

Der US-Publizist Paul Craig Roberts verurteilt die Unterstützung des Überfalls der israelischen Armee auf Gaza durch beide Häuser des US-Kongresses.

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## Amerikas Schande

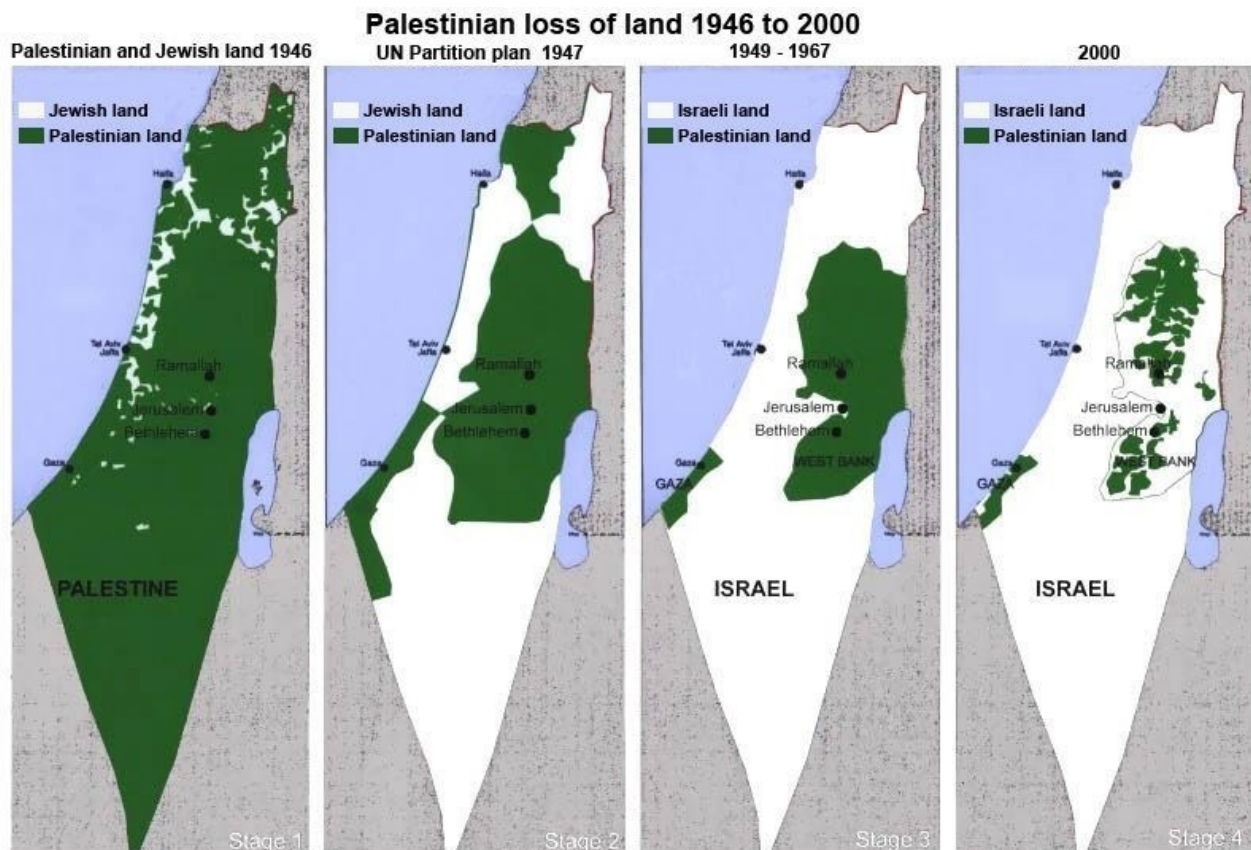
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Warum hat Israel ein Existenzrecht und Palästina nicht? Das ist doch die Frage, die in dieser Zeit zu stellen ist.

