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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Year in Review

In Australia in 2008, to accuse any person or organisation of antisemitism is to allege that their behaviour is antisocial and unacceptable. No one with aspirations to public credibility admits to holding antisemitic views or to associating with openly antisemitic organisations. While individuals and organisations associated with the political left who promote extreme anti-Israeli racism, which sometimes included offensive and gratuitous anti-Jewish imagery, are keen to assert that they are not antisemitic, even some far-right and neo-Nazi groups publicly profess to be "anti-Zionist" rather than anti-Jewish, although the material they distribute can give the lie to any such distinction. Further, Holocaust deniers, including those who allege that the Holocaust is a Jewish confidence trick played on gullible Christians as one part of a raft of anti-Jewish slurs, generally claim they are only "researching" historical subjects.

In the mass media, during the year in review, commentators and contributors of letters (and in other forms of public commentary) occasionally, but rarely, crossed the line between political commentary and anti-Jewish slander in discussions of the alleged strength of "Jewish lobbies" in both the USA and Australia, as well as in some discussions of Israel. Notably, this took place less often in the period in review than in any of the previous eight reporting periods. Anti-Jewish rhetoric was also invoked in other discussions such as Australia's anti-terrorism laws and on Australian Jewish support for victims of racism.

Antisemitism emanating from Islamic sources in Australia has been a topic of public discussion for a number of years. Particular concern, in the period in review, has been expressed at the negative impact of material from a variety of overseas sources which has as its thesis an eternal enmity of Muslims towards Jews.

The period in review included the 2007 Federal Election, which passed without any notable change in the prevalence of antisemitic acts. Despite efforts by anti-Jewish groups and individuals, matters of specific concern to Australian Jewry, such as community security and funding support for Jewish education, were discussed publicly in a manner which was generally free of prejudice. Similarly, public discussion on the extradition request by Hungary to Australia for alleged Nazi War Criminal Charles Zentai, the Federal Court contempt hearing process under the Racial Hatred Act concerning Fredrick Toben and the Australian Parliament's motion congratulating Israel on its 60th anniversary, was essentially reasoned and reasonable, despite efforts by some organised political and other anti-Israel groups, as well as a small number of media commentators.

There was a concern expressed by some members of the Jewish community and others sympathetic to it, that the staging of a re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross, during the Papal visit to Sydney, would reinforce or encourage anti-Jewish stereotypes and prejudice, but there were efforts made by the Catholic Church and the Jewish community to minimise this potential harm, apparently successfully.

Between 1 October 2007 and 30 September 2008, the database assembled and maintained by the author of this report since 1989 included over 650 reports of anti-Jewish violence, vandalism, harassment and intimidation, the highest tally ever recorded and close to twice the average of the previous 18 years. Anti-Jewish propaganda in fringe publications and from extremist organisations remained an ongoing concern. Conspiracy theories abounded on the internet and these included a disturbing proportion which were overtly or implicitly antisemitic.

In a matter litigated by the Executive Council of Australian Jewry under the Federal Racial Hatred Act, the Federal Court upheld an appeal against the decision cited in last year's report concerning the Bible Believers' web-site's breach of Australia's Racial Hatred laws, although there was no dispute regarding the fact of unlawful behaviour.

1.2 Racism in Australia and Antisemitism

The Australian Jewish community has been an integral part of Australia's population since the first days of European settlement. While there have been incidents of anti-Jewish activity occurring throughout the different periods of the development of modern Australia, opposition to antisemitism has also been present and, perhaps more importantly, the question of the place of Jews within Australian society has generally not been an issue which has excited the Australian population.

Although Jewish Australians have twice been appointed Governors-General, our military forces have included Jewish Australians in their senior leadership ranks and the community has been able to build an impressive network of institutions to serve its needs, an unacceptably high number of Australian Jews can provide evidence of instances of discrimination, harassment and racial defamation. The Adelaide Club, in July 2008, granted membership to a prominent member of the Jewish community in South Australia, after having had a reputation over many years of refusing to admit Jews. This brought some public attention to the behaviour of exclusivist quasi-elitist institutions. Although the barring of Jews from such institutions was relatively commonplace until the mid-period of the Twentieth Century, it has generally not been an issue of particular concern or prominence in recent decades.

Some anti-Jewish behaviour has found apologists who portray it as culturally innate, simple ignorance, a legitimate reaction to the behaviour of Jews themselves or as the poor expression of otherwise legitimate views. In recent years, with increasing antisemitism emanating from left-wing sources there has been an additional issue of figures close to the political and social mainstream rationalising or justifying antisemitism by misrepresenting it as legitimate political expression. In a recurring pattern, the false charge that all, or most, critics of any Israeli policy or action is called antisemitic, is levelled.

The reaction of opinion makers and leaders to actions and ideologies which are, objectively, antisemitic, is extremely important.

While the writer of this paper believes there is strong anecdotal evidence that there exists in Australia an under-current of racism, it is difficult to objectively assess the place of antisemitism in Australian racism. No comprehensive statistics exist on the subject of general racist violence, vilification, harassment and intimidation, which

would supplement or give context to the data-collection and analysis of the Jewish community. It is disappointing that, despite considerable public funding aimed at redressing anti-Muslim and/or anti-Arab discrimination and prejudice, there has been no comprehensive documentation of incidents of harassment or intimidation which would assist in both analysis and formulation of policy response. While some clues as to the level of concern at racism can be discerned from indicators such as the volume of complaints to bodies such as the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, the Australian Press Council, the Australian Broadcasting Authority and State-based anti-discrimination boards, the voluntary nature of the complaints system, the confidentiality of material they receive and many other factors result in the need to treat many such statistics with caution.

It is the informed view of the writer of this report that there is often a link between racism against other sections of the Australian community and antisemitism, as reports of physical manifestations of antisemitism have increased at times of harassment of Asian Australians after Professor Geoffrey Blainey's claim of the imminent Asianisation of Australia in 1984, when Indigenous organisations and individuals were facing intimidation in 1988 and when the anti-immigration One Nation Party enjoyed short-lived electoral success in the late 1990s. The difficulty is in determining the extent of the overlap.

1.3 Forms of Antisemitism

When attempting to understand the extent of antisemitism in Australia it is important to bear in mind the following:

(i) Anti-Jewish comments made by public figures, the decision of editors and producers to publicly air antisemitism, and the failure of individuals who occupy positions of moral or political authority to respond to racist activity provide evidence there is a culture tolerant to antisemitism in Australia or that there is a potential for antisemitism to impact on a level which potentially harms Australian Jewry. This situation has been exacerbated with the growing phenomenon of antisemitism purporting to be representative of a left-wing or antiracist opinion. It is extremely difficult to measure or assess this phenomenon and virtually impossible to do so on an annual comparative basis.

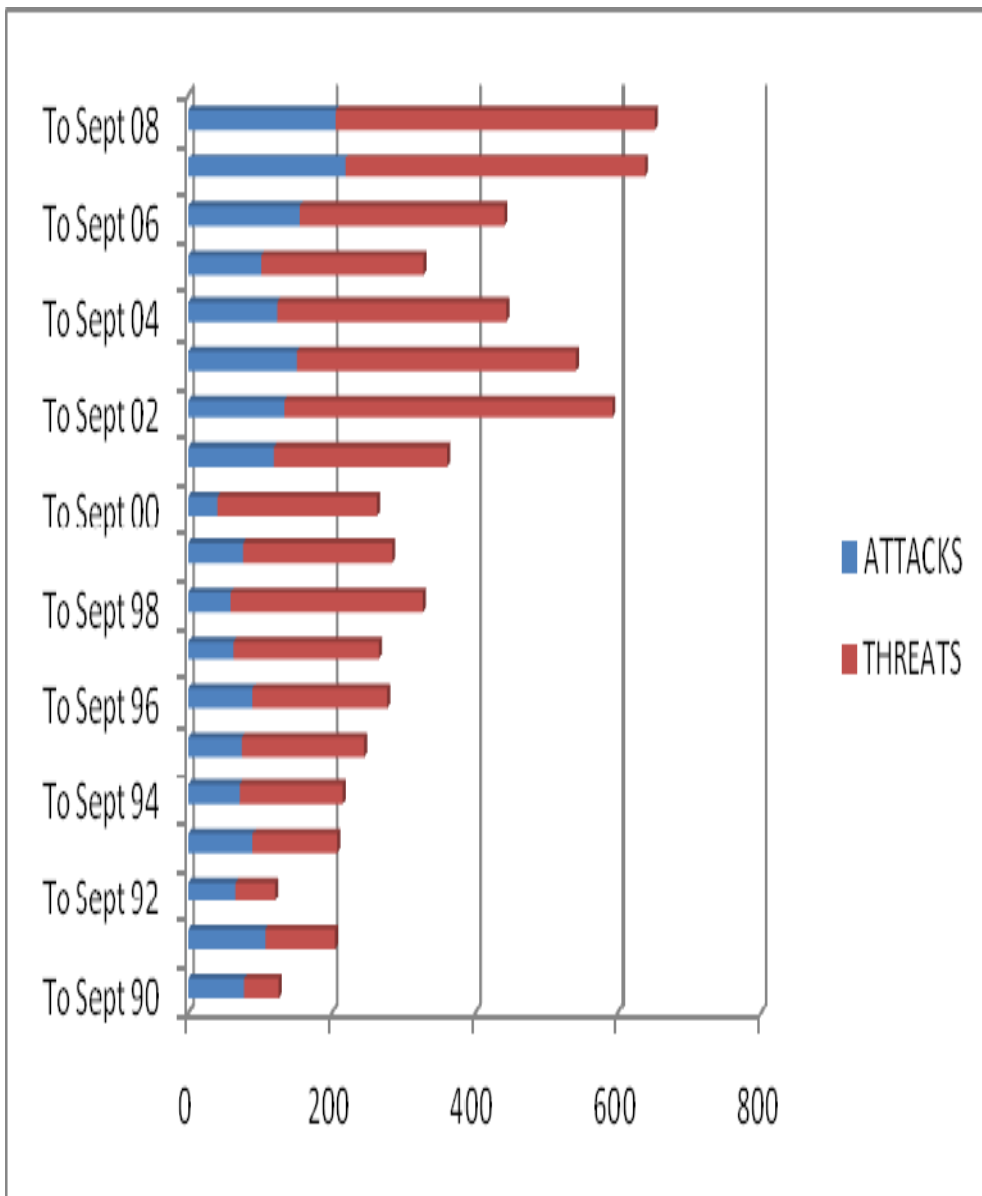
(ii) The volume of physical attacks on community members and communal institutions is a measure of one aspect of anti-Jewish behaviour, but needs to be considered in the broad context of the daily experiences of Jewish Australians.

(iii) The activities of anti-Jewish organisations may constructively be compared with previous behaviour from the same sub-culture, but should not be taken as a key indicator of the extent to which antisemitism threatens the well-being of Australia's Jewish community.

Within this report, as far as practical, the different manifestations of antisemitism appear within separate sections. These are:

- Anti-Jewish rhetoric which may inform different aspects of anti-Jewish behaviour

- The physical manifestations of anti-Jewish violence, vandalism and intimidation
- Antisemitism in mainstream public debate and problematic media coverage of matters affecting the Jewish community
- Anti-Jewish organisations and publications.



2.0 COMMON THEMES IN ANTI-JEWISH RHETORIC

2.1 Introduction

There is no evidence to suggest that Australians in general think of Jews in negative terms. Unlike many other societies, Australia does not have a past to which antisemites can comfortably look with nostalgia.

Nevertheless, some Australians have anti-Jewish prejudice which equates to, for example, anti-Asian, anti-Aborigine, anti-Arab or anti-African prejudice, expressing itself in terms of racial superiority. In addition, anti-Jewish prejudice considered normative in some other cultures has been brought to Australia by immigrants and can exist for many years within sub-cultures. However, antisemitism in Australia often goes beyond simple contempt, hatred or discrimination based on the fact that a Jewish person is perceived to be in some way different.

Sources of anti-Jewish stereotyping and vilification are quite diverse and it would be misleading to portray antisemitic organisation and individuals as acting in concert. Although some of the antisemitic organisations will present a grab-bag of stereotypes to rationalise their prejudice, it is generally possible to identify a central theme in organised anti-Jewish campaigns.

Some individuals and organisations disseminating antisemitic propaganda seek to attribute particular characteristics, motives or agendas to Jewish Australians, portraying them as not only different but threatening to the well-being of Australian society. They identify behaviour which the intended audience will find abhorrent and attribute it to Jews, undermining the legitimacy of participation of Jews in Australian life. Propagation of anti-Jewish stereotypes, even when meant to be humorous, can sustain the agendas of malicious antisemites. The most common theme in contemporary Australian antisemitic rhetoric is that Jews in Australia and/or internationally, individually and/or collaboratively, exercise disproportionate power and influence against the interests of non-Jews.

Anti-Jewish claims in Australia traditionally draw on a number of strands of rhetoric. For example, Holocaust Denial is often framed to include charges of anti-Christian motivation, almost supernatural Jewish power and global conspiracy.

It is unfortunately common for extremists and antisemites in Australia to use the experiences of Jews as victims of Genocide, murder and assault as a means to insult Jewish people and incite or justify hatred of them. The most extreme example is the historically and logically inappropriate designation of language and symbols associated with the Nazi genocide to Jewish people, such as accusing Jews of being "Nazi-like", committing "Holocausts" and/or Genocide, or supporting "concentration camps".

A thread common to a number of types of prejudice and vilification which are specific to Jews is the depiction of Jews as representing an existential threat to non-Jews and who have enormous power and drive to achieve their aim, generally presented as "world domination".

In the period in review, material sold and otherwise distributed in the Muslim community which contained one or more of these myths became a matter of public discussion.

Stereotypes of Jews, most often as stingy or ostentatiously wealthy, reinforce prejudices which facilitate more malicious vilification. A result of behaviour of this type can be the encouragement, or rationalisation of, abuse, harassment and more serious vilification.

2.2 "Jewish Power"

Common to many variations of antisemitism identified in Australia in the period in review is the assertion of belief in the desire and ability of Australian Jews to dictate public policy in a way which distorts the workings of society in the interests of the local Jewish community or, occasionally, international interests. In its crudest form this myth allows easy scapegoating of Jews for the sundry ills which befall individuals in disadvantaged economic, political or social circumstances. This conviction sustains the followers of various anti-Jewish groups in the view that on a level playing field they would prove triumphant and it is therefore necessary to weaken the ability of Jews to play a role in public affairs.

Australian Jews are blamed by extremist organisations and their followers for contentious Federal and State policies on social matters, financial programs and the weakening of establishment institutions. The high profile of a number of individual Jewish Australians, particularly in the business community, is used by those who seek to further this particular anti-Jewish propaganda line as evidence of Jewish power. Government decisions which have accorded with public positions adopted by the Jewish community are also presented as evidence of Jewish control of the levers of political power.

A parallel myth which appears on a semi-regular basis in the mainstream media is that the US Government is either controlled by or in thrall to the "Jewish lobby". The way in which this is expressed not only reflects anti-Jewish prejudice but implicates Jewish Australians in the control of international interests and indirectly of Australia, given the importance of the US in world affairs. This slur was particularly prominent during the past four years and includes in its promoters a number of individual Jews.

The presentation of Jews as holders of mystical "power" has the potential to propagate the image of all Jews as part of an elite, implicitly conspiratorial, who can not be treated as simply another group of Australians involved in public policy debates. Further, it lays the ground for acceptance of some of the other myths covered in this Report.

2.3 "International Jewish Conspiracy"

Extremist organisations actively propagate the myth that there is a plot by some or all Jews, acting alone or in collusion with other "elites", to control international finance, media and politics. This view is commonly expressed as opposition to a globally imposed "World Order" which has as one of its aims the subjugation of the (non-Jewish) population of Australia to serve an all-powerful United Nations.

The theme of an international Jewish conspiracy is central to the world view of each of the overtly antisemitic organisations. Extreme elements within some migrant communities also promote this mythology as a means of explaining circumstances in their countries of birth. One of the sources antisemitic organisations use to support this myth is The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion, which incredibly is taken seriously by most extremist groups and advertised in many antisemitic, extreme right-wing and New Age publications.

Alleged Jewish power is depicted as a powerful force behind globalism in some circles, with many others depicting Jews as malevolent forces controlling Western governments.

The importance of the "Jewish conspiracy" allegation is that it becomes the rationalisation for taking extreme, violent action, allegedly in "self-defence" against the conspirators. By their very nature, conspiracy theories dehumanise the "conspirators", who are indelibly marked as targets for "revenge". In relatively stable political and economic circumstances, the conspiracy theories are less important than at a time when individuals are looking for scapegoats, but the presence in Australia of a base group who believe and promote this strand of antisemitism is a matter for concern.

In the wake of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, as well as the Bali attacks, a plethora of antisemitic conspiracy theories arose. Most of these theories claimed that Israel, Jews or forces sympathetic to them carried out the mass murders to further political agendas. Some of these theories saw the attacks as part of a path by Jews towards world domination, while others attributed financial and short term political motives to the alleged perpetrators. Within some Muslim and the Arabic-speaking communities in Australia, anecdotal reports suggest these theories were widely endorsed. They also received some currency in left-wing, anti-Israel circles.

2.4 Holocaust Denial

A subset of the above is the promotion of the claim that there was neither a Nazi Genocide of Jews nor an attempt at one. The thesis presented, either explicitly or implicitly, is that Jews, sometimes with the help of sympathisers and sycophants, use popular belief in the Nazi Holocaust as a means of extorting sympathy, money and political gain.

Although there is little evidence to suggest Holocaust Denial is having any impact on the way the Holocaust is taught or has any influence on scholars or scholarship, the dissemination of material which insults, offends, ridicules and intimidates Holocaust survivors, the families of survivors and of those who did not survive and of all Jewish Australians, is a key activity of extreme right-wing elements in Australia.

Holocaust deniers based in Australia have caused a great deal of offence and hurt to Holocaust survivors and other members of the Jewish community, but have failed beyond that to have any impact. It is noteworthy that the foremost visible promoters of Holocaust denial in Australia, Fredrick Toben of Adelaide, Richard Krege of Canberra, John Bennett of Melbourne and Olga Scully of Launceston, have all been identified with international organisations promoting Holocaust denial.

Given that Holocaust deniers have no place in the Academy, the development of on-line communications has proven to be a boon to their activities. As noted by Leonard Weinberg in Extremism in Europe, 1998 Survey, "If you search the word 'Auschwitz' on the World Wide Web the first entry that appears is from a site in Australia that asserts the death camp was a post-war invention of the CIA".

Virtually all Australian antisemitic organisations either advocate Holocaust Denial or argue that Holocaust deniers have a right to be given serious academic consideration. Holocaust Denial is also promoted by some individuals and groups whose primary political concern is the defence and promotion of totalitarian Arab regimes or extreme Islamism.

At present it is fair to say that Holocaust Denial is generally understood, in Australia, to be antisemitic. In the judgements in the Federal Court cases, *Jones v Toben* and *Jones v Bible Believers* it was established it can be racist as defined in Australian law. Nevertheless, Holocaust deniers have been establishing their own historiography and have shown an ability to take advantage of media opportunities and modern communication techniques to harass and intimidate Jews as well as attempting to mislead the Australian public.

2.5 Jewish/Nazi Analogy

In 1982, Conor Cruise O'Brien, searching for a term to describe the slur that Israel, representing the heirs of the victims of Nazism, was behaving in a "Nazi" manner, coined the term "anti-Jewism". This slur has been directed at Israel and Australian Jews with a disturbing frequency during the past four years, with a number of fringe far Left organisations promoting this analogy as policy.

When Jews are called Nazis it not only renders the unique crimes of Hitler's regime common-place, but also uses Jews' past suffering as a means of abuse. During recent periods of high tension in the Middle East, the expression of this view was increasingly tolerated, and even promoted, by sections of the mainstream media.

The slur has currency particularly in far left circles, with some members of left-wing groups alleging that civilians who are the tragic victims of conflicts involving Israel are victims of a Nazi-like genocide and some right-wingers accusing Jews who support legal recourse for victims of racism with Nazis who murdered political opponents. It has also been used increasingly by Arab and Muslim critics of Israel in Australia.

This slander is sometimes conscious antisemitism, sometimes thoughtless polemic and sometimes confused rhetoric, but regardless of its motivation it is generally recognised, after consideration, as antisemitism.

2.6 Holocaust Denigration

In a community, such as that in contemporary Australia, which includes substantial numbers of Holocaust survivors and people who lost many family members in the Nazi Genocide, the legitimate concern that Nazism is understood for what it was is complemented by sensitivity to abuse of language. Sloppy, inappropriate invocation of

terminology, including “Nazi” and “Holocaust”, is not necessarily the result of antisemitic intent, but does denigrate the reality of Genocide, persecution and suffering. Political analysts in Australia have observed the way in which consistent, inaccurate analogies involving Holocaust terminology reduce the true historic event in a way which can be summarised as “if everything is a Holocaust, then the Holocaust has no special significance.” This phenomenon is disturbing, and can have the result of furthering antisemitic agendas, even if Jews were not part of the thinking of those who are part of it.

Another form of Holocaust denigration is the demand that Jews stop acting as if the experiences under Nazism have any contemporary relevance and the call for individuals and the community to “get over it.” This sentiment is often voiced by that section of the extreme right which accepts that there was a Holocaust, as well as by Holocaust Deniers who will argue that the suffering was not even particularly severe.

In the recent period, it has been used increasingly by anti-Israel activists who believe that the fact of the Nazi Genocide and sympathy for those who were its actual and intended victims is the most important factor in support for the existence of Israel.

2.7 Jews as "Un-Christian" and Judaism as "Anti-Christian"

References to Judaism as a religion which leads its adherents to behave in a manner which, by virtue of being un-Christian, is judged to be not in accord with Australian social values, has been invoked by individuals, and organisations, who have differed with Jewish community organisations on matters of public policy.

The stereotyping of Judaism as being obsessed with the pursuit of vengeance (as against justice) in some public commentary on the issue of the challenge posed to Australian society by revelations that some Nazi War Criminals held Australian citizenship, for example, misrepresented Christianity and Judaism to further a political agenda.

Beyond the concept of Judaism as un-Christian is the theme of Judaism as anti-Christian, which plays a part in the conspiracy theories of a number of extremist organisations. The Australian League of Rights, the Adelaide Institute, the British-Israel World Federation, "Identity" churches and some self-styled "Biblical Fundamentalists" portray Jews as religious, racial or political opponents of Christianity.

The Talmud is a subject for distortion and misrepresentation by these groups and others aiming to vilify Jews, and in the rhetoric of the far right symbolises a code of living implacably opposed to "Christian justice". The widespread dissemination of distortions of the Talmud has taken on the trappings of a concerted campaign, with antisemitic internet sites used as a source of material which subsequently appeared in other productions of antisemites. (In the period in review, distortions of the Talmud, including those which sought to portray Jews as existential enemies of Christianity, were also circulating in the Arabic speaking and Muslim communities in Australia.)

The on-going public discussion of the topic of female genital mutilation also gave occasion for Judaism to be misrepresented as a religion or culture which endorsed this practice, a claim which has even been made in one state legislature.

In publications of some extreme right-wing organisations, Jews are described as "Esau" and/or the "spawn of Satan", in each case defining Jews as Christians' existential enemies.

While Australian Christianity is not, by and large, susceptible to the promotion or endorsement of these mythologies, it is disturbing that men and women educated in Christian traditions are addressed by vilifiers of Judaism in terms tailored to their perceived understanding of Jews and Judaism. It is also disturbing that debate still rages in a number of mainstream churches as to the legitimacy of Judaism in the Christian era.

2.8 Jewish Stereotypes

Out-dated and puerile as the stereotype of Jews as unethical and stingy may appear to be, it has had remarkable resilience in the repertoire of a number of humorists, including some within the mainstream media. Anti-Jewish humour in social contexts in contemporary Australia also often revolves around such stereotypes, occasionally even receiving broadcast on radio.

The racist and antisemitic sub-culture which exists in the gutters of Australian society not only benefits from such negative portrayals of Jewish Australians but incorporates such imagery into propaganda designed to depict Jews as fundamentally undeserving of a role in Australian life.

2.9 "Street Antisemitism"

At various times over the past sixty years, when there has been anecdotal evidence that racism against any segment of Australian society is increasing there has been a concurrent increase in reports of crude and unthinking antisemitic comments made in the workplace, educational institutions and in public places towards individuals who were or were believed to be Jewish. This type of abuse is indistinguishable from that aimed at other minority groups such as Indigenous Australians, Asians and Muslims.

There is nothing to suggest that this type of offensive and insulting behaviour represented any particular targeting of, or specific threat to, the Jewish community. It does support the thesis that, in the mind of the Australian bigot, being Jewish is sufficient to be thought of as "the other".

2.10 The Effect of Vilification

One immediate effect of vilification and the perpetuation of stereotypes is to intimidate those who are the victims of group defamation. Another effect is the distortion of public debate. A cumulative effect is to provide both inspiration and rationale for physical attacks on the members of the group which has been depicted as existentially opposed to the interests of the majority.

In Australia, vilification of Jews is present to varying degrees throughout the media and at many different levels of society. On matters of public interest which have an aspect which gives them particular significance for Australian Jewry, discussion can be skewed due to antisemitic prejudice. The Australian Jewish community also experiences

hundreds of incidents each year of harassment, intimidation, vandalism or other acts which conform to the pattern of racist violence. While it is difficult to prove the causal connection between individual instances of antisemitic vilification and physical actions motivated by anti-Jewish hatred or prejudice, it is not at all difficult to draw the nexus between hateful language and acts motivated by hate.

Particularly in the event of social dislocation and alienation, vilification of minorities encourages political and physical action against those who have been identified as the enemies of the majority.

From Stormfront Downunder discussion, March 2008:

Wewelsberg

Join Date: Feb 2008

Re: Jewish groups want hate crimes squad

The Victorian Police need an Einsatzgruppen Unit not a Mossad Unit.

Λευκός εθνικιστής -100% Right

It Always Comes Back To 'The Jewish Question'

How dare the Goyim.Look at what we've done for them.

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Join Date: Mar 2006

Location: At the surrender of the West to barbarians (Crux Australis)

Re: Jewish groups want hate crimes squad

Jews are the biggest shylock criminals of them all, they should arrest themselves for 'hate crimes' to the gentiles.



Melbourne, June 2008

3.0 INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE, VANDALISM AND INTIMIDATION

3.1 Introduction

The author of this report has logged data on all incidents reported to Australia's central state and territory Jewish organisations, or sent directly to him, since October 1989, which has meant that the incidents have been assessed by identical criteria, on a national basis, for a full nineteen year period. While there are evident and obvious problems in the reliability of a report-based system, the mechanisms for collecting data and the analytical and interpretative process have been effectively unchanged over the full period of the life of the database, which should minimise the impact of variables which may otherwise affect report-based systems.

During the twelve months ending September 30, 2008, 652 reports were recorded of incidents defined by the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission as "racist violence" against Jewish Australians. These incidents included physical assault, vandalism – including through arson attacks – threatening telephone calls, hate mail, graffiti, leaflets, posters and abusive and intimidatory electronic mail. This exceeded by 2% the previous highest total, recorded in the year ending September 30, 2007. It was more than twice the previous average annual total.

Regarding the data in this section, it is important to note that incidents of suspicious behaviour around Jewish institutions, which do not directly relate to a physical manifestation of harassment or vandalism, while obviously important, do not appear in the database as they do not constitute racist violence. Telephone calls, letters, e-mail or graffiti which consist of criticisms of Israel or of political stances of the Jewish community which do not include specifically antisemitic comments are also excluded, even though there is a realistic prospect that a proportion of these are motivated by antisemitism.

Further, an assault on a Jewish person who is not identifiably Jewish, and which does not include any reference to the person being Jewish, would not be included.

The bias is in favour of exclusion rather than inclusion, which limits the ability for distortions to appear in the statistics over time and also protects the integrity of the data base.

3.2 Reports for the Year 1 October 2007 to 30 September 2008

The total for reports of all types was a fraction below twice the previous average. Many of the reports were of threats, rather than physical attacks on person or property, but the reports reveal that hundreds of Jewish individuals and organisations were targeted, some repeatedly, by persons seeking to intimidate or harass them.

Incidents of assault, arson attacks, face-to-face harassment and vandalism which are broadly defined as "attacks" were recorded at the second highest rate on record set in the previous 12 month period. The total was more than double the previous average. Threats, conveyed through the telephone, mail, leaflets, posters or e-mail, were recorded at a rate just under twice the previous average and at the highest level in six years.

It is not possible to give a comprehensive analysis of the motivation for most of these incidents. Nearly all of the attacks have been carried out anonymously with the perpetrators never identified and while Jews are clearly identified as targets, the reasons for this generally are not specified. While public matters with which the Australian Jewish community is identified in the public mind (e.g. advocacy of cultural diversity or events in the Middle East) appear as rationalisations in some of the hate mail or threatening telephone calls received by individual Jews and Jewish organisations, the number of reports of incidents in which the motivation is clearly expressed remained low.

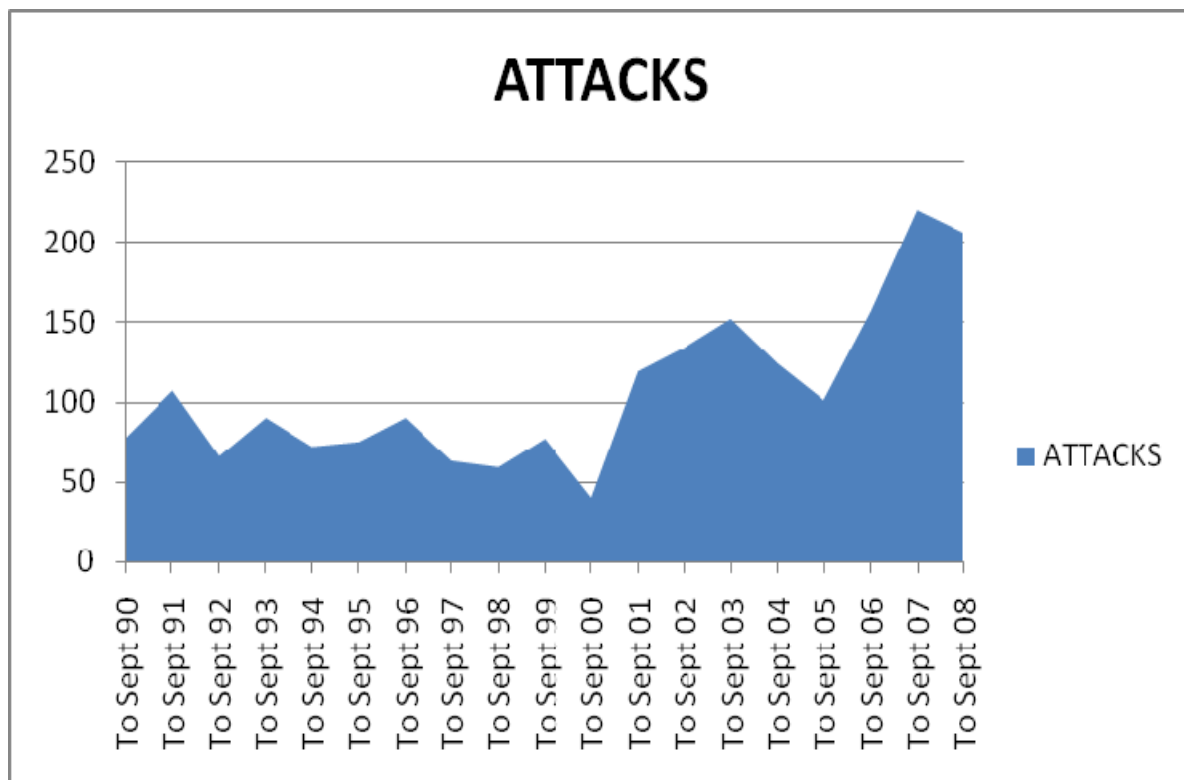
The effect of incidents of antisemitism on the quality of life of individual members of the Australian Jewish community should never be minimised. The psychological impact on members of communities affected directly by harassment and intimidation can be serious, particularly as many of the threats have been directed against individual Jewish Australians in their homes, including survivors of the Nazi Holocaust.

3.3 Serious/Violent Incidents

During the twelve months in review, the combined number of incidents involving physical assault, property damage and direct, face-to-face harassment was almost three times the previous average.

Amongst the most disturbing incidents of assault and property vandalism (not including graffiti) reported were:

- * Jewish youths attacked, verbally then physically, in Melbourne street. (October 2007).
- * Jewish men abused and assaulted in Sydney entertainment venue. (October 2007).
- * Rocks and eggs thrown at congregants leaving synagogue in Sydney. (October 2007).
- * Glass bottle thrown at Jewish family in Melbourne by occupant of passing vehicle. (October 2007).
- * A group of Orthodox Jewish walking home from synagogue in Sydney had eggs thrown at them. (October 2007).
- * Jewish teenagers abused, threatened “fucking Jews we’ll kill you” and one of them was punched, in Sydney’s eastern suburbs. (November 2007).
- * An Orthodox Jew was taunted and had his hat stolen while walking down main road in Sydney’s eastern suburbs. (November 2007).
- * Eggs thrown at Rabbi and another man walking to synagogue in Melbourne. (November 2007).
- * Jewish day school student abused, assaulted by students from another school while on school excursion in Sydney. (December 2007).



* A group of Orthodox men walking in Melbourne had eggs thrown at them by occupants from passing vehicle. (December 2007).

* An Orthodox Jewish man was verbally abused and punched in the face in street in Sydney's eastern suburbs. (January 2008).

* A rabbi in Queensland's Gold Coast was verbally abused, then physically assaulted, by an unknown male assailant. (January 2008).

* Shopfront of Jewish food outlet in Melbourne smashed in rock attack. (January 2008).

* A Jewish man was abused and assaulted at tram stop in suburban Melbourne. (February 2008).

* A family with a child walking home from Shabbat dinner in Melbourne hit by eggs thrown at them. (February 2008).

* A Jewish teenager was hit in the chest by a bottle thrown from the car. (March 2008).

* An Orthodox Jewish man in Melbourne's eastern suburbs was verbally abused and spat at by a person who said "Hitler should have finished you". (April 2008).

* Two Jewish girls in suburban Melbourne street were verbally abused and assaulted in antisemitic incident. (May 2008).

- * Four Orthodox Jewish teens in Perth walking home from synagogue were verbally abused and physically assaulted, punched and kicked in an antisemitic attack. (May 2008).
- * Eggs thrown at group of Orthodox Jews in Melbourne street on night of Jewish religious festival. (June 2008).
- * Jewish students in shop in Melbourne abused, with one of them assaulted. (July 2008).
- * Jewish man assaulted while walking to synagogue in Melbourne. (July 2008).
- * A student from a Jewish school in Sydney was abused, shoved and kicked in a shopping centre in Sydney's eastern suburbs. (August 2008).
- * Multiple eggs were thrown at people outside Jewish retail outlet in Melbourne, and by person shouting "Fucking Jews die". (August 2008).
- * Three Jewish teens in Sydney were physically assaulted and robbed by a group of teenagers who also shouted antisemitic epithets. (September 2008).
- * A Jewish person was assaulted walking home from synagogue in Sydney's eastern suburbs (September 2008)

The incidents of harassment which did not include assault were reported at a rate more than three times the previous average and at the second highest volume recorded.

Amongst these incidents were:

- * A Jewish day school student in Sydney was followed by a car with a number of passengers, who followed her and yelled antisemitic epithets at her. (October 2007).
- * Driver of a passing vehicle made "Heil Hitler" salute outside Jewish day school in Sydney. (October 2007).
- * Drivers and passengers of vehicles passing synagogues in Sydney made threatening comment to congregants. (October 2007).
- * Passengers in vehicles passing synagogues in Melbourne yelled abuse at congregants. (October 2007).
- * "Heil Hitler" shouted at synagogue personnel in Sydney by passing motorist. (October 2007).
- * Man walked past Jewish institutions in Sydney yelling "fucking Zionist pigs" at those entering. (October 2007).
- * Taxi driver made antisemitic comments to passenger on her way to synagogue in Melbourne. (October 2007).

- * Verbal abuse directed at Jewish patron in shopping centre in Sydney's eastern suburbs. (October 2007).
- * Two men shouted "Jews" aggressively at people leaving synagogue in Sydney's eastern suburbs. (November 2007).
- * Passengers in vehicle passing synagogue in Sydney yelled "Jewish motherfuckers" at congregants. (November 2007).
- * Occupant of car shouted "fucking Jews", "Heil Hitler" and other comments at Jewish day school personnel in Sydney. (November 2007).
- * Jewish mother with her children subjected to torrent of anti-Jewish abuse while walking in suburban Melbourne. (December 2007).
- * Abusive comments shouted at congregants outside synagogue in Sydney. (December 2007).
- * Torrent of antisemitic abuse was directed at Jewish man in Sydney shopping centre. (December 2007).
- * Jewish woman trying to enter synagogue in Perth harassed and threatened by male on scooter. (January 2008).
- * Occupants of car in Melbourne suburbs yelled "Bloody Jews, you killed Jesus" at identifiable Jewish man. (January 2008).
- * Antisemitic abuse, "fucking Jews", yelled by cyclist at Jewish people walking to synagogue in Melbourne. (January 2008).
- * Occupants of a vehicle yelled "fucking Jews" at congregants entering synagogue in Sydney's eastern suburbs. (February 2008).
- * A Jewish woman in Melbourne was abused as "a Jewish prick who doesn't belong in Australia". (March 2008).
- * Occupants of vehicle yelled "fucking Jews" at students entering Jewish day school in Sydney's eastern suburbs. (March 2008).
- * Two Jewish women were called "fucking Jews" by the occupants of a passing vehicle as they walked home from synagogue in Melbourne. (April 2008).
- * Abuse "kill all the Jews" yelled from passing vehicle at students attending Jewish day school in Sydney's eastern suburbs. (May 2008).
- * A group of teenagers taunted and abused Jewish person in shopping centre in Sydney's eastern suburbs. (June 2008).
- * Orthodox Jewish child playing football (soccer) in Perth harassed by members of opposing team for wearing a kippa. (July 2008).

