



Decades of political maneuverings have created a disproportionate volume of resolutions, reports and conferences criticizing Israel. In many cases, rather than helping the Palestinian cause, this reality has hampered the ability of the UN to fulfill its role effectively."

--- UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, 2016<sup>1</sup>



Supporters of Israel feel that it is harshly judged by standards that are not applied to its enemies—and too often this is true, particularly in some UN bodies."

—UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, 2006 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>www.jpost.com/lsrael-News/UN-chief-urges-Israeli-lawmakers-to-reconsider-settlement-bill-475617.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>www.un.org/apps/sg/sgstats.asp?nid=2209.



The UN, founded in 1945, originally had only 50 member states with five permanent Security Council members (the great powers that won WWII: China, France, the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, and the United States). Three of the five (France, the UK, and the U.S.) were democracies.

#### The UN Had Worthy Goals

- Maintain international peace and security
- Develop friendly relations among nations
- Cooperate in solving international economic, social, and humanitarian problems
- Promote human rights and fundamental freedoms worldwide

—UN Charter



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#### **UN Goals Challenged By Undemocratic Member States**

As the UN grew to 193 members, it admitted many undemocratic countries that formed a majority voting bloc. In 2012, 55 percent of member states were not fully free democracies. Many used UN organs to support Palestinian extremism and obsessively single out and denounce only one country: **Israel**.



Israel's "rights...to participate in the work of the United Nations are largely nullified by its exclusion from membership of a regional group....[T]his...is without a doubt morally shocking; but it is also manifestly unlawful and constitutes a breach of both the letter and the spirit of the Charter of the United Nations."

—Sir Robert Jennings, QC, Judge (1982-1995) and President (1991-1994) of the International Court of Justice, November 1999

## The UN Violated Equality Of All Member States For Decades

UN Charter: The UN "is based on the principle of the sovereign equality of all its Members"

**The Reality:** UN members are organized into five regional groups that select candidates for most UN bodies. Arab states, however, barred Israel from its geographic, regional group, making Israel ineligible for candidacy in most UN bodies.

The Western European and Others Group (WEOG) finally included Israel as a temporary member in 2000 but only in the UN's New York City location.

Until it was admitted as a full member in 2013, Israel remained unequal in all UN offices outside of New York. It was an observer rather than a full member of WEOG in Geneva, Nairobi, Rome, and Vienna, meaning that it could not participate in certain meetings held in these offices.<sup>3</sup>

Israel was the only one of all 193 member states denied full membership status.

## How The UN Undermined Human Rights

#### UN Commission On Human Rights (1946-2006)

The Commission was established to promote fundamental human rights and freedoms. Yet, autocratic nations and systematic human rights violators sat on the Commission, while Israel was barred from regional meetings.

By 2006, resolutions condemning

Israel equaled those of all other country-specific resolutions combined. No resolutions condemned China, Syria, Libya, Zimbabwe, Sudan, or other states that routinely violate human rights.

Aware that the Commission had degenerated into a forum for demonizing Israel, the UN voted to disband it in March 2006.

## Leaders Of Non-Democracies That Sat On The Commission On Human Rights ALL THREE SYSTEMATICALLY VIOLATED HUMAN RIGHTS



Former Libyan President Muammar Gaddafi

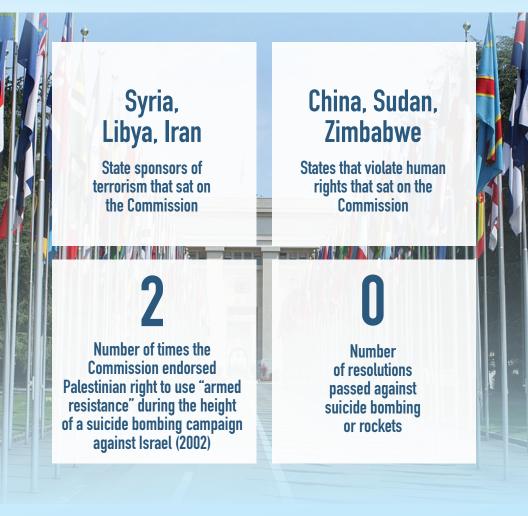


Former Cuban
President Fidel Castro



Chinese President Xi Jinping

## UN Commission On Human Rights (1946-2006) Members Included:



The UN Commission on Human Rights' "declining credibility and professionalism . . . cast a shadow on the reputation of the United Nation's system as a whole."—Kofi Annan, March 2005

