



Reps. Rashida Tlaib and Ilhan Omar, both outspoken critics of Israel and its occupation of the West Bank, will be allowed into the country during a trip there in a few weeks, the Israeli ambassador said Friday, potentially heading off a diplomatic spat.

“Out of respect for the U.S. Congress and the great alliance between Israel and America, we would not deny entry to any member of Congress into Israel,” said Ron Dermer, Israel’s envoy to the United States.

The freshman Democrats have drawn the ire of pro-Israel politicians — including [within the Democratic caucus](#) — over the pair’s support for the the global boycott, divestment and sanctions movement against Israel, known as the BDS movement.

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