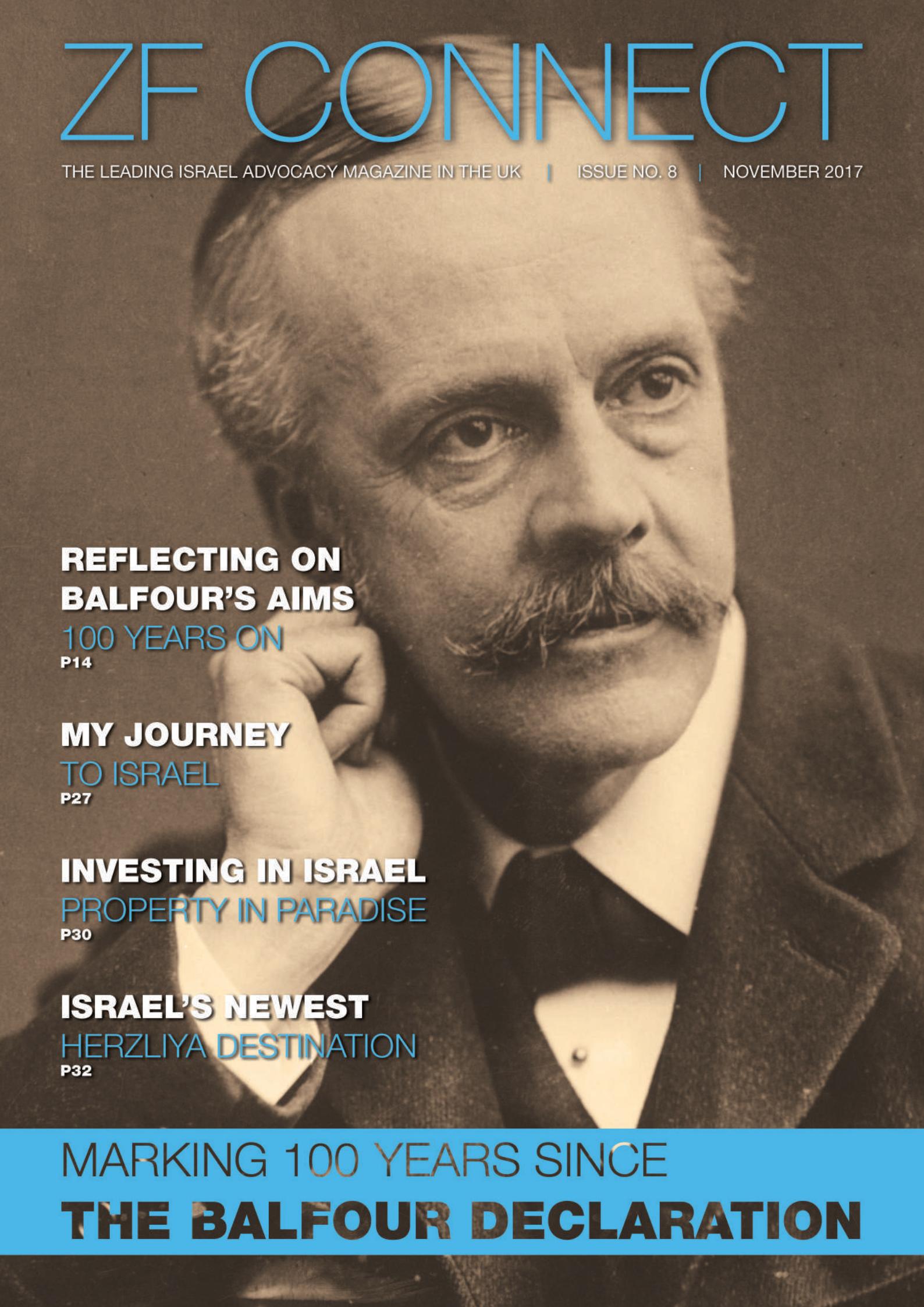


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A large, sepia-toned portrait of David Lloyd George, a man with a prominent mustache and receding hairline, looking slightly to the right. He is wearing a dark suit jacket over a white shirt and a dark tie.

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Welcome to ZF Connect Magazine

Welcome to this special edition of the Zionist Federation's flagship publication.



This is an exciting time to be working at the ZF, as it gives an opportunity to take on so many celebrations of Zionism at this time. 2017 has seen a number of important anniversaries for Israel and the Jewish people – 50 years since the Six Day War, 70 years since the Partition plan vote at the UN, 120 years since the first world Zionist congress and of course 100 years since the Balfour Declaration was written to be conveyed to the Zionist Federation.

This special edition of ZF Connect delivers the Balfour Declaration to your doorstep so-to-speak. With articles about Israel then and now this magazine continues the legacy of the Balfour Declaration, bringing Israel to each and every one of you.

In this edition of the ZF Connect magazine, you will read about the significance of the Balfour at the time of its writing and its impact on Israel today in an article that we are pleased to bring you by His Excellency Mark Regev. You will also read about the Balfour Declaration's impact today from Jenni Frazer, who has written for many newspapers and publications including both the Jewish Chronicle and the Jewish News. Continuing through the magazine you will read about the impact the Zionist Federation is having here in the UK, ensuring that our strong past as one of the recipients of the Balfour Declaration mirrors our vibrant future in celebrating the full spectrum of Zionism that we are proud to represent.

Finally you will read an article about Israel's latest football team, a team that embodies one of the many pillars of the ZF and that is supporting immigrants to Israel (Olim). The ZF have "adopted" this team that is made up of Olim from across the globe and will be bringing you news and interesting information from this eclectic mix of Israelis with roots worldwide.

We are proud to be able to be at the ZF at such an exciting time and proud to work together in such a vibrant team, bringing the very best of Israel to the UK. We look forward to celebrating not only the centenary of the Balfour Declaration with you, but the many other elements that make Israel and Zionism so special.

Enjoy the magazine!

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ZF Executive Director

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Dear Reader,

I am delighted to be able to write this message as the chairman of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland at such a special time for our organisation.

Celebrating 100 years of the Balfour Declaration is no small matter. This declaration has been the cornerstone of many other historical moments for the establishment of a Jewish homeland and it is no coincidence that it came from Great Britain.

In 1917 the Zionist Federation had been in existence for just 18 years and already seen so many exciting developments throughout the world. But with Chaim Weitzmann at its helm, the ZF became part of something special. Without the chairman of the day, perhaps the Balfour Declaration would not have had the same significance.

Weitzmann later went on become the first President of the state of Israel, and a personal hero of mine. Whilst I have no such aspirations or desires, I am humbled to be able to act as chairman of the very organisation that Israel's first president did 100 years ago.

The ZF still continues to stand up for Israel and stand up for Zionism here in the UK. With tens of thousands of people engaged each year, including political leaders, community leaders, and grassroots activists, the ZF is as vibrant now as it was then.

I am excited to be leading this organisation into the future. A future that looks to be as bright and exciting as the ZF's past.

It is important that we don't forget the major significance of this small letter, penned 100 years ago ensuring that the Jewish homeland, the State of Israel, continues to be a safe and vibrant place for all those who live in it and support it worldwide.

Am Yisrael Chai!

Paul Charney



Chairman
Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland



Dear Reader,

I am very humbled as the present bearer of AJB's title when members of the Jewish community around the world tell me what it means to them.

I can claim no credit for its birth but am adamant in the view that subsequent events have proved it was only right that the Jewish race were given the opportunity to return to the land of Abraham and Moses.

The only sadness today is that what, in a sparsely-populated land at the time, could have been peaceful coexistence of the Abrahamic faiths, has instead turned into deadly loathing with one of the sides determined to annihilate the other, not helped by the latter's sometimes inflammatory policies which go against a central tenet of the Declaration.

This state of affairs cannot be allowed to continue, so greater minds than mine need be turned to making the Palestinians regain their self-respect through a new economy which in turn would hopefully allow Israel to live more securely.

Whatever the shortcomings in the present situation, the Declaration has to be regarded as the foundation stone for one of the most humanitarian initiatives in history.



Lord Balfour
5th Earl of Balfour





To the members of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland

It's a particularly important year marking the centenary of the Balfour Declaration. The role of the Zionist Federation was crucial in the campaign to establish a permanent homeland for the Jewish people in Palestine.

Lord Balfour was asked by the second Lord Rothschild to bring the Balfour Declaration "to the knowledge of the Zionist Federation." After 3,000 years of civilization and 2,000 of persecution, the Balfour Declaration was to lead to a home for the Jews in Palestine and subsequently the foundation of the State of Israel. As Chaim Weizmann said of the Declaration at the time, "It represented the grating of the Magna Carta of Jewish liberation, a decisive event in Jewish history", while my forebear said of this letter addressed to his London home at 148 Piccadilly, "this is the most important moment in Jewish history in the last 1800 years".

