

THE NETANYAHU FILES

A Comprehensive Study

Yoni Netanyahu • Benjamin Netanyahu • Sara Netanyahu

Origins • Ideology • Legal Dossier • Psychological Profile

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INTRODUCTION

A Word to the Reader from Miqdash Bethel Covenant Assembly

This study was not written out of personal animosity toward Benjamin Netanyahu, Sara Netanyahu, or the people of Israel. Miqdash Bethel Covenant Assembly holds the Jewish people in deep covenant regard. We recognize the State of Israel as a fulfillment of prophetic promise to the seed of Avraham, and we stand in firm opposition to antisemitism in every form. Nothing in the pages that follow should be read as an attack on the Jewish people, on the nation of Israel, or on the legitimate security concerns of a nation surrounded by declared enemies.

What follows is a study of one man, one family, and one documented pattern of conduct — examined through the same evidentiary standard we apply to all public figures regardless of nation, faith, or political alignment.

Why this study exists.

Miqdash Bethel Covenant Assembly is a Torah-grounded covenant ministry. Our doctrinal standard for evaluating public leadership is not partisan, ideological, or cultural. It is covenantal. The standard was established at Sinai and has not changed: ***"Choose wise and understanding men, known among your tribes, and I will make them rulers over you" (Devarim / Deuteronomy 1:13)***. The fruit test that follows from that standard is equally ancient: a leader is known by what their governance produces — not by what they claim, not by the loyalty of their supporters, and not by the power of their office.

We apply this standard consistently. We have applied it to religious leaders, civil leaders, and military leaders across every tradition represented in our three-tradition audience. Benjamin and Sara Netanyahu receive the same standard — no more, no less.

What this study is.

This is a research and analysis document compiled from entirely public sources: court records, criminal indictments, sworn testimony, investigative journalism, documentary evidence including leaked police interrogation footage, peer-reviewed psychological science, and the statements of the subjects themselves and their former colleagues. Every factual claim is grounded in at least one named, verifiable public source. Where analysis is offered, it is clearly identified as such.

The psychological evaluation contained in Volume IV applies the Big Five (OCEAN) personality model, the Dark Triad framework (Paulhus & Williams, 2002), and DSM-5 Cluster B descriptors — the most scientifically validated instruments currently available in personality psychology — to behavioral evidence drawn entirely from the public record. This is behavioral observation, not clinical diagnosis. No claim is made that the subjects have been clinically evaluated. The conclusion belongs to the reader.

The covenant assessment contained in Volume V applies the Red Flag standards developed by Miqdash Bethel Covenant Assembly in our studies *Know Who You're Voting For* and *Know Who You're Following*. Those standards were designed to give covenant people a Torah-grounded framework for evaluating leadership character — in the congregation, in the civil arena, and in the public square. They apply here for the same reason they apply everywhere: because covenant people are commanded to see clearly.

What this study is not.

This study is not a political statement. Miqdash Bethel Covenant Assembly does not endorse candidates, parties, or governments. We have no position on Israeli electoral politics, on the Palestinian question, or on U.S. foreign policy toward the region. Those are complex covenant questions that fall outside the scope of this document.

This study is not antisemitic. The criticism of a specific leader is not a criticism of his people. The prophets of Israel themselves — Yeshayahu, Yirmeyahu, Yechezkel, Amos, Mikha — spent their ministries delivering hard covenant witness to the kings and leaders of Israel. That witness was not a betrayal of Israel. It was the highest expression of love for Israel. We offer this study in that same spirit.

This study is not a verdict. Benjamin Netanyahu has not yet been convicted of any crime in the domestic corruption trial. Sara Netanyahu has not yet been indicted in the witness tampering investigation. The ICC arrest warrants represent international legal findings, not final convictions. The psychological framework produces a behavioral profile, not a clinical diagnosis. The fruit test identifies observable evidence and leaves the conclusion to the reader.

A personal word.

The researcher and author of this study spent approximately twenty years as an ordained Deacon, Elder, and Judge within a religious organization before departing in 2008. In those twenty years, he observed firsthand what the concentration of unchecked authority produces in a leader who has ceased to be accountable to anyone above himself. He learned, slowly and at personal cost, what your documents now teach openly: that the structure of a man's character does not change with the size of his platform. It only becomes more visible.

He brings that experience — and the covenant standard refined through it — to this study. Not as a weapon. As a witness.

"One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established." — Devarim (Deuteronomy) 19:15

The witnesses in this study are many. The matter is established. The conclusion is yours.

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YONATAN “YONI” NETANYAHU

What He Believed — And How It Shaped Benjamin Netanyahu

PART ONE: THE FORMATION OF A MIND

1.1 The Family Crucible

To understand Yoni's beliefs, one must first understand the family that forged them. Professor Benzion Netanyahu was an eccentric, immensely learned intellectual who edited the Encyclopaedia Hebraica and was the foremost historian of the Jews in Spain. He had been an admirer of Theodor Herzl and personal secretary to Ze'ev Jabotinsky, the leader of the Revisionist Zionist movement. The essential precepts of Revisionist Zionism — primarily the assertive self-sufficiency of the Jewish people in pursuit of their rightful historical homeland — were the guiding lights of the Netanyahu household.

The Netanyahu family's political persuasion lay squarely within the Revisionist-Zionist camp, currently identified with the Likud party. This was not merely a political preference — it was a civilizational worldview absorbed by the children from birth. When Yoni was born on March 13, 1946 in New York City, his parents were working for the creation of a Jewish State on behalf of the New Zionist Organization. His paternal grandfather, Rabbi Nathan Mileikowsky, was a famed orator who traveled from Siberia to the heart of the United States preaching tirelessly for the Zionist cause.

