

Psycho-Reactive Israelophobia

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In a recent speech, Donald Trump, former US president and current presumptive Republican candidate for president in 2024, brought to the attention of the American public the existence of a serious psychological condition that does not appear in the lexicon of psychiatric disorders, but which nonetheless herein is now assigned the label,

Psycho-Reactive Israelophobia or PRI

PRI is a psychological disorder that distorts thought processes possibly emanating from the region of the brain that regulates rational thought. Symptoms of PRI include, but may not be limited to, an irrational hatred of Israel stemming from a fixed belief in one's essential worthlessness as a Jew. In its initial stages, PRI manifests itself in episodes of verbal outbursts against the state of Israel. Said verbal outbursts are triggered by exposure to Israeli symbols, such as the Israeli flag or images of Israeli soldiers or movies extolling the Jews as a people, such as *The Ten Commandments*, *Ben Hur*, or *Exodus*. In its most acute phase, PRI may produce overt acts of violence. The mere mention of the word Zionist produces immediate and overwhelming feelings of indignation and rage. A unique feature of PRI is that it targets only American Jews who vote for or otherwise support the U. S. Democratic party which, problematically, is now staunchly anti-Israel and anti-Semitic, thus creating an obvious conflict for the Jewish Democrat.

The corrosive effects of PRI on psychological functioning are dramatized by the award winning Jewish-American author Philip Roth, now deceased, in his widely acclaimed novel *Portnoy's Complaint*, Roth presents a story of unresolved emotional suffering that centers around the character Alexander Portnoy, a white middle-class college educated American Jew and civil rights advocate who struggles to deal with his fundamental loathing for everything Jewish and self-rejecting anger and resulting inferiority complex over being born a Jew in a non-Jewish society. In the story, Portnoy, in a desperate attempt to re-engage with his Jewishness and shore up his shattered self-esteem, travels to Israel. However, the visit to Israel only serves to intensify his anger at everything Jewish which culminates in Portnoy sexually assaulting an Israeli woman who, after stopping Portnoy from raping her, tells Portnoy to go home. Portnoy's problem is that he has no place he can call home, no place where he can gain peace of mind, relieve himself of his anger, and live his life. PORTNOY HAS NOTHING except a severe case of PRI which is choking him to death.

PRI exists. There is no denying that fact. Accordingly, there is an urgent need for the U.S. federal government to launch a multi-billion-dollar initiative to isolate PRI and stamp it out before it mutates into new strains and spreads to other ethnic groups who may also be equally vulnerable to new strains of the disorder.

Time is of the essence. The longer PRI is allowed to spread, the more it places the stability of society at risk. Presently, THERE IS NO KNOWN CURE FOR PRI. There is no pill or therapy that will make PRI disappear. Currently, the only

way to manage PRI is by trying to moderate the symptoms and prevent it from doing more damage. Whatever the case, if you are Jewish, support the Democratic party, and have hostile thoughts about the state of Israel, consult a health care professional without delay. You may have PRI.

Sources

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