to yhazony

Bs"D

Yoram Shalom,
My question takes us back quite a number of years ago, to when you wrote your book, "The Jewish State". It was before Israel had an official national anthem. You made reference to it, and of course I was surprised. (Agav, so was Mercaz HaHasbara - they had no inkling that that was the case. On my urging, they found reference to it in their own booklet: "סמלי מדינת ישראל".
In the intervening years, I apparently lent my copy of your fantastic book (the best I had read on the subject before or since - יישר כחך!) and I can't find the paragraph I'm looking for in which you referred to this unusual lack...
I know the Knesset finally passed it into law in Nov. 2004 (although I have no recollection what brought them to finally do this), but I am teaching a class this week on Hymnons, and I want to relate to them this "curioz" about our own anthem.
Could you send me the relevant sentence/sentences?
I'd really appreciate it.
B'Toda m'rosh u'b'v'racha,
Mordechai Goldman

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Yoram Hazony <mariner@herzlinstitute.org> 12/04/2015

to me

Dear Mordechai Goldman,

Thanks for you kind recollections. Unfortunately, I do not remember that particular material as being in my book. I did a quick search just now and could not find it. So it remains a mystery!

With warm regards,

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to Yoram

Bs"D

Yoram -
Toda, aval...
your answer caught me by surprise. i know i didn't make it up - the only possibility is that i read it in another book. but after giving **you** credit for this for so many years - i would send "protests" to news (incl. Arutz-7), and other sources, for referring to Hatikvah as the national anthem, reminding them that its status was unofficial only ("mukar b'tzibur" but no more than that) - i am loathe to take that credit away from you...!
what i vaguely remember was some bemused comment that the status of Israel as the confirmed homeland was to be held in some doubt since we don't even have a national anthem. of course i am not quoting verbatim by any means but the gist of it was that we were still without an anthem with whatever "repercussions" that entailed.
the fact of the matter remains that indeed 15 or more years ago when this "discovery" was made known to me - that in fact was the case.
and if i want to give you credit for making me - and through me the Mercaz haHasbara, who didn't even know what they had publicised - aware of this situation, until it got rectified about 4 years later - well, just say "thank you!"
and so - if you can find some reference to the lack of a national anthem in your notes for your book, i would be more than pleased if you would share it with me, and through me with my students.
until then, mo'adim l'simcha and Yom haAtzma'ut Sameach!
Mordechai

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to me

I don't think I've ever made a comment like that. Must be another book.
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to me

I found it. It's on p. 270—"No national anthem was formally adopted, but in practice the hymn of the Jewish state was Hatikva, the anthem of the Zionist movement."

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to Yoram, Bracha

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WOW!!!!!!
אתה גדול!

אמנם, אחרי חילופי הדברים הקודמים, שאלתי את הספר מחברים והתחלתי לדפדף בו, אך עלי להודות שטרם הגעתי לדף המיוחל.
אך טרם גם לא הגעתי לגיל הזיקנה, והתפלאתי למה הדברים לא היו זכורים לך.
תיארתי לעצמי שעבדת אז ללא מחשב, ולכן לא היתה לך שיטה פשוטה לחפש ערכים,
אך בתוך תוכי הודיתי שגם ייתכן באמת שאני טועה,
והנה - מצאת!
אינני יודע איך - האם זה הטריד גם אותך ובכל זאת חיפשת (עבודת נמלים?) או שבחיפוש אחרי משהו אחר זה קפץ לך,
לא חשוב.
אנחנו שמחים (אשתי ואני) שמצאת, כי באמת נתתי לך את ה"קרדיט" כל השנים, ורציתי שזה אכן נכון.
היושר שלך, והנכונות לעזור לי למצוא תשובה - גם שלא ידעתי שהנך עוסק בזה! - מאד מרשימים,
וזה רק מוסיף להוקרה שאנחנו חשים כלפיך.
אשריך, אשרי כל מי שמכיר אותך,
אשרי יולדתך!
כבוד לנו להכיר אדם כמוך.
בתודה ממש ובברכה
מרדכי
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to me, Bracha

I'm translating the book into Hebrew now so I'm rereading every sentence….. Thanks for the kind words.

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to Yoram, Bracha

בס"ד
שיהיה בהצלחה!
נצפה להודעה שזה מוכן ונוכל לקנות.
כל-טוב,
מרדכי

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to me, Bracha

בשמחה!

Yoram Hazony