Seit sechzig Jahren sind die Israelis dabei, den Palästinensern Palästina zu stehlen. Es gibt Karten im Internet und in israelischen Publikationen, die zeigen, wie das ursprüngliche Palästina auf sein heutiges Gebiet zusammengeschrumpft wurde – auf wenige nicht einmal zusammenhängende Ghettos und Bantustans. (So hießen die Stammesgebiete zur Zeit der Apartheid in Südafrika.)



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Palästina wurde zum "besetzten Gebiet", aus dem die Palästinenser vertrieben wurden, damit israelische Dörfer für "Siedler" gebaut werden konnten. Jordanien, Syrien und der Libanon sind voller Flüchtlingslager, in denen seit Jahrzehnten Palästinenser leben, die von ihrem Land vertrieben wurden.

Wer Menschen von ihrem Land vertreibt, handelt nach internationalem Recht grundsätzlich illegal, aber Israel durfte das Jahrzehnte lang ungehindert tun.

Gaza ist ein Konzentrationslager für über 1,5 Millionen Palästinenser, die aus ihren Häusern und Dörfern verjagt und in diesem Ghetto zusammengepfercht wurden.

Die United Nations Relief and Works Agency / UNRWA (die Fürsorge- und Arbeitsagentur der UNO, s. <http://www.un.org/unrwa/english.html> ) wurde 1949 – also vor 60 Jahren – zur Verwaltung der Flüchtlingslager für die von ihrem Land vertriebenen Palästinenser gegründet. Nach ihren Angaben waren 2002 etwa 3,9 Millionen vertriebene Palästinenser registriert.

Die Firma Caterpillar Tractor stellt für Israel eine spezielle Planierdrape her, mit der die Häuser der Palästinenser eingerissen und die Bäume in ihren Obstgärten entwurzelt werden können. 2003 wurde die Amerikanerin Rachel Corrie, die sich protestierend vor eine dieser Planierdrapen stellte, überrollt und zerquetscht (s. [http://www.luftpost-kl.de/luftpost-archiv/LP\\_09/LP00209\\_020109.pdf](http://www.luftpost-kl.de/luftpost-archiv/LP_09/LP00209_020109.pdf) ).

Nichts geschah. Die Israelis können töten, wen sie wollen und wann immer sie wollen.

Das tun sie seit 60 Jahren, und es sieht nicht so aus, als ob sie damit aufhören wollten.

Gegenwärtig ermorden sie Frauen und Kinder in dem Ghetto, das sie für die Palästinenser in Gaza eingerichtet haben. Die ganze Welt weiß das, und das Rote Kreuz protestiert dagegen. Aber die Israelis behaupten dreist, dass sie nur " Hamas-Terroristen töten, die Israels Existenz bedrohen".

Auch die amerikanischen Medien wissen, dass das gelogen ist, sie stellen es aber nicht richtig.

Israel darf seit sechzig Jahren nach und nach ein ganzes Volk vertreiben, ohne dass sich dagegen ein Protest erhoben hat, der laut genug gewesen wäre, um dieses Vorgehen zu stoppen.

Die Vereinigten Staaten, dieses "christliche Amerika", war Israels stärkste Stütze bei dessen langfristig angelegtem Mord am palästinensischen Volk. Millionen "evangelikaler Christen" billigen die ethnische Säuberung Palästinas durch Israel.

Fast die ganze übrige Welt verurteilt den Überfall des israelischen Militärs auf das Gaza-Ghetto. Letzte Woche hat der Sicherheitsrat der Vereinten Nationen eine Resolution verabschiedet, in der eine Feuereinstellung und der Rückzug der israelischen SS (im Originalartikel steht "the Israeli SS") aus Gaza gefordert wurde.

Die Vereinigten Staaten haben sich der Stimme enthalten.

Während die übrige Welt Israels Unmenschlichkeit verurteilt, hat der US-Kongress – eigentlich sollte ich die US-Knesset sagen – sich beeilt, das Abschlachten der Palästinenser im Gaza Streifen durch die Israelis zu billigen. (Die Knesset ist das Parlament Israels.)