* Two teenagers yelled “bloody Jews” at Orthodox Jewish woman and child in Melbourne’s eastern suburbs. (August 2008).

* A male occupant of a truck shouted “Heil Hitler” and threw a Nazi salute at a group of Jewish boys at a Melbourne bus stop. (August 2008).

* The driver of a vehicle outside a Jewish cemetery in Melbourne yelled “fuck off kikes” at women leaving the facility. (August 2008).

* A neighbour shouted “Fucking Jews, Hitler should have killed you all” at Jewish family in Sydney’s eastern suburbs (September 2008)

* A campaigner for the “Socialist Alternative” team in an election at a Sydney University urged voters not to vote for a candidate he called “a dirty, filthy warmongering Jew”. (September 2008).

3.4 Telephone Intimidation and Hate Mail

Reports of threats conveyed to the Jewish community through telephone calls or through the mail were received at a rate only thirty percent of the average over the previous eighteen years.

Telephone calls, which often contained extreme antisemitic abuse, were recorded at the lowest rate in nineteen years. Incidents of hate mail were recorded at the third lowest rate in nineteen years, but abusive and threatening mail continued to be received at private homes and by Jewish institutions. There are some letter writers who have mailed the same or similar antisemitic letters to different recipients over a long period of time, whose activities are supplemented by a number of people who write letters often or on specific issues.

In the year in review, a number of the letters made some reference to events in the Middle East as the pretext for writing, but all letters included in the database made specific anti-Jewish comments.

Examples of incidents in these categories included:

* An abusive telephone call was received at Jewish institution in Sydney. (October 2007).

* Antisemitic mail received by Jewish organisation in Sydney. (October 2007).

* Bizarre and offensive conspiracy theory letter sent to Jewish organisation in Sydney. (October 2007).

- * Threatening antisemitic telephone call left on answering machine of Jewish man in Perth. (November 2007).
- * Anthrax scare, with white powder in envelope, at Jewish institution in Canberra. (January 2008).
- * Antisemitic letter calling (non-Jewish) journalist “a typical jew” who wrote “hate-filled jewish bullxxxx” received at media outlet in Sydney. (January 2008).
- * An antisemitic letter, signed by Nathan Clarke of Newcastle, was sent to a (non-Jewish) journalist in Sydney. The journalist’s writings were described as “hate-filled [J]ew[ish] bullxxxx”. (January 2008).
- * An antisemitic telephone call was received at a Jewish community office in Brisbane. (January 2008).
- * Letter supporting Holocaust denial sent to media organisation in Sydney. (February 2008).
- * A letter urging the government not to “bow to Jewish pressure” was received by media organisation in Perth. (February 2008).
- * Antisemitic letter received at Jewish school in Melbourne. (April 2008).
- * A letter with the false return address “Gutnik”, on the subject of “greddy (sic) Jews”, was received by Jewish institution in inner east-Sydney. (May 2008).
- * Antisemitic mail received at Jewish institution in Melbourne. (May 2008).
- * Antisemitic letter received at synagogue in Sydney’s eastern suburbs. (July 2008).
- * Abusive letter received by Jewish people at their business address in Sydney’s western suburbs. (July 2008).
- * Jewish family in Sydney’s southern suburbs received antisemitic and threatening telephone message. (July 2008).
- * A federal politician received a letter in his Canberra office warning him about the operation of “the very powerful, influential and financially gifted Jewish lobby”. (September 2008).

3.5 Graffiti

There is a particular concern when graffiti is daubed on synagogues and other Jewish communal institutions, as this not only has the potential to offend and intimidate a large number of people but also as it could represent desecration of religious sites. During the period in review incidents of graffiti were reported at the second lowest level in eight years and at a rate eighty percent of the average for all years.

Amongst the graffiti incidents in the past year were:

- * Large swastika daubed in Melbourne suburb with substantial Jewish population. (November 2007).
- * Graffiti of word “Jew” written on footpath in front of two Jewish-owned shops in Melbourne. (November 2007).
- * A large swastika was daubed in local government premises in Sydney’s eastern suburbs. (November 2007).
- * The word “Jew” was stencilled outside a home of Jewish occupants in Sydney’s inner west. (November 2007).
- * Two swastikas daubed near Jewish day school in Sydney. (December 2007).
- * The word “Jew” and a swastika etched in panel at shopping centre in Sydney’s eastern suburbs. (December 2007).
- * Graffiti “Kill all Jews” and “Jews are cunts” in public library in Sydney’s eastern suburbs. (January 2008).
- * Swastikas daubed on synagogue in Melbourne. (January 2008).
- * Swastikas daubed on kosher restaurant in Melbourne. (January 2008).
- * Graffiti “Jewish Premises” daubed on street in Perth in front of house with a Mezuzah. (January 2008).
- * Daubing of antisemitic graffiti on wall of factory in Sydney’s western suburbs. (10/2).
- * “SS” symbol daubed on Jewish communal institution in Sydney’s inner-east. (February 2008).
- * A large swastika was scratched into the garage doors of a Jewish family in Melbourne. (March 2008).
- * A swastika was etched into the paint of a parked vehicle belonging to a Jewish person in Sydney’s eastern suburbs. (April 2008).
- * Graffiti “Dirty Jew” in Melbourne tertiary institution. (April 2008).
- * A swastika was daubed on a car parked outside a synagogue in Sydney’s eastern suburbs. (May 2008).
- * A swastika was daubed on the outer wall of a synagogue in Sydney’s eastern suburbs (May 2008).
- * Swastika daubed on synagogue in Sydney’s eastern suburbs. (May 2008).

- * Swastikas daubed on a number of properties near area in Sydney's eastern suburbs which contains a number of synagogues. (May 2008).
- * Obscene antisemitic graffiti seen in sporting venue on Sydney's north shore. (June 2008).
- * A large swastika was daubed on a poster advertising a Jewish event, in suburban Melbourne. (June 2008).
- * Swastika painted on the wall of a Jewish institution in Melbourne. (June 2008).
- * A vehicle owned by a Jewish family in Melbourne had a swastiks painted on to its bonnet. (July 2008).
- * Two large swastikas were daubed on a billboard in Perth advertising a Jewish person's professional services. (July 2008).
- * Vandals wrote antisemitic message on walls of Jewish sporting club in Melbourne. (September 2008).
- * Graffiti on wall of synagogue in Melbourne "Jews suck" with graphic picture. (September 2008).

3.6 Hate Email

In 1995 the ECAJ received its first report of harassment of a member of the Australian Jewish community through the use of electronic mail.

The ability of a person to remain anonymous and to send messages cheaply has made email the favoured means of communicating hate messages by Australian antisemites. During the period in review over sixty percent of all incidents reported were emails. There is no discernible difference in the themes contained in email messages to those sent through the postal service or communicated by telephone.

The receipt of abusive, threatening and other antisemitic email sent to individuals and communal offices was reported at a rate of more than seven times a week in the year in review. The total during this reporting period was more than four times the average and forty percent greater than the previous worst year.

Examples of email harassment and abuse included:

- * Antisemitic and offensive e-mail sent to government agency in Sydney after Jewish man received award for human rights. (December 2007).
- * Threatening e-mail "smell the gas mate, 88 Combat 18 is ready for you" sent to Jewish man in Sydney. (December 2007).
- * E-mail trying to convince Jews to leave Australia received by Jewish individual and institution in Adelaide. (February 2008).

- * Promotion of Holocaust denial and other anti-Jewish material e-mailed to Jewish institution and individual in Sydney. (February 2008)
- * A long e-mail accusing Jews of fomenting “Race War” sent to Jewish institution and individual in Sydney. (April 2008)
- * A long e-mail alleging today’s Jews are frauds and really Khazars was sent to a Jewish individual and a Jewish organisation in Sydney. (April 2008).
- * E-mail attacking Jewish dietary laws and claiming Jews are “pathological LIARS and PROPAGANDIST EXTRAORDINAIRES” (sic) sent to Jewish organisation and individual in Sydney. (May 2008).
- * A long antisemitic e-mail, which called on Christians to “rebuke the Jews and make them repent”, which had as an attachment a huge volume of overt anti-Jewish material received by Jewish institution and individual in Sydney. (May 2008)
- * A Jewish man in Melbourne received an e-mail addressed to “Mr Kike” which spoke about “the joo lies” about the “fake” Holocaust and to “kike bastards”. (June 2008).
- * An e-mail from a person who openly admitted to being “antisemitic” received by Jewish communal professionals in Melbourne. The e-mail distorted Talmudic teachings and spoke of the need to use physical force to “drive” the Jews to “Canaan”. (June 2008)
- * E-mail claiming Jews brought the slaves to America, sent to Jewish organisation and individual in Sydney. (June 2008).
- * E-mail demanding Jews immediately give up Judaism sent to Jewish organisation and individual in Sydney. (June 2008).
- * E-mail claiming Jews control the US received by Jewish recipients in Sydney. (June 2008).
- * E-mail making Jewish/Nazi analogy received by Jewish organisation in Sydney. (June 2008).
- * A 15-page Holocaust denial e-mail was sent to Jewish recipients in Sydney. (June 2008).
- * Extreme religious antisemitism sent to Jewish recipients in Sydney by e-mail. (June 2008).
- * Anti-Jewish e-mail on theme of 9/11 attacks being “mysteries” sent to Jewish recipients in Sydney. (July 2008).
- * Jewish organisation in Sydney received e-mail calling them “murdering Jews”. (August 2008).
- * Antisemitic e-mail claiming all media is Jewish-controlled sent to Jewish organisations in Sydney, including references to “the Jew Josef Goebbels”, the “Jewish Weimer Republic” and arguing Christians have a duty to expose Jews”. (August 2008).

* E-mail calling Jewish community “bunch of thugs and murderers” received by Jewish organisation in Sydney. (August 2008).

* E-mail addressed to “you bunch of murdering Jews” sent to Jewish organisation in Sydney. (August 2008).

* Holocaust denial e-mail sent to Jewish organisations in Sydney. (August 2008).

3.7 Leaflets, Posters and Other Miscellaneous Harassment

In addition to the modes of harassment and intimidation identified above, the Jewish community receives reports on a regular basis of the receipt of text messages, leaflets and other material placed in private letterboxes by hand, the sighting of posters with anti-Jewish themes, stickers on buildings and telegraph poles and other similar forms of dissemination of anti-Jewish propaganda.

Reports of material in these categories were received in the twelve months in review at sixty percent of the average. Examples of reports in this category include:

* Anti-Jewish leaflet letterboxed in Sydney area with large Jewish population. (December 2007).

* Antisemitic abuse SMSed to private phone of Jewish man in Sydney. (December 2007).

* Bacon was stuffed in mailbox of synagogue in Melbourne. (January 2008)

* A photo of a Jewish man from Perth and a range of antisemitic slurs were posted on a publicly accessible website. (February 2008)

* Antisemitic poster making Jewish/Nazi analogy posted throughout Melbourne’s western suburbs. (February 2008)

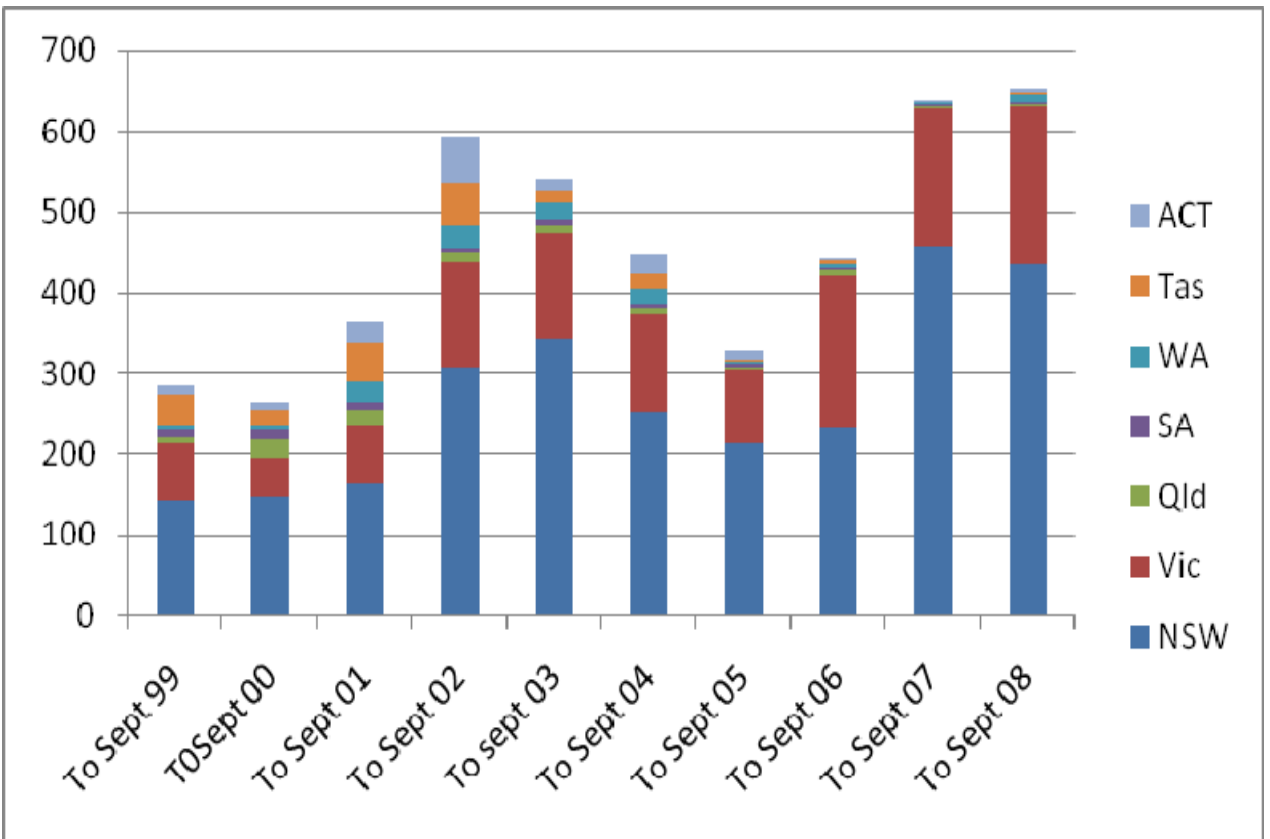
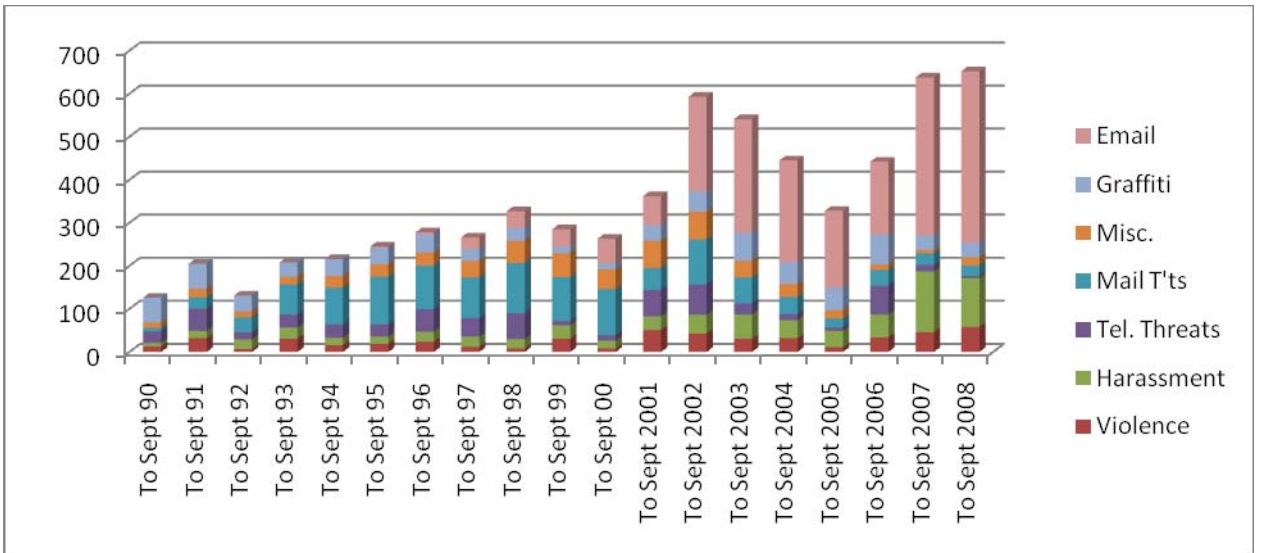
* A pig’s mask was glued to the gravestone of a Jewish person in a cemetery in northern Sydney. (March 2008)

* A leaflet alleging Jews are worse than Nazis, calling Jews “Holocaust traders” and “Zio-Nazis” distributed in inner Sydney. (April 2008).

* An antisemitic threat was posted on a Melbourne Jewish woman’s facebook page. (April 2008).

* A fax supporting Islamist terrorism sent to Jewish organisation in Sydney. (September 2008).

* Fax threatening terrorist attack in Australia on the anniversary of September 11, 2001 events, sent to Jewish organisation in Sydney. (September 2008).



4.0 ANTISEMITISM IN THE MEDIA AND THE COMMUNITY

4.1 Introduction

The Australian Jewish community is very much part of mainstream Australia. The facts that two of Australia's Governors-General have been Jewish, that Jews have been able to participate in the political process from very early times and that military and public figures such as General Sir John Monash are important public icons, gives Australian Jewry a real sense of belonging and creates obstacles to those antisemitic organisations who would seek to present Jews as in some way un-Australian. This does not mean that anti-Jewish prejudice is absent and anecdotal evidence suggests that, within each strata and sub-strata of society, a minority of Australians hold strong anti-Jewish views or regard Jews as outside acceptable society.

In the period in review, anecdotal evidence continued to emerge to the effect that anti-Jewish views and opinions being voiced in situations which suggest that there has been a weakening of social and cultural sanctions against overt racism. A study of the situation in a number of schools revealed instances of widespread anti-Jewish prejudice, with both far-right and religious sources. A number of reports were received of anti-Jewish abuse on sporting fields. On internet forums linked to mainstream commercial enterprises, antisemitic stereotyping and insults are far too common.

On-line communities, Facebook and You-Tube in particular, have been the venues of crude and intense anti-Jewish prejudice being expressed openly and unashamedly. While the sum total of reports of each and all such behaviour is not sufficient to suggest that it is rampant, it is nevertheless cause for genuine concern.

Coverage of issues relating to the Australian Jewish community by the mainstream media is extensive and out of all proportion to the community's size or of its percentage of the Australian population. On a range of issues, sections of the mainstream media seek the input and opinions of the Australian Jewish community and coverage on matters of direct concern to Jews is a regular feature in both foreign and domestic affairs coverage. The coverage is generally responsible and does not unduly play on the "Jewishness" of individuals or of the issues.

On some subjects, particularly relating to issues resulting from the Nazi Holocaust, the media has been generally sympathetic to the community, while there is less sympathy when it comes to coverage of Israel and the Middle East and where some commentators can be identified who use different criteria for judging Israel than they do for any other state due to Israel's Jewish population. Matters which have some complexity are sometimes simplified by use of stereotypes or racist imagery, giving genuine reason for concern at the way inappropriate analogies are used when discussing matters involving the Jewish community, Israel or individual Jewish people.

An article relating to prejudice and bigotry against one section of the Australian Jewish community, immigrants from South Africa, was published by journalist Sam de Brito in the on-line version of the Sydney Morning Herald, in response to statements made by visiting US Special Envoy on Antisemitism, Gregg Rickman. De Brito argued that the

last remaining socially acceptable prejudice in Australian liberal circles was directed at this group, although this prejudice was no more valid than any other.

4.2 Political Parties

In some previous reporting periods, there was considerable public discussion concerning antisemitism and Australian political parties.

While the subject remained on the agenda, it did not receive as much public attention as during the twelve months discussed in this report.

Over the past five years, there has been strong, bipartisan opposition to antisemitism. There have been very few causes for concern from the national political sector, but a number of matters merit recording.

The 2007 Federal election was notable for a lack of impact, or even visibility, of extremist political groups. Over the past decade, representatives of the major Parties have vigorously exposed any electoral preferencing, relationship or contact between their opponents and political extremists, and there is now an accepted, if informal, protocol which has known extremists placed below other candidates in voter advisory literature. However, an incident of antisemitism came to light in the wake of the defeat of the Liberal/National Party coalition government, with the Liberal Party of Victoria's state campaign manager being forced to resign after revelations she had referred, by e-mail, to a fellow Liberal as a "greedy fucking Jew".

In a bizarre political incident, the then Premier of New South Wales, Morris Iemma, was subjected to an aggressive and abusive heckler when he addressed the Labor Council on issues of economic policy. The heckler accused him of being a "Zionist" and a "sell-out". The incident was recorded by ABC television and broadcast, including footage of the heckler asking "How much are they putting in your pocket?".

The small political party, One Nation, was the exception to the broad consensus against antisemitism and a cause of on-going concern. After the Federal Court heard a complaint relating to an antisemitic article which appeared in the Party's newspaper in late 2004, the Court's 2006 declaration read:

"the Respondent has engaged in conduct rendered unlawful by Part IIA Section 18C of the Racial Discrimination Act by having published or allowing to be published in 'The Nation – The Official Newspaper of One Nation' Volume 4, Edition 10: a cartoon on page 3, and an article accompanying the said cartoon headed 'Kiddie porn to be used as net censorship ploy', being material which is offensive, insulting, humiliating and intimidating to Jewish people.

The judge ordered that:

"the Respondent be restrained from publishing or republishing to the public by itself or by any agent or employee: that the Respondent be restrained from publishing or republishing to the public by itself or by any agent or employee: Any material with a substantially similar content to the Material." and "the Respondent forthwith deliver to the Applicant, Jeremy Jones, a written statement of apology, signed by the Respondent, in the following terms: 'Mr Rodney Andrew Evans hereby unreservedly and unconditionally

apologises to you and to the Australian Jewish community for having published material in contravention of the Racial Discrimination Act. I undertake that I will not publish any such material in the future and that all such material which is presently published by The Nation, in any print or electronic media (including the Internet) will forthwith be withdrawn from publication.'

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While this result was welcome, One Nation members and party organs other than The Nation published antisemitic material in the period in review. For example, the Update Beenleigh Branch Regional & State News Letter of One Nation (Vol.2 issue 4, June 2008) claimed "Khazar Jews . . . currently control the world's finances and perpetuate the Islamic invasion to cause disruption to feed their greedy coffers".

It is significant to note that the open antisemitism coincided with One Nation's dramatic electoral demise.

In one other newsworthy incident, the Mayor of Shoalhaven, Gary Watson, made an antisemitic comment at a public meeting in April, saying: "why don't you be a good Jew? Why don't you screw the last dollar out of it like public enterprise would", in reference to a land sale. Mr Watson lost his position in the September 2008 Council elections.

4.3 Mainstream Media

The Australian media is a major source of information for the Australian community. The influence of the media should mean that there is a concomitant sense of responsibility. In most cases this responsibility is taken seriously. There are no overtly antisemitic radio stations, newspapers or television broadcasters with a mainstream audience, but there are a number of reasons for concern which have arisen during the reporting period.

In Australian society, a major factor in limiting the growth of racism in general can be unambiguous opposition to it from the mainstream media. It is therefore a matter of concern to all Australians who value a tolerant and democratic society when sections of the mass media disregard this fact. It should be emphasised that these cases were exceptions to the rule, and that in the overwhelming majority of cases the media outlet involved was far more likely to report fairly, challenge racism and sub-edit offending pieces rather than give open slather to antisemitism.

Given the way in which Australian racists have behaved over a long period, there is considerable evidence to support the contention that when they believe their activities are tolerated or even rationalised and encouraged by sources of authority, which can include the mainstream media, they seem far more likely to act on any antisemitism they already harbour. This is particularly the case when antisemitic views are broadcast

on the ABC (Australian Broadcasting Commission), as in the minds of racists this signifies that bigotry has received government imprimatur. In one extraordinary item which appeared in a news/analysis programme rather than as the assertions of a caller to a station, ABC Radio's AM programme broadcast a tendentious item in November 2007 alleging that Palestinians were "selling their houses to the Jews" because of "an effort to destroy the fabric of Palestinian life" through "the trafficking of drugs to Palestinians".

There has also been occasional comment within the mainstream media which has given cause for concern. This situation is compounded by the ability of some individuals and organisations to have letters published and talkback calls aired which foment prejudice. A third concern is lapses in journalistic standards which allow antisemitic comments to be published and broadcast, resulting more from a lack of sensitivity than anti-Jewish intent. Anti-Israel documentaries and news reports have been used by racist organisations and individuals to demonstrate to their followers and potential supporters that anti-Jewish activity had some level of public endorsement.

Examples of the types of comment in letters and articles in mainstream publications which were of concern were:

* The Australian, in October 2007, published a series of letters on the subject of leading ALP figures public criticism of Iran. Writer James O'Neill claimed "Ahmadinejad has not denied the Holocaust. He has posed a number of questions and invited debate. Those questions include asking why Palestinians should pay for the sins committed by Europeans and provide a homeland for the Jewish people." Brian Haill alleged this was "a desperate bid to woo Sydney's Jewish vote" and Antony Lowenstein, allegedly speaking on behalf of "Independent Australian Jewish Voices" took the opportunity to attack Jewish community representatives.

* The Sydney Morning Herald, in January 2008, published a letter from Zaid Khan which made a direct Nazi Germany-Israel analogy, concluding "Warsaw Ghetto 1941-Gaza 2008". The same paper published a letter from Paul Stephen saying Israel "gets away" with "racist tactics". Three other writers made a direct Nazi-Israeli comparison, including one identified as writing from Slovenia and one from Switzerland. Explaining the decision to publish this particular selection, letters co-editor Miranda Harman said "We try to find correspondence that adds to readers' understanding and acknowledge the complexities of the issue".

* The Australian, in March 2008, published a letter from Gideon Polya grossly distorting the number of Jewish victims of Nazism, in the course of attacking Western concern at Islamic terrorism.

* Kevin Bray, Chair of Australians for Justice and Peace in Palestine, wrote of Israel in The Canberra Times in March 2008: "Excluding Nazi genocide, the parallels with many of the horrors recalled at Yad Vashem are striking", citing Antony Loewenstein as a documenter of Israel's alleged crimes.

* Veteran columnist Alan Ramsay in The Sydney Morning Herald in March 2008 claimed that there was an "easily intimidated Australian parliament" which is "ever mindful of Jewish financial support of party coffers".

* A letter by Marilyn Shepherd in The Australian's Review in May 2008 accused Israel of "Ethnic Cleansing", which she claimed was "illegal" and "a monstrous crime against humanity."

* Anisa Hamood, in a letter in the Adelaide Advertiser in May, claimed that Arabs can not be "anti-Semitic" as "Palestinians are equally semitic as are the Israelis" and that Israel engages in "human violations against the Palestinian people".

There were echoes of these types of comments on a number of talkback radio programs, although these were not reported to the Jewish community's offices as often as were complaints regarding extremist views in the print media. On each reported occasion that callers made antisemitic comments, the hosts (on Sydney radio stations 2GB and 2UE) chastised them then ended the calls.

More extreme comments were published regularly on the On-line weblogs and guest books of a number of mainstream media organisations, which were often left on line for extended periods . Some examples were:

* A discussion on an article criticising racism in Melbourne, the Herald Sun letters blog (October 2007) included comments such as "Also, how many innocent civilians (Gentiles or Jews) did the Jews murder in furtherance of their "cause" in Europe?"

* In response to a news item (October 2007) on Kevin Rudd's condemnation of Iran, a number of offensive comments were posted on the letters blog of The Australian, including "This article is alarming for several reasons. – KRUDD is repeating translations that are entirely false. – Demonstrates how the local Jewish 'Israeli firster' community is setting the agenda through zionist mouthpiece IAR. – Highlights the bizzare elevation of the capital H Holocaust to an event so uniquely brutal that REAL evaluation of the facts is not allowed. POOR FORM KEVIN, Disgusting!" and "So Kevin is just another proxy Zionist. What a surprise! Anyone who has cared to do a little research outside the mainstream media knows that Ahmadinejad has not threatened to wipe Israel off the map. It took you a while for Kevin to reveal his true self, he is just another NWO puppet, you don't make it to the top any other way."

* After an article by Colin Rubenstein was published on the ABC's "Unleashed" site in March 2008, he was condemned for stating the views of "the chosen ones" (13/3), another poster wrote "Jews suffer no more oppression and discrimination than they dish out themselves". Another poster submitted "To punish the now apostate gentile world, God has allowed the Jews to work their CRAFT upon the whole world. Lying ,murdering,cheating,blackmailing,warmongering,corrupting.....you are masters of your craft."

* On ABC Unleashed, following an article by Irfan Yusuf, "Hayward" posted "No one as yet has raised the question concerning the true ethnicity of the bulk of "Jewish" people claiming that they have the right to re establish Eretz Israel. They are descendants of Khazars, a Turkic tribe that converted to Judaism in the 8th century CE for political/geographical reasons. A story is told that they were considering the three monotheistic faiths Judaism, Christianity and Islam. The Khazars liked a drink so that ruled out Islam BUT they liked having concubines so that ruled out Christianity so Judaism it was!"

* On the ABC “Unleashed” website, prompted by an article by Irfan Yusuf posted in July 2008, a poster wrote “This is another of those ‘open secrets’ the Rightwing media hide. That the pro-Israeli Right, both Jewish and Gentile, is the ground zero of anti-Moslem hatemongering, and they have just begun their work. The two million dead, murdered by the US and UK, following orders that emanate from the Israeli Right, in Iraq, is plainly just the beginning. So long as public discourse is deliberately tilted towards those who, justifiable, see a few thousand Westerners killed as tragedies, but millions of Moslems killed by the West as ‘collateral damage’ in the US/Israeli Crusade for regional dominance, we are heading towards religious war.”

4.4 Middle East Politics

Israel receives extensive but generally superficial coverage in the Australian mass media. The propaganda ploy of presenting those responsible for the introduction of violence into a situation where peaceful negotiations were proceeding, as if they were the victims of some unprovoked brutality, was carried in a number of sections of the Australian media, sometimes with enthusiasm and often without reasoned analysis.

Those who have broad antisemitic agendas have found this situation a useful pretext for voicing their anti-Jewish prejudices and incitements. Others who may in different circumstances be opposed to racism sometimes added their voices and contributed opinions, which have included the attribution of racial characteristics to Jews.

The volume of antisemitism in public discourse, particularly in the wake of the 2001 and 2002 terrorist bombings and Israel’s battles with Hezbollah and Hamas in mid-2006, had few precedents in Australia. The most disturbing feature of the debate in Australia on the Middle East was the way in which overt anti-Jewish comments went uncriticised by those who proclaim that their criticism of Israel is in no way related to criticism of Jews.

There were a number of examples of the use of the historically ridiculous analogy of Israel with Nazi Germany, using Jewish suffering under the Nazis as a stick with which to beat Australian Jews who support Israel's right to protect the security of its citizens. An unprecedented volume of letters to editors and other commentary of this nature had come while Israel was fighting Hezbollah in Lebanon in mid-2006.

Attempts to delegitimise Israel and Zionism, conducted by public spokespersons for the Palestinians, included extreme allegations against Israel and Judaism. In addition, supporters of the tyranny in Iraq or the theological fascists in Iran used whatever opportunities were presented to them to level charges, in extreme language, against Israel, Zionism and, on occasion, Jewry. For example, after being quoted by a number of journalists as having said the antisemitic blood libel was a legitimate part of the Middle East debate, Roland Jabbour of the Australian Arabic Council claimed in August 2008 that “The false charge of anti-Semitism by some is used to silence and blackmail those to dare to criticize the Zionist’ self-righteous and lawless child, the state of Israel. It is designed to frighten those who dare to engage in and encourage honest debate about these important matters – something we must do as a society in the interest of justice and peace. Israel

continues its aggression while claiming self-defense: a right usually reserved for the victims of aggression – and the same right Israel denies its own victims.”

Although the many small groups which comprise the Australian far-left often make declarations critical of racism in all its forms, demonisation of Israel is a common thread and the extremes of language used to condemn Zionism and Israel can only promote a mythology on Jewish "internationalism", powerful and evil, almost indistinguishable from the far right. It should be noted that most of the groups in this sector are ambiguous, if not internally contradictory, on questions of Jews and of Middle East politics, but the fact that material was published promoting the concept of "Zionism" as an "international conspiracy" and of Jews as Nazis warrants criticism.

The shallowness and intellectual dishonesty in some of the debate on the Middle East in Australia was evident in the reception accorded a book written on Israel and Australia's Jewish Community by an individual with no particular expertise, experience or skills but who identified himself as a Jewish critic of Australian Jewry and of Zionism. While the book was riddled with factual inaccuracies and sloppiness, it was speedily given iconic value by a range of critics of Israel, including overt antisemites. It was promoted and sold by extreme right wing political organisations, available at a bookstand which otherwise exclusively sold fundamentalist Islamic texts at a Muslim fair and the author was promoted by a variety of far-left groups existentially opposed to Israel. The author's personal moderated internet discussion forum published a series of items making offensive comments about individuals opposed to Holocaust denial and others accusing critics of the author of using "every weapon in the Jewish armoury of self-victimisation", while the author himself used offensive anti-Jewish language, but the utility to anti-Israel groups and individuals of having a self-identified Jewish person who was eager to criticise Israel and Australian Jewry seemingly over-rode any concern with factual accuracy or concern with racism.

4.5 Academics

During the period in review, the Senate of Australia commenced an inquiry into Academic Freedom. One result was that a number of Jewish students began to tell of some negative and hostile experiences on campus. These included the introduction into classrooms of extraneous and tendentious material critical of the Jewish community of Australia and/or Israel, disparaging remarks regarding names of students thought to indicate they were Jewish, teaching on Israel which distorted Jewish history and beliefs, blogs maintained by academics which promoted and hosted extreme anti-Israel and often anti—Jewish material and a number of other issues.

In most cases, the individuals responsible for creating the atmosphere in which Jewish student were made to feel uncomfortable and victims of discrimination were oriented towards the political left, with a minority from Muslim or Arab backgrounds.

Despite anti-racist policies in place on most campuses, there have also been reports over the recent period of the perpetrators of overt antisemitic acts not facing any negative consequences for their activities.

4.6 Arabic-speaking and Islamic Communities

Australia's Arabic-speaking community is large and vibrant. Jews are not a major concern or pre-occupation for this community, but when Jewish matters are discussed it can give rise to concerns, particularly when discussion of the Middle East departs from vigorous political debate and enters the realm of religious and racial stereotyping.

During the period in review, concern remained at the availability at Islamic bookstores of overt antisemitic and other extremist literature and videos, the propagation of anti-Jewish myths by a number of imams and religious teachers, the association between Australian Muslims and individuals and groups in other countries known to be actively anti-Jewish, as well as the circulation of anti-Jewish propaganda within the Muslim population in Australia.

The Muslim personality in Australia who has the greatest notoriety for promoting and justifying anti-Jewish slanders is Sheikh Taj Eldinne El-Hilaly, an imam associated with the Lebanese Muslim Association who for more than a decade had used the title “Mufti of Australia”. In 1988, in a public function at the University of Sydney, Hilaly had, in the course of presenting Jews as the existential enemies of the rest of humanity, called Jews the cause of all wars and accused Jews of using sex and deviancy to control the world. Even prior to these comments, he had been criticised for insulting and derogatory comments concerning women and Christian Lebanese. The story of his Australian residence and the failure of otherwise responsible community figures to dissociate from him is long and complex, and can not be properly canvassed in this report, but it should be noted that in recent years he has justified anti-Jewish terrorist murders.

A report in The Australian in July 2006 noted Hilaly had “dismissed the Holocaust as a “Zionist lie” in a series of fiery sermons” and he later “attacked the Western press for being afraid to admit that the Holocaust was “a ploy made by the Zionists”. In 2006 he trivialised the number of Jews killed by the Nazis. “What’s that six million all about? Is there six million?” and when questioned on this in 2007 said “I, like many researchers in the world, shy off the number of innocent victims”

Another prominent Islamic figure, Melbourne’s Sheikh Omran, publishes a newsletter MeccaNews, which includes defamatory attacks on Judaism, primarily through misrepresenting The Talmud.

The most blatant antisemitism, including promotions of The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion, appeared on The Mission Islam web-site. It not only links to the overtly antisemitic www.jewwatch.com site but contains a section “The Truth About the Talmud” which contained a list of fraudulent and out-of-context statements designed to portray Judaism as ridiculous and violently hostile to all non-Jews. Under the sub-heading, “Sick and Insane Teachings of the Talmud”, the following appears:

“Yebamoth 63a. States that Adam had sexual intercourse with all the animals in the Garden of Eden; Yebamoth 63a. Declares that agriculture is the lowest of occupations.; Sanhedrin 55b. A Jew may marry a three year old girl (specifically, three years “and a day” old); Sanhedrin 54b. A Jew may have sex with a child as long as the child is less than nine years old; Kethuboth 11b. “When a grown-up man has intercourse with a little girl it is nothing.”; Yebamoth 59b. A woman who had intercourse with a beast is eligible to marry a Jewish priest. A woman who has sex with a demon is also eligible to marry a Jewish priest; Abodah Zarah 17a. States that there

is not a whore in the world that the Talmudic sage Rabbi Eleazar has not had sex with.”; Other sub-headings included “Genocide Advocated by the Talmud” and “Moses Maimonides: Advocate of Extermination”.

