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PROGRAM

Excursion to Israel with focus on Civil Protection, Emergency Planning, Responce and Rescue Teams

First Day

08.30: Visit to the **Home front Command**, Ramleh

The military command is responsible for both army and civil emergency that accumulated long year experience of wars and rocket launching over civil concentrations

10.00: Innovative Emergency solutions: **Ichud Hatsala** (United Hatsakah) spokesperson, Jerusalem

A unique civil initiative based on volunteers that shortens dramatically the time of first aid in accidents and terror attacks, based mainly on motorcycles

11.30: **Police** headquarters, Jerusalem

Israel national police

13.00: The civil Sector involvement: a talk with **Zaka**, Jerusalem

Zaka (Hebrew abbreviation for "Disaster Victim Identification") is a voluntary community emergency response teams in Israel, each operating in a police district, mainly are religious Orthodox Jews

15.30: **Magen David** (Mada) headquarters, Jerusalem

The Jewish version of the Red Cross is Israel's national emergency, medical, disaster, ambulance and blood bank service

Second Day

08.30: Visit to the **National Emergency Authority**, Tel Aviv

A governmental authority that was founded after the Second Lebanon War (2007) that was established with the goal of coordinating between the different actors tending citizens in times of emergency

10.30: Israel **Fire and Rescue Services**, Rishon Letsion

Founded in 1897, the service is under the ministry of Defense, and since 2011 is a nationwide authority replacing the 24 municipal units it had in the past. It charge of the aerial fire extinguishers

12.30: **Tour in Tel Aviv**, following terror attack incidents

Mainly in the 90's and the 2000's buses exploded in many cities in Israel, including Tel Aviv. This should be a tour following the events in Tel Aviv, to better understand how Israel coped with multi-injured terror attacks in the heart of a civilian population

15.00: Academic Training: Visit to the **Tel Aviv University**, Program of Public health Department with specialization in management of emergency and disaster situations, Tel Aviv

3 universities offer training in emergency and rescue situations in BA and MA levels.

15.30: Talks with **IsraAid**, Israel International help forum for emergency cases, Tel Aviv

Since 2001, IsraAID has been helping people all over the world overcome extreme crises, providing millions with the vital support needed to move from destruction to reconstruction, and eventually, to sustainable living

Third Day

09.00: Debriefing at the Emergency Coordinator, Shmulik Shalem, Israeil **MFA**, Jerusalem

Israel and its relations worldwide in the field of emergency cases learning and its preparedness to emergencies across the world in embassies and in Jewish communities

11.30: Visit to the **Knesset**, Israeli Parliament and meetings with MP's, Jerusalem

Policy Making and legislation regarding emergency

13.30: **Sderot's Operation Center**/community center. A multi-media presentation on Sderot

We will go underground to Sderot's operation center, where the municipality takes control during emergencies. We will watch short videos and hear a short introduction. Meet residents who will share their personal stories

14.30: **Sderot Police Station**

Qassam rocket gallery, data on rockets /missiles, discussion on low-intensity terrorism, psychological terror, visit an Iron-Dome battery (if it's stationed outside of Sderot)

:1530 **City Guide at Sderot**

Protected playground, reinforced shields on schools, city market, various locations damaged by rockets

The bomb shelter residential project - the first of it's kind in the world, NEW protected train station

1400 **Overlooking Gaza Strip**

Special viewpoint over Northern Gaza Strip, Sderot, Ashkelon, Ashdod, in some days even, Tel Aviv

Gaza narrative explanation, Israeli security challenges with Hamas-controlled Gaza.

15:00 **Erez Border Control Crossing to Gaza**

Explanation of the commodities and medicines going in and out of Gaza