## Shreds Schumer For Trying To Influence

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu <u>criticized</u> Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) this week for his involvement in Israel's elections.

Netanyahu shared his thoughts during a Sunday interview with CNN's Dana Bash on "State of the Union" in response to Schumer's call for his removal.

"I think what he said is totally inappropriate. It's inappropriate for him to go to a sister democracy and try to replace the elected leadership there. That's something that Israel, the Israeli public does on its own, and we're not a banana republic." Netanyahu said.

"I think the only government that we should be working on to bring down now is the terrorist tyranny in Gaza, the Hamas tyranny that murdered over 1,000 Israelis, including some dozens of Americans, and is holding Americans and Israelis hostage. That's what we should be focused on." he continued.

"And as far as what Senator Schumer said, the majority of Israelis support our governments; 82 percent of Americans support Israel, instead of Hamas. But the majority of Israelis support the policies that we're leading, go into Rafah, destroy the remaining Hamas terrorist battalions, make sure that we don't put into Gaza, instead of Hamas, the Palestinian Authority that educates their children towards terrorism and the annihilation of Israel." he added.

"An enormous majority here, including 99 Knesset members to nine, oppose the idea of ramming down a Palestinian state down our throats. The majority of Israelis support the policies of my government. It's not a fringe government. It represents the policies supported by the majority of the people. If Senator Schumer opposes these policies, he's not opposing me. He's opposing the people of Israel." the Israeli leader concluded.

Schumer shared his thoughts amidst growing concerns from certain Democrats who are critical of the Biden administration's stance on Israel, which has seen a decline in support lately.