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In G-D, one & unique king of the universe, we trust - 13 Sivan 5775

Pope Francis
Apostolic Palace
00120 Vatican City State, EUROPE
Re: Relations between the Vatican and Israel

Dear Pope Francis,

With all due respect and honor, we turn to you regarding the conduct and recently reported statements of the Vatican.

It has been reported that the Vatican has officially recognized the political body known as the 'Palestinian Authority' as a state, and has begun to refer to it as such in official documents.

It has also been reported that his honor has called the Chairman of the Palestinian Authority an "Angel of Peace." An explanation from the Vatican suggested that this was to encourage the Chairman to move forward with the peace process.

Unfortunately, these recent actions by his honor are part of a long history of activity and positions on behalf of the Roman Catholic Church, which apparently has never abandoned its mission to persecute the People of Israel for its refusal to recognize your savior as the Messiah of Israel and to force them to surrender to its religious doctrine.

By the grace of the Almighty that promised to return the nation of Israel to its Land and gather its exiles, the Jewish nation has merited its resurgence and has established itself on its Land through the establishment of the State of Israel and the in-gathering of our people from exile. Therefore, the territory of the entirety of the Land of Israel, from the Euphrates to the Nile is Israel's by Divine right.

The recent statements and activities of the Vatican are a slap in the face of the Jewish nation, and the Bible; a slap through which you reaffirm your interpretations of the prophecies that G d has abandoned and forsaken the original people of Israel.

Reality proves the opposite.

The Vatican's should desist from its encouragement of the occupying entity of the Land of Israel, known as the Palestinian Authority, and from referring to it as a "state." Further, we request that the pope instruct the Vatican that the sole claimant of divine right to the Land of Israel is the nation of Israel. This will certainly contribute much more to genuine peace than encouraging your "angel of peace," who till now, has only contributed hostility and war.



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We are surprised at how you could bestow such honor on a man who is a Holocaust denier, who has stated his refusal to allow even one Jew to live in "his" future state, let alone become a citizen of such, while at same time that the State of Israel - the state of the Jewish Nation, whether willingly or unwillingly, hosts on its land over three million Arabs who enjoy human and civil right on a level unparalleled in their long history.

The Vatican should remain true to that which is written in the Bible, in the name of the great prophets. We encourage the Vatican to adopt the seven laws of Noah, in particular, to reform its attitude to Israel and the Jewish nation, to seek and pursue justice, as is demanded by that eternal code.

In blessing, may you guide your personal flock in the path of truth and grace, and may you merit full repentance before the Lord, and consider request forgiveness from the Jewish people for all of the church's machinations and crimes against them until today.

You should note that the only country in the Middle East where Christians are not being persecuted and murdered is Israel.

At this time, one should note that the Hand of G-d is already striking Christian Europe due to direct and indirect support of Arab terror and through antisemitism against G-d's people Israel. Through the growth of Islam, it is being overrun and we are witnessing the West surrendering to its own occupation.

It is incumbent upon you to consider carefully the situation of Christians throughout the Islamic world, and weigh your words carefully. By granting backing to Islam, Rome can only become a victim.

We would appreciate a timely response by 15/4/5775 (2 Jul.).

Respectfully,

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