THE UNITED NATIONS And Israel

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The United Nations’ Mission Challenged

The UN, founded in 1945, originally had only 50 member states with five permanent Security Council members (China, France, the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, and the United States).

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

The UN’s Goals Challenged—Undemocratic Member States
As the UN grew to 192 members, it admitted autocratic, undemocratic countries that formed a majority voting bloc. They used UN organs to support Palestinian extremism and obsessively single out and denounce only one country: Israel.

Every year the General Assembly condemns Israel with an average of 18 resolutions, in many cases using language from resolutions introduced every year since the 1970s.¹

“We all agree that it is ridiculous that we have 19 to 20 [UN anti-Israel] resolutions every year; it is a ritual and we should get rid of that.” — Bob Heinsch, Netherlands Ambassador to Israel, 2004²

“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.” — Kofi Annan, 2006³
UN Principle: The UN “is based on the principle of the sovereign equality of all its Members.” – UN Charter

The Facts: UN members are organized into five regional groups who select candidates for most UN bodies. Arab states, however, bar Israel from its geographic, regional group, making Israel ineligible for candidacy for 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 bodies.

Israel Ineligible For Elective Positions In The Following UN Bodies:
- Economic and Social Council (until 2021)
- Security Council (until 2025)
- Conference on Trade and Development
- World Intellectual Property Organization
- Governing Body of the International Labor Organization

Israel is the only one of all 192 states denied full membership status. The UN has not condemned Arab states for this discriminatory policy.

Morally Shocking:
Israel’s “rights…to participate in the work of the United Nations are largely nullified by its exclusion from membership of a regional group….This…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.”
UN Commission On Human Rights (1946-2006)
The Commission was established to promote fundamental human rights and freedoms. Though autocratic nations and violators of human rights sat on the Commission, **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.

*The UN Human Rights Council’s “Declining Credibility and professionalism…cast a shadow on the reputation of the United Nation’s system as a whole.”*  
– Former UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, March 2005

- State sponsors of terrorism that are eligible for the Commission: **Syria, Libya, Iran**
- States that violate human rights that are eligible for the Commission: **China, Sudan, Zimbabwe**
- Number of times the Commission endorsed Palestinian right to use “armed resistance” during the height of the suicide bombing campaign (2002): **2**
- Number of resolutions passed against suicide bombing or rockets launched into Israeli civilian areas: **0**

Then
Leaders of countries that sat on the Commission on Human Rights:

- Libyan President Muammar Gaddafi
- Former Cuban President Fidel Castro
- Chinese President Hu Jintao
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.”

In its first year, the Council showed the same “selectivity and politicization” as the Commission, destroying hopes for reform.

- Number of resolutions passed condemning the 18 states dubbed “the worst of the worst” human rights abusers by Freedom House: 0
- Number of condemnatory resolutions passed against Sudan: 0
- Number of condemnatory resolutions passed against Israel: 9
- Percentage of nondemocracies that sit on the Council: 47

Like its predecessor, the Human Rights Council is home to rogue regimes, human rights abusers, and state sponsors of terrorism.

“[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

Now
Leaders of countries that sit on the Human Rights Council:

Saudi King Abdullah

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak

Former Cuban President Fidel Castro
The UN Distracted By Israel While...

While the UN has focused on issues related to 6 million Israelis and less than 3 million Palestinians, it has ignored millions of deaths and human rights abuses in recent conflicts around the world.
The UN has passed hundreds of resolutions condemning Israel but has paid little attention to the millions of deaths, forced displacements, and oppression of other peoples around the world.

### A Sample of Human Suffering Overlooked by the UN Since Its Founding

| 1. Algeria: | 70,000 killed |
| 2. Bosnia: | 200,000 killed |
| 3. Burma: | 500,000 displaced |
| 4. Chechnya: | 160,000 killed |
| 5. Cambodia: | 1.5-3 million killed |
| 6. Congo: | 3.1-4.7 million killed |
| 7. Iraq (Under Saddam Hussein): | 445,000 killed, 138,000 displaced |
| 8. Mozambique: | 1.5 million killed |
| 9. North Korea: | 1.4-2.4 million killed, 360,000 displaced |
| 10. Rwanda: | 1.2 million killed |
| 11. Somalia: | 1 million killed |
| 12. Sudan (Darfur Conflict): | 450,000 killed, 2 million displaced |
| 13. Syria: | 10,000-30,000 killed |
UN Agencies Aid...