Now 100 years later, the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland is an integral partner of the Balfour100, the official tribute of the British Jewish community marking the centenary. I am extremely grateful for your help and assistance in ensuring its success.

With best wishes,
Yours sincerely,
David Rothschild

LORD ROTHSCHILD



Harry Markham, Khulan Davaajav and Noor Dahri are three Zionists, representing thousands of others like them, all supporters of Israel here in the UK.

The Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland supports the work and efforts of all those standing up for Israel and Zionism here in the UK. Whether it is through writing, posting, talking, educating or more, the ZF helps them to ensure that Israel gets fair treatment and that the relationship between the UK and Israel continues to thrive.

The ZF continues to increase its efforts to help them and the thousands of others like them.
But we cannot do it alone. We need your help.

By making a donation, you will be strengthening our ability and their resolve, giving Harry, Khulan, Noor and many others up and down the country the means to continue to stand up for Israel consistently and resourcefully.

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So far in 2017, the ZF have educated over 1,000 school students, as well as university students and other activists from across communities about Israel.

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So far in 2017, the ZF have empowered over 25,000 activists to write letters to their MP's about a variety of Israel-related issues, through the Israel Britain Alliance, a project of the ZF.

ENGAGE

So far in 2017, the ZF have engaged with over 100,000 people through a variety of educational and online events, speaker tours, support rallies and demonstrations.

The ZF leads the way in educating, empowering and engaging its supporters with Israel but we cannot do it alone. Your donation will help to support the ZF's ongoing work throughout the year, bringing Israel closer to the UK.

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ZF FOR ISRAEL

Foreign Office,
November 2nd, 1917.

The Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland are proud to have been able to play such a pivotal role 100 years ago in receiving the Balfour declaration.

With members spanning across the Zionist spectrum, we aim to Engage, Empower and Educate all those across the country to embody the spirit of the Balfour Declaration, continuing to celebrate Zionism and Israel for many years to come.

I should be grateful if you would bring this declaration to the knowledge of the Zionist Federation.

*Yours sincerely
Arthur Balfour*

The ZF has been honoured to play a significant role, alongside all of our partners in the Balfour 100 steering group, supporting and enabling celebrations of the centenary across the country.

ABOUT BALFOUR 100

On November 1st 1917, Lord Rothschild was informally notified that a letter would be sent to him the following day from Foreign Secretary Balfour.

That letter was to be the Balfour Declaration. Lord Rothschild immediately wrote to Chaim Weizmann informing him that the Declaration was on its way in the next 24 hours.

In response Weizmann wrote to Lord Rothschild on the 2nd November 1917 – the date of the Declaration. In the letter, Weizmann thanks Lord Rothschild for all he has done and concludes with these historic lines:

“ May I offer you our heartiest thanks I am sure that when the history of this time will be written it will be justifiably said that the name of the greatest House in Jewry was associated with the granting of the Magna Carta of Jewish liberties. **”**

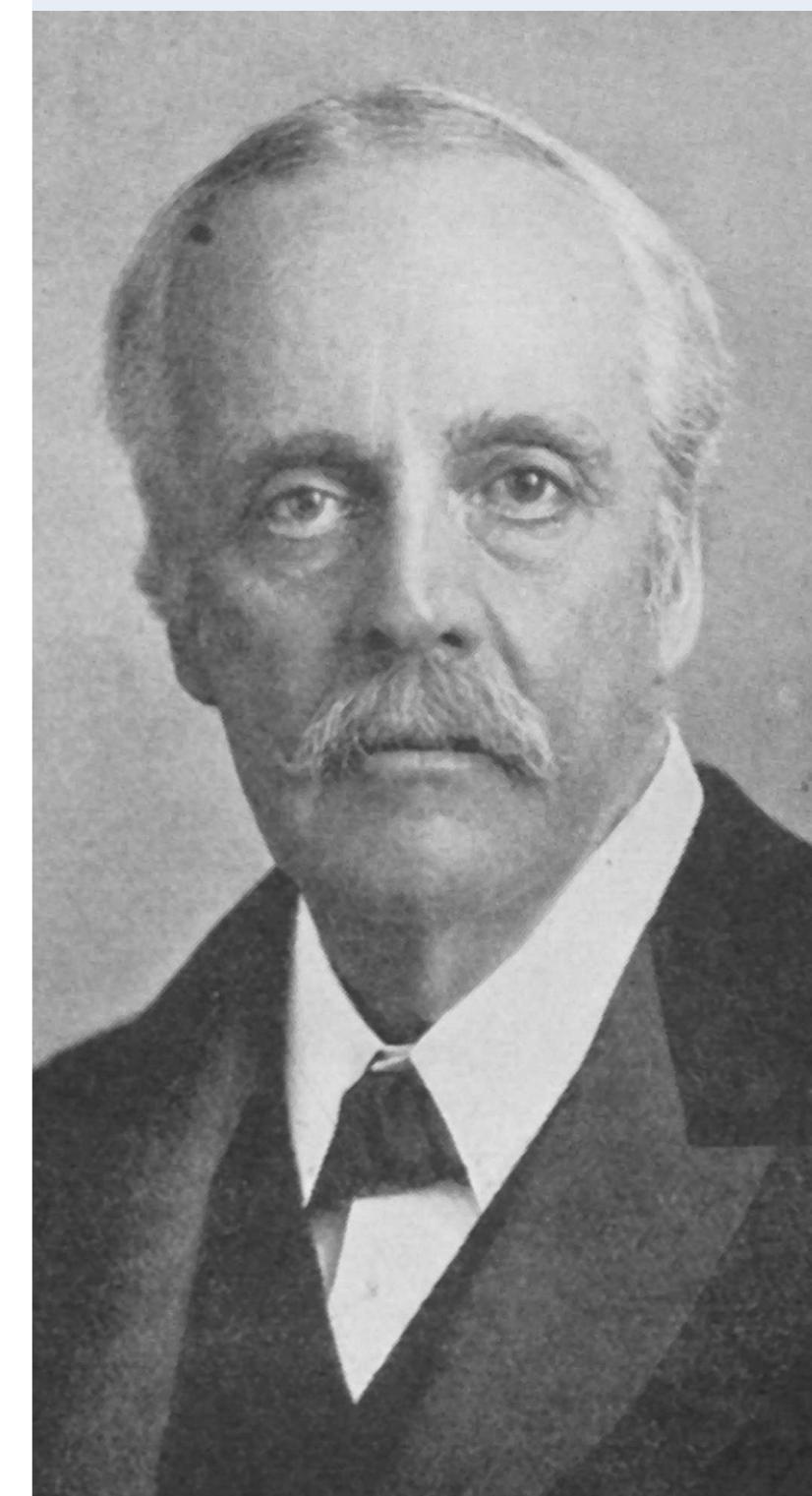
Balfour 100 is the official tribute of the British Jewish community marking the centenary of the Balfour Declaration, issued on November 2nd, 1917.

