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Pope Francis instructs Vatican entities to move all funds to Vatican bank by Sept. 30

The Institute for Religious Works or the Vatican Bank as it is commonly known June 28 2013 CNA 5 27 15

Hannah Brockhaus

By Hannah Brockhaus Rome Newsroom, Aug 23, 2022 / 05:51 am

Pope Francis has ordered that the Holy See and connected entities move all financial assets to the Institute for Works of Religion (IOR), commonly known as the Vatican bank.

The pope's rescript, issued Aug. 23, clarifies the interpretation of a paragraph in the new constitution of the Roman Curia, Praedicate Evangelium, promulgated in March.

According to Francis' rescript, financial and liquid assets held in banks other than the IOR must be moved to the Vatican bank within 30 days of Sept. 1, 2022.

The IOR, based in Vatican City State, has 110 employees and 14,519 clients. As of 2021, it looked after 5.2 billion euros (\$5.6 billion) of client assets.

Though commonly called a "bank," the IOR is technically a financial institute, with no branches, working within Vatican City State to provide services to clients, which include the Holy See and connected entities, religious orders, clergy, Catholic institutions, and Holy See employees.

The IOR saw its number of clients decline by 472, from 14,991 clients at the end of 2020 to 14,519 in 2021. Nearly half of its clients in 2019 were religious orders.

According to its annual report, the financial institution's \$19 million net profit in 2021 was also down from \$44 million in 2020 and \$46 million in 2019.

In his Aug. 23 rescript, Pope Francis said article 219, paragraph 3 of Praedicate Evangelium "must be interpreted to mean that the activity of asset manager and custodian of the movable patrimony of the Holy See and of the Institutions connected with the Holy See is the exclusive responsibility of the Institute for Works of Religion."

The decree will force Holy See institutions, including the Secretariat of State, to move their financial assets to the IOR by the end of September. The Secretariat of State is known to have had accounts in Swiss financial institutions, including Credit Suisse, through which the controversial London building investment was initially carried out.

Article 219, paragraph 3 of the new curial constitution says: “The execution of the financial transactions referred to in §§ 1 and 2 is carried out through the Institute for the Works of Religion,” the IOR.

The financial transactions described in paragraphs 1 and 2 of article 219 are the administration and management of the Holy See's real estate and movable assets and entities entrusting their assets to the Holy See.

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Likud leader places former Yamina members among top 20 candidates, adds former senior cop - a vocal critic of Netanyahu's indictment for corruption; party officials say campaign bus with bulletproof glass, damaging efforts to win election
Moran Azulai | Published: 09.14.22, 23:53

The Likud party on Wednesday, approved its final list of candidates for Knesset, including three names appointed by party leader Benjamin Netanyahu, two of them former political allies of Naftali Bennett, who turned against him.

Netanyahu gave the 14th and 16th spot to Amichai Chikli and Idit Silman, former members of Yamina, and the 28th spot to an outspoken former senior police member, critical of the indictment charges brought against the Likud leader.

Two other seats were offered to an author, who is a member of the Ethiopian community and lawyer who had supported his position against former prime minister Ehud Olmert. Chikli and Silman were promised a safe spot in the Likud Knesset faction for bringing down the Bennett-led coalition. Netanyahu faced pressure from Russian, Druze and Ethiopian representatives who told him that they would not vote for his party a representative of the Ethiopian community, is not on the list.

In a statement Netanyahu said Likud had presented a great list of candidates. of his picks, he said “they are all talented, worthy and have made significant achievements in their fields. Together with our party members, we will bring four years of stability and a strong government to Israel.”

Netanyahu acted to placate tensions which rose following the results of the party's primaries elections, along with conflicts that arose among members over some senior members of Knesset, who were pushed down the list by more vocal supporters of the former prime minister.

Even after calls to increase the number of women at the top of the list, only one, former minister Miri Regev, was among the top ten.

Some party officials criticized Netanyahu over his management of the election campaign. Netanyahu has been touring the country in a bus complete with a bulletproof window, making him seem aloof and out of touch, according to some. "You don't win an election by parading a bulletproof bus, some said. "You are oblivious to the reality in the field," they said.

