**Agenda**

**Visit to Israel (26 Oct-1 Nov 2019) by Col Andrew Nichols, USAF**

**Eisenhower School, National Defense University (NDU)**

As of 13:00 EST, 24 October 2019

**Overall visit responsibility: Political Military Bureau Directorate, Israeli Ministry of Defense.**

Israel Daylight Time (IDT) is GMT+3 (DC+7). IDT ends at 2:00 a.m. on Sun., 27 Oct. IST is GMT+2 (DC+6)

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**Saturday, 26 October (Tel Aviv)**

10:10 a.m. Arrival in Tel Aviv-Yafo (Ben Gurion International Airport) on UA Flight 84. Pick-up rental car from Avis and transfer to Tel Aviv hotel.

12:00 p.m. Check-in at the Dan Panorama for three nights (26-28 October). (Consider shortening visit to just two nights to facilitate a transfer to Haifa on Monday afternoon, October 28th.

**Sunday, 27 October (Tel Aviv and Ramat Hasharon)** – Note the change to IST at 2:00 a.m. on the 27th

~08:30 Arrival at the Kirya (Begin Gate) – Mr. Zebrak will send an escort to facilitate entry into the base and building. The visit request (VR) was accepted.

09:00-09:30 **International Defense Cooperation Directorate (SIBAT).** Location: SIBAT HQ 3rd floor room no. 306. Host: Mr. Barry Zebrack. Office -972-3-6976586, Cell – 972-50-6291649. Address: Hakirya, Tel Aviv 6473425.

09:30-10:00 **Directorate of Security for the Defense Establishment (DSDE) (MALMAB)** – Dr. Dror Harel. We will be using Mr. Zebrack's office.

10:30- **Defense Export Control Agency (DECA)** – Mr. Yoram Ziflinger. Mr. Ziflinger will pick you up at Mr. Zebrak's office, and escort you to their HQ.

11:00 **Defense Research and Development Directorate (MAFAT)** – not yet scheduled. POC: Maj Liat Shaul, email: Liat\_shaul@mod.gov.il

TBD << Transfer by car to Ramat Hasharon >>

13:00 (T) **Israel National Defense College (INDC)** in Ramat Hasharon (address TBD). LTC Matan Or, Israel Defense Forces (IDF), Executive Officer. Also met by LTC Tal Casper.

**Monday, 28 October (Tel Aviv, Rosh HaAyin, and Herzliya)**

Morning Consider checking out of the Dan Panorama one day early to facilitate a transfer to Haifa in the afternoon.

08:00-09:00 Col Marty DeStazio, USAF, U.S. Air Attachéto the State of Israel. Meet at the Dan Panorama, 10 Kaufman Street, Israel 68012. Office: +972-(0)3-519-7354, Cell: +972-(0)50-780-3927.

~09:30 << Transfer by car to Check Point in Tel Aviv >>

10:30-12:00 **Check Point Software Technologies Ltd.** – Mr. Shay Solomon. Shlomo Kaplan St 5, Tel Aviv-Yafo, 6789159, Israel. +972-52-3769206 (IL), +415-2513078 (US)

13:00-14:30 **Partner Communications Company, Ltd.** – discussion of 5G rollout in Israel. Meeting location: INDC, Ramat Hasharon. Address TBD – ask Matan.

15:30-17:00\* IAI/ELTA – Mr. Moshe Aviran, S. Director, Regional Business Development, IAI ELTA Systems Ltd., 100 Yitzchak Hanassi Blvd., P.o.B 330, Ashdod 7710202, Israel. (US-C): **703- 622 8053**, (IS-C) : **+972-(0) 52- 7909 454**, (IS-O) : +972-(0) 8-862 6389, Email: maviran@elta.co.il, www.iai.com. Alternate POCs: Mr. Ilan Bublil, Regional Director, Marketing & Sales. POB 300, Ashdod 7710202 Israel. Mr. Igo Licht (igo@elta.co.il), Mr. Esti Peshin (epeshin@elta.co.il).

