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HISTORY AND CONNECTIONS ON THE LIFE OF LUIS GOMEZ

Historian Shelomo Alfassa to Speak at the Gomez Mill House

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New York, NY (August 13, 2011) – **On September 18, 2011**, Shelomo Alfassa will discuss inter-connections of history which led to the unique experience, life and times of Luis Gomez. He will demonstrate, through historic narrative, maps and images, how ancient Roman laws, the Dark Age ‘Visigoth Code,’ canons of the Catholic Church, and how religious freedom as the primary factor for American Colonialism—all contributed individual attributes which led to the unique opportunity and experience of Luis Gomez.



Mr. Alfassá is a historian and author that concentrates on the Jews from Iberia and the Ottoman Empire. He is the Director of Special Projects for the *American Sephardi Federation* at the *Center for Jewish History* in NYC. Previously, he was the U.S. Director of *Justice for Jews from Arab Countries* (JJAC). His books include: *Shameful Behavior: Bulgaria and the Holocaust*; *Ethnic Sephardic Jews in the Medical Literature*; *Reference Guide to the Nazis and Arabs During the Holocaust*; *A Window Into Old Jerusalem*; *The Sephardic Anousim*, and others. He is a member of *Scholars for Peace in the Middle East*.

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