## New Council, Same Old Bias (March 2006—Present)

#### UN Human Rights Council (March 2006-Present)

Former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan expressed hope that the new Council would restore balance and that "we are not going to see a situation where it focuses on Israel...but not on the others." Since then, the Council has shown the same selectivity and

politicization as the Commission, destroying hopes for reform.

Similar to its predecessor, the Human Rights Council is home to rogue regimes, human rights abusers, and state sponsors of terrorism that target free democracies like Israel.

"[I am] disappointed at the council's decision to single out only one specific regional item given the range and scope of the allegations of human rights violations throughout the world."

— UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon<sup>5</sup>

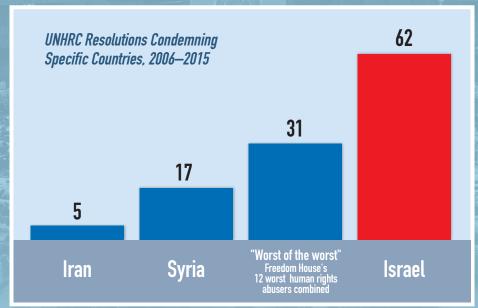
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<sup>4</sup>www.unwatch.org/site/apps/nl/content2.asp?c=bdKKISNqEmG&b=1316871&ct=2743993, 5www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2007/sgsm11053.doc.htm

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## Leaders Of Countries That Sit On The Human Rights Council ALL THREE SYSTEMATICALLY VIOLATE HUMAN RIGHTS



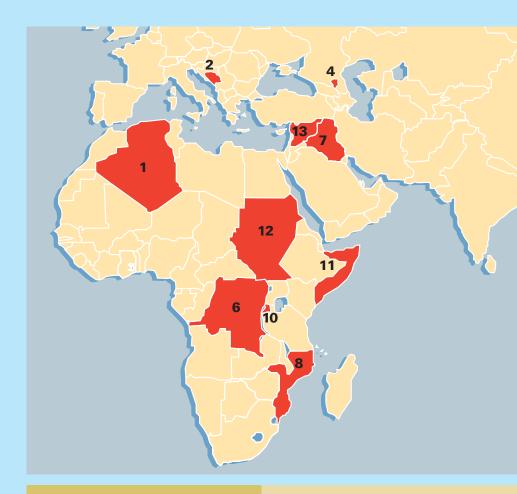
Saudi King Salman



Qatar Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani



Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro



Sample List of Wars, Genocides, and Human Suffering Since the UN's Founding Algeria
 Bosnia

3. Burma

4. Chechnya

5. Cambodia

6. Congo

7. Iraq (Under Saddam Hussein)

1 million killed 200.000 killed

500,000 displaced

160.000 killed

1.5-3 million killed

3.1-4.7 million killed

445,000 killed 138,000 displaced



8. Mozambique 1.5 million killed 9. North Korea 14-24 million killed 360,000 displaced 10. Rwanda 12 million killed 11 Somalia 1 million killed 12. Sudan 450,000 killed (Darfur Conflict) 2 million displaced 13. Syria 312.000-470.000 killed 11 million displaced

# The UN Is Distracted By Israel While Tens Of Millions Are Killed Or Displaced Worldwide

While the UN has disproportionately focused on issues related to the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, it has largely ignored millions of deaths and human rights abuses in recent conflicts around the world.



There are horrific injustices all over the world... but those are ignored by an institution obsessed with Israel."

