FORM 3 (Rules 6 and 17)

Clergy Discipline Measure 2003

Statement in support of a Complaint, or in support of an Answer to a Complaint

Box for use only Statement submitted by:
by the Registrar of
Tribunals Name of maker of statement:

Date of statement:

In the matter of the complaint

Enter the name of the complainant.
Enter the name of the member of the clergy about whom a complaint is made.

made by The Board of Deputies of British Jews

against: Rev Dr Stephen Sizer

My full name is: Revd Chris Rose

**Telephone & email details are optional, but it could be helpful to the registrar and bishop to have them.

The matters in this statement to which I refer are all within my own knowledge, except where I indicate otherwise. If anything is not within my own knowledge then I set out the source of any matters of information and belief:

You must explain in your statement how you know about each of the matters you describe, unless you know about them because you have personally seen or observed them.

I am writing on behalf of Amos Trust to voice our concern over the accusations made against Stephen Sizer of anti-Semitism.

As you know, Amos Trust is a small creative Christian human rights organisation that was named after the call of the prophet Amos: 'Let justice flow like rivers and righteousness like a never ending stream'.

We have worked closely with Stephen for many years. I have heard him speak on numerous occasions and read his written works and I have no doubt that Stephen is driven by a commitment to justice, peace, non-violence and above all reconciliation.

He is motivated by the cry of Palestinian Christians for justice and solidarity, in the sure belief that this will also provide the best hope for security and peace for Israelis.

The allegations against him are not only unfounded but are a deliberate attempt to try to prevent church leaders from speaking out in a prophetic manner on the situation facing Palestinians.

While it is important to examine such accusations and to ascertain whether there is any validity to them, it is also important to recognise the motivation that lies behind them.

I believe the facts in my statement to be true. I am aware that the contents of this statement may be made public

You must sign and date this statement.

Signed: Chris Rose

Dated: 25 November 2018