Max Blumenthal

American Anti-Zionist Author, Journalist, and Blogger

Max Blumenthal spreads lies about Israel while supporting U.S.-designated terrorist organizations such as Hezbollah and Hamas. He also uses anti-Semitic rhetoric to further his agenda of demonizing and delegitimizing the Jewish state.

Blumenthal justifies the actions of U.S.-designated terrorist organizations, including the killing of Jewish and Arab civilians.
- Blumenthal diminishes Hamas's brutal violence. In his book, he discusses the assassination of Hamas co-founder Abdel Aziz al-Rantissi by Israeli forces, but he chooses to ignore the hundreds of Israelis Rantissi murdered.[i]
    - Rantissi sent numerous suicide bombers into Israel to murder Jewish and Arab men, women, and children. These terrorists blew themselves up on busses, in restaurants, in shopping malls, and in other civilian areas.
- While Blumenthal criticizes Israel, he ignores the actions of Hamas against Israel and even its own civilians. **He legitimizes Hamas by choosing to ignore the terrorist group's war crimes.**
    - Hamas places "military assets" (including weapons) under schools, hospitals, and mosques, turning Gaza's civilians into human shields. Hamas then uses civilian casualties as propaganda against Israel.[ii] Blumenthal never mentions this.
        - Hamas leaders openly brag about doing this.
            - "The fact that people are willing to sacrifice themselves in order to protect their homes, I believe this strategy is proving itself and we, Hamas, call on our people to adopt this practice." - Hamas spokesperson Sami Abu Zuhri in 2014 on Al-Aqsa news (a Hamas official TV channel).[iii]
    - When asked about Hamas, "Mohammed al-Arabi, a former Egyptian foreign minister, accused it of 'shedding the blood of innocent Palestinians.'"[iv]

Blumenthal spreads dangerous anti-Semitic messages to support his arguments.
- Blumenthal compares Israel to the Nazi regime in his book, using Holocaust references for his chapter titles: "Summer Camp of Destruction," "The Concentration Camp," "The Night of Broken Glass."[v]
    - According to the US State Department, demonizing Israel by comparing its policies to those of the Nazis constitutes anti-Semitism,[vi] as it spreads lies about the only Jewish state and insults the real victims of genocide.
- Blumenthal deliberately tried to schedule a conference in Germany to discuss Israel's "War Crimes in Gaza" on November 9th, the anniversary of *Kristallnacht*. *Kristallnacht* is a solemn day to commemorate the 6 million Jews wiped out in the Holocaust.[vii]
    - Blumenthal and David Sheen (another anti-Semitic activist) were denied speaking positions at the German Parliament for the fear that **"...they would repeat their usual anti-Semitic rhetoric demonizing Israel as the Nazi Germany of our time."[viii]** In response, they **chased the democratic socialist party leader, Gregor Gysi, into a bathroom stall,** demanding a justification for the cancellation.[ix]

Blumenthal uses fabricated materials and misconstrues facts to support his anti-Israel arguments.
- For example, Blumenthal tweeted a picture in 2011 stating "...#Netanyahu called #9-11 attacks 'very good,' said anti-US terror helps #Israel."[x]
    - In reality, Netanyahu responded to the question, "What does the 9-11 attack mean in relation to the bond between the U.S. and Israel?" He predicted the attack would "strengthen the bond between our two peoples, because we've experienced terror over so many decades, but the United States has now experienced a massive hemorrhaging of terror."[xi]

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[iv] The New York Times Op-Ed. "To Save Gaza, Destroy Hamas."Yadlin, Amos. 25 July 2014. Web.

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[vi] *Defining anti-Semitism.* U.S. Department of State. June 8, 2010.

[vii] *Wild thing: Max Blumenthal's creepy anti-Zionist Odyssey.* Tablet Magazine. David Mikics. March 10, 2015

[viii] "Tag Archives: David Sheen." *BBC Watch*.

[ix] "Tag Archives: David Sheen." *BBC Watch*.

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