09.15.22

Vienna talks threaten military action if Iran deems UN diplomacy at a dead end

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Iran nuclear deal 'in ER room', Gantz says

Defense minister believes 2015 agreement unlikely to be renewed soon, if at all, echoing remarks of senior Israeli official who predicted pact would not be signed before November elections

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Iran's 2015 nuclear deal with world powers is "in the ER room" and is unlikely to be renewed soon, if at all, Israeli Defense Minister Benny Gantz said on Thursday after European leaders voiced doubt about Tehran's willingness to revive the pact.

Israel, Iran's arch-foe, supported the U.S. withdrawal from the accord in 2018 under then-President Donald Trump, who deemed it too limited, and has been advocating against a re-entry into the pact sought by President Joe Biden's administration.

Iran, whose nuclear ambitions are seen by Israel as an existential threat, denies seeking atomic bombs. Since Trump's walkout, it has breached the 2015 deal by ramping up uranium enrichment, a process that can create bomb fuel down the line.

"...The Iran nuclear deal seems like it is in the ER room," Gantz told a conference on counter-terrorism at Reichman University. "There's a period maybe after the elections, we'll see how it goes," he said in an apparent reference to the U.S. November midterm elections.

His remarks echoed those of a senior unnamed Israeli official on Sunday who predicted the deal would not be signed before the November elections.

Israel is not a party to the Vienna-based talks on reinstating the 2015 deal. But its threats to take military action against Iran if it deems diplomacy to be at a dead end keep Western capitals attentive.

On Saturday, France, Britain and Germany questioned Iran's commitment to reviving the deal in return for a lifting of sanctions, comments that were rejected by Tehran and called "very untimely" by Moscow.

In August, after 16 months of tortuous negotiations, the European Union laid down a final offer to overcome an impasse over terms for restoring the agreement.

Earlier this month, Iran sent its latest response to the EU's proposed text. Western diplomats said this was a step backwards, with Iran seeking to link a revival of the deal with the closure of UN nuclear watchdog investigations into unexplained nuclear activity by Tehran.

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Arab Israeli Joint List alliance splits as parties submit Knesset slate for November elections

Along with expected low voter turnout, break up set to reduce Arab sector representation in Israeli parliament; some 40 lists submit candidates as Israel heads for unprecedented fifth election in four years

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The predominately Arab alliance of parties - the Joint List on Thursday, split with the Balad faction announcing it would run separately, despite little chance it will succeed to pass the minimum Knesset threshold of four seats.

As polling predicts a low turn out of Arab voters, the split poses further challenges to the Arab political representatives.

Low voter participation and the dramatic last minute split, bolsters the chances for Likud leader Benjamin Netanyahu's right-wing and religious bloc to form the next government. At 10 pm the gates of the Knesset were shut and only representatives of parties already on the premises, were able to use the remaining two hours - before the midnight deadline - to submitting their lists of candidates.

Some 40 parties submitted their final lists for an unprecedented fifth election in four years, which looks unlikely to break the deadlock between former premier Benjamin Netanyahu and his bitter rivals.

The Nov. 1 ballot will see the veteran Netanyahu leading a bloc of right-wing and ultra-religious parties against centrist Prime Minister Yair Lapid who is leading a far more fragmented camp, spanning left to right.

So far polls have shown neither camp winning an outright majority in Israel's 120-seat Knesset, an outcome that analysts say could leave Israel facing many more months of political uncertainty as economic and security troubles mount.

Likud under the leadership of Benjamin Netanyahu submitted its list earlier in the day, after the party leader assigned safe seats to former members of Naftali Bennett's Yamina party, who defected to Netanyahu's right-wing and religious bloc and caused the Bennett government to fall.

Netanyahu was seen as attempting to appeal to the rightwing liberal voters who had previously backed Bennett, but those may stay away - after Netanyahu's alliance with the far-right Religious Zionism alliance, that includes racist Itamar Ben Gvir and the extreme Noam party, which calls the gay community – "sexual perverts," and says women belong at home and not in the public sphere.

Yamina itself and Bennett, are absent from the elections this year and his former close ally Ayelet Shaked is running under the Jewish Home Party, but has little chance of being elected.

Likud's list includes just one woman among its top ten candidates, and many of the party's senior members have been pushed back in a primary vote, while the more vocal of Netanyahu supporters' who expressed more extreme views and threatened the judicial system, were advanced to the top.

