

# Political Affairs Brief

*A daily summary of political events affecting the Jewish Community*

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#### Terrorism and Islamist Militancy

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200910/cmhansrd/cm100210/halltext/100210h0011.htm#10021066000005>

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## Israel

### UK Parliamentary Questions

#### Palestinians

**Mr. Pope:** To ask the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs how many visits to Gaza have been made by officials of his Department in the course of their duties in the last 12 months. [316213]

**Mr. Ivan Lewis:** Our officials based in Jerusalem and, to a lesser extent, Tel Aviv, have visited Gaza on more than 20 occasions since January 2009. Our consulate general in Jerusalem also has two members of local staff permanently based in Gaza.

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200910/cmhansrd/cm100210/text/100210w0004.htm#10021071000053>

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## Relevant Legislation \*\* New or updated

### UK Parliament

#### \*\* Children, Schools and Families Bill

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2009-10/childrenschoolsandfamilies.html>

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<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200910/cmbills/061/amend/pbc0611002a.925-926.html>

## **\*\* Constitutional Reform and Governance Bill**

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2009-10/constitutionalreformandgovernance.html>

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## **Crime and Security Bill**

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2009-10/crimeandsecurity.html>

## **Equality Bill**

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2009-10/equality.html>

## **Flood and Water Management Bill**

<http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2009-10/floodandwatermanagement.html>

## **Scottish Parliament**

### **End of Life Assistance Bill**

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/s3/bills/38-EndLifeAssist/index.htm>

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## **Consultations**

\*\* new or updated

### **Communities and Local Government: Creating a Single Equality Scheme for 2010 – 2013** (closes 28 February 2010)

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/corporate/pdf/987402.pdf>

### **Ecclesiastical Exemption (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Order 2010** (closes 15 March 2010)

[http://www.culture.gov.uk/reference\\_library/consultations/6605.aspx](http://www.culture.gov.uk/reference_library/consultations/6605.aspx)

### **Equality Bill: Draft Codes of Conduct** (2 April 2010)

<http://www.equalityhumanrights.com/legislative-framework/equality-bill/equality-bill-codes-of-practice-consultation/#1>

### **Equality Bill: Draft Guidance** (16 April 2010)

<http://ehrc-consult.limehouse.co.uk/portal>

### **Death Certification, Burial, and Cremation (Scotland)** (closes 21 April 2010)

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/Doc/300112/0093686.pdf>

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