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Loretta Lynch Attorney General  
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Dear Loretta Lynch,

**In 2009 IRmep, a not for profit public policy research organization, filed the enclosed complaint. It substantiates why the American Israel Public Affairs Committee should be registering as the foreign agent of the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs.**

1. AIPAC is a spinoff of an organization already ordered by the DOJ to register as an Israeli foreign agent. In November of 1962 the Attorney General ordered the American Zionist Council to begin filing disclosures as an Israeli foreign agent under the 1938 Foreign Agents Registration Act. (<http://www.IRmep.org/1962Order.pdf>) Six weeks later, the lobbying division split off and incorporated as the American Israel Public Affairs Committee in Washington, DC, taking over the AZC's lobbying activities. (<http://www.IRmep.org/AIPAC.pdf>) AIPAC did not register as a foreign agent.
2. AIPAC's founder Isaiah L. Kenen was the chief information officer for the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs in New York and for a time duly registered in that role. (<http://www.IRmep.org/Kenen.pdf>) The Justice Department ordered Kenen to personally re-register after he formally left the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs to head up private lobbying and publicity for the Israeli government at the nonprofit American Zionist Council. Kenen never complied with the order. (<http://www.IRmep.org/order.pdf>)
3. Espionage related FBI investigations in 1976 <http://www.israellobby.org/amitay/default.asp>, 1984 and 2005 reveal AIPAC's ongoing stealth foreign agency activities. Declassified FBI files released on the Internet reveal that in 1984 AIPAC and the Israeli Ministry of Economics were investigated for jointly obtaining and circulating classified US economic data to obtain favorable trade benefits for Israel. (<http://www.irmep.org/ila/economy>) In 2005 Pentagon Colonel Lawrence Franklin pled guilty and two AIPAC employees were indicted for obtaining and circulating classified US national defense information to Israeli government officials allegedly in the interest of fomenting unwarranted US military action against Iran.

I urge you to take action to enforce the 1938 Foreign Agents Registration Act where your predecessors and subordinates have failed! Please also kindly confirm receipt of this public interest complaint.

Sincerely,



Grant F. Smith, Director of Research

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