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Anti-Semitism virus continues to rage in Europe

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While reports are most impressive of thousands of unprecedented participation in Torah lessons and prayers throughout Europe, as reflected in the Emergency Meeting of the Standing Committee of the European Rabbis Conference, in Germany neo-Nazis harass the Torah and prayer classes delivered by the rabbis online.

During the Holocaust, neo-Nazis burst into live broadcasts for the Torah and prayer lessons of Frankfurt Rabbi and German Rabbi Rabbi Avichai Apple, including Leipzig Rabbi Mordechai Bala, Rabbi of Dusseldorf Rabbi Raphael Iberis and Torah lessons of the "Morasha" organization, in the readings of "Heil Hitler" "And other derogatory cries while sending Nazi photographs of atrocities and swastikas.

The German police are taking this phenomenon very seriously. Rabbi Mordechai Bala: "In less than an hour since I alerted the Leipzig Police Department, the Leipzig Police Chief called me and asked for all the details. Investigators from the Special Unit came to me and took all the evidence I was able to keep." The rabbis immediately closed the live broadcast and from now on anyone who wishes to attend classes will have to apply for admission.

President of the "European Rabbis Conference" and Moscow's rabbi Rabbi Pinchas Goldschmidt said: "The antisemitic virus was not briefly communicated in Europe. Last week, many Torah lessons in Europe and even the renowned lesson of the Gr. Unfortunately, despite the repeated assurances from EU officials and European heads of states about anti-Semitism on online networks and more, and having legal tools to enforce on EU member states, Germany is one of the few countries where legislation allows for significant punishment. "

It should be noted that, according to the Lisbon Agreement and as of December 2014, the European Commission – the Commission has the authority to initiate legal proceedings





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against EU Member States that do not oppose anti-Semitism and racism. The EU leaders have also asked the rabbis to pass on any information from your communities on incitement to the Wartlite European, concerning the Commission's decision.

As mentioned a few months ago with the election of the elected President of the European Parliament David Maria Sasuli, a delegation of the "European Rabbis Conference" from Belgium, Italy, the United Kingdom, Germany, Malta, the Netherlands, England and France led by GR Goldschmidt promised. The European Parliament for the fight against anti-Semitism and even expressed its concern about the anti-religious and anti-Semitic legislation in Europe and especially its scope. "Tolerance and religious freedom are an essential part of our EU – said Sasuli, and pledged; "Promote continued cooperation with the heads of EU institutions and integrate forces to combat anti-religious and anti-Semitic legislation."

Mr. Franz Timmermans, Vice President of the European Commission, also revealed to the rabbis his steps and steps in the war to combat the phenomenon of anti-Semitism on the continent, and reiterated his commitment and commitment of the European Commission in the 2008 913 JHA decision on racial discrimination, where this paragraph is referred to in this resolution.

According to this decision, public incitement to violence and hatred on the basis of race, color, religion, origin or ethnic or national affiliation, as well as prohibitions based on racial or xenophobic motivation including anti-Semitism, is prohibited. This decision requires the European Commission to take punitive measures against member states The decision also relates in detail to all types of anti-Semitism, including Holocaust denial, encouraging the Holocaust, and reducing the value of the Holocaust tragedy. According to reports by the Commission, this section of the resolution is not enforced in at least half of the Member





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States. Timmermans told the rabbis that “under this decision we have legal tools To act against the issue of verbal incitement, both online and offline incitement. ”

Taiani added: “The self-delusion that Europe is immune to anti-Semitism is a serious mistake. It is here in Europe where persecution and discrimination have eradicated any sense of Judaism, which is the great danger to Europe, impoverished from Jewish history and culture by the slow migration of European Jews, and against this risk we must be united and focused.” .

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