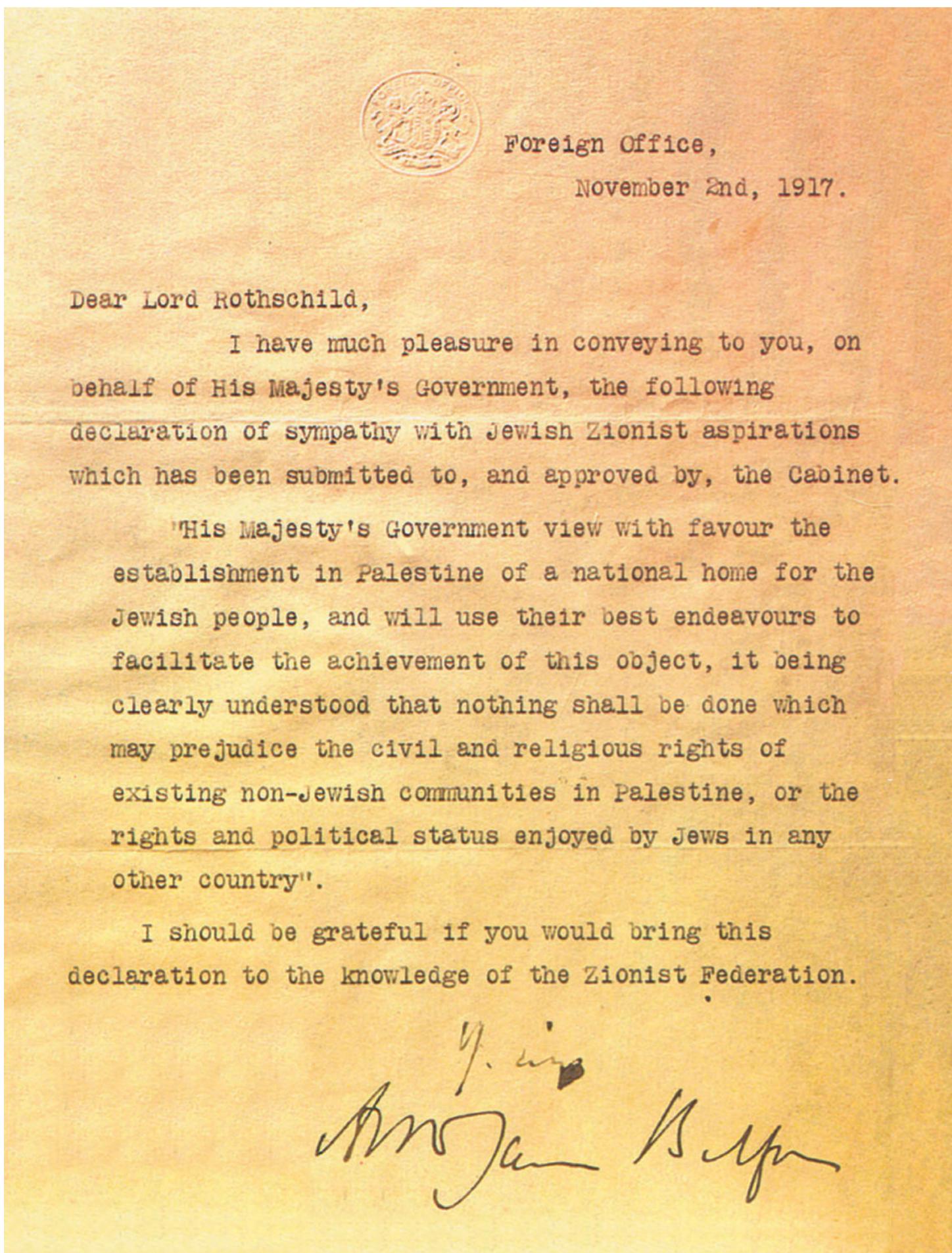
Balfour 100 was initiated by Lord Jacob Rothschild and is managed by a Steering Committee representing Jewish communal organisations.

The Balfour 100 tribute is a comprehensive set of activities including a range of digital resources, educational programmes, communal events, and the Balfour 100 Tribute Lecture by Professor Simon Schama.

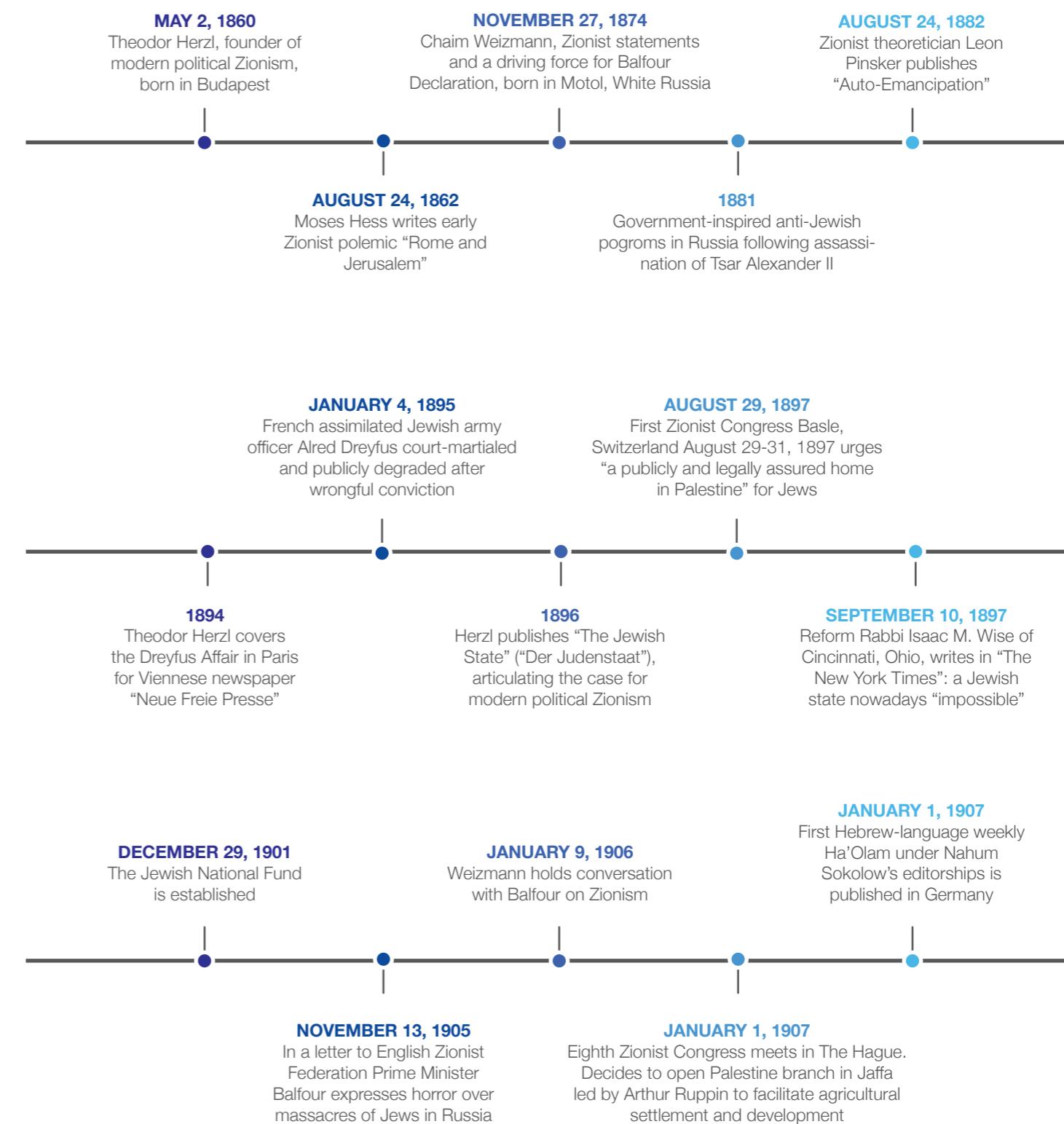
Balfour 100 acknowledges with gratitude the foresight of Lord Arthur Balfour and the British government of Lloyd George. In the midst of the Great War, they looked to the future and chose to recognise the longing of the Jewish people to re-establish its national homeland in the land of Israel. We express our deep appreciation to all those British leaders in the subsequent one hundred years, who have shared in their vision.

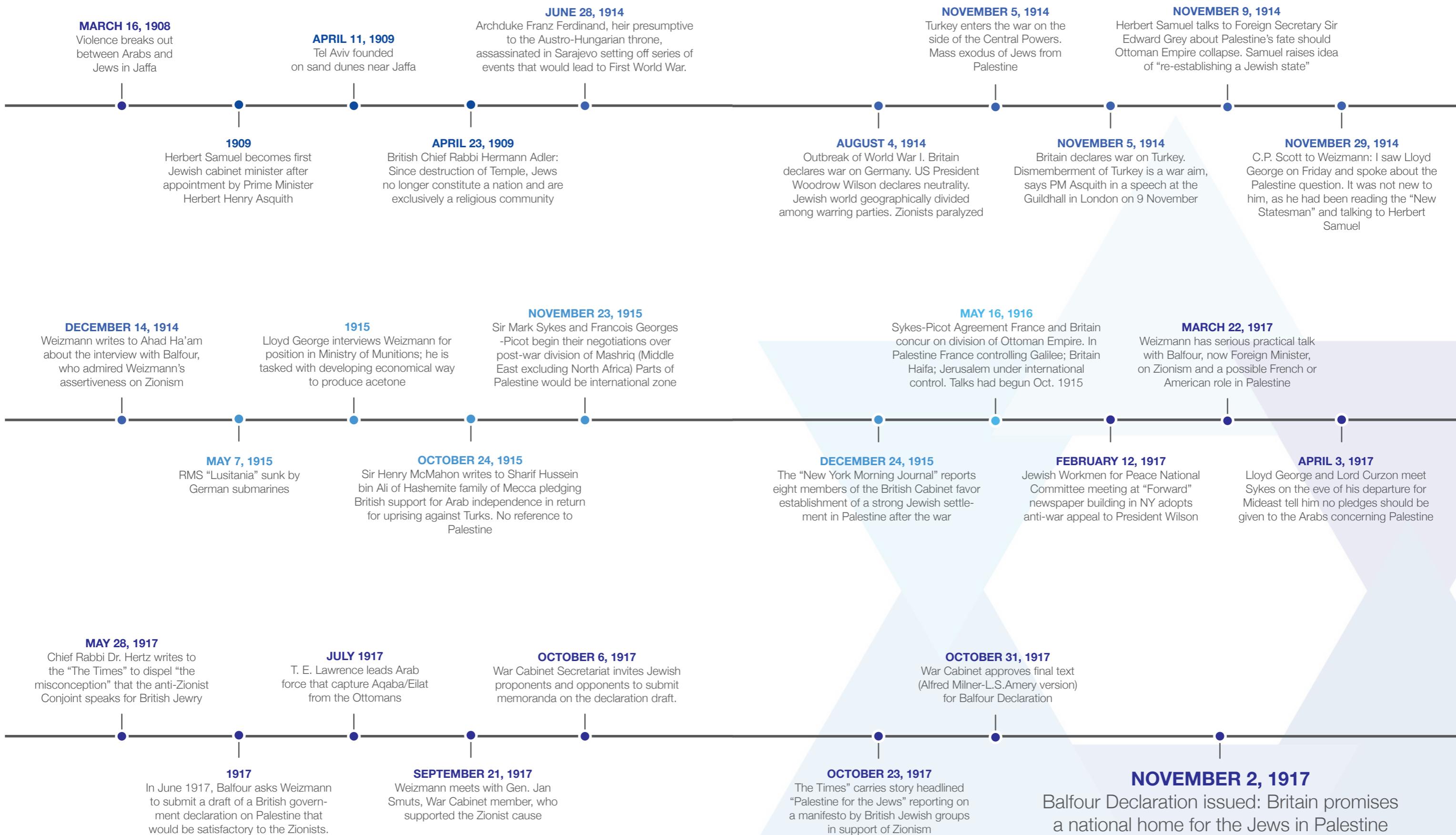
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Balfour timeline