—Maajid Nawaz
British-Pakistani Human Rights
Activist

### UN Agencies Aid Or Fail To Stop Terrorism

#### **UNRWA (1949-Present)**

UNRWA (the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees) is the only UN agency dedicated exclusively to one group of refugees and all their descendants. Its purpose was humanitarian: to provide education, health, relief, and social services to registered Palestinian refugees until they were resettled. Nearly 70 years after 1948, they and three generations of their descendants still have not been resettled.

#### UNRWA Has Abetted Terrorism Against Israel.

- Posters celebrating suicide bombers appear on UNRWA buildings and schools.
- Six registered Palestinian refugees blew up their houses while making bombs, yet none of them were denied benefits by UNRWA.
- Palestinians have used UNRWA ambulances to transport weapons, explosives and suicide bombers.
- UNRWA schools and youth centers have been used by Palestinian terrorists as meeting areas and hiding places.

UNRWA, The UN Refugee Agency For

#### Palestinian Refugees

1: 165 Ratio of UN Workers to Refugees

UNHCR, The UN Refugee Agency For All Other Global Refugees

1:4,372 Ratio of UN Workers to Refugees

29,000+ UNRWA Workers 4.9 Million
Palestinian
Refugees
and their descendants
who are eligible for
UNRWA services

7,735 UNHCR Workers 42.5 Million
Refugees,
internally
displaced persons,
and asylum
seekers who
receive UNHCR
services

#### **UN-SANCTIONED ANTI-SEMITISM**

#### "Treachery and disloyalty are traits of the Jews and one should be aware of them."

—Palestinian textbook, produced in part by UNRWA

"Oh I'm sure that there are Hamas members on the UNRWA payroll, and I don't see that as a crime."

—Peter Hansen, Commissioner-General of UNRWA (1996-2005), October 2004



A Palestinian terrorist enters a UN ambulance. There have been numerous reported cases of Palestinian terrorists using ambulances to smuggle arms and fighters.

#### **UNIFIL (1978-Present)**

UNIFIL (UN Interim Force in Lebanon) was created to stabilize the region and the Lebanese government. Yet UNIFIL has not confronted the terrorist organizations that threaten Lebanese sovereignty and Israeli civilians.

- In 1978 UNIFIL failed to stop PLO terrorists from attacking Israeli civilians from Lebanon.
- In 2000, Hezbollah terrorists dressed as UNIFIL workers crossed into Israel, detonated roadside bombs, and kidnapped three Israeli soldiers. The UN possessed videotapes that could have helped Israel find the soldiers and terrorists, but it withheld and buried the video.
- UNIFIL has failed to enforce UN Security Council Resolution 1701 calling for Hezbollah's disarmament. Instead, Hezbollah has developed a powerful arsenal of over 130,000 rockets, aided by Iran.

#### The UN Has Failed To Combat Terrorism<sup>6</sup>

- The UN has been unable to agree upon a definition of terrorism, largely because the 57 states in the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation insist on using a definition that would legitimize terrorist organizations like Hamas.
- Since its founding in 2001, the UN's Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC) has failed to name a single terrorist, terrorist organization, or state sponsor of terrorism. Syria sat on the CTC from 2002 to 2003 despite being designated a state sponsor of terrorism by the U.S. State Department.
- Only Al-Qaeda and the Taliban are listed as terrorists by any UN body.
   In contrast, the State Department has listed nearly 50 terrorist entities worldwide.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Eye on the UN, "There is no UN definition of terrorism," n.d.

## UN Corruption And Hypocrisy

"UN officials fear the sex abuse scandal among peacekeepers in Africa...[is] a problem in each of the global body's missions around the world." —Reuters, Feb. 25, 2005

## Systematic Sexual Abuse In The UN's Worldwide Missions:<sup>7</sup>

**BOSNIA:** UN staff involved in prostitution rackets, sexual abuse, rape, and sex slaves from 1992 to 2000.

**WEST AFRICA**: Widespread pattern of sexual abuse, rape, and violence by UN aid workers. Child refugees forced to sell sex for food and services in 2002.

