



Congreso Nacional
Honorable Cámara de Senadores

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Asunción, 07 de mayo de 2015

A su Excelencia

Sen. BLÁS ANTONIO LLANO RAMOS, Presidente

Honorable Cámara de Senadores

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Tengo el agrado de dirigirme a Vuestra Excelencia, a fin de informar que he participado de la **Cumbre Internacional sobre Israel 2015**, realizada en la ciudad de Miami, Florida (Estados Unidos de América), y que reunió a parlamentarios latinoamericanos en dicha Sede.

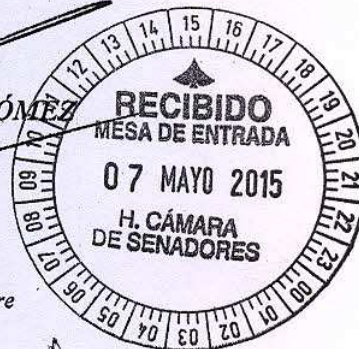
En la Cumbre supra indicada, representé al Congreso Nacional de la República del Paraguay, en mi carácter de Senador de la Nación, en la cual se han considerado formas de ampliar las relaciones entre Israel y América Latina; así mismo se debatió acerca de la importancia de mantener a Jerusalén como la capital indivisible de Israel, la influencia iraní en el hemisferio occidental, y las perspectivas de una solución al conflicto palestino-israelí.

De esta manera destaco la importancia de la representación del Congreso Nacional en eventos de esta naturaleza a fin de fortalecer las relaciones diplomáticas en los foros internacionales.

Sin otro particular, aprovecho la ocasión para saludar a Vuestra Excelencia, con las seguridades de mi consideración más distinguida.

Atentamente,

Dr. JULIO CÉSAR FRANCO GÓMEZ
Senador de la Nación



❖ Se adjunta copia de materiales impartidos en dicha cumbre

Victor Bresanovich M.
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WILLEM GRIFFIOEN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ISRAEL ALLIES FOUNDATION

Dear Conference Participant,

Welcome to the inaugural Latin America Summit on Israel. We are looking forward to a very successful conference and are so pleased that you have joined us here in Miami.

As you take part in the next few days of the conference - hearing from top experts and networking with fellow lawmakers from the United States and across Latin America - I want to encourage you to think about how to carry forward what you hear and experience here. Consider how Israel is presented in your country and how what you have seen and experienced here matches up to that perspective.

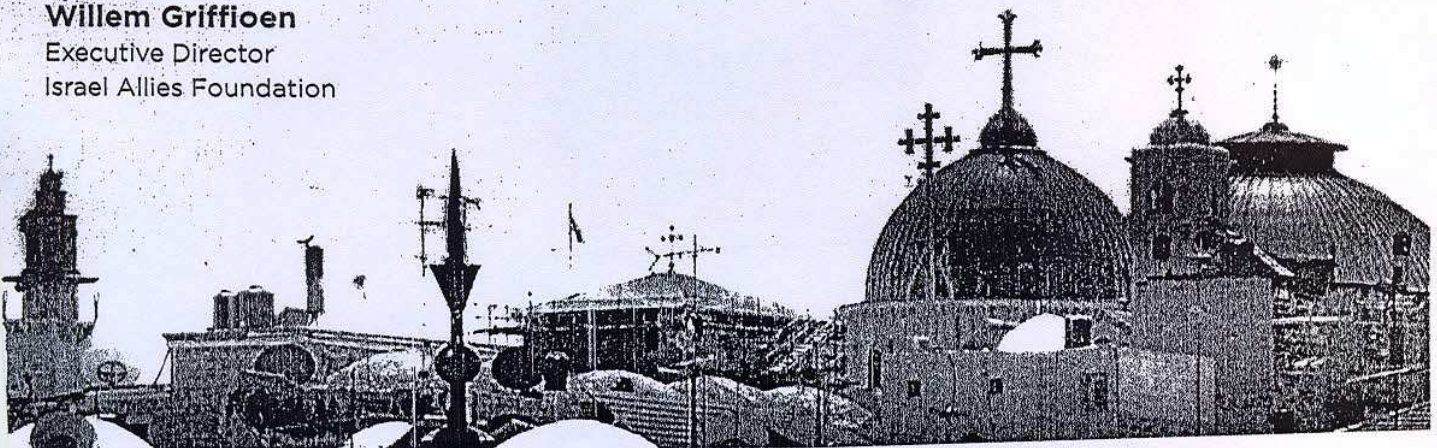
In the next few days you will see why what happens in Israel affects us all. Israel is not some far away issue to be forgotten once you return home. Israel is the front line of what is happening around the globe.