Reflecting on Balfour's aims, 100 years on

As we celebrate the centenary of the Balfour Declaration, we would do well to reflect upon the aims it set out, and examine whether they have been achieved.

The primary and most significant aim of the letter written by the then-Foreign Secretary Arthur James Balfour was 'the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people'. This was the first formal statement by a major modern power recognising our people's right to national self-determination in our historic homeland.

Today, Israel is a prosperous democracy, a powerhouse of innovation and technology, and home to some eight and a half million citizens. The majority of Israelis are either refugees or the descendants of refugees who fled persecution, violence, and genocide to make a new life for themselves. Our people are now a free people in a free country, able to defend ourselves by ourselves.

Thus, the focal goal of the Balfour Declaration – to establish a national home for the Jewish people in the Land of Israel – has indeed been realised in full. We can be proud of this.

When we examine Balfour's remarkable letter, we also see two secondary aims.

One aim was to ensure: 'that nothing shall be done which may prejudice the civil and religious rights of existing non-Jewish communities in Palestine'.

That goal of protecting the civil and religious rights of all was realised on 14 May 1948, when Israel's Declaration of Independence was signed. It not only promised 'full and equal citizenship and due representation', but also pledged to 'ensure complete equality of social and political rights', and to 'guarantee freedom of religion, conscience, language, education and culture'.

“Today, Israel is a prosperous democracy, a powerhouse of innovation and technology, and home to some eight and a half million citizens.”

In fact, Israel's Arab citizens are the only Arab community in the Greater Middle East to consistently enjoy democratic freedoms: freedom of worship, freedom to vote in elections that actually decide who forms a government, and freedom of speech. These liberties are enshrined in law and guaranteed by a genuinely independent judiciary.

It is clear that the secondary aim of protecting the civil and religious rights of non-Jewish communities has also been realised.

Finally, the Balfour Declaration states that nothing should be done to prejudice 'the rights and political status enjoyed by Jews in any other country'.

Balfour penned those words conscious of the fact that our people had endured persecution for many centuries: persecution that continued at the time of his writing. Unfortunately, the world's longest hatred continued and intensified after his 1917 letter.

The Nazis annihilated six million Jews in the Holocaust. This was a pan-continent crime of calculated, systematic and scientific mass murder, committed as an act of policy by a genocidal state.

Following that abhorrent and unprecedented crime, we also saw the end



Mark Regev

of Jewish communities across the Middle East. In 1948, there were 851,000 Jews living across the Arab world; today, there are fewer than 5,000.

Clearly, the aim of upholding the rights and freedoms of Jews everywhere has not been realised. We cannot, must not and will not forget this fact.

Israel's detractors are all too often keen to argue that the Balfour Declaration's goals have not been fully implemented when it comes to the national rights of the Palestinians, despite there being no mention of these in the Declaration.

Those detractors would do well to acknowledge that over the last 100 years, the rights of Jews in Diaspora communities have not been upheld and that the Jewish state has offered our people freedom and security since its rebirth.

A century on from the Balfour Declaration, Jewish communities in Israel and the Diaspora can be proud of what has been achieved. However, we must ensure that every Jew no matter where they live can enjoy the rights and protections promised to them in the Balfour Declaration.

ARTICLE BY MARK REGEV
AMBASSADOR OF ISRAEL
TO THE UK

THE MODERN IMPACT OF THE BALFOUR DECLARATION

Between its issuing in 1917 and the celebration of its centenary this year, the Balfour Declaration has not troubled us much. Once the state of Israel was established in 1948 and Britain, as the mandatory authority, left the scene, Balfour, and what it represented, has languished on the sidelines, no more than an intriguing footnote to the ties between the two countries.

Only the Zionist Federation, whose leadership pushed for the British Foreign Secretary, Arthur Balfour, to write to Lord Rothschild expressing support for the establishment of a Jewish homeland in Mandate Palestine, has kept the flag flying for Balfour, with an annual lecture celebrating the 1917 letter.

But as the centenary approached, many writers and academics have re-appraised Balfour, from both the Zionist side and those representing aggrieved Palestinians, the latter calling for "apologies" from the British government - which Britain has steadfastly refused to provide.

The wording of Balfour's letter to Lord Rothschild famously went through a number of drafts as the British were anxious to have something open to interpretation. It had no legal effect - but it was issued in the closing months of the First World War, and Britain's links to Palestinian Jewry were underlined at the 1920 San Remo conference, where Britain was given a mandate to administer Palestine and was required to implement the Balfour Declaration.

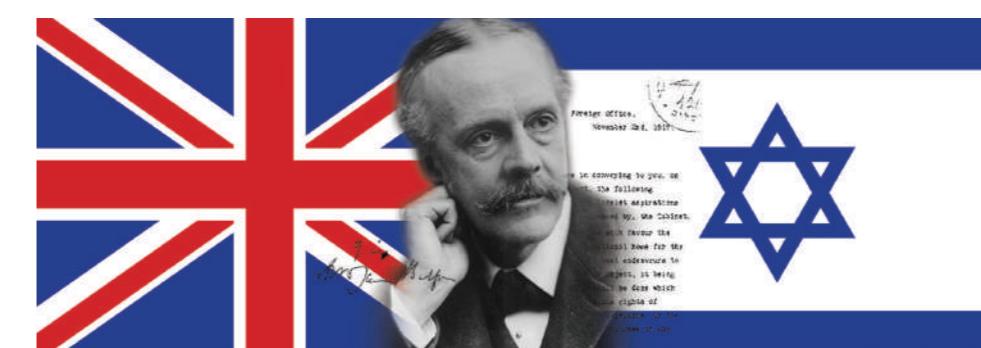
“Britain regards Israel as one of its strongest friends and allies in the Middle East, a centre of stability and democracy.”

So for nearly 30 years Britain, because of the Balfour Declaration, ruled Mandate Palestine, bequeathing democracy and its legal system to what would become the state of Israel.

And in the intervening seven decades Israel and Britain, with some rocky encounters along the way - for example the Arab boycott of Israel, partially underwritten by the British Foreign Office - have become extraordinarily close allies.

While not everything in the diplomatic garden is rosy, there are significant place-markers along the way. Trade between the two countries is higher than it has ever been - and perhaps one indicator of the warmth Britain felt for Israel was the appointment of Matthew Gould as the first British Jewish ambassador to Israel in 2010.

Mr Gould served for five years in Tel Aviv, longer than his original appointment, and cemented the British-Israel relationship on a number of fronts - including a joint enterprise to help Holocaust survivors in both countries, and the establishment of the UK-Israel Tech Hub, one



Jenni Frazer

of the cornerstones of the links between the two countries. And the Gould initiatives remain a mainstay of the approach of the current British ambassador to Israel, David Quarrey.

Every week of the year there are exchange visits, not just at the political level, but across the spectrum: academics meet their counterparts, business people meet business people, police, terrorist and intelligence experts swap information and ideas. And that's beside the huge cultural exchange of actors, artists, singers and musicians.

Britain regards Israel as one of its strongest friends and allies in the Middle East, a centre of stability and democracy. Tel Aviv lights up in sympathy when there is a terrorist attack in Britain, Britain understands better than ever some of the violent challenges which Israel faces.