1.2 The Encounter with America — And Its Rejection

A defining episode in Yoni's intellectual formation was his extended exposure to American culture — and his passionate rejection of it. During the period the family lived in Philadelphia, Yoni grew restless. He wrote:

"I yearn for a place that is narrow, hot, rotten, filthy — a place that's more than 60 percent desert."

In his letters, Yoni used the word "frivolous" to describe American youth. He wondered whether he was among apes or human beings. This encounter with materialism and purposeless living burned into him a counter-conviction that life must justify itself at every moment. At age 17 he wrote:

"Because each and every minute is made up of seconds and even briefer fragments of time, and every tiny fragment ought not to be allowed to pass in vain, I must feel certain that not only at the moment of my death shall I be able to account for the time I have lived; I ought to be ready at every moment of my life to confront myself and say, 'This is what I have done.'"

This single statement — written by a teenager — is arguably the philosophical core of everything Yoni did and became.

PART TWO: YONI'S BELIEFS — EXAMINED IN DEPTH

2.1 The Belief in Purposeful Living and Moral Accounting

Yoni's approach to existence was not religious in a traditional observant sense, but it was deeply ethical and almost ascetic. Herman Wouk noted in his introduction to the Letters that Yoni was respectful of Jewish religion but not observant — yet in his writings, Wouk glimpsed an ember of sacred fire. Yoni wrote simple, pure Hebrew, with scriptural words and phrases appearing naturally. Researchers at Ben-Gurion University analyzed the book's 261 letters and concluded that Yoni suffered emotional distress masked by superb functioning. He appeared to have profound loneliness and what they called "compulsive purposefulness" — a keen vision between right and wrong, good versus bad, and how to handle adversity. This can lead to "a built-in mental frustration as there appears to be a constant gap between reality and ideology."

2.2 Revisionist Zionism — Land, Survival, and the Just Struggle

Yoni's Zionism was not the cultural, liberal, or cosmopolitan variety. It was rooted in his father's Revisionist tradition — assertive, territorial, and existential. As his brother Iddo

explained: "In his letters, his views are clearly the opposite of those of the 'post-Zionists.' He is a firm believer in Zionism, and believes Israel is in the right, seeing our struggle as a just one."

In his own words, Yoni wrote:

"We must cling to our country with our bodies and with all of our strength. Only then will they not write in history books that once indeed the Jews held onto our land for two decades, but then were overwhelmed, and became once more homeless wanderers."

2.3 The Paradox: A Warrior Who Loathed War

One of the most striking truths about Yoni is that he was not a man who glorified violence. Herman Wouk wrote plainly in his introduction to the Letters:

"Yoni loathed war and fighting. To kill horrified him. Of such are the Israeli soldiers, and of such are modern heroes. Because he had to fight to save his nation's life, he made himself into a great fighting man. But he knew, as all men of sense know, that war today is an empty and dangerous lunacy, not a practical political technique."

In his letters Yoni expressed his longing directly: "How sad that we cannot achieve peace, for that is all we want at the end." And from his own experience of being wounded in battle:

"When you see death face-to-face; when you are wounded, and alone, in the midst of a scorched field, surrounded by smoke — with your arm shattered and burning with a terrible pain; then life becomes more precious and craved for than ever."

2.4 The Belief in Civilization Against Barbarism

Yoni's framework for understanding the conflict was civilizational rather than purely political. He saw the struggle not merely as Arabs versus Israelis, but as a moral contest between civilization and its destroyers. His father commented in 1977: "He felt that there are principles that must be upheld if civilization itself is to survive." A more critical reading

of his letters reveals a darker dimension: American high school peers became "apes"; enemies became "barbarians"; Jewish peace-seekers became "a saddening and irritating lot." This pattern — grouping perceived adversaries into a category of the foolish or subhuman — tracks directly into how Benjamin Netanyahu later framed terrorism and Palestinian resistance.

2.5 The Torn Man: Duty vs. Personal Life

A documentary about Yoni's life keeps its focus on his greatest internal struggle: a man torn between multiple fidelities, endlessly divided between duty to his country and the drives of his heart. As a teenager he wrote: "Even though I find the army to be of great interest, I fail to see my future in it. There are so many things I want to do and it's difficult to see myself as an army man all my life."

His father described the dilemma: "He was dreaming of resuming his studies and planned to do so time and again. Yet he always conditioned his return to Harvard on the relaxation of the military tensions." That condition was never met. He died at 30, having sacrificed the intellectual life he yearned for on the altar of the national life he could not abandon.

PART THREE: YONI'S IMPACT ON BENJAMIN NETANYAHU

3.1 The North Star

The relationship between Yoni and Benjamin Netanyahu was formative at the deepest psychological level. In his autobiography, Benjamin Netanyahu wrote of his older brother:

"For my younger brother and me he was our North Star, guiding us through life's labyrinthine paths and serving as a model to be emulated."

Their father described the family dynamic: "Yoni was considered the protector." He was head of the student council, on the Dean's List at Harvard, and through relentless drive excelled in the army. Iddo Netanyahu described Yoni's role: "Besides being a big brother, he was in many ways a semi-parent to Bibi and me. He just had this attitude; he was a

brother that wanted to instruct you." Yoni even predicted his brother's future — telling Benjamin when he was 18 that he would one day become Prime Minister of Israel.

