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 by the Registrar of Tribunals	*Statement submitted by:* *Name of maker of statement:* *Date of statement:*

In the matter of the complaint

Enter the name of the complainant.	made by	The Board of Deputies of British Jews
Enter the name of the member of the clergy about whom a complaint is made.	against:	Rev Dr Stephen Sizer

My full name is: Jozef M Strengholt

My contact address, including postcode, is: Livingstonelaan 1068, 3526JR Utrecht, The Netherlands

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

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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 have had the honor to have Rev Stephen Sizer visit me 3 times in Egypt for teaching and preaching in the church I was pastoring (Anglican Church in Heliopolis). He would then also stay in my home for 4-5 days.

He always spoke on matters related to Biblical interpretation and matters related to Palestinian national rights etc.

Never ever have I heard him say things that could be considered antisemitic. Not in public meetings and not in private talks. Even though, in a context with Arab Christians, that would probably have been reveived warmly.

Rev Sizer never spoke about "Jews" in general; he never made negative statements about Jews. The only thing I heard him being critical of, was the politics of the government of Israel.

I personally am very sad and outspoken against the political course of the United Kingdom and its Brexit. But I cannot conceive that anyone would ever accuse me of being racist and "anti-British". Likewise, I do not see anything antisemitic in the critique that Rev Sizer has of Israel's policies.

With kind regards

Rev Dr Jos M. Strengholt
Priest in The Netherlands

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:



Dated: 28 November 2018