

Jimmy Carter

Jimmy Carter is a strong defender of Hamas,ⁱ an internationally recognized terrorist organization.

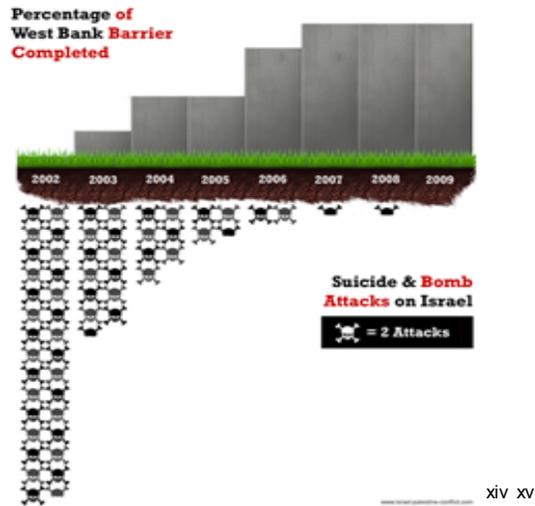
He befriends Hamas operatives and leaders, despite the U.S. State Department cautioning him that it would be harmful to peace prospects. Furthermore, Carter continuously insists that treating this terrorist organization, which calls for the annihilation for Israel, as a legitimate government is necessary for peace.ⁱⁱ

- **Carter attempts to legitimize Hamas, even though it uses Palestinian-Arab civilians as human shieldsⁱⁱⁱ and launches rockets at Israeli children.^{iv}**
- **The Hamas charter calls for the genocide of the Jewish people and the destruction of the only Jewish state.**
 - “The Day of Judgment will not come about until Moslems fight Jews and kill them.” (Article 7)
 - “The **Nazism of the Jews** does not skip women and children, it scares everyone.” (Article 20)
 - “Israel will exist and will continue to exist until Islam will obliterate it, just as it obliterated others before it.” (Hamas Covenant, *In the Name of Merciful Allah*)
- **Hamas abuses the human rights of Palestinian-Arabs, as it persecutes women, children, and the LGBTQ community.**
 - Hamas openly admitted to **working 160 children to death** building terror tunnels into Israel.^v
 - Hamas heavily infringes on women’s rights by controlling their public actions and politicizing their private lives. For example, the terrorist group forbids them from dancing in public and riding with men on motorcycles.^{vi}
 - Hamas imposes Islamic Shari’a law on Palestinian-Arabs, which calls for the murder of homosexuals by crucifixion and the harsh persecution of minorities.^{vii}

Carter uses false claims to demonize the Jewish state, an action that is considered anti-Semitic according to the U.S. State Department’s definition of anti-Semitism.^{viii}

- He employs the anti-Semitic stereotype that the Jews and Israel control the media, claiming that because of “powerful political, economic, and religious forces in the U.S., Israeli government decisions are rarely questioned or condemned; voices from Jerusalem dominate our media.”^{ix}
 - This is a racist unsubstantiated conspiracy theory that acts to delegitimize and silence the Jewish people and their state.
- Carter asserts the false claim that Israel’s policies in Judea and Samaria (the ‘West Bank’) are more detestable than South African apartheid.^x However, **equating Israel with an apartheid state is a deliberate lie constructed to demonize the only Jewish state and minimize the experiences of those who actually suffered from apartheid in South Africa.**
 - In reality, minorities in Israel, including Palestinian-Arabs, enjoy equal rights. This makes Israel the opposite of an apartheid state.
 - Israel does not rule over Palestinian-Arabs in Judea and Samaria (the ‘West Bank’); this is the job of the Palestinian Authority (PA). The PA denies Palestinian-Arabs basic freedoms, but this has nothing to do with Israel, as the PA runs a dictatorship over its citizens.^{xi}

- After years of Palestinian-Arab terrorist attacks and hundreds of Israeli civilians massacred, Israel had to place certain restrictions on the movement of Palestinian-Arabs living in Judea and Samaria.^{xii}
 - These restrictions, such as a security barrier and border crossings into Israel, proved to work, as major terrorist attacks have nearly ceased since their implementation.^{xiii} The following graph demonstrates this:



- Carter spreads lies that serve to demonize Israel regarding Judea and Samaria.
 - He asserts that “the key factor that prevents peace is the continuing building of Israeli settlements in Palestine...”^{xvi}
 - While Carter ignores top PA leaders’ calls for the destruction of *all* of Israel^{xvii} (regardless of settlements), he also ignores the fact that Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria make up less than 2 percent of land that would be given to the Palestinian-Arabs under a “two-state solution.”^{xviii}
 - Furthermore, he ignores the fact that many Israeli communities in the area help improve the lives of Palestinian-Arabs by offering them high-paying jobs with benefits, by sharing innovations, and more.^{xix}
 - He also ignores the fact that the Palestinian-Arab leadership has been inciting against and attacking Israel since long before any “settlements” existed.

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^{iv} Hamas fires rockets for first time since 2012, Israeli officials say. The Times of Israel. June 30, 2014

^v *Report: Hamas Used Child Labor to Build Terror Tunnels; Hundreds Killed*. Joel B. Pollack, Breitbart News. July 27, 2014.

^{vi} *Hamas Bans Women Dancers, Scooter Riders in Gaza Push (Update1)*. Daniel Williams. Bloomberg November 30, 2009.

^{vii} *The “Moral Equivalence” – Hamas, ISIS and the Media*. ACDemocracy. Rachel Ehrenfeld. July 20th, 2014

^{viii} *Defining Anti-Semitism*. U.S. Department of State. June 8, 2010.

^{ix} *The Moral Disintegration of Jimmy Carter*. Shmuel Boteach. OBSERVER/Opinion. August 11, 2014.

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^{xi} Times of Israel: *Gay Palestinian to Court: Deport Me and I’ll be Killed*, May 25, 2012

^{xii} IDF Blog, *What’s the Truth Behind Checkpoints and Crossings in Judea and Samaria?*, May 6, 2013.

^{xiii} Jewish Virtual Library, *Terrorism Against Israel: Number of Fatalities*.

^{xiv} *Terrorism Against Israel: Number of Fatalities*, Jewish Virtual Library.

^{xv} Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs, *Suicide and Other Bombing Attacks in Israel Since the Declaration of Principles (Sept 1993)*, 2013.

^{xvi} *The Moral Disintegration of Jimmy Carter*. Shmuel Boteach. OBSERVER/Opinion. August 11, 2014.

^{xvii} Palestinian Envoy to Iran: Israel’s Annihilation Just Started. The Algemeiner. August 12, 2014.

^{xviii} UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, OCHA, 2009, *Restricting Space: The Planning Regime Applied by Israel in Area C of the West Bank*, p. 3

^{xix} *Fighting BDS – SodaStream Workers Speak Out*. Honest Reporting. February 2, 2014.