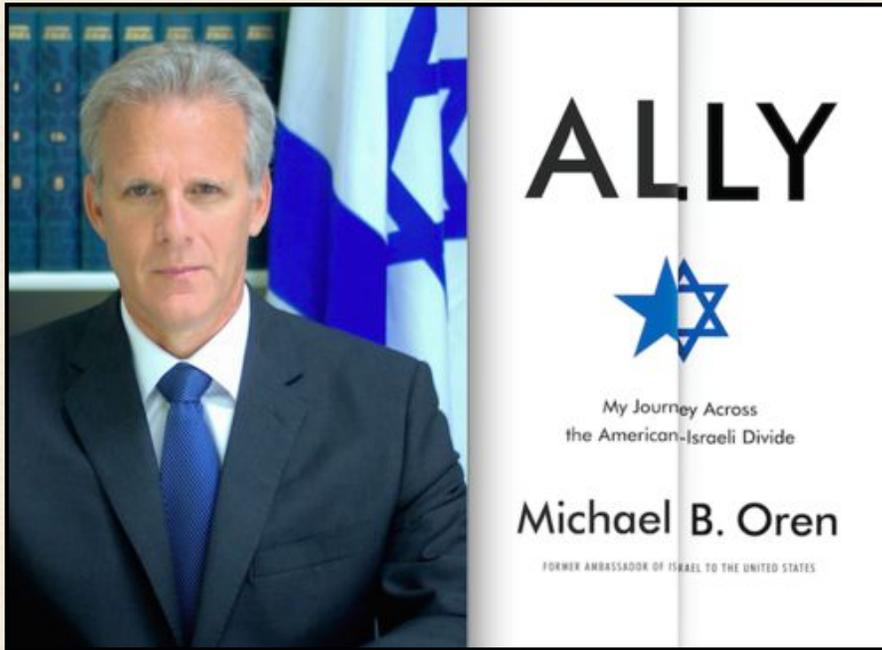


TRUMP vs PA

- ❖ A senior PA official threatened more bloodshed and a confrontation with Trump over the incoming administration's policy on settlements.
- ❖ A senior adviser to Palestinian Authority (PA) chairman Mahmoud Abbas suggested on Egypt's Alghad TV on Sunday that Palestinians should "prepare for a confrontation" with US President-elect Trump when he moves into the White House.
- ❖ "We must prepare to fight the new US administration, which has clearly declared that Israel and its settlements are legitimate and legal and has sent a delegation in order to move its embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem."



TRUMP - "ISRAEL HOLD ON"



- ❖ "Kerry's speech was very disturbing for so many reasons," Oren told The Times of Israel. "It is disturbing that this is the point to which US foreign policy has fallen. It's sad, tragic and dangerous. We don't need this relationship. We don't need this America." He elaborated: "The US-Israel relationship is vital for us, for the region and I believe for the world, but we need an America whose strength and commitment to its allies is unquestioned."



JERUSALEM

"What did Kerry's parting shot on Middle East mean?" by Aaron David Miller:

This may well be the first time that the United States, at least in such a highly visible public forum rather than in the negotiating room, talked about Jerusalem as the capital of two states... That suggests that if in fact the Trump administration does carry out a campaign pledge to move the US Embassy there, the contents of this speech may well acquire legs." [\[CNN\]](#)





JUST MOVE IT!

- ❖ WASHINGTON – Three US senators have introduced legislation that would commit the United States to moving the US embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, a move US presidents have opposed for decades but which President-elect Donald Trump has repeatedly signaled he is willing to do.
- ❖ Texas Sen. Ted Cruz (R), Florida Sen. Marco Rubio (R) and Nevada Sen. Dean Heller (R) proposed the Jerusalem Embassy and Recognition Act on Tuesday. **“It’s time for Congress and the President-Elect to eliminate the loophole that has allowed presidents in both parties to ignore US law and delay our embassy’s rightful relocation to Jerusalem for over two decades,”** he said in a statement.
- ❖ The move is likely to get pushback from liberal activists and Democrats in Congress who fear moving the embassy could complicate America’s ability to work with Palestinians and many Arab states, as well as inflame tensions in the region.



NEWS ALERT ... THE JEWS KILLED SANTA!





Fatah Anniversary Celebrates Terrorists; Continues Push for Total Elimination of Israel

THE ISIS REPORT CARD



- ❖ ISIS released a gruesome report tallying their suicide attacks in Syria and Iraq in 2016. The Islamic State (ISIS) terror group committed 1112 “martyrdom operations” in Syria and Iraq over the course of 2016 at an average of three bombings a day.

QUOTABLE'S - SELAH

"Israel does not occupy Jerusalem ... it owns Jerusalem" Mike Huckabee
The Assyrians, Babylonians, Greeks, Romans, Medes, Persians, Turks, British
and whatever a Palestinian is ... they were all OCCUPIERS!

Repentance and good deeds are a man's best lawyer.- Talmud, Shabbat



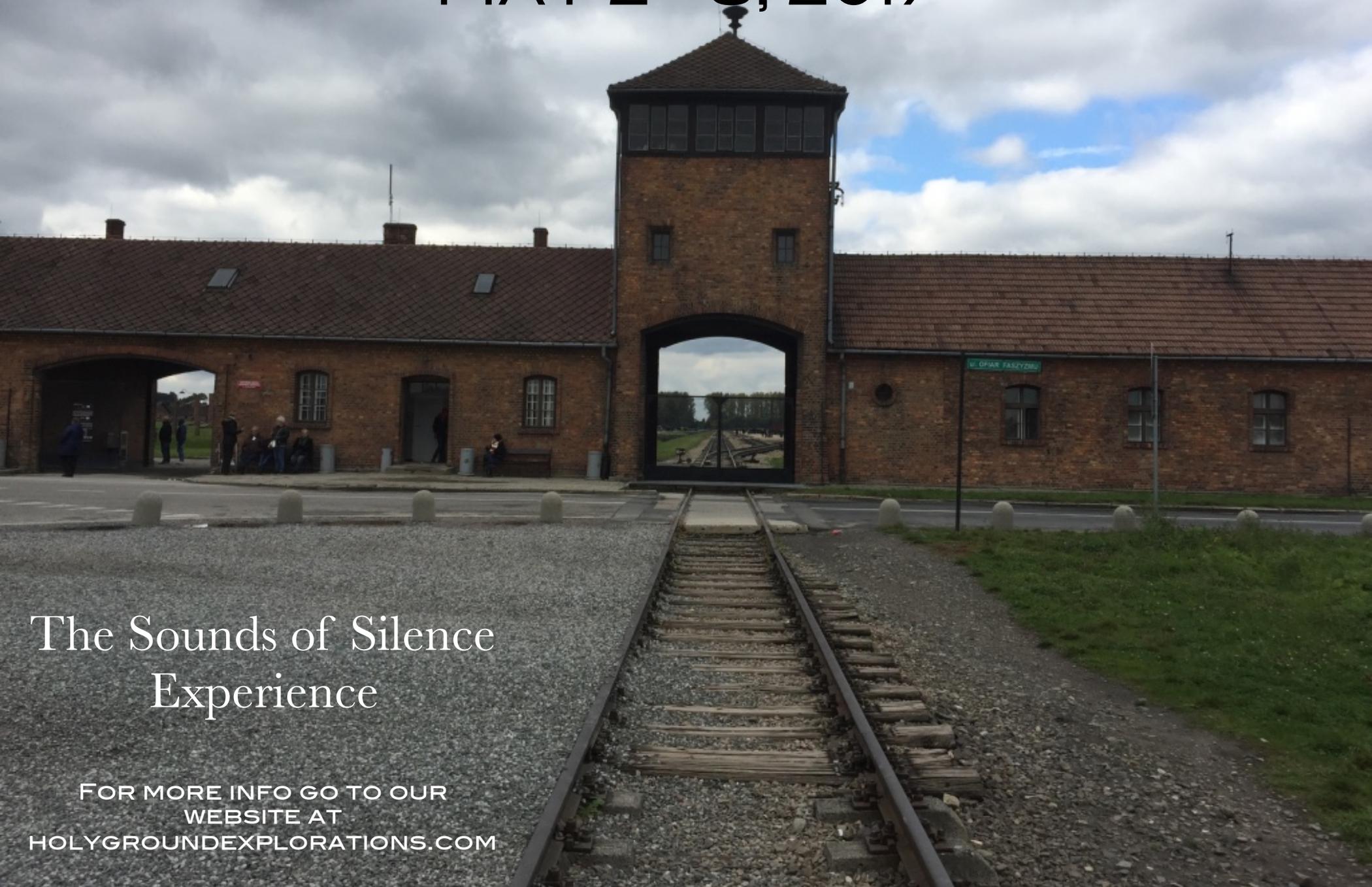
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