

charges against him for his outspokenness or for his support for Hamas and the Palestinian cause. To make matters more challenging, given Privacy legislation, were we to deny him entry, we will not be able to articulate officially the reasons for his inadmissibility.

The timing of Galloway's planned arrival in Canada coincides exactly with Prime Minister Harper's arrival in London. I am concerned that Mr. Galloway's inadmissibility will be a real distraction in the UK press and detract from Mr. Harper's key economic messages. I would be grateful if PCO and PMO could liaise ASAP with Minister Kenney's office to determine the best means to handle this delicate situation.

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