

Neturei Karta

Neturei Karta is an offshoot sect of Ultra-Orthodox Judaism that publicly opposes Zionism and Jewish sovereignty in Israel. While it claims to represent “genuine Judaism,” it is a **fringe minority that publicly sides with and has been funded by terrorists. The group also calls abortion a crime and claims that homosexuality leads to incest.**

- **Neturei Karta received funding from terrorists.**
 - Neturei Karta received more than \$50,000 from Palestinian-Arab leader Yasser Arafat in late 2002.¹
 - This was during the height of Arafat’s killing spree called the “Second Intifada,” where terrorists under his command murdered hundreds of Jewish and Arab civilians. These terrorists blew themselves up on busses, in shopping malls, and at restaurants with the stated goal of killing women and children.
- **Neturei Karta sides with terrorist groups responsible for killing Americans, Israelis, and Palestinian-Arabs.**
 - Moshe Hirsch, one of Neturei Karta’s leading activists, served in Yasser Arafat’s cabinet as Minister for Jewish Affairs.²
 - Yasser Arafat founded the PLO in 1964 to encourage terrorism as the official means to achieve Palestinian-Arab statehood and eliminate “the Zionist entity.”³
 - According to the PLO Charter, the group aims for “the elimination of Zionism...Accordingly, the Arab nation must mobilize all its military.”⁴
 - Arafat’s PLO and its subgroups repeatedly bombed and murdered civilians. Some of the group’s atrocities include the murder of 11 Israeli Olympic athletes in Munich in 1972 and the assassination of America’s ambassador to Sudan in 1973.⁵
 - Arafat also started the Second Intifada, as mentioned above.⁶
- **Neturei Karta strongly supports Iran, which repeatedly calls for the annihilation of the United States and Israel and is the largest state sponsor of terror.**
 - In 2006, a leader of Neturei Karta traveled to Iran to meet then-President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad,⁷ a leader who publicly wanted to destroy America and Israel.
 - The U.S. State Department classifies Iran as the “most active state sponsor of terrorism.”⁸
 - Iran paid Taliban fighters \$1,000 for each US soldier they killed in Afghanistan and provided weapons to the fighters.⁹
 - Iran funds Hezbollah, which is a US-designated terrorist organization that until 9-11 killed more Americans than any other Islamic terrorist group in the world.¹⁰The following graph displays only a few of Hezbollah’s deadly attacks:

¹ Anti-Defamation League. *Neturei Karta: What Is It?* 2006

² J. Gordon Melton; Martin Baumann (21 September 2010). *Religions of the World, Second Edition: A Comprehensive Encyclopedia of Beliefs and Practices*. ABC-CLIO. p. 2066. ISBN 978-1-59884-204-3. Retrieved 7 January 2013.

³ William L. Cleveland, *A History of the Modern Middle East*, Westview Press (2004).

⁴ “The Palestinian National Charter” adopted July 17, 1968. Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs 2013.

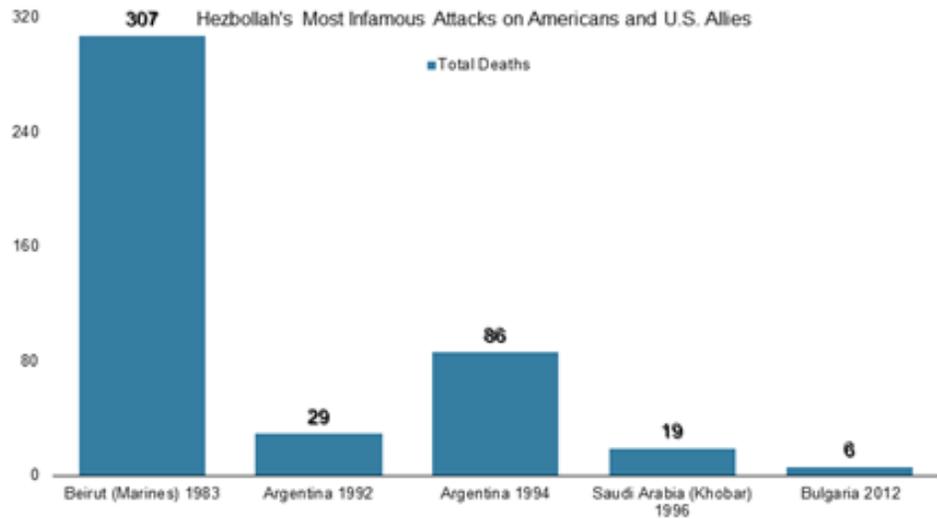
⁵ “CAMERA: Yasir Arafat’s Timeline of Terror.” CAMERA: Yasir Arafat’s Timeline of Terror. N.p., 13 Nov. 2004. Web. 08 June 2015.