One of the pages on Mission Islam linked directly to the home page, “New World Order”, identified “Freemasons / Zionists” as the “Dajjal”. It linked to a number of overtly antisemitic audio files such as “the lies of the Jews”, “USA’s Rulers: The Jews in the US Government. There’s so many of them it’s like a cockroach infestation. Add some to your hit-list”, “The Truth About the Talmud” and “Who is the Evil Dajjal (the anti-Christ)”.

Mission Islam’s website includes a section “Judaism and their Groups” which under “**Contemporary faiths and sects**” included the following:

“ Dounmah Jews :- They are the ones who showed Islam and hid Judaism to get rid of Islam. It was established by a Spanish man called Sabathai Zevi (1626-1675 A. D.) who married a Polish woman called Sarah. They are living mostly in Turkey, and are controlling many vital political and economical positions. They have many crooked beliefs such as no prayers or fasting for God, sexual parties, and masonic ideas.”

Another section, “New World Order” contained a large number of antisemitic articles, with headings such as “***The Protocols: The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion. This is a secret document which was written by the Zionists at the end of the 19th century. It later fell into the wrong hands and was summarily exposed. The Zionists, in an attempt to cover up, labelled the document as a hoax and the poor Russian publisher as a liar. However, some interesting thing to notice are: The Protocols and their aims correspond to what the Messenger (saws) prophesised about the coming of a group of people who would pave the way for Dajjal...These aims of the Protocols have begun to occur already in the world. Aims like excessive adultery, homosexuality, pursuing the desires of this world, ignorance, crime, etc. The Zionists mean to use these methods to control and corrupt society.”** and “***USA’s rulers: The Jews in the US Government. There’s so many of them it’s like a cockroach infestation. Put them on your watch list.”**

Additionally, the publication Nida'ul Islam, which is available on the internet after an earlier incarnation as a glossy magazine, prints extreme views of members of the Islamic community in Australia and of a range of overseas commentators. The tone towards Jews is often hateful and inciteful. Typical of material which has been published in the magazine and remains on the website is an interview with Sheikh Waqdy Ghonaim, who made a series of comments about "the Jews", who he identified as both political and religious enemies of "Islamic Revival". The magazine’s web-site includes many articles which make disparaging comments regarding "the Children of Israel", "Jewish rabbis", "Zionism" and even "Arafat's Jewish agents". Amongst features attributed to Jews are that they are "extremely arrogant" towards Allah, have "become tyrants", they "will not fail to do their best to corrupt", advocate "the disparagement of Islam" and have succeeded in their "infiltration into Hollywood, the Media and Congress". Much of the material which has been published in Nida'ul Islam avers to the existence of an anti-Islamic conspiracy, run by Jews but which allegedly also includes most rulers of Arab and Islamic states. In addition to the printing of antisemitic incitement, Nida'ul Islam promotes overtly anti-Jewish groups such as Osama bin Laden's terrorist network.

Anti-Jewish books available at book stores serving the Islamic community were an on-going area of concern. While books promoting terrorism in an overt manner were subject to official censorship, anti-Jewish material can only be dealt with under the various State and territory anti-racism legislation and these laws are generally not well-framed to deal with this type of situation. Despite public criticism, including some from prominent Islamic groups, some Muslim bookshops continue to stock material such as copies of The Protocols of Zion.

A paper delivered by Benjamin Kunde at the Australian Association of Jewish Studies Conference (February 2008) claimed many “modern Muslim Australian youth” held strong antisemitic views, with the swastika seen as a reminder of “good things”, belief in Jewish control of Australian government and echoing of Hezbollah anti-Jewish chants being typical.

The discussions on Islamic and Arabic internet forums and the content of postings to newsgroups testify to a vigorous anti-Jewish sub-culture.

The internet site Islamic Sydney contained numerous examples of overt antisemitism, with some examples from it being:

* In a discussion of security needs of Jewish and Muslim schools on Islamic Sydney, “Islamic Princess” wrote “Jews fund there (sic) own kind, deal with there (sic) own kind, and will make sure the money is cycled between them and only them. That’s (sic) why they get richer and richer”. (January 2008).

* Muslim Village Forum hosted a discussion “Nazi Acts...by Jewish Hands”, which was initiated with a posting by “Nays” which began “There is no doubt that the cold-blooded extermination by the Israeli air-force of an entire Palestinian family in Gaza on Friday, 15, was a monstrous crime not unlike Nazi atrocities during World War II. The only difference lies in the fact that the Nazis did it “wholesale” while their ideological descendants, the Zionists, are doing the same thing by retail.” (February 2008).

* Muslim Village ran an article “The Wisdom of Satan Comes Alive In Israel” which made direct Nazi-Israel analogies. (March 2008).

* In a discussion of the Australian Parliamentary motion congratulating Israel’s 60th Anniversary, “Legally Insane” wrote “You gotta hand it to the jews. They know all about power” . “tr 3x” wrote “today if you aren’t Jewish you can’t live there [Israel]” (March 2008).

* A thread devoted to comparing Israel to Nazi Germany, “Israel Warns of Gaza ‘holocaust’”, including comments “I know the jews consider themselves to be god’s chosen people, but their tactics of exclusivity, particularly in relation to human suffering are disgusting”, by al-CIA-da (March 2008).

A Special Report “Antisemitism among Muslim youth: A Sydney teacher’s perspective”, published by ADC of B’nai B’rith (May 2008) claimed that, in high schools surveyed, “A Jewish teacher was harassed by Muslim students with racial taunts in class. Two Jewish relieving teachers were instructed by other staff not to let the students know they were Jewish because it was implied they would be harassed. Teachers of unknown religious background have been harassed in attempts to convert them to Islam. In subject areas where Jews, Judaism or Israel are mentioned students deny facts that reflect well on Jews

or Israel. In Ancient History classes some Muslim students deny Abraham or Moses was Jewish, claiming they were Muslim. In social life, antisemitism is a source of amusement. It is popular for boys to download beheadings and attacks against “infidels” onto their mobile phones and then swap and show them with their friends. This atrocity exhibitionism is widespread across schools in the region. Students also have access to DVDs of murder and torture committed by Islamists against Jews and Christians.” Muslim students interviewed expressed beliefs such as:

- * Mossad organised the September 11 hijackings to incite hatred against Muslims and no Jews went to work in the twin towers that day as they all received a special phone call telling them to call in sick.
- * Coca Cola is a Jewish conspiracy. It is owned by Jews and the writing on the side of the can reads in Arabic “No Allah, No Muhammad”.
- * Israel indiscriminately murders Muslims in Israel while they are praying.
- * Jews control the world. Zionism is an international conspiracy linked to freemasonry.
- * Jews are really Muslims who refuse to accept Islam into their lives.
- * Israel is a colonialist entity occupying Muslim land. Most students forget their national background when confronted with Israel and revert to a Pan-Islamic identity in solidarity with the Palestinians.
- * Israel built the Attaturk dam in Turkey to starve Syria and Iraq of water.”

Over a number of years, there has been a cross-pollination of ideology and material between some sections of the Australian Muslim community and the extreme right wing political organisations. Racist groups such as the Australian League of Rights have hosted speakers such as Keysar Trad of the Islamic Friendship Association, due to the perception that Jews and/or Israel is a common, serious enemy. In 2007, The Sydney Forum, arguably the most significant annual gathering of the Australian far right, featured as a speaker anti-Israel, left-wing polemicist Rihab Charida, who spoke in the company of a number of anti-multicultural extreme right wingers, on the subject of Middle East politics.

Another link between the far-right and Muslim Australians was evident when the website [Gold Coast Muslims](#) posted antisemitic material circulated by David Duke, which included the claim that “Talmudic prophecies” were behind the establishment of Israel, in the midst of general disinformation about Israel.

It must be emphasised that the Jewish and Islamic communities in Australia enjoy a generally positive relationship and there is little evidence that anti-Jewish sentiment is widespread. At the public, leadership level, Muslim and Jewish Australians regularly meet, and promote understanding and tolerance. Joint declarations supplement stand-alone condemnations of racism and discrimination. Even in times of high tension, such as in the wake of comments by a lecturer in Australia as a guest of Jewish organisations, that Muslim migration be selectively capped, the overall relationship remained positive.

The Muslim community includes individuals active in opposing antisemitism, in one or more of its manifestations. While some organisations, such as the followers of the Gulen movement, devote energy and resources to interfaith dialogue, others are involved in educating other Muslims about antisemitism. A good example in the period in review was the following “On the web-log [Austrolabe](#), which hosts debates about

public affairs matters, a posting "The Truth about the Truth about the Talmud", in August, addressed one stream of antisemitism in discourse amongst Muslims. It began with the quotation "*The Jews are called human beings, but the non-Jews are not humans. They are beasts.*" and continued " *Heard that before? According to numerous websites, including this Australian Islamic website, it's from the Jewish holy book. It forms part of a collection of quotes, reportedly sourced from Jewish religious texts, that are supposed to show a Jewish contempt for non-Jewish life. Needless to say, these quotes have been given a good airing in recent weeks on mailing lists and other forums as some sought to explain the Israeli attack on Lebanon by referencing Jewish sacred texts and associated exegesis. The problem, of course, is that whilst the quote makes a compelling caption for some anti-Israeli posters, it doesn't exist in the text to which it is referenced. As British blogger Kashif discovers: ' I started off with this quote, according to the article, found in Baba Mezia 114b. "The Jews are called human beings, but the non-Jews are not humans. They are beasts."* Hmm... *i thought, i can't find that anywhere here. Nevermind, could be a simple mistake; onto the next one: "Sexual intercourse between Gentiles is like intercourse between animals" in Sanhedrin 74b. Again searching through the text, i found nothing that even remotely sounded like the above.'* Kashif points to an interesting quote-by-quote discussion of the document which is worth reading. It seems that all of these supposed quotes are fabricated, mistranslated or taken grossly out of context. The irony is that these are the very things that Muslims quite rightly complain about. Particularly in discussion of issues such as jihad, the marriage of the Prophet Muhammad (saw) to Aisha, the status of non-Muslims under Islamic law, or *al-wala' wa'l bara'*, it is not uncommon for those with an axe to grind to take verses of the *Qu'ran* or hadith out of context or apply to them a meaning that does not exist in the classical texts. In discussing other religions, we should make sure that we apply the same standards that we would expect others to apply to our own faith. As Kashif reminds us: *The embarrassment was compounded afterwards when i realised that you could find this article on Muslim sites. Where is the research from Muslims before sticking this stuff online? Verifying the authenticity of what we communicate to others is not only part of our religious heritage (the isnad/chain of narration) but it is also a command from Allah: "O you who believe! if an evil-doer comes to you with a report, look carefully into it, lest you harm a people in ignorance, then be sorry for what you have done."* *al-Qur'an* 49:6."

4.7 The Left

During the period in review, in Australia and internationally, there has been considerable discussion on the presence and significance of antisemitism in the political left. For a number of years, extreme anti-Israel propaganda, including many pieces disputing Israel's right to exist and blaming "Zionists" for many world problems, have been produced by left-wing groups, who have sometimes aligned themselves with anti-progressive, racist groups to further anti-Israel agendas. A number of commentators have begun to note the reality of antisemitism in left-wing circles, a reality denied by many self-described left-wingers for many years.

The centrality of anti-American and anti-Israeli grand theories for a number of different left-wing groups has resulted in an unseemly tolerance of anti-Jewish activity. This manifests itself in a number of ways, including promotion of discriminatory academic and cultural boycotts, promoting material by antisemites who adopt anti-Zionist language, singling out Jews for harassment, justifying anti-Jewish terrorism, actively collaborating with individuals and groups which have demonstrated themselves to be antisemitic and failing to seriously address manifestations of anti-Jewish prejudice.

It has become commonplace for some in the political left to claim that charges of antisemitism are used to restrict debate on Israel. In most cases, the complained of

charge had not been levelled, as supporters of Israel are perfectly capable of arguing on the basis of facts. On the rare occasions when the charge is levelled, it is done so cautiously and only when it appears the only or a significant contributing cause and/or result of the behaviour in question.

It is also significant that playwrights, authors and other cultural personalities who would be censured by the left for racism in most circumstances are very often excused from racism when Israelis and/or Jews are the subject of the offence.

Phillip Mendes, a Melbourne academic, has written a number of papers on the Left and Antisemitism in recent years. Mendes noted the following in his presentation to the conference “Antisemitism in the Contemporary world”, held at Monash University in Melbourne in February 2005:

“Many Left critics of Israel [have...] their own fallacy: that Israeli actions are directly creating anti-Semitism. This analysis has two fundamental flaws: it makes no distinctions between particular Israeli government actions and the Israeli people, and hence appears to legitimize the ethnic stereotyping of all Israelis or all Jews whatever their political perspectives; and it has the potential to blame the Jewish victims of racism, rather than targeting the perpetrators. In contrast, I would argue that Jewish solidarity with Israel as a nation state does not make Jews everywhere responsible for all Israeli actions anymore than all Americans should be held responsible for the Iraq War, or all Australians should be held responsible for John Howard’s policies towards asylum seekers. And we need to remember that only anti-Semites are responsible for anti-Semitism.”

In addition, Mendes has identified a phenomenon which he calls “anti-Zionist fundamentalism” and which some other writers have labelled a form of “eliminationist anti-Semitism”, arguing that in this ideology “anti-Zionism and anti-Semitism undoubtedly converge”. He argues

“This perspective, held mainly but no longer exclusively by the far Left sects, regards Israel as a racist and colonialist state which has no right to exist. Adherents hold to a viewpoint opposing Israel’s existence specifically and Jewish national rights more broadly which is beyond rational debate, and unconnected to contemporary or historical reality.

Israelis and their Jewish supporters are depicted as inherently evil oppressors by the simple process of denying the historical link between the Jewish experience of oppression in both Europe and the Middle East and the creation of Israel. Conversely, Palestinians are depicted as intrinsically innocent victims. In place of the fundamental and objective centrality of the State of Israel to contemporary Jewish identity, anti-Zionist fundamentalists portray Israel as a mere political construct, and utilize ethnic stereotyping of all Israelis and all Jewish supporters of Israel in order to justify their claims.

The purpose of negating the reality of Israel’s existence is to overcome the ideological barrier posed by the Left’s historical opposition to racism. Any objective analysis of the Middle East would have to accept that Israel could only be destroyed by a war of partial or total genocide which would inevitably produce millions of Israeli Jewish

refugees, and have a catastrophically traumatic effect on almost all Jews outside Israel. But advocacy of genocide means endorsing the most virulent form of racism imaginable. So instead anti-Zionist fundamentalists construct a subjective fantasy world in which Israel is detached from its specifically Jewish roots, and then miraculously destroyed by remote control free of any violence or bloodshed under the banner of anti-racism. And of course the perpetrators cannot reasonably be accused of anti-Semitism because they deny holding any prejudices towards Jews. Problem solved.”

Mendes argues that “Anti-Zionist fundamentalism typically incorporates a number of manifestations including:

-A pathological and obsessive hatred and demonisation of Israel unrelated to the actual actions and reality of that State. For example, claims that Israel is the world’s worst human rights abuser, or that Israel is committing genocide against the Palestinians. Conversely, examples of Palestinian extremism such as suicide bombings and calls for the military elimination of Israel are either denied, or alternatively approved as a rational response to Israeli policies; Proposals for academic and other boycotts of Israel based on the ethnic stereotyping of all Israelis. The aim of such caricatures is to impose pariah status on the whole Israeli nation. These campaigns have resulted in a number of examples of discrimination against Israeli scholars and researchers in British academic institutions;

-The extension of the denunciation of all Jewish Israelis to all Jews – Zionist or otherwise – who are supportive of Israel’s existence, whatever their actual ideological and political position on solutions to the conflict. For example, John Docker, one of the key Australian proponents of an academic boycott of Israel, has attacked all Jews who support Israel. According to Docker, “The Australian Jewish community lies in moral ruins”. Australian Jewish leaders and intellectuals have “disgraced” themselves, have engaged in “written and verbal abuse, misrepresentation, insult and slander”, and have lost their “honor and dignity” due to their “implicit support...for the past and continuing genocidal assault on the indigenous peoples of Palestine”. Elsewhere, Docker has accused Diaspora Jews of condoning war crimes and mass murder, whilst his son Ned Curthoys argues that left-wing Jews who defend Israel’s right to exist should effectively be excluded from progressive political discourse. A Canadian academic Michael Neumann is even harsher, accusing Jews of “complicity in Israeli crimes against humanity” no different to the complicity of Germans in Nazi war crimes.

- Stereotypical descriptions of Jewish behaviour, and attacks on alleged Jewish wealth and influence. Conspiracy theorists accuse Jews of controlling western governments, banks and the media, and of responsibility for the US-led war in Iraq. For example, Labor backbencher Julia Irwin accused Jewish lobbyists of using their financial clout to impose pro-Israel policies on the ALP. According to Irwin, “Political influence requires the currency of ideas, not cash. Labor cannot be bought”. Similarly during the Hanan Ashrawi Affair, a number of commentators accused the Jewish community of exerting undue financial and political influence.

- Deliberate attempts are made to diminish and trivialize the extent of Jewish suffering in the Holocaust by comparing Jews with Nazis. For example, numerous critics have equated the Star of David with the swastika, Prime Minister Sharon with Hitler, claimed that the Israeli army is the equivalent of the Nazi SS, and argued that the assault on the

Jenin refugee camp was reminiscent of the Nazi assault on the Warsaw Ghetto. Some Left commentators go even further and allege that Zionist Jews collaborated with the Nazis to perpetrate the Holocaust in an attempt to shift the blame or responsibility for the Holocaust from the Nazi perpetrators to the Jewish victims, or in some cases endorse overt Holocaust denial. “

Within what is broadly defined as the left, a number of small political groups which describe themselves as communist, socialist or anarchist have been part of the Australian political landscape for many years. Although the groups often appear indistinguishable to outsiders, their differences and rivalries are often circulated with passion. Amongst a number of the groups, evidence of ideological purity is very important, with accusations of pragmatism levelled at opponents as a means of denigrating their activities.

The groups in this part of the political spectrum share with the far-right a vigorous opposition to the "establishment" and what they perceive to be those with power. Anti-Americanism and contempt for liberal democracies is marked by conspiracy theories and by simplistic divisions of political forces into friends and enemies.

Although there are some differences in the approach to Israel taken by these groups, the general attitude is that Israel is clearly in the camp of their enemies and is therefore a fair target for abuse, delegitimation and defamation.

Some far-left groups have made common cause with extreme anti-Israel Islamist groups, which promote social and economic agendas which would logically be repugnant to social progressives. Even more common is the drawing of precise analogies between Israel and Nazi Germany. Many of the small far-left groups publish newspapers or magazines, which generally follow limited political agendas and include extreme, maximalist anti-Israel material. For example,

* In Green Left Weekly (October 2007) Bart Ahluwala wrote “Israel is a racist country that legally discriminates against those that are not Jewish” and “resistance is not ‘terrorism’ – unless you believe that resisting the Nazis on the streets of Paris or Berlin was terrorism”.

* Doug Lorimer, in Green Left Weekly, (October 2007) supported Iranian president Ahmadinejad’s calls for Israel to be destroyed, claiming complaints were “based on a frame-up that perpetuates the Zionist myth identifying the interests of all Jews with those of the Israeli state” and said Israel was based on “brutal dispossession of, and racist discrimination against, their indigenous inhabitants”.

* Green Left Weekly (March 2008) had a front page story “End Gaza Holocaust”. A feature item by Tony Iltis was titled “West supports Israel’s Gaza holocaust”.

* The Guardian (newspaper of the Communist Party of Australia) carried an editorial attacking the “Australian Jewish lobby”, which the Prime Minister of Australia allegedly “backs”.

* Green Left Weekly (March 2008) headlined an article “Join the fight against Israeli apartheid”.

* In a letter in Green Left Weekly, Peter Schulz implied the only difference between Nazi Germany and Israel is that the West supports the latter. He concluded “Belligerent, sectarian states, like Nazi Germany and Zionist Israel have no automatic right to exist.” (April 2008).

* Alex Miller in the Green Left Weekly made a comparison of Nazi Germany and Israel, when reviewing a German novel set during the Shoah. (May 2008).

* Direct Action (June 2008) featured an article “Israel celebrates 60 years of ethnic cleansing”, which argued for the abolition of Israel, written by Kim Bullimore.

One prominent source of uninformed, inflammatory extreme rhetoric accusing Israel of Nazi-like behaviour has been propagandist John Pilger, while by far the most prominent disseminator of claims Jews have disproportionate power and act inimicably to the interests of societies in which they live has been self-declared “independent” Jew Anthony Loewenstein. For example, on the political blog Crikey.com, Antony Loewenstein claimed “The recent best-selling *Israel Lobby* book correctly states that candidates for the US presidency “will go to considerable lengths to express their deep personal commitment to one foreign country – Israel.” (October 2007). Writing on the election of the new Australian Labor Party government on On Line Opinion (December 2007), he claimed “Shortly before the election, Rudd announced that in government he would join a coterie of discredited neo-conservatives to take Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad to the International Court of Justice for inciting genocide. He was determined to prove his Zionist credentials despite the plan having no chance of success. His then Foreign Affairs spokesman Robert McClelland claimed that, “The alternative to not using these international legal mechanisms is considering wholesale invasion of countries, which itself involves, obviously expense, but more relevantly, of course, the potential for significant loss of life”. It was an absurd suggestion. A senior Labor figure was seriously suggesting that the only alternative to legal proceedings against Iran’s president was an unprovoked attack against the country’s supposed nuclear facilities. It remains unclear whether Rudd would support an American-led, military strike against the Islamic Republic. Not unlike many Jewish communities around the world, a leader’s credentials on Israel are praised if unconditional support is offered. Howard was loved for this reason – and a majority of Australian Jews have become Liberal voters in the last decade with Israel playing a key role in that decision – but surely true friends offer friendly criticism when required. Rudd, who has visited Israel twice and said in 2004 that he was “passionately pro-Israel”, sadly believes that appealing to the close to 400,000 Australian Muslims, and becoming “passionately pro-Palestinian”, is political suicide. The Zionist lobby may not have the clout of their American brethren, but they still wield an unfortunate level of intimidation against perceived enemies.” and “The Howard years were marked by a tendency to exploit, rather than control, racial divisions and many Jews were enthusiastic in sharing the government’s anti-Muslim tendencies.”

A web-site “RighteousJews.org”, which promoted Holocaust denial and conspiracy theorists, included Antony Loewenstein on its list of Righteous Jews (as counterparts to Righteous Gentiles honoured by Yad Vashem). (July 2008).

He maintains a blog, on which he published and/or hosted a series of offensive postings. Some examples were:

* “What do you get when you combine Jewish money and power? Arrogance, far too often, and a sense that using the anti-Semitism card is the ultimate ‘get out of jail free’ card. Far too few people in our society are willing to risk the social tsunami if they dare challenge the accepted “rules” of the game. That needs to change.” (December 2007).

*A submission which included comments such as the following “It would appear that many Jews are entrapped into a ‘martyrdom syndrome’ when the rest of us have managed to proceed with our lives by ignoring the martyrdom drama queen stuff and getting along. The insatiable desire for our Jewish brethren, entrapped by indoctrination, to see every one else as a usable goyim, is similar to the fundamental Muslim’s indoctrination that debased non Muslims as infidels. I am getting a bit sick of being a ‘goyim infidel’ and the demand that my offspring should be dragooned into fighting for some commercail cabal of bankers and oil interests in the charade of the problems between Jews and Muslims and the concocted war on terror. One person whose views and experience I completely respect, who has the most brilliant intellect that I have come across, simply explains: “the Jews were put into Israel to protect the oil interests (of many Zionists) and split the Arabs”. (The English have much experience with the ‘divide and conquer methodology)”. (April 2008).

* An article “Israel is a monster”, which included the claim “adelson, saban, bronfman, other mafiosis and traitorous israeli-firsters are funding the worst terrorists of all: the noxious foul settlers.” A subsequent post on the same day included “It is hard to avoid the conclusion that Zionism is inherently a murderous genocidal racist ideology and that the Zionist population of Stolen and Occupied Palestine must be considered collectively a criminal population while the organized Jewish community, the Israel Lobby and Zionism-supporters in the USA (Judonia, fellow travelers and useful idiots) are all criminals under the International Convention against Genocide. The case of Germany is particularly tragic because in a mistaken effort to make atonement for German Nazi crimes Germany compounds whatever culpability Germans bear by supporting the ethnic Ashkenazi Nazi State in Stolen and Occupied Palestine.” (July 2008).

4.8 Churches

The history of the relationship of Judaism and Christianity over 2,000 years should be a compelling reason for representatives of Churches to exercise care in pronouncements concerning Jews, Judaism and Israel.

In some areas, there is residual supercessionism which leads to derogatory references to the Jewish religion. Anti-Jewish imagery in the Christian Testament is invoked, not always maliciously, as part of the language of some Churches. Religious visions for the Land which was the setting for the development of both Judaism and early Christianity can lead to confusion between legitimate or unambiguously political commentary and negative and irrational depictions of the role of Jews and Judaism.

There was considerable concern within the Jewish community that the re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross, which was part of the official schedule of events for Catholic World Youth Day, held in 2008 in Sydney. However, although there were some controversial inclusions which had the potential to promote antisemitism if not staged carefully, the performance did not have any negative impact. This was to a large degree

a result of the goodwill which has been established over many years between the Jewish community and the Catholic Church in Australia.

The way in which Church representatives discuss Israel and Middle East issues from time to time is a cause of considerable concern. The rhetoric emanating from Sabeel in Jerusalem, which has included supercessionist language and tendentious discussions of what is happening in Israel and between Israel and its neighbours, has echoes in Australian Church debate. Other Church leaders adopt broadly Leftist political agendas which can result in seepage of anti-Semitic language and material into religious discourse.

The most disturbing issue in this regard in the period in review came during a visit to the Middle East by a delegation of senior Australian Christian personalities. One of their number Rev Rod Benson, published a weblog of his impressions which included the following entry written after a visit to Yad Vashem:

Posted by Rod Benson at 4:48 AM 0 comments

Visit to Yad Vashem

Today (Monday 10 Dec 2007) we moved from Jerusalem to Bethlehem, with important diversions. The first was a visit to Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Martyrs' and Heroes' Remembrance Authority, and its flagship attraction, the Holocaust History Museum.

Most striking to me was the huge concrete bunker, vaguely reminiscent of a Chinese temple, housing the museum's displays. An Israeli Jew who is active in the peace movement guided us through the museum, and I found her commentary both professional and honest. We were not permitted to take pictures inside the museum.

For me, this magnificent historical record imparts two parallel messages. It is important for Palestinians and Israelis, and all of us in the international community, to hear these messages.

First, Yad Vashem provides a powerful reminder of the horror and extent of totalitarian oppression and the repression of minorities, and the unfathomable depths to which the human spirit can sink in the pursuit of power.

Having visited the Sydney Jewish Museum twice (I take Baptist theological students there as part of their ethics studies), I would say that it equals Yad Vashem in the quality and focus of its presentation of the Holocaust story. What Yad Vashem adds to the experience is its symbolic location (in Israel), the many Israeli Jews passing through the museum, and the very moving Hall of Names (pictured at right) which aims to identify and collect the names and personal records of all Jews murdered in the Holocaust.

Many of us have long heard the words "six million" in reference to the full Holocaust death toll. None of us has ever seen six million people, nor can we imagine so many faces together in one place. The risk in remembering the Holocaust death toll as a number is that the individuality of the murdered victims is bypassed. Yet each one was a person with rights and responsibilities just as you and I have. As Benjamin Fondane put it before he was murdered at Auchwitz in 1944: "Remember only that I was innocent and, just like you, mortal on that day, I, too, had had a face marked by rage, by pity and joy, quite simply, a human face!"

Second, having heard many stories from the lips of present-day suffering Palestinians and concerned Israelis, Yad Vashem is testimony to the fact that Israel has failed to learn from its most painful 20th-century heritage. History repeats its worst as well as its best. The tragic irony is that what was perpetrated against European Jews by Nazis in the 1930s and 1940s is very similar to what is being perpetrated against Palestinian Arabs by elements within the Israeli political and military elite today. Indeed it is arguable that the same reprehensible ideology is at play and appears unstoppable.

Critics may denounce me for making the connection, on several grounds, and it is politically incorrect to speak these words from the cultural perspective I inherit. Yet I have no doubt that the connection between the practices of extremist Nazism and extremist Zionism is valid. Of course there are differences too: the most obvious of which are that European Jews did not employ suicide bombers to make their political points; and that the Israeli apparatus of oppression and suppression is vastly more sophisticated than anything the Nazis used...

Following a meeting between members of the delegation to the Middle East and Australian Jewish figures (in which the author of this report participated) Rev Benson revised the entry and indicated that he had not originally fully appreciated the impact of his original comments.

It is important to emphasise that the attitude towards antisemitism from the mainstream Australian churches is overwhelmingly hostile and that the most vocal condemnations of anti-Jewish prejudice in Australia often come from Church leaders or public figures connected to mainstream churches.

5. On-Line Media

5.1 General Issues

In an environment where virtually every interest group has on-line media available to it, there are regular reports of antisemitism being made public when, in previous years and without the availability of the internet, the comments may have remained as part of private conversations.

Computer communications technology, which has become increasingly part of the lives of Australians, is relevant to any discussion of antisemitism in Australia today. In addition to allowing neo-Nazis and antisemites in Australia to receive information and produce professional-quality, up-to-date propaganda, on-line services are of concern for a number of reasons.

The writer of this paper is all too aware of the international and global nature of the internet. Jewish Australians are affected by the way antisemitic groups and individuals have used social networking media and also suffer the consequences of distorted and false material located via search engines. On a regular basis, members of the Jewish community report concerns regarding these, as well as websites and newsgroups located outside Australia. While the global context must be recognised, material emanating outside Australia is not within the ambit of this report.

Antisemitic and threatening e-mail has now become the most common means of antisemitic harassment in Australia. As more members of the Jewish community, including Holocaust survivors, establish e-mail accounts, the greater the prospects of hate, abuse and intimidation being sent to them this way.

In addition to material transmitted by electronic mail, many un-moderated newsgroups dealing with Australian issues have allowed for individual bigots and anti-Jewish propagandists to promote material to a new and potentially larger audience.

Internet newsletters, sent to individuals with an interest in a specific subject, also can serve as vehicles for hate propagandists, as do websites maintained by extremist groups.

The internet has also been used as a means for racists to promote and purchase material such as neo-Nazi computer games.

5.2 Adelaide Institute

The Adelaide Institute, a loose conglomeration of individuals around self-styled "Holocaust Revisionist" Fredrick Toben which has its primary activity the publishing of material on the internet, has in recent years disseminated arguably the most vicious and malicious anti-Jewish propaganda of any Australian group. Even David Irving, in his Action Report, wrote that Fredrick Toben's "(blatantly) 'anti-Semitic Website'" was a liability to Holocaust revisionists.

In 1996 the Executive Council of Australian Jewry lodged a complaint with the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission concerning the content of the Adelaide Institute's internet site. In November 1998 the matter went to a public hearing.

Frederick Toben appeared at the hearing, then walked out, which meant he did not face cross-examination.

In February 1999, Frederick Toben commenced an overseas trip, which he described to a regional newspaper's journalist as a mission during which he would challenge the German laws on denial of the Holocaust. While travelling, Toben continued to distribute antisemitic material through his web-site and also to write a number of letters to public officials which contained his advocacy of Holocaust Denial.

In Germany, Toben was arrested and jailed under the laws which he had announced he was planning on challenging. Although he received verbal support from his closest allies at the Adelaide Institute and from the English writer David Irving, his arrest did not receive a great deal of media attention and most of the reporting on the case included the perspective that he had announced before leaving that he knew of the German law.

While in jail and on his release he was active in promoting Holocaust Denial through his web-site. He and/or his supporters also mailed his material to a number of recipients, including Holocaust survivors. During the period of his incarceration, Geoff Muirden, David Brockschmidt and Jack Selzer used the Adelaide Institute name to promote Holocaust Denial and other elements of antisemitism.

The Hearing Commissioner released her findings in October 2000. The Hearing Commissioner found, amongst other facts, that:

"The material contained on the Internet site is material which consistently presents Jews as a group of people who are engaged in a manipulation of the truth or an attempt to conceal or pervert the truth in order to obtain political, economic and other power. It consistently presents Jewish people as at the heart of "Stalinist crimes", and "Bolshevism". It suggests that sensitivity about matters relating to what is known as the Holocaust is an attempt to impose guilt on non-Jews, in particular Christians. It presents the circumstances known as the Holocaust as allegations or assertions, made and held by persons acting maliciously, dishonestly and manipulatively. Those persons so acting are unmistakably identified on the website as Jews, and further they are represented as so acting because they are Jews. The material has at its heart the proposition that the events of "the Holocaust" have been constructed, distorted and manipulated to create a myth for the promotion of the social, political and economic interests of the Jewish people, and suggests there is no evidence to support the existence of this interpretation of events";

"Material on the website also contains insulting and offensive expressions in relation to Jewish people and "the Holocaust" which are intended to be offensive and intimidating, and indeed have caused offense and anxiety:"

"There are many aspects of that material which are quite explicit in their denigration of Jewish people, and many other aspects of the material which make this clear by imputation. The central theme of the website is the assertion that the Holocaust is, in the terms in which it is generally understood, "a myth"."

and that:

"None of the material contained on Dr Toben's Adelaide Institute website is of an historical intellectual or scientific standard which is persuasive on these issues, and is largely expressed in highly tendentious and often offensive and insulting language about Jewish people which makes it difficult to give serious consideration to the propositions contained in it. It is this language which characterises the website and its material, and leads me to be satisfied that the material contained on the website has a consistent theme of the vilification of Jewish people.

The Commission found that Fredrick Toben engaged in unlawful conduct and ordered that he "remove the contents of the Adelaide Institute website from the World Wide Web and not re-publish the content of that website in public elsewhere" and that he should also make a public apology to the Complainant, which he would publish on the World Wide Web, and undertake not to "publish any such material in the future".

In 2001, the Executive Council of Australian Jewry applied to the Federal Court of Australia for enforcement of the orders against Fredrick Toben and the Federal Court subsequently brought down a determination which effectively upheld the findings of the HREOC commissioners.

The Human Rights & Equal Opportunities Commission, on 17 September 2002, issued a media release headed "Landmark Decision on Race Hate and the Internet", which read:

"In the first Australian court decision on race hate and the Internet, the Federal Court today found that a website that denied the Holocaust and vilified Jewish people was unlawful under Australia's Racial Discrimination Act 1975.

Federal Court Justice Branson ordered Adelaide Institute director Fredrick Toben to remove offensive material from the World Wide Web, saying she was 'satisfied that it is more probable than not that the material would engender in Jewish Australians a sense of being treated contemptuously, disrespectfully and offensively'.

She ordered Dr Toben to remove the document 'About the Adelaide Institute' and similar documents; and other material that cast doubt on the Holocaust, suggested homicidal gas chambers at Auschwitz were unlikely, that Jewish people offended by and who challenge Holocaust denial are of limited intelligence and that some Jewish people, for improper purposes, including financial gain, exaggerated the number of Jews killed during World War II and the circumstances in which they were killed.

Fredrick Toben challenged the judgement, and his Appeal was heard by the Full Bench of the Federal Court in May 2003. On 27 June 2003 the Federal Court unanimously rejected Toben's Appeal.

The judges were damning of his material, of his motives and his "sophistry". For example, Justice Carr wrote "In my view ... he was attempting what might be described as a very sick inversion and an exercise in sophistry..." and " the appellatant was conscious that the reader might see its contents as being antisemitic or racist..."

Fredrick Toben was ordered to remove offending material and to pay costs.

Toben subsequently continued to participate in international gatherings of Holocaust deniers in the USA, in which many of the keynote speakers made overtly antisemitic comments, and also spoke at an anti-Jewish conference in Iran. Fredrick Toben and his colleague Richard Krege, participated in the Holocaust denial conference in Iran, The Australian reporting "In his opening remarks, Dr Toben thanked the Iranian people for "having brought forth a leadership that is fearless of Jewish pressure, a leadership that courageously sets out to clarify the fundamental human values lost in most of the Western 'democratic and free world.'" He then called evidence of the Nazi gas chambers "the products of a feverish pathological mind filled with pure hatred, most directed against Germans and anything German ... the product of an appalling state of ignorance of natural and chemical processes." Toben posted his speech on his website. The website went through a series of modifications and alterations, and at the time of writing contempt proceedings were in train against Fredrick Toben.