3.2 The Death That Launched a Political Career

The pivotal moment in Benjamin Netanyahu's life came on July 4, 1976. At the time, Bibi had been climbing the corporate ladder at the Boston Consulting Group, having graduated from MIT. He returned to Israel after the tragedy to start an anti-terrorism foundation in his brother's name — a detour that eventually led him to politics. "I thought I would be either in the academic world or the business world," Netanyahu later said.

Netanyahu said in 2016 that Yonatan's death changed everything for him, calling it "the birth of his political life." He wrote of driving seven hours to tell his parents the news as "a Via Dolorosa of unspeakable pain." He recounts:

"All of a sudden his face turned, and he saw me, and I think he said, 'Bibi, what are you doing here?' And then his expression changed, and he understood immediately. And my mother let out a terrible scream. I'll never forget that. It was actually worse than hearing about Yoni's death."

3.3 The Jonathan Institute — Weaponizing Grief into Policy

Benjamin Netanyahu did not simply mourn his brother. He institutionalized him. Between 1978 and 1980, he ran the Jonathan Netanyahu Anti-Terror Institute. In 1979, he and his father Benzion convened in Jerusalem the first-ever conference on "international terrorism," bringing together Israeli and U.S. neoconservative groups. The purpose: to convince the governments of the free world that the battle against terrorism Israel had been waging was "part of a much larger struggle, one between the forces of civilization and the forces of barbarism." This is Yoni's framework — civilization vs. barbarism — directly translated into international policy advocacy.

Many contributors to the second Jonathan Institute conference in Washington in 1984 reappear as neoconservatives in the run-up to the 2003 Iraq War. The line from Yoni's death to the post-9/11 architecture of American foreign policy runs directly through this institute.

3.4 "It Reaffirmed My Worldview"

Benjamin Netanyahu has been precise about how Yoni's death functioned ideologically. He said: "My brother's death changed my life and directed it to its present course." On ideological impact he added: "It didn't shape my worldview. It reaffirmed it."

This distinction is critical. Yoni's death did not convert Benjamin to a new ideology — it radicalized and consecrated one he already held from his father. Yoni's sacrifice gave those beliefs the weight of martyrdom. Benjamin wrote:

"Though Yoni had died in the war on terror, he never thought this battle was merely a military conflict. He saw it also as a political and moral struggle between civilisation and barbarism. I now devoted myself to this battle."

3.5 The Ghost That Cannot Be Satisfied

One analyst captured the essential psychological truth: Benjamin Netanyahu considers himself only the third most impressive member of his immediate family — constantly striving to live up to both his father Benzion and brother Yoni, neither of whom can now tell him whether he has succeeded or not. That dynamic is central to understanding everything Netanyahu does.

In a stormy Knesset session in 1997, then-opposition leader Ehud Barak — himself a former Sayeret Matkal commander — rose and said to Benjamin: "I knew another Netanyahu, too, a comrade and a real warrior, and together we rescued wounded soldiers. That was Yoni Netanyahu. I tell you, Bibi, he would have been ashamed of you today." Iddo Netanyahu said later: "Although Bibi didn't express it, there's no question that this hurt him very deeply."

3.6 The Contrast That Haunts: Entebbe vs. Gaza

In recent years, the comparison between the two brothers has grown sharper. Only a particularly macabre force of history could have created for the Netanyahu brothers situations so similar — of Israeli hostages in impossible surroundings — yet so completely different. In 1976, Yoni provided the hostages with a quick, agile, supremely well-planned response that ended in his giving up his own life. Decades later, his younger brother faced

a different hostage crisis with a far different outcome. At the 48th anniversary memorial in 2024, former Sayeret Matkal officer Shlomi Reisman said at an alternative ceremony: "I chose to visit your grave separately from the prime minister's ceremony." Yoni's surviving partner, Bruria Shaked-Okon, attended also, saying: "I feel there's no choice and we can't keep playing this game."

VOLUME II

THE NETANYAHU LEGAL DOSSIER

Benjamin Netanyahu • Sara Netanyahu • The ICC — Current as of March 2026

PART ONE: BENJAMIN NETANYAHU — THE DOMESTIC CRIMINAL TRIAL

Origins of the Investigation

The trial of Benjamin Netanyahu — also known as the Netanyahu-Elovitch-Mozes Trial or the Publisher's Trial — began in 2020 following investigations into allegations of bribery, fraud, and breach of trust during his fourth and fifth terms. The Israel Police began investigating Netanyahu in December 2016 and subsequently recommended indictments. On November 21, 2019, he was officially charged. He is the first sitting Israeli prime minister in history to face a criminal trial. The trial is led by a panel of three Jerusalem District Court judges: Rivka Friedman-Feldman, Moshe Bar-Am, and Oded Shaham.

Case 1000 — The Gifts Affair

In Case 1000, Netanyahu is accused of a conflict of interest while serving as Minister of Communications. The prosecution alleges he received expensive cigars and champagne worth \$195,000 from Hollywood producer Arnon Milchan and billionaire James Packer over 20 years, as well as jewelry for his wife Sara worth \$3,100. In exchange, Netanyahu allegedly assisted Milchan on three occasions, including actively advocating in 2013 for tax exemptions that held significant financial advantages for Milchan. Prior to Milchan's testimony in 2023, the judges privately suggested that the bribery charges may be difficult to prove and implored both sides to consider a plea bargain "for the sake of the country."

Case 2000 — The Netanyahu-Mozes Affair

Case 2000 concerns the relationship between Netanyahu and Arnon Mozes, publisher and controlling owner of Yedioth Ahronoth. According to the allegations, Mozes offered Netanyahu significantly improved coverage in exchange for Netanyahu using his influence to promote legislation restricting rival newspaper Israel Hayom, bringing financial benefits to Mozes. In November 2019, Attorney General Mandelblit filed an indictment against Netanyahu for fraud and breach of trust and against Mozes for attempted bribery.

