Doctor who called Sinwar a 'legend' is under investigation

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A CONSULTANT neurologist has been suspended pending the conclusion of a full General Medical Council investigation.

The *Jewish Telegraph* revealed last week how Dr Rehiana Ali was still sharing posts supporting Hamas, and promoting antisemitism and Holocaust denial.

A GMC spokesman told the *JT*: "Dr Rehiana Ali has been interim suspended pending the conclusion of a full GMC investigation.

"An interim orders tribunal of the Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service imposed the interim suspension on her practice on Friday, December 20."

In February, Dr Ali, and her sister, Yasmin, were exposed by X/Twitter account GnasherJew for their antisemitic views.

In one post which she shared, an Israel Defence Forces soldier killed in Gaza is called a "pig" who should "rot in hell".

In November, Ali allegedly called Hamas leader Yahya Sinwar a "legend".

On X, and responding to tweets detailing injuries sustained by Sinwar before Israel killed him in October, she posted: "Many will view him as a superhero."

The GMC spokesman added: "We are acutely aware of the concerns that have been raised regarding Dr Ali, and we will take action where concerns suggest patient safety or the public's confidence in doctors may be at risk."

The GMC can refer a case to an interim orders tribunal at the Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service while it investigates a complaint about a doctor.

It does this if it believes a doctor's practice should be restricted to protect members of the public, or if it's in the doctor's interest.

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Plotters to go on trial

TWO men have denied plotting an Islamic State-inspired gun attack on the British Jewish community.

Walid Saadaoui and Amar Hussein pleaded not guilty to preparing acts of terrorism between December 13, 2023 and May 9, 2024.

The charge against them alleges that they "arranged for the purchase and delivery of firearms, conducted reconnaissance and made plans of attack".

The main targets of the attack plans were alleged to be members of the Jewish community in the north-west of England, members of law enforcement and military.

Walid's brother Bilel pleaded not guilty to failing to disclose information about acts of terrorism during the hearing at the Old Bailey.

A trial has been set to take place at Preston Crown Court from October 7.

Mrs Justice Cheema-Grubb set a further preparatory hearing at the Old Bailey on March 14.

Neo-Nazi jailed

A NEO-Nazi who promoted Holocaust denial online has been jailed for 10 years.

Alan Edward was convicted in September of inviting support for proscribed terrorist group National Action and of posting homophobic and transphobic material on the internet, following a trial at the High Court.

He was convicted of 14 offences, including four terrorism charges. Edward was also convicted of threatening and abusive behaviour regarding memes depicting Holocaust denial.

Other statements and memes were "of a racist and antisemitic nature", the court heard.

Anti-terrorism officers carried out a search of Edward's home in September 2022 and found "an armoury" of weapons, including a crossbow with telescopic sights and knives which featured Nazi insignia.

Judge Fiona Tait handed Edward a 15-year extended sentence, comprising 10 years in prison and five years of supervision on licence following his release.

Woman, 56, charged

SERENA Fenton, 56, of Headingley, has been charged with using threatening, abusive, insulting words or behaviour to cause harassment, alarm, or distress in relation to antisemitic material displayed in the largely Jewish Alwoodley area of Leeds.

She appeared at Leeds Magistrates Court last week and was bailed with conditions that she does not go into Leeds city centre or to Leeds 17.

She pleaded not guilty to the charges and will appear again on January 20 for a pre-trial hearing.

'Kapo' case dropped

THE Crown Prosecution Service has dropped the case against a north London Jewish man who dubbed a Progressive rabbi as a "kapo".

Rupert Nathan was arrested by the police in front of his daughter for using the term to describe Gabriel Kanter-Webber in a social media post.

Rabbi Kanter-Webber reported Mr Nathan to the police and his professional body, the Chartered Institute of Securities and Investment — but it swiftly dropped the case.