I encourage you to absorb all you can in these next few days and to be encouraged that the Israel Allies Foundation is here to support and equip you. We hope this conference is simply the start of your interaction with the Foundation; we are ready to support you in your own country throughout the year. The IAF can provide you with resources, materials and opportunities to be a leader on the issues of the Middle East. We are ready to assist you in organizing special delegations to Israel and to have Israeli leaders and experts visit your country.

I hope that your time here will inspire you and give you the tools to carry your support for Israel even farther in your own government.

Respectfully,

Willem Griffioen
Executive Director
Israel Allies Foundation





EJ KIMBALL
DIRECTOR OF US OPERATIONS
ISRAEL ALLIES FOUNDATION

Dear Conference Participant,

Thank you for joining us at the inaugural Latin America Summit on Israel. We are grateful for your willingness to be part of this historic event and to be a leader in the fight for truth and justice.

Over the next few days, you will participate in policy discussions on some of the most pressing issues facing the international community. These topics include Israel's historic and legal rights to the biblical city of Jerusalem, Iran's penetration into Latin America and its efforts to undermine stability around the world, and the Palestinian Authority's efforts to bypass direct bilateral negotiations in an effort to establish an independent state.

This Summit is meant to equip you with the tools and resources necessary to carry this message back to your governments. You will have the opportunity to hear from Parliamentarians from other countries and hear about the efforts within their own governments to deal with these issues. By building a coalition of like-minded parliamentarians, we can work together to support the one democratic country in the Middle East, Israel.

The staff with the Israel Allies Foundation is a resource for you and we look forward to serving you during the Summit and in the months and years ahead. We will continue to work with you in the development of additional Israel Allies Caucuses throughout Latin America.

I am sure that you will find this Summit to be a great opportunity to increase your knowledge and your network within the pro-Israel community. I look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

EJ Kimball
Director of US Operations
Israel Allies Foundation



MINISTER GUSTAVO LEITE GUSINKY

PARAGUAY

Minister Gustavo Leite is the Minister of Industry and Commerce of Paraguay and Executive Secretary of the Technical Secretary the Economic and Social Development Planning. He has previously served as Minister of Planning under former president Raúl Cubas Grau. During that time he was a member of the Cabinet of the Presidential Office of the Republic, Asunción, Paraguay. In the private sector, he was Developer and Executive Director of two Real Estate developments in the country and residential club sector (Carlos Franco Country and AguaVista Club de Campo), 2002-2008. A real estate developer, he is Partner and CEO of Paraguay Partners S.A.



SENATOR JULIO CESAR FRANCO

PARAGUAY

Senator Julio Cesar Franco is a member of the Authentic Radical Liberal Party (Partido Liberal Radical Auténtico or PLRA) and chairman of the Committees on Constitutional Affairs and Defense and Security Forces. He also serves as a member and rapporteur of the Committee on Public Health and Social Security and was formerly the mayor of Fernando de la Mora. Franco was elected Vice President of Paraguay in the year 2000. Senator Franco is a surgeon with a degree from the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Córdoba in Argentina. He attended the Catholic University of Paraguay.



CONGRESSMAN CARL BREEVELD

SURINAME

Member of Parliament Carl Breeveld was elected in 2010 and is the co-founder Students of Jesus, of an interdenominational Christian students organization. Parliamentarian Breeveld is also the co-founder and former director of Man Mit'Man, a Christian mens' ministry, and has served as the director of Apollos Bible school for over a decade. He currently serves as a facilitator at the Haggai Institute.



Israel Allies Foundation

Pioneered by former Israeli Minister of Tourism Rabbi Binyamin Elon, the Israel Allies Foundation (IAF) works with the US Congress and parliaments around the world to mobilize political support for Israel based on Judeo-Christian values.

The Foundation is dedicated to equipping lawmakers and faith leaders the world over who share a belief that the State of Israel has the right to exist in peace within secure borders.

The Israel Allies Foundation works to...

- Build an active global network of pro-Israel legislators
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INTERNATIONAL CAUCUSES

One of the ways the IAF accomplishes its goals is through the formation of official parliamentary caucuses in support of Israel and the development of coordinated activities and policy priorities for these caucuses.