Case 4000 — The Bezeq-Walla Affair (Most Serious)

Case 4000 is the most serious case. It involves allegations that Netanyahu maintained a bribery relationship with Shaul Elovitch, the controlling shareholder of telecom giant Bezeq. As part of that alleged relationship, Netanyahu and his family made various demands of the Elovitch family regarding media coverage on the Walla news website, which Elovitch controlled. The requests allegedly included limiting coverage of Netanyahu's political rivals and providing favorable coverage of the Netanyahu family. Three former confidants — Shlomo Filber, Nir Hefetz, and Ari Harow — agreed to serve as state witnesses through plea bargain agreements.

Trial Status — March 2026

As of February 23, 2026, Netanyahu had appeared before the Tel Aviv District Court for the 79th time — the 79th day of cross-examination in Case 4000 alone. Netanyahu began giving testimony in December 2024, becoming the first sitting Israeli prime minister to take

the stand as a criminal defendant in his country's history. The Jerusalem District Court rejected his request to testify only three days per week, with Judge Friedman-Feldman stating: "The hearings will proceed as planned."

The Pardon Battle

On November 30, 2025, Netanyahu formally asked President Isaac Herzog for a pardon. On March 11, 2026, the Pardons Department determined that the request does not meet the necessary conditions: the trial is ongoing, he has not yet been convicted, and he has neither admitted guilt nor expressed remorse. On March 24, 2026 — three days before this writing — the Ministry's opinion was formally submitted to Herzog's office.

The pardon effort involved intense U.S. pressure. Trump called on Herzog during his Knesset address in October 2025, wrote a letter in November 2025, and in February 2026 called Herzog "disgraceful for not giving it" and said "he should be ashamed of himself." Herzog's office responded: "Israel is a sovereign state governed by the rule of law." Opposition leader Lapid stated any pardon should follow an admission of guilt and retirement from politics.

The Coalition's Legislative Counter-Attack

In January 2026, coalition lawmakers advanced a bill to repeal the crime of fraud and breach of trust — a charge Netanyahu faces in all three cases. Law professor Barak Medina of Hebrew University stated: "This law is specifically aimed at solving Netanyahu's problem. It's quite clear that the High Court will rule that Netanyahu's case doesn't fall under this law." He warned the bill "enables corruption and undermines deterrence among public servants from abusing their powers."

"This is not a reform. It is a sweeping overhaul that would turn Israel into a corrupt and undemocratic state." — Opposition Leader Yair Lapid

As recently as March 17, 2026, Attorney General Gali Baharav-Miara stated that National Security Minister Ben-Gvir is violating a court ruling by refusing to promote the lead investigator in one of Netanyahu's corruption cases.

PART TWO: SARA NETANYAHU — A SEPARATE AND ESCALATING LEGAL STORY

The 2019 Conviction

Sara Netanyahu has her own criminal record entirely separate from her husband's trial. In 2019 she accepted a plea bargain and was convicted of misusing state funds — ordering approximately \$50,000 in catered meals to the official prime ministerial residence while a full-time government chef was already on the payroll. She paid approximately \$15,000 in fines and restitution. Labor courts have found her behavior toward household staff "abusive" and awarded damages to former employees.

The Witness Tampering Investigation (2024–2026)

In December 2024, Channel 12's investigative program Uvda aired a report alleging that Sara Netanyahu orchestrated a campaign to intimidate a key witness in her husband's trial. Attorney General Baharav-Miara ordered an investigation, confirmed publicly in February 2025. The investigation centers on WhatsApp messages recovered from the phone of Hanni Bleiweiss — the late former aide who died of cancer in 2023. The messages allegedly show Sara Netanyahu directing Bleiweiss to organize protests and online smear campaigns against Hadas Klein, a key witness in Case 1000. The investigation is handled by Lahav 433, the serious crimes unit.

The Full Scope of Alleged Conduct

The Uvda investigation revealed a broader alleged pattern, including:

- Directing an online smear campaign against Hadas Klein, a key prosecution witness.
- Encouraging then-Police regional commander Danny Levy to increase COVID-19 enforcement against anti-Netanyahu protesters.
- Organizing protests against the Netanyahu's Caesarea neighbors, the Farkash family, whose son — a pilot — was killed in the Second Lebanon War.
- Ordering protests against then-Attorney General Mandelblit and prosecutor Liat Ben-Ari for indicting her husband.

Harassing a witness is punishable by up to three years in prison. Seeking to subvert the testimony of a witness carries up to seven years. Bleiweiss's family announced plans to sue the Netanyahus for harassment and abuse.

PART THREE: THE ICC — THE INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION

The Arrest Warrants

On November 21, 2024, the ICC's Pre-Trial Chamber I unanimously issued arrest warrants for Benjamin Netanyahu and former Defense Minister Yoav Gallant for crimes against humanity and war crimes committed from at least October 8, 2023 until at least May 20, 2024. The warrant against Netanyahu is the first ever issued against the leader of a Western-backed democratic country for war crimes. All 125 ICC member states — including France and the United Kingdom — are legally obligated to arrest Netanyahu and Gallant if they enter their territory.

The Specific Charges

The ICC found reasonable grounds to believe that Netanyahu and Gallant intentionally and knowingly deprived the civilian population in Gaza of food, water, medicine, fuel, and electricity. Based on this, the court found reasonable grounds for:

- The war crime of starvation as a method of warfare.
- The crimes against humanity of murder and persecution.
- Other inhumane acts against the civilian population.

