AUGUST 2021 INCIDENT DATA - SURGE IN FAR-RIGHT ACTIVITY

As summer comes to a close, a considerable surge in far-right incidents of antisemitism has left Jewish communities concerned ahead of the high holiday period. Juxtaposed against the unprecedented increase in far-left and Islamist antisemitism earlier in the summer, CAM tracked a 68% increase in far-right antisemitic activity in August compared to July.

Overall, CAM monitored a total of 170 media reports of antisemitic incidents in August, a 28.8% increase from July's total. The increase in far-right incidents was driven largely by Neo-Nazi vandalism targeting Jewish sites, and the normalization of Holocaust trivialization surrounding COVID-19 vaccination measures worldwide.

EMERGING GLOBAL ANTISEMITISM TRENDS

Holocaust Trivialization & Distortion

Trivialization and distortion of the Holocaust have gained alarming mainstream approval across Europe, North America, and Australia. Poland’s government passed legislation preventing restitution to heirs of property stolen by the Nazis during WWII, and nationalist groups in countries such as Ukraine have engaged in the glorification of Nazi collaborators as anti-Communist heroes. Citizen-activists and politicians are engaging in pandemic related Holocaust trivialization with astonishing frequency the world over. Read More.

Antisemitic “Qui?” Movement in France

The explicitly antisemitic “Qui?” movement emerged from anti-vaccination demonstrations in France earlier this summer. The rapidly growing movement has featured hateful banners demonizing Jews at protests, acts of public vandalism featuring Nazi symbols, and incitement against Jewish doctors. “Qui?” adherents blame Jews for Covid-19 government health measures. Read More.

Opposition to Durban IV Conference

A dozen countries have said that they will not attend the UN’s commemoration of the 20th anniversary of the Durban World Conference Against Racism due to its poisonous antisemitic legacy. Eleven of these nations have adopted the IHRA antisemitism definition since the last Durban follow-up event in 2011. Read More.

GOVERNMENT ACTION AGAINST ANTISEMITISM

Governor Ducey signs bill to strengthen Holocaust education in Arizona schools

Israeli UN Amb. Canadian Antisemitism Envoy. urge countries to stay away from the 2021 Durban anniversary

Premier of Australian State of Victoria blasts COVID-19 antisemitism as ‘unacceptable and evil’

Germany giving over $40 million to fight antisemitism

US. Senators Lankford and Rosen make bipartisan call for wider adoption of IHRA

IHRA Chair urges all Central American nations to adopt IHRA definition of antisemitism