

Palestinian Authority Media Incitement Against Israel

The PA has complete control over both mainstream and social media – arguably the biggest tools of indoctrination – in the areas it governs, and uses them to incite violence and hatred of Jews and Israel.



A PA TV children's cartoon shows similarities between Jews and Satan.ⁱ After seeing messages like this in the media on a regular basis, kids grow up believing that Jews are equal to the Devil.



A PA TV host awards \$100 to a man on the street who gave the “right” answer to the question: “Where is the Galilee?” The answer was “Palestine.”ⁱⁱ The Galilee is in northern Israel and recognized by the international community as part of Israel. None of the Galilee is in Judea or Samaria (the “West Bank”).



Imad Hamato, a Quranic studies professor at the University of Palestine in Gaza, went on PA TV to proclaim that **lying is in Jewish blood**. This further delays peace prospects as these messages deter Palestinian-Arabs from trusting Jews.ⁱⁱⁱ

- The PA TV host of “The Best Home” featured a children’s puppet that described ‘Palestine’ as being “27,000 sq km.” The area of Judea and Samaria (the “West Bank”), and the Gaza Strip equals 6,220 sq km, but when adding the area of the rest of Israel, the total is 27,000 sq km.^{iv}
 - This is one of many examples of PA TV promoting the idea that Israel does not exist.
- A PA TV Ramadan lesson in June 2016 featured the head of the Waqf’s Al-Aqsa Heritage Academy stating that “Every grain of soil in Palestine [which includes all of Israel] is ours.”^v

The PA uses its official media outlets to spread anti-Semitic cartoons about Jews and Israel. The following are just a few examples:



[LEFT]: Fatah’s Facebook page posted a cartoon depicting three Jewish boys kidnapped and murdered by Hamas on June 30th, 2016 as rats biting a hook. This cartoon lauds the kidnappings while perpetuating the anti-Semitic comparison of Jews to rats.^{vi}

[RIGHT]: An official PA Daily posted a cartoon of Israel as a snake with a rifle-head targeting Muslim and Christian holy sites. This coincides with the PA’s baseless assertion that Israel wants to harm the Al-Aqsa Mosque. In reality, no major Israeli leader has ever called for the harming of this site. This lie has been spread by PA leaders and has been used as a justification for Palestinian-Arab terrorism against Israelis.^{vii}



[LEFT]: Fatah posted a cartoon showing a Palestinian-Arab shot dead whose blood forms a new fighter throwing rocks at an Israeli soldier. These messages encourage children to die taking violent actions.^{viii}

[RIGHT]: The Fatah Facebook page posted a cartoon of a swastika shaped rocket about to strike a Gazan with the caption reading “Israel fires rockets at Gaza.” The PA consistently compares Israelis to Nazis,^{ix} which the U.S. government considers anti-Semitic in its official definition of the term.^x

PA TV spreads lies about the United States as well.

- Sheikh Al-Abu Ahmad, a preacher at the Al-Aqsa mosque, went on TV to state that “any action carried out in which a Muslim is killed in Muslim countries, America stands behind it, along with the infidel West that hates Islam and Muslims.”^{xi}

ⁱ “PA media teaches kids: ‘Jews do Satan’s work on Earth’” *Arutz Sheva*, July 7, 2016

ⁱⁱ “PA TV awards \$100 for ‘right’ answer that denies Israel’s existence” *Palestinian Media Watch*, June 28, 2016

ⁱⁱⁱ “PA teacher of Islam: The Jews are a people of lies.” *Palestinian Media Watch*, June 15, 2016

^{iv} “PA TV teaches kids that ‘Palestine is 27,000 sq. km.’ which includes all of Israel” *Palestinian Media Watch*, June 28, 2016

^v “PA TV Ramadan lesson teaches that Islam prohibits Israel’s right to exist” *Palestinian Media Watch*, June 11, 2016

^{vi} “PA, Fatah cartoons gloat over teens’ kidnappings” *Times of Israel*, June 15, 2014

^{vii} “Israel as snake with the head of rifle targeting Muslim and Christian holy sites” *Palestinian Media Watch*, February 1, 2016

^{viii} “Fatah cartoon encourages blood shedding and rock throwing for ‘Palestine’” *Palestinian Media Watch*, December 27, 2015

^{ix} “PA, Fatah frequently compare Israel to Nazis” *The Jerusalem Post*, August 17, 2014

^x “Defining Anti-Semitism” U.S. Department of State.

^{xi} “Al Aqsa preacher: U.S responsible for terror in Muslim world” *Palestinian Media Watch*, July 8, 2016