Honest Reporting 2013 Q1 Report

Highlights from January-March 2013

Sunday Times Blood Libel Cartoon: Following the publication of an offensive cartoon on Holocaust Memorial Day, HonestReporting was amongst the <u>fastest to respond</u> on the day of publication itself.

Indicative of HR's leading role in the initial response, Joe Hyams was quoted by the <u>JTA</u>, <u>The Algemeiner</u>, Washington Jewish Week, and The Jewish Chronicle.

As the story gained traction, HR published a <u>sharable graphic</u> that achieved 374 Shares, 242 Likes and a 30% viral rate on Facebook.

In addition, Managing Editor Simon Plosker had an opinion piece on the cartoon published in *The Algemeiner*.

Financial Times Tweet Exposed: FT journalist Borzou Daragahi tweeted a suggestion that Israel had bribed Bulgaria to accuse Hezbollah of carrying out a terrorist attack against Israeli tourists. Daragahi posted an apology only hours after HonestReporting called the original tweet "disgraceful."

"When it comes to defending Israel from media bias, one person alone may not make a difference, but thousands of us united can."

- Joe Hyams, CEO HonestReporting

HR's success was covered in <u>The Jewish</u> <u>Chronicle</u>, <u>Jewish News One</u> <u>TV</u>, and <u>J-Wire</u>.

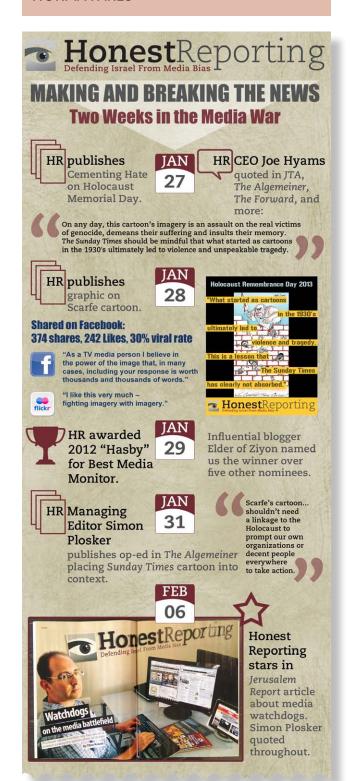
Jerusalem Report — Watchdogs on the Media Battlefield: Along with a two-page photo spread of Simon Plosker in the HonestReporting office, HR's Managing Editor was quoted extensively in a major feature article in <u>The Jerusalem Report</u> looking at the work of media watchdogs. The article was also republished by <u>The Jerusalem Post</u>.

UN Removes False Photo Tweeter: The UN informed the media that False Photo Tweeter Khulood Badawi was no longer associated with the agency. This was the culmination of a process that started when HR broke the story that Badawi was an employee of the UN's OCHA office in Jerusalem when she had posted a false tweet.

HonestReporting was cited as a source by the <u>Jewish</u> <u>Telegraphic Agency</u> on the story.

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"Hasby Award": Influential blogger Elder of Ziyon named HR the winner of its 2012 Hasby Award for Best Media Monitor.

Op-Eds Published: In addition to the previously mentioned media appearances above, Simon Plosker had an op-ed on a "Media Intifada" in <u>The Commentator</u> and a commentary on the exposure of Egyptian President Morsi's anti-Semitism in *The Times of Israel*.

UK Speaking Tour: Simon Plosker addressed audiences at three communities in the UK, speaking to a total of around 250 people. In addition, Simon was a guest on Revelation TV's hour-long Middle East Report.

By the Numbers: On Facebook, the image is king. HR produced two images that reached more than 20,000 people. The impact increased our weekly total reach on Facebook significantly, as you can see in the screen grab below (up 247%).



One of the biggest growth areas for HR in the first quarter of 2013 has been the number of readers using mobile devices. HR's content is currently being accessed through mobile devices, including mobile phones and tablet computers by more than 20% of its readers.

Stats to our website continued to improve as well, particularly in the area of pageviews. Our total for 2012 was about 3 million, which doubled the number of pageviews from the previous year. As of March 13, 2013, we have achieved 820,000 pageviews, putting us on pace for a million by the end of March, and a pace of 4 million for the year.



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DAVID PLANE, SWITZERLAND LETTER PUBLISHED APRIL 8, 2013 IN THE JERUSALEM REPORT