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Proposed legislation: Entry into Israel Law (Amendment - Not granting a visa or residency permit to any person who calls for a boycott of Israel), 5775-2015

Amendment of Section 2

1.

In the Entry into Israel Law, 5712-1952¹, in Section 2, the following will be appended:

"(D) No visa or residency permit of any kind shall be given to a person who is not an Israeli citizen or a permanent resident of the State of Israel, if he or the company, organization, or association which he represents call for the boycott of the State of Israel, as it is defined in the Prevention of Damage to the State of Israel through Boycott Act, 5771-2011².

¹ Book of Laws 5712, p. 354.

² Book of Laws 5771, p. 972.

(E) The language of subsection (D) notwithstanding, the Minister of the Interior shall be entitled to grant a visa and residence permit in special cases, which will be stated in the regulations."

Explanation

In recent years, the calls for a boycott of the State of Israel have been increasing. It appears to be a new front in the war against Israel, for which the state has not yet properly prepared itself.

This proposed legislation comes to prevent individuals or representatives of companies, associations, and organizations that call for a boycott of Israel from operating inside the territory of the State of Israel to promote their ideas.

However, it is proposed to permit the entry of a foreign citizen who calls for a boycott of the State of Israel in exceptional cases, which will be defined by the Minister in the regulations.

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