Earlier on Thursday, Likud slammed Prime Minister Yair Lapid's Yesh Atid party as racist, after a campaign add directed at the Russian speaking Israelis appeared, claiming Likud was advancing the Sephardi constituents over the mostly Ashkenazi immigrants from the former Soviet Union.

Lapid responded by accusing Likud of promoting sectorial strife, adding that there were more candidates from Arab countries and North African origins, at the top of Yesh Atid, than in the Likud leadership. The party said they fired the freelance campaign worker responsible for the ad.

Despite his efforts, Lapid was unable to convince Labor leader Merav Michaeli to join forces with the leftists Meretz party, and the two will compete for votes, as Lapid hopes both cross the minimum Knesset threshold. IF one or both do not, his parliamentary bloc would lose precious votes needed to prevent Netanyahu from returning to power.

Netanyahu's close ally, Aryeh Deri, submitted his ultra-Orthodox Shas Party's list with his name at the top of the ballot. This, despite having plead guilty to tax evasions earlier in the year, and being forced to leave the outgoing Knesset.

Since he avoided a trial with his guilty plea, Deri was not sanctioned by a court for a crime that would have prevented him from running for the elections.

He had already spent years behind bars for corruption, earlier in his political career and returned to the Knesset after a seven-year hiatus. His candidacy may be challenged in the courts.

The other orthodox factions agreed to maintain their alliance despite internal disputes, at the urging of Netanyahu, who was also instrumental in uniting the parties on the far-right.

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Bezelel Smotrich argues Arab legislators 'first to lead the hostile discourse against Israel and against its right to exist'; Joint List's Touma-Sliman hits back, labeling him 'racist Jewish supremacist'

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Far-right lawmaker Bezelel Smotrich on Monday called to ban Israel's Arab parties.

Speaking at Reichmann University's World Summit on Counter-Terrorism, the Religious Zionist Party chief called the country's Arab parties "the most dangerous security threat to Israel today."

"They are the first to lead the hostile discourse against Israel and against its right to exist," he said, adding that the widespread massacre of Jewish citizens by their Arab compatriots was "a more realistic scenario than ever."

Smotrich painted a picture of "hundreds of thousands of illegal weapons being directed at the moment of truth against Israeli citizens."

The firebrand legislator also rejected outright attempts by Arab lawmakers to break into the political mainstream — like the Islamist Ra'am party which is currently a member of the governing coalition — as a facade meant to cover radical anti-Israeli beliefs.

"The concealment efforts led by [Ra'am leader] Mansour Abbas in the old and well-known method of the Islamic Movement to camouflage radical, extremist Islamist nationalism, which seeks to destroy the State of Israel and replace it with one big Islamic caliphate," he claimed.

The former transportation minister's statements spurred backlash from members of the Arab-majority Joint List party, with lawmaker Aida Touma-Sliman labeling him a "racist Jewish supremacist."

Ahmad Tibi, head of the Joint List's Ta'al faction, said the statements painted a "dystopian scenario" for Israel. He also noted that should Smotrich become a minister again, along with fellow far-right lawmaker Itamar Ben-Gvir, Arab citizens would lose political representation.

Ben-Gvir has also advocated for extremist policies targeting Arabs, calling to deport citizens who he deemed "disloyal to Israel."

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U.S. toughened stance on dishonest Iran thanks to Israeli evidence, official says
Official calls to ditch current efforts to revive nuclear deal and says U.S. should present credible military option to strong-arm Tehran back to negotiating table for new agreement without sunset clauses

Itamar Eichner| Published: 09.12.22, 22:01

Israel provided evidence **Iran has not been forthright** about its nuclear program which has led the United States to toughen its stance in negotiations to revive the 2015 nuclear deal, a senior Israeli official said Monday.

According to the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, an **agreement** seemed **unlikely** to materialize. This comes one day after a senior Israeli source said that **Washington** was **unlikely to sign** a new deal with Iran **at least until after** the U.S. midterm elections in November.

"The U.S. should present a credible military threat and then put an offer on the table for a new nuclear agreement - without sunset clauses," the official said.

"The negotiations with Iran are already out of the hands of U.S. Special Representative for Iran **Robert Malley's** camp who **push for a return** to the agreement."