So this is the legacy of Arthur James Balfour: the 67 words of a benevolent wish that there should be a homeland for Jews in Palestine, has led to a strong, functioning democracy with a historic and affectionate place in its heart for the United Kingdom - and vice versa. Thank you, Arthur.

ARTICLE BY JENNI FRAZER

'Balfour Accomplished'

'Balfour Accomplished' is the latest work by the Award-winning British artist, Beverley-Jane Stewart. The painting celebrates this year's historic Balfour Centenary and is currently taking centre-stage at an exhibition dedicated to the Balfour at the Jerusalem Biennale.

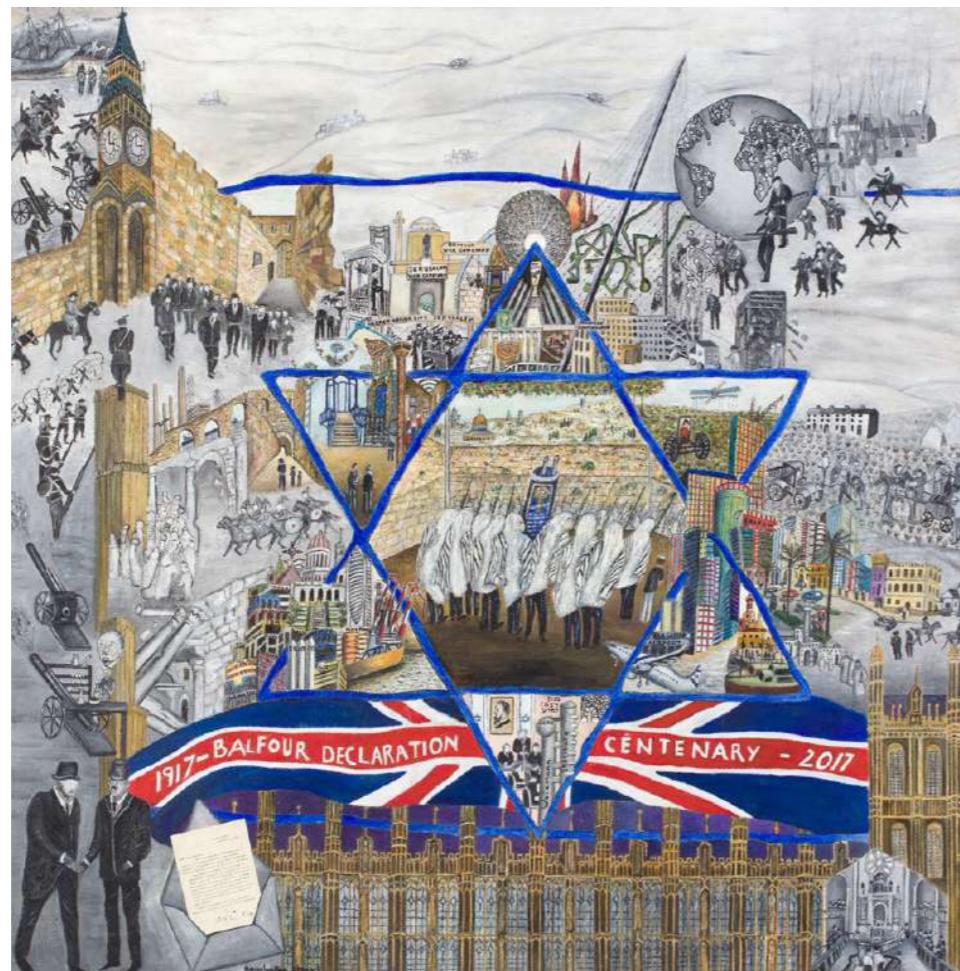
The theme of this year's Biennale is Watershed and the exhibition dedicated to the Balfour Declaration will mark one of the most important Watershed moments in recent Jewish History.

Recognised for her exploration into the relationship between Jewish and British cultures, Beverley-Jane's large-scale oil on canvass features imagery from the past and present. In Balfour Accomplished, she has created a multi-faceted thought-provoking piece, depicting a period of complexity and diversity.

Featuring imagery from a time of turbulence and change, her painting tells the story of a unique period of history to illustrate the cementing and stabilising of a lost nation.

In the painting brush strokes float through the grey past and the bright present, with the story of the Balfour Declaration connecting to modern Israel and the Jewish destiny. On either side of the work two forces are at play. The left marks the history of the British in the Middle East and their gaining access to Palestine. While the right illustrates the historical global persecution of Jews, the fight against anti-Semitism and the urgency for a homeland to survive, which helps to explain the need for wanting to return to their religious origins.

Displaying at the base of the left margin is a copy of the Balfour Letter, which is handed in person by Arthur Balfour to Lord Rothschild. But the story of the Balfour Declaration begins at the top left with the Victorian British troops defending the Suez Canal. During WW1 the Turks joined the Germans and attacked the British, bloody scenes from the Great War with explosions from heavy iron cannons are also entwined with a portrait of Weizmann and him working in his Edwardian laboratory. Weizmann discovered the use of acetone, a vital chemical used in the manufacturing of gunpowder, which became an important



asset in the battlefield. The scientist believed the Jews should have a national home in their biblical roots and was keen to persuade Balfour the importance of his vision. The British Government indebted to Weizmann became one of the influences to instigate The Balfour Declaration. The British won the war and the defeated Turkish Ottoman Empire who were in control of Palestine now became part of the British Mandate.

The bricks of Big Ben and the Elizabeth Tower transforms into the walls of Jerusalem showing General Allenby's arrival at the old city, first by horseback and then through the Jerusalem Jaffa Gate by foot. Acting as a beacon of light at a time of immense doom, Big Ben, as part of the British Parliament, becomes the supporting pole for the Israeli flag. Telling the story of modern Israel different areas are embellished on the six points of the 'Star of David'; Tel Aviv, Haifa, Jerusalem, Safed,

Caesarea, kibbutz farming, the Weizmann Institute and the Hall of Independence. Combined into a collage of modern buildings are Banks, shopping malls, high tech parks, scientific institutions, gas wells, universities, museums, and agricultural farming, demonstrating some of the contributions Israel has made within the world. Contrasting with Israel's achievements the pinnacle point of the star is 'Yad Vashem', Museum of Remembrance, a historical reminder of Jewish oppression.

The central focus of the 'Star of David' is the celebration of the joyous Jewish festival of Sukkot (The Tabernacle), which takes place on a roof terrace overlooking the Kotel Wall, which is component of The Temple Mount (the holiest place for Jewish prayer, as this lime stone wall was part of the second Jewish temple constructed in 516BCE - 70 CE). Men in prayer shawls hold an Etrog (citrus fruit) and wave a Luluv

(three branches of symbolic meaning), which is an ancient practice from the time of the temple. The theme of the old stone walls are repeated throughout the picture and join with the original temple which was destroyed by the Romans, provoking the Jews to be a scattered nation.

At the base the Israeli flag joins with the Houses of parliament and the Union Jack. Combining the influence of the British for democratic values, Israel became the first Middle Eastern State to respect and endorse this legal system of ruling. In the picture, painted at the top peak of the star, the Knesset (Israeli Government) is illustrated.

Israel has grown immensely from the early years of the mandate to be an independent sophisticated force on world politics and achievements.

ARTICLE BY BEVERLEY-JANE STEWART

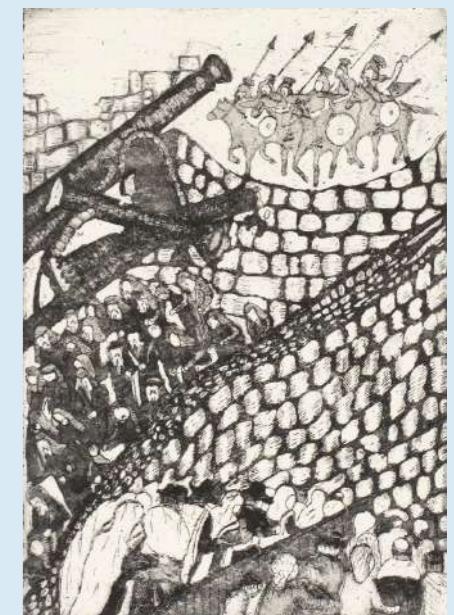
Beverley-Jane has also produced a series of five unique black and white coloured etchings on zinc and copper plates. In each piece, she has focused on topical and thought provoking themes in connection with Balfour:

1. Reflecting the past in mandate Palestine. Modern Tel Aviv enhances the power of woman, which is contrasted by comparing the role of woman in the army with male soldiers in the British Mandate.
2. The timelessness of Safed with echoes of Jews living in the Turkish Ottoman Empire.