Some examples of Adelaide Institute material in the reviewed period included:

* an "Open letter to Rabbi Mordechai Gutnick" from David Brockschmidt which included "We oppose any form of violence against humans and animals, as well as any form of anti-Judaism and anti-Semitism. We also oppose any form of anti-Gentilic violence committed often by many extreme right/left-wing Jewish groups against non-Jewish people. I am certain that you are aware of Jewish group violence against those who oppose them, for example, the activities in the USA and elsewhere in the world of the ADL and JDL. Unfortunately there is a lot of anti-Gentilic hate written in your Babylonian Talmud." (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No. 354 October 2007)

*"Every time you talk about the German Nazis who indeed committed crimes and murder, not only against your people and others, including non-Nazi Germans, we must also talk about the tens of thousands of Bolshevic Jews in Soviet Russia who in cooperation with their non-Jewish Jews, including orthodox Jews like yourself in Soviet Russia and Eastern Europe and up to sixty million gentiles." (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No. 354 October 2007)

* "Whenever Jewish communities ask themselves why the Gentiles hate them so much, you must not make the fatal mistake over and over again of pointing the finger at others. For your own sake, have a good look in the mirror of your own history regarding your culture and tradition – and that includes your tradition of kosher slaughter, the anti-Gentilic hate in your Babylonian Talmud, and in your Book of Esther which is directed not only against Christians and Muslims but against Gentiles as a whole. Also, have a look at the racist discrimination in Israel-Palestine against Christians, Muslims and any non-Jewish groups. After all, a people that cannot accept and correct the dark side of its own history will be history." (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No. 354 October 2007)

* an article which argued “The core values of Western Civilization are once again being challenged, this time by Jewish supremacists (or such other designation as you see fit – perhaps organized Jewry?), with a ferocity which perhaps we have never experienced before. There are many who, in fear and trembling, think that Western Civilization is finished, or may be finished. The onslaught against the defenders of truth and honesty is an attack on any questioning or doubt of the Jewish Holocaust, any suggestion that it may not have occurred or that any of the evidence presented to establish the truth of the Holocaust may be fake. In addition, the attack is meant to protect all false history supporting the Jewish Holocaust. It continues to be claimed that six million Jews were slaughtered by the Germans, even though some Jewish organisations with access to reliable information, for several years now, have disputed the assertion of six million slaughtered Jews.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No. 357 October 2007)

* a copy of a letter signed by John D.S. Barton to the Chancellor of Germany, in which he wrote “You have “Laws” in Europe preventing historians and scientists from thoroughly and freely investigating the history of the twentieth century without facing the very strong possibility of a long prison sentence. One such “**crime**” specified under these laws has been labelled *Denying The Holocaust*, and I am informed there are numerous intelligent, well-meaning, and truth-seeking people languishing in your prisons after having been convicted of this “**crime**.” In previous correspondence to you which I have mentioned above, I have attempted to explore the roots of the basic philosophy from which these “Laws” have generated, and have traced them to an ancient Judaic Law system which seeks to control the very thoughts of the individual. This “Law” is the complete opposite of law structured upon genuine basic Christian philosophy which stresses the concept of freedom (Example:- “*Ye shall know the truth, and the truth will make you free.*”). This ancient Judaic legal system is not conducive to realistic progress of the many and various sciences and practices that are so essential for the development of a healthy, happy, and creative civilization, for it’s cruel, invasive, and destructive nature has been clearly demonstrated in the persecution of Galileo Galilei; the burning at the stake of Giordano Bruno at Rome on 17th February, 1600; and the thousands burnt at the stake by Tomas de Torquemada during the Spanish Inquisition. Torquemada, who being a Marrano, would have been well schooled in this ancient Judaic Law, which has clearly demonstrated to posterity this “Law’s” cruel, negative, and destructive nature.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No. 360)

* a review of the 14 years of operation of the Adelaide Institute. He wrote “Has the financial support of the Adelaide Institute borne any fruit at all? Are we witnessing a breakthrough of the Holocaust-Shoah story, or is there a break-down of Revisionists? If we look at what has happened to some of the more productive Revisionists – Germar Rudolf, Jurgen Graf, Siegfried Verbeke, Wolfgang Frohlich, Ernst Zundel, Horst Mahler – we note they are in jail, they have just come out of jail, or they are anticipating jail-time. All this comes with the territory of attacking and dismantling a multi-billion dollar industry, and surely not as a surprise to anyone, especially not to those on the front line fighting this particular battle concerning the veracity of the Holocaust-Shoah narrative-story. For the individual Revisionist, as Faurisson once said, it will continue to be a difficult time, but for Revisionism as such there have been successes. (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No. 363 (dated December 2007, posted 17/10)

* “Welcome to our 15th year of working in the national interest - refusing to bend to Jewish pressure”. In the article Fredrick Toben claimed the Adelaide Institute “prepare for our

quest to defend what little free expression we have left in Australia and to seek the truth of any matter we consider contentious - and to deflect hatred against Germans by rejecting any guilt about the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah that some individuals still wish to impose on Germans and anyone who cherishes a German heritage” He thanked supporters, who he said “ helped to expose the Jewish mindset, among other things, that attempts to deprive us of life, as Jeremy Jones stated publicly - that aims to stop us from functioning!” Writing of his November 2007 apology for breaching Australian law, he wrote “who can forget how Mrs Olga Scully was hounded into voluntary bankruptcy when her persecutors came after their pound of flesh! You see, there is nothing new when dealing with a mindset that is not prepared to compromise, that is out, literally, to kill you – whose method of operating is parasitical” He stated “My aim is to retain my right to place links on our website to whatever material I please – certainly not to be determined by the Jewish mindset as exemplified by Jeremy Jones and the Executive Council of Australian Jewry. In this respect I draw upon the Canadian experience in censorship where Jewish organisations, via the Human Rights Commission, are also attempting to impose censorship on those who refuse to bend to Jewish pressure by controlling what Internet links individuals place on their websites. Arthur Topham of Radical Press is one such individual who is standing up to Jewish pressure. My comment, below, precedes that of Paul Fromm’s, followed by Arthur Topham’s response to questions posed by the Canadian Human Rights Commission – remember it’s the government body that for decades on behalf of Canada’s organized Jewry hounded and legally persecuted Revisionist Ernst Zündel” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 366 (January 2008)

* “It is good to see that such examples of free expression suppression are in the public domain because this illustrates how a Jewish conspiracy operates that aims to censor the Internet activities of those individuals who refuse to adopt a Jewish mind-set, a Jewish world-view framed by Talmud and Torah thought-patterns and saturated with Holocaust-Shoah beliefs. In the following articles it becomes evident that the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah and the 9:11 official conspiracy theory are distorting our normal healthy understanding of what life is all about and twisting our value systems. When archives lock up details of historical events, then it is not possible to understand events that unfold before our eyes. It is still more impossible to understand historical events if – through legal persecution – our our thinking processes are switched off.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 366 (January 2008)

* “From: Mel Fowler mel.fo@verizon.net, Sent: Friday, 30 November 2007, Subject: FOR THE RECORD, “. . . these creatures, to whom honour and principle are alien concepts . . .” It's not that Jews don't understand honour and principle. They know what they are: they just don't live by them in the context of dealing with non-Jews in the pursuit of long-term Jewish goals. Remember, they haven't joined the human race yet. The world is THEIR turf - no one else's. “. . . **it is futile to come to [what one supposes is] an honourable agreement with Jews.**” Jews are not looking for a peaceable settlement as you are. They are dedicated to their program of ultimately crushing you and your kind. If you want your experience to be meaningful to others, you must present it in meaningful and true form.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 366 (January 2008)

* a promotion of a DVD “Judea Declares War on Germany: A Critical Look at WWII” which said “This movie is a fair and balanced look at how Jews declared war on Germany in early 1933 - long before any German retaliation began - in an effort to crush Germany.

Germans responded to this by making many of these "traitors" to their cause imprisoned - similar to what America did to the Japanese. However, despite propaganda conceived by Jewish supremacists in the form of Holocausts movies made weekly - still, even 60 years after the war's end - there were no homicidal gas chambers. There were no lampshades made from Jewish skin, and all such talk has been proven to be pure bunk. There were no bars of soap made from humans, as Jewish propagandists have long argued - despite numerous tests proving them bald-faced liars, and despite even some Jewish historians conceding to this last point--and others. Most of the stories you hear are simply left-over propaganda conceived by Soviet Jewish master-propagandist Ilya Ehrenberg, which he used to help justify the war. In fact, according to records from the Red Cross, only about 275,000 Jews died during the course of WWII in lands occupied by Germany. Those who did die suffered mostly from diseases - such as typhus - and malnutrition towards the war's end, when supply lines were cut and even the general public had to ration its food there. Today, of course, Jewish supremacists are working quickly to suppress anyone who doubts their propaganda. Take, for example, Ernst Zündel, who was ripped away from his wife Dr. Ingrid Zündel in the hills of Tennessee, when he was sent to Germany for doubting the Holocaust - with a capital "H". Similarly, Germar Rudolf was taken from his wife and children in Illinois and deported to Germany, where he stood trial and had to go to prison for doubting the Jewish version of history. No one is sent to Red China for doubting that they killed millions under communism there, which is a known fact; nor is anyone sent to jail for doubting that about 40 million people were murdered under Stalin and his Bolshevik henchmen. But doubt Jewish WWII propaganda and you might next be sent to Europe to stand trial for their thought crime laws--like a modern day Galileo--punished for telling the truth!' (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 368, February 2008)

* "An Interview with Captain Eric May" by Fredrick Toben, in which May said "Today it's obvious that Iraq is quicksand, and it's also obvious that the Globalist/Zionist cabal behind 9/11 and the Middle East war is aiming to expand that war to Iran" and "It's hardly novel to point out that the US is largely under Zionist control, and that what has come to be called the Israel Lobby is a fifth column that considers non-Jewish citizens as cannon fodder for anti-Arab and anti-Muslim wars. Of course, consumers of the mainstream US media would never imagine that such could be the case. They have gradually absorbed a worldview that makes them eager to discuss something as nonsensical as "Islamofascism," but just as eager to avoid discussing something as commonsensical as the "Zio-nazism." To put it simply, the American mass media has effectively brainwashed the American masses. I think you're right that there is an internal struggle in the US establishment now, which has been brought on by the failure of our military adventures in the Middle East and the victories at home of the Internet, which conducts real analysis and distributes real information, thereby penetrating the media knowledge blockade. I think the majority of our top leaders knew very well that 9/11 was an inside job intended to carry us into a world war for oil and Israel, but they went along with it, thinking that finishing a global fight would be as easy as starting one." (Adelaide Institute Newsletter 369 (February 2008)

* **Germar Rudolf's "Introduction to Historical Revisionism", which argued** Most people know that the powers existing today, particularly in the western hemisphere, are opposed to any critical approach to the Holocaust. In fact, many European nations prosecute such approaches legally. Here then is an answer to the question of why Revisionism is important (see Question 2). Those European governments obviously intend to maintain the present concept of Holocaust *with all the official power* at their command. One reason for this is the massive political and financial interests of those religious groupings so meticulously described by the US professor of political science N. G.

Finkelstein in his book, *The Holocaust Industry*, which we strongly recommend to everyone. Because of widespread inventions and distortions of the Holocaust, Prof. Finkelstein laments the fact that there are not more Holocaust skeptics. And Prof. Raul Hilberg, the leading Holocaust specialist, repeatedly states that superficiality and inadequate quality control are the greatest problems in the field of Holocaust research. It is clear that Holocaust skeptics are badly needed. But this is not just about the special interests of religious and financial groupings. We must contend with the entire postwar order, which was created by the victorious Allies. The very credibility of the victors' version of history is at risk. The Holocaust is the central tile in the mosaic of their version of history. In addition, we must deal with the political and cultural hegemony of internationalist and egalitarian circles. For egalitarianists, the conventional Holocaust image is an extremely useful symbol in their effort to suppress ethnic, regional and national struggles for independence. It does not matter whether these struggles take place in Asia, Arabia, Africa, South America, or Europe. After all, struggles for national independence assume that nationalism is a good thing. For egalitarianists, nationalism is evil because once upon a time, nationalism led to the gas chambers of Auschwitz... German politicians know very well that Germany would be subjected to tremendous pressure if it allowed anything like critical investigation of the Holocaust. Finally the credulity of all those is at risk who built their world upon the moralistic foundation of the 'Holocaust' as well as those who face complete moral and social bankruptcy if they face their doubts. There are profound psychological and egotistical reasons, which make it impossible for many intellectuals to entertain doubts about the Holocaust, even to themselves. However, the circumstance of whether one is for or against internationalism and egalitarianism is irrelevant. So is one's opinion regarding the class games people play, or the spiritual orientation of the powerful. The significant fact is that there are extremely powerful groups, which are determined to hinder critical consideration of the Holocaust. Throughout the world, the media heap abuse on those who express doubt about the orthodox version of the Holocaust. In the German speaking countries, publicly expressing doubt about the Holocaust is a political offense punishable by long prison sentences (Section 130 Paragraph 3 of German Penal Code; Section 3h of Austrian Code; Section 216^{bis} of Swiss Code.) This alone should be enough to arouse the suspicions of anyone who has the capacity to think critically. It should make one ask why the power elite still have such drastic need of hate propaganda left over from World War II. “; “In Australia and Canada, everything that is offending to the Jewish community will be prosecuted by their so-called “Human Rights Commission”, a body which exists in parallel to the legal system and which can order the confiscation of publications, the payment of fines, and the forced declaration of apologies by the ‘perpetrators.’ Though these commissions are not part of the regular legal system, disobeying them would by itself be a crime, which in turn would lead to criminal charges by the legal systems of Canada and Australia. Although Holocaust Revisionism does not address anything about Jews per se, all Jewish communities feel heavily offended by it, because Revisionism directly or indirectly comes to the conclusion that several Jewish personalities were not always truthful when testifying about their experiences in World War II. Of course, it would be surprising if Jews were to be the only identifiable group of humans who never lie, distort, and exaggerate, but apparently leading Jewish representative feel that nobody should ever be allowed to claim that certain Jews were dishonest about the Holocaust. In several European countries, Holocaust Revisionism is considered to be a serious crime. In France, people can be sent to jail for up to a year; in Switzerland up to three years; in Germany – as in Israel – for five years; in Austria, a prison term up to 10 years is possible.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter 370 (February 2008))

*an article by Jurgen Graf claiming “the "Shoah" lie amounts to an unparalleled defamation of the German people whose history has thereby been stolen. The psychological ravages which this lie has inflicted on the German nation are a disaster and there will be no healing possible of the German soul while this lie persists.”; “Our fool dares, in fact, to talk of declining Jewish influence at a time when the U.S.A., the only remaining superpower since the Soviet Union's fall, is run by a government whose foreign policy is inspired and conducted by a clique of ultra-zionists, the "neocons." In April 2003, after the occupation of Iraq, the Israeli pacifist, Uri Avnery, devoted himself to a lucid analysis of the "neocon" movement and its influence on the Bush administration. After listing the movement's main personages — William Kristol, Norman Podhoretz, Midge Decter, Robert Kagan, Richard Perle, David and Meyrav Wurmser, William Safire, Charles Krauthammer — Avnery presented his conclusion: "The United States controls the world and the Jews control the United States. Never before did the Jews exert such immense influence over the center of world politics."The Jew Avnery is decidedly more honest than the goy Faye! Moreover, the same Zionist fanatics who pushed the United States into attacking Iraq may soon incite the U.S. to commit its next aggression, this time against Iran. The U.S. today is a Frankenstein monster with a non-Jewish body and a Jewish head, a monster ready to destroy any country considered a threat to Israel. According to Faye, that obviously represents Jewish power on the wane. But look how the situation is unfolding in France, Faye's country. After the part-Jewish Nicolas Sarkozy, candidate of the "right," had won the presidential election against the non-Jewish candidate of a Socialist Party whose top levels are full of Jews, he quickly named the Jew Bernard Kouchner to the post of Foreign Minister, the latter immediately taking the occasion to make dire threats against Iran! Yet another striking instance of the "decline of Jewish influence" — right, Mr. Faye? Further examples of this "decline": the worsening repression against revisionists; the growing number of European countries enacting muzzling laws; the commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz - January 27, 2005, all the European heads of state assembled at Auschwitz to bow before Gessler's new hat.”; and “I don't think any compromise with the Jews will ever be possible, for the following reason: effective struggle against immigration within the current framework is impossible. Therefore, in order to stop the invasion the current framework has to be overthrown either by insurrection or a *coup d'état*. A nationalist government resulting from an insurrection or a *coup d'état* would necessarily have dictatorial powers, otherwise it wouldn't be able to take the stern measures required to bring all non-European immigration to a halt and begin the repatriation, at least in part, of non-Europeans already present on French soil. In other words, the only way to stanch the invasion would be to establish a nationalist dictatorship, an authoritarian government. Can the Jews expect to still be allowed to control the media, to spread their anti-culture and their harmful ideologies, and to use totalitarian laws to stifle all debate on "the Shoah" under such a government? The Jews, being intelligent people, know the answer is no. Without needing to go as far as the Third Reich whose goal was the expulsion of Jews from Europe, a nationalist régime would have to take measures drastically limiting Jewish influence. Jews would likely become a tolerated minority having no political, economic, or cultural influence, because denied access to key posts.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter 371 (February 2008))

* Fredrick Toben wrote “David Irving has always believed in limited gassings and hence he is a Holocaust believer. I refuse to believe, without physical proof, in the systematic extermination of six million European Jews in homicidal gas chambers. The Holocaust believers have never proven their case but instead use legal means to silence those who

refuse to believe in the Jewish Holocaust Shoah.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter 371 (February 2008))

* documents relating to contempt proceedings in the Federal Court (Jones v Toben) which included Toben asserting “That Revisionists are dismantling a multi-billion industry is a fact, which needs to be emphasised because such an act will cause pain to those in the industry. The justification for dismantling the Holocaust-Shoah industry rests on a basic moral and intellectual imperative – an historical lie distorts our understanding of significant historical events, thereby perverting our understanding of current events. The immediate example that comes to mind is the Anglo-American-Zionist destruction and rape of Iraq in March 2003. Other significant examples of such perversions flowing directly from the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah belief can be seen in the extermination policy followed by Jews in Palestine. As well, there is the matter how Dissenters – those who refuse to believe in the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah story – are criminalized in, for example, Austria, France, Germany, where Dissenters such as Wolfgang Fröhlich, Gerd Honsik, Robert Faurisson, Georges Theil, Germar Rudolf, Ernst Zündel, and many others, are imprisoned for up to five years.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 372 (February 2008))

*material from a website <http://www.realjewnews.com/?p=109> that substantially deals with specifically Jewish crimes committed against non-Jews, something Adelaide Institute does not do. The Internet has become a weapon of mass instruction for enlightened individuals who refuse to bow to Jewish pressure, who refuse to adopt a Jewish world view. (Jewish Murderers Of The Russian Royal Family – <http://www.realjewnews.com/?p=109> By Brother Nathanael Kapner - Copyright © 2008 All Articles May Be Reproduced Only With Authorship of Brother Nathanael Kapner & Link To Real Jew News - <http://www.realjewnews.com/> JEWS MURDERED THE RUSSIAN ROYAL FAMILY. This was the greatest travesty beside the crucifixion of Jesus Christ in the history of mankind. The *Russian Royal Family* of Tzar Nicholas II were pious Orthodox Christians. They exemplified all that is precious in a family, namely, Christian piety and love for one’s neighbor. But the Anti-Christ Jews murdered this *preciousness*! From then on the world has witnessed and felt the effects of the decline of the *family* - the staple of an ethical, Christian society. But Anti-Christian Jews, like Jacob Schiff, Chairman of *Kuhn & Loeb Bank*, who financed the Bolshevik Revolution, have wreaked their destruction on Christian civilization. It was this Jew, Jacob Schiff, who brought Leon Trotsky (born “Lev Bronstein”) to New York in February 1916. Trotsky recruited Russian Jews from New York’s Russian Jewish immigrant population in the Lower East Side of Manhattan and trained them as revolutionaries. On March 27 1917, Trotsky and his 300 well-trained Jewish communists from Manhattan’s Lower East Side, boarded the Norwegian steamer “Kristianiafjord” for a journey that brought them to St. Petersburg in Russia. Their purpose was to establish a Marxist government under the leadership of Lenin, Trotsky, and Stalin. Before departing, Jacob Schiff gave this group \$20 million in gold. **THE ROYAL FAMILY FLEES & PURSUED BY JEWISH COMMUNISTS** With support from inside the Social Democratic party and many of the Jewish-run soviets, Lenin, joined by Trotsky from New York, gained the upper hand over the Kerensky government. In August of 1917, the *Russian Royal Family* fled to Tobolsk in Siberia. They stayed at the *Governors House* until April 1918. They hoped to escape to England where King George V, a Romanov cousin, would hopefully grant them refuge. But he refused due to pressure from Jewish groups. On April 22 1918, the Jew, Jacob Sverdlov, first President of the Soviet Union, sent his aide, the Jew, Yankel Yakovlev, to

Tobolsk to persuade Tzar Nicholas II to agree to sanction the *Brest-Litovsk* peace treaty. Tzar Nicholas refused for he considered the treaty an ‘eternal disgrace to Russia.’ He did though agree to return to Moscow as he was told that the Germans were willing to grant him asylum. They got as far as Ekaterinburg in the Urals where the train was halted by the Regional Soviets dominated by four Jews, Goloshchekin, Safarov, Voikov and Syromolotov. These four communist Jews appointed the Jew, Jacob Yurovsky, son of a local Jewish ex-convict, as the head the local *Cheka* (Soviet Secret Police) in Ekaterinburg. Yurovsky was given the assignment to imprison, plan, and carry out, the assassination of the *Russian Royal Family*. The Jew Yurovsky brought the *Russian Royal Family* to a former house of a wealthy Jewish merchant named Ipatiev, now made into a prison for the Tzar and his family. It should be noted that Ekaterinburg, named after named after St Catherine the Great, was renamed “Sverdlovsk” in 1924 in honor of Jacob Sverdlov who gave the final order to execute the *Russian Royal Family*. On July 4 1918, the Jew Yurovsky dismissed all the Russian soldiers who were guarding the Tzar except for a Pavel Medvedev, a Cheka Jewish spy. Yurovsky replaced the loyal-to-the-Tzar Russian soldiers with Jewish communist assassins from Hungary. That they were Jewish communists from Hungary, their scribbling on the walls indicated. On July 15 1918, two representatives from the *Soviet Extraordinary Commission*, one of them being the Jew, Philip Golochtchekine, came to the Ipatiev house with an order from the Jew Jacob Yurovsky to execute the *Russian Royal Family*. On July 17 1918, about midnight, the Jew Yurovsky brought Tzar & Tzarina Nicholas and Alexandra, and their four daughters, the maid, the doctor, the cook, and the waiter to the basement. The Tzar carried the heir Alexei in his arms. They were told that they were to pose for a group picture. The Jewish assassins, Medvedev, Nikulin, Yermakov, Vaganov, were waiting. Medvedev claimed that he was outside at the time of the execution as his guilty conscience shamed his tongue into lying. The Jew Yurovsky then pulled out his revolver and pointed it directly at the Tsar’s head and fired. Tzar Nicholas II died instantly. Next, he shot Tzarina Alexandra as she made the sign of the Cross. Olga, Tatiana, Maria, and Anastasia, were shot next. Demidova, the maid, survived the first volley, so the Jewish Cheka assassins decided to bayonet her 30 times. As the room became silent there was a low groan. Alexei was still in the arms of the Tsar and alive. The Jew Yurovsky stepped up and fired two shots into the boy’s ear. All the members of the Tsar’s family were lying on the floor with many wounds in their bodies. The blood was running in streams”) (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 372 (February 2008)

* an item “Jewish Supremacism” by Patrick Grimm, sub-titled “How Jewish Supremacists Wrecked America”. It included “6. They have created, pushed and profited from pornography and perverse entertainment. The “Chosen” make up 90% of all American pornographers. The Hollywood they run has mainstreamed wife-swapping, common law marriages, pedophilia, scatology, licentious sex, drug and alcohol abuse and self-indulgence. Bestiality will be next on the list. In fact, they are already releasing a documentary portraying men who have sex with horses.” and “9. They have subverted our government. With Zionist control of media, both print and television, the two major political parties and the highest echelons of government, our foreign and domestic policy has been steered away from the interests of the European-American majority, rendering us incapable of self-preservation. The war in Iraq, the 9/11 attacks and a possible clash with Iran in the near future, are all results of the Zionist subjugation of the most powerful nation on earth, and the prioritizing of Israel’s concerns over those of the United States. Our taxpayers now fork over nearly six billion dollars a year in money and weaponry to this rogue state, with little to show for it except the hatred of the entire planet and the punishment of higher oil prices from the Arab world.”, concluding “And on and on it goes.

Everything on this list can be easily verified. Jews, most Zionist in nature, have spearheaded every movement or cause that now threatens our destruction and brings us to the edge of extinction and annihilation. And now the leviathan of Zionism and Talmudic Judaism extends its tentacles into every facet of our country and indeed into almost every other nation and culture residing upon the earth. With its expansion comes the debauching and sundering of all peoples, all heritages and all traditions. What will we do to stop it? Will we fear and quake before the strawmen buzzwords of “anti-Semite” and “hater”, or will we stand and battle for the survival of civilization? It is up to all of us. Christians of both the right and the left, moderate Muslims who eschew violence, anti-Zionist Jews of conscience and indeed people of no particular religious persuasion. We must rage against the dying of the light, but that is not enough. All of us must kick at the evil and the darkness of Zionism and Jewish supremacism until it bleeds daylight.” (February 2008).

*a speech at the Inverell Forum “German Destiny” by Dagmar Brenne , in which she depicted the second world war as the triumph of evil (jews) over good (Nazism) (Adelaide Institute newsletter No 375 (April 2008, downloaded June 2008)

* an article signed Michael James, which included “billions of German tax euros are sent monthly into the coffers of Tel Aviv banks that purport to act as agents of the increasingly millions of Jews miraculously still alive and claiming compensation for a an alleged 'holocaust' against Jehovah's superlatively shining people. Even the grandchildren of the ever burgeoning numbers of so-called 'holocaust' survivors are getting in on the act, claiming that their parents stories of untold grief have traumatised them to a point wherein only financial compensation can act as a palliative to their incomparable distress. Whenever I travel to Berlin, or Munich, Hamburg or Basle, I note without almost any exception that those who are able to pay premium rates on almost anything they desire are not German. Since 1992, I have noticed the remorselessness slide of German citizens into a class that is now placed somewhere between second and third. I despise Berlin the most, for it is there that I see the financial extravagances extended to newly arrived Jews who contribute absolutely nothing to German culture and come here only to despise, belittle and destroy everything that is decent about the character of the German people.” (Adelaide Institute newsletter No 375 (April 2008, downloaded June 2008)

*Patrick Grimm Interviewing Andrew Winkler of Ziopedia

(<http://zionistwatch.wordpress.com/2008/03/08/patrick-grimm-interviews-andrew-winkler-of-ziopedia/>). Winkler said “ The catalyst for my activism was September 11, when I realized that this terrible event was actually performed by Mossad, with inside help from the U.S. government. I got very upset because nobody seemed to care or want to know. Most people are too busy not being left behind in their career, paying off mortgages and finding the money for their kids’ education, to spare much thought on how close we are to the realisation of George Orwell’s worst nightmares. Something needed to be done before we reach the point of no return. If everybody just cared about his and his immediate family’s material needs, our governments could get away with just about anything”;”J.A. [Jews Anonymous] was received with an incredible amount of hostility, not only from our enemies but also from fellow activists. I don’t want to mention any names, only that I was disappointed with the reactions of some people who until then seemed to be allies and friends. A common reaction was denial along the lines of ‘I’m Jewish and I DO embrace all of mankind, regardless of heritage, nationality, religion or race!’, which I find absurd given the supremacist attitudes towards non-Jews expressed throughout the Talmud and the shameless racism displayed towards Arabs on a daily basis in words and actions by both

Israelis and Jews in the Diaspora. Even more absurd was the frequent accusation of racism towards the project. After all, it is our clearly expressed intention to help Jews embrace all of mankind, regardless of heritage, nationality, religion or race. What's racist about helping someone to be less racist? These people react like an alcoholic who gets angry with anyone suggesting that he might have a drinking problem.”; “Jewish tradition and heritage are so infested with manic-depressive beliefs that for a Jew to become a valuable human being, he must recognise that he suffers a harmful condition. He must recant his Jewishness. The biggest hurdle for him is to cross the ‘river of denial’. He must stop blaming everybody else and start taking responsibility for his condition and doing something about it.”; “Australia is an integral part of what I call the Anglo-Judean Axis of Greed. Our society is under Jewish stranglehold, no different from the U.K., Canada and the U.S. Our elections are not decided at the ballot box but by crypto-Jew Rupert Murdoch who controls the local media scene. All he needs to do is to influence the voter decision in a few dozen electorates up or down by a couple of percentage points for one party or the other to swing the election a certain way. As far as freedom of speech is concerned, the same applies as anywhere else in the Western world: it is only respected as long as it doesn't ‘offend’ Satan's little helpers.”; “Say ‘No’ to Jewish controlled media, ‘No’ to ‘war for Israel’, ‘No’ to the destruction of our social fabric by unrestrained immigration, ‘No’ to the democracy hoax, ‘No’ to the destruction of family values, ‘No’ to false flag terrorism, ‘No’ to globalization, ‘No’ to the export of jobs to slave labour countries, ‘No’ to mammonism, consumerism, sexism. Stop the factional fighting within the anti-Zionist movement and start fighting against our self-chosen ruling elite. Boycott Jewish controlled media so that they can't sell their ads. Don't click on google ads. Explain to your wives and girlfriends that all diamonds are blood diamonds. Buy them flowers and chocolates instead. Be creative about finding new ways to cut off the Jews' purse strings. “I agree with Fredrick Toben that we should focus more on the collaborateurs. If you think of it, the Jews only make up a tiny percentage of Western societies. The only way they can rule their host societies is by employing large numbers of collaborateurs. European colonial powers used to do the same. They groomed their collaborateurs in missionary schools and gave them privileges over their peers. Even today, it is still a status symbol in many former British colonies such as Singapore, Malaysia or Hong Kong to be a Christian or Catholic. We can see the same thing happening with our Jewish colonial masters. They groom politicians, journalists, judges, executives who help them rule our societies. The only difference is that instead of converting them to Judaism, which is out of question due to its tribal nature, they convert them to Christian Zionism, Masonry, Satanism or simply bribe them with obscene executive packages. Those traitors are our biggest problem.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 376 (April 2008, downloaded June 2008)

* an item attributed to “The Palestinian American Federation” which claimed Israel was worse than Nazi , asserting “ We do not believe the Jewish "holocaust" during WWII is a fair reference to what is taking place in Palestine where the Israeli military is deliberately bombing civilian targets killing toddlers and infants has any parable in history. History had not told us of any Jewish homes being deliberately bombed for being Jewish homes, or Jewish children murdered while sleeping in their homes.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 376 (April 2008, downloaded June 2008)

* an item “World still silent about Gaza holocaust, By our staff writer, *Tehran Times*, Sunday, March 9, 2008” which asserted “The Zionists falsified history and exaggerated the number of Jews who died during World War II in order to justify the establishment of the Israeli entity -- and have even convinced some countries to pass laws making it a criminal

offense to question the Holocaust myth -- but today the Israelis themselves are creating a holocaust in Gaza. The recent Israeli attacks on occupied Palestinian territory have been accompanied by an increase in human rights violations and war crimes. Everyone's life is in danger in the Gaza Strip. As one Israeli official shamelessly stated, the Zionist regime is massacring Palestinians with the intention of creating a "holocaust" in Gaza. Only two months ago, the Israeli attacks on Gaza made December 2007 the month with the highest death toll in the Gaza Strip for the year." (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 382, May 2008, downloaded 16/6The same item was included in Newsletter No 383.

* a speech Fredrick Toben delivered at the conference hosted by Voice of Palestine, Indonesian Society for Palestine Freedom, "Freedom and Return: Palestine and 60 Years of Ethnic Cleansing" 14-15 May 2008, University of Indonesia, Jakarta. In it, Toben said: "The historical myth called the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah began in the 1970s when the word 'holocaust' was first used. The reporting of factual historical events and incidents as written in many books, has given rise to the alleged detail of the German war machine exterminating European Jewry in homicidal gas chambers during World War Two. When Revisionists study closely what has been reported as both factually/physically contains an element of truth, but then is augmented by exaggerations and contradictions, which are backed up by outrageous fabrications and monstrous lies as envisioned in the minds of personal, unreliable witnesses. It is these lies that overwhelm any reader to the point of responding emotionally and believing the incidents to be true. A number of European countries have enacted laws that protect such fabrications. Myths and legends do contain an element of truth while too many of the Holocaust-Shoah horror stories are merely intended to shame and destroy the pride of the German people. Only by exposing the factual truths, can Germans relieve themselves of the shame and blame that was placed upon them, however, the courts of law have refused to listen to them. To this day the re-education program implemented by the Jews, who alone, have committed venal crimes for centuries, aim to get Germans to relinquish themselves as Germans, who would then become a non-entity in the human drama of survival at the expense of the Jews, who themselves, for over 2000 years had become non-entities throughout the world when their God dispersed them from their supposedly promised land. The Jews and their willing helpers who sustain and maintain this Holocaust-Shoah fabrications through legal prosecution/persecution, in the name of some human rights. While the human rights are being ignored of those who refuse to believe in such monstrous lies that Germans systematically exterminated six million Jews in huge chemical slaughterhouses."; "Why is the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah a taboo topic in the free and democratic western world where free expression is the hallmark of political expression? Why is it that in this world anything can be questioned, ridiculed and denied? Anyone can be free to deny the existence of God, but not free to question the veracity of the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah? One reason is that if there was such freedom, then the war crimes perpetrated by the Allies during WW II would re-surface – and this would liberate Germans from a false guilt trip. For daring to speak openly about this historical taboo topic a number of individuals, free-thinkers, dissenters, Revisionists, have been and are imprisoned, especially in democratic Germany and Austria: Sylvia Stolz, Germar Rudolf, Ernst Zündel,, Gerd Honsik, Wolfgang Fröhlich, and soon in France Georges Theil. Both Theil and Fröhlich attended the Teheran Holocaust conference. In Australia anyone who refuses to believe in the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah is not immediately criminalized, but instead an economic death sentence is imposed. For example, Revisionist Richard Krege attended the December 2006 Teheran conference, then upon his return home to Canberra, was dismissed from his government job at Air Services Australia, a job he had held for almost ten years. In 1999 I spent seven months in Mannheim prison because during my second world Revisionist research trip I visited

German judges and public prosecutors to learn at first hand what their laws were all about – and also to find out for myself what kind of individuals these Holocaust enforcers were. I found out at first hand – I was arrested in a public prosecutor’s office, a man whom I had visited two years earlier in 1997. From this experience I learned that German judges write up court proceedings subjectively, i.e. there is no objective reporting and matters raised in court are not absolutely privileged as is the case in Common Law countries. This means you cannot defend yourself because by presenting a vigorous defence, as is the case in Common Law countries, this is regarded by the judges as evidence of your guilt. By not showing contrition/remorse at refusing to believe in the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah, you are compounding your guilt.”. (Adelaide Institute Newsletter No 386, June 2008)

* “The Auschwitz 'Gas Chamber' Illusion” By Nicholas Kollerstrom, PhD, 8 May 2008
“As surprising as it may sound, the only intentional mass extermination program in the concentration camps of WW2 was targeted at Germans. From April, 1945 five million Germans were rounded up after surrendering, and deliberately starved until well over one million had died, in French and American-run concentration camps[1] - an event soon erased from the history books. There was, in contrast, never a centrally-coordinated Nazi program of exterminating Jews in Germany. Lethal gas chambers did not function in German labour-camps, that's just an illusion. The traditional Holocaust story has developed out of rumours, misunderstandings, and wartime propaganda”; “The primary argument put forward by Professor Arthur Butz in his classic text, *The Hoax of the 20th Century* was demographic: the Jews of Europe were still there after the war and therefore had not been exterminated”; “With regard to the gas chambers, the almost endless procession of false witnesses and of falsified documents to which I have drawn the reader's attention during this long study, proves, nevertheless, one thing: never at any moment did the responsible authorities of the Third Reich intend to order - or in fact order the extermination of the Jews in this or any other manner.” ”Germany is helping to maintain the holocaust legend, by thus aiding the state of Israel. The United Nations has now established its annual Holocaust Remembrance Day on 27 January, as of 2006. On this anniversary, we all need to mull over the faking of history and the Greatest Lie Ever Told. As Perseus gazed at the Medusa only via a mirror, to avoid being petrified, we too need calm reflection and the power of Truth to avoid our collective destruction.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter 387, June 2008)

* this statement contributed by Robert Faurisson “if the Iranian president causes so much fear, it’s owing to his revisionism. He has wielded the sole weapon that can deeply worry the Jewish State and its ally, the United States. He possesses what I’ve called the poor man’s atomic weapon. In the findings of historical revisionism he effectively holds a “device of mass destruction” that would kill no-one but could neutralise Israel’s number one political weapon: the Great Lie of the alleged Nazi gas chambers and the alleged genocide of Europe’s Jews. Raised in the religion of the “Holocaust”, the peoples of North America and Europe generally believe in this Great Lie and see Ahmadinejad as a heretic; thus they dare not defend any policy of rapprochement with Iran, or call for a lifting of the boycott, although therein lies the only chance of seeing their energy costs decrease. Doubtless some of these peoples’ leaders desire an understanding with Iran, but they back away at the prospect of being criticised as accomplices of the new Satan, of the “denier”, the “negationist” who “kills the Jews once again by denying their death”. The news of the international “Holocaust” conference in Tehran (December 11th - 12th 2006) rang out like a warning shot. By no means reserved to revisionists, that conference was open to all.