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. Its purpose was humanitarian: to provide education, health, relief and social services to registered Palestinian refugees until they were resettled. They have not been resettled.

UNRWA Has Abetted Terrorists And 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.

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UNHCR (1949-Present)
UNHCR is the UN Refugee Agency For All Other Global Refugees.

Ratio of UN Workers to Refugees: 1 : 3,110

“Treachery and disloyalty are traits of the Jews and one should be aware of them.”

Palestinian textbook, produced in part by UNRWA

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UN AGENCIES ABETS ANTI-ISRAEL TERRORISM

UN Agencies Aid...
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 Israel.

- In 1978 UNFIL failed to stop PLO terrorists from attacking Israeli civilians from Lebanon, the root cause of the Israel-Lebanon war.
- Israel withdrew from southern Lebanon in 2000, with UN verification. Only five months later, Hezbollah terrorists dressed as UNIFIL workers crossed into Israel, detonated roadside bombs and kidnapped three Israeli soldiers. The UN denied it had videotapes that might help Israel find the soldiers and terrorists. Nearly a year later, the UN finally gave the videos to Israel but edited the tapes to obscure the terrorists.
- Hezbollah has killed and wounded hundreds of UNFIL observers, yet the UN has taken no real action against the group.
- UNIFIL has been unable to enforce UN Resolution 1559 calling for the disarmament of Hezbollah. Instead, Hezbollah developed a powerful arsenal of 30,000 rockets as of March, 2008. It launched 3,000 of them at Israeli population centers in the 2006 Hezbollah-Israel war and has since rearmed, according to Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah. Rather than act against this violation, UNIFIL denies Hezbollah has rearmed.

...Anti-Israel Terrorism

An Israeli news agency rebroadcasts Hezbollah leader Nasrallah’s admission of rearmament after the 2006 war. “Yes, we are transferring [weapons] in secret. It’s natural that we transfer these weapons in secret.”
UN Undermines Humanitarian Projects

Corruption Within The Oil-For-Food Program:

To protect Iraqi civilians from the effects of UN sanctions, the UN allowed Saddam Hussein to sell oil for food and medicine. The program failed and was riddled with corruption up to the highest UN levels.

- The UN ignored Saddam Hussein’s violations. He diverted the oil revenue to buy arms. Iraqis got little food and medicine.
- The UN Secretariat did not disclose what it did with the $1.9 billion in commissions.
- UN official Benon Sevan, the head of the program, was suspended in February 2005 for “tainting” the bidding process and for allegedly making $1.2 million in commissions.
- Kofi Annan’s son, Kojo Annan, helped his former employer, Cotecna, get a lucrative contract while he remained on the company’s payroll.

Systematic Sexual Abuse in the UN’s Worldwide Missions:

“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

- Bosnia: UN staff involved in prostitution rackets, sexual abuse, rape and sex slaves, 1992-2000.
- West Africa: Widespread pattern of sexual abuse, rape and violence by UN aid workers. Child refugees forced to sell sex for food and services, 2002.
- The Congo: 150 allegations against UN peacekeepers, including pedophilia, rape, gang rape and prostitution. Girls as young as 11 sell sex for eggs or peanut butter.
- UN logistics officer Didier Bourguet set up an internet pedophilia ring.
- Congo’s Bunia region: UNICEF treated 2,000 victims of sexual violence committed by UN peacekeepers in just a matter of months in 2004.
Anti-Zionism And Anti-Semitism In The UN

- 1971: Former Nazi officer Kurt Waldheim elected secretary-general.

- 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 Arabia 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 Syria

- 1997: “Israel intentionally infected 300 Palestinian children with the AIDS virus.”
  – Palestinian Delegate to UN Human Rights Commission

- 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 Elders of Zion.”

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

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