

## Tens of thousands march in Paris to protest Halimi murder

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Tens of thousands of people marched through Paris yesterday in memory of Ilan Halimi, who was kidnapped, tortured and killed two weeks ago in an attack that authorities say was partly motivated by anti-Semitism.

Police sources said Sunday that they believe the gang that kidnapped Halimi had actually decided to release him, but murdered him instead because he accidentally glimpsed some of their faces.

Numerous French politicians joined the march, which was organized by the local Jewish community, including Interior Minister Nicolas Sarkozy, Foreign Minister Philippe Douste-Blazy and Francois Hollande, the head of France's Socialist Party. Leaders of the Jewish, Christian and Muslim communities marched side by side. Organizers estimated that 100,000 people participated in the demonstration, but police put the number at 30,000.

There were no speeches during the march, but demonstrators carried signs denouncing racism and anti-Semitism.

The organizers had decided against inviting Jean-Marie Le Pen, the head of the far-right National Front party, to participate in the demonstration, due to sharp opposition from leftist organizations and human rights groups. Philippe de Villiers, the head of another far-right party, the Movement for France (known by its French initials MPF), did try to attend, but he was greeted with cries of "racist" and removed by the guards.

Roger Cukierman, who heads the umbrella organization of France's Jewish community, CRIF, expressed satisfaction with the results of the rally.

"It's important for French society to recognize that small racist and anti-Semitic prejudices can have terrible and dreadful consequences," he said in an interview with Radio Europe

Pierre Besnainou, the president of the European Jewish Congress and another leading member of the French Jewish community, expressed similar satisfaction.

"We invited all the democratic forces in France," he told Haaretz, adding that he attributed particular importance to the fact that so many non-Jews participated in the march. "What is important to us is to send the message that an injury to a Jewish citizen of France is an injury to all of France."

Thousands of people also attended smaller demonstrations in Nice, Lyon and other major French cities Sunday. In addition, some 200 people attended a solidarity demonstration in Jerusalem, organized by the Association of French Immigrants.

Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni said that Halimi's murder "proves that anti-Semitism is not just an issue for the Jewish people and for Israel; it also affects the society in which it exists."

The French police have thus far arrested 12 suspects in Halimi's murder, and France is preparing to request the extradition of the gang's suspected ringleader, Youssef Fofana, from Ivory Coast, where he was arrested last week. A 14th suspect is still at large

Marched- (מצעד - march) צעדו	Opposition- התנגדות, אפוזיציה,
Memory- (זיכרון (בטקסט הכוונה ל"לזכרו") -	Leftist- שמאלני
Kidnapped- חטפו	Human rights- זכויות אדם
Tortured- עינו	Movement- תנועה
Authorities- (גם סמכויות) רשויות	Initials- ראשי תיבות
Partly – בחלקה (באופן חלקי) –	a.s.a.p.=as soon as possible לדוגמא:
Motivated- (מהמילה מוטיבציה) -	Attend- נכח, השתתף
Anti-Semitism- אנטישמיות	Greeted- (גם בורך לשלום) -
Sources- מקורות	Cries- זעקות, צעקות, קריאות
Murdered- רצחו	Umbrella organization- ארגון מטריה (הכולל מתחתיו מס' ארגונים)
Glimpsed- (העיף מבט (גם הבליח, הבהב) -	Satisfaction- סיפוק (גם שיר מעולה של "האבנים המתגלגלות")
Numerous- רבים	Rally- (גם מירוץ מכוניות) -
Politicians- פוליטיקאים	Society- חברה
Community- קהילה	Recognize- (גם לזהות) -
Interior- פנים/י	Prejudices- דעות קדומות
Minister- (גם כומר) -	Dreadful- איום ונורא
Foreign- (גם זר, נוכרי) -	Consequences- (גם מסקנות) -
Socialist- סוציאליסטי	Attributed- ייחס חשיבות
Party- (גם מסיבה) -	Particular- פרטיקולרי, ספציפי
Christian- נוצרי	Importance- חשיבות (סיומת ance מעידה על שם פעולה)
Muslim- מוסלמי	Injury- פציעה
Organizers- מארגנים	Citizen- אזרח
Estimated- העריכו	Major- עיקרי, מרכזי (גם בוגר ורס"ן בצבא) -
Participated- נטלו חלק, השתתפו	Solidarity- סולידריות, הזדהות האחד עם השני
Demonstration- הפגנה	Association- אגודה, התאחדות - (גם אסוציאציה, זכרו: סיומת tion = ציה)
Speeches- נאומים	Immigrants- מהגרים
Denouncing- המוקיעים, מגנים	Thus far- עד עכשיו
Racism- (race-גזע) גזענות	Suspects- חשודים
Far-right- ימין קיצוני	Extradition- הסגרה
National- לאומי	Ringleader- ראש כנופיה
Due to- עקב	