Confrontation of opposing views was allowed, and it took place. The rout of the antirevisionists was dramatic. And President Ahmadinejad, already fully apprised of revisionist argumentation, was thus able to restate that the “Holocaust” was a myth. Bush, Blair, Chirac, who know nothing of revisionism, responded by making a terrible fuss. As for the Israelis, they are aware of the Jewish authors’ utter inability to answer revisionist arguments on the scientific level; they now uphold their Great Lie only with Elie Wiesels-style fake testimony or cinematic guff in the manner of Claude Lanzmann, when they don’t resort to novels, drama or even sham museum exhibitions like those at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem or the Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington; they have therefore seized the occasion to draw up a bill in the Knesset that would let the State of Israel demand that any revisionist, wherever in the world he might be, be delivered to its own courts! When there’s no proof to show, the cudgel is used. The Zionists and their friends are getting more and more alarmed at the diffusion of revisionism over the Internet. They make many attempts, cynical or veiled, to strengthen Internet censorship but, up to today at any rate, they have not yet achieved their aims. Throughout the Western world repression of revisionism is worsening, but it’s all a waste of effort so far. The holocaustic propaganda and Shoah Business grow ever more deafening, but henceforth they tend to annoy or tire people.” Fredrick Toben wrote “I will state in court that I regard the Jewish Holocaust-Shoah a massive lie – Mahler said that to Friedman and thereby broke a law. I will assert this on 5 August because a Court Order that prevents me from speaking the truth is and must be disobeyed – otherwise I am submitting myself to voluntary mental rape that Jeremy Jones would love to commit on me – via the proxy Australian Court system, of course, because he would never do anything like that directly to me on account of his feigned hurt feeling that I am apparently inflicting upon him by telling the truth.” (Adelaide Institute Newsletter 396, July 2008)

In August 2008, a hearing took place in the Federal Court in the matter of Jones v Toben, in which the complainant tabled material which he argued had been published on the Adelaide Institute Website in breach of the Orders of the Court. At the time of writing the court had not delivered a verdict.

5.3 Bible Believers

One of the most visible of the plethora of eccentric pseudo-Christian groups in Australia is the "Bible Believers". For a number of years Anthony Grigor-Scott of Sydney's western suburbs maintained a bulletin board on which he published long antisemitic tracts. He has also been a long-term participant in discussions on unmoderated newsgroups. He has an internet site which includes a huge volume of antisemitism, including The International Jew: The World's Foremost Problem, A.H. Ramsay's The Nameless Jew and Zimmunism, which quotes extensively from League of Rights texts in an attempt to prove that "the Jewish race operates" by "hypnotism which has been exercised over the whole world". A complete copy of The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion available on his home-page. Grigor-Scott has also operated a weekly radio program, on a low frequency local station, in which he delivered antisemitic sermons. Samples of his material in the period in review included:

* the comment “Jews are human beings; the other peoples of the world are but beasts” (Baba Mezia 114b). This deranged Judaic vision of world conquest is symbolized in the

esoteric Hebrew mysticism of Kabala, and the Talmudic allegory of the World Serpent, girdling the globe with the head and the tail meeting in Jerusalem.” (Bible Believers’ Newsletter #497, October 2007)

* an editorial by Anthony Grigor-Scott which included “God is allowing the so-called Jews, not Israelites mind you, to submit the world to their unrighteous Talmudic law that “*makes the Word of God of no effect,*” caused Israel to kill Messiah after the sixty-ninth week of Daniel’s prophecy (Daniel 9:26) and heralded the Gentile dispensation fifty-three days thence.” (Bible Believers’ Newsletter #498, October 2007)

*Holocaust denial, such as **“Investigation finds no Mass Graves at WWII Camp Site October 4, 2007** – A detailed forensic examination of the site of the wartime Treblinka camp, using sophisticated electronic ground radar, has found no evidence of mass graves there. For six days in October 1999, an Australian team headed by Richard Krege, a qualified electronics engineer, carried out an examination of the soil at the site of the former Treblinka II camp in Poland, where, Holocaust historians say, more than half a million Jews were put to death in gas chambers and then buried in mass graves.” (Bible Believers’ Newsletter #498, October 2007)

*Pseudo-Christian analysis included “Until the Reformation, the Judaeo-Roman Catholic false church ruled the world. In the fourth century Augustine of Hippo sanctioned the edict of Honorius and Arcadius advocating the killing of heretics who disagreed with the church. With his letter embodied in the canon of the church the popes did not fear to kill dissenters who refused her mark of the beast, and from then until 1850 the Judaeo-Roman church martyred over 68 million who dissented from the dogmas and traditions of Callistus and Noetrus, two early Roman Catholic church fathers (R. Hezeltine, How did it Happen? p. 281-282). Rome even sought to conquer Jerusalem and relocate her headquarters ahead of the time of “*Jacob’s trouble*” (Daniel 11:45). A deal negotiated with one-time Israeli Prime Minister and alleged mastermind behind the murder of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Shimon Peres, was finally agreed in 1993 and only this week Prime Minister Ehud Olmert signaled a shift on Jerusalem split (foreshadowing Zechariah 14:2; Revelation 16:19), but no Christian Church other than a local assembly has any reason to be in Israel. In Matthew 24:2, 15-21, Jesus spoke of the end of the temple, and city and all the old economy of things.” (Bible Believers’ Newsletter #498, October 2007)

* a short item on the Ukrainian famine, which concluded “NOTE: Most of the commissars executing this policy were Jews.” (Bible Believers’ Newsletter #499, November 2007)

* An item on Holocaust Education concluded “ Will genuine holocausts be ignored? The Swedish Jew Eisenhower systemically starved 13.2 million Germans to death – after the 1945 surrender! Unlike the holocaust of six million Jews claimed for World War I and the holocaust of six million Jews between the wars, the so-called holocaust of six million Jews claimed in World War II, is not yet officially revised to zero. Truth in history is brutally suppressed and remains as a cover for this and other real Jewish atrocities in Judaeo-Communist Russia.” (Bible Believers’ Newsletter #499, November 2007)

* “Comment: As war criminal Prime Minister Ariel Sharon boasted, “We Jews control America, and they know it”. President Bush is not a man who believes in the Bible; neither are Talmudic rabbis uttering chutzpah where the Lord has not spoken. Such hypocrisy, confessing the land of Israel belongs to the people of Israel whom they

impersonate. The destruction of America will result from their association with these who boast of themselves as “the destroyers.” (Bible Believers’ Newsletter #500, November 2007)

* “As indicated by the news items, the Empire of the City of London – Britain, the USA, Canada and Australia in lockstep – is beginning to display the ruthless nature of Imperial Rome. As the (once) Protestant churches draw closer in union with one another and their mother Rome, whose image they are, they will also draw closer to the so-called Jews with whom Rome will covenant to refinance the US dollar (Daniel 9:27; Revelation 17:12-17). The leadership of the non-Semitic, anti-Semitic self-styled Jews has announced their intent to impose dominion over non –Jews:”. (Bible Believers’ Newsletter #500, November 2007)

* “Recently I received an email being distributed within the circle of this Message promoting the pre-planned official “history” of 9/11 which is chutzpah aimed at unthinking, unspiritual people whose reality is the strong delusion indoctrinated aurally or visually by our alien-controlled media, education and the entertainment industry to infuse unquestioned learning without “*proving all things*” (I Thessalonians 5:21; Acts 17:11). This generation is ignorant of the fact that after World War I the tax-exempt Carnegie Endowment for International Peace (sic) and Rockefeller Foundation were funding leftist propaganda operations, aimed at changing America through the brain, not the battlefield. Patriotism, national sovereignty, individual responsibility and Christian beliefs were belittled, while the concepts of a one world government, socialism, collectivism and humanism were deemed essential for peace – without the Prince of Peace – in the modern age. Precisely as Jewish “insider” George Orwell warned in his book, “1984,” these foundations decided that the most effective method of achieving this goal would be by altering American History, so they awarded grants, fellowships and scholarships to those professors and historians who would rewrite American history and promote one-worldism, humanism and socialism.” (Bible Believers Newsletter #536 July2008)

*Items which referred to “Zionist militant genocidal enthusiasm” and promoted far left antisemite Gilad Atzmon. (Bible Believers Newsletter #536 July2008)

* “The Zionism hoax was created to plant the Khazars, converted to Talmudic Judaism in AD740 and labeled “god’s chosen people,” into the Middle East as a new front-line for European Colonialism.” Adding an extract claimed to come from Baruch Levy, Letter to Karl Marx, ‘*La Revue de Paris*,’ p. 574, June 1, 1928: “The Jewish people as a whole will become its own Messiah. It will attain world domination by the dissolution of other races, by the abolition of frontiers, the annihilation of monarchy and by the establishment of a world republic in which the Jews will everywhere exercise the privilege of citizenship. In this New World Order the [alleged] ‘children of Israel’ will furnish all the leaders without encountering opposition. The Governments of the different peoples forming the world republic will fall without difficulty into the hands of the Jews. It will then be possible for the Jewish rulers to abolish private property and everywhere to make use of the resources of the state. Thus will the promise of the Talmud be fulfilled, in which all the property of the whole world is in their hands” . A later article claimed “God told the Serpent, “*I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; it shall bruise your head, and you shalt bruise His heel*” (Genesis 3:15). So hatred exists between the natural and spiritual seed of the Serpent, that is, between Cain’s offspring and all those who disbelieve the revealed Word of God, and the natural seed of

the first Adam by the first Eve and the Spiritual seed of the last Adam, the second Eve, which is Christ's elect Church. Should you receive this revelation, Satan will do his utmost to keep you from exposing the identity of his offspring by the Serpent. This is why the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) of B'nai B'rith and numerous other 'fronts' pushed multiculturalism, which is absolutely accursed by the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; a repetition of the original sin on a global scale "*as it was in the days of Noah*" (Matthew 24:37). They have also introduced hate legislation worldwide to ensure you dare not call it treason, for miscegenation with Cain's race is genocide to Adam's race as the offspring is not in the Book of Life." (Bible Believers Newsletter #537, July 2008)

* Quotes from The Protocols of Zion (Bible Believers Newsletter #537, July 2008)

*) "Does Rothschild own the Reserve Bank of Australia?" which concluded "**Comment:** "Under this roof are the heads of the family of Rothschild – a name famous in every capital of Europe and every division of the globe. If you like, we shall divide the United States into two parts, one for you, James, and one for you, Lionel. Napoleon will do exactly and all that I shall advise him." (Reported to have been the comments of Disraeli at the marriage of Lionel Rothschild's daughter Leonora, to her cousin, Alphonse, son of James Rothschild of Paris). "The Montefiores have taken Australia for their own, and there is not a gold field or a sheep run from Tasmania to New South Wales that does not pay them a heavy tribute. They are the real owners of the antipodean continent. What is the good of our being a wealthy nation, if the wealth is all in the hands of German Jews?" (W. Hughes, Premier of Australia, Saturday Evening Post, June 19, 1919)." (Bible Believers Newsletter #542, August 2008)

* "As subscriber Brother Mel. Fowler wrote to one of our Israeli subscribers, "We citizens of the United States are presently witnessing the consequences of our leaders (if you can call them that) having allowed Zionist lunatics, devotees of Leon Trotsky, to capture our government and our major institutions! The Czarist government of Russia made the terrible mistake of responding with liberal policies to the savage behavior of Jewish communists even though it had abundant evidence that those lunatics were dangerous! **Both the Russian Czar and the US Government had completely forgotten their responsibility to protect their citizens from political predators!**" "We are now faced with the prospect of a global conflagration consciously pursued by – you guessed it! Jewish lunatics: Talmudic, Zionist, Trotskyite, Marxist, Communist, Masonic global gangsters! Jewish lunatics and their dupes! Jewish supremacists, like the tidy little Jewish organisations in Russia that embrace the *Shulcan Aruch*. Lunatics! All Jewish lunatics! Are they dangerous? You know they are. Troops on the home front, waiting underground, as it were. Waiting to help and support any way they can, when the time comes, isn't that right?" "All organizations dedicated to Jewish supremacy bear the general form of a criminal syndicate, and should be outlawed. If we weren't facing this terrible Jewish menace now engulfing the planet, we could perhaps dismiss them as harmless nuts." (Bible Believers Newsletter #542, August 2008)

* "George II and the Zionist-controlled media have LIED . . . again. Do a search in Google using the following keywords: Immediate Response 2008 American soldiers Georgia. USA is behind the Georgia – Russian War American troops found amongst Georgian dead Georgia using Ukrainian and American mercenaries?"; another arguing "**Comment:** The failure of the US dollar will be result from the sinking of Los Angeles

and much of California beneath the Pacific, not by the Chinese. The minority of so-called “Jews” who do not convert to Judaeo-Catholicism in the midst of Daniel’s Seventieth Week will show their true colours as Judaeo-Communists, and 144,000 elect Israelites, NOT Israelis, will be reborn and martyred.”; and a further claiming “World Wars I, II and III were all planned in the nineteenth century as tools of the Judaeo-Roman church, the Black Nobility (or European Royalty and aristocracy with whom the Khazars intermarried centuries ago), and the International Banksters. These parties are noted in Revelation 16:14; 17:12-18 and 18:7-19 and although they work together for world hegemony, each aims for supremacy in its own behalf as do rival factions within each party. The purpose of these wars is to render impotent the bonds of religious, political, material and cultural unity, thereby rendering humanity into a disunited, divided mass without roots, resources, hopes or loyalties like the bastard Cain. A human resource interbred with Cain, that like so many “human cattle,” can be bred up, worked and culled at the whim of their global masters. These three wars in particular have served to level humanity, destroy kingdoms, religions and borders, grab the world’s natural resources and eliminate private ownership of land in order to return its inhabitants to serfdom under Edomite one world government whose centralized dominion will wield absolute authority over all people and their gods (Genesis 27:4)). If we follow the trail of the Serpent from Cain to Naamah, to Canaan, Esau and his children, you will see who holds world dominion today. Imperial power began in Babylon: her legacy is seen in the universal worship of her trinity of gods and our subjection to her laws and legal system; our economies are governed by her system of accountancy, and our finances structured on Babylonian flat money and fractional reserve usury. Throughout the twentieth century Judaeo-Communism has been an effective tool of the International Banksters to strip individuals and nations of their wealth and free-will as Jesus foretold in the parenthesis between the Sixth and Seventh Vials (Revelation 16:13-16). Nowadays the spirit of Communism, which is the spirit of Laodicea, has world dominion. Through United Nations’ treaties and protocols the thoughts and actions of individuals and nations are kept within strict bounds, and woe to one who expresses historic fact unhallowed by the Department of Truth’s current version of the past. Communism is the spirit that is “*gathering the kings of the earth and of the whole world to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.*” Initially they will ally with Rome against Communism (Revelation 17:2), but since God raised up Communism to destroy the false church, when Rome breaks her agreement with the Jewish Banksters, “*the kings of the earth*” will “*hate the whore,*” revert to Judaeo-Communism, and “*burn her with atomic fire*” (Revelation 17:16-17).” (Bible Believers Newsletter #541 August 2008)

* “Russia, which is also financing the US economy, has said that owing to her own national interests an attack on Iran will be viewed as an attack on Russia. So to keep Russia busy on her own borders ‘the City’s’ client state Georgia viciously attacked South Ossetia. Our Zionist-controlled media has lied claiming Russia invaded Georgia, just as they lied claiming Germany invaded Poland, when both Russia and Germany retaliated in response to the genocide of their own people. With US military “advisers” and over 1,000 Israeli “mercenaries” actively engaged in combat, Georgia attacked Ossetia, raping, slaughtering and destroying its towns. In ancient times Georgia was overrun by the Khazars who attacked Russia for a thousand years until 1917 when Khazar Jews invaded from the East Side of New York City and conquered, murdering her Royal Family and sixty-six million nominal Christians. These criminals were masterminded and funded by Wall Street which, like the United States, is ruled by ‘the City of London.’” (Bible Believers Newsletter #540, August 2008)

* quoted Lyndon LaRouche claiming George Soros, who was “initially bankrolled” by the Rothschilds, “virtually owns Obama”. (Bible Believers Newsletter #540, August 2008)

* “The Armistice, which was betrayed by the Jew-controlled Allies, set the stage for Jewish persecution planned by the Zionists whose Khazar forefathers were proselyted overnight when Talmudic Jews from Babylon converted king Bulan. They now identify with the self-styled Edomite Jews and have been expelled from Great Britain and practically every European kingdom since their conversion in the eighth century AD. Their leaders made Germany’s war reparations so severe, the spirit of the old Holy Roman Empire revived, ‘*to slay the third part of men.*’ So thorough was their deception of assuming Israel’s identity, the persecution fell on themselves rather than Israelites (who do not dwell in the Western world). I do not believe in the myth of six million Jews being gassed, or even a fraction of that number, and Jews were a minority of those who perished by disease or old age, and there were no extermination gas chambers.” (Bible Believers Newsletter #540, August 2008)

A Complaint under the Federal Racial Hatred Act lodged in 2005 resulted in a judgement on February 2 2007 ordering that the Bible Believers' Church remove material from the website denying the Holocaust took place. In the judgment, Justice Richard Conti ordered Anthony Grigor-Scott to remove claims Jewish people deliberately exaggerated the number of Jews killed during World War II for improper purposes, including financial gain. He also ordered the removal of material denying the existence of gas chambers in the German concentration camp in Auschwitz. Justice Conti further ruled that Mr Grigor-Scott should be restrained from publishing similar material in the future, particularly his claim that there was serious doubt that the Holocaust occurred. Grigor-Scott successfully appealed the judgement, on a procedural technicality and not on whether his material was in breach of the law.

The internet newsletter, Fair Dinkum, which purports to be a voice for ordinary Australians to take on anti-Christian influences, includes on its page "Handy Links", a button for the Bible Believers' site.

5.4 Downunder Newslinks

A web-site which is not dedicated to promoting antisemitism but which has published offensive anti-Jewish material is Downunder Newslinks.

In the period in review, material published on Downunder Newslinks included Holocaust Denial, in the form of an article “Ten Reasons Why the Holocaust is a Fraud” (October 2007); an article “The Paradoxes of Anti-Semitism”, taken from David Dukes’ website, which argued “While many thinkers in the West unabashedly challenge modern myths and sport staggering erudition and courage in their demolition, the most sensitive point of reference of the twentieth century, i.e. the “Jewish question,” is carefully avoided. If the subject of Jews is mentioned in the European or America public forum, then it is usually in a laudatory fashion, which clearly indicates a morbid desire of white elites to curry favor with the Jews. The same individuals will be the first to declare themselves certified anti-Semites when an opportunistic moment becomes official enough for pogroms of Jews. It is the lack of open discussion about the topic of the Jews that confirms how Jews play a crucial role in the Western notion of the political. This is an additional sign of how past

times interact with present times. Twentieth century experience with National Socialism serves as a powerful red flag in a political- semantic field that must be carefully trodden upon. **Christian Neurosis** But contrary to classical anti-Semitic arguments, strong Jewish influence in the West is not the product of Jews only; it is the logical result of Gentiles' own acceptance of the Jewish founding myths that have seeped over centuries into Europe and America in their diverse Christian modalities. The current cultural and political ambiance coupled with strong self-censorship is just the latest secular version of this Judeo-Christian mindset. Hypothetically speaking, if Jews, by some miracle, were to play a marginal role in Europe or America – as they claim they do – then, logically, they would be the subject of a normal critical discussion or derision, just like other ethnic groups, races, or next door neighbors are. Blaming, however, Jews for extraterrestrial powers and their purported conspiracy to subvert Gentile culture borders on delusion and only reflects the absence of dialogue. This behavioural trait is particularly salient among white Christian Euro-Americans. Such delusions only provide legitimacy to Jews in their search for a real or surreal anti-Semitic boogymen around the corner. Without the specter of anti-Semitism, Jews would likely assimilate quickly and hence disappear. Thus, anti-Semitism provides Jews with alibis to project themselves as victims of Gentile prejudice. Consequently, it assigns them a role of posing as the sole educational super-ego for Euro-Americans and by proxy for the entire world. In his book on the social role of Jews, a prominent Jewish-French politician and author, Jacques Attali writes: “As Russian Jews invented socialism, and as Austrian Jews invented psychoanalysis, American Jews in the forefront, participated in the birth of American capitalism and in the Americanization of the entire world.” For a Jewish author, like Attali, such a remark is easier to write down than for a Gentile thinker, who with the same comment, would be shouted down as an “anti-Semite” – or possibly land in jail in Europe.” (November 2007)

The site linked to an article signed “Joe Cortina” which included comments such as “The Jew – A Heartless, Lying, Demonic Monster”, “Isra Hell”, “Zionist Judeo-Christian Synagogues of Satan” and “the Jew filth is endless”. Comments included “Jews were the ones who mass murdered 60 million Christians” (April 2008); said the separate Jewish 2020 Summit was planned as “a great way for Jews to throw their brainwashed ideas towards the government without the general public knowing”. (April 2008) while a contributor suggested Jews demand “holohoax brainwashing in schools.” (April 2008); referred to the “Holohoax”, and claimed “Jews” are promoting “brainwashing”. In the comments section “Freedomexplo” wrote “Sweet! so which Holocaust do they wanna teach?, the Ukrainian or the Palestinian Holocaust both caused by Jews?” Other contributors promoted Holocaust denial websites (July 2008)

Downunder Newlinks discussion of Jones v Toben included comments such as “feeding our common addictionMaking the “magnificent” Jew Squirm ? It must annoy the Chosen Ones greatly that Toben shows little animosity to the “Islamofascists”.....In asking ourselves why the immigration advocacy of the Chosen Ones has facilitated the flooding of European communities with millions of Islamic opportunists invited here on our behalf by the existential manifestation of Grima WormTongue, the answer lies in asking ourselves, “Why would we fight them if they were not HERE”..... We are being goaded and duped into fighting for the Jews’ “Greater Israel”. No self respecting and honourable European, on becoming aware of the duplicity that disrespects him, will fight. To fight and die for the children of Judas Iscariot is a dishonourable death and a betrayal of everything that the European Man stands for. Men of the West must stand their ground and not be diminished by the Lies of the Jew, his “power” rest only in his Lies.”, “These jews

will hound Toben until the day he dies. They never give up! Good to see Toben fighting hard against these filthy jews.” , and “the best thing that could happen for this country is a few .45 bullets in jeremy jones.” (August 2008).

5.5 Other Websites Based in Australia

It is relatively easy and requires little effort for individuals and organisations to develop websites which become part of the internet. Because there is so much material on the internet, the more sophisticated group will try to establish links with mainstream or less overtly racist sites as well as promoting their material through newsgroups and lists.

The web-sites can be separated into a number of categories. Some have the primary purpose of promoting an ideology or philosophy which is fundamentally antisemitic. Others promote a range of conspiracy theories, including some which are antisemitic. A third type promote racist organisations, which include antisemitism in their world view while they do not necessarily include antisemitism in their public utterances. A further group provide direct links to antisemitic material. In the last category are internet "newspapers" which combine features of all the above.

In addition, some individual Australian internet users have republished or provide links to material such as The National Socialism Primer and The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion.

A website which is published from Adelaide, AustraliaFreePress.org, included a wide-range of conspiracy material, including Holocaust denial, a number of anti-Israel articles and attacks on individual Jewish personalities as frauds, paedophiles and anti-Christian. A sub-directory, “Holocaust under attack”, contained articles such as “*Holocaust is Nothing But a HoloHoax*”, “*The ‘Holocaust’ is a Typical Zionist Myth*”, “*The Jewish War on Freedom of Speech*” and “*Holocaustianity: The state religion of the United States of America*”. The home page included comments such as “*6 million FILTHY LIES*”, “*Jewish Hate*”, “*the Holy Book of Adolf Hitler [which shows] the German religion will rise again to liberate the world from the bonds, spiritual and material, of Jewish Mammon*”; “*The Psychology of Holocaustianity*” as well as direct quotes from Mein Kampf and promotions of The Protocols of Zion. AustraliaFreePress declared its “aim” in the following form: “**Door to Freedom:** *The principal aim of this site is to free the World from Mammonism and its Culture of Death, for this is the origin of the contemporary afflictions of Mankind. Hence, we will: 1. Illustrate the everyday ugliness and brutality of World Zionist Plutocratic rule as it emanates from Washington and offends the whole human race with its insolence. THESIS: The Zionists rose to power through money-lending and their power can be broken by national monopolization of the lending of money at interest. Otherwise, though, we support properly regulated capitalist economy as the basis of human fulfillment and State security. 2. Expose the origin of Mammonism in the shameful and inhuman commands of Jahwe, the god of the Hebrews. THESIS: The war against Mammon is only winnable if we disenchant Jahwe—its projection in heaven, as it were. We must, therefore, get JAHWE THE TERRIBLE to talk. Here you shall hear his murderous, man-despising words. It will be this spiritual hell’s racket which will make it Judaism’s primary necessity to be ashamed of its god. In this shame the Jews will experience finally also their liberation. In this we wish them well. 3. Constantly work to elevate the Germanic spirit in the war for its Freedom, helping it overcome the historically false shame that has been instilled in it using the Auschwitz cudgel and the Holocaust Lie. THESIS: This artificial shame permeates modern European public lie, culture, and education at the insistence of the insatiable Hebrew soul-murderers. By suppressing the chief nation of Europe, Zionist*

multiculturalist ideology and behind-the-scenes political power oppresses the World. When Germany is free, however, Zionist Plutocracy will hear its death knell and Mankind will rejoice. Help the peoples in their quest for Beauty, Truth, and Goodness! Your path has brought you here to the DOOR OF FREEDOM.”

Other items on [Australia Free Press](#) referred to Pope Benedict as “*a Traitor Agent of Talmudic Deception*”, “*A sleight of Hand by the Jews*”, “*The ‘Holocaust’ lie: Made in America*” and “*Jews decide to ruin the lie of Jews*”, “*Talmudic Deception in Poland*”, “*8 million idiots pay homage to the Satanic Holocaust Cult’s holy shrine*”, “*What the VILE Talmud Really Says About Jesus*” and “*Standing ovation as war-criminal Howard receives yet another prize from the children of the Devil.*”

Two other web-sites which published a very large volume of overt antisemitic material during the period in review were the [Freedom Liberation Movement](#) and [Ziopedia](#). Both of these web-sites have numerous sub-sections, are regularly updated and are overtly antisemitic. The Freedom Liberation Movement issued a new version of its “Database on Israeli/Jewish Issues”, which included in its contents “Jewish manipulation of the World Wars”, “Jewish supremacism in general”, “Jewish terrorism and aggression”, “Jews were behind communism and bolshevism”, “Jews and their bloodlust”, “Jews run Germany”, “Jews attacking Christianity”, “Jewish war against historians”, “Jewish ritual murder/child sacrifice” and “Jewish sex perverts”. “Ziopedia” featured an article “*Filthy Jewish Lies about Iran*” by Patrick McNally, which referred to the “joosmedia” and claimed “*Elite Jewry has had millennia of experience lying and deceiving . . .*”. [Ziopedia](#)’s Andrew Winkler issued a media release offering “*Goyim certification*” and claiming “*The Hebrew word ‘Goyim’, standing for cattle (sic), is a derogative term used by Talmudic Jews to describe non-Jews. Talmud, the holiest book of Judaism (sic), only considers Jews to be human, while non-Jews are considered to be the equivalent of cattle that can be killed and abused unpunished (sic). We have chosen the term .Goyim Certified. to express that our certification is directed against Talmudic racism, not Jews . . . says Andrew Winkler. Questioned whether he wasn’t afraid of being accused of anti-Semitism, he replied, .Not really. In today.s use of the term, all it means is being critical of Israel or her lobby, in other words it is a good thing. “*

Another far-rightwinger, David Innes (“Baron von Hund”) had a section “Jewwatch” on his [White Nationalist Resources](#) website. It included a promotion of David Duke’s [Jewish Supremacism](#), [Jewwatch.com](#), and a series of links to site containing antisemitism based on misrepresentations of, or forged quotes allegedly from, [The Talmud](#).

A long time associate of Fred Toben, Peter Myers, updated his [Zionism \(Jewish Tribalism\) And/Or Communism Index](#)” during the period in review. It includes comments such as “*The overlap between Zionism and Communism makes it difficult to treat these as entirely separate movements. A faction of atheistic Jews set up the Soviet Union, and instituted the despotic reign over non-Jews, but Stalin, a non-Jew who got to the top, later stole their conspiracy, for which he was eventually killed. There was an going struggle within the Communist movement between the Jewish and non-Jewish factions; one might say that the Jewish Question created the USSR, but also destroyed it.*”; “**A World-Government has been created, with regional blocs in Europe, the USSR and the Pacific rim, and a Supreme Court for Mankind has been established in Jerusalem, as well as a shrine commemorating the Jewish role in the bringing-together of mankind: David ben Gurion LOOK magazine Jan 16, 1962: [bengur5.jpg](#). To see it at higher resolution (scroll down to see text): [bengur62.jpg](#).**”; “*Zionism is not only about a Jewish state; it is about a Jewish world-order. A.J. Van der Bent sympathetically expresses the Jewish viewpoint in his book The Utopia of World Community*

(SCM Press, London 1973). This book, issued by a member of the World Council of Churches, has sections on Baha'ism, Islam, Judaism, Buddhism & Hinduism. On Baha'ism it says: “[p. 8] One of the few religions which still has the phrase ‘world brotherhood’ officially on its banner is Bahai’ism. .. It aims to establish a unity of the human race and the unity of all religions.” It omits to mention that Bahai’ism supports World Government: <http://government.faithweb.com/list.html>; its headquarters are in Haifa: <http://www.uga.edu/bahai/News/053101.html>.”; **“Might the Protocols of Zion, the most tabooed book in the world, not be a forgery as routinely alleged? Does not its description of Capitalist finance ring true? Are not the proofs that it is a forgery too glib? Why isn’t the “Yes” case – that it’s genuine – allowed to be put?: Hiding Behind Auschwitz puts the “Yes” case. The Protocols of Zion Toolkit: Herman Bernstein (1935) and Norman Cohn (1970 and 1971) argue that the Protocols of Zion is a forgery; plus arguments that the Bernstein / Cohn “forgery” hypothesis is flawed: [toolkit.html](#). A reader writes, “I am not prepared to believe that the Elders of Zion sat down in 929BC and decided to carve up the world by sending the symbolic snake of Judaism through its cities and all the other garbage about it. This is not even conspiracy theory, it’s mystical crap.” and “It is a strategic mistake to let Jewish lobbies and Freemasons get away with pretending to be the champions of Equality. If Equality is a Jewish value and a Freemason value, how to explain the hijacking of the US foreign aid budget by the Jewish lobbies? Even the Jewish Left is pretty-much silent about it: [ginsberg.html](#). Rather than concede that Equality is a value characteristic of the Zionists and the Freemasons, why not, instead, focus on their devotion to the rebuilding of SolomonOs temple, and thus to the demolition of the Dome of the Rock ... and thus to substantial responsibility for the current “war against Islam”? Expose the hypocrisy in their idealism: [tmf.html](#).”**

Peter Hartung’s [AustraliaFreePress.org](#) included a number of promotions of Fredrick Toben. The website, which includes a wide-range of conspiracy material, including Holocaust denial, a number of anti-Israel articles and attacks on individual Jewish personalities as frauds, paedophiles and anti-Christian. A sub-directory, “Holocaust under attack”, contained articles such as “*Holocaust is Nothing But a HoloHoax*”, “*The ‘Holocaust’ is a Typical Zionist Myth*”, “*The Jewish War on Freedom of Speech*” and “*Holocaustianity: The state religion of the United States of America*”. At various times, the Home Page read “*Zionist Stooze Pope Worships LIES at Auschwitz*” and the site contained links to dozens of Holocaust denial sites and openly antisemitic material. Hartung included items claiming Jews were rightfully expelled from England in 1290 as “the Jews fleeced his subjects”; “the Jews . . . always get what they want” in the U.S.A.; “YAHWEH = SATAN: this is the basic cause of all of the problems of the world today”; a German judge was a “Jewish stooge”; “vile Holocaust lies”; and “the Diary of Anne Frank is only a simple literary fraud”; and linked to a number of antisemitic web-sites in Australia and internationally.

Material published on the Internet can be relatively simply adapted to form the base of hate mail and abuse and there have been reports received during the past year of members of the Australian Jewish community being e-mailed (always anonymously) slabs of anti-Jewish material downloaded from anti-Jewish websites.

5.6 Electronic Mail, Newsgroups, Lists and Clubs

Individuals and Jewish organisations reported that they had been in receipt of (anonymous) antisemitic electronic mail and email newsletters sent, unsolicited, by antisemitic groups, at a rate of more than four times per week during the period in review. This means of harassment is closest in effect to anonymous telephone calls than hate mail, given the physical processes involved in its receipt.

Antisemitic individuals, groups and organisations continue to maintain high visibility on Australian-based newsgroups during period in review. Whenever the possibility arose, one or more individuals made interventions on public affairs issues with an anti-Jewish slant.

Amongst the postings which went to newsgroups which have as their charter consideration of issues of concern to Australians, were a number which were not only clearly antisemitic but also well outside the charter of those newsgroups. Given the nature of newsgroups, individuals with time on their hands are able to reach a variety of audiences quickly and inexpensively. Also, due to the way in which discussions are grouped in "threads", it is possible for individuals to dominate discussion on particular "subjects". As with internet sites, there is no process by which individuals who are attempting to provide information can be simply separated from those who are motivated by malevolence or mischief to place false and distorted material before readers of the newsgroups.

Some discussion forums cater specifically to the agendas of racist, but the lack of any reasonable form of control over postings in many other groups made them particularly useful to individuals and groups who represented extreme and eccentric viewpoints or who engage in racism and anti-Jewish defamation. Amongst the more objectionable postings on Australian internet discussion forums during the period in review were:

* An article on AtlanticFree Press website, co-signed by "Ann El Khoury in Sydney", described western media as "Zionist media", attacked "Zionist pressuring", "Zions of hijakery" of free speech issues, attacks on "the Lobby" and its British "pointman", the president of the Board of Deputies and supporting Hezbollah. (January 2008).

* Antisemitic postings attacking Jeremy Jones for instigating legal action against Holocaust denier Fredrick Toben were published on alt.revisionism , PoliticalForum newsgroup, sci.archaeology and aus.politics (March 2008).

* In a discussion of moves to classify web-sites on Stormfront, "Wodensvolk" referred to "ZOGspeak" and in another post claimed "only a Jew" could have written Australia's antiracism laws , "Aquila audax" said the moves showed "how scared ZOG really is". (April 2008).

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* On Stormfront "World Wide White" wrote "the jew is the most disgusting thing alive" (May 2008), Wodensvolk wrote "99.9% of the porn sites are owned by Jews".

* In a Stormfront discussion "Derrick MacThomas" commented on "the Holyhoax denial law". (May 2008).

* On www.sciforums.com, Mohammed A Hegazi's Adelaide Institute's paper "Israel: The doomed Zionist project" was posted. (May 2008). It referred to "awakening" to the alleged reality of Jewish evil and proclaimed "The growing hatred of Jews is not confined

to young Palestinians. Young people all over the world are coming to grips with the facts about Jewish atrocities in Palestine and the Jewish danger in their own countries.”

* The Australia.TO website featured an article by notorious US-based anti-Semite Edgar Steele, which included comments such as “US Air Force Joins the Others with a Jew at the Head. - The US Air Force’s commanding general has just been replaced with a Jew. The army long has been in the hands of one Jewish general after another and the Marine Corp’s top general was replaced with a Jew recently, too. I don’t care just how anti-Semitic you might take my pointing this out as being. Facts are facts. Consider how obvious the fact is that our current Middle East warmongering is in support of Israeli (Jewish) interests. Now there is no chance whatsoever that American military units will act against Israel’s interests”. (August 2008).

* The Civic Platform web-site included a submission dated 8/8 from Fredrick Toben which claimed that the figure of “six million” Jewish deaths during the Shoah was a “magic” number which often featured in sensational media reporting during the twentieth century. (August 2008).

* The Website “Liberty Forum” discussed Jones v Toben, with comments such as “Boycott antichrist Kosher food and Turn off your Jew TV” and “Mr Jones should be sent to Israel for six years”. (August 2008).

* Stormfront Downunder featured a discussion on “Jewish fear-mongering” which attacked “Jew-boy ‘jeremy jones’”. (September 2008).



Graffiti in a number of locations in Perth, January 2008

6.0 ANTISEMITIC ORGANISATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

6.1 Introduction

Australia continues to be host to a plethora of organisations which promote antisemitism, including some who have this as their primary purpose. The groups vary greatly in their membership, their activities and their target audiences.

Some of the individuals who lead far right-wing and antisemitic organisations have been involved in extremist political activity for decades. The organisations which they have led are supplemented by a changing group of individuals and minute groupings of individuals, including some who have established their presence primarily through their activities on the internet (which permits the small organisations to maintain an existence and gives potential recruits a point of contact).

The existence of Labor state governments Federally and in all Australian States fed the paranoia of "socialist" control which is so important to the extreme right wing organisations.

It should be noted that not all antisemitic organisations can be accurately classified as "far right". There are conspiracy theorists who are identified with quasi New Age, Libyan-inspired "Third Way" and political Islamist philosophies which also have promoted antisemitism. These groups continue to feed a steady stream of anti-Jewish propaganda to their followers.

The Australian far-right fringe is internally dynamic and in a constant state of flux. Individuals who promote, for example, a return to policies which actively disadvantage Indigenous Australians, have shown a mobility between overtly antisemitic groups, populist movements and pseudo-militia groups. The extremist element of the anti-immigration movement divide their time and attention between these groups and neo-Nazi or quasi-nationalist movements.

For those who have antisemitism as their prime concern there are alternatives such as the various Identity Churches, conspiracy propagandists with no firm affiliations, as well as groups who have social division high on their political agendas.

Amongst the small group of individuals who, figuratively and literally, wave the flag for US-based neo-Nazi groups including the Ku Klux Klan, the Church of the Creator and White Aryan Resistance, transference of allegiance takes place at a pace which seems to be determined by the intent of gaining optimal media interest.