He also added that National Security Adviser Eyal Hulata and **Mossad Director** David Barnea's recent trips to Washington "were critical to the process, as they **presented new, solid and credible intelligence.**"

"There are no talks right now with Iran. There is no one in Vienna. There will be a moment when the schedule requires us to say it's over."

The official also stated that **"Israel has a military option at all times.** We will do what needs to be done when the time comes, and **we won't have to ask anyone's permission nor notify anyone.**"

"We do want to push [world powers] back to the strategic dialog about the next option. **We need a better agreement.** If there is a credible military threat, it will bring Iran back to the negotiating table as it has in the past."

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Lapid in Germany: Nuclear deal with Iran a 'crucial mistake'

German Chancellor **Olaf Scholz** tells PM during joint press conference that **Iran must not obtain nuclear weapons,** claiming it is main objective of his government; leaders to jointly visit site of 1942 'final solution' decision

Itamar Eichner | Published: **09.12.22**, 14:09

Prime Minister Yair **Lapid**, who is **on a state visit to Germany**, said **Monday** a revival of the nuclear deal with Iran would be a "crucial mistake."

Speaking during a **joint press conference** in Berlin with German Chancellor **Olaf Scholz**, **Lapid** said he **presented the chancellor with sensitive intelligence information,** which supports **Israel's opposition to the emerging agreement.**

"We discussed the need for a new strategy to stop Iran's nuclear program," Lapid told reporters as the two men appeared before them to make statements.

"Returning to the nuclear agreement, under the current conditions, would be a critical mistake," he said. "Removing sanctions and pouring hundreds of billions of dollars into Iran will bring waves of terrorism, not only to the Middle East, but also across Europe."

Lapid welcomed the statement released by Germany, Britain and France over the weekend, when they criticized Iran's latest demands and claimed they were in contradiction to the legally binding obligations under the 2015 JCPOA

Scholz said Iran must not be allowed to obtain nuclear weapons. He said Germany and the other European powers had made suggestions that he regretted to say, Iran had refused.

"It is important that Iran, not develop nuclear weapons and missiles. That is our main objective," Scholz said.

Earlier, Lapid met with German President Frank-Walter Steinmeier and Foreign Minister Annalena Baerbock.

He will later visit the site of the 1942 Wannsee Conference, where the Nazi's decided on the "Final Solution," their program to exterminate the Jewish population of Europe, accompanied by Scholz and a group of Holocaust survivors.

In his statement, Lapid said he as the son of a survivor and the grandson of a victim of the Nazi murder at the Mauthausen concentration camp, he is proud to represent the State of Israel on German soil.

"The deep ties between our countries, Mr. Chancellor, are proof that humanity always has a choice," Lapid said. " Evil can be replaced by friendship. Brutality can be replaced by human kindness and the ability to cooperate," he said.

09.12.22

West Bank IDF in overnight raids arrest 12 PA in Jenin with weapons and explosives

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Israeli security forces arrest 12 terror suspects in West Bank raids, military says
IDF says troops surrounded home in Jenin and wound one suspect as he attempts to escape; weapons and explosives found on premises; military adds at least one man injured when militants exchange fire with force

Elisha Ben Kimon | Published: 09.12.22, 09:47

Israeli security forces arrested 12 Palestinians in overnight raids in the West Bank, suspected of terror activity, the military said on Monday.

In a raid on Jenin, forces surrounded a home where wanted suspects were located. One attempted to escape but was shot and wounded by the troops.

During a search of the house, IDF found an improvised machine gun, two flack jackets and explosive devices.

At least one man was injured when armed militants exchanged fire with the troops, as they were leaving the area.

Troops also clashed with Palestinians near Jerusalem and where means of crowd dispersal were used after stones, explosive devices and other objects were hurled at the force.

The IDF had been increasing its raids on the West Bank, including inside refugee camps, arresting scores of suspects. Security sources claimed more than 240 terror attacks had been foiled since the start of the year.

Dozens of suspects were detained as part of the efforts to prevent attacks on Israelis on the West Bank and inside Israel.

The source said the security forces were working to seal the West Bank barrier to prevent illegal entry of bad actors into Israel. As a result, more Palestinian workers have been attempting to obtain legal work permits to enter Israel.