Der US-Senat hat Israels Massaker an den Palästinensern mit 100 zu 0 Stimmen gebilligt. (Die Senats-Resolution S. RES. 6 ist nach dem Originaltext des übersetzten Artikels abgedruckt.)

Das US-Repräsentantenhaus hat mit 430 zu 5 Stimmen Israels Massaker an den Palästinensern gebilligt. (Die Resolution H. RES. 34 ist am Ende dieser LUFTPOST abgedruckt. )

Die Resolutionen, die der Senat mit 100 % und das Repräsentantenhaus mit 99 % der Stimmen beschlossen hat, wurden von AIPAC verfasst, ebenso, die Reden, in denen Israel für seine Unmenschlichkeit auch noch gelobt wurde. (Das American Israel Public Affairs Committee / AIPAC ist die einflussreichste pro-israelische Lobby in den USA.)

Die Mitglieder des US-Kongresses sind sogar noch stolz darauf, wie Marionetten Israels zu agieren, wenn es um die Ermordung von Frauen und Kindern geht.

Der US-Präsident war stolz darauf, eine effektive Aktion des UN-Sicherheitsrats zu blockieren, indem er seine Außenministerin anwies, sich zu enthalten.

Seid stolze Amerikaner, werft euch in die Brust und spielt euch (weiter als gute Christen) auf! Tut so, als fühltet ihr euch nicht besudelt durch die Schande, die eure Regierenden auf euch geladen haben. Flüchtet euch wieder in eure Ignoranz und glaubt auch weiterhin an die Lüge, die Israel seit 60 Jahren verbreitet: dass der Mord an den Palästinensern und der Raub ihres Landes durch "Israels Recht auf Selbstverteidigung" zu rechtfertigen sei!

*(Wir haben nachfolgenden Artikel komplett übersetzt und mit Anmerkungen in Klammern versehen. Zur weiteren Information empfehlen wir die Artikel "USA schicken Tausende Tonnen Waffen nach Israel – Israels Bombardement in Gaza hält weiter an" von Regine Naeckel unter <http://www.hintergrund.de/content/view/339/66/> und "Krieg und Erdgas: Die israelische Invasion und Gazas küstennahe Gasfelder" von Michel Chossudowski unter <http://www.hintergrund.de/content/view/340/66/> .)*



## America's Shame

By Paul Craig Roberts

**January 08, 2009 "Information Clearinghouse"** -- Why does Israel have a right to exist, but Palestine doesn't? This is the question of our time.

For sixty years Israelis have been stealing Palestine from Palestinians. There are maps available on the Internet and in Israeli publications showing the shrinkage over time of what was once Palestine into what Palestine is today--a small number of unconnected ghettos or bantustans.

Palestine became "the occupied territory" from which Palestinians were ejected and Israeli settlements built for "settlers." Jordan, Syria and Lebanon are full of refugee camps in which Palestinians driven off their lands by Israeli force have been living for decades.

Driving people off their land is strictly illegal under international law, but Israel has been getting away with it for decades.

Gaza is a concentration camp of 1.5 million Palestinians who were driven from their homes and villages and collected in the Gaza Ghetto.

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency was created 60 years ago in

1949 to administer refugee camps for Palestinians driven from their lands by Israel. As of 2002, the registered Palestinian refugee population was 3.9 million.

Caterpillar Tractor makes a special bulldozer for Israel that is designed to knock down Palestinian homes and to uproot their orchards. In 2003 an American protester, Rachel Corrie, stood in front of one of these Caterpillars and was run over and crushed.

Nothing happened. The Israelis can kill whomever they want whenever they want.

They have been doing so for 60 years, and they show no sign of stopping.

Currently they are murdering women and children in the ghetto that they have created for Palestinians in Gaza. The entire world knows this. The Red Cross protests it. But the Israelis brazenly claim that they are killing " Hamas terrorists who are a threat to Israel's existence."

The American media knows that this is a lie, but does not say so.

Israel has been able to slowly exterminate a people for sixty years without provoking sufficient outrage to stop it.

