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Subject: June 1, 2010 - 10:30 pm Update from ACS TLV

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Update on prison visits:

ConOffs Plott and Green met with 11 AMCIT Detainees and 3 Pakistani nationals being held in Ella Prison in Beer Sheva - All AMCIT s and all three Pakistanis told us that they planned to, or have already signed, voluntary deportation form provided by the Israeli MOI. All reported that they were in relatively good health and not being mistreated. Some reported minor cuts and bruises. Two AMCITS reported that they need to have access to prescription medicines and GOI authorities were alerted to that fact.

We could not locate [redacted] (later report says he did not travel) and [redacted] B6 [redacted] and none of the other passengers reported knowing them. [redacted] [redacted] did not board the Flotilla. [redacted] was not in custody as far as we know.

Lawyers were on hand at the end of the day to advise the detainees of their rights under Israeli law. When we left the Prison it appeared that Either military police or shin bet officials were on site entering the prison. We were told By the German Consul on site that passengers on the Mavi Marmara (where the bulk of the violence occurred) were expected to be subject of a further investigation. AMCIT [redacted] (who appeared to command the respect of the other travelers) was on that ship. We got PAWs for all of the detainees we interviewed and contacted family member of friends listed by all of them.

CG visited [redacted] at Govin Prison, Ramle. He was bruised all over his body due to altercations with IDF sailors at sea and prison or police officials at the POE. He signed a statement concerning mistreatment, which he says was meted out to him because of his non-violent/passive civil disobedience. He is in a cell with the Greek captain of the Svendonii. says he hopes to challenge deportation. CG will contact his wife, [redacted]

Duty Officer reported calls from Amciti Dogan's family in Turkey. We have not yet located him in detention.

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Tel Aviv consuls are currently visiting with eleven detainees at the Ella prison in Beersheba. The five men and six women are in good health and are free to meet with the consuls. Two other detainees were briefly hospitalized and released to detention [redacted] And two detainees (Peck, [redacted]) accepted repatriation last night. CG will visit one detainee at Givon Prison this evening.

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Several Amcirt detainees have other citizenships as well. [redacted] (Israeli) and [redacted] (possibly considered Israeli by the GOI) are not at Ella. [redacted] a Brazilian American was also visited today by the Brazilian Embassy. An Irish American, [redacted] was arrested on her Irish passport but was visited by the US consuls.

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The conditions at Ella are crowded, with consuls from many countries meeting with their nationals in a common space. Men and women are held separately. Immigration judges have seen some of the detainees and provided deportation orders for the detainees to sign. If they sign, they agree to deportation within 72 hours. If they refuse, they are being told they could wait up to 30 days for an immigration hearing. A human rights lawyer from Jerusalem, Leah Tsemel, well-known to some of the detainees, is present.

The general political viewpoint of the detainees is that they were kidnapped on the high seas, are illegally in Israel, and are being held hostage. Many of them are reluctant to participate in their own deportation proceedings.

Many Arab-state detainees do not have consular representation and have asked our consuls for assistance. This includes a Palestinian woman, reportedly suffering from cancer, and a number of Kuwaitis. Indonesians were on the Mavi Marmara but have not been seen at Ella. The International Red Cross is present, presumably to assist with such detainees.

Consular assistant visited the morgue this morning. All deceased are males. Several are unidentified but did not match photos of any known American participants.

Prison authorities report at least one hundred detainees not yet registered and released to detention facilities. Updated list expected later this evening.

Known detainees:

[redacted]

Ella
Ella
Ella
Repatriated 5/31
Ella
Ella

Peck

Edward Lionel

Repatriated 5/31
Released from hospital; location unknown
Ella
Ella
Ella
Ella
Ella
Givon prison, Ramle
Ella

We continue efforts to locate additional possible participants, including:

[redacted]

Dogan

Furkan

[redacted]

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Subject: 11:00 pm Update from ACS TLV

ACS spoke with the MFA again (at 10:15 pm) and confirmed the following:

- 1) [redacted] was transferred from Ashkelon to Ashdod; B6
- 2) [redacted] is in detention and is listed as an Irish citizen only (Sen Kerry's office interested.)
- 3) None of the other Amcits [redacted] appear on any of MFA's lists. However, MFA does not have the entire list (yet) of the passengers from the Marmara; we believe MFA would have had info if any of above were hospitalized.
- 4) Only one Pakistani citizen was found on the list of detainees. His name is [redacted] Other two may yet be coming off the Mavi Marmara.
- 5). Just informed by DAO of possible Brazilian American dual, [redacted] Will follow up on her in morning.
- 6) Will contact morgue in morning in event any remains are unidentified. Will bring them photos from PIERS of any unlocated Amcits.
- 7) We informed MFA we will seek access to Amcits detained at Beersheva facility in the morning. Consular team plans to depart early.