09.11.22

Two hours apart: Israeli sisters give birth in adjacent hospital rooms

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Two hours apart: Israeli sisters give birth next door to each other

Ruth Ben-Lulu and Liraz Bitan say they found out simultaneously of their pregnancies, but didn't expect to be told they would both be giving birth so close to one another

Ilana Curie | Published: 09.11.22, 15:55

Two Israeli sisters last week gave birth two hours apart from one another and in adjacent hospital rooms in a unique delivery, a local hospital said.

Ruth Ben-Lulu and Liraz Bitan discovered that they were pregnant at the same time, and while they knew they would give birth within the same time frame, they had no idea the difference would be a matter of hours.

“We went through the entire pregnancy together. Checkups, follow-ups, we even have the same gynecologist, Dr. Andrei Kraynin,” Ben-Lulu said. “When we arrived at his office for a check up a few days ago, he sent us both to the hospital right away. So, we picked up our mother and drove there together. We were sent from the ER to the delivery rooms.”

Both of the sisters were cared for by the same midwife, Shlomit Harlev, who moved from one room to another at the Soroka Medical Center in Be'er Sheva.

Bitan, the younger sister, gave birth to her second daughter first, followed by Ben-Lulu, who gave birth to her fourth daughter.

“They had the same dilation pace and were progressing with delivery at the same pace,” Harlev said. “I had a feeling that at some point Ruth began taking charge as the older sister. She gave her younger sister the chance to give birth first, and it felt like she was protecting her.”

While the two were staying in separate delivery rooms, they remained in touch via WhatsApp messaging app and video calls. “We kept asking Shlomit, our midwife, how the other one was doing.” Liraz said.

“It was a unique experience,” Harlev said. “I truly felt the pair's bond, and how close and supportive they were to each other. It's not every day I have the privilege to guide two sisters like these through delivery.”

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Charles officially king of Britain and 14 other countries at royal ceremony

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Charles officially announced as king at royal ceremony

'I am deeply aware of this great inheritance and of the duties and heavy responsibilities of sovereignty which have now passed to me,' King Charles III says; adds entire world 'sympathizes with me in this irreparable loss we have all suffered'

Associated Press| Published: 09.10.22, 13:10

King Charles III was officially announced as Britain's monarch Saturday, in a ceremony steeped in ancient tradition and political symbolism, and, for the first time, broadcast live.

Charles automatically became king when his mother, Queen Elizabeth II, died on Thursday, but the accession ceremony is a key constitutional and ceremonial step in introducing the new monarch to the country.

Scores of senior politicians past and present, including Prime Minister Liz Truss and five of her predecessors, gathered in the ornate state apartments at St. James's Palace for the meeting of the Accession Council.

They met without Charles, officially confirming his title, King Charles III. The king joined them to make a personal declaration, vowing to follow his mother's "inspiring example" as he took on the duties of monarch.

"I am deeply aware of this great inheritance and of the duties and heavy responsibilities of sovereignty which have now passed to me," he said.

Speaking of his personal grief, he said: "I know how deeply you and the entire nation, and I think I may say the whole world, sympathize with me in this irreparable loss we have all suffered."

The new king formally approved a series of orders including one declaring the day of his mother's funeral a public holiday. The date of the state funeral has not been announced, but it is expected to be around Sept 19.

This is the **first time the accession ceremony has been held since 1952**, when Queen Elizabeth II took the throne.

Charles was accompanied at the ceremony by his **wife Camilla, the Queen Consort**, and his eldest son Prince William. **William is now heir to the throne** and known by the **title** Charles long held, **Prince of Wales**.

After the ceremony, an official read the proclamation aloud from a balcony at St. James' Palace. It will also be read out in the medieval City of London and at other locations across the U.K.

Two days after the 96-year-old **queen** died at Balmoral Castle in Scotland following an unprecedented **70 years on the throne**, people still came in their thousands to pay their respects outside Buckingham Palace in London. The scene was repeated at other royal residences across the U.K. and at British embassies around the world.

The monarch set the tone for his reign on Friday, vowing in a televised address to carry on the queen's "lifelong service," with his own modernizing stamp.

