

BDS is Anti-Peace

The Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement undermines the peace process.

BDS justifies violence and terrorism against civilians, instead of promoting coexistence and peace.

- BDS activists glorify and support terrorists.
 - Muhammed Desai, the National Coordinator of the South African chapter of BDS, is a strong supporter of terrorism. He invited a known terrorist and plane hijacker, Leila Khaled, to BDS South Africa. Desai chooses to support terrorism over peace.
 - Leila Khaled is known for **plane hijackings** she perpetrated in the late 1960s. She is an icon of violence against Israel. Desai and BDS invited her to South Africa to speak at universities.ⁱ
 - Desai is **supportive of her terrorism**, saying “salute our freedom fighters” in reference to Khaled.ⁱⁱ
 - Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP), a group that calls for BDS on campuses across the country, brings terrorist sympathizers to speak on campuses.
 - Here are some examples of speakers SJP hosts:
 - *Khader Adnan* - a former spokesperson for the Palestinian Islamic Jihad. He openly **encourages suicide bombings**.^{iii iv}
 - *Amir Abdel Malik Ali* - calls for continuous war against Israel and openly supports Hamas, Hezbollah, and the Palestinian Islamic Jihad, three internationally recognized terrorist organizations.^v
 - *Monzer Taleb* - a Hamas supporter who has been investigated by the U.S. government for his ties to terrorists.^{vi}

Omar Barghouti, founder of the BDS movement, opposes any form of peace and coexistence between Israelis and Palestinian-Arabs.

- Instead of calling for peace between Israelis and Palestinian-Arabs, Barghouti calls for the destruction of Israel.
 - He opposes the existence of a Jewish state, saying “**most definitely do we oppose a Jewish state. No rational, not-sell-out Palestinian will ever accept a Jewish state in any part of Palestine.**”^{vii}
 - Barghouti calls for the creation of “**a unitary state, where, by definition, Jews will be a minority.**”^{viii} The leaders of the Arab majority that would take over this state (the Palestinian Authority and/or Hamas) openly call for the genocide of the Jewish people.^{ix}
 - Barghouti opposes the very idea of Jewish self-determination and calls for the ‘euthanasia’ of Zionism.^x
 - In reality, Zionism is the Jewish civil rights movement that supports Jewish self-determination. Barghouti wants this destroyed.
 - Ironically, Barghouti himself “collaborates” with Israelis by **attending one of the very institutions he boycotts: Tel Aviv University.**^{xi}
 - He received a Master's Degree from the university in Philosophy and is pursuing his PhD.^{xii}

BDS discourages collaboration between Israelis and Palestinian-Arabs.

- The BDS movement **incentivizes Palestinian-Arab leadership to refuse negotiation and compromise** by calling for no interaction with the Jewish state.^{xiii}
- BDS denounces groups that encourage civic discourse and cooperation between Israeli and Palestinian-Arab civilians.^{xiv}

BDS seeks the destruction of the only Jewish state instead of a peaceful solution.

- **Supporters of the BDS movement regularly call for the destruction of Israel.**
 - The following are just a few examples of BDS leaders who support the elimination of the Jewish state by way of a “one-state solution” with an Arab majority:
 - Mazin Qumsiyeh (Co-founder of al-Awda, a group with close ties to the U.S.-designated terrorist group Hamas)^{xv}
 - Ali Abunimah (equates Jewish self-determination to genocide)^{xvi}
 - Max Blumenthal (author of the anti-Semitic book, *Goliath*, which anti-Semites, conspiracy theorists, and neo-Nazis cite on a regular basis)^{xvii}
 - “*Ending the occupation doesn’t mean anything if it doesn’t mean upending the Jewish state itself...BDS does mean the end of the Jewish state*”^{xviii} - Ahmed Moor, pro-BDS author consistently cited by the movement’s leaders.

ⁱ *Controversy over Pro-Palestinian group's plans to bring plane hijacker to SA* News 24. January 13, 2015.

ⁱⁱ Mohhamed Desai, via Twitter. May 31, 2014.

ⁱⁱⁱ *Member Of Islamic Jihad To Address Students At American University*. Anti-Defamation League . October 26, 2012.

^{iv} *Six Die in Renewed Mideast Violence*. Charles A. Radin. Boston World News June 8, 2005.

^v *Sabiqun and Anti-Semitism on Campus: Imam Amir Abdul Malik Ali*. Anti-Defamation League. September 11, 2009.

^{vi} *On Many Campuses, Hate is Spelled SJP*. Daniel Mael. The Tower. October 2014.

^{vii} *Strategies for Change*. Vimeo. Omar Barghouti. September, 2013.

^{viii} *Extremists and their Message*. Israeliapartheidweek.com

^{ix} *Future: A world without Israel*. Palestinian Media Watch.

^x *BDS Cookbook: In their own words*. StopBDS.com

^{xi} *BDS, Academic/Cultural Boycott of Israel, and Omar Barghouti*. Ricky Hollander. Camera. February 24, 2010.

^{xii} *THE CHUTZPAH OF OMAR BARGHOUTI*. Daniel Greenfield. FRONTPAGEMAG. February 8, 2012.

^{xiii} “Ten reasons why the BDS movement is immoral and hinders peace,” *Gatestone Institute*, February 12, 2014.

^{xiv} *Talking to Palestinians Who Won't Talk Back*. Yair Rosenberg. Tablet Magazine. September 4, 2013.

^{xv} Anti-Defamation League, *Background: Mazin Qumsiyeh*, March 8, 2007.

^{xvi} NGO Monitor, *Electronic Intifada and Ali Abunimah Fact Sheet*, January 14, 2011.

^{xvii} “Max Blumenthal’s ‘Goliath’ and the Mainstreaming of Anti-Semitism,” *The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law*, February 17, 2014.

^{xviii} “BDS is a long term project with radically transformative potential,” *Mondoweiss*, April 22, 2010.