



HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON SW1A 0AA

23rd April 2021

Jew Complaint,

RE: JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

Thank you for your recent correspondence in respect of the Jewish National Fund; your comments upon which I have read with interest.

I appreciate your concern about the situation in the West Bank. I want to reassure you that I firmly support the UK's longstanding position on the Middle East Peace Process, namely that there should be a negotiated settlement leading to a safe and secure Israel living alongside a viable and sovereign Palestinian state (based on 1967 borders with agreed land swaps, Jerusalem as the shared capital of both states, and a fair and realistic settlement for refugees).

Regarding the Jewish National Fund, I want to highlight that this is not a charity. The Jewish National Fund Charitable Trust, however, is a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England & Wales, having exclusively charitable purposes. Under Section 34 of the *Charities Act 2011*, the Commission must remove a charity from the register if it no longer considers the organisation to be a charity, or if it ceases to exist, or does not operate. At present, I am unaware of any of these criteria applying to this charity.

Despite this, if you still have concerns about the charitable status of the Jewish National Fund Charitable Trust, I would suggest you consult the Charity Commission's 'Complaint's Procedure' page, via this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission/about/complaints-procedure>.

Once again, thank you for having taken the time to contact me and if I can ever be of any further assistance to you, then please do not hesitate to contact me again.

With best wishes,
A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tom'.

TOM PURSGLOVE MP
MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT
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