The United States, "Christian America," has been Israel's greatest enabler in its long-term murder of the Palestinian people. Millions of "evangelical Christians" endorse Israel's ethnic cleansing of Palestine.

The rest of the world condemns the Israeli military attack on the Gaza Ghetto. Last week the United Nations Security Council passed a resolution requiring a ceasefire and the withdrawal of the Israeli SS from Gaza.

The United States abstained.

While the rest of the world condemns Israel's inhumanity, the US Congress--I should say the US Knesset--rushed to endorse the Israeli slaughter of the Palestinians in Gaza.

The US Senate endorsed Israel's massacre of Palestinians with a vote of 100-0.

The US House of Representatives voted 430-5 to endorse Israel's massacre of Palestinians.

The resolutions endorsed by 100% of the US Senate and 99% of the House were written by AIPAC, as were the speeches praising Israel for its inhumanity.

The US Congress was proud to show that it is Israel's puppet even when it comes to murdering women and children.

The President of the United States was proud to block effective action by the UN Security Council by ordering the Secretary of State to abstain.

Be a Proud American. Swagger and strut. Pretend that you are not besmirched by the shame that your government has heaped upon you. Take refuge in your ignorance, fostered by 60 years of Israeli lies, that the murder of Palestinians and the theft of their lands is "Israel's right of self-defense."

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*See also the added resolutions of the Senat und the House of Representatives!*

## **S. RES. 6**

111th CONGRESS

1st Session

### **Expressing solidarity with Israel in Israel's defense against terrorism in the Gaza Strip.**

#### **IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES**

January 6, 2009

Mr. VITTER submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

### **RESOLUTION**

Expressing solidarity with Israel in Israel's defense against terrorism in the Gaza Strip.

Whereas the state of Israel is the greatest ally of the United States in the Middle East;

Whereas the Hamas terror organization's charter calls for the destruction of the state of Israel;

Whereas Palestinian terrorists of the Islamic Jihad and Hamas in the Gaza Strip, recently have fired hundreds of rockets at civilian targets in southern Israel, ending a 6-month ceasefire with Israel, in declaration and in deed;

Whereas, during the 6-month 'state of calm', the Government of Israel allowed the entry of approximately 17,000 truckloads of humanitarian aid supplies into the Gaza Strip, while Palestinian terrorists launched 538 rockets and mortars into Israel;

Whereas the latest terrorist attacks on Israel took place only days after the United Nations Security Council adopted Resolution 1850, which unanimously declared support for the peace process between the Palestinians and Israelis;

Whereas, since the most recent terrorist attacks and its military operation that began on December 27, 2008, the Government of Israel has allowed the entry of hundreds of truckloads of humanitarian aid supplies into the Gaza Strip, in full coordination with donor Arab countries and international aid organizations, including the Red Cross, out of respect for human rights and human life and in an effort to minimize the hardship and suffering of the Palestinian people;

Whereas the military operations of the Government of Israel constitute an effort to defend the people of Israel, which is the Government's moral duty in response to the unspeakable horrors of ongoing, indiscriminate terrorism, and are aimed only at dismantling the terrorist infrastructure; and

Whereas hundreds of innocent Israeli and Palestinian civilians tragically have been killed on account of ongoing escalations of violence initiated by Palestinian terrorist organizations: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate--

(1) stands in solidarity with the Government of Israel as it takes necessary steps to provide

security to its people;

(2) remains committed to Israel's right to self-defense and supports additional assistance from the United States to help Israel defend itself;

(3) condemns the end of the ceasefire by Hamas;

(4) condemns the firing of rockets into civilian areas by the terrorist groups of Hamas and the Islamic Jihad;

(5) urges all Arab states to declare strong opposition to terrorism and terrorist attacks on civilians;

(6) urges all parties in the Middle East to pursue lasting peace in the region; and

(7) expresses its commitment to working to promote economic relations, bilateral trade, and partnerships in technology and alternative energy between the United States and Israel in order to stimulate the economies of both the United States and Israel in this time of crisis.