3. Reflective worship in Hurva Synagogue in Jerusalem comparing prayers at the time of the Mandate with today.

4. The survival of the Kotel (part of old Jerusalem where the Western wall connected to the second temple) the importance of prayer and its spiritual connections.
5. The refusal of the British to allow Holocaust survivors on the Exodus ship to disembark in Haifa. Suffering under appalling conditions they were sent back to Germany - but 'we returned', and today Haifa flourishes.

Kotel Survival in Prayer (No. 4)



And We Returned (No. 5)

Balfour Accomplished and supporting etchings by Beverley-Jane Stewart are currently on display at Jerusalem's Machtarot Museum as part of Jerusalem's Biennale for Contemporary Jewish Art, until November 16, 2017.

Additional work by Beverley-Jane is also on display at the Rosenbach Contemporary Gallery, Jerusalem.



Beverley-Jane Stewart

BALFOUR EVENTS CALENDAR

2 NOVEMBER

FACE TO FACE WITH THE BALFOUR DECLARATION

Location: West London
Face to face with the Balfour Declaration: a panel discussion.

For more details:
balfour100committee@gmail.com

B'NAI B'RITH - FIRST LODGE OF ENGLAND

Location: London
A Balfour Declaration commemorative event including an introduction, lighting of menorah, letter to Lord Rothschild and brief background, 20 minute film, panel of speakers including the Chairs of Conservative and Labour Friends of Israel, plus others.

For more details:
balfour100committee@gmail.com

BALFOUR SHABBAT SERVICE

Location: London
A Balfour shabbat service, speaker, together with a bumper kiddush in honour of Balfour 100.

For more details:
balfour100committee@gmail.com

BALFOUR 100: WHAT RESPONSIBILITIES DO BRITISH JEWS HAVE TOWARDS PALESTINIAN HUMAN RIGHTS?

Location: North London
An evening with Israeli NGO Yesh Din, which is the primary Israeli NGO providing legal advocacy for protecting Palestinians' human rights in the West Bank.

For more details:

graham@uknif.org

3 NOVEMBER

BALFOUR SHABBAT FRIDAY NIGHT

Location: London
A D'var Torah given by Simon Johnson, CEO of the Jewish Leadership Council, following the Friday night service on the key role played by Chief Rabbi Hertz in the finalising of the Balfour Declaration and the lessons from the Torah which he shared with the Government.

For more details:
gayle@hgss.org.uk

4 NOVEMBER

BALFOUR SHABBAT, HASHKAMAH KIDDUSH

Location: London
After the early morning service, Simon Johnson, CEO of the Jewish Leadership Council, will speak on how religious Zionists reacted to the Balfour Declaration. A fascinating 10 minute talk over a very enjoyable kiddush.

For more details:
gayle@hgss.org.uk

BALFOUR SHABBAT- COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Location: London
Join Simon Johnson, CEO of the Jewish Leadership Council, who will tell the "Full Story of the Balfour Declaration" in a relaxed format over coffee during the Shabbat morning service. Part of the popular Coffee and Conversation series.

For more details:
gayle@hgss.org.uk

BALFOUR CELEBRATION WITH A DINNER

Location: Catford
Celebrate the Balfour 100 celebration with a Dinner on Saturday 4th November. Professor Michael Berkowitz (Professor of Modern Jewish History) of UCL will be our key note speaker.

For more details:
chairman@catfordsynagogue.org.uk

THE BRITISH & THE JEWS: FROM THE BALFOUR DECLARATION TO NOT BOMBING AUSCHWITZ

Location: North London
Professor Michael Cohen and Professor Colin Shindler in conversation.

For more details:
www.nnls-masorti.org.uk

BALFOUR 100 LUNCH

Location: Wembley
A Balfour themed lunch for the community together with a guest speaker.

For more details:
balfour100committee@gmail.com

BALFOUR 100 LECTURES

Location: Hertfordshire
Balfour 100 lectures. The speaker is Rebbetzin Ilana Epstein, who is part of the US Living and Learning department. She will run two sessions around different aspects of the Balfour Declaration.

For more details:
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7 NOVEMBER

ROYAL ALBERT HALL BALFOUR CELEBRATION

Location: Royal Albert Hall
This amazing evening will be a mix of music, song and drama as we discover and follow the partnerships and personalities that were key to the issuing of the Balfour Declaration.

For more details:
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14 NOVEMBER

DOES THE BALFOUR DECLARATION STILL MATTER?

Location: Elstree and borehamwood
A lecture and discussion titled "Does the Balfour Declaration still matter?" What is the future of the Israeli-British government relations? Baroness Deech will provide an insight into the relationship between the two governments and asks what role to British Jews have, if any, in the relationship.

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16 NOVEMBER

100 YEARS SINCE BALFOUR: CHALLENGES THEN AND NOW

Location: HAMPSTEAD, NW3
A panel discussion, exploring both the historical context of the Balfour Declaration, the challenges it presented at the time and the challenges it presents today, as well as the role of the UK in the region 100 years on.

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16 NOVEMBER

BALFOUR SPEAKER AND RECEPTION

Location: South London
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12 DECEMBER

CHANUKAH BALFOUR

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A Chanukah Balfour event

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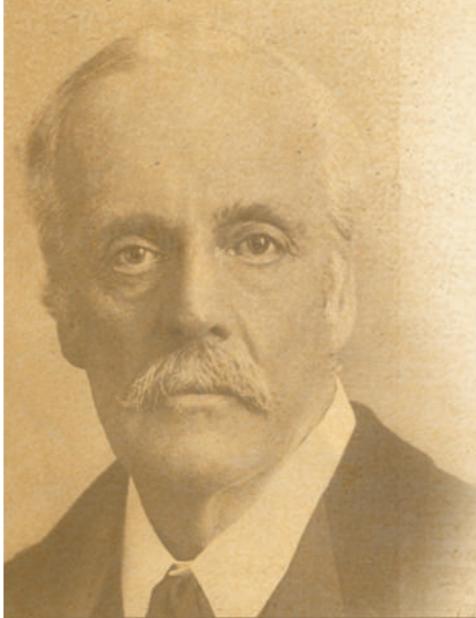


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David Ben-Gurion launches the Israel Bonds program in 1951

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THE ZIONIST FEDERATION

The Zionist Federation of the United Kingdom and Ireland (ZFUK) is the UK's leading Israel advocacy and grassroots organisation.

WHAT WE DO

The ZF is the UK's leading Israel Advocacy organisation, running hundreds of events and activities, and engaging with tens of thousands of people each year. We work in a number of areas in order to engage more people around the UK with Israel. We promote Israel and Zionism and advocate for Israel's continued right to exist and thrive.



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1,000+

Hits on our website per week

2

Exhibitions touring the UK

1

New website launched

OUR MISSION

ZFUK celebrates Israel and challenges our enemies. With over 50,000 affiliates, ZFUK engages in advocacy training, mobilises activists across the UK, holds speaking events, demonstrations and rallies, as well as many educational seminars and events.

ZFUK promotes the real face of Israel, including the contribution Israel has made to the world, in Medicine, in Agriculture, in Science, in Cultural industries and in innovation to name just a few.

ZFUK is made up of over 30 constituent organisations with a range of political opinions and affiliations. ZFUK is an organisation where all of these views can come together and be part of the conversation. ZFUK values debate but believes that it is our commonality that unites us rather than our differences that divide us. ZFUK is the UK affiliate of the World Zionist Organisation.

EDUCATE

So far in 2017, the ZF have educated over 1,000 school students, as well as university students and other activists from across communities about Israel.

EMPOWER

So far in 2017, the ZF have empowered over 25,000 activists to write letters to their MP's about a variety of Israel-related issues, through the Israel Britain Alliance, a project of the ZF.

ENGAGE

So far in 2017, the ZF have engaged with over 100,000 people through a variety of educational and online events, speaker tours, support rallies and demonstrations.

HIGHLIGHTS 2017

01 >

ESTABLISHED THE ISRAEL BRITAIN ALLIANCE

The IBA is a game-changing organisation that brings our political advocacy into the 21st century, building a national network of activists who engage regularly with parliament. A project of the ZF, the IBA is dedicated to bringing clarity to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, other pressing issues in the Middle East, and globally.

The IBA engages with a UK-wide constituency of supporters and builds partnerships with organisations across both the religious and secular spectra. It is connecting with Britain's innovative, diverse and vibrant diasporas, working with all sectors of government and across political parties, the trade union movement, public interest groups and educational establishments to achieve our objectives.

02 >

HELD THE 2017 ANNUAL ZF LOBBY DAY

The ZF, in partnership with CFI, were joined by over 150 activists from across the country in Parliament for the launch of our Pledge For Peace. Israel's Ambassador to the Court of St James, Mark Regev, and Palestinian journalist and human rights activist, Bassam Eid, both addressed a packed audience during the morning briefing session. Baroness Ruth Deech, Lord Stuart Polak and MP's Joan Ryan, Theresa Villers, Bob Blackman, Matthew Offord, Caroline Ansell, Ian Austin, Louise Ellman and David Burroughs addressed a packed House of Commons committee room in the afternoon, showing a cross-party level of support for the state of Israel and our Pledge For Peace.