**THE CONGO:** 150 allegations against UN peacekeepers, including pedophilia, rape, gang rape, and prostitution. UN personnel traded eggs and peanut butter for sex with girls as young as 11. In 2004 UNICEF treated 2,000 victims of sexual violence committed by UN peacekeepers in the Bunia region.

**HAITI:** In 2012 UN police officers were accused of abusing and sexually exploiting children.<sup>8</sup>

#### **Rewarding The World's Worst Human Rights Abusers**

Instead of holding the worst human rights violators accountable, the UN General Assembly raises them to seats of power and influence:

Saudi Arabia	Among the most repressive human rights abusers in the world	Elected to presidency of the UN Human Rights Council in 2016
Sudan	Darfur genocide; unlawful killing, torture, beating, and rape of prisoners	Elected to ECOSOC, a top UN body that oversees human rights committees
Syria	Massive government violence against civilians during Syria's ongoing civil war	UNESCO voted to keep Syria on its human rights committee in 2012

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Reuters, February, 25, 2005, at www.reuters.com/newsArticle.jhtml;jsessionid=WRD1G04MZSAMKCRBAEKSFFA ?type=worldNews&storyID=7744325&pageNumber=1, <sup>8</sup> Agencies, "New allegations of UN sexual abuse in Haiti," Al Jazeera English, January 24, 2012



1971: Former Nazi officer Kurt Waldheim elected secretary-general. Waldheim (center) was a Nazi Wehrmacht intelligence officer in a unit that committed war crimes in the Balkins during the Second World War.

### **Anti-Zionism And** Anti-Semitism In The UN



1975: UN resolution equates Zionism with racism, the only national liberation movement the UN ever denounced (rescinded in 1991).

1984: "The Talmud says that if a Jew does not drink every year the blood of a non-Jewish man, he will be damned for eternity."

---Saudi Arabian Delegate to Human **Rights Commission** 

1985: "Jews had killed Jesus Christ."

--- UN Delegate from Bahrain

1991: "Jews kill Christian children to use their blood to make matzos"

---UN Delegate from Syria9

1997: Israel intentionally infected 300 Palestinian children with the AIDS virus"

---Palestinian Delegate to UN Human Rights Commission<sup>10</sup>

2001. "In a Palestinian-led march with thousands of participants, a placard was held aloft that read **'Hitler Should Have** Finished the Job.' Nearby, someone was selling the most notorious of anti-Jewish tracts The Protocols of the



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Flyer handed out at the United Nations Conference Against Racism in Durban. South Africa.

Elders of Zion," — Jewish Telegraph Agency

2007: Iran's Holocaust denial "conference ... [was] an academic event... about a historical claim, there are serious opposing ideas over the [Holocaust], in particular... [over] the number... [who] perished."

---Iranian delegate to the UN11

9 Morris Abram, "Israel Under Attack: Anti-Semitism in the United Nations, The Earth Times, (December 16-31, 1997), 10 www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/UN/israel\_un.html, 11 Alireza Moayeri, Letter to Luis Alfonso De Alba, President of the U.N. Human Rights Council, U.N. Watch, January 8, 2007.

## "Israel needs to be considered as a state [that is] the same as all the others ... without any form of discrimination."

-UN Secretary-General António Guterres, 2017

#### Unless The UN Changes Its Blatant Bias Against Israel, The UN Remains UNJUST.

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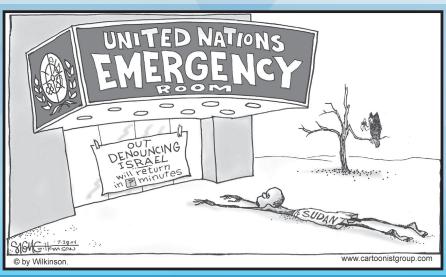
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