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Achievement Report for National Camp Ministers and MKs

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Partial List of Achievements – By Topic

(Note: only selected achievements, representative of the approximately 150 achievements listed in the original Hebrew report, have been translated into English)

Jerusalem

Reduction of Palestinian attacks (throwing of rocks and Molotov cocktails) directed against Hadassah Hospital

<http://www.jerusalemnet.co.il/article/38273>

Prof. Aryeh Eldad

Diplomacy

Foiled Mofaz's attempt to have Foreign Affairs and Security Committee adopt his report recommending compromises to Palestinians

Prof. Aryeh Eldad, Zeev Elkin, Mutz Matalon, Nissim Zeev, Uri Maklev, Ofir Akunis, David Rotem, Tzipi Hotovely, Zion Pinyan, Dr. Michael Ben-Ari, Danny Danon

Unprecedented attempts by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to publicize information negating occupation and explaining legal and historical rights to live and build in Judea and Samaria

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XGYxLWUKwWo>

Danny Ayalon

Saeb Erekat embarrassed into refusing public debate with Deputy Foreign Minister Danny Ayalon

<http://www.mfa.gov.il/MFA/About+the+Ministry/Deputy+Foreign+Minister/Press/DFM+Ayalon+surprised+Erekat+rejection+public+debate+31-Jul-2011.htm?DisplayMode=print>

Danny Ayalon

President of International Parliamentary Union undertook to prevent participation of Hamas representatives in official delegations

Ruby Rivlin

Prevention of future political blackmail

A sum of 86 million NIS for National Service was included in the permanent budget instead of being re-negotiated each year. Prevents political blackmail by Prime Minister who might betray Israel on the one hand and on the other, effectively coerce National Religious Party to remain in government by withholding National Service budget.

Prof. Daniel HersHKoviz, Uri Orbach, Zevulun Orlev, Gidon Saar, Zeev Elkin

National Legislation

Increase in grants for soldiers: The Ministerial Committee approved, bill passed preliminary reading

Grant for soldiers who completed their army service increased from 9300 NIS to 20,000 NIS

Moshe Matalon. Supporting: Moshe Kahlon, Prof. Daniel HersHKovits, Yossi Peled

Law of Museums to apply in Judea and Samaria. Passed preliminary and first reading

Uri Ariel, Prof. Aryeh Eldad, Zeev Elkin, Limor Livnat, Moshe Kahlon, Prof. Daniel HersHKovitz

Law regulating Grazing): Passed preliminary reading

For increased protection of national land through herding

Uri Ariel. Shai Hermesh

Law of Double Registration: Passed preliminary reading

Opportunistic double-registration in 2 opposing political parties to be considered criminal behavior. Increases power of ideological party members.

Tzipi Hotovely

National Camp-Style Security and War on Terror

Decreased benefits for terrorists in Israeli prisons

Tzipi Hotovely, Zeev Elkin, Dr. Michael Ben Ari, Prof. Aryeh Eldad, Yariv Levin.
Prof. Daniel HersHKovitz, Danny Danon

Increase in monthly benefits for all orphans of terror victims (equivalent to army widows)

Chaim Katz

Judea, Samaria And Golan Communities: Assistance And Facilitation

Emanuel: Problem-solving for local issues

Eli Yishai, Dr. Yuval Steinitz, Ariel Amias, Saholom, Simhon, Silvan Shalom, Yisrael Katz, Yakov Margi, Uri Ariel, Zevulun Orlev, Meshulam Nahari, Moshe Kahlon, Gilad Arden, Yakov Litzman, Moshe Gafni, Dr. Michael Ben-Ari

Beit El: Problem-solving for local issues:

Yisrael Katz, Limor Iivant, Moshe Kahlon, Gidon Saar, Zevulun Orlev, Yariv Levin, Tzipi Hotoveli, Ruby Rivlin, Silvan Shalom, Dr. Uzi Landau, Yakov Margi, Eli Yishai, Dr. Yuval Steinitz, Ariel Atias, Uri Ariel, Prof. Daniel HersHKovitz