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## **H. Res. 34**

**In the House of Representatives, U. S.,**  
January 9, 2009.

Whereas Hamas was founded with the stated goal of destroying the State of Israel;

Whereas Hamas has been designated by the United States as a Foreign Terrorist Organization;

Whereas Hamas has refused to comply with the Quartet's (the United States, the European Union, Russia, and the United Nations) requirements that Hamas recognize Israel's right to exist, renounce violence, and agree to accept previous agreements between Israel and the Palestinians;

Whereas in June 2006, Hamas illegally crossed into Israel, attacked Israeli forces, and kidnapped Corporal Gilad Shalit, whom they continue to hold today;

Whereas Hamas has launched thousands of rockets and mortars against Israeli population centers since 2001, and has launched more than 6,000 such rockets and mortars since Israel withdrew its civilian population and its military from Gaza in 2005;

Whereas Hamas has increased the range and payload of its rockets, reportedly with support from Iran and others, putting hundreds of thousands of Israelis in danger of rocket attacks from Gaza;

Whereas Hamas locates elements of its terrorist infrastructure in civilian population centers, thus using innocent civilians as human shields;

Whereas Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said in a statement on December 27, 2008, that 'We strongly condemn the repeated rocket and mortar attacks against Israel and hold Hamas responsible for breaking the cease-fire and for the renewal of violence there';

Whereas on December 27, 2008, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said, 'For approximately seven years, hundreds of thousands of Israeli citizens in the south have been suffering from missiles being fired at them . . . In such a situation we had no alternative but to respond. We do not rejoice in battle but neither will we be deterred from it. . . .The operation in the Gaza Strip is designed, first and foremost, to bring about an improvement in the security reality for the residents of the south of the country';

Whereas the humanitarian situation in Gaza, including shortages of food, water, electricity, and adequate medical care, is becoming more acute;

Whereas Israel has facilitated humanitarian aid to Gaza with hundreds of trucks carrying humanitarian assistance and numerous ambulances entering the Gaza Strip since the current round of fighting began on December 27, 2008;

Whereas on January 6, 2009, before the United Nations Security Council, Secretary Rice stated that: 'The situation before the current events in Gaza was clearly not sustainable. Hundreds of thousands of Israelis lived under the daily threat of rocket attack, and frankly, no country, none of our countries, would have been willing to tolerate such a circumstance. Moreover, the people of Gaza watched as insecurity and lawlessness increased and as their living conditions grew more dire because of Hamas's actions which began with the illegal coup against the Palestinian Authority in Gaza. . . .A ceasefire that returns to those circumstances is unacceptable and it will not last'; and

Whereas the ultimate goal of the United States is a sustainable resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict that will ensure the welfare, security, and survival of the State of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders, and a viable, independent, and democratic Palestinian state living side by side in peace and security with the State of Israel: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives--

(1) expresses vigorous support and unwavering commitment to the welfare, security, and survival of the State of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders, and recognizes its right to act in self-defense to protect its citizens against Hamas's unceasing aggression, as enshrined in the United Nations Charter;

(2) reiterates that Hamas must end the rocket and mortar attacks against Israel, recognize Israel's right to exist, renounce violence, agree to accept previous agreements between Israel and the Palestinians, and verifiably dismantle its terrorist infrastructure;

(3) encourages the Administration to work actively to support a durable and sustainable cease-fire in Gaza , as soon as possible, that prevents Hamas from retaining or rebuilding its terrorist infrastructure, including the capability to launch rockets and mortars against Israel, and thereby allowing for the long-term improvement of daily living conditions for the people of Gaza;

(4) believes strongly that the lives of innocent civilians must be protected to the maximum extent possible, expresses condolences to innocent Palestinian and Israeli victims and their families, and reiterates that humanitarian needs in Gaza should be addressed promptly and responsibly;

(5) calls on all nations--

(A) to condemn Hamas for deliberately embedding its fighters, leaders, and weapons in private homes, schools, mosques, hospitals, and