The IAF seeks to strengthen, facilitate and unify this coalition of parliamentarians who already support Israel by educating them on the issues facing Israel and by providing relevant information, resources and tools in order to formulate policy positions and legislative actions. What makes the IAF unique is the global network of member parliamentarians, creating a more effective influence from within parliaments of each nation and through a coordinated strategy among a group of nations.

OUR HISTORY

In 2004 a group of Israeli Knesset members gathered together to form the Knesset Christian Allies Caucus. Spanning the spectrum of political parties in Israel, they recognized the growing strength of the Israel-supporting community within the Christian world and the need to develop better ties between Knesset Members and pro-Israel Christian leaders worldwide.

In 2006 the U.S. House of Representatives formed the first reciprocal caucus to the Knesset Caucus, the Congressional Israel Allies Caucus. Since then additional caucuses have been formed in several European countries, as well as Uruguay, Brazil, South Africa, Australia, The Philippines, South Korea, Canada, and list continues to grow.

The Israel Allies Foundation (IAF) was formed to become the umbrella organization for coordinated activities of these caucuses from around the globe. Together they work to bring a unified voice on issues and legislation regarding Israel worldwide.

PARTICIPANTS



REP. ELIOT ENGEL

UNITED STATES - NEW YORK

Rep. Eliot Engel represents New York's 16th Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives, which includes the Westchester and Bronx communities. Currently in his 27th year as a Member of Congress, Rep. Engel is the Ranking Member on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, making him the top Democrat on the Committee. He is also a senior member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee. Rep. Engel is also a founding Co-Chair of the bipartisan Congressional Israel Allies Caucus.



REP. ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN

UNITED STATES - FLORIDA

Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen represents Florida's 27th Congressional District and is a leading voice of support for Israel and a staunch advocate for a strong US-Israel Alliance. She is the Chairman emeritus of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs and is now the Chairman of the Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa. Rep. Ros-Lehtinen is a Member of the Congressional Israel Allies Caucus. She is the proud wife to Dexter Lehtinen, mother and step-mother to 4 adult children, and grandmother to three baby girls - Morgan Elizabeth, Caroline Grace, and Killian Marje.



REP. RON DESANTIS

UNITED STATES - FLORIDA

Congressman Ron DeSantis is a native Floridian who represents Florida's 6th Congressional District. Since being elected in 2012, his committee assignments have included Judiciary, Foreign Affairs and Oversight & Reform where he serves as the Chairman of the National Security subcommittee. Previously, he served in the Navy as a military prosecutor and supported operations at the terrorist detention center in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. He also deployed to Iraq in 2007 as an advisor to a U.S. Navy SEAL commander in support of counterinsurgency operations. Congressman DeSantis has a Bachelor's degree from Yale University and a Law degree from Harvard Law School. Rep. DeSantis is a Member of the Congressional Israel Allies Caucus.



REP. MATT SALMON
UNITED STATES - ARIZONA

Congressman Matt Salmon represents Arizona's 5th Congressional District and is a leading proponent of strong U.S.-Israel and U.S.-Latin America relationships. In the 114th Congress he serves on the House Committee on Foreign Affairs and as the Chairman of the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific. In the most recent past Congress he served as the Chairman of the Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere. Rep. Salmon is a Member of the Congressional Israel Allies Caucus. Congressman Salmon has spent the last 34 years happily married to his best friend, Nancy. The couple has are proud parents of four children and grandparents of seven grandchildren.



CONGRESSMAN PEDRO GÁLVEZ
GUATEMALA

Congressman Pedro Gálvez Hernández was elected to Guatemala's Congress in 2012. He currently serves as Secretary of the Board of the Guatemalan Congress. Since coming to Congress, he has also served as President of the Committee on Human Rights, Vice President of the Committee on Economy and Foreign Trade, Secretary of the Legislative and Constitutional Committee, and Deputy Chief of Partido Republicano Institucional (PRI). His love for the State of Israel has been a major motivation for his deep involvement in the Israel Allies Foundation Latin America Program.



MINISTER RUPERTO LONG
URUGUAY

Ruperto Long is a former Uruguayan senator and a founding member of the Israel Allies Foundation. He is currently the Minister of the Audit Court. He has served as President of the Uruguay-Israel Cultural Institution for six years. He received the World Zionist Organization's Jerusalem Prize in 2012, which is awarded by the Mayor of Jerusalem. He has also attended an executive program in Technology Management at the Harvard Business School.

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We invite you to use this Resource Book as a supplement to the conference and as a reference upon returning to your home countries. This book includes maps and articles together with additional resources that will be referenced throughout the conference.