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Subject: RE: 07:30 pm Update from ACS TLV: 1 Amcit lightly injured; 2 at airport awaiting detention; 7 unaccounted for

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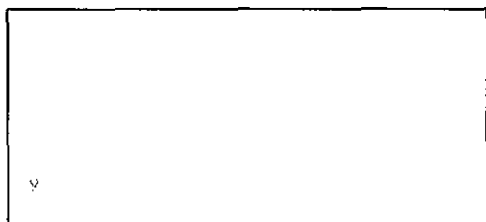
I spoke with the MFA (at 07:15 pm) and confirmed the following information regarding Amcits:

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The following individuals were on the first boat and are listed as Amcits with the MFA. However, their whereabouts are still unconfirmed. According to MFA they have most likely been arrested and are at the Beer Sheva detention facility or on their way there:



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The following Amcits were on the second boat:

- A) Edward Peck is scheduled to depart Israel tonight and is either at BG airport or on his way there;
- B) [redacted] was arrested and is either at the detention facility in Beer Sheva or on his way there;
- C) [redacted] was arrested and is either at the detention facility in Beer Sheva or on her way there.

MFA advised that as of 07:15 the Mavi Marmara (the largest boat) has not yet docked at Ashdod port. MFA presumes that the unaccounted Amcits listed below are on the Mavi Marmara. MFA will be able to confirm that once the passengers are received and identified (this may take a number of hours).

MFA are not yet able to confirm if there were any Amcits among the dead. According to MFA, the dead were taken to the Abu Kabir forensic institute for identification and the MFA will not receive the full list until this is completed (this may take several hours).

I will continue to contact the MFA periodically for updates and will keep your all apprised. Eve

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Subject: 6:30pm Update from ACS TLV: 1 Amcit lightly injured; 2 at airport awaiting detention; 7 unaccounted for

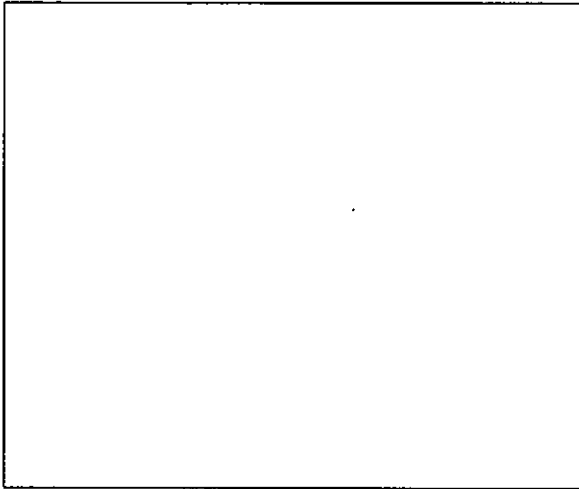
As of 6:30pm Tel Aviv time, 2 Amcits are at Ben Gurion Airport awaiting deportation later tonight to NY (Peck [redacted]). One Amcit is at Barzilay Hospital being treated for light injuries but is not cooperating with medical staff and will thus be transferred to a deportation facility shortly [redacted]. No new information on the Amcits who are still unaccounted for at this point. Seven Amcits currently unaccounted for (including a new addition [redacted]).

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Updated Amcit spreadsheet attached; all have been entered into ACS+.

The Mavi Marmara ship is due into Ashdod Port at 7pm. We will call the MFA regularly to find out the ship's status.

We released a joint Tel Aviv/Jerusalem warden message at 5:17pm.

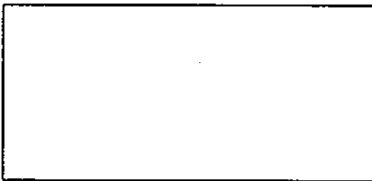
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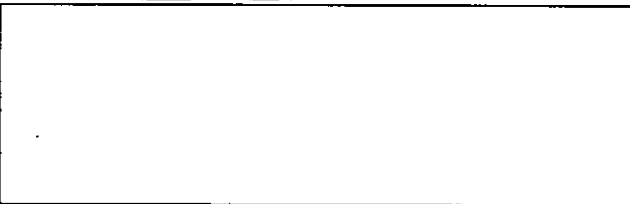
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Subject: 5pm Update from ACS TLV: Amcit update

1. MFA reports the following nine Amcits are now in detention, one is in hospital with minor injuries. MFA is checking on their health status and will get back to us today. Access should be possible in the morning, but we may be able to have access to the one hospitalized Amcit tonight.



Peck, Edward Lionel



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2. The Mavi Marmara, with over 500 passengers, is expected in Ashdod in the next hour or so.

3. Warden Message being released by Post and ConGen shortly.

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Subject: 3pm Update from ACS TLV: Amcit update Freedom Flotilla Coalition

As of 3pm local time, we are unaware of any Amcit injured/dead in the incident. We will continue to check and advise if any updates. Post has been in touch with all major hospitals who are receiving wounded. We have biodata on 18 Amcits presumed to have been on the ships; please see attached Amcit passenger spreadsheet with corrected biodata. We will continue to seek access to any detained Amcits.

According to the Ministry of Health spokesman, Yair Amitam, most of the injured are unidentified, since they are currently in the operating room, or do not have identification on them. The MOH will advise us if they become aware of any injured Amcits. Regarding the dead, he could not provide any information.

According to press reports, passengers from the first vessel have already been transferred from a detention facility in Beer Sheva. The Mavi Marmara is expected into Ashdod at 7pm.

<< File: Freedom Flotilla Coalition color photos of Amcits.docx >> << File: Freedom Flotilla Coalition Passenger List.xls >>

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