Partial solution to damage caused by Ehud Barak to Hesder Yeshiva in Har Bracha: Recognition of yeshiva in different category also eligible for some funding

Prof. Daniel HersHKovitz

Administrative framework to generate electricity from solar energy in Judea and Samaria (previously restricted: only within Green Line)

Dr. Uzi Landau, Dr. Yuval Steinitz

“Home Center” home-supplies franchise stopped charging 100 NIS for delivery beyond Green Line in response to request of

Danny Danon

Struggle Against Hostile Extreme Left and Nationalistic Arabs in Israel

Decision of the Knesset Ethics Committee: Sanctions against Knesset Member Hanin Zuabi

Dr. Michael Ben-Ari, Prof. Aryeh Eldad, Yitzhak Vaknin

Pro-Israel Media, Culture, Education

The Council for Higher Education appointed an academic committee which found Political Science Department at Ben Gurion University biased to the left when appointing lecturers and failing to differentiate opinions from facts. Barring rectification, department to be closed.

<http://www.nrg.co.il/online/54/ART2/311/515.html>

<http://www.ynet.co.il/articles/0,7340,L-4154915,00.html>

Gidon Saar

Decision at Ministry of Education: schoolchildren to visit Shilo (biblical site in Judea and Samaria)

<http://www.kipa.co.il/now/47023.html>

Gidon Saar

New topic in school curricula: Connection of Jewish people to Israel

Gidon Saar

3000 schoolchildren visited Tomb of the Patriarchs (Mearat Hamachpela) in a single month as part of the educational program "Visits in the Land of the Fathers"

<http://www.inn.co.il/News/News.aspx/226945>

Gidon Saar

Part of International Human Rights Week in Knesset dedicated to human rights violations against individuals residing in Judea and Samaria

David Rotem, Prof. Aryeh Eldad

Doubling of budget for "Israeli Journey" program - 20,000 participants

In the program, students travel to Jerusalem and Etzion bloc (Gush Etzion)

Gidon Saar

Sovereignty and Construction

190 dunams near Eli in Shomron declared to be government land

<http://glz.co.il/PrintNewsArticle.aspx?newsid=86249> 08/07/2011

Bogey Yaalon, Limor Livnat

800 dunams in Harasha in Binyamin declared to be government land

Bogey Yaalon, Limor Livnat

Improved arrangements for large crowds of Jewish worshippers in Rachel's Tomb in Bethlehem

Yisrael Eichler, Zeev Elin, Prof. Aryeh Eldad, Uri Ariel, Dr. Michael Ben-Ari, Tzipi Hotovely, Uri Maklov, Gidon Ezra

Emergency effort saved large vineyard in Adei Ad (Judea and Samaria) from being uprooted for political reasons

Uri Ariel

Most Accomplished National-Camp Elected Officials: 20+ Achievements

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Summary and Conclusions

In Ichud Leumi, the highest scoring party, three out of four legislators have 30-plus achievements to boast of. In Bayit Leumi, 20+plus achievements was the average. In Likud, one legislator boasted a whopping 40-plus achievements, two were in the 30's, and six legislators scored in the 20's. However, about two-thirds of Likud legislators had less than 20 achievements. In Liberman's Yisrael Beytenu party, and in Shas, most legislators earned a single-digit number of achievements (less than 10). In Yahadut haTorah (United Torah Judaism), the lowest scoring party, not a single legislator earned more than 10 achievements.

The overall picture is positive. Most elected officials in the national camp are clearly working to promote previously-neglected national values. Members of the Government of Israel and Knesset feel bound, as they should, by public sentiment which is strongly committed to the land of Israel.

However, additional improvement on the part of some legislators is definitely in order. It is unacceptable that some elected officials accumulate achievements numbering in the single digits over a half-year period – whereas their more energetic colleagues accomplish more than 4 times as much, in precisely the same period.

Legislators' performance will become even stronger, as the public reading this report accustom themselves to recruiting themselves and others, to electorally support those worthy of being supported as evidenced by this report. Electoral support can be provided both at party primaries and on general election day.

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