⁶ Rosenzweig, Ido, and Yuval Shany. “A Decade of Palestinian Terrorism – Report by the Israeli Security Agency.” *A Decade of Palestinian Terrorism – Report by the Israeli Security Agency - The Israel Democracy Institute*. The Israel Democracy Institute, Feb. 2010. Web. 09 June 2015.

⁷ J. Gordon Melton; Martin Baumann (21 September 2010). *Religions of the World, Second Edition: A Comprehensive Encyclopedia of Beliefs and Practices*. ABC-CLIO. p. 2066. ISBN 978-1-59884-204-3. Retrieved 7 January 2013.

⁸ Bruno, Greg. “State Sponsors: Iran.” *Council on Foreign Relations*. Council on Foreign Relations, 13 Oct. 2011. Web. 09 June 2015.

⁹ Kemp, Col. Richard, and Major Chris Driver-Williams. “Killing Americans and Their Allies: Iran’s Continuing War against the U.S. and the West.” *Jerusalem Center For Public Affairs*. N.p., 2015. Web. 10 June 2015.



- **Iran executes more people per capita than any other country in the world¹¹ for “crimes” including drinking, homosexuality, and political dissent.¹²**
- **Neturei Karta blasts homosexuality and abortion as “sins” punishable by death.**
 - According to the group’s official website, Neturei Karta claims homosexuality is a sin that causes incest and bestiality. It also causes G-d to punish America.¹³
 - Neturei Karta claims abortion is a crime.
 - According to the same website, “The destruction of hundreds of thousands of babies yearly under the cover of ‘freedom of choice’ is a black mark which all Americans must carry.”¹⁴
- **Neturei Karta does not represent the Jewish people, as it represents roughly 0.003 percent of Jews in America.**
 - American Neturei Karta members who publicly oppose Israel consist of fewer than 100 people.¹⁵
 - One of the Chief Rabbis of Israel publicly denounced the group and outlawed it from the Jewish community in 2006 after one of its leaders met with the leader of Iran (the same Iranian leader who calls for the destruction of Jews).¹⁶ Nearly all Orthodox Jews oppose Neturei Karta.

¹⁰ *National Review Online*, Al-Qaeda Vs. Hezbollah, June 6, 2013

¹¹ *Fox News*, Iran Steps Up Pace of Executions as it Courts West, April 10, 2014

¹² "Iran Sentences Two To Death For Drinking Alcohol." *RadioFreeEurope/RadioLiberty*. Watchdog, 25 June 2012. Web. 11 June 2015.

¹³ "Yisrael David Weiss." N.p., Web. 9 June 2015.

¹⁴ "Abort the Straying from G-d JANUARY 22, 2006." *Abort the Straying from G-D*. Neturei Karta, 2003. Web. 09 June 2015.

¹⁵ Anti-Defamation League. *Neturei Karta: What Is It?* 2006

¹⁶ Israel National News. Hana Levi Julian and Hillel Fendel Rabbis Call to Excommunicate Neturei Karta Members in Iran 12/14/2006., Sela, Neta. "Rabbi Metzger: Boycott Neturei Karta Participants of Iran Conference." *Ynet*. N.p., 4 Dec. 2006. Web. 08 June 2015..