

# **Vaccination: Israel's policies will be against Resolution 2361 of PACE**

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Treaties or deals of Israel and any other state that prefer people who are vaccinated against the flu-like Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 (SARS-CoV-X) will be against the rule of Law in Europe – not only the European Union but the much larger Parliamentary Assembly.

The Parliamentary Assembly (PACE, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe) is the biggest and oldest European international parliamentarian institution after 1945:

*On 5th May, 1949 the five Governments Members of the Brussels Treaty (Belgium, France, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom) and the Governments of Denmark, Ireland, Italy, Norway and Sweden signed in London the Statute of this new body, the Council of Europe. The Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE), which held its first session on 10 August 1949, can be considered the oldest international parliamentary Assembly with a pluralistic composition of democratically elected members of parliament established on the basis of an intergovernmental treaty. The Assembly is one of the two statutory organs of the Council of Europe, which is composed of a Committee of Ministers (the Ministers of Foreign Affairs, meeting usually at the level of their deputies) and an Assembly representing the political forces in its member states.*

Resolution 2361 (2021) from January 27, 2021 (“Covid-19

vaccines: ethical, legal and practical considerations”), states:

*7.3 with respect to ensuring high vaccine uptake*

*7.3.2 ensure that no one is discriminated against for not having been vaccinated, due to possible health risks or not wanting to be vaccinated;*

Based on this fact, an enthusiastic report about his own vaccination by not-so-old German-Israeli journalist Richard Chaim Schneider (64 years old) in German language speaks volumes.

Israeli journalist Richard Chaim Schneider embraces Corona restrictions (including quarantine for NOT sick people like himself, after he landed at Ben-Gurion Airport, and even quarantine for a truly sick person is not constitutional, by the way – we are not talking about smallpox) and describes how he came back to Israel via aircraft, how completely digitalized and controlled Israeli society works, and how happy he is about the vaccination program in Israel.

Not a single word indicates that he started thinking by himself ever since March 2020, if such measures, quarantine for HEALTHY people, closures of borders for people with no negative PCR-test etc. are democratic or totalitarian in nature.

Remember (or read it for the first time, depending on how scholarly or unscholarly your approach to Corona is and has been): The Infection fatality rate of Corona is at a maximum between 0.14 and 0.23 percent, as the WHO has shown.

No child died of Corona. Almost no one under 35 died of Corona. Almost no one under 60 died of Corona. The flu is more dangerous for all people under 50, for those aged 50-70 it is like a severe flu, and only for those over 70 who are already

sick or vulnerable with several preconditions, it can be much worse than the severe flu. These are the results of international scholarship, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention(CDC) in the US or by Gouverneur Ron DeSantis from Florida have shown.

The screenshot shows a news article on the WEAR-TV website. The main headline is "Restaurants can now operate at a minimum of 50% capacity -- meaning they are fully open. Gov. DeSantis says if local governments try to restrict the reopening of any restaurant, they need state's approval." Below the headline is a video player showing Governor Ron DeSantis holding a sign that lists COVID-19 survival rates by age group:

Age Group	Survival Rate
0-19	99.997%
20-49	99.98%
50-69	99.5%
70+	94.6%

Below the sign, the text reads: "Gov. Ron DeSantis holds press conference Friday morning in St. Petersburg -- <https://bit.ly/3coNDXZ>". The article also includes social media sharing icons (Facebook, Twitter, Email) and engagement metrics (147 likes, 284 comments, 50 shares). A secondary headline at the bottom of the article states: "Phase 3 also states that bars, pubs and nightclubs that derive more than 50 percent of sales from alcohol should operate at full capacity with limited social distancing protocols."

On the right side of the screenshot, there is a weather forecast for Northwest Florida, a "Garbage truck explodes in Escambia County, causes multiple to catch fire" news item, a "Storms hit Northwest Florida as cold front begins to move in" update, and a "28-year-old Okaloosa County man killed in Highway 98 crash" news item.

Screenshot,  
<https://weartv.com/news/local/watch-live-florida-gov-ron-desantis-holds-press-conference>

The median age of death is 84 years in Germany. Read: Only very old and already very sick people die of Corona, without ignoring the fact I myself might take Corona or I already might have taken the virus and 'thanks' to the extreme panic-driven policies of Merkel and the mainstream media I might become sick, as my immune system might have become weaker compared to the time before March 2020.

Even though I am relatively young, and have no underlying conditions, I could get Covid-19 like any other person, of course. It can happen to all us, every single day. But it is extremely unlikely. Even if I was 86 years old I would never ever have wanted to close down the whole world, in order to supposedly "protect" me. In fact, ever since Germany started its second and third lockdowns since November 2020, some

50.000 people have died of Corona. I could blame Merkel for these deaths, if I was as irrational as she is. But I blame winter for it, as this is the real reason behind a severe respiratory infection.

