



**State of Israel
Ministry of Justice**

The Human Rights and Foreign Relations Department

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Mr. Ezra Nawi

We received your enquiry regarding the above and would like to address your concerns. According to information forwarded to us by the relevant authorities:

1. Mr. Nawi arrives every week to southern mount Hebron area and recently also to Etzion area and joins Palestinian residents there. Together with these Palestinian residents he knowingly enters areas in close vicinity of Israeli settlements that are closed military areas.
2. During these weekly occurrences, Mr. Nawi provokes the local residents. Subsequently, the Israeli Defense Force (IDF) and the Israeli Police arrive, and are confronted by Mr. Nawi who has often uses insults and sometimes even force against members of the security forces.
3. Mr. Nawi was detained, arrested and investigated several times for his behavior and on March 19, 2009 **was convicted of participating in a riot and assaulting two Police officers** (Cr.C. (Jerusalem) 3246/07 *The State of Israel v. Ezra Nawi*). His case is scheduled for sentencing on July 1, 2009.
4. Note that Mr. Nawi is represented throughout these court proceeding by legal counsel.

Yours Sincerely,

Assaf Radzyner, Adv.

Cc: Hila Tene-Gilad, Adv.