

Gideon Levy

Gideon Levy is a journalist who uses his work as a platform to promote anti-Semitic conspiracy theories, defend Palestinian-Arab terrorist organizations, and spread lies to demonize the Jewish state.

Levy promotes anti-Semitic propaganda and conspiracy theories about Jews. The following are just a few examples:

- After losing a debate at the Oxford Union, during which he argued for the destruction of the only Jewish state, Levy snapped back, saying that he lost because the “president [of the union] is Jewish.”¹
- He wrote an article entitled “a conference of the Elders of Zion,” referring to a conference supporting a strong alliance between the United States and Israel.²
 - The “Elders of Zion” is an **anti-Semitic forgery** written in Russia in the 1800s. It states that the Jews are conspiring to control the media and the world as a whole. It has **frequently been cited by Adolph Hitler, KKK leaders, and other leading racists.**³
- Citing the anti-Semitic and inaccurate Goldstone Report, Levy wrote an article entitled "Goldstone's Gaza Probe did Israel a Favor."⁴
 - The Goldstone Report falsely accused Israel of war crimes during Operation Cast Lead.⁵ Even the author of the report, Judge Richard Goldstone, renounced it in 2011.⁶
- Breaching journalistic integrity, he fabricates information about Israel to demonize the only Jewish state, which is anti-Semitic according to the U.S. State Department.²
 - For instance, one of his articles falsely asserts that “Golda Meir said that after what the Nazis did to us, we can do whatever we want.” When challenged on the truth of this malicious statement, Levy was forced to admit that he had no source for it.⁷

Levy defends Palestinian-Arab terrorism against Jewish civilians.

- The following are examples of Levy expressing his permissive attitude towards Palestinian-Arab terrorism:
 - "The Palestinians do not possess an army. And their only way to struggle for their liberty, for their rights is through what we call terror organizations. Unfortunately so. What other options did we leave them?"⁸
 - He attempts to legitimize suicide bombings, car bombing, shooting attacks, and other acts of terrorism against civilians.
 - "You should ask why do they launch their rockets. You should ask what other choice do you leave the Palestinians in Gaza, living in the biggest jail on earth. Let's be frank. Whenever they stop launching rockets, the world and Israel is forgetting them. Look now, they're again forgotten..."⁹

¹ Gideon Levy Loses Oxford Debate On Destroying Israel, Blames Jewish President. Daniel Greenfield. Frontpage Mag. June 6th, 2016.

²Ibid.

³ Protocols of the Elders of Zion. United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

⁴ Ha'aretz's Gideon Levy: Israel Should be Thankful for Goldstone Report. Steven Stotsky. CAMERA. October 2, 2009.

⁵Gaza and Goldstone. Honest Reporting.

⁶ Reconsidering the Goldstone Report on Israel and War Crimes. The Washington Post. April 1, 2011

⁷ Gideon Levy recycles a likely fabricated Golda Meir quote for the Irish Times. Adam Levick. UK Media Watch. September 11th, 2014.

⁸ Haaretz's Gideon Levy Spreads His Anti-Israel Poison Abroad. CAMERA. Ricki Hollander. April 14, 2015.

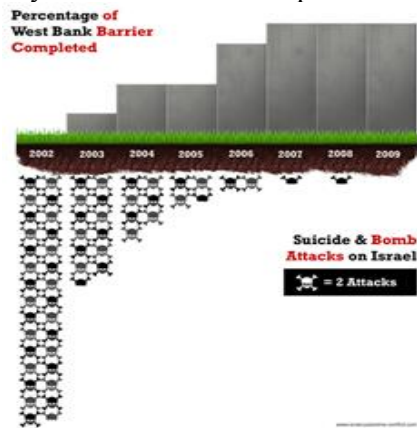
- The rocket attacks Levy discusses here are attacks against Jewish and Arab civilians. Hamas aims these rockets at schools, hospitals, and other civilian areas.

Levy calls for a “one-state solution” in which Israel would no longer exist as a Jewish state.¹⁰ Likewise, strongly advocates for Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions against (BDS), an anti-Palestinian movement that is also dedicated to the delegitimization of Israel and the prevention of cooperation between Israelis and Palestinian-Arabs.

- The BDS movement harms Palestinian-Arabs working in Israel by boycotting companies that employ them. **If BDS succeeds, more than 100,000 Palestinian-Arabs will lose their jobs.¹¹**
- BDS undermines peace efforts by encouraging Palestinian-Arab leaders to not associate or negotiate with Israeli peace partners.
- Freedom House ranked Israel as the *only* completely free country in the Middle East, yet BDS only targets Israel.¹² **Why is BDS ignoring actual human rights abuses in the region and instead targeting the only Jewish state?**

Levy falsely claims that Israel is an Apartheid state. Equating Israel with an apartheid state is a deliberate lie constructed to demonize the only Jewish state and minimize the experiences of those who actually suffered from apartheid in South Africa.

- In reality, minorities in Israel, including Palestinian-Arabs, enjoy equal rights. This makes Israel the opposite of an apartheid state.
- Israel does not rule over Palestinian-Arabs in Judea and Samaria (the ‘West Bank’); this is the job of the Palestinian Authority (PA). The PA denies Palestinian-Arabs basic freedoms, but this has nothing to do with Israel, as the PA runs a dictatorship over its citizens.¹³
- After years of Palestinian-Arab terrorist attacks and hundreds of Israeli civilians massacred, Israel had to place certain restrictions on the movement of Palestinian-Arabs living in Judea and Samaria.¹⁴
 - These restrictions, such as a security barrier and border crossings into Israel, proved to work, as terrorist attacks have nearly ceased since their implementation.¹⁵ The following graph demonstrates this:



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⁹ Ibid.

¹⁰ Ibid.

¹¹ EU Survey: Palestinians working for Israelis are paid double those working for Palestinians in the West Bank and triple those in the Gaza Strip. Itamar Marcus and Nan Jacques Zilberdik. Palestinian Media Watch. February 26, 2015.

¹² Freedom House: Middle East and North Africa, Countries and Topics.

¹³ Gay Palestinian to Court: Deport Me and I'll be Killed. Times of Israel. May 25, 2012

¹⁴ What's the Truth Behind Checkpoints and Crossings in Judea and Samaria? IDF Blog. May 6, 2013.

¹⁵ Terrorism Against Israel: Number of Fatalities. Jewish Virtual Library.

¹⁶ Ibid.

¹⁷ Suicide and Other Bombing Attacks in Israel Since the Declaration of Principles (Sept 1993). Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs. 2013.