03 >

ZF YOM HA'ATZMAUT 69

The ZF were delighted to host London's largest YH celebration, hosted by award-winning comedian, writer and improviser, Mark Maier with entertainment by Israeli singer, Osnat Zeno, the talented students of the Lipper Academy of Performing Arts in Tel Aviv and dancers from the Israeli Dance Institute. Thank you to all those who joined us in celebrating 69 years of Jewish sovereignty in our ancestral homeland.



04 >

HOSTED FORMER ISRAELI DEFENCE MINISTER AT OUR ANNUAL DINNER

In March, the ZF were proud to host Moshe Yaalon, the former Defence Minister of Israel at the packed-out Annual Dinner. Other special guests included Mark Regev Israel's Ambassador to the Court of St James', Rami Sherman from the IDF operation at Entebbe, and the singer Tally Koren. Moshe Ya'alon spoke about the role we all must take in combatting the delegitimisation of Israel, and how the ZF was leading in that battle in the UK. He later called on British Jews not to "underestimate the challenge". There was also a standing ovation during the dinner for Rami Sherman, who served as an IDF commando during the Entebbe raid to free more than 100 hostages on a hijacked plane from Paris. Singer Tally Koren sang, amongst other songs, "Chai", a song which is a metaphor for the nation of Israel and Israel's entry in the 1983 Eurovision Song Contest. The evening was a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by all our guests.

05 >

ESTABLISHED THE PAKISTAN ISRAEL ALLIANCE

The PIA is a ground-breaking partnership that reaches out to Pakistani-Muslim communities, breaks stereotypes, and challenges hostility.

Its mission is to promote peaceful reconciliation between Israel and Pakistan, believing it to be in the national interest of both countries to do so. To do this the PIA has created a platform for constructive voices from different communities. This makes possible the promotion of regional peace and interethnic and interfaith dialogue as well as the fight against extremism, Antisemitism, and Islamophobia.

06 >

CO-HOSTED MICKY ROSENFELD, THE CHIEF INSPECTOR OF ISRAEL POLICE

In February, the ZF were delighted to partner up with Finchley Synagogue (Kinloss) to host Mickey Rosenfeld, Chief Inspector of the Israel Police. The theme of Rosenfeld's talk was internal security threats with which Israel currently deals. Rosenfeld spoke in great detail about the spate of terrorist attacks that has engulfed Israel in the past 18 months; in particular, he spoke about the ways in which the police force has dealt with such attacks and the steps it plans on taking to prevent such attacks from recurring in the future.



07 >

ANNUAL ISRAEL SEMINAR - HOSTING THE LEADERS OF THE FUTURE

The ZF's Annual Israel seminar brought together activists and experts for a unique opportunity to learn from the top minds of Israel. The speakers included Captain Keren Hajioff, at that time a senior officer in the IDF's spokesperson unit and now the Head of Public Diplomacy in the IDF, Gil Hoffman, the political editor of the Jerusalem Post, Michael McCann, a former British MP and current director of the Israel Britain Alliance (a project of the ZF) and Caroline Kendal, a lawyer with UK lawyers for Israel with expertise on combatting the boycotts movement.



08 >

EDUCATED OUR YOUTH ABOUT ISRAEL

In July the ZF delivered eight lessons to over two hundred eager school pupils across six Jewish and non-Jewish schools. These lessons touched on the different facets of Israeli society: environmental innovation, politics, the start-up business culture, and the peace process.

Additionally, the ZF, working alongside the UJIA, Jewish Agency and the Israeli Embassy, participated in a multi-day schools conference – Israel: Get Connected – and was part of two different panels during these events. The panels were an exciting way to show that Zionism is not homogenous, with different people holding different opinions, but the fundamental commonality of belief and desire for a thriving state of Israel.

09 >

PROTESTED AGAINST AL-QUDS DAY IN LONDON

On 18th June some 500 anti-Zionist protesters took to the streets of London to celebrate Al Quds Day. Over the years the parades have become increasingly hostile with its supporters proclaiming their support for terrorist organisations like Hezbollah and shamelessly calling for the destruction of Israel. Unfortunately this year was no different. In response the ZF organised a counter-demonstration at which there were a number of prominent speakers most notably Kay Wilson, a survivor of a brutal terror attack in Israel in December 2010. Kay Wilson was joined by fellow guest speakers Paul Charney (ZF), Simon Johnson (JLC), Jonathan Arkush (BoD), Matthew Offord MP(Cons), Andrew Dismore AM (Lab), Michael McCann (IBA-ZF) & Vladimir Berman (WJC) Everyone that came out showed unequivocally that they would not allow such hatred and bigotry to go unchallenged and that they were determined to remove such hate-fueled propaganda from the streets of our capital.



10 >

RAMI SHERMAN – OPERATION ENTEBBE

The ZF brought Rami Sherman, a former IDF commando in Israel's infamous operation in Entebbe, on a speaking tour of the UK.

Rami spoke to packed audiences in Manchester, Birmingham, Leeds and London as well as groups of university students. He also visited schools in London where the pupils were mesmerised in his recounting of the infamous Entebbe rescue. Rami was also a guest speaker at our annual dinner where he received a standing ovation.

During his talks, he detailed the historic raid, from the government's early decision to negotiate with terrorists to its total turnaround leading to the daring rescue of over 100 hostages and the tragic death of Yoni Netanyahu, the late brother of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

11 >

WELCOMING NETANYAHU

In February, a flood of anti-Israel activists gathered in Whitehall to protest against the visit of the Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu. This was the first meeting between Netanyahu and Theresa May since the latter became Prime Minister and it provided a vital opportunity for them to discuss strengthening bilateral diplomatic, economic and security relations that would benefit both countries. The ZF responded by calling for a counter-demonstration whose aim was to highlight the strong relationship between the two democracies. Despite the short notice approximately 200 people rallied outside Downing Street waving flags and specially-designed placards. Besides our very own Arie Moller who was leading the demonstration there were several guest speakers present including Jonathan Arkush, President of the Board of Deputies; Michael McCann, Director of the Israel-Britain Alliance; and Luke Akehurst, Director of We Believe in Israel.



12 >

AN UNSUNG HERO - DR. IZACK IFAT

In the run-up to the 50th anniversary of the Six Day war, the ZF, with the World Zionist Organisation, The Board of Deputies of British Jews and We Believe in Israel brought Dr Izack Ifat, one of the first paratroopers to reach the Kotel / Western Wall in 1967, to the UK to do a nationwide tour during which he has so far spoken to packed audiences in London, Manchester, Leeds and Birmingham, during which he recalled his experiences from back then, telling how the IDF had been planning an operation in Egypt which was subsequently called off when they were told that Jordanians had launched an attack on Jerusalem.



13 >

ZF MUSLIM DELEGATION TO ISRAEL

From Friday morning, 15th September 2017 until Monday afternoon, 18th September 2017, the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, together with the Pakistan Israel Alliance, embarked on the UK's first ever Muslim delegation to Israel. Working together, the trip aimed to enable participants to see Israel for themselves and included many elements that have never appeared on a ZF Israel trip before. Led by ZF staff, Noor Dahi (Director of the PIA), and their Israeli tour guide, the group explored many elements of Israel including visits to the Western Wall, Friday prays at Al Aqsa Mosque, meeting Israel's first Bedouin diplomat in his family village, exploring the service of the Druze

community in the IDF and so much more. This trip was fully funded by the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland and will be an annual trip with a new group of delegates each year.

14 >

BALFOUR CENTENARY LEGAL CONFERENCE

ZF in partnership with UKLF (UK Lawyers for Israel), UKAJLJ (UK Association of Jewish Lawyers & Jurists) and IAJLJ (International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists) hosted a Balfour Centenary Legal Conference in central London. Attended by over 160 people, lawyers and non-lawyers, the seminar was introduced by the eminent Professor Alan Dershowitz.



My journey to Israel

Shalom! I am Shadman Zaman. I am the first Bangladeshi national in history to travel to Israel and this is my story. If the social trends are anything to go by, then I would have been an anti-Semite like most of my countrymen not someone who is on the doorstep of orthodox conversion to Judaism. I would have hated Israel and thought of Israel as the root of all problems and Zionists as the controllers of the world who wanted to destroy Muslim identity. But bucking the trend, my story ended up little differently. Bangladesh, a country with 90% Muslims, mostly had governments sympathetic to Islamists and dependent on middle eastern aid. Thus, the Wahabi Islamic teaching promoted by Saudi Arabia found its way into the minds and textbooks of Bangladeshi people. Most people in Bangladesh hates Jews in a country where there are no registered Jews. My textbooks and teachers in school used to demonize Jews and Israel as the "Satan."

