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8:30-9 a.m.  
Registration  
Welcome — Rabbi Baruch Friedman-Kohli (Beth Tzedek Congregation)  
David Freeman (Chair)  
(Guests from the State of Israel)  
DJ Schnaeuwoll (Consul General of Israel to Toronto)

Introduction  
“The Three ‘D’s: Deligitimation, Destabilization, Destruction”  
Prof. Frederick Krantz (Conference Chairman)  
9:30-10:45 a.m.  
First Panel Chair: Maxine Wintre (CJR Fellow)  
“Understanding Deligitimation & Its Jewish Component”  
Prof. Sally Zerker (York U. Emerita/CJR/Israel)

“The Digital War Against the Jews & Israel”  
Rabbi Abraham Cooper (Simon Wiesenthal Center)

“The Mainline Churches & Israel: Return of the ‘Christ-Killer’ Motif”  
Prof. Paul Merkley (author Religion and Israel)

Question & Answer Chair: Rabbi Ben Friedberg

10:45-11:50  
Second Panel Chair: Michael Beigel (CJR/Israel)  
“Singing Against the Chorus: Liberal Jewry’s Dilemma"  
Rabbi John Moscowitz (Holy Blossom Temple)

“Diaspora Jews Can’t Tell Left From Right”  
Lawrence Solomon (Financial Post)

Question & Answer Chair: David Yudelman (CJR/Israel)

12 noon – 1 p.m.  
Luncheon  
Presentation of "Lion of Judah” Award to Tarek Fatah  
Prof. Frederick Krantz (CJR)

Presentation of Keynote Speaker  
Jack Kner (National Chair, CJR)

Keynote Address: “Is Peace Possible Between Israel & the Palestinians?”  
Ambassador Alan Baker (Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs)

1:05-2:15 p.m.  
Third Panel Chair: Donna Holbrook (ICEJ Canada)  
“The Existential Threat to Israel: Is It Iran or Just A Mile East Of It?”  
Tarek Fatah (Muslim Canadian Congress)

“Red Line in Iran”  
Mark Dubowitz (Exec. Dir., Foundation for the Defense of Democracies)

Question & Answer Chair: Susan Jacobs Beigel (CJR)

2:15-3:00 p.m.  
Concluding Participants’ Round Table  
Chair: Prof. Clifford Orwin (U. of Toronto/CJR Fellow)