Charles looked to both the past, noting his mother's unwavering "dedication and devotion as sovereignâ," and the future, seeking to strike a reassuring note of constancy while signaling that **his will be a 21st-century monarchy**.

He reflected on how the country had changed dramatically during the queen's reign into a society "of many cultures and many faiths," and pledged to **serve people in Britain and the 14 other countries where he is king** "whatever may be your background or beliefs."

He also **tried to overcome a reputation for aloofness** in his first hours as monarch, spending time shaking hands with some of the thousands who came to leave flowers and pay tribute to the queen at the gates of Buckingham Palace. He was greeted with shouts of "Well done, Charlie!" and "God save the king!" One woman gave him a kiss on the cheek.

Britain is holding a period of mourning for the queen, with days of carefully choreographed ceremonies marking the death of the only monarch most people have ever known.

In the next few days the queen's body will be brought from Balmoral, first to Edinburgh and then to London, where she will lie in state before a **funeral at Westminster Abbey, expected around Sept. 19**.

In his speech, Charles struck a personal note, speaking of his sorrow at the loss of "my darling Mama."

"Thank you for your love and devotion to our family and to the family of nations you have served so diligently all these years," he said, ending with a **quote** from **Shakespeare's Hamlet**, "**May flights of angels sing thee to thy rest**."

09.08.22

Israeli leaders expressed their condolences & salute Queen Elizabeth II 70 year legacy

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Israeli leaders across political spectrum salute Queen Elizabeth II

President Herzog says Her Majesty 'lived history, made history, and with her passing she leaves a magnificent inspirational legacy; Lapid says Queen leaves behind an unparalleled legacy of leadership and service

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Israeli leaders from across the political spectrum expressed their condolences over the death of Queen Elizabeth II, praising the British monarch for her devotion to service.

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Queen Elizabeth, Britain's longest-reigning monarch and the nation's figurehead for seven decades, has died aged 96, Buckingham Palace confirmed earlier on Thursday.

Prime Minister Yair Lapid on Thursday sent his condolences to the British royal family following the death of Queen Elizabeth II and said she left behind an "unparalleled legacy".

"On behalf of the government and people of Israel, I send my condolences to the Royal Family and the people of the United Kingdom on the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II," he said on Twitter. "She leaves behind an unparalleled legacy of leadership and service."

May her memory be for a blessing," Lapid said on Twitter.

On behalf of the Government and people of Israel, I send my condolences to the Royal Family and the people of the United Kingdom on the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

"Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was known far and wide simply as The Queen. Her passing is the end of an era. Together with the Israeli people I grieve her loss and extend my deepest sympathies to the British People and all nations of the Commonwealth, who have lost their monarch," Herzog said.

"Queen Elizabeth was a historic figure: she lived history, she made history, and with her passing she leaves a magnificent inspirational legacy.

"Throughout her long and momentous reign, the world changed dramatically, while the Queen remained an icon of stable, responsible leadership, and a beacon of morality, humanity and patriotism. In her life and in her service to her people, the Queen embodied a spirit of integrity, duty and ancient tradition," he said.

"My late mother and father had several audiences with the Queen over the years. Her fond welcome and warm hospitality left a profound impression down the generations."

Opposition leader Benjamin Netanyahu posted on Twitter his condolences over Queen's death. "Along with all the people of Israel, we send our condolences to the people of Britain and to the royal family on the passing of Queen Elizabeth II

My wife Sara and I, along with all the people of Israel, send our condolences to the people of Britain and to the royal family on the passing of Queen Elizabeth II

— Benjamin Netanyahu (@netanyahu) September 8, 2022

"She was a legendary sovereign, a beacon of integrity and a steward of a second Elizabethan age which will be remembered down the centuries. May her memory be blessed."

The Tel Aviv Municipality was lit in the colors of the British flag in mourning for the loss of the Queen.

Mayor Ron Huldai said he was deeply saddened.

"Her Majesty's legacy and accomplishments are an inspiration, not only to the British people, but the entire world. I extend my heartfelt condolences to the Royal Family and the people of the United Kingdom."

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Over 1,100 dead in Pakistan floods in worst monsoon by glacier melt since 2010

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IDF identifies Gaza civilians who facilitated Jihadi rocket fire into Israel

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Pro-PA UN rights chief leaves office Aug 31, replacement yet to be named