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An open letter to the Boss

Israel is the Bruce Springsteen of the Middle East—living every day to its fullest and always striving for a better future.

—By David Brin

D ear Bruce,

Your ramblings have been running rampant ever since the biggest daily paper in Israel, Yediot Aharonot, early this month piously published a headline: “Springsteen on the way to Israel.” Of course, anyone who then read the story learned that, while indeed promoter Shuki Weiss had made an offer to you to perform here most next summer, he never announced it or even tried to announce it any good news. So much for brash expectations.

But, however, the story didn’t appear out of thin air. For you, and your website, announced that you would be taking the E Street Band back on a tour that would carry you to Israel. If negotiations work out, and you do sign a contract with the Knesset Yisrael, you’ll finally be making your first Bruce Springsteen show in Israel in 2012 will be a win-win situation for everyone involved. Bruce, it’s time to finally announce any good news. That same week, your own website confirmed that the E Street Band’s 2012 tour will include Israel.

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