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.
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: Tony Gratrex

My contact address, including postcode, is:

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***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 am a retired aerospace engineer and now live in Bracknell, Berkshire.

In the late 1960's I lived close to Dachau whilst working in Munich. This gave me the opportunity to visit the concentration camp there many times.

Each time I visited the camp I would always ask myself the same question; what were the Christian Church leaders in Germany doing at this time? The answer was, keeping their heads down most of the time.

Then I found out there were some few like Dietrich Bonhoeffer who didn't. In the early 1980s I was living and working in Israel. It was only then that I became aware of the history of what happened to the Palestinians. I left Israel to live and work in several other countries.

When I eventually arrived to live in Bracknell I joined a church. I would ask the Church leadership, especially at Christmas time what they were doing to make the people aware of the situation in present day Bethlehem. They kept their heads down, so I left that church and joined another and the same thing happened.

Then I heard about Stephen Sizer so joined Christ Church, about 6 years ago. I have met Stephen many times on an individual basis and talked a great deal about the Israel/Palestine situation. In all these meetings I can say that he has never said anything that is anti-Semitic.

For me Stephen Sizer is another Dietrich Bonhoeffer, but I pray there will be a better outcome.

Oh! the ironies of history.

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: Tony Gratrex

Dated: 27 November 2018