But I was born in a very affluent and secular family, I was brought up in a culture which promoted humanity above all else. My father is a secular atheist person who never followed any religion and my mother is a very liberal Muslim. My maternal grandfather, an atheist, was the first Bangladeshi Zionist and it was he who introduced me to Zionism and the greatness of Judaism. At school and in public places, I was always told to hate Jews but at home my parents and my grandpa always told me not to. They told me to read about Judaism, Zionism and Jewish history. They told me to read first and then question myself whether the hatred that the common people of Bangladesh harbour towards Jews was justified or not. As a result of my curiosity and encouragement from parents, I read the book "A case for Israel" by Alan Dershowitz at the age of 12. After reading that and a lot of other books, I have no doubt that to prevent another holocaust, there has to be an Independent state of Israel. In fact, on the centenary of the Balfour declaration, I believe if it had been enacted upon after the First World War, 6 million Jewish lives wouldn't have been lost.

My father is an engineer and my mother is a teacher, a philanthropist and a women's rights campaigner. Under their parenthood,

I became a doctor from Chittagong Medical College. I finished my medical degree in January 2015. Then I decided to move to the UK in order to pursue a career as a doctor as I was fed up of the hatred filled culture of Bangladesh. While in Bangladesh I used to write against anti-Semitism and how it would be beneficial for Bangladesh if they had diplomatic relations with Israel. Because of my Israel advocacy I regularly received death threats from Islamists. They also threatened my parents too. After I came to the UK, I found that anti-Semitism is as high here as in Bangladesh. And I found it to be my moral duty to stand up against the hatred towards Jews. I took the streets with a lot of my fellow Zionists and started campaigning and upholding the truth about Israel. I started working as an A&E doctor in the NHS and also joined Queen Mary University of London to do a masters in public health. I was shocked to see the level of hatred towards Israel and Jews in the university campuses and I started advocating for Israel in my university too and I became the secretary of the "Jewish and Israel Society" of my university.

While advocating for Israel and working as a doctor and doing my masters, I decided to take a break for a week and visit Israel. I knew that if Israel approved my visa application then I would be the first Bangladeshi national to do so as the previous Bangladeshi, Salah Chowdhury, who had attempted to go to Israel in 2003 is still in jail in Bangladesh. When I applied for the visa, I was petrified and almost sure that my visa would be rejected as Bangladesh is one of the countries that ban its citizens to go to Israel. But the opposite happened and I went to Israel, funded by myself, and travelled all over northern Israel with a very close Israeli friend of mine, Talia Rozenfeld. I was in Tel-Aviv but I also visited Jerusalem (the Kotel, the Temple Mount/ Al-Aqsa mosque, the Church, the mammilla mall and the Yad Vashem), Haifa, Casearea, Netanya, Abu Gosh, the kibbutz Ma'ale Hahamisha and Saarei Tikva. I prayed at the Kotel which was a unique feeling and one of the factors of my decision to convert to Judaism. After coming back from Israel, I felt even more obligated morally to tell the truth that I witnessed there, which is the democratic rights Israel provides to



Shadman Zaman

all its citizens irrespective of their colour, ethnicity and religion. Now I campaign on a regular basis in the UK about the truth of Israel and I face lots of abuses for being a Zionist and also for my decision to convert to Judaism. For me, anti-Zionism is the modern anti-Semitism and most people in the world can't fathom the idea that Jews have a vibrant place that they can call home. Whole advocating for Israel, people ask me how I connect to Zionism. I tell them that being Bangladeshi, a nationality achieved after a liberation war against an oppressive Pakistani military dictatorship that saw Bengalis as low-class humans, I could easily identify with the nationalistic aspiration of Jews to have a homeland of their own.

For me, Israel is the only light in the middle east. Anyone who claims that Israel was born out of violence must remember no country after 1945 was born without violence. From India to Kosovo, history of post colonial states are littered with violence but hope. And I see Israel as the hope of the Jewish people towards a glorious future, a future without anti-Semitism to which I strive for and am committed to. Let there be no more anti-Semitism, let there be no more racism, let there only be peace and love. Let people call Jews as "Friends" and not as "Dirty Jews." Let us work to create a tolerant society which welcomes everyone. NEVER AGAIN SHALL THERE BE ANOTHER HOLOCAUST! AM YISRAEL CHAI!

ARTICLE BY SHADMAN ZAMAN

OLIM HAVE HIGH HOPES FOR ISRAELI FOOTBALL

Inter Aliyah Club is officially Israel's first all-Olim football team, comprising of Jewish immigrants from around the world. Currently in Israel's fifth tier of football and about to embark on only its second ever season, Inter Aliyah is a long-term project that has two specific aims; one on the pitch and one off it.

On the pitch the goal could not be higher; to reach the top flight of Israeli football within ten years. Moving up the pyramid system is no easy task, especially for a group of new immigrants, but improved performances in the second half of last season, combined with a few new talented additions to the squad, mean there is outside chance of promotion this season.

Off the pitch the objective is far more altruistic. Inter Aliyah ultimately aims to be a major sports umbrella organisation like that of Maccabi and Hapoel, but on the micro level it hopes to serve as a focal point for all new immigrants in the Jewish homeland. While serving as an added tool of absorption for its players, Inter Aliyah could provide housing, Ulpan and bureaucratic services in the future, if its goals are met.



The club was formed by a small group of individuals living in Tel Aviv. Ricardo Horvath, originally from Quito in Ecuador, made Aliyah in 2016 armed with the

idea of creating a football team full of immigrants and taking them to the top. Luckily for Ricky, he didn't have to look far with the established amateur Olim League consisting of several teams full of new citizens of Israel.

One of those teams and, in fact the 2016 league winners, Inter Tel Aviv, the league's most multinational side, was formed two years prior by a bunch of coworkers and had flirted with the idea of joining the professional league. Through friends the connection was made and Inter Tel Aviv soon became Inter Aliyah and the team was registered, albeit after an endless administrative nightmare, for the 2016/17 season.

Another key objective is to be the team of the Diaspora in Israel. Due to its multi-national makeup, grassroots foundations and strong links to countries all over the world, there is no reason why Inter Aliyah cannot reach its goal. The Diaspora is lacking a unified team to follow in Israel and as its brand grows, so will its popularity.

The team now consists of players from



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over 15 different nationalities including Germany, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Belgium, South Africa, Brazil, Peru, Uruguay, Argentina, Russia, Hungary and more. One of those, Sam Sank, originally from London, is the team's captain and co-founder. The centre-back made Aliyah from London at the age of 18, completing both a full army service and an undergraduate degree, before taking on many of the behind-the-scene duties of the team.

Inter Aliyah's uniqueness has already



made it a mini-sensation within Israel and abroad, with its active social media accounts - @interaliyahclub on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter - constantly keeping family, friends and fans abreast of the latest developments. Media attention has naturally followed and Inter Aliyah has already been featured in multiple articles and videos in a host of different languages, such as English, Hebrew, Spanish and French.

This season is set to be a crucial one for the team, having left behind the excuse of being a newbie in the league. While results on the pitch will be up to manager Jerome Katz, head coach David Schumann and the rest of the players, support off it should be encouraged by anyone interested in such an ambitious cause.

There's no doubt that such a project is beneficial to all those involved and if the plan pulls off it could be an iconic moment in the history of the young country. Joining the Inter Aliyah movement is not only an act of Zionism, it can boost a project that has the potential to impact the wider Jewish world as a whole.

ARTICLE BY RICARDO HORVATH

INVESTING IN ISRAEL

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investing-in-Israel.com is a unique one-stop shop portal which lists Israeli properties and related services and products. As British Jews face an unprecedented wave of anti-Semitism, owning a property in Israel becomes ever more critical.

This exciting scheme, supported by ZF, was established by GR, a leading London property specialist; Mr Avital Ofek, a noted property lawyer based in Israel; and Mr Avi Ziv, a former



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IDF General now responsible for Aliyah from the USA and the assistance of lone soldiers in Israel.

It aims to give Jews in the diaspora an easy and safe experience exploring and purchasing properties in

Israel. investing-in-Israel.com caters to residents of both the UK and Israel by using the English and Hebrew language. It achieves this by linking and publishing the Israeli government and telecommunications information and by allowing a live Israeli television feeds to the portal.

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The **Shizen Spa Resort**, located within the Daniel Herzliya Hotel is the first Spa & Resort of its kind in Israel. The Resort features elegant, spacious Japanese style boutique sea view rooms. The Spa offers an indoor heated pool, Jacuzzi, dry and wet saunas and a selection of health and beauty treatments including Shiatsu, Swedish Massage, Hot Stone Indian Massage, Shell Massage, Thai Herbal Bags, Reflexology, and Facial Treatments.



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