\* Meeting could shift to 15:45 to account for traffic congestion on the way.

TBD **Google AI** – appointment not yet scheduled – could shift to another day.

TBD **Viola Group** – appointment not yet scheduled – could shift to another day.

**Tuesday, 29 October (Haifa)**

Morning Transfer from hotel in Tel Aviv or Haifa.

07:00 - 08:30: BG Shlomo Binder, IDF, Commander, **Israel's Northern Division.** Meet at a western point in the Galilee Mountains (location TBD) for a site visit and discussion.

08:30-09:30 << Transfer by car to Haifa – 1 hour >>

10:00- IBM Research in Haifa – Ms. Michal Jacovi, Technical Assistant to Oded Cohn, VP, Director of IBM Research – Haifa, Invention Development Team Lead, AI Language and AI Multimedia, Crowdsourcing focal point in IBM Research, e-mail: michal.jacovi@il.ibm.com, tel. +972-4-8296428, cell. +972-52-3742641. Meeting coordinator: Ms. Michal Lipovitz. O: +972-4-8296517, M: +972-54-247-6234.

p.m. TBD **Technion (Israel Institute of Technology)** - Haifa, 3200003, Israel. POC: Prof. Shai Manor. Email: shie@ee.technion.ac.il.

TBD **Intel Israel** (manufacturing plant in Kiryat Gat, or an R&D center in Jerusalem, Petah Tikva, or Haifa). No direct contacts at this point.

Evening Check-in for one night at the Crowne Plaza Haifa (111 Yefe Nof St, Israel 34454). Consider checking-in one day earlier to facilitate your first meeting on the 29th.

**Wednesday, 30 October (Jerusalem)**

Morning Drive from Haifa to Jerusalem

09:00-09:30 **Israel Innovation Authority** – Mr. Jonathan Cohen, Manager, North America, The International Collaboration Division. Israel Innovation Authority Offices, Malha Technology Park, Derech Agudat Sport, Ha'poel 2 Jerusalem 9695102. Building above Tamara Café. 17th floor. Da Vinci meeting room. Jonathan phone: +972-3-5118155 | M. +972-54-3330568. Alternate POC: Mr. Les Abelson: Les.Abelson@innovationisrael.org.il

10:30-11:30 **Quantum Information Science Center (QISC), Hebrew University of Jerusalem** – Professor Nadav Katz, Racah Institute of Physics. Cell: +972542563212. Kaplun Building, Safra Campus, Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

TBD **Israeli National Cyber Directorate (INCD) (Ma'arach)** – part of the Prime Minister's office. Meeting not yet scheduled.

TBD **MassChallenge Israel** – meeting not yet scheduled; reaching out via U.S. contacts.

TBD **Mobileye (an Intel company)** (autonomous vehicle collision avoidance system) – meeting not yet scheduled.

Afternoon Check-in for two nights at the King David (30-31 October), 23 King David St., Jerusalem. Tel: +972-2-6208888

**Thursday, 31 October (Beer Sheva)**

TBD **National Cyber Emergency Response Team (CERT)** – awaiting response.

TBD **Ben-Gurion University (BGU) Cyber Excellence Center** – awaiting response.

TBD **Gav Yam Negev Advanced Technologies Park** – may visit IBM's local lab.

TBD << Transfer by car to Tel Aviv >>

16:00-17:00 **Elbit Systems Ltd.** – Mr. Ron Passwell – Azriely tower, Tel Aviv. Location: Azrieli Towers, Derech Menachem Begin 132, Tel Aviv-Yafo; Mr. Passwell is normally based in Haifa, but he will meet with you in Tel Aviv.

**Departure on Friday, 1 November**

05:45 Check out of the King David. Depart hotel by 06:00. Make 1-hour drive to Ben Gurion Airport.

07:00 Turn-in rental car.

07:25 Check-in for flight (3-hour lead-time).

10:25 Depart on UA Flight 85 to Newark, NJ; arrive in Newark at 16:35.

18:05 Depart Newark on UA 4233

19:28 Arrive at Washington's Reagan National Airport on UA 4233