The court found that the restrictions created "conditions of life calculated to bring about the destruction of part of the civilian population in Gaza, which resulted in the death of civilians, including children, due to malnutrition and dehydration." In December 2025, the ICC rejected Israel's bid to halt the Gaza probe and maintained both warrants.

Practical Impact

As a result of the ICC warrants, Netanyahu's international travel is severely constrained. He cannot safely visit any of the 125 ICC member states without risk of arrest. This includes most of Europe, large parts of Latin America, Africa, and the Asia-Pacific region. Israel entirely rejects the ICC's jurisdiction and denies war crimes in Gaza. Netanyahu's office called the accusations "antisemitic."

PART FOUR: THE BIG PICTURE

What we are witnessing in Israel is arguably without precedent in the democratic world: a sitting head of government simultaneously facing domestic criminal corruption charges on three counts, a domestic criminal probe of his spouse for witness tampering, an international arrest warrant for war crimes from the ICC, a coalition actively legislating to erase the very criminal categories he is charged under, and intense foreign pressure from the U.S. president to obtain a presidential pardon — all while managing an active military conflict.

Under Israeli law, a prime minister is not required to resign during the trial or appeals process. The law permits remaining in or seeking office unless a conviction carries moral turpitude implications that bar candidacy. Any sentence would only take effect following a final conviction upheld through all appeals. Netanyahu has used this legal framework to remain in power throughout.

"Almost 50 years have passed — but it feels like it was yesterday. Not a day goes by that I don't think of him. Of his final moments. Of what he managed to be — and all that he didn't have the chance to become." — Benjamin Netanyahu on Yoni, July 2025 Meanwhile, the man who built a political career on his brother's legend of selfless sacrifice faces accusations of trading the interests of the state for cigars, champagne, and favorable headlines.

VOLUME III

THE BIBI FILES

Documentary Evidence: The Interrogation Footage

What the Film Is

The Bibi Files is a 2024 documentary film directed by Alexis Bloom and produced by Oscar-winning filmmaker Alex Gibney and Israeli investigative journalist Raviv Drucker. It is NOT a Tucker Carlson production — the Tucker Carlson Network is a distributor only. The film is built around over 1,000 hours of leaked police interrogation footage obtained via Signal in early 2023.

The film is banned in Israel due to privacy laws. Netanyahu's lawyers petitioned the Jerusalem District Court for an injunction the morning of its TIFF screening. The court denied it — and the film screened that same day. It holds a 95% positive rating on Rotten Tomatoes.

Netanyahu Under Interrogation

In the leaked police videos, Netanyahu sits at his desk in a cramped office. He expresses outrage at the proceedings, calls witnesses liars, and notes he has weightier matters to attend to. Asked about champagne bottles, he says he spends his time counting missiles threatening Israel, not bottles. His most frequent answer to potentially incriminating questions: "I don't remember." The filmmakers note pointedly that numerous people on record describe him as having a phenomenal memory.

Netanyahu mostly displays an unflappable coolness — "Time flies when you're having fun," he says wryly at the end of one session. But there are moments when he loses his

temper, banging his fist on the table and shouting "Liar!" When asked about expensive cigars, he fumes: "So this is a crime? How terrible!"

Sara Netanyahu's Interrogation

Sara is described in multiple reviews as making believable the comment from one interviewee that "I think Bibi is afraid of Sara." She does not take kindly to being asked about receiving wine and champagne, responding: "There are terror attacks, and you're asking about bottles?"

Son Yair Netanyahu

Yair Netanyahu is seen as even more right-wing than his father. He reveals contempt for both the media and law enforcement: "You investigate because the Israeli police has become the Stasi secret police, trying to overthrow the government. A police force of mafiosos."

The Hamas Theory

The documentary persuasively argues that Netanyahu supported Hamas for his own political purposes. In the interrogation footage, Netanyahu himself quotes *The Godfather* to describe his strategy: "Keep your friends close and your enemies closer." Investigative journalist Raviv Drucker, one of the film's producers, states directly: "The war became another instrument to stay in power."

The Central Argument

Producer Alex Gibney describes the film as revealing "something Shakespearean about the man in the sense that his slow corruption of character and his desperate need to stay in power led him to do terrible things that we're now seeing evidence of." The film concludes with harrowing footage of the October 7 attack — which critics suspect Netanyahu is prolonging for his own political survival.

PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION

Big Five (OCEAN) • Dark Triad • DSM-5 Cluster B • Miqdash Bethel Red Flag Standards

Methodological Note: This is a behavioral assessment based entirely on public record — court proceedings, interrogation footage (Bibi Files), sworn testimony, investigative journalism, and statements from former colleagues. Per APA standards for behavioral observation: no clinical diagnosis is rendered. The Big Five model, Dark Triad framework (Paulhus & Williams, 2002), and DSM-5 Cluster B descriptors are applied as analytical lenses, not clinical verdicts.

SECTION ONE: BENJAMIN NETANYAHU

THE BIG FIVE (OCEAN) PROFILE

The Big Five — Openness, Conscientiousness, Extraversion, Agreeableness, and Neuroticism — is described by the APA as the most empirically validated model of personality structure. The Five-Factor Model has been formally proposed as a foundational framework for the classification of personality disorders within the DSM-5.