The core group of activists from Australians Against Further Immigration aligned themselves with either One Nation or Australia First, prior to the merge of these two groups for the November 2001 Federal election and again with the demise of One Nation. Personalities associated with groups such as the Immigration Control Association, the Progressive Liberal Party, National Alliance or other now defunct far right-wing groups have re-appeared in the late 1990s as activists of contemporary manifestations of older conservative or neo-fascist advocacy groups.

In addition to organisations, although not necessarily totally separate from them, are a number of individuals who are involved actively in distributing antisemitic material on the Internet, through leaflets, sending hate mail or seeking to make interventions in the mainstream media. In many cases these individuals act in the name of an organisation in which they are either the only member or the only active member.

Between them, the various antisemitic organisations have:

- A growing number of Internet sites which are permanently available to users of online services
- Newsgroups and online clubs which regularly post their views
- Newspapers and newsletters, in a number of languages, which are published as often as weekly
- Weekly newsletters mailed to subscribers and available at selected outlets
- A number of monthly and bi-monthly magazines some of which are available at news stands
- The ability to e-mail large numbers of recipients, in addition to mass mailings, leafleting and faxing of material to both selected recipients and to members of the general public
- Meetings which pay varying degrees of attention to the antisemitic elements of the respective agendas.

The annual Sydney Forums have provided a meeting place for far-right wing activists in Australia. Individuals associated with National Action, the rump of One Nation, the Adelaide Institute and small pseudo-nationalist groups gather for mutual reinforcement to swap conspiracy and racist theories.

In recent years there has been an articulation of antisemitism from organisations and individuals who represent a New Age or other fringe, alternative lifestyle element. The rhetoric of these groups is heavily laden with conspiracy theories, as they seek to portray their views as rational alternatives to lifestyles imposed by forces acting to suppress or control "natural" behaviour. There is a large overlap between fringe far right-wing organisations and those more directly concerned with promoting stories of visitations from other planets, non conventional medical alternatives and an opting out of the organised economy. This group comes together with some more traditional extreme right wing Australians at the annual Inverell Forums.

The paranoia and political extremist views concerning what each believe to be the political and economic establishment has drawn together far-right, far-left and some anarchist groups, in opposition to "globalisation", various government policy proposals which they perceive as empowering a State which they view as a political enemy and to Israel. In each case, there has been evidence of almost interchangeable antisemitic rhetoric coming from groups which would regard themselves as being diametrically opposed, politically and ideologically.

The elements of the Islamic and Arabic-speaking communities which promote intense dislike of, and hostility towards, Jews find themselves in the position of drawing on some of the same material as White Supremacists, "Identity" groups and other overt racists, purely because of their common hatred of Jews.

One reason for so much cross-pollination and fraternal support by groups and individuals who assert their differences and are often critical of alternative views is their fundamental acceptance of antisemitic conspiracy theories. Another is that very little antisemitism is indigenous to Australia, and overseas, generally US, sources are drawn upon to provide ideas and "evidence" to sustain the various groups' followers.

6.2 The Australian League of Rights

The Australian League of Rights, at one time described by the Federal Government's Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission as "undoubtedly the most influential and effective, as well as the best organised and most substantially financed, racist organisation in Australia", continued to hold meetings, conduct action campaigns and seek publicity for its antisemitic analysis of domestic and international affairs.

The League publishes weekly newsletters (On Target and On Target Bulletin), monthly magazines (Intelligence Service, New Times and Social Creditor), and a quarterly journal (Heritage) and a website. Most of the overt antisemitism is found in On Target and On Target Bulletin. The League established a website, on which it posts many of the articles which have appeared in its journals.

The League recognised the usefulness of its antisemitic propaganda armoury of the activities of self-described "Independent Jews" who promoted anti-Jewish mythology. In the period in review, the League promoted Antony Loewenstein as "an Australian Jewish intellectual", promoting and advertising his book to readers.

Other examples of Australian League of Rights' propaganda campaigns in the period in review included:

* In On Target Bulletin (December 2007), Peter Ewer wrote "**OH, NO! NOT THE ISRAEL LOBBY** by Peter Ewer: U.S. academics John Mearsheimer and Stephen Walt, greatly upset the ultra powerful "Israel Lobby" by publishing an expose of Jewish power in the March 2006 *London Review of Books*. The U.S. magazine *The Atlantic Monthly* had originally commissioned the piece but ultimately dropped this "hot potato". Naturally enough the academics were smeared with the stain of 'anti-Semitism'. According to one Jewish critic even talking about a Zionist Lobby was immoral because a "second Holocaust" against the Jews was immanent (Source: Antony Loewenstein, *The Australian Literary Review* (November 2007). Their new book "The Israel Lobby and U.S. foreign Policy" has received the same treatment. It has been compared with a Judaeocentric conspiracy view of the world held today by Osama bin Laden. Critics have asked for proof that the Israel Lobby has a stranglehold on the US Congress and have taken the authors to task for not interviewing influential members of the "Israel Lobby" – as if proof by journalism is the only way of establishing a truth. What is detailed in the book is a historical-scientific theory to make sense of the U.S.'s continual support of Israel, arguably, against its own interests. The idea of a power elite controlling Congress is an

empirically testable hypothesis that the authors show, make sense of the otherwise seeming-less mess of U.S. Middle East policy. Equating “The Israel Lobby and U.S. Foreign Policy” with the crass anti-Semitism of Osama bin Laden, is just a debating trick of a rather cheap kind. The central thesis of Mearsheimer and Walt remains intact.”

* On Target Bulletin (December 2007) included an item “the enemy within” which began “The American people must be feeling a huge sense of betrayal as they learn more and more about what happened that fateful day now known as 9/11. A former president of Italy is publicly claiming Intelligence Agencies are aware the Twin Towers attack was “an inside job” run by the CIA and Israel’s Mossad. (*Source: ReportersNotebook.com*) **The headlines read:** Man who blew the whistle on Gladio tells Italy’s largest newspaper attacks were run by CIA, Mossad. On 30th November, 2007 the former President of Italy, Francesco Cossiga, wrote in Italy’s largest newspaper: “Bin Laden supposedly confessed the Qaeda September attack to the two towers in New York claiming to be the author of the attack of the 11, while all the intelligence services of America and Europe ... now know well that the disastrous attack has been planned and realized from the CIA American and the Mossad with the aid of the Zionist world in order to put under accusation the Arabic countries and in order to induce the western powers to take part ... in Iraq and Afghanistan.” (This is a rough translation from Italian to English using *Babelfish*.)”

* Heritage (December 2007) advertised antisemitic books including *The Controversy of Zion* by Douglas Reed, and the writings of Mathias Chang and Michael Collins Piper.

* The League of Rights Heritage Book Service (January 2008) promoted “The Protocols of Zion” and many other antisemitic books, with “selected authors of note” including Michael Collins Piper, Mathias Chang and Eric Butler.

* The New Times Survey (January 2008) advertised books by Michael Collins Piper and Mathias Chang.

* Patrick O’Shea in On Target (May 2008) quoted Richard Kelly Hoskins’ antisemitic “War Cycles-Peace Cycles” in explaining “the usurious foundation” of “the Financial System”.

* On Target (August 2008) argued that Nazi war criminals could not legally be extradited as Nazi murders were not “criminal” when committed and that “Jewish partisans”, on the other hand, were legitimately war criminals.

* On Target Bulletin (August 2008) included claims that “Zionofascism” was using its control of “US mass media” to promote genocide of all Iranians.

* On Target (September 2008) featured a copy of a letter sent to an Australian politician against the concept of trials of alleged Nazi War Criminals, including antisemitic comments. Another item argued that “politically incorrect” Australians were about to be “wiped out”, as “Holocaust deniers” already had been.

* On Target (September 2008) argued that Israel’s establishment was “a war crime”, in contrast to alleged Nazi War Criminal Charles Zentai who it claimed was accused of “participating” in “a beating”.

The League of Rights also includes on its website an article “Jewish Intellectual Supremacism: A Refutation”, which begins

“The Jew has no monumental history. He has never had any literature, science or art; he has none yet.” – K. Knox ; “The Jews still cannot claim any true genius, any truly great man. All their talents and skills revolve around stratagems and low cunning; these in a word are the true and only Jewish reason.” – Immanuel Kant (18th century German philosopher) ; “. . . No Jewish composer has ever come within miles of Bach, Beethoven and Brahms; no Jew has ever challenged the top-flight painters of the world and no Jewish scientist has ever equalled Newton, Darwin, Pasteur or Mendel. In the latter bracket such apparent exceptions as Ehrlich, Freud and Einstein are only apparent. Freud was nine-tenths quack, and there is sound reason for believing that even Einstein will not hold up: in the long run his curved space may be classed with the psychosomatic bumps of Gall and Spurzheim. But whether this inferiority of the Jew is real or only a delusion, it must be manifest that it is generally accepted. The Goy does not, in fact, believe that the Jew is better than the non-Jew; the most he will admit is that the Jew is smarter at achieving worldly success. But this he ascribes to sharp practices, not to superior abilities.” – H.L. Mencken (20th century writer]” and included comments such as “Disproportionate Jewish success in winning scientific and cultural awards is a reflection on both their abilities and their team strategy. Both the Academy Awards and the Pulitzer Prizes have a large contingent of Jewish voters who have from an early age been taught to favour their own...Jews are especially prone to join the governing bodies of any social organization in which they participate, and this would tend to increase their ability to recognize and reward their own in their respective professions. Additionally, the Jewish-dominated news and entertainment media consistently elevate their own for praise and recognition”. This networking process is well illustrated by the award of the Nobel Peace Prize to Jewish terrorist Menachim Begin who would not have received such a prize if it was not for the support given to him by the global news media. The role of the news media in promoting Albert Einstein as the epitome of Jewish scientific genius will be discussed in another essay” and “Earlier, C.G. Jung said: “The Jew, as relatively a nomad, has never produced, and presumably never will produce a culture of his own, since all his instincts and gifts require a more or less civilized host-people for their development. Therefore, the Jewish race as a whole has, according to my experience, an unconsciousness which can only conditionally be compared to the Aryan. Aside from certain creative individuals, the average Jew is already much too conscious and differentiated to be pregnant with the tensions of the unborn future. The Aryan unconsciousness has a higher potential than the Jewish; that is the advantage and the disadvantage of a youthfulness not yet fully estranged from barbarism”. ”. It concluded “The thesis of Jewish intellectual supremacy does not withstand critical examination. This is not to say that apart from the contributions of the Jewish Left the mainstream Jewish community has had little positive impact as real anti-Semites and race haters propose. On the contrary, many hard-working Jews with no interest in criticizing or undermining Gentile culture have made important contributions to science and polity. The opening quotations to this essay are of historical interest and are not the opinion of the authors. However these contributions, as critics such as Kevin MacDonald have shown are unfortunately overshadowed by the “culture of critique” of Leftist Jews who, like Leftist Gentiles, see Western culture as flawed. There is concern by Jews and other people of goodwill about the spread of real anti-Semitism (i.e. genuine hatred of the Jews and not merely concern with the “culture of critique”) in Europe today. Those of us knowledgeable about Asia

are well aware that phenomena such as Hitler-fascination and Holocaust denial are popular amongst the Chinese and especially the Indians. None of these people have guilt about the holocaust and none accept the Jews as a “chosen people”. How “smart” is it to adopt a group evolutionary strategy (to use Kevin MacDonald’s terminology) which will undermine the people with whom one has lived for centuries? How “smart” is it to expect the Chinese and Indians, the likely powers to replace Whites after the fall of America, to fall for the same ruse? Insightful Jewish critics such as Stephen Steinlight, are already questioning the rationality of the “culture of critique” and we must do the same. Is it too much to hope that a sizeable portion of the Jewish intellectual elite may come to see that their survival is intimately linked to ours”

The distribution of books, cassettes and videos, often of League of Rights' functions' speakers, or antisemitic works such as The Protocols of Zion, is an important League of Rights core activity. Journalists interviewing leaders of the Australian League of Rights report "a small room off the main office where their literature is displayed" which is referred to as "the Jew room". "A visitor showing interest is told the Talmud . . . endorses intercourse with children who are non-believers and permits bestiality. The three men minding the bookstore laugh about being not politically correct".

6.3 The LaRouche Cult

The Citizens' Electoral Councils (CECs), based in a well-staffed office in suburban Melbourne, engage in mass mailings of literature reflecting the views of their guru, Lyndon LaRouche, containing bizarre and offensive antisemitic conspiracy theories. The Executive Council of Australian Jewry, Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith, the Anti-Defamation Commission of B'nai B'rith Australia, Australia/Israel Publications and anti-racist groups in general have been amongst the CEC's favourite targets. The LaRouche organisation spends hundreds of thousands of dollars on electoral campaigns, with tens of thousands raised in Australia from donations of more than \$1500 each.

The CECs established a new political party, the Curtin Labor Alliance, in an attempt to attract votes from the Labor Party's constituency. The move was condemned by leading Labor Party figures, who were able to take advantage of the announcement of moves to register the party to highlight the true nature of the LaRouche cult.

The Australian Electoral Commission's report on party finances for 1999-2000 revealed that the LaRouchite CECs, who received 0.089% of the vote in the 1998 Federal election, raised nearly \$1.5m in donations (compared to less than \$1m raised by the Australian Democrats who have 8 senators) and that it owed almost \$1m to the LaRouche organisation in the USA

On the web-site maintained by Lyndon LaRouche's supporters, a list of Australians who had given “endorsements” to the campaign of “Lyndon H. LaRouche Jr, Democrat for President” appeared. The list included Dr M.A. Morsey, Vice President and General Secretary, the Australian Arab Association, and eight trade union officials, mainly based in Western Australia.

The LaRouche cult has been plagued by internal disputes, during which information came to light regarding the obsession of their officials with an international conspiracy

which, in Australia, gave certain tasks to Jewish community figures. More disturbing than its paranoia are continuing revelations that the organisation had worked with elected officials to further anti-Jewish propaganda campaigns.

Although the CECs have participated in a number of elections, their total vote has generally been so small as to be an embarrassment, even when compared to that of other far right-wing fringe groups. When Pauline Hanson was in her political prime, some CEC followers took advantage of the audiences provided by One Nation to spread their bizarre conspiracy theories, receiving a passive reception. This did not sit well with the CEC's Melbourne leadership, who believed One Nation were anti-Republican and therefore most likely part of the "international conspiracy" headed by the Queen of England and Henry Kissinger. The visible success of One Nation also impacted on the CEC's ability to raise funds. With Pauline Hanson seemingly fulfilling a Messianic vision for socially alienated Australia, there were reports that the CECs were unable to successfully fund raise for their vision of Lyndon LaRouche as this millennium's "saviour".

The LaRouche cult received some media coverage due to serious allegations that its members were infiltrating, with some success, the conservative National Civic Council's national network, using similar tactics to those which saw it subsume Citizens' Electoral Councils some years ago.

In recent years, members of the Jewish community in Victoria, ACT, Western Australia, Queensland and New South Wales complained about activities of LaRouchite propagandists distributing conspiracy theorist propaganda. It was particularly active on campuses and outside venues hosting Jewish community functions. The CEC's behaviour resulted in an attack on them in the Australian Senate, by National Party Senator Ron Boswell, who said in a speech in the Senate on 10 August 2004:

"There is a CEC candidate running in North Queensland in the seat of Dawson who is already heavily advertising in the local media. I have had a look at the Australian Electoral Commission returns for 2002-03 and they show the total returns to the CEC as \$1,462,703, while their media group, CEC services, had \$271,592. They are well financed and able to mount these campaigns.

Some of their more bizarre claims are that the world is controlled by an oligopoly led by the Queen and Prince Philip, who also control the drug trade, and that the Ku Klux Klan is controlled by the FBI. Mr Acting Deputy President, you would think that no-one would be able to support claims like that. Yet there are some people that are gullible and they do fall for it.

I want to say this too. The CEC is totally anti-Semitic--possibly even more so than the League of Rights. Many people may have heard—I certainly have in rural Australia--that Martin Bryant was set up as a patsy at Port Arthur to bring more restrictive gun laws into Australia. Those are things that go round and should be absolutely debunked in this parliament. The CEC publication regularly features ludicrous and defamatory attacks on Jewish organisations and leaders such as Mark and Isi Leibler. They claim that the Australian defamation commission and the Australia/Israel and Jewish Affairs Council are protecting the world's financial oligopoly. In the past, the Leiblers have falsely been accused of being part of illegal and immoral activity, including having

links to the drug trade and pornography. Again, that is a ludicrous claim. The CEC try to peddle their anti-Jewish propaganda in areas with large Jewish populations. They distributed pamphlets outside Jewish community centres when the Premier of Victoria was addressing the Jewish community. The subject was 'A recent trip of Steve Bracks to Israel'.

The CEC get a very minor vote--around 0.05, 0.06 or 0.07 per cent. But it is a vote they do not deserve. When you talk about Lyndon LaRouche and the CEC, it is where truth becomes stranger than fiction. (Extension of time granted) I made reference to the CEC being well financed and being able to support a political campaign.

Already they are running television ads, and the election has not even started. But we ought to explore some of their fundraising techniques. They are taught by operatives from the LaRouche organisation in the USA and they raise most of their money through the use of younger members. They start by cold calling very vulnerable people, such as the elderly and the naive, with a prepared sales pitch and then they really work on them.

I know that we have a democracy and anyone is entitled to a stand in Australia. I support that. It is a free country and we have a democracy that allows everyone to stand up and present themselves to the people. But I do say that, when organisations like this present themselves, they should be exposed. They should be exposed for the fraud that they are.

I do not know how people actually fall for this stuff. I believe the group is more of a cult than an actual political party. We have seen the CEC exposed on television on numerous occasions, but still it gets out there. The people who actually stand for seats are brainwashed. They stand outside and solicit names on petitions. Let me say this: it deserves absolutely no support from anyone in the Australian electorate".

6.4 Extremist "Churches"

In addition to Bible Believers (5.3 above), a number of small organisations which claim to be "Christian" but emphasise race more than religion, continue to serve a small constituency. In Australia they conduct services and ceremonies, publish newsletters and leaflets, sell books and videos and use the internet to reach much larger audiences in Australia and internationally. Some of these are "Identity" Churches which are overtly antisemitic while a much smaller number adopted some of the teachings of "Identity" Churches, such as the racial link between Jews of the Bible and White Anglo-Saxons, while rejecting the program elements of these organisations.

The "Identity" Christians believe that they are the only "true" Christians and that Jews are fundamentally, genetically evil. Their influence in "White Supremacist" circles internationally and in Australia is out of all proportion to the number of their core believers and both influence and numbers appear to be growing.

The British Israelites, maintain that the British people are the "lost ten tribes" of Israel and that they constitute the "Chosen People". Interpreting Christianity as a racially

rather than religiously based community, Jews and non-Europeans appear as non-humans, or at best agents of Satan, in their cosmology. In addition to running religious services for its membership, it has bookshops and a mail-order service for literature and cassettes. The British-Israel World Federation bookshop in Sydney has increased stocks of Holocaust denial material and antisemitic literature and become more overtly concerned about "the Jews". The BIWF sells a large range of antisemitic material, from overtly "Identity" sources as well as from neo-Nazi and pro-Nazi groups who did not necessarily share their "religion". The Protocols of the Elders of Zion is amongst the titles sold in their book shop and by mail order.

The Covenant Vision Ministry, based in Sydney's outer western suburbs is led by Frank Dowsett, who also contributes to The Strategy newspaper. As well as conducting services and holding meetings, the Ministry publishes newsletters and reading lists and maintained a web-site for some of the period in review.

In printed form and on the internet the Covenant Vision Ministry publishes Australian and international antisemitic material, to supplement the views of Frank Dowsett. In the newsletter, Covenant Vision, Dowsett warned Christians that "the driving force behind every anti-Christian activity known to mankind" are "Esau-Edom, now known as and acknowledged by themselves to be, modern day Jewry. Thus we conclude that 'the kingdom of Satan', or 'the Beast System', is identified as and manifest through, Esau-Edom-Idumean-Jewry-Zionism". Dowsett advised readers that Jews will be destroyed by "The Lord".

Typical of the Covenant Vision are articles such as this by Dowsett: *"The second alternative is that the people known today as the Jews are the nation of Israel, and are entitled to inherit all these wonderful promises. I've heard of the practice of selective rationalisation, but this really takes the cake. Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself referred to these people as 'the children of their father the devil', 'liars', 'murderers', 'thieves', 'whitewashed tombstones', 'the synagogue of Satan', and in the clearest of terms told them that they were 'not my sheep'!!! But four or five years in our present Theological Cemeteries, (sorry, Seminaries), suddenly transforms them into 'God's Chosen People'. But try telling the people the real Biblical identity of God's people and you get crucified. And we wonder why we are in such a mess. How on earth can anyone make any sense out of God's promise to Abraham that He would make his seed to be a great nation and company of nations, when they are told that these people are either 'the church', or 'the people of His curse', neither of which are a great nation and company of nations?"*

The Christian Identity Ministries of far north Queensland promote a particularly nasty and extensive catalogue of literature for sale by mail order. Material which they disseminate includes Holocaust denial, attacks on "Judeo-Christians", promotions of booklets and tapes by Sheldon Emry, advertisements for the Nation of Islam's The Secret Relationship Between Blacks and Jews and promotions for Jack McLamb, US Militia personality.

The CIM served as both a resource for, and propaganda arm of, a variety of far right-wing organisations. Its output includes reprints of US material from the most extreme of the antisemitic Identity Churches, Holocaust denial and "classic" anti-Jewish texts.

One of the organisations whose material is promoted and sold by Identity groups is the Revival Centres International. This group, which is much larger than any other of the "churches" in this section, has 38 Australian pastors. The Identity churches see the RCI as a kindred spirit, which is unsurprising given that the RCI declare, on their Australian internet site, their "Identity" belief, i.e. "WE BELIEVE the Bible identifies the Anglo-Saxon people with the Old Testament nation of Israel . . . ". and publications such as Jacob versus Esau rehash all identity myths and paint Jews as the agents of Satan.

Discussing the significance of "anglo-racial superiority teachings", a former member of the Revival Centres wrote that "luckily" most Revival Centre members did not grasp the "Identity" message "or its logical racist end" but that serious Revival Centre members "definitely show these racist overtones". To illustrate his point he quoted from a Revival Centre book which explained that organisation's "two stage creation" theory.

"The Bible deals only with the Adamic race, who were created in the likeness of God to have dominion over all the earth, i.e. over all other 'primitive' (sic) races. Thus, the Old Testament gives us the best, and we may be sure the right, explanation of the existence and superiority of the Adamic or white race. The white race ... being in every way superior."

The Church of the Creator variety of anti-Semitic pseudo-Christian is most publicly represented in Australia by Creativity South Australia. Examples of the views of this group include:

* An article by Cailen headed "It's True! Torah True Jews Love Hitler" quoted Naturei Karta claiming Hitler was "a messenger of divine wrath" sent by heaven to punish Zionists, and included Israel Shahak's promotion of the myth of Nazi-Zionist collaboration. It referred to "the six-million myth" a number of times. (March 2008).

* An article on anti-Semitism in Australia was given the headline "Jews Demand Special Protection – And Get It", when reprinted in Creativity South Australia. (March 2008).

* Creativity South Australia headlined an article "Jewish Groups Applaud Annihilation of Freedom of Speech". (April 2008).

* An article on the place of The Shoah in Australian schools was reprinted in Creativity South Australia with the headline "Jews demand the Holohoax be Taught in Australian Schools". (July 2008).

* An article on antisemitism in Australia from the Advertiser newspaper was reprinted in Creativity South Australia with the headline "Adelaide Club Succumbs to Jewish Supremacism". (July 2008).

* The Creativity South Australia website reported on the Jones v Toben contempt hearing with the headline "Jews Demand Doctor Toben Jailed for Not Believing Their Holocaust Dogma". (August 2008).

* On The Creativity South Australia web-site, Cailen wrote he believes "that Jews have deliberately vamped up the numbers of Jewish deaths during WWII for financial and political profit". (August 2008).

The Australian chapter of the World Church of the Creator, which had no more than three identifiable supporters, has established a presence on the Internet as well as taking part in a minor way in public debate in online newsgroups and in the Queensland regional media. The World Church of the Creator Australia refers on its homepage to "the parasitic Jews". "Shaun Simmonds" of the WCOTC urged "creators" to take action in Australia in the battle to "re-take" Australia from Jews and "non-whites", in an internet discussion group.

The Christian Separatist Church Society announced its physical presence in advertisements in The Strategy and the New Australian Times (a journal targeting alienated conservative rural Christians).

The Web-site of CSCS is militantly antisemitic, going so far as to ridicule overt anti-Jewish propagandists such as Frank Dowsett for being too moderate, and asserting "British-Israeli is most often only a surname for Masonic mongrel-lover". It carried articles by Mike Rose which claimed that the (Identity Church) Covenant Vision Ministry leader Frank Dowsett, was "simply one of millions whose frontal lobe has been infected with Jewish propaganda" and calling on him to desist from "Premillennial Jew vomit"; and an article by Dr Ken Cratchley which attacked "lying Judaized Identity preachers", "Talmudist Jews", "the bandit state of so-called Israel" and "Judeo-Christianity".

The content of much of the material distributed by this group is well summarised in the advertisement placed in The Strategy: "All Judeo Churches teach anti-Christ garbage which hinder the Adamic man from fulfilling his responsibilities to God in the perpetuation of His Government on earth". They include many Christian Identity figures in the category of "as damned as any atheist".

An issue of the Christian Separatist Church Society's journal "Nationalist Free Press" included an article by "Ben Kolder", in which he claimed "Both the Liberal and Labor parties are servants of the international Jew and they have set-up the system so that no true alternative can break their grip of power"

6.5 The Australian Civil Liberties Union

The Australian Civil Liberties' Union (ACLU), which undoubtedly benefits from having a name which would sit comfortably on a respectable "free speech" group such as the mainstream Australian Council for Civil Liberties, predated other Holocaust denial groups in Australia. Although John Bennett, who is the Union's motivating force, sits on the editorial advisory committee of the Journal of Historical Review published by the Institute for Historical Review in California, there is little real activity from this group, which maintains a content-thin website and produces annual editions of Your Rights.

6.6 Far Right Splinter Groups

In most cities, small groups of neo-Nazis, sometimes including violent skinheads, have come to attention during the past year. Racist skinheads not necessarily aligned to any formal organisation are known to be present in small numbers in cities and towns spread around Australia and have allegedly been involved in racist violence against Asian

students and harassment of members of left-wing groups. Attempts to exploit these groups or direct their violence towards Jews and other minorities are common.

Even more than in the other sub-groups within the broad far-right, the neo-Nazis seem to be involved in endless and undetermined battles for supremacy, with Jewish organisations regularly receiving information concerning the members and activities of these groups from rivals and ex-members. Sometimes the internecine warfare reaches violent proportions, but more often it is restricted to claiming responsibility for vandalism and harassment, forming allegiances with neo-Nazis interstate and overseas, and asserting purity of racial make-up and ideology.

These groups, which are little more than gangs, are notable for their acceptance and promotion of ideology to rationalise and justify their anti-social behaviour.

Australian National Action have in the past engaged in a number of public activities, including staging rallies in Melbourne and Adelaide, and publishing a newsletter which maligns their enemies, including Jews. Their agenda was antisemitic, anti-immigration and white-supremacist, with harassment of political opponents and direct confrontations regular occurrences.

The internet site of National Action includes a series of articles critical of the Westminster democratic system and multiculturalism. One lengthy paper, "Anti-Racial Vilification Legislation: An authoritarian response to criticism of Immigration/Multicultural Policy", by Jim Saleam, has a special section on "*the Zionist Intervention*", which claimed that "the Zionists" were "the main ethnic protagonists" of the legislation". A list of links to the page includes fascist and neo-Nazi groups, mainly in Europe.

The website of the White Pride Coalition of Australia promoted the Australian NSDAP, the Australian Nationalists Movement, ASGARD and the Invisible Australian Empire. However, there is no real evidence of this "Coalition" beyond the web-page and a "newsletter", The Nationalist, which has irregularly been sent to Jewish groups in an apparent attempt to intimidate Jewish Australians. "White Pride Coalition of Australia" and Ku Klux Klan leaflets have occasionally been distributed in regional centres, but this could easily have been the handiwork of one or two individuals.

Together with the Stormfront Forums, particularly Stormfront Downunder, the web allows overt antisemites and far right activists a platform to espouse bigotry and fanaticism.

The anti-immigration magazine, The National Independent, included racist article on Asians and Aborigines, as well as a defence of the neo-Nazi Australian Nationalists Movement as "Australian Patriots" standing "for the rights of the Australian majority".

The reversals in fortunes suffered by the Australian imitators of the US "militia" groups, which began in 1996, continued during the period in review. The militia sub-culture suffered due to the new, more restrictive gun ownership legislation introduced in the wake of the 1996 Port Arthur mass murder; the change in government from their hated "Fabians" to a conservative coalition; and the rise of Pauline Hanson's One Nation

party, which offered their constituency a seemingly more viable means of "rescuing" Australia.

The AUSI Freedom Scouts had received glowing praise in a feature article in the US antisemitic newspaper Spotlight in February 1995. In the article, "Patriotic Australians Fighting Move Toward New World Order", AUSI Freedom Scouts were described as "patriots" who warned "the planned New World Order of central domination of the people" by the "ruling elite" is "just around the corner". AUSI Freedom Scouts material refers to the need for "the armed citizen" to "prepare physically for the imminent world crisis". The group reportedly had strong links with extreme US right wing groups which belong to the network of Patriot groups and is also a major part of the interconnected system of far right-wing, mainly rural, Australian "loyalist" groups. Claiming it has 3,000 members, the AUSI Freedom Scouts declared their determination to find ways of defeating the aims of the new gun laws. In a somewhat understated assessment, an Australian Federal Police spokesman told the Queensland newspaper The Sunday Mail "there's no indication they have the ability or desire to organise themselves and take active measures."

The energy that had been devoted to their past efforts was channelled into One Nation's political campaigns, a source of embarrassment to One Nation's ruling clique. A former Northern Territory parliamentarian and AUSI Freedom Scout leader, Denis Collins, hosted both Australia First and One Nation for meetings in his new, southern NSW, location, before standing for federal parliament as an independent. Collins now lives in Tasmania where he was a vocal supporter of Olga Scully's anti-Jewish propaganda campaigns.

In the 1995 Annual Report of the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation (ASIO), the Loyal Regiment of Australian Guardians was described as a "clandestine Christian extremist paramilitary group". The report noted the group "had ready access to weapons and talked about using violence in support of its anti-government, anti-Asia political agenda". AUSI Freedom Scouts material has been circulated with manifestos from the Loyal Regiment of Australian Guardians. The Loyal Regiment's rhetoric is almost identical to that of the US Patriot Movements, with a spokesman appearing on national television announcing that he was "prepared to take up arms" to defend himself when Australia becomes "a dictatorship".

Christians Speaking Out has been promoted by the League of Rights and in Lock, Stock & Barrel and The Strategy as a group of people who "understand" the "danger" of parliamentary rule. Based in the small Queensland town of Chinchilla, the group "charged" former Prime Minister Keating and the Queensland Premier with "treason". A prominent member, who gave a toast at the 1993 League of Rights dinner and actively promotes Holocaust Denial, wrote some years ago to a national newspaper asking "is there no end to Jewish hate?". Other organisations which belong to the same broad network include the Australian Community Movement; the Confederate Action Party (a fore-runner of One Nation); the Christian Patriots Association (which claimed that it had attacked banks in three states in the same week, by shooting at the plate glass windows) and has issued a threat to "leaders at all levels" (signed by the Christian Patriots Society Military Wing); the Australian Integrity Movement (which attacked "Jews" and "Jewish leaders" of communism, who it claimed probably "neutralised"

safeguards against a take-over by anti-Australian forces); the Citizens Safety Council and Economic Reform Australia.

The newspaper The Strategy, published in Victoria, prints items drawn from a variety of sources. No argument appears too extreme to merit publication in this newspaper, which draws inspiration from the US-based racists of the Patriot Movement. Extracts from LaRouche news services, the antisemitic US-magazine Spotlight and appreciations of the activities of Graeme Campbell, Pauline Hanson and Australians Against Further Immigration are typical, while a cross-section of extremist groups places advertisements in its pages. In the period in review The Strategy advertised the Covenant Vision and the Christian Identity Ministries, published a number of antisemitic cartoons, ran economic analyses from the Citizens Electoral Councils, promoted a range of conspiracy theories and even the bizarre New Zealand antisemitic magazine “Uncensored”

The far-right engage in seemingly endless power struggles, some ideological and tactical but more often personal. The fighting became particularly intense after One Nation enjoyed a brief period of electoral success and individuals, some of whom had decades of involvement in a variety of anti-immigration and/or neo-Nazi groups jockeyed for positions close to the levers of power. This was particularly evident in the machinations of the various Australia First movements, factions and individuals, during the period in review.

6.7 Miscellaneous Activists

Antisemitic activity in Australia is often carried out by very small groups, or by individuals with loose connections to racist organisations but effectively operating on their own.

Olga Scully of Launceston spent decades distributing antisemitic leaflets, cassettes and videotapes. Her persistent campaign resulted in a finding by the Federal Court, delivered in September 2002, that a number of her leaflets and other material was unlawful under Australia's Racial Hatred Act. The Court declared that she had engaged in conduct rendered unlawful by Part IIA of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth) by having distributed a number of antisemitic leaflets in letterboxes in Launceston, Tasmania and by selling or offering to sell such leaflets at a public market in Launceston and ruled that she be restrained from distributing, selling or offering to sell any leaflet or other publication which is to the same effect as any of the leaflets referred to and to pay the applicant's costs. Olga Scully was unsuccessful in an application to Appeal to a full bench of the Federal Court. She now sends emails which are always ridiculous and sometimes racist, to media, political and religious figures, but her leafleting activities have effectively ceased.

There are a number of other individuals also active in anti-Jewish campaigns, but none with the prominence of Olga Scully prior to the Federal Court judgement.

David Palmer of Sydney, has claimed to be the leader of many organisations and movements over the past twenty years. The groups he has claimed to represent include the Ku Klux Klan, White Pride Coalition, the National Socialist Defence of Australia Party, Asgard and the Australian Nazi Party. He has been responsible for leafleting

campaigns, hate mail and many media stories on the groups he has claimed to lead. He is always willing to appear in the media as Australia's self-proclaimed Fuehrer.

Alexander McClelland of NSW's Central Coast has a website which in many ways mimics Fredrick Toben's Adelaide Institute site, as well as conducting mailing and leafleting campaigns in which he supports Holocaust denial and defames Judaism. Together with Fredrick Toben and Leon Gregor of the British Israel World Federation, he attended the Federal Court case *Jones v Scully*.

Ferrando Galassi, has, over the past two decades, sent numerous letters accusing Jews of not being human beings "but rather parasites, leeches, cankers, bacilli, etc as Saint Adolf wisely diagnosed". Virginia Robison has written extreme anti-Jewish letters to Jewish Australians, generally including Holocaust denial, for many years. Adrian Rievers sends mass emailings of the Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion and similar material to Jewish community organizations, politicians and media outlets. Jeffrey Dunlop of Melbourne send offensive anti-Jewish emails to Jewish individuals and organisations.

The annual Inverell Forum brings together a range of these individuals, together with other was the speech, titled, "German Destiny", by Dagmar Brenne, which included "On 24 March 1933 there appeared the now famous headline in the *London Express* saying: JUDEA DECLARES WAR ON GERMANY! I want you to take note of the date: 1933. Basically it means, that all Jews, wherever they lived in the World, even in Germany (!), were at war with Germany! This is predating any concentration camps or any of the things that Germans were supposed to have done to Jews. It is like a prophetic presentiment. [I discount W Benz's reflections about this declaration – see Wikipedia: .] Now, I need to tell you, this war is still on-going. It is raging unabated. The declared outcome and purpose of this war, starting in 1933 is: Germany MUST perish. We have not perished yet, but the people who call themselves Judea are still working on it. Germany has no peace treaty. Nor do I ever expect to see one"; "There exists a profound incompatibility between Jews and Germans. It is anchored in the DNA of the species, far beyond the ken of the average person. Amazingly the Jew understands this far better than the German. It is a mentality of: US OR THEM. Germans always think it is something they have DONE, while the Jew knows instinctively it is something the German REPRESENTS. Here I need to speak of three points in regards to the Germans: 1. Germany, in the centre of Europe, is the womb, the fountain head of White Civilisation. Whether anyone understands it or not: the Germans are the stewards and caretakers of White Civilisation. In Germany were the Celts, the family of people that extended to France, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and other countries. In Germany were the Goths, whose immense kingdom extended into Italy, Spain, France, northward into Scandinavia and from there into Russia. The title of the King of Sweden to this day is: Rex Gothae et Vandalorum - King of the Goths and Vandals. In Germany were and still are the tribes of the Angles and Saxons, who went into England and became the Anglo-Saxon nations. The Jews, I need to tell you in this context are NOT white people. A number of their own kind, for example, Benjamin Friedmann and Arthur Koestler, and the historian, H.G. Wells, confirm that Jews are Asiatics, related to Mongolians and Turks. 2. The Germans call their country THE FATHERLAND. This is a declaration of legitimacy, as a father makes a child legitimate. A child with a father is not illegitimate, is not a bastard. A father speaks of the head of the house, the provider, the protector, the lawgiver and of order. Germany is a patriarchal society, the family line goes through the father's

side. The Jews have a matriarchal society. The family line goes through the mother. A profound difference in outlook on life. 3. The Germans as stewards of White Civilisation were the only ones in all recorded history with an AWARENESS of their white Aryan racial family. They elected an emblem, that had been the sign of life and good fortune since ancient times, to underline this awareness and fight for it. It appears that others were quite happy to mix and mingle in the multi-cultural genetic pool. Now, Ladies and Gentlemen, I don't know about your world view, but to me – he who despises his birthright, he who pays no heed to Father and Mother, he who cares not for his ancestry is cursed according to the tenets of my faith. And it appears to me, that white society is labouring under a curse, when I see the rampant disowning, the disenfranchising, the massive disinheritance of our people in all lands, the countries of our White Civilisation. I now have come full circle with my speech. When GOOD fought EVIL and GOOD won, why, I ask, has this not led to great prosperity, well-being and peace? When good fought evil and good won, why do we see so much poverty, crime, immorality, hopelessness and suicides? So many fatherless children? When Good fought Evil, why has it turned out so BAD, when Good won? Maybe, Ladies and Gentlemen, they told you a lie, when they told you that it was GOOD that had won!" (10 March 2008)

6.8 "New Age" Groups

Exposure, a glossy magazine available by subscription and at news stands, advertised in the journals and publishes promotions of the material, of a number of far right-wing Australian groups. By the time, in early 2001, that editor David Summers sold the magazine, it included extracts from US antisemitic newspaper The Spotlight, advertised a video WACO - The Big Lie produced by US militia figure Linda Thompson, the extreme right wing political party "The Australians" and The Strategy. A key figure who had informed Exposure's world-view is UK eccentric David Icke. Issues of the magazine had included promotions of The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion and videos of speeches by League of Rights stalwart Jeremy Lee and a half-page advertisement for Nexus magazine.

