



On behalf of The Association of Civil-Military Studies in Israel

We hereby grant a

Certificate of Appreciation

to

Prof. Stuart A Cohen

In recognition for his valuable lifelong achievement and enterprise

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Prof. Uzi Ben-Shalom Chairman, The Association of Civil-Military Studies in Israel **Dr. Rickover Itamar** CEO, The Association of Civil-Military Studies in Israel



Prof. Stuart Cohen was born in London, England in 1946, and he immigrated to Israel in 1972. Prior to his immigration, he finished his Doctorate on Modern Diplomatic History at the University of Oxford (where he also received his BA and MA). Between the years 1972-2012 he taught at Bar-Ilan University, where he worked as a Full Professor in the Department of Political Science and as a researcher at the Begin-Sadat Center for Strategic Studies until his retirement. Later, he served as Head of the Department of Political Science at Ashkelon Academic College.

Cohen's areas of academic specialization include Jewish political theory and practice, Diplomatic history of the 20th-Century, Jewish history in Great Britain, The Jewish National Tradition, Civil-military relations and Approaches in Jewish-contemporary Halacha on military and war matters.

Prof. Cohen's main contribution is in the field of Civil-Military Relations and his vision of the relationship between the IDF and Israeli society as mirroring wider patterns of society. Among other things, Cohen analyzed the transition of the IDF from a military of the people to a professional military model, beginning a discussion about the ethical dimensions of "Undercover Soldiers", and emphasized the relationship between Jewish Halacha and the IDF through investigating the questions and answers book and the Modern Rules of War. In addition to these, Prof. Cohen coined the term "Revolution in Reverse" in relation to the civilian system's ability to get involved in the military sphere and to force civil behavioral norms in military ranks.

Cohen has published books and articles in Hebrew and English on these topics, and taught in Israel and abroad. Further, he has been invited to participate as a visiting Lecturer at universities in the United Kingdom, the United States, and South Africa.

Prof. Cohen is not only an exemplary researcher, but also a teacher and educator who has taught many generations of students in Israel and abroad. His students continue to develop his ideas and to discuss them producing the next generation of researchers on the topic of Civil-Military Relations in Israel.

An additional contribution of Prof. Cohen is his role as one of the founders of the Association of Civil-Military Studies in Israel and as one of the first to help with this project. Throughout all the years the Association has been in existence and in every one of the conferences, Prof Cohen has generously and enthusiastically fulfilled various roles based on the needs and request of the Association.

For all his achievements and lifelong fruitful enterprise, The Association of Civil-Military Studies in Israel honored to award this Certificate of Appreciation to **Prof. Stuart A Cohen**