

Charges against Israel's Netanyahu

Benjamin Netanyahu has been indicted in a series of corruption cases – the first-ever charges against a sitting Israeli prime minister

CASE 1000: Lavish gifts



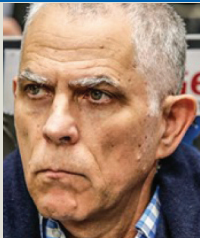
■ **Charges:** Fraud and breach of trust – in relation to gifts worth almost \$300,000 Netanyahu allegedly received in return for political favours

■ Alleged gifts included jewellery, cigars and champagne from Hollywood mogul **Arnon Milchan** (above left) and Australian billionaire businessman **James Packer** (above right)

CASE 2000: Media meddling

■ Charges

Fraud and breach of trust – over alleged deal with **Arnon Mozes**, owner of Israel's daily **Yedioth Ahronoth**, for better coverage



■ In return, prosecutors say, Netanyahu offered legislation to slow growth of Yedioth rival newspaper **Israel Hayom**. Mozes (above) also indicted but denies any wrongdoing

CASE 4000: Telecom trade-off

■ **Charges:** Bribery, fraud and breach of trust – most serious case centres on alleged attempts to seek positive media coverage through favours

■ Prosecutors say Netanyahu arranged with **Shaul Elovitch** (centre), controlling shareholder of Israeli telecoms giant **Bezeq**, to get favourable coverage on Bezeq's popular news site **Walla!** in return for regulatory favours worth about \$500 million. Elovitch and his wife, **Iris**, have also been charged with bribery and obstruction of justice – couple denies any wrongdoing



Benjamin Netanyahu (left) denies wrongdoing in all cases

