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Dear Friends,

It is my honor and pleasure to offer my blessings on the occasion of The London Symposium on Israeli Arabs. The Jewish Agency for Israel is committed to promoting a secure and inclusive society in line with the vision of Israel's founders. The World Zionist Organization resolution of June 2006 re-affirms that commitment.

"The WZO calls upon the government of Israel to act urgently to implement its decisions to reduce the gaps between the Arab citizens and the Jewish citizens in the State of Israel in all areas of life."

Initiatives such as your ad hoc 'Foundations Forum', hosted by The Pears Foundation, The March Rich Foundation, The Sacta-Rashi Foundation and The Andrea and Charles Bronfman Philanthropies and supported by The Rayne Trust and the ongoing work of the Inter-Agency Taskforce provide an important avenue for Jewish communities outside Israel to learn about, and engage in, these important issues.

I commend your efforts and look forward to working in partnership with you to build a strong, prosperous and just state of Israel based on the principle of civic equality for all citizens.

Yours.

Zeev Bielski

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