O — OPENNESS: VERY HIGH (Selective)

Netanyahu scores very high on the intellectual facets of Openness. He holds degrees from MIT in architecture and management, studied philosophy, speaks English with near-native fluency, and has authored three books on terrorism. He is a genuine strategic thinker with a wide-ranging mind. However, he scores strikingly low on the Values facet — the willingness to re-examine moral, social, and political values. His worldview was formed in childhood and crystallized permanently at Yoni's death in 1976. He has not meaningfully

revised it in nearly 50 years. The intellectual capacity is genuine. The willingness to let that capacity challenge foundational convictions is essentially absent.

C — CONSCIENTIOUSNESS: HIGH (Goal-Directed) / LOW (Integrity)

Netanyahu's conscientiousness in pursuit of his own defined objectives is exceptionally high. He is Israel's longest-serving prime minister. He survived 30 years of political warfare, multiple electoral defeats, criminal indictments, coalition collapses, and an international arrest warrant — and remains in office. The endurance, strategic patience, and goal persistence are remarkable. But conscientiousness has two sub-dimensions: self-discipline and dutifulness — adherence to ethical principles and obligations. On dutifulness, the documented record is devastating. Three criminal indictments. Systematic manipulation of media oversight. A coalition dismantling the judicial infrastructure that might hold him accountable.

E — EXTRAVERSION: VERY HIGH

Netanyahu is one of the most accomplished political communicators of his generation. His three addresses to the U.S. Congress each interrupting policy processes he opposed represent a level of assertive extraversion beyond normal political behavior. Per peer-reviewed research: narcissists correlate positively with high extraversion and will most likely surround themselves with people who are easily influenced. The Bibi Files interrogation footage captures this directly: even under police questioning for bribery, he maintained composure, deployed wit, and managed the performance dimension of the encounter throughout.

A — AGREEABLENESS: VERY LOW (Core Diagnostic Indicator)

This is the most diagnostically significant dimension. Peer-reviewed research by Paulhus & Williams (2002) established that the only common Big Five correlate across all three Dark Triad traits — narcissism, Machiavellianism, and psychopathy — is disagreeableness. Research on narcissistic leaders in political settings finds: "Narcissists focus on their personal interests rather than the state's. When state interests conflict with their interests, they disregard the state for their own needs. The narcissistic leader will believe that what is good for them is good for their country."

The behavioral evidence for Netanyahu's very low agreeableness is structural and multi-decade. He cannot coexist with oversight institutions. He cannot accept criticism. He cannot acknowledge error. He cannot compromise on fundamental interests. His own former military comrades now hold separate memorial ceremonies rather than stand beside him.

N — NEUROTICISM: LOW (Masked)

Research consistently finds that grandiose narcissism correlates positively with Extraversion and negatively with Neuroticism. Netanyahu presents as emotionally stable and controlled — which is itself a narcissistic presentation. The underlying anxiety is present but manifests as rage, not visible distress. The Bibi Files footage captures this precisely: when pressed on incriminating facts, he bangs his fist and shouts "Liar!" — then immediately returns to controlled performance. The rapid shift and rapid return to composure are consistent with emotional dysregulation masked by a high-extraversion presentation.

THE DARK TRIAD ASSESSMENT

The Dark Triad describes three notably offensive but non-pathological personality types: Machiavellianism, sub-clinical narcissism, and sub-clinical psychopathy. All three entail a socially malevolent character with behavior tendencies toward self-promotion, emotional coldness, duplicity, and aggressiveness. (Paulhus & Williams, *Journal of Research in Personality*, 2002)

NARCISSISM: HIGH

Narcissism is characterized by grandiosity, pride, egotism, and a lack of empathy. The behavioral evidence is comprehensive and sustained across decades. The "indispensable man" frame. The obsessive prosecution of Yoni's legacy — including fighting with fellow Sayeret Matkal veterans for decades over credit for Entebbe. The three-Congress strategy. The "witch hunt" framing applied to every challenge regardless of specific facts. Grandiose narcissism is, by definition, a publicly expressed condition — and Netanyahu has expressed it publicly and consistently for 40 years.

MACHIAVELLIANISM: VERY HIGH (Dominant Trait)

Machiavellianism is characterized by manipulateness, indifference to morality, and a calculated focus on self-interest. Research indicates Machiavellianism is most closely tied to high intelligence of the three Dark Triad traits. This is the dimension where Netanyahu's profile is most pronounced and most thoroughly documented. Cases 2000 and 4000 allege precisely Machiavellian architectures: trading regulatory benefits for media control; negotiating favorable coverage in exchange for hobbling a competitor. The judicial reform push — timed precisely to his own criminal trial — is the most elegant Machiavellian move in his career: use democratic institutions and legislative majority to dismantle the judicial oversight that threatens you, while framing the dismantlement as democratic reform. From the Bibi Files interrogation footage, when asked about his media strategy, he quoted The Godfather: "Keep your friends close and your enemies closer." This is not accidental self-revelation. It is a window into his actual operating system.

PSYCHOPATHY: MODERATE (Subclinical)

Netanyahu is not primarily a psychopath. He is too patient, too strategic, and too capable of genuine emotional connection (the Yoni dimension) to register high here. But subclinical psychopathic traits — specifically callousness and lack of remorse — are documented: the pardon request containing no admission of guilt and no remorse. The 101 hostages still in Gaza while his legal calendar shapes operational timing. The response to the Sara witness-tampering report: a video calling it a "blood libel" rather than any engagement with the substance.

