

**Officers of the
National Commission**

National Chair

Barry Curtiss-Lusher

National Director

Abraham H. Foxman

Past National Chairs

Barbara B. Balser

Howard P. Berkowitz

Kenneth J. Bialkin

Burton S. Levinson

Glen S. Levy

Melvin Salberg

David H. Strassler

Robert G. Sugarman

Glen A. Tobias

Vice Chairs

Meyer Eisenberg

James Grosfeld

Yossie Hollander

Charles Kriser

Steven Lyons

Cynthia Marks

Ruth Moss

George Stark

Gerald Stempler

Mark Wilf

Honorary Vice Chairs

Rudy Boschwitz

Edgar M. Bronfman

Jane Eskind

Geri M. Joseph

Max M. Kampelman

Bernard Marcus

Samuel H. Miller

Lester Pollack

Haim Saban

Michael Steinhart

Treasurer

Robert H. Naftaly

Assistant Treasurer

Erwin Pearl

Secretary

Thomas C. Homburger

Assistant Secretary

Stanford Baratz

Standing Committee Chairs

Administration

Howard W. Goldstein

Audit

Robert H. Naftaly

Budget

Shelley Parker

Civil Rights

Christopher Wolf

Development

Eric Horodas

Education

Esta Gordon Epstein

Information Technology

Mitchell Weseley

International Affairs

Lawrence Rosenbloom

Leadership

Michael Sheetz

Funding for The Future

Benjamin Sax

Marketing & Communications

Robert Klugman

Outreach & Interfaith Affairs

Martin L. Budd

Ginny MacDowell

Planning

Marvin D. Nathan

Regional Operations

Pamela Schwartz

Washington Affairs

Stephen Adler

Deputy National Director

Kenneth Jacobson

Chief Operating Officer

Clifford Schechter

Division Directors

Civil Rights

Deborah M. Lauter

Development

Nina Hanan

Education

David S. Waren

Finance & Administration

Michael A. Kellman

Information Technology

Sam Mernberg

International Affairs

Michael A. Salberg

Leadership

Marvin S. Rappaport

Marketing & Communications

Samuel Connor

Regional Operations

Robert Wolfson

Washington Affairs

Stacy Burdett

General Counsel

Steven C. Sheinberg



Imagine a World Without Hate®

November 4, 2013

Michelle Bachelet

Presidential Candidate - Nueva Mayoría

Comando Michelle Bachelet

Av. Italia 830

Providencia

Via e-mail: info@michellebachelet.cl; invitaciones@michelleBachelet.cl

Dear Ms. Bachelet:

Senator Eugenio Tuma has recently made offensive anti-Semitic statements in recent interviews in the national media of Chile. We are writing to express our deep concern to you regarding these statements because Senator Tuma is reported to be the coordinator of your presidential campaign in La Araucanía.

For several years we have been troubled by the biased and anti-Semitic statements of Senator Eugenio Tuma. During your presidency, Senator Tuma, in support of Bill No. 686, vilified the State of Israel by comparing its actions to those of Hitler during the Holocaust. Last year, after the tragic ecological disaster in Torres del Paine Park, in Chilean Patagonia, Senator Tuma instigated a hateful firestorm accusing the State of Israel of being directly responsible for the unfortunate incident.

Senator Tuma's anti-Semitic outbursts bring shame upon him and have no place in the discourse of Chilean society. In his most recent statements given to Controversia TV and CNN Chile, he urged the public to read the anti-Semitic writings of the Chilean Nazi writer Miguel Serrano and he used these two platforms to spew hateful anti-Jewish and anti-Israel conspiracy theories.

You have been at the forefront of the efforts to safeguard freedom, justice and democracy in Chile and to champion an end to discrimination and all forms of hate.

The silence so far from civic, religious and political leaders in Chile is troubling. We are surprised that you have not yet spoken out to condemn forthrightly as unacceptable Senator Tuma's statements, which only incite to hate and discrimination and to make clear that his bigoted views have no place in your campaign to return to the Presidency of Chile.

With great respect, we urge you to publicly denounce Senator Tuma's statements and to make clear to the people of Chile that such views are not acceptable in your campaign or anyplace else in Chile.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Abraham H. Foxman'.

Abraham H. Foxman
National Director

cc: Gerardo Gorodischer, President of the Jewish Community of Chile
Rodrigo Peñailillo, General de Campaña, Michelle Bachelet

Anti-Defamation League, 605 Third Avenue, New York, NY 10158-3560, T 212.885.7700 F 212.867.0779 www.adl.org