It is sad for every single person, but there will always be reasons for 84-year-old people to die, no doubt about this. To prevent such a harmless virus compared to deadly diseases such as smallpox, we must turn our entire societies into totalitarian surveillance states such as China – and Israel or Germany and the UK etc. are on their Chinese way.

Lockdowns have destroyed our belief in the rule of law and democracy. The free press does no longer exist, almost all countries only have a press that is promoting the state propaganda when it comes to Corona. Independent left-wing magazines, blogs and activists are also following the mass panic and irrational approach of almost all countries.

Sweden was an exception, as it did never have a lockdown, no mask mandate – however, now it turns out, that Sweden also plans to make vaccination mandatory for all people who want to visit the country. That would put Sweden beyond the European rule of law – just like Israel, the UK or Greece.

As if a PCR test is reliable, even the WHO most recently urges governments to only use a PCR test when the Ct value is indicated (and all Ct values above 26 or maximum 30 mean that the test is negative, even if it says “positive”), the WHO also urges politicians to implement the obligatory visit of a physician by every person who is tested positive by a PCR test. Without having seen a physician, no one may be classified as “sick” or even “infectious”. Schneider seems to be ignoring these WHO recommendations:

*WHO guidance Diagnostic testing for SARS-CoV-2 states that careful interpretation of weak positive results is needed (1). The cycle threshold (Ct) needed to detect virus is*

*inversely proportional to the patient's viral load. Where test results do not correspond with the clinical presentation, a new specimen should be taken and retested using the same or different NAT technology.*

*WHO reminds IVD users that disease prevalence alters the predictive value of test results; as disease prevalence decreases, the risk of false positive increases (2). This means that the probability that a person who has a positive result (SARS-CoV-2 detected) is truly infected with SARS-CoV-2 decreases as prevalence decreases, irrespective of the claimed specificity.*

*Most PCR assays are indicated as an aid for diagnosis, therefore, health care providers must consider any result in combination with timing of sampling, specimen type, assay specifics, clinical observations, patient history, confirmed status of any contacts, and epidemiological information.*

Worse, Schneider – like most journalists worldwide – seems to have ignored almost 12 months of international debate among skeptical virologists, medical experts, historians, epidemiologists and social scientists. He neglects the political discussion about the threat deriving mainly from Corona politics and not from a relatively harmless virus (if one is not 85 years old and sick, with several comorbidities) – at least in his German article, there is no indication that he ever dealt critically with the panic-driven Corona policies by Bibi or any other government, like Merkel's, Johnson's or Macrons.

In recent decades, I often liked articles, books or films by Schneider, whose writing has often been critical of German antisemitism, but also of Bibi and the Far Right, authoritarianism and irrationalism in different countries (mainly Germany), to be sure.

But in 2020/21, Schneider seems to be following the most

irrational of all Israeli policies ever since the establishment of the State of Israel. Will the Israeli tourist industry, or the young businesswomen and men survive this crisis?

Did he forget the writings of Michel Foucault or Ivan Illich, who had written about the dangerous bio-politics many decades ago, as if they anticipated this unprecedented crisis...

I came across this piece by Schneider via the mailing list of I Like Israel and Sacha Stawski (ILI), a pro-Israel NGO from Germany. I fear, this kind of guys will never ever understand what a disaster Bibi's Corona politics are for the international reputation of Zionism among those of us, who still follow rationalism and evidence-based medicine, including the Great Barrington Declaration or the Israeli Common Sense Model by Israeli professors in medicine, epidemiology, microbiology, and other fields ...

The obsession with technical solutions has long been a serious threat to Israel's society – but most people seem to be enjoying surveillance technology and the end of any kind of privacy... I like Israel is also promoting the Greece-Israel deal I analyzed in this article. To ignore the collateral damage of Bibi's Corona policies and to embrace the maniac vaccination program, including restrictions for not vaccinated people – as I like Israel does via their support of the truly totalitarian Greece Israel vaccination deal – all this is simply remarkable for people who always pretended to be rational, critical and open-minded, even fact-based.

I am wondering what those Israeli experts in the rule of law like Fania Oz-Salzberger or Yedidia Z. Stern are saying about the Israel-Greece deal to treat vaccinated people differently compared to not vaccinated people. The same holds for those rules in Israel which prefer vaccinated people over the not panic-driven other Israeli who want to go to a restaurant or shopping mall, like at Dizengoff street in Tel Aviv ...

The Greece-Israel deal about vaccination will be against Resolution 2361 (2021) of the Parliamentary Assembly, to be sure. The Parliamentary Assembly consists of 47 states, Israel is one of three “Observers”.

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