

To the Attention:

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Dear Ministers,

I hope this correspondence finds you in good health, and certain within yourselves that the political involvements in which you partake are right and good for the nation. Please allow me to introduce myself. I am Moshe Zalman Davis, and sustained a great legal struggle in which I succeeded to make a **solar installation** on the rooftop of the apartment building in which I reside, though the other tenants were opposed. I am a fervent advocate for **Alternative Energy**, mainly as part of the battle to achieve **Energy Security** and **Climate Stability**. The state of the economy in Israel could most certainly improve in this regard. To two matters I wish to direct my considerations. The first is Solar Energy, and secondly and as how related to it, the High Rate of Interest.

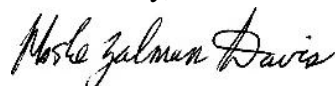
I would like to emphasize that the companies which do **Solar Installments** are laying off workers. There is a map which shows that the whole Negev is considered red, meaning there is no possibility of running electricity cables from the installation points in the **Negev Region**. Therefore, the request for permits by the companies which can provide **Alternative Energy Construction** are being turned down: the Electric Company (IEC) does **not allow installations, for lack of infrastructure!** I would think this is responsibility which every **Government Minister** can address.

As pertains to issues concerning the **Banking Industry**; with interest rates so high; people who are potential investors do not believe they will see an adequate return on their investment in **Solar Installments**. Therefore, the banks should mandate a special **Alternative Rate of interest for Alternative Energy projects**. This can most certainly be legislated and funded by the State of Israel. I would think this is responsibility which the **Finance Minister** and the **Minister of Energy and Infrastructure** can address.

A matter which is certainly of concern to the **Finance Minister** is the very idea of **Energy Security** being a source of **gainful employment** for hundreds of citizens, a source of **respect amongst the nations**, and a source for private families to save on the **cost of electricity**; they can thereafter reinvest the funds in goods, and services.

Just two days ago, the **Minister of Energy and Infrastructure**, Yisrael Katz, said: "Our policy is based on principles of energy security, preservation of the environment, contributing to the economy and promoting competition and local industry, and supporting geopolitical and regional processes." What could help more to achieve that goal than to make **the Negev Region Green?**

Sincerely,



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