The magazine is now called Hard Evidence, and past issues are advertised aggressively by the magazine's new owners. In the period in review

* Hard Evidence (Nov-Dec 2007) included a letter to the editor which asserted "The US-British-Zionists may have lost the military action in Iraq, but they have won the political-economical war for hegemony in this region . . ."; "The Zionist State of Israel will administer the region on behalf of those Wall Street & City of London Companies. Thus the US-British-Zionists will do to Iraq & Afghanistan that what they have done to Palestine." and "You will see how the US-British-Zionists will lose their Power, when the People of the World will realize what Hoaxers they are.", signed Benno Nantilo. A response to a letter to the editor included "The Jewish people want you to never forget the atrocities committed by the Nazis during WW2 and by Palestinian suicide bombers, that they are innocent of all wrong doing. But there is a history that is not taught to our children, a part of history that is conveniently forgotten, partly re-written or misplaced by the powers to be. It is a history that shows people that the Jews are not that innocent, that they are just as responsible for mass murder as are the Nazis." and "What about airing a desperate, destitute Palestinian people whose homeland is illegally occupied by the world's fourth biggest military power! What about exposing who is responsible for mass

murders and political killings in Russia and Poland! What about the mass irradiation of hundreds of thousands of young Israeli immigrants from Middle Eastern countries, the majority of which were Moroccan, in Israel! These children were deliberately poisoned! All in the name of science!”, signed “EDITOR”. A feature article “Judaic Communists: The Documentary Record” by Michael A. Hoffman II included many anti-Jewish comments, including “The Judaic Bolsheviks regarded politics as a branch of Gentile pest control. Hatred of Christians, especially the peasant “bougeoisie” was their prime motivation. The systematic destruction of the Christian peasantry of Russia as so many vermin, beginning with Lenin’s attack on them in the summer of 1918 and his forced starvation in 1921, has been almost completely ignored in Western history.” and “The Judaic Communist epoch of mass murder has disappeared into history in one of the great vanishing acts of all time. Only practiced deceivers, with all the sleight of hand of the most accomplished stage magicians, could pull off such a coup against the rest of humanity. To trick mankind into focusing nearly all expiatory sentiment, monuments and commemoration on Judaic victims and brand the Mark of Cain – the very words war crime and holocaust itself – on Germany and upon Germans alone as their proprietary trademark, must be regarded as one of the most masterful achievements of psychological warfare in the annals of illusion.”

* Hard Evidence (January-February 2008) published a letter complaining about the removal of links to antisemitic material by Ebay, and a long antisemitic article “The Jewish Role in the Bolshevik Revolution and Russia’s Early Soviet Regime”.

* Hard Evidence (March-April 2008) included Holocaust denial articles by Theodore O’Keefe and Ernst Zundel, as well as a letter signed Gary Noll which included “To me it appears so suspicious that you hear well about the crimes of people like Adolf Hitler but when it comes to crimes committed by Jews there’s a total blackout. So I ask myself, are Jews totally clean or is this just another case of the myth makers and rewriters of history doing their landscape jobs very well!!!”.

* Hard Evidence (May-June 2008) published a promotion/review of the Leuchter Report. It made sarcastic comments in the course of promoting Holocaust Denial. The magazine also printed news items from the Citizens Electoral Council.

* Hard Evidence (July-August 2008) printed a series of news items submitted by the Citizens Electoral Council of Australia. It also published a long letter “Palestine in Need of a Just God” which claimed “all major US presidential candidates find it necessary to make obeisance to Jewish community and Israeli leadership”. The letter accused Israel of genocide. The magazine also published the Holocaust denying “Leuchter Report”.

* Hard Evidence (September – October 2008) contained a number of short items claiming Israel practises Apartheid, that the US does Israel’s bidding and that Iran is “standing up to the American-Zionist hegemony”. Feature items included an attack on Israel’s existence signed by “If Americans Knew”, a promotion of antisemitic propagandist Gilad Atzmon and advocacy of Holocaust denial in an item “The Truth About the Leuchter Report Part I”. The magazine also advertised conspiracy theory DVDs for sale.

The "New Age" magazine, Nexus, available widely at newsstands and by subscription, has for some time promoted and advertised extreme right wing writers, organisations and conspiracy theories. In 1995 its links to US-based "Militia" groups were exposed, which was particularly significant given the police investigation of the Nexus advertisers, the Loyal Regiment of Australian Guardians, for possession of "dangerous weapons", and the gun-ownership debate in 1996.

The magazine New Dawn, available through "New Age" outlets, prints conspiracy theories and LaRouchite, Nation of Islam and Libyan propaganda. During the period in review there has been far less discussion on matters relating to Jews and the Middle East, although conspiracy theories and political articles were drawn from the same sources as in previous periods. To understand the type of material New Dawn is capable of printing, a review of previous issues reveals New Dawn's theories that the Israeli intelligence agency Mossad assassinated Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, the US Government blew up the Alfred Murrah Building in Oklahoma City, the Vatican is master-minding an international conspiracy and Israel behaves exactly in the manner of the Nazis.

Possibly the most bizarre antisemitic material from Australia, phrased in New Age, conspiracy theory language but drawing on antisemitic motifs and inventing creative new slurs, was the love for life organisation, the latest output of long-time activist Arthur Christian. Amongst the material he distributes to those seeking his help in understanding the world, or those he posts unsolicited writings to, was this item:

"THE LANGUAGE OF FANTASYLAND AND THE LETTER J": "Up until recently, the ability to read and write was something available only to the rulers and members of the elite. The commoners (serfs) of Europe and Asia Minor, consisting of 99.9% of the population, could not read or write until the 1800's, leaving them vulnerable to the plotting of those who could. Just as we spell out a word in front of a child who we wish to keep a secret from, so those who were literate were able to keep the commoners in the dark about their plans for the world. Those literate privileged bloodlines throughout Europe, Asia Minor, Middle East and Africa were the owners of the castles, the land-lords, the high priesthoods, the members of the royal houses and the aristocratic bloodline families. They were and still are, Judeo-Judaic bloodlines, also known as "The Chosen Race", "The Chosen Ones" and "Gods Chosen People", seeing themselves as divinely appointed by God ("The Law") to rule over the commoners beneath them. "The Chosen Ones" were the scientists, the doctors, the generals, the leaders, the educators, the mathematicians, the travellers, the architects and the builders etc of our English History. They also wrote and rewrote both the Old Testament and the New Testament and pretty much everything else we rely on today as our English Scriptural History. Today they are The Establishment behind "The Law" and the creators of "The Word". Judeo-Judaic bloodlines are Zionists; they are not Jews and never have been. Zionists are not an ethnic race or culture but believers in an ideology ("The Law") which means they are free to create or integrate with any race, culture or faith to assert their Zionist ideology upon it. Zionist's are Aryans. The Norman conquest of Britain in 1066 were Canaanites (Aryans), one of the thirteen tribes of Israel - Is (Moon) Ra (Sun) El (Saturn). All the Pharaohs, Kings, Queens, Emperors, Conquerors, Governors, Counts, Landlords, etc of Old English History were the Judeo-Judaic bloodlines and they ALL had in common, A) God given divinity ("The Law") to rule over the Goi (commoners - serfs - cattle), B) "The Law" (Their Judeo-Judaic Law), C) High Priesthood who honoured, supported, nurtured, encouraged and protected "The Law".

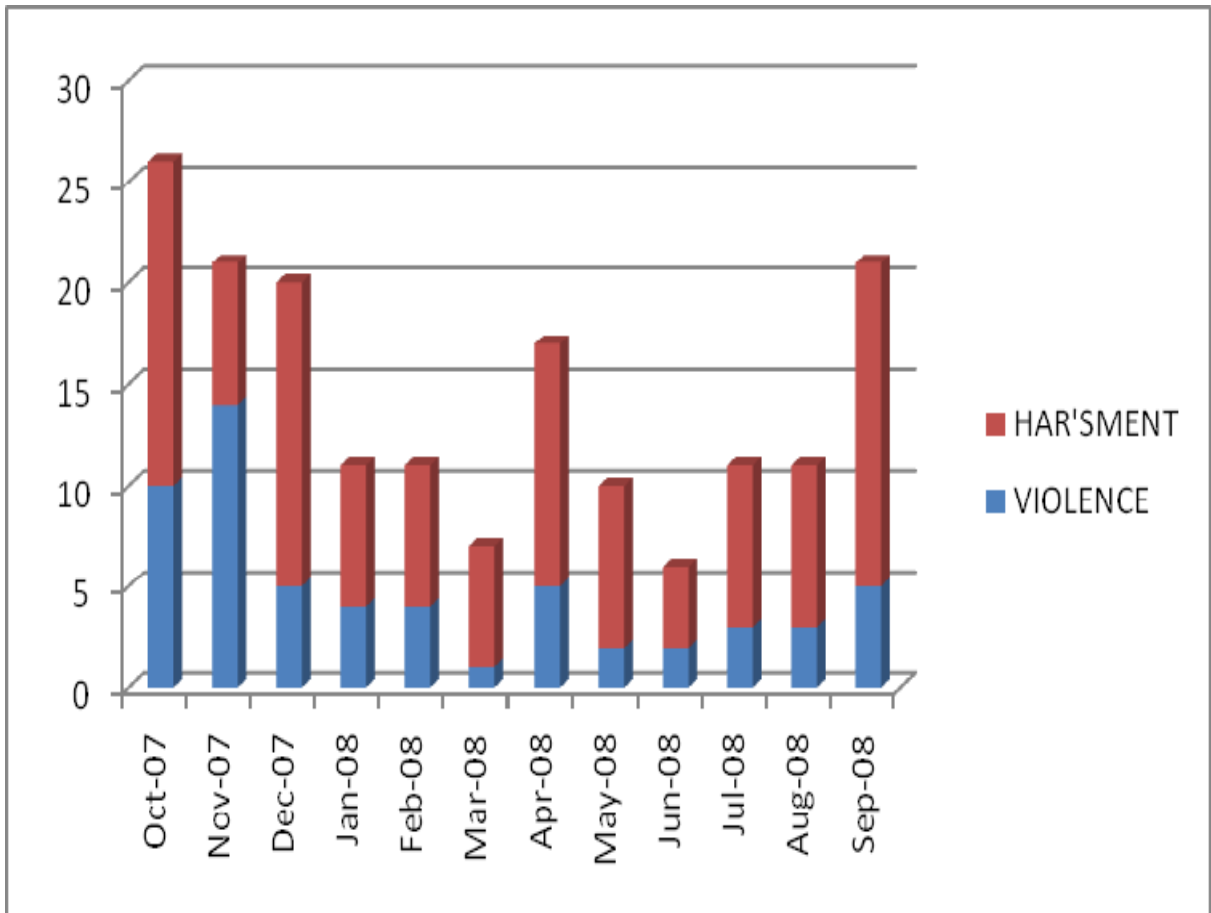
Today, members of the Zionist hierarchial priesthood are known as solicitors, lawyers, attorneys, barristers, registrars, magistrates and judges. Many of the chosen learned elders of Zion become politicians, priests, bankers, experts, media personalities, educators, big business leaders and directors/executives.

At all times, the Judeo-Judaic bloodlines, consisting of .1% of the population, were the ONLY ones that wrote the English History books, enabling them to write their biased version (HisStory); as they say, the victors always write the history! Their scripted English History justifies and backs up their version of reality which we believe in, have faith in or have an opinion about today. This protects and maintains the power and control the establishment has over everyone. Presently, it is the Judeo-Judaic Bloodlines (Zionists) or Zionist sympathisers who own or control all Internationalised Trans-National Private Corporations in every country on Earth and who are most of the political, religious and legal leaders and the hidden hands behind the scenes. They are still writing the history books, removing, altering or destroying anything containing true Old English History and anything that is a threat to the Judeo-Judaic bloodline's power and control over the cattle.

Most of us are aware that the English language began around the twelfth/thirteenth century but most of us do not know that the English language as we speak it today was devised by French Judeo-Judaic legal professionals, working during the 15th/16th centuries for the cause of Sion. It was called The New World Language and is designed for everyone to speak. It is a contrived language full of codes that only those initiated to Sion fully comprehend, akin to an invention concocted by mad scientists working in a laboratory at the bequest of their psychopathic masters. There are different levels of meaning; one level that we all know and speak and another level for those initiated into its secrets, with each letter of the English alphabet also having its own powerful meaning and the way letters are combined adding other coded meanings.

These English Language secrets enable "The Chosen Ones" to speak to each other across courtrooms (old English law), the media, in parliament and amongst the people, meaning that the commoners, who are only taught English in the worldly (fantasy - word-story) sense (the language of Fantasyland), can't comprehend the real sense of many statements, documents, speeches, etc. The English language that forms numerous Fiction-Fantasy Word-Stories is used by the Judeo-Judaic bloodlines to trick and deceive the commoners into giving all their power (Freedom) away. This New World Language was forced upon the commoners of the British Isles in the period before and after the Napoleonic wars (1799 to 1815), causing them to lose their original speech and language, leading to the wide variation of accents in England today.

The Zionists created the letter j during the 1600's and the words Jesus and Jew came into existence only after this invention. The Zionists hide behind their invention of the Jewish "Race" and use the word-story fiction-fantasy of the Jewish "Race" to take all the heat and be blamed for the Zionist conspiratorial agendas, now unfolding in various parts of the world. Like most Westerners, Jews are innocent and brainwashed. The English words Sion and Zion mean the same thing and Zion is the highest mountain in Israel (Is Ra el), the religious legal capital ("The Law") of the world, which has nothing to do with the Jews. The word profession, as in legal profession, means Pro-Fes-Sion. The Zionists (The Establishment) are causing all the chaos and destruction in the world today, and they are using our ignorance of "The Law", The English Language and its Word-Stories to do it."



7.0 RESPONSES TO ANTISEMITISM

7.1 Introduction

A range of responses are necessary if a society is serious about limiting, if not eliminating, antisemitism. Political and moral leadership is vital, especially when it is framed in a way to define antisemitism as an issue to be dealt with by the society as a whole, not just the antisemites' targets. The victims of attacks need to have legal recourse. Education to combat prejudice, informally and formally, provides a basis for a society equipped to respond to what antisemitism may be imported or develop.

It is possible to address antisemitism through a legal and social regime which confronts racism, without being specifically identified. In Australia this is the general rule, although through education and coalition building, antisemitism as a specific, archetypal form of racism is directly addressed.

During the period in review, with the increased volume of antisemitic incidents, the Jewish community paid a great deal of attention to the formal and informal means of responding to antisemitism. The most encouraging feature during the year was the number of displays of support for the Jewish community, from government and from religious organisations.

7.2 Political Leadership

Concern at racism has prompted a counter-reaction from a number of opinion leaders, including a number of serving politicians in state and federal parliaments. Most state and territory legislatures have passed motions condemning racism, calling for Reconciliation and affirming the values of tolerance and diversity, during the past six years.

The Federal Government has instituted a National Harmony Day, on the United Nations Day for the Elimination of Racism, which is marked by government and the community in many ways, but is generally used to honour individuals and organisations who have been active in promoting Australian multiculturalism.

Parliamentary resolutions at national and regional level are extremely valuable as means of identifying antisemitic behaviour as anti-social and unacceptable. Speeches by Parliamentarians, which can focus on specific instances of antisemitism, are also important. However, real political leadership is demonstrated through actions.

To this end, Australia's Federal Government has, in recent years, been prominent in international forums opposing anti-Semitism and promoting education against racism. The Federal and State governments have supported, through funding and other support, a range of projects of Jewish communal organisations designed to reduce prejudice. Laws have been enacted which provide a degree of recourse to victims of racism. Politicians from the major political parties have repeatedly both condemned antisemitism and chastised their political opponents for not being sufficiently pro-active in combating antisemitism.

7.3 Moral Leadership

The good cooperation between different religious communities has been evident in recent years, with a number of joint statements condemning racism and intolerance, as well as supportive statements by one or another of the Australian religious denominations. The Executive Council of Australian Jewry, the National Council of Churches in Australia and the Australian Federation of Islamic Councils have made a number of joint calls for tolerance. A number of Christian groups and the Baha'i faith have condemned antisemitic attacks and Jewish groups joined others in condemning racism against Australian Arabs and vilification of Muslims. This is in addition to the statements issued by groups from one or other religion/faith condemning racism and/or antisemitism, with Muslim groups such as Affinity, the Australian Catholic Bishops' Committee, the Australian Intercultural Society and the Uniting Church prominent in this activity.

Churches were also important proponents of diversity and tolerance, often in concert with the Jewish community. The Uniting Church in Australia is continuing the process of exploring ways of taking joint action with the Jewish community to combat prejudice. The Catholic Church promoted inter-religious and multi-faith understanding as a particular focus in the lead up to the Year 2000 and continues to promote tolerance and understanding in the lead up to Australia's hosting of World Youth Day in 2008.

There were also welcome signs of movement in the direction of better relations between the Anglican Church and the Jewish community, with the establishment of the formal Anglican Jewish Australian Dialogue.

One of the important ways in which Church and service organisations assert moral leadership against antisemitism is by refusing to allow racist and anti-Jewish groups to hire their premises and having policies advising representatives to refuse to share platforms with known extremists. It is pleasing to report that extremist anti-Jewish groups are experiencing increasing difficulty in finding premises in which to meet and in convincing respectable Australians to participate in their activities.

7.4 Education

One of the most encouraging recent developments in responding to antisemitism and racism is a broad spectrum of educational initiatives, coming from government, community organisations, the business sector and individuals.

The Federal Government, through the Anti-Racism Education campaign and the on-going public awareness programmes conducted by the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, has been pro-active in its efforts to place objective information before the Australian community on matters which had been subjected to misrepresentation by racist organisations.

In January 2000 the Australian Government participated in the Stockholm International Forum on the Holocaust. Australia was one of the countries which endorsed the final Declaration which included commitments to strengthen "efforts to promote education, remembrance and research about the Holocaust" and to "promote education about the

Holocaust in our schools and universities, in our communities and encourage it in other institutions” as part of the reaffirmation of “humanity’s common aspiration for mutual understanding and justice”.

Australia subsequently participated in The Stockholm Forums on Combating Intolerance (January 2001) on Truth, Justice and Reconciliation (April 2002) and on The Prevention of Genocide (January 2004).

Together with the Government of Indonesia, Australia initiated Asia/Pacific Regional Interfaith Dialogues, with the inaugural Dialogue taking place in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, in December 2004. The Dialogues have proven to be excellent opportunities for the promotion of programmes designed to break down inter-religious stereotyping and to promote co-operation in the cause of communal harmony. The second Dialogue was convened in Cebu, The Philippines, in 2006, the third in Waitangi, New Zealand, in 2007 and the fourth in Cambodia in 2008. The dialogues now have New Zealand and the Philippines as additional co-hosts.

The Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission hosted a significant national conference, *Beyond Tolerance*, in March 2002, at the Sydney Opera House as well as facilitating and conducting research on a broad spectrum of matters of public interest. HREOC has devoted considerable attention to changes in the language, tactics and mode of operation of those groups and individuals who seek to harm community relations.

The Community Relations Commission in NSW and equivalent bodies in other States have also taken strides in recent years to involve broad sections of the community and government in both planning and effecting strategies aimed at combating racism and building communal harmony.

Community organisations also increased activities particularly those directed at school-age Australians. These ranged from promoting visits to schools by articulate representatives of the broad spectrum of ethnic communities, visits to institutions such as the Sydney Jewish Museum and the production of teaching materials on tolerance and on the negative impact of racism.

The business sector has also promoted and published the results of research into public policy areas which had in past years often been the subject of confusion and misinformation, particularly immigration.

Individuals opposed to racism, operating alone or in very small groups, have found that the Internet allows them to make a significant contribution to efforts to restrict the ability of hate-mongers to take away from their victims' quality of life. On newsgroups, a number of individuals devote time and energy to exposing the lies spread by antisemites and other racists. A number of web-sites have been developed which provide useful resources for having informed discussions on topics which are regularly introduced into Internet discussions by racists. These sites make available material which is also greatly beneficial to those combating racism in the general community.

However, research in both the school and tertiary education sectors in the period in review has revealed a need for programmes to redress both anti-social anti-Jewish behaviour and lack of knowledge of the real and potential outcomes of racial hatred.

7.5 The Racial Hatred Act, 1995

Late in 1995, the federal government introduced legislation to give recourse to victims of racism. The law, administered by the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, seeks to conciliate complaints of racial harassment and vilification. If conciliation is not achieved, hearings take place and penalties can be ordered.

While details of complaints are not made public, at least seven formal complaints regarding antisemitism were lodged with the Commission during the first years of the new law, and the determinations are beginning to provide indications of how useful the law will prove to be in dealing with antisemitism.

A complaint lodged under the Act against an article appearing in an April 1996 issue of the Arabic language newspaper El Telegraph was successfully conciliated by the HREOC, with the outcome including the publication of articles which hopefully will contribute to the historiography of understanding of Australian racism and international antisemitism. El Telegraph had reprinted articles from a newspaper based in the Arab Middle East, which included extracts from the notorious antisemitic concoction The Protocols of The Learned Elders of Zion.

At least one other complaint, also against a media outlet, was settled without reference to a public hearing.

All four cases which were referred to public hearings, against the Adelaide Institute Web-site, anti-Jewish propagandist Olga Scully, The Nation newspaper and Bible Believers/ Anthony Grigor-Scott, have demonstrated the complexities of the process of resolving complaints under the original process, taking more than four years between the complaint and the adjudication. The process for complaint resolution has since been considerably streamlined.

At the time of writing, Contempt proceedings against Fredrick Toben of the Adelaide Institute have commenced, but have not been heard in court.

7.6 State and Territory Anti-Racism Laws and Criminal Law

All Australian States and the Australian Capital Territory had legislation supplementary to the Federal Act. Queensland also amended and greatly broadened and strengthened legislation in this field during the early part of 2001. The success and utility of these laws is a matter of on-going debate. Some shortcomings were brought in to focus in the attempts by a Melbourne victim of an antisemitic assault, in which the perpetrators were swiftly identified, to achieve recourse and have the victims appropriately penalised.

In past years there have been actions taken by local councils, public authorities and corporations to ensure that the laws have not been breached, as well as many successful conciliations of complaints lodged under NSW and ACT law.

In November 2007, two men involved in antisemitic abuse and assault in October 2006 were fined under Victorian law.

A Jewish train-guard in Sydney appealed against his dismissal in the NSW Administrative Disputes Tribunal in September 2008, claiming he had been targeted by a homophobic and antisemitic campaign.

7.7 Media

7.7.1 The Australian Press Council

A voluntary regulatory body, the Australian Press Council was, until the passage of anti-racism laws in a number of states and now federally, the most significant body which considered complaints of antisemitism. Although it no longer plays the same key role, it remains another arena for disputes to be resolved over questions relating to racism and antisemitism. In November 2003, The Australian Press Council "upheld in part" a complaint against The Sydney Morning Herald for publishing, in August 2003, a cartoon that juxtaposed images of the Warsaw Ghetto and the wall being built by Israel on the West Bank. The judgement said "the council agrees that the cartoon was so offensive as to breach its principles ...".

7.7.2 The Australian Broadcasting Authority

The Australian Broadcasting Authority sets and enforces broad community standards. The complexities of applying the legalistic and bureaucratic procedures to the real-time world of electronic media, however, renders this body problematic as an agency to combat racism and antisemitism. It does speak with some moral authority however and should not be totally disregarded.

7.7.3 Federation of Australian Commercial Television Stations

Commercial television has not given rise to serious concern in its depictions of Jews or Judaism. The Jewish community recognises that the guidelines on the depiction of a range of matters, including religion, ethnicity and nationality, contribute to developing a more tolerant culture with a sensitive media corps.

7.7.4 Right of Reply

In most of the cases of antisemitism in the print media, the newspapers and magazines published views of readers offended by them in letters columns. However, this was not universal, and even when it occurred, the newspapers themselves rarely acknowledged any fault on their part by originally printing antisemitism.

7.8 Other Sanctions

Individuals who are the victims of some of the more extreme acts of antisemitic intimidation do have recourse to laws other than those specified above. A variety of sporting bodies have introduced anti-racism codes of conduct during recent years. The

focus in all cases was also on "offensive language". A Sydney junior football (soccer) player's father was banned for six weeks from any football-related activities, for yelling "You should have all been wiped out during the War!" at parents from a Jewish club. It is important to note that while there have been a number of significant developments in codes of conduct in recent years, there is still a great deal which needs to be done to affirm the unacceptability of racist behaviour.

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APPENDIX 1

Antisemitism and the Holocaust in public discourse of 2007: AUSTRALIA

To understand the place of antisemitism and the Shoah in public discourse in Australia, it is necessary to understand some specific features of Australian society historically and the intellectual milieu of Australia today.

Jews enjoy a possibly unique historical legitimacy in Australia, having arrived on the very first day of European settlement. Formal discrimination against Jews has not been present, and while it is possible to document antisemitic attitudes and manifestations in various times and places, there has been a parallel strand of philosemitism.

The first two Australian born Governors-General and the most iconic military figure in the country's history were all Jewish, and the significance of this in Australia's perception of Jews should not be underestimated. In the 19th Century, Jews served in various Colonial legislatures on the Australian continent when they were not able to do so in that of the Colonial Power, Great Britain.

Australia's experience in the Second World War also needs to be understood in assessing the place of antisemitism and the Holocaust in Australia's public debate. Australia's primary enemy was not Germany but Japan. Although Nazism and the antisemitism so central to it were understood as evil and as enemies to be defeated, the European and African theatres of war were distant, giving the ravages of Nazism a different texture.

Further, in the years following the defeat of Nazism, Australian society and thinking was deeply affected by the Cold War, with enmity towards Communism compromising attitudes towards Nazi War Criminals and permitting a tolerance of far right-wing organisations which dressed their antisemitism in anti-communist garb.

The nature of Australia's ethnic/national mix is also significant. Modern Australia has been built on successive waves of immigration from a diverse variety of sources. In discussions of issues such as options for dealing with Nazi War Criminals who came to Australia as fugitives purporting to be innocents seeking refuge, a strong bipartisan view was evident that once a person becomes a citizen they have completely equal standing as a person born in to citizenship. Groups which openly and unambiguously act in a racist manner are perceived as challenging, rather than defending, core Australian identity and the national character of a culturally and ethnically diverse nation. No person or organisation with aspirations to political or social acceptance publicly admits to being a racist, and this militates against anti-Jewish racism being voiced publicly. While one result of this is to help keep racists marginalised and society quarantined from their propaganda, another is that antisemitism is generally framed in coded language which is understood for what it is by Jews but is not covered by legal or other sanctions.

In the recent period, including the year in review, there has been much public discourse on the subject of what constitutes racist behaviour, what consequences racist should face and how Australia can promote tolerance and understanding, but antisemitism has rarely been in the forefront of discussions .

Historic injustices towards Indigenous Australians and the role of deliberate or unconscious racism in policy formulation and the actions of government and civil society reached a crescendo during the lead-up to the 2007 Federal election.

Racism towards recent immigrants from Africa, and other matters related to immigration and citizenship policies, was a second public debate in this general area. A number of far right wing organisations which in other times have had Jewish Australians as their targets concentrated their invective on other, more visibly identifiable, groups during the past year.

Hostility towards Muslim and Arab Australians was also a topic which regularly features in contemporary Australian political discourse. During discussions on the place of women in Islam, foreign policy issues with specific reference to Muslim and/or Arab interests and reportage of terrorism have all resulted in debates on the limits of acceptable discourse as against racism and prejudice.

The Australian Government has invested considerable financial and other resources in building defences against real, imagined or potential anti-Muslim prejudice, as part of the response to international terrorism of the early years of this millennium. A number of conferences and seminars, supported by Federal and State governments, have been convened on the subject of “social cohesion”, as part of efforts to keep public debate civil and to show support to muslim victims of prejudice. A number of these conferences have promoted anti-racism more broadly than anti-Arab/Muslim activity and they have helped develop public understanding of the problem of contemporary antisemitism.

Antisemitism was discussed in a number of contexts. The discovery of anti-Jewish material distributed and/or sold by various Australian Muslim groups, including in the context of apologies for terrorism, resulted in wide and unambiguous condemnation. Discussions of legal cases fought against antisemitic propagandists pitted supporters of anti-racism laws against free-speech maximalists, but consistently referred to Holocaust denial and other anti-Jewish slurs as abhorrent and repugnant. Reports of assaults on Jewish individuals and vandalism of Jewish property also brought universal condemnation of the actions, but little consideration of the need for a whole-of-society response to antisemitism.

It is important to note that, despite more than 760 individual reports of anti-Jewish harassment and assault during 2007, the overwhelming experience of most Jews in Australia is extremely positive and antisemitic philosophies do not appear to have any traction within the general community.

There is also a healthy, vigorous on-going engagement of the Jewish community and the major Church groups and the most numerically significant Muslim groups. Jewish communal personalities are regularly featured guests and speakers at major Christian and Muslim events and, despite sometimes extreme anti-Israel

reportage, Jewish Australians, including public supporters of Israel, are promoted within various mainstream Islamic and Arabic publications. Joint Jewish/Islamic representations are not unusual, in Australia or internationally from Australia.

Discussion of the Holocaust, in specific segments of the community and in general, has a number of manifestations. The Holocaust is often presented as a paradigm of evil, and it is a far too common ploy for advocates of a particular position to seek to portray their opponents as Nazi-like. Some critics of Australia's immigration policies referred to detention centres of undocumented arrivals and individuals applying for refugee status as "concentration camps". Anti-terrorism legislation was branded "Hitleresque" and Guantanamo Bay "a Nazi death camp". Polemicists in debates concerning the environment used the Nazi epithet with depressing regularity.

The most inappropriate usage of this language was by opponents of Israel or particularly Israeli policies. While this was common in 2006, when Israel fought Hezbollah and Hamas, it was invoked quite infrequently during 2007, perhaps due to sustained criticisms of its evocation.

The most important political statement against the Nazi-Jewish campaign was made by Labor Senator Michael Forshaw, in a speech in the Senate in March 2007, in which he also attacked Iranian antisemitism and the "Jewish lobby" theories of US Academics Walt and Mearsheimer.

Senator Forshaw's speech was relatively rare as it focussed on antisemitism, whereas the majority of similar statements condemn antisemitism in the context of condemning racism in general. Not only does there appear to be a widespread conception that antisemitism is simply a variant of the prejudices directed at a variety of minority groups, there is a view current particularly within liberal/left circles that Jews are so secure and established in Australia that racism against them is less cause for concern than racism at vulnerable, less integrated groups.

Over the past twenty five years (the period of expertise of this writer), it has been evident that whenever there is an increase in manifestations of racism against any one sector of the community, there is also an increase in reports of anti-Jewish harassment and intimidation. At various times, there have been waves of anti-Asian, anti-Indigenous, anti-Arab, anti-immigrant and anti-African racist activity. In each of these periods, there has also been an increase in anti-Jewish activity but not necessarily in incidents involving third groups. It would appear that in a variety of racist mindset, Jews appear as the primary or secondary concern, and/or that anti-Jewish racists fester in the margins of Australian society but feel confident to act on their prejudices when they feel there is public tolerance of any form of racism.

There are no Federal or State laws in Australia that specifically address antisemitism, but there have been successful uses of anti-racism legislation to prosecute antisemites, including Holocaust deniers. Under Australian case law, Jews are considered a "race" for the purpose of providing recourse to harassment and discrimination. Media reports of anti-Jewish assault and vandalism regularly refer to "racist", rather than antisemitic, activity. This formulation sits well with

Australia's perception of the relative significance of antisemitism and with the view that equal treatment is better than special pleading as a matter of public policy.

The overwhelming historic, and contemporary, experience of Jewish Australians has been positive, and the community is as much a part of the mosaic of Australian society as any other group. Jews are not considered exceptional. Australia is far from Europe and the Shoah had no direct influence on the vast majority of Australians. Public discourse on antisemitism and the Holocaust in 2007 in Australia reflected these realities.

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Appendix 2

THE AUSTRALIAN

Seriously, some of my best friends are anti-Semites

Barry Cohen | *May 21, 2008*

MY favourite definition of an anti-Semite is "a person who hates Jews more than is absolutely necessary". Susan Chandler, the former Victorian Liberal Party campaign manager who described a colleague as a "greedy f..king Jew", appears to qualify.

The object of Chandler's affection was Adam Held, the Liberal candidate at the recent federal election for the Victorian seat of Melbourne Ports. Held is Jewish, as is his opponent, the sitting member Michael Danby.

It appears Held earned Chandler's ire during the campaign when he committed the unforgivable sin of doing an Oliver Twist and asking for more. It wasn't gruel he was after but extra political pamphlets for his campaign. Chandler obviously thought it was a plot by the Elders of Zion to corner the market in political pamphlets. Today pamphlets, tomorrow the world.

One would have thought that in view of Held's work ethic a more apt description would have been "a hardworking f..king Jew".

Clearly, Chandler is not the sharpest knife in the Liberal drawer. Anyone with an IQ above room temperature would not have committed such terms of endearment to email. Nor would they have been outraged at the suggestion that they had done anything wrong. "Anti-Semitic? Moi? Some of my best friends are Jews." She may have a few less in the not-too-distant future.

It's strange how anti-Semites rarely recognise their own prejudice. As a young and promising golfer I indicated to my boss, a charming and cultured man, that I was interested in joining his golf club. "Sorry, son, no Jews, jockeys or jailbirds." He couldn't recognise his responsibility as a human being to take a principled stand against anti-Semitism.

In the 1940s, when Jews were unable to join any of the A-grade clubs in Sydney or Melbourne, they decided to build their own clubs and were immediately attacked for being exclusive. That the clubs had non-Jewish members was conveniently ignored.

After World War II, and the attempt by the Nazis to destroy European Jewry, there was sympathy and support for the establishment of a Jewish homeland in the mandated territories of Palestine. When the UN voted in November 1947 to create an Arab and a Jewish state, the neighbouring Arab countries attacked the Jewish state.

That Israel survived was first met with disbelief, then awe and finally anger. Those, particularly on the Left, who had wept openly for the murdered millions, started to resent Jews no longer being victims.

How dare Jews win? How dare they defend themselves against those who wished to destroy them? How dare they refuse to accede to the absurd demands of the people who had created the problem by refusing to accept the UN decision? Jews had decided that they

no longer wanted the sympathy and tears of the liberal Left. They wanted to survive, on their own terms.

As Israel repulsed attempts to destroy it, the anger of the liberal Left increased in intensity. As internationally famous lawyer Alan Dershowitz stated, "Throughout the world, from the chambers of the UN to the campuses of universities, Israel is singled out for condemnation, disinvestment, boycott and demonisation."

Anti-Semitism? "No! No!" cried Israel's critics. "We don't hate Jews, just Israel." For many, Israel became the pariah state. Anti-Semitism became acceptable again. The New York Times columnist Thomas Friedman responded: "Criticising Israel is not anti-Semitic and saying so is vile. But singling out Israel for opprobrium and international sanction, out of all proportion to any other party in the Middle East, is anti-Semitic and not saying so is dishonest."

It's the double standards by which Israel is judged that incenses Jews and their supporters.

Dershowitz's story of Harvard University president A. Lawrence Lowell's attempt to limit the number of Jews admitted to Harvard in the 1920s because "Jews cheat" is the classic double standard. When an important alumnus objected on the grounds that non-Jews also cheated, Lowell replied, "You're changing the subject. I'm talking about Jews."

In Australia today many journalists are incapable of recognising their own deep-seated prejudices. When I asked one journalist why he and many of his colleagues felt it necessary to mention that certain businesspeople were Jewish, particularly those who had brushes with the law, he bridled at the suggestion that this was anti-Semitic. "It's part of the story," he spluttered.

"Really?" I replied. "How, exactly?" He was unable to give a coherent reply. I asked, "Do you know and mention the religion of James Packer, Rupert Murdoch, Christopher Skase, Kerry Stokes or Alan Bond?"

"No," he replied, somewhat shamefaced.

"And nor should you," I told him, "Because it's irrelevant."

Others were more astute. No mention of religion. They just pointed out that the person they were writing about was a regular visitor to Israel. More clever still was the television program about a Jewish businessman who had just been released from jail. No mention he was Jewish, just a shot of him with his rabbi. Anti-Semitic? Perish the thought.

