1 thought on "OpEd: Antisemitic Progressives May Have Tipped Jewish Votes to Trump"



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Bruce Ticker's illuminating analysis of what I deem a "reactionary" vote in Trump's favor because the progressives in the Democratic Party caused trepidation for Jewish voters fearful of a "sellout" of Israel's security by a Harris/Walz administration. For many Jewish voters the Harris/Walz platform and posture, which naturally included pandering to the progressive left, provoked a form of "political schizophrenia". They reasoned that Harris was better for America in general but to vote for her would be to sellout the needs of Israel and Diaspora Jews. The human constitution is not sophisticated enough to maintain a departmentalization. Thus, they eschew cognitive dissonance, conflict, and inconsistency in favor of a candidate that will protect their basic needs for survival while rationalizing all the other aspects as consistent with their decision even though in fact they are not. So, the Jews in swing states like Pennsylvania bit the bullet, voted for Trump, and put their concerns for climate change, access to abortions, and other critical matters out to pasture. A sad, but real, commentary on human behavior and predictive analytics of voting behavior. At the end of the day, Harris trying to appease both Jews and Muslims caused her to lose both.