

JEWISH INSIDER

- 1) Do you believe there is a concerning rise of antisemitism on the [Right or Left], including in your own party? How do you propose to address this issue?**

There has been a concerning rise of antisemitism across our nation. I grieve with my Jewish friends and neighbors for the rise in hate in our communities. We must call out antisemitism wherever we see it, whether it is in our communities or in the White House. We need to hold Trump accountable for the role that he plays in inciting hate crimes targeting ethnic and religious minorities and for acts like [using a Nazi symbol](#) in his campaign materials. We must support community groups that are doing work to combat antisemitism. I support leveraging education, public policy, and investment in community-oriented efforts to address antisemitism. We must stand with Jewish Americans across our nation.

- 2) Do you think a two-state solution will facilitate peace between Israelis and Palestinians? If so, what are the basic parameters? If not a two-state solution, what do you suggest? What do you agree or disagree with about the Trump peace plan?**

I support a two-state solution with a capital in Jerusalem for both states, and I believe that the United States has a responsibility to help to facilitate this solution. I support H.Res. 326 (Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding United States efforts to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict through a negotiated two-state solution). A two-state solution is necessary for the peace and stability of the Middle East.

I echo the sentiments in the [Levin Lowenthal letter](#) condemning Trump's "peace plan" as a dangerous move made without the input of Congress or Palestinian stakeholders. I would also support the [Deutch Schneider letter](#) condemning unilateral annexation. It is important for American leaders to speak out against this "peace plan" that could potentially provoke additional conflict in the Middle East. When elected to Congress, I will prioritize advocating for a two-state solution, as it is necessary both from a human rights and global security perspective.

- 3) Why would you re-enter or stay out of the JCPOA with Iran? If re-enter, under what conditions or changes? How should the United States deal with the**

Iranian government on an ongoing basis? Should the U.S. military maintain a presence in the Middle East?

I believe that we must institute policies that will make the Middle East and our global community safer. I support the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) and would advocate for the United States to rejoin the agreement. While we must be firm in our approach to preventing Iran's acquisition of nuclear weapons, I believe that is necessary for the United States to restrict its military action toward Iran. I support the Iran War Powers resolution, as it is vital that any military action be sanctioned by Congress rather than unilaterally decided by our president. We must continue to turn our foreign policy toward building peace as a global community.

4) Should the U.S. increase, maintain, or decrease the amount of foreign aid to Israel and other countries in the Middle East? Should the U.S. condition its aid for specific results? What does the U.S. benefit from its relationship with Israel?

I respect the history of allyship between the United States and Israel, Israel is our democratic partner in the Middle East, and it is vital that we maintain the strong partnership that has been fostered since its recognition in 1948. Israel is entitled to national security, and U.S. aid is vital to Israel's ability to defend itself. I support aid to Israel, but we must also stand up to President Trump and resume humanitarian aid to Palestine, including through using UN agencies as an intermediary.