

Zionist Union Head Herzog Wants Joint Arab Party MK Tibi to Join Sensitive Israel Defense Committee



MK Yitzhak Herzog of Zionist Union on left and MK Ahmed Tibi of United Arab List on right

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When we posted yesterday on "[Yellow Journalism Roils Final Week of Israeli Knesset Elections](#)", we drew attention to the Zionist Union endeavoring to form an alliance with the Unified Arab List. We wrote:

A suggested change in the proportion for party representation under Israel's basic law of 5.00 was [compromised](#) at 3.25 percent in a March 2014 Knesset vote. This was a marginal increase from the previous threshold of 2 Percent. That led the Arab list of parties, harboring seditious MKs, to [announce](#) a unified list that enabled them to pick up 11 mandates in the new Knesset. That led the Zionist Union to consider a possible alliance with Arab MKs to join the government and possibly fill Ministerial posts.

Today came evidence of the collusion between Zionist Union head and Joint Arab List head Ahmed Tibi in an *Arutz Sheva/INN* report, [‘Buji has lost his Mind’](#). The *INN* headline was:

Nationalist MKs pounce on Labor head who won't rule out letting MK Ahmed Tibi into Knesset's sensitive Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee.

This may be enough to swing many of Israel's estimated 20 percent undecided back to Prime Minister Netanyahu and Likud vaporizing the temporary lead of the Zionist Union. Benny Moshe and Gil Ronen, authors of the *INN* report, wrote:

Nationalist MKs reacted with derision Wednesday after MK Yitzhak "Buji" Herzog (Labor) said in a televised interview that he does "not rule out" allowing MK Ahmed Tibi of the United Arab List to the Knesset's highly sensitive Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee.

"Buji has gone crazy, appointing Ahmed Tibi to the Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee," said MK Miri Regev (Likud). "Seriously? It is Buji who endangers the security of Israel, despite attempts by some officers to scare the Israeli public against (Binyamin) Netanyahu. Only Netanyahu will safeguard the nation's security and the public knows this well, in its heart of hearts."

MK Moti Yogev (Jewish Home) called on Herzog to recant. "MK Buji Herzog's agreement to Ahmed Tibi's membership in the Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, which stems from his desire to receive the support of the Arabs, expresses irresponsibility and abandon.

"This position of his makes it clear to the entire Israeli public that we must not place trust in him or see him, God forbid, as prime minister. The discussions in the Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee, certainly in the subcommittees, are ones with heavy import and it is not possible to let the MKs who support Israel's enemies into them. Buji – return! Return to the Israeli mainstream, which typified the Labor party in the past, when it was Zionist and pro-defense, and not like today, when you have espoused the radical Left's positions."

How dangerous is MK Tibi? The *INN* report notes:

Tibi is a former adviser to Yasser Arafat, who headed the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) for decades and launched countless terror attacks against Jews. He has spoken out in favor of “martyrdom” by Arab terrorists, has a long history of inciting violence by Arabs, has a penchant for [the most clever and dangerous](#) of the Arab MKs.

Ted Belman, publisher of the *Israpundit* blog, gave historical evidence of Tibi’s sedition, in a January 25, 2008 post, “[Time to say goodbye” to Arab Israelis](#):

By examining the Israeli Arab protests at Gaza’s Erez crossing we can understand that Knesset Member Ahmed Tibi, as well as Ra’ed Salah and his comrades in the northern branch of the Islamic Movement [what we have called Hamas inside Israel], a body holding anti-Jewish positions, do not think that the Jewish people deserves its own state; at least not in this part of the world, which in their view was always meant to be the home of the Palestinian people.

[..]

Those who wish to stay and be part of the Jewish state should know that their loyalty lies only with this country. They cannot protest on behalf of those who wish to destroy it. All the others, such as Ra’ed Salah and Ahmed Tibi, must decide where they want to live. If they think that another “Palestinian state” should be established here, instead of the State of Israel, they should get up and leave. They can fight us – but from the outside. Not from within us, and not at our expense.

Looks to this writer that Yitzhak Herzog by his interview remarks has confirmed the views of Belman, many Israelis and Zionist supporters about the misnamed leftist Zionist Union. The left is seeking to destroy the “Zionist Enterprise” from

within with the Knesset election next Tuesday. With Herzog's offer to Tibi, Labor has abandoned the Jewish state to barbarians in their midst. Israelis with any sense should vote for Likud and PM Netanyahu if they want to sleep at night.