DSM-5 CLUSTER B DESCRIPTORS

The DSM-5 identifies Cluster B personality disorders as characterized by dramatic, emotional, or erratic behavior. Applying these descriptors strictly to publicly documented behavioral evidence — not as a diagnosis:

NPD criteria met by documented behavior: grandiose sense of self-importance (consistent, decades-long); preoccupied with fantasies of unlimited power; believes he is special and can only be understood by special others; requires excessive admiration; has a sense of entitlement; interpersonally exploitative (as alleged in Cases 2000 and 4000); lacks

empathy; is often envious of others or believes others are envious of him. The DSM-5 requires five of nine criteria for the categorical diagnosis. Seven are behaviorally documented in public record.

SUMMARY PROFILE: BENJAMIN NETANYAHU

Dimension	Score	Evidence Basis
Openness	High (selective)	Genuine intellect; frozen values since 1976
Conscientiousness	High/Low (split)	Extreme goal persistence; low dutifulness
Extraversion	Very High	Master communicator; performance-driven
Agreeableness	Very Low	Core diagnostic indicator; decades-consistent
Neuroticism	Low (masked)	Controlled surface; rage beneath
Narcissism (Dark Triad)	High	Grandiose, decades-consistent
Machiavellianism	Very High	Most dominant trait; highest intelligence link
Psychopathy	Moderate (subclinical)	Callousness and remorselessness documented

Primary Profile: *High-Machiavellianism Grandiose Narcissism* — the most strategically dangerous configuration in the Dark Triad literature, because it combines the narcissist's need for dominance with the Machiavellian's patience, intelligence, and willingness to use any instrument available.

SECTION TWO: SARA NETANYAHU

THE BIG FIVE (OCEAN) PROFILE

O — OPENNESS: LOW

No documented evidence of intellectual curiosity, philosophical interests, or openness to values revision. Her behavioral record is characterized by reactivity — responding to

perceived threats with immediate aggression rather than considered strategy. The WhatsApp messages directing harassment campaigns were not the product of strategic planning — they were impulsive responses to felt threats distributed through a convenient instrument.

C — CONSCIENTIOUSNESS: LOW (Integrity)

Her 2019 conviction for misusing state funds is a direct conscientiousness failure at the dutifulness level — using government money for personal comfort while a chef was on the payroll. Labor courts found her staff treatment "abusive." The witness tampering investigation, if proven, represents the same pattern applied to criminal obstruction: rules are instruments for others. They do not apply to her.

E — EXTRAVERSION: HIGH (Assertive/Coercive)

Multiple witnesses describe Sara Netanyahu as the dominant force within the Netanyahu family unit. "I think Bibi is afraid of Sara" — spoken by a former colleague in the Bibi Files — is not a casual observation. It tracks with high assertiveness and social dominance that operates differently from her husband's: where he performs warmth and accessibility, she exercises power through coercion.

A — AGREEABLENESS: VERY LOW

The behavioral record is the most consistent dimension across all documented accounts. Former staff testified to abusive treatment. Labor courts awarded damages. The Uvda investigation documented harassment campaigns against a prosecution witness, the Attorney General, his deputy, and the family of a neighbor whose only offense was complaining about helicopter noise. The retaliatory range is extraordinary — from war-widow neighbors to the chief law enforcement officer of the state. This is not strategic. It is dispositional.

N — NEUROTICISM: HIGH

Unlike her husband, Sara Netanyahu does not maintain composure under pressure. The Bibi Files interrogation footage captures her becoming visibly agitated and responding with disproportionate emotionality. Her documented staff abuse, impulsive legal responses, and

the overall behavioral pattern are consistent with elevated neuroticism — specifically the Hostility, Impulsiveness, and Vulnerability facets.

THE DARK TRIAD ASSESSMENT — SARA NETANYAHU

NARCISSISM: HIGH (Vulnerable Type)

Research establishes that grandiose narcissism correlates positively with Extraversion and negatively with Neuroticism, whereas vulnerable narcissism shows the reverse associations. Both types share a common antagonistic core — they are negatively related to Agreeableness. Sara Netanyahu presents the vulnerable narcissism profile — high neuroticism, high entitlement, reactive rage when the entitlement is threatened. Her response pattern to challenges is not cool superiority (her husband's pattern) — it is wounded fury.

MACHIAVELLIANISM: MODERATE

The witness tampering campaign was organized, not spontaneous, utilizing coordinated protests, social media operations, and existing relationships within the police command structure. But it lacks the cold patience and strategic architecture of true high Machiavellianism. It is Machiavellianism in service of reactive narcissistic protection, not long-term power consolidation.

PSYCHOPATHY: MODERATE (Subclinical)

The callousness dimension is documented: organizing harassment of a war widow's neighbor family; using a dying aide's final years to conduct intimidation operations; showing no visible remorse across any of the documented conduct. The impulsivity is higher than her husband's — consistent with the subclinical psychopathy marker of poor impulse control.

SUMMARY PROFILE: SARA NETANYAHU

Dimension	Score	Evidence Basis
Openness	Low	No documented intellectual flexibility

Dimension	Score	Evidence Basis
Conscientiousness	Low	2019 conviction; staff abuse; rules don't apply
Extraversion	High (coercive)	Dominant in family unit; coercive interpersonally
Agreeableness	Very Low	Consistent across all documented contexts
Neuroticism	High	Explosive under pressure; impulsive
Narcissism (Dark Triad)	High (Vulnerable)	Reactive entitlement; wounded rage
Machiavellianism	Moderate	Organized but impulsive
Psychopathy	Moderate (subclinical)	Callousness; poor impulse control

Primary Profile: *Vulnerable Narcissism + Coercive Entitlement* — the most operationally dangerous configuration within a partnership context, because the vulnerability drives disproportionate retaliation and the entitlement removes all inhibition about who becomes a target.