Then there's the sinister Jewish lobby. One Canberra journalist becomes apoplectic on the subject. Again, no mention of the Catholic, Protestant, Islamic, union or dozens of business and special interest groups that continually lobby governments. No suggestion that they are insidious or sinister.

Oh dear, no. Selective indignation, dear readers, is anti-Semitism.

As a young boy growing up in the aftermath of World War II, I hoped that anti-Semitism would gradually fade away. Regrettably, that has not been the case. It is alive and well and, it would appear, still common among what was once called polite society.

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Appendix 3

Report on Antisemitism in Australia 2007, Stephen Roth Institute for the Study of Contemporary Antisemitism, by Jeremy Jones

AUSTRALIA

The 765 reports of anti-Jewish violence, vandalism, harassment and intimidation logged in Australia in 2007 represented the highest total since national record-keeping began in 1989, was more than 20 percent above the previous highest total and well over double the average of 312 incidents. There was a decrease in anti-Jewish propaganda and anti-Jewish material in the mainstream media and from Islamic and left-wing sources, while far-right wing activity increased (from a low base). One complaint of antisemitic propaganda was determined under the Federal Racial Hatred legislation, legal proceedings were initiated in another and individuals involved in assault of a Jewish man in 2006 were sentenced under State law.

The Jewish community

The 115–120,000 Jews in Australia out of a total population of over 20 million constitute the largest Jewish community in the East Asia and Pacific Region. The great majority of Australian Jews live in Melbourne (50,000) and Sydney (45,000), but there are also significant communities in Perth, Brisbane, the Gold Coast and Adelaide.

The elected representative organization of the Jewish community is the Executive Council of Australian Jewry (ECAJ). The most important professional advocacy organization is the Australia/Israel & Jewish Affairs Council. The community is served by two Jewish weeklies and several other periodicals. High enrolment in Jewish day schools and a comparatively low rate of intermarriage characterize Australian Jewry. The community has also built an impressive network of institutions to serve its needs. Jewish Australians have twice been appointed governors-general, and have served in the senior leadership ranks of the country's military forces.

EXTREMIST ORGANIZATIONS

A plethora of small groups in Australia promote antisemitism, and for some it is their *raison d'être*. The groups vary in size of membership, activities and target audiences. Besides extreme right organizations, some groups identified with quasi-New Age and Islamist philosophies also feed a steady stream of anti-Jewish propaganda to their followers, while a number of extreme left-wing groups disseminate crude anti-Zionist material.

The Far Left

Although the many small groups which comprise the Australian far left often make declarations critical of racism in all its forms, demonization of Israel is a common thread and the extremes of language used to

condemn Zionism and Israel promote a mythology of a powerful, evil Jewish ‘internationalism’, almost indistinguishable from that depicted by the far right.

The myth of Jewish power is espoused and/or tolerated by a number of self-styled left-wing groups. Alleged Jewish power is depicted as the force behind globalization; some left-wingers also portray Jews as malevolent forces controlling Western governments. A number of small political groups self-styled as communist, socialist or anarchist, such as the **Socialist Alliance, Resistance**, the **Communist Party of Australia**, the **International Socialist Organisation** and **Socialist Alternative**, share with the far right a vigorous opposition to the ‘establishment’ and the perceived power holders. Although there are some differences in the approach to Israel taken by these groups, the general attitude is that Israel, and sometimes, more ambiguously, the Jewish community, is clearly in the camp of the ‘enemy’ and therefore a fair target for abuse, delegitimation and defamation.

Extreme Right Organizations

Traditional far right organizations are supplemented by a changing array of individuals and minute groupings, including some which have established their presence primarily through the Internet. The existence of Labor state governments in all Australian states has fed the paranoia of ‘socialist’ control which is central to these organizations.

The **One Nation Party**, which enjoyed a brief period of electoral success in the late 1990s but has been in decline ever since, was reduced to minimal representation in the parliaments of Western Australia and Queensland, as well as in active membership. An antisemitic article in *The Nation*, a party newspaper, published in 2004 was the subject of a complaint under Federal Racial Hatred which concluded in 2006 with the paper’s editor issuing an apology and the individuals responsible for its publication reprimanded. However, other organs of the party, from Queensland and South Australia, published anti-Jewish material during the period in review (see below).

The theme of Judaism as anti-Christian plays a part in the conspiracy theories of several extremist groups, particularly the **Australian League of Rights**, the **Bible Believers** and ‘**Identity**’ churches. The *Talmud* is a subject for distortion and misrepresentation by these groups and others aiming to vilify Jews, and in the rhetoric of the far right symbolizes a code of living implacably opposed to ‘Christian justice’. During the year such misinformation appeared in numerous unsolicited emails, as well as publications produced by these organizations.

The **Bible Believers’** website publishes a full copy of Henry Ford’s *The International Jew* and a great deal of other overtly antisemitic material, resulting in a complaint which was lodged in 2004 under Australia’s anti-racism laws for adjudication in the Federal Court. The *Bible Believers’ Newsletter* 414 from 2006, which remains on its website, includes the claim that the Internet is a Jewish plot. Newsletters in 2007 included Talmud defamation and Holocaust denial.

The **Adelaide Institute**, a loose conglomeration of individuals around self-styled Holocaust revisionist Fredrick Toben, has in recent years disseminated arguably the most vicious and malicious anti-Jewish propaganda of any Australian group. Despite a series of findings by the Human Rights Commission and the Federal Court against the Institute's website, Toben continues to publish antisemitic material and to maintain an international profile, with support from the state-sponsored Iranian media. Toben and his associate Richard Krege both presented papers at Iran's Holocaust denial conference in December 2006. A website based in Adelaide, Australia Free Press, containing a great deal of similar propaganda, was reportedly considering taking over publication of Toben's material in the event the Adelaide Institute would not be able to continue functioning if Toben is unsuccessful in his defense against a claim that he has breached court orders by continuing to publish antisemitic material.

The **Citizens' Electoral Councils** (CECs), based in suburban Melbourne, engage in mass mailings of literature reflecting the antisemitic conspiracy theories of their American guru Lyndon LaRouche. Anti-racist groups in general and Jewish organizations in particular have been amongst the CECs' favorite targets. Although the LaRouche organization spends hundreds of thousands of dollars on electoral campaigns, the CECs have had no success whatsoever. Over the years, members of the Jewish community in all Australian states have complained about the distribution of LaRouchite conspiracy theorist propaganda, particularly on campuses.

Virulently far right activists, including members of **White Pride Coalition of Australia, White Nationalist Resources, the Australian Nationalists Movement, Church of the Creator, the National Socialist Movement** and **Australian National Action**, participate in discussions in forums of the neo-Nazi Stormfront Downunder site.

The monthly newspaper *The Strategy*, published in regional Victoria, draws its inspiration from US-based racists of the Patriot Movement. Extracts from LaRouche news services and the antisemitic US magazine *Spotlight*, as well as praise for the activities of Australian right-wing extremists are typical of its content; a cross-section of extremist groups also place advertisements in its pages (see below).

Hard Evidence, formerly *Exposure*, continues to publish bizarre, sometimes antisemitic, conspiracy theories, and aggressively advertises past copies of the magazine, which include material of Australian and US far right groups and publications, as well as antisemitic tracts such as *The Protocols of the Elders of Zion*. A number of issues in 2007 contained articles asserting Bolshevik crimes were Jewish crimes. Several New Age magazines, such as *Nexus* and *New Dawn*, promote extreme right writers, organizations and conspiracy theories.

ANTISEMITIC activity

During 2007, the ECAJ logged 765 reports of anti-Jewish violence, vandalism, harassment and intimidation. Reports of physical attacks on persons or property exceeded the previous highest totals recorded in 2001 and

2006 by 45%. While incidents of face-to-face harassment (not involving violence) exceeded the previous highest total recorded in 2006 by 89%, graffiti vandalism was 17 percent below average. The combined number of telephone threats, hate mail, abusive offensive or threatening emails, leaflets, text messages and faxes, was also the highest since national record-keeping began, 4% above the 2002 total. Hundreds of Jewish individuals and organizations were targeted, some several times, by persons seeking to intimidate or harass them. Most of the incidents were anonymous.

Around the Jewish high Holydays, there was an unprecedented number of reports of persons yelling abuse at congregants walking to and from synagogues and at synagogue personnel.

Antisemitic individuals or those associated with far left publications, Islamic and Arab groups or extreme right organizations may have been sources of inspiration or served as justification for these attacks. The Internet facilitated anti-Jewish conspiracy theories, which occasionally reached the mainstream media and broader audiences. The virulence of some public criticism of Israeli actions and their continued misrepresentation, as well as misinformation about Israel's history and politics served to encourage and rationalize anti-Jewish bigotry.

Violence, Vandalism and Harassment

On 2 January two Jewish men in Melbourne were abused and then assaulted by men who left their vehicle to attack them. On 8 February, a Jewish day school student was insulted then assaulted on a public bus in Sydney. On 30 May, a Jewish man was assaulted while traveling on a commuter train in Melbourne. On 1 June a Jewish man was abused and assaulted in central Sydney. On 14 June a Jewish man was assaulted in suburban Melbourne. A kosher café was vandalized and a Jewish youth attacked on 18 August, in Melbourne. On 15 October a Jewish man was insulted then assaulted in suburban Melbourne, on 26 October Jewish youths were abused then physically attacked in Melbourne and on 27 October Jewish males at an entertainment venue in Sydney were abused then assaulted. On November 17 a group of Jewish teenagers were abused, threatened "fucking Jews we'll kill you" and one of them was punched, in Sydney's eastern suburbs. On November 24 an Orthodox Jew was taunted and had his hat stolen while walking down a main road in Sydney's eastern suburbs. On December 11, a Jewish day school student was abused and assaulted by students from another school while on school excursion in Sydney.

On 11 January, a beer bottle smashed through a window at a Jewish girls' school in Melbourne. On 24 January a break in was attempted at a Jewish school in Melbourne. On 16 March, vehicles parked outside a Sydney synagogue were spray-painted with swastikas. On 19 March, bricks were thrown through the windows of a classroom of a Jewish school in Melbourne. In August, there were a series of break-ins at a Jewish youth club in Melbourne. On 7 September, a concrete block was thrown towards the door of a synagogue in Sydney that had been damaged by this method a year earlier. On 10 November there was minor vandalism of a synagogue in Sydney.

There were reports of individuals walking to or from synagogue having eggs or other objects thrown at them, in January, February, March, April, May, June, August, September, October, November and December.

Propaganda

Mainstream

Coverage of issues relating to the Australian Jewish community by the mainstream media is extensive and out of all proportion to the community's size. However, it is generally responsible and does not play unduly on the 'Jewishness' of individuals or of issues. There are no overtly antisemitic radio stations, newspapers or television broadcasters; however, some comments and letters in the mainstream media in 2007 contained antisemitic and offensive references.

They included an ill-informed article written after the Australia/Israel & Jewish Affairs Council withdrew its platforms from academic Raphael Israeli bore the headline "Lift the gag, guys, we want to hear the rabbi's spin" in which the writer, Alex Mitchell, used the issue as a pretext to condemn Israel and Zionism (Sun-Herald, 25 February); a letter in the Australian by Paul Heywood-Smith which sourced terrorism against the West to The Balfour Declaration, which he claimed "gave a green light to the colonisation and ethnic cleansing of Palestine by the Zionists" (27 February); In The Australian Letters Blog, "Patricia of Sydney" wrote "And, could we knock this "anti- Semitic" nonsense on the head for once and for all. Not all Jewish people are Semitic; they include Slav and Anglo amongst other ethnicities. The use of the word Semitic is just something the early Zionists stole from the indigenous Palestinians- of all religions. Palestinians of all religions, on the other hand, are Semitic. Ergo, Israel is the only country in the world actually practicing anti-Semitism by it's persecution of a Semitic people, the Palestinians" (8 March); a letter in The Canberra Times by Kenneth Griffiths made a direct comparison between Israel and Nazi Germany. (30 May). The on-line comment section of ABC television's Media-Watch programme, which is vigorously moderated, published comments "*The only understanding I can make is that MediaWatch carries the torch for Globalism and maybe even Zionist groups as they are known to push Hate Speech laws so they can't be questioned themselves in crime. ABC is starting to show a disproportionate numbers of Jews in the places of power in the ABC.*" and "*The Muslims especially are used as scapegoats domestically, and internationally to defend the crime of the war in Iraq. They serve the same purpose as the Jews of Hitler's Third Reich.*" (18 June); and after Age journalist Barney Zwartz placed on the newspapers' Blog a speech he had given which mentioned anti-Semitism, "Raj Arumugam" wrote "Well Mr Schwarz, an interesting little gathering, to be sure. And the last time you addressed a Moslem gathering was, exactly when? Your exaggerated attention to the topic of 'anti-Semitism' gives the game away. While true anti-Semitism exists, and is as nonsensical and dangerous as bigotry against any group based on people's ethnicity rather than behaviour, 'anti-Semitism' is used today in a completely different context. As you ought to know, charges of anti-Semitism are being used to intimidate and silence those with justifiable criticisms of Israeli policy, and the unquestioned support it receives from much of the Jewish diaspora. As a time when Israel has just entered the 41st year of unrelentingly barbarous occupation of Palestinian land, when Gaza is being reduced

to the status of concentration camp and Israel is openly plotting to launch another attack on Lebanon, it is the height of hypocrisy to assert that those who oppose these depravities are mere bigots. Israel is not a better country than China, Saudi Arabia or Eritrea (what did Eritrea do?). It is a violently aggressive racist state with open contempt for its victims and international law. Your perennial defense of it may be a requirement for employment at The Age, Mr Schwarz, but it is also in complete contradiction to your moral pretensions” to which Zwartz replied “Barney says: I thought hard about not publishing your deeply unpleasant post, but I have always stood against censorship, so here it is for all to see. There’s no rule that says only pleasant or balanced or intelligent people can express opinions – that’s democracy. The last time I addressed a Muslim gathering was the last time I was invited; and yes, there have been several. I explicitly acknowledge that all or most criticism of Israel is NOT anti-Semitic, without for a second accepting your ranting about it. Finally, can I draw your attention to the spelling of my name – a small point in itself, but significant in what it shows about the sort of care you take in checking facts.” (23 July).); a discussion on an article criticising racism in Melbourne, the Herald Sun letters blog (1 October – 2 October) included comments such as “Also, how many innocent civilians (Gentiles or Jews) did the Jews murder in furtherance of their “cause” in Europe?”; in response to a news item (3 October) on Kevin Rudd’s condemnation of Iran, a number of offensive comments were posted on the letters blog of The Australian, including “This article is alarming for several reasons. – KRUDD is repeating translations that are entirely false. – Demonstrates how the local Jewish ‘Israeli firster’ community is setting the agenda through Zionist mouthpiece IAR. – Highlights the bizarre elevation of the capital H Holocaust to an event so uniquely brutal that REAL evaluation of the facts is not allowed. POOR FORM KEVIN, Disgusting!” and “So Kevin is just another proxy Zionist. What a surprise! Anyone who has cared to do a little research outside the mainstream media knows that Ahmadinejad has not threatened to wipe Israel off the map. It took you a while for Kevin to reveal his true self, he is just another NOW puppet, you don’t make it to the top any other way” and The Australian (4 October) published a series of letters on the subject of ALP criticism of Iran in which James O’Neill claimed “Ahmadinejad has not denied the Holocaust. He has posted a number of questions and invited debate. Those questions include asking why Palestinians should pay for the sins committed by Europeans and provide a homeland for the Jewish people.” Brian Haill alleged this was a “desperate bid to woo Sydney’s Jewish vote” and Antony Loewenstein, allegedly speaking on behalf of “Independent Australian Jewish Voices” took the opportunity to attack Jewish community representatives.

ABC Radio’s Religion Report (21 March) featured a long interview with Lenni Brenner, who had been sought out as the interviewer wanted “to open up the question of historical links between forms of Zionism in the early twentieth century and racism and Nazism”. Although the ABC acknowledged publicly “some statements made by Mr. Brenner during the interview could be considered disparaging towards some Jews”, the organization defended the broadcast. Brenner claimed that when the Nazis came to power, “it was a Zionist dream” and that “there are Israeli spies all over the American Government etc”. On ABC Radio National’s Australia Talks Back, a caller “Dodi” berated “the Zionist lobby”, claiming it controlled the media

and referred to ABC board member Janet Albrechtson as “Janet AlbrechSTEIN”. The host did not challenge or correct him. (7 August)

Left Wing

Increasingly, analogies between Israel and Nazi Germany are made at left-wing gatherings. In addition, comments implying the existence of an immensely powerful “lobby” are promoted. For example, John Pilger claimed Israel is committing “Genocide in Gaza” and alleged “almost the entire US Congress is in thrall to or intimidated by a vicious Zionist ‘lobby’.” (Green Left Weekly, 31 January); in Green Left Weekly (3 October) Bart Ahluwala wrote “Israel is a racist country that legally discriminates against those that are not Jewish” and “resistance is not ‘terrorism’ – unless you believe that resisting the Nazis on the streets of Paris or Berlin was terrorism”; Doug Lorimer, also in Green Left Weekly, (10 October) supported Iranian president Ahmadinejad’s calls for Israel to be destroyed, claiming complaints were “based on a frame-up that perpetuates the Zionist myth identifying the interests of all Jews with those of the Israeli state” and said Israel was based on “brutal dispossession of, and racist discrimination against, their indigenous inhabitants”.

In an Op-Ed article, Antony Loewenstein claimed “Jews in many Western nations” indulge in intimidation of critics of Israel and smear tactics, while invoking imagine of a powerful “Zionist lobby” dominating US politics (New Matilda, 6 February);

Right Wing

The Strategy (Dec 2006 – January 2007) included the promotion of a booklet “The Hidden Tragedy” which allegedly explains “the Jewish involvement and cause of the major problems we face today.” Other advertisements were for Christian Identity Ministries and the Covenant Vision. One Nation, South Australia’s official newsletter (April 2007) included an item on water crises: “Like global warming and peak oil scams, they are part of UN Agenda 21 designed to fill the coffers of the wealthy Zionist bankers who run the UN”. Network News April 2007 (a One Nation newsletter) included: “**THE RULERS OF RUSSIA**”: “Zionists were the most decisive element in the creation of the USSR. The rulers of Russia compiled by the Rev. Denis Fahey CSSP., D.D., D.Ph., B.A. reveals that “according to data furnished by the Soviet Press, out of the important functionaries of the Bolshevik State, there were in 1918-1919, 457 Jews, 17 Russians, 2 Ukrainians, 11 Armenians, 35 Letts, 15 Germans, 1 Hungarian, 10 Georgians, 3 Poles, 3 Finns, 1 Czech and 1 Karaim.” *“The historical fact is that the most vital element in the creation of the Soviet Union were the Zionists without whose brains and finance, Lenin would have failed to achieve his aim”*. The Update Beenleigh Branch Regional News Letter of One Nation (Vol.01 issue 47, April, 2007) informed readers “Ref: What is the CFR, ‘The Council of Foreign Relations’ also known as the ‘Establishment’, ‘The Invisible World government” briefly it is group of wealthy who control the world banking finances & oil (Rothschild’s & Rockefellers). Known as the Ashkenazim Jews, origins are Khazar Empire & upon its destruction migrated to Russia & became the driving force behind Communism, Zionism & the United Nations, orchestrated and financed wars & profited from them, objective is Anti-Gentilism the overthrow of Christianity, doctrine “Protocols of Zion.’ History ‘The Thirteenth Tribe,’ by Arthur Koestler, ‘Tragedy &

Hope' by Dr.Carroll Quigley, 'Descent into Slavery' by Des Griffen. 'The Shadows of Power' by James Perloff." One Nations's Update Beenleigh Branch Regional News Letter (Vol.01 issue 49, 2007) (21 May) included an attack on "the Jewish Zionist Council on Foreign Relations (CFR)". A section "National Crises" began "Our nation is under threat from two sources, the first is radical Islam and the second is from Zionism and Internationalism." It alleged "What is Zionism? It came from the wealthy Khazar Jewish families mainly the Rothschild's and Rockefellers who control the European and US banks and most of the financial institutions (note not Credit Unions) To ensure global control they set up the United Nations and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to ensure the debt of most of the worlds countries to their profit. Through the UN and their control of most governments including ours they have trust upon us multiculturalism designed to break down our national price, destroy our cohesive society creating crime and disruption from which they profit." and argued "As long as Zionism has a stranglehold on our media (and the political power that arises as a consequence), we can expect to see more and more of our people being dispatched around the globe to fight wars and be killed or horribly wounded fighting on behalf of Zionist interests that are shamelessly and deceitfully hiding behind the flats of Australian, American, British and other nations. We an expect higher taxes to pay for these wars, and more and more political repression at home, designed to silence the dissidents who dare say "no" to Zionism's demands." Discussing the Federal Government's Indigenous Affairs Policy, One Nations' Update Beenleigh Branch Regional News Letter (Vol 1 issue 57) asserted "Aborigines are used as pawns by Zionist global interests, causing division and disruption, as they have done in African countries. The objective is the elimination of national pride and replacing it with the evils of multiculturalism & global world government. These people profit from the destitute of aboriginals, they do not care about the poverty & moral decline, its all part of the plan." (20 July). A footnote to a story on Climate Change in One Nation's Beenleigh Branch Regional Newsletter July 2007 read" What is the CFR, 'The Council of Foreign Relations' also known as the 'Establishment', 'The Invisible World government" briefly it is group of wealthy families who control the worlds banking finances & oil (Rothschild's & Rockefellers). Known as the Ashkenazim Jews, origins are Khazar Empire & upon its destruction migrated to Russia & became the driving force behind Communism, Zionism & the United Nations, orchestrated & financed wars & profited from them, objective is Anti-Gentilism the overthrow of Christianity, doctrine 'Protocols of Zion.' History "The Thirteenth Tribe,' by Arthur Koestler, 'Tragedy & Hope' by Dr.Carroll Quigley, 'Descent into Slavery by Des Griffen. 'The Shadows of Power' by James Perloff." Another article included the paragraph "Amidst rising bloodshed, President Bush has told the Iraqi Parliament they have till the 31st of May to pass a flawed oil law that could give Zionist multinational company's unprecedented control of Iraq's oil fields. But Bush plans to veto the Congress planned NOPEC law that will reduce the cost of crude why?"

Arab and Muslim Communities

Australia's Muslim and Arabic-speaking communities are large and vibrant. While Jews are not their main pre-occupation, discussion of the Middle East can cross the line from lively political debate to the realm of religious and racial stereotyping; in fact, there was a disturbingly large volume of overt antisemitism that emanated from Islamic sources in Australia in 2007. Notably, the

Australian Federation of Islamic Councils, the roof body of Australian Muslims, is among the groups which have condemned antisemitism in the Islamic community.

Both the Arabic-speaking and the Islamic communities are served by a vigorous media, in Arabic and English, which generally avoid inflammatory or offensive language, but reflect the existence of extremist and antisemitic viewpoints within the communities they serve. For example, the now solely online publication *Nida'ul Islam* prints extreme views of members of the Islamic community in Australia and from a range of overseas commentators. The tone towards Jews is often hateful and inflammatory. Much of the material which is currently accessible on the website of *Nida'ul Islam* infers the existence of an anti-Islamic conspiracy devised by Jews but also including most rulers of Arab and Islamic states.

The web-based Mission Islam is, if anything, even more extreme. As well as promoting *The Protocols of Zion* and various Muslim-authored works hostile to Jews, the website of this group includes a section "The Truth about the Talmud" which contains a list of sub-headings, such as "Sick and Insane Teachings of the Talmud," "Genocide Advocated by the Talmud" and "Moses Maimonides: Advocate of Extermination."

Journalist Tim Blair documented on his weblog (24/6) the following comments, posted on Muslim Village Forums after Muslim Village boasted of supplying material to ABC Media Watch: "May every Zionist be cut-off at the elbows and develop a lifelong itch in their shorts that they're not able to scratch.. damn them all..."; "But look how Safiyyah (radhiallahoanha) goes and kills a Jew all alone."; "our prophet has prophesised that eventually **every single Jew** will be eliminated from the face of the earth by the Muslims, after a major war between us and them (kafirs) ... and the Messenger of Allah says nothing but the truth. Just a matter of time I guess." and "why is there such outrage to the Hamas Mickey Mouse when it's simply a propoganda tool and it's a technique used by several countries in the past (including the US). Here's an example, i once watched a bugs bunny cartoon where he was fighting against Hitler. It portrayed Hitler as an incompetent fool and was very offensive to Nazis."

In Muslim Village forum “General Media” different posters implied Holocaust denial is acceptable as Jews “deny the most slow motion and painful Israeli Holocaust in Palestine” and that Australian Jews “offended and lied about Muslims”. (28/1); while the mainstream media were covering a series of Muslim DVDs which amongst other things said “Jews are Pigs”, Muslim Village forum “Muslims in the News” a number of posters supported Sheikh Feiz. (19/1, 20/1); in a Muslim Village discussion “Sheikh Hilaly Like Hitler, says Muslim Leader”, “nanobol” wrote “youre (sic) in fact perpetuating exactly what the Jews want you to, and that is to maintain the Holocaust’s “legendary” status above all other world tragedies”. (18/1). “Lina in Sydney” responded “The Jews do not have a copy right on suffering no matter what they try and make everyone believe” (19/1); in Muslim Village Forum General Media, “Niche” wrote “It is pretty old news that pornography, the use of sex for selling and so on is a Zionist creation pushed into mainstream by them for manipulative purposes so this is no surprise whatsoever.” (2/5); Muslim Village Forum World Conflicts published an article from Neteurei Karta USA, which included “The Zionists have deceived many well meaning Jewish people via terror, trickery and false propaganda. They have at their disposal the use of a nearly universally subservient media. Whoever attempts to criticize them puts his livelihood and, at times, his very life in danger.”

Muslim Village Forum “Muslims in the News” published items by Faruque Ahmed where he referred to “the Zionist corporate media and government of Australia.” (12/1, 13/1).

Depictions of Judaism as existentially opposed to non-Jews, in general, and/or to Islam, in particular, continue to be published on the discussion forums of the Islamic Association of Australia; Mission Islam (Australia); Ahlus Sunnah Wal Jamaah’s Islamic Information and Support Centre of Australia, Mecca News and the Gold Coast Muslims.

The website Gold Coast Muslims posted antisemitic material circulated by David Duke, which included the claim that “Talmudic prophecies” were behind the establishment of Israel, in the midst of general disinformation about Israel. (5/3).

A prominent Muslim commentator Irfan Yusuf in his “Madhab al-Irfy” blog claimed “there are Jewish fanatics who keep murdering innocent Palestinians of various faiths”. (26/8).

Also in 2007, an Australian-born imam was exposed as the source of vicious antisemitic material circulating in the UK and available in Sydney.

Internet

The submission of pieces from Australia defaming Judaism in online discussion groups of religion, which began in 1994, continued throughout the period in review. As noted above, the discussions on Islamic and Arabic Internet forums and the content of postings to newsgroups testify to a vigorous anti-Jewish sub-culture. Extreme right groups have also used Internet discussion groups to maintain their sense of community, and to encourage followers to be involved in campaigns.

Examples of some of the Australian-based discussion groups and web-based anti-Semitic propagandists include: Australia Free Press, which publishes a large amount of anti-Semitic material such as “6 million FILTHY LIES”, “Jewish Hate”, “the Holy Book of Adolf Hitler [which shows] the German religion will rise again to liberate the world from the bonds, spiritual and material, of Jewish Mammon”; The Psychology of Holocaustianity” as well as direct quotes from Mein Kampf and Promotions of The Protocols of Zion. (11/1); THESIS: The Zionists rose to power through money-lending and their power can be broken by national monopolization of the lending of money at interest. Otherwise, though, we support properly regulated capitalist economy as the basis of human fulfillment and State security; THESIS: The war against Mammon is only winnable if we disenchant Jahwe—its projection in heaven, as it were. We must, therefore, get JAHWE THE TERRIBLE to talk. Here you shall hear his murderous, man-despising words. It will be this spiritual hell’s racket which will make it Judaism’s primary necessity to be ashamed of its god. In this shame the Jews will experience finally also their liberation. In this we wish them well; THESIS: This artificial shame permeates modern European public lie, culture, and education at the insistence of the insatiable Hebrew soul-murderers. By suppressing the chief nation of Europe, Zionist multiculturalist ideology and behind-the-scenes political power oppresses the World. When Germany is free, however, Zionist Plutocracy will hear its death knell and Mankind will rejoice. Help the peoples in their quest for Beauty, Truth, and Goodness! Your path has brought you here to the DOOR OF FREEDOM.” (17/1). AustraliaFreePress.org added new articles including “Talmudic Deception in Poland”, “8 million idiots pay homage to the Satanic Holocaust Cult’s holy shrine”, “What the VILE Talmud Really Says About Jesus” and “Standing ovation as war-criminal Howard receives yet another prize from the children of the Devil.” (14/6).

The website “uputoo”, which printed a series “Project for the New Australian (Zionist) Century: A disgraceful episode in the political history of Australia” which claimed there is an ongoing “Zionisation of Australia”. It alleged that a company led by Mark Leibler, Jeremy Jones and Colin Rubenstein had effectively taken over Australia. Items published included “On 16/05/06 The Reverend John W Howard of the Church of Latter Day Zionology was awarded **the prestigious B’nai B’rith international Presidential Gold Medal for his “outstanding” support of Israel and the Jewish people at a ceremony in Israeli-occupied Washington. Did the Rev John renew his oath of allegiance and obedience to the Zionist State on the good book: “The Protocols of the Learned Elders of Zion”?** While The Rev John sent Australian troops to fight and die in the Neocon’s phoney War on Terror (Iraq), he sent his son Richard to Washington to man a desk in the campaign to re-elect President Bush. . . **The Project for the New Australian (Zionist) Century (PNA(Z)C) is a coalition of the faceless international monopolists who surreptitiously manipulate our political system, banking, industrial production, defence policies, intelligence services, foreign policy, communications and, through its subversive alliances, dictates who enters Australia and who is deported. In other words, “the enemies within”.** (17/1). The Sydney-based “Rebel Media Group” runs “Ziopedia.org” carried a media release claiming it was hosting “Jews Anonymous”. (18/1).

In the newsgroup aus.culture.true-blue a discussion took place under the heading “Anti-Semitic Means: What Jews Don’t Want You To Know! Shoah Business is still great”, which included Holocaust denial and claims of Jewish/Nazi collaboration. (19/1); in newsgroups soc.culture.australia and soc.culture.true-blue, supporters of

Holocaust denial posted items under the heading “ZYDS Trying to Shut Dr Toben Down” (5/6, 6/6). One submission included an eight page “compilation of Jewish Ritual Murders From Before the Time of Christ Until 1932.”; Soc.culture.australian hosted a discussion on “Zionist Collaboration with Hitler”. (7/8).

Patriot Alliance Downunder’s website, promoted a video championed by David Duke, claiming “This short one minute and forty second video encapsulates the Jewish Supremacist/extremist attitude, not just of this settler but of the Supremacist Zionist movement around the world. It exposes their true anti-Christianism, their desire to kill the Palestinians and anyone who opposes them, and how they label anyone who opposes them as a “Nazi” and “anti-Semite.” This video irrefutable exposes the unabashed evil of Jewish supremacism. – **David Duke** (*Minor edits by Franklyn White*).”. Another article applauded the “One Third of Young Germans” it claimed “Support National Socialism, Disbelieve Holocaust.”. (26/2).

Stormfront Downunder discussed “Jewish blood”. Typical comments were those of “Pastor Bullets” – “There is no where in the Bible that says that Jewish blood only pass on the mothers line, this crap comes from the Babylonian Talmud. Blood of both parents and all ancestors pass through all offspring. A mongrel is a mongrel.” (10/2); in a discussion on a Zoo Weekly article on the Australian far-right, on Stormfront, “SouthWesterner” wrote “Imagine what we could expose if we had our own printing press. Front page would be; “What the jews DONT want you to know!” with a big picture of a volume of the Talmud. we could talk about the Palestinian Holocaust and the nasty behaviour of Israeli jews killing palestinian children. we could talk about why one doesnt see 100s of Russian Bolshevik horror stories and documentaries. we could talk about the Russian prostitution racket operated by israeli jews inside of israel and europe. we can expose how 90% of the worlds media and its policies are owned by jews. we can about how Zionists run the US and its economy through the federal reserve. we can talk about how the US government which is infultated by jews, gives israel increible amounts of funding that comes straight out the taxpayers pockets of the US. and the great majority of the US citizens dont even know it. theres just too much to talk about when it comes to exposing zionist deceptions.” (July 20, 07); Downunder Newslinks (24/9) republished a long antisemitic item “What World Famous Men Said About the Jews Part I”, which lef to an on-line discussion which included comments such as the Jews “have Chosen themselves as the Herders of Goyisch Cattle” and “The Jew abuses your good nature and generosity to destroy all that you have”. Another site, The Freedom Liberation Movement, publishes or links to literally hundreds of pages of antisemitic material. (9/8).

A group on Facebook, called “F.U. Ajax Cricket Club” included a series of submissions calling for the gassing of Jews, with one writer apologising that his German grandparents “didn’t get them all”. (7/8).

In 2007, e-mail accounted for approximately 60 percent of reports of incidents of anti-Jewish harassment and intimidation.

ATTITUDES TOWARD THE HOLOCAUST AND THE NAZI ERA

Although there is little evidence to suggest Holocaust denial has an impact on the way the Holocaust is taught, or has any influence on scholars or scholarship, the dissemination of material which offends, ridicules and intimidates Holocaust survivors and their families is a key activity of extreme right-wing elements in Australia. Typical behavior of deniers is to write letters to newspapers demanding a debate on the facts of the Holocaust or asserting that since one or more details relating to the Holocaust is not correctly understood, a massive fraud has been perpetrated on humanity by those who can benefit from it. They also promote material for journalists, students and others claiming that they are being denied a fair hearing of ‘the truth’, or send Holocaust denial material directly to individuals identified as survivors or descendants of survivors of the Holocaust. Following the Federal Court findings against Fredrick Toben and The Bible Believers, most of this is now done by individuals, anonymously, rather than in any overt manner.

Of great concern is the equation of Israel’s behavior with that of Nazi Germany. During the war with Hizballah in 2006, a number of mainstream media outlets disseminated the view that Israel was, in effect, the contemporary version of Hitler’s Germany (see above). In 2007 a prominent clergyman went so far as to make a direct comparison of Israel to Nazi Germany after he visited Yad Vashem. He subsequently apologised and edited his web-diary.

RESPONSES TO ANTISEMITISM and racism

Official and Public Activity

Concerns about racism prompted responses from opinion leaders, including politicians in state and federal parliaments. Most state and territory legislatures have passed motions condemning racism, calling for reconciliation and affirming the values of tolerance and diversity during the past seven years. National Harmony Day, on United Nations Day for the Elimination of Racism, is generally marked by the government and by honoring individuals and organizations active in promoting Australian multiculturalism.

Cooperation between religious communities continued, particularly in youth interfaith projects, between leading Jewish, Christian and Muslim organizations, both federally and in the states of New South Wales, South Australia and Victoria, with a Christian, Muslim and Jewish educational project “Children of Abraham,” visiting a number of non-metropolitan locations.

Churches were important proponents of diversity and tolerance, often in concert with the Jewish community. The Uniting Church in Australia is continuing to explore ways of taking joint action with the Jewish community to combat prejudice. The Catholic Church has been promoting inter-religious and multi-faith understanding since the start of the new millennium. Relations between the Anglican Church and the Jewish community also seemed to be improving.

Church and service organizations continue to assert moral leadership by refusing to allow racist and anti-Jewish groups to hire their premises and advising representatives not to share platforms with known

extremists. As a result extremist anti-Jewish groups are experiencing increasing difficulty in finding premises in which to meet and in convincing respectable Australians to participate in their activities.

Australia participated in all four Stockholm Forums against intolerance, as well as the Durban UN World Conference against Racism, and members of the Jewish community have been on the official Australian government delegations at all five of these events.

In December 2004 the Australian and Indonesian governments co-hosted a major regional inter-governmental meeting to promote inter-religious cooperation for tolerance and against extremism. The third Asia Pacific Regional Interfaith Dialogue took place in Cebu, the Philippines, in May 2007, and the Australian government and the New Zealand government both included Jewish community representatives in their delegations.

Legal Activity

While no new matters relating to antisemitism were lodged under Australia's federal anti-racism legislation, one complaint was settled and one court hearing conducted in another. On February 2, 2007, Justice Conti in the Federal Court found that Holocaust Denial material on the website "Bible Believers" was in breach of the Federal Racial Hatred Act. At year's end, the matter was on Appeal. As allegedly proscribed material was published on the website of the Adelaide Institute, contempt proceedings were initiated in the period in review.

In April, Simon Christian became the first person in the State of Victoria to be convicted for anti-Semitic assault, due to his part in an attack on Menahem Vorschheimer in late 2006. A Perth member of the neo-Nazi group Australian Nationalists Movement was sentenced to two years in prison for conspiring with three others to bomb four Chinese restaurants. Also in Perth, a man who admitted making a series of threatening anti-Semitic telephone calls to the Jewish Community Centre only received a twelve month bond, due to his submission of a psychiatric report.

Ash Peake, a cricketer who set up a Facebook Group which promoted anti-Semitism, was suspended by the Victorian Turf Cricket Association until 2015 and expelled from his club.

During the year in review, the Office of Film and Literature Classification came under criticism for giving a "Parental Guidance" rating for a DVD series in which an imam welcomes a time when someone will "come and kill ... the Jew" and where Jews are described as descendants of pigs.