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Be Shalom,



After viewing Elias Sanbar's interview on TV 5, author of "La Dernière Guerre?" Palestine, October 7, 2023 – April 2, 2024, and reading with attention The Jewish Virtual Library article on Jewish refugees from Arab countries, I feel compelled to share my thoughts.

I was born in Tunis, Tunisia, North Africa. I am one of the 850,000 Jewish refugees from Arab countries.

How can we combat such words and statements by influential speakers? With education.

Organizations like the ADL, AJC, USC SFI, Stand With Us, and many others have an international component to their mission that focuses on education.

Allow me to get directly to my point, and so very respectfully, I introduce it with a question: Do you think there is a lack of strong education about the POINT OF NO RETURN that the Jews of Arab lands experienced? *We chose survival.*

We left. We abandoned all our assets.

We became immigrants after being Arab Jews for thousands of years.

We cried.

We became "Enfants de Tous Pays" (Song writer of Algerian Jewish descent Enrico Macias).

We studied.

We worked.

We became successful.

We survived.

We contributed to the existence of Israel.

We contributed to the needs and well-being of the world.

THE FORGOTTEN EXODUS - THE POINT OF NO RETURN - The 'NO RETURN' of the Jews from Arab countries. *WE ARE SEMITES as an ethnic, cultural, or racial group: Arabs, Jews, Akkadians, and Phoenicians.*

Sincerely,

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