SECTION THREE: THE PARTNERSHIP DYNAMIC

What the documented evidence reveals when both profiles are held together is a closed system — a partnership in which each person's pathology reinforces and enables the other's. Benjamin provides the strategic architecture and the public legitimacy. Sara provides the operational enforcement — the witness pressure, the protest organization, the aide deployment — that he cannot directly execute without more visible exposure. Each provides cover for the other's blind spots.

Research on Dark Triad partnerships in positions of power finds this dynamic precisely: "People with dark triad traits rank high in their readiness to exploit anyone from their closest family to their work colleagues to get ahead, and they experience very little remorse when they inflict harm on others." (Simply Psychology; O'Boyle et al. meta-analysis, 186 studies, 43,907 participants)

The Israeli state is not an abstraction in this system. It is the instrument. The judiciary is not a safeguard — it is a threat. The attorney general is not an officer of the law — she is an enemy. The hostages are not a moral emergency — they are a negotiating variable. The war is not only a security operation — it is, per the Bibi Files thesis, also a courtroom defense strategy.

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COVENANT ASSESSMENT

The Fruit Test — Miqdash Bethel Standards

Applied from: "Know Who You're Voting For" and "Know Who You're Following" — Miqdash Bethel Covenant Assembly, Elder Kepha Arcemont. All behavioral evidence drawn from public record. This section applies the Torah fruit test and the Miqdash Bethel Red Flag standards to the documented behavioral record.

The Ten Red Flags — Benjamin Netanyahu (Summary Application)

Red Flag #1 — Treats oversight institutions as enemies: CONFIRMED. He launched a judicial reform package designed to strip the Supreme Court of power to override government decisions — a reform that directly benefited his own criminal defense. His coalition advanced legislation to erase the very criminal categories he is charged under. His allies have attempted to fire the Attorney General, defy court orders, and block the promotion of the lead investigator in his own case.

Red Flag #2 — Claims personal persecution as a political defense: CONFIRMED. Netanyahu has used the phrase "witch hunt" for so long that he preceded Donald Trump's adoption of the same language. Every charge, every court ruling, every state witness who

testified against him has been publicly framed as a coordinated leftist conspiracy. His response to the Sara witness tampering footage: a four-minute video calling it "false propaganda, nasty propaganda that brings up lies from the darkness." This is textbook DARVO — Deny, Attack, Reverse Victim and Offender.

Red Flag #3 — Private record contradicts public presentation: CONFIRMED. The Bibi Files provided the world its first look at Netanyahu in the interrogation room rather than behind the podium. In private: loses temper, bangs fist on table, shouts "Liar!" at investigators. The man who publicly presents as Israel's indispensable protector — when asked about mountains of champagne and cigars — says with theatrical indignation: "So this is a crime? How terrible!" The selective amnesia that activates only under criminal interrogation is not medical. It is legal strategy.

Red Flag #4 — Critics face disproportionate consequences: CONFIRMED. Two members of his media team are on trial for witness tampering. His wife is under criminal investigation. His coalition defied a court order to protect the investigator assigned to his case. Former Mossad chief Tamir Pardo publicly called the judicial reform push an "attempt to commit a coup." These are not leftist critics — they are his own former colleagues and intelligence chiefs.

Red Flag #5 — The indispensable man claim: CONFIRMED. He is "Mr. Security." He alone understands Iran. This claim has been so successfully embedded in Israeli political culture that even after 79 court appearances and an ICC arrest warrant, a significant portion of the Israeli electorate believes removing him would endanger the state. Your document states: "The claim 'only I can fix it' is a diagnostic, not a qualification."

Red Flag #8 — Emergency powers extended beyond the emergency: CONFIRMED. The central argument of the Bibi Files — made by his own former aide Raviv Drucker — is that the war in Gaza became an instrument for staying in power. He filed multiple motions to postpone testimony citing the wars in Gaza and Lebanon. The courts rejected them all.

Multiple Israeli security analysts and former intelligence officials have publicly stated that operational decisions in Gaza appear influenced by his personal legal calendar.

Red Flag #9 — Financial arrangements benefit those controlling oversight:

CONFIRMED. This is precisely what Cases 2000 and 4000 allege — not as speculation, but as indictment. Regulatory decisions worth hundreds of millions granted to a telecom giant in exchange for positive news coverage. A negotiation with the publisher of Israel's largest newspaper to weaken a competitor in exchange for favorable headlines.

Red Flag #10 — Escalates rather than de-escalates when challenged: CONFIRMED.

When the Bibi Files was about to be screened at TIFF, his lawyers sought an injunction the morning of the screening. When Herzog did not move on the pardon, Trump was deployed to publicly shame him. When the Attorney General resisted legislative interference, his allies launched repeated efforts to fire her. There is no moment in the documented record where Netanyahu absorbed opposition and responded with restraint.

The Torah Fruit Test

Miqdash Bethel documents ground the entire framework in Devarim (Deuteronomy) 1:13 — "Choose wise and understanding men" — and the fruit test of Devarim 18:22.

Applied to Benjamin Netanyahu: The fruit of his extended governance includes three criminal indictments, an ICC arrest warrant, the near-dismantlement of Israel's independent judiciary, the entanglement of national security decisions with personal legal survival, and a hostage crisis in which 101 people remain captive as of this writing. His brother Yoni — the man he calls his North Star — died giving everything to rescue 102 hostages in one night. The contrast has not been lost on Yoni's own surviving comrades, who now hold separate memorial ceremonies rather than stand beside Benjamin.

The fruit test does not require a conviction. It requires observation. The observation is available. The conclusion, as our documents state, is yours to reach.

— *End of Study* —

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