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Special Commission on Combating Antisemitism Representative Simon Cataldo & Senator John C. Velis, Co-Chairs

Commission Meeting #15 November 14, 2025 – 10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Massachusetts State House 24 Beacon Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02133 Hearing Room A1

Virtual via Microsoft Teams

AGENDA

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Approve Prior Meeting Minutes: November 5, 2025
- 3. Statements of the Chair and Announcements Co-Chairs
- 4. Discussion: Parents for Peace Why antisemitism is not just a Jewish problem
 - Myrieme Churchill, Executive Director
 - Arno Michaelis, Exit Peer Specialist
 - Mubin Shaikh, Exit Peer Specialist
- 5. Discussion: Lessons from an antisemitism educator supporting the community
 - Oren Jacobson, Chief Executive Officer of Project Shema
- 6. Discussion on research and interventions to support Jews in the workplace
 - Karyn Cohen, Volunteer, CJP and Member, Center for Combating Antisemitism Advisory Committee
 - Rebecca Leeman, Chief of Staff, National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership (CLAL)
- 7. Discussion: Perspectives on antisemitism from Massachusetts clergy of T'ruah: The Rabbinic Call for Human Rights
 - Rabbi Jessica Lowenthal

- Rabbi Aliza Schwartz
- 8. Discussion on the Immigrant Jewish Experience Israelis, Russian Jews, and Persian Jews in Massachusetts
 - Robert Mayer, National Co-Chair, Israeli-American Civic Action Network
 - Eugene Levin, Filmmaker and Community Advocate
 - Eliana Nahoumi, Representative of the Persian Jewish Community
- 9. Discussion: A global approach to confront antisemitism and educate on lessons from the Holocaust
 - Alice Nderitu, Former United Nations Special Advisor on the Prevention of Genocide
- 10. Discussion: What it takes to combat antisemitism in K-12, a parent's perspective
 - Andrea Silbert, Parent
- 11. Adjourn

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