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DEAR PRO-ISRAEL FRIEND,

For anyone who loves Israel — as you and I do — it is heartbreaking, outrageous, and infuriating. All at the same time.

And I'm not even talking about the unspeakably vicious Hamas attack that killed more than 1,200 Jews in southern Israel on Oct. 7.

On that day, Hamas monsters raped, mutilated, burned, beheaded, and slaughtered innocent Israelis in a heinous rampage.

No one was spared in the demonic frenzy Hamas unleashed on Israel. Jewish elderly were killed, a pregnant mom was cut open and murdered, along with her preborn child. Babies were thrown into red-hot ovens and burned alive.

It was unimaginably vile. And I unequivocally condemn Hamas for its barbarous atrocities.

But that is not what I want to discuss with you in this newsletter.

Instead, I am incensed at the Israel-hating Hamas defenders who celebrated Hamas horror ... who marched and rallied across America to denounce ISRAEL! And did so mere hours after the worst assault on Jews since the Holocaust.

The true horror and scope of what Hamas perpetrated inside Israel was still unknown when enemies of Israel hit the streets across America.

In New York City, the Democratic Socialists of America (DSA) held its "All Out for Palestine" rally the day after Hamas marauders killed, raped, and looted southern Israel.

At the rally, these friends of Hamas displayed a Nazi symbol, torched an Israeli flag, and applauded Palestinians.

It was disgusting and vile — and a perfect reason for DSA members in Congress like Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez and Rashida Tlaib to resign from the far-Left party in outrage. But, of course, they haven't.

Yet that ugly hate fest in New York is just one example. The Anti-Defamation League reported some 150 anti-Israel rallies across the U.S. the first week after Hamas slaughtered more than 1,200 Israelis, wounded 5,000, and took 240 hostages. These rallies were marked by hostility for Israel and heartlessness for suffering Israelis.

- In Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, one speaker blasted Israel and defended Hamas, declaring:

What happened was freedom fighters fighting for freedom... Every person who died yesterday wasn't innocent. Every Israeli settler by default is a terrorist.

- In Washington, D.C., rabid fans of Hamas rallied on Oct. 8 to vent their hate for Israel. A speaker told attendees to "take



HATE FOR ISRAEL ERUPTS ACROSS AMERICA

*Israel's foes celebrate savage Hamas massacre in horrifying pro-Hamas rallies on the streets of America!
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— Mat Staver

the fight to Zionist institutions in the west" and said, "duty calls us to fulfill this war."

- In Denver, Colorado, a speaker at a pro-Hamas event, urged attendees to look online for pictures of kidnapped Israelis taken from "homes that they stole" in order to "put a smile on your face."
- In New York City, an Oct. 15 rally speaker shouted that Israel is a "Zionist extermination campaign that began in 1948."

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- In Anaheim, California, a rally speaker celebrated the Hamas slaughter: "Our fighters have started to fight back again ... people in Gaza right now are fighting so hard ... and we're right here in the United States fighting this battle with them, right?"
- And in Muslim-dominated Dearborn, Michigan, a speaker declared that "the only hope that Palestine has is its armed resistance. ... If you're pro-Palestine, then you're pro-armed resistance."

And this brief report only begins to describe the seething, antisemitic hate that has erupted across America since Oct. 7. The Palestinian war on Israel has come to America, and a black cloud of antisemitism darkens our land.

Will you help Christians in Defense of Israel speak out NOW for the Jewish people and the state of Israel? **I am asking for your generous gift today** to make our pro-Israel voice even louder across our nation, in Washington, D.C., and in Israel.

Thanks to good friends like you, we are making a difference. Because of you ...

- CIDI informs, equips, and activates friends of Israel like you to speak and act in defense of God's people.



- We're on Capitol Hill where we monitor legislation, engage lawmakers, and forward pro-Israel petitions you and others sign to spur pro-Israel policy in Congress.
- And with your help, CIDI is training college-age Christians to be champions for Israel through Covenant Journey, which gives promising young people an unforgettable and transformational 10-day visit to the amazing Holy Land.

You make all of this possible! But we live in a very dangerous time for Israel. So much more needs to be done to uphold Israel and denounce the rank hatred for Jews exploding in our nation.

Will you help? Your much-needed gift now will reach hearts and minds with the powerful truth about modern Israel! You'll help us fight the scourge of antisemitism as we defend God's people.

One place where anti-Israel defamation festers and grows is the American college campus. It's appalling and puts Jewish student at risk. Here's a sample of the hostile atmosphere Jews face in American higher education:

- In the wake of Hamas butchery against Jews on Oct. 7, 2023, 30 Harvard student groups signed on to a letter dripping with hate for Israel. In it, the student groups said they "hold the Israeli regime entirely responsible for all unfolding violence. *The apartheid regime is the only one to blame.*"
- When Columbia University students blamed Israel for the brutal and savage Hamas attack on Oct. 7, a group of Columbia professors came to their defense.
- And the City University of New York faculty union sent an email to its 23,000 members in which it blasted the "Zionist genocidal campaign."

Hostility toward Jews is so pronounced now that more than a third of Jewish college students hide their identity on campus, according to one poll conducted Nov. 14-15.

More than half, 54%, said they felt scared.

That, my friend, **ANGERS** me. And I'm sure you feel the same. It's an utter outrage that Jewish students do not feel free to come and go as they please, to openly own their Jewish identity on campus.

By the way, Joe Biden and Kamala Harris are no help in defeating antisemitism.

Biden lists the Hamas-linked Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR) as an outside adviser to the White House strategy on countering anti-Jewish hate. Yet CAIR is one of the nation's most antisemitic organizations. It blamed Israel for Oct. 7 and refused to condemn Hamas for its savage massacre.

And when a student at George Washington University accused Israel of "ethnic genocide," **Harris failed to denounce that ugly smear**. Instead, she condoned the base lie, uttering this idiocy, "Your voice, your perspective, your experience, your truth, should not be suppressed."

You and I must make our voices heard for Israel! **Please be as generous as you can!**

Thank you so much for your friendship. My prayer is that you know and experience God's blessing as you bless and stand with Israel!

Together for Israel,

Mat Staver
President and Chairman



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P.S. Israel is at war and under assault on the streets and campuses of America. **Your generous gift will help us fight back, answering lies with truth.**

With your help, we will bless and defend Israel as we mobilize Americans to stand for Israel. **Please respond right away!**

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