

## Doron Almog Introduction

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Now it's my privilege to introduce you to a man who exemplifies the strength and sensitivity of an Israeli patriot...

He is an accomplished IDF commander, who led the operational task force in Tripoli in 1973 against the terrorists who murdered Israeli athletes and coaches at the Munich Olympics and led paratroopers during the Lebanon War...

He is a fearless leader of rescue operations, who commanded the first force to land in Entebbe airport and rescue hostages from radical leftist and Palestinian terrorists, and led the elite Israeli Air Force commandos in clandestine missions from 1983-1988 to rescue around 6,000 Jewish Ethiopians from Refugee camps in the Sudan...

And he is a champion of those with special needs. He founded ALEH-Negev, a state-of-the-art rehabilitative center in the Negev, one of Jewish National Fund's key partners in making Israel more inclusive, which, when complete, will be home to over 200 adults with disabilities and serve 12,000 children and young adults with disabilities each year.

Ladies and Gentlemen, please welcome the 2016 recipient of Israel's highest honor—the Israel Prize for lifetime achievement, Major General Doron Almog.