

J Street: Ignoring Palestinian Arab Incitement to Blame Israel

J Street ignores Palestinian incitement and promotion to violence and instead blames Israel.

J Street ignores the **Palestinian Authority's (PA) promotion of violence against Jews and its refusal to recognize Israel as a Jewish state** as the real roadblocks to peace (see section below). Instead, the group implies that the reasons for violence are Israel's presence in Judea and Samaria (the "West Bank") and Israeli communities ("settlements") in those areas.ⁱ

- J Street proclaims this despite the fact that Palestinian Arab leaders incited violence and terrorized Israelis long before Israel had any presence in the area.
 - Palestinian-Arab nationalism and its calls for the genocide of Jews in Israel began in the 1920s under Hajj Amin al-Husseini.ⁱⁱ
 - Moreover, the PLO (now the PA) was founded in 1964, three years before Israel took control of the areas in a defensive war.ⁱⁱⁱ
 - Furthermore, J Street ignores the fact that Israel withdrew its communities from Gaza in 2005 and gave the land to the PA in hopes for peace. Instead of receiving peace, however, Hamas established a terrorist enclave and has fired thousands of missiles at Israel since.

PA leaders encourage acts of terror, call for the destruction of the Jewish state, and openly admit they have no intention of establishing a Palestinian Arab state next to Israel.

J Street refuses to recognize this as a problem and continues to support the PA as a peace partner. The following are just a few examples of PA leaders' anti-Semitic and anti-peace incitement:

- "I believe that God will gather the Israelis so we can kill them." - Abbas Zaki, Senior Member of the Fatah Central Committee, close advisor of PA President Abbas, on March 12, 2014^{iv}
- "The two-state solution does not exist. The two-state solution is over. We must return to the option of one Palestine from the [Jordan] River to the [Mediterranean] Sea." - Tawfiq Tirawi, Fatah Central Committee member, on April 2, 2014^v
- "The Jew will hide behind stones or trees. Then the stones and trees will call: 'Oh Muslim, servant of Allah, there is a Jew behind me, come and kill him.'" - PA Mufti Muhammad Hussein on January 9, 2012.^{vi} The mufti is one of the highest religious authorities in the PA.
- "Jerusalem will be nothing other than ours, or there will be no peace." - PA Minister of Religious Affairs Mahmoud Al-Habbash on May 2, 2014 on PA TV.^{vii}

In an attempt to whitewash the PA's genocidal incitement, J Street **opposed** a congressional petition condemning Palestinian incitement in 2011.^{viii}

ⁱ J Street U: About J Street U, J Street U Mission Statement

ⁱⁱ The Nazi Connection to Islamic Terrorism: Adolf Hitler and Haj Amin Al-Husseini. Chuck Morse. Introduction. xi

ⁱⁱⁱ Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO): History & Overview. *Jewish Virtual Library*.

^{iv} "Fatah official: 'God will gather Israelis so we can kill them.'" *The Times of Israel*, March 13, 2014

^v "Fatah leader calls for Israel's destruction: Palestine will stretch from Jordan River to Mediterranean Sea," *Palestinian Media Watch*, April 2, 2014

^{vi} "PA Mufti: Muslims' destiny to kill Jews" *Palestinian Media Watch*, January 25, 2012

^{vii} "PA Minister of Religious Affairs demands all of Jerusalem for Palestinians, 'Or there will be no peace,'" *Palestinian Media Watch*, May 2, 2014

^{viii} The Jerusalem Post: Candidly Speaking, the Fake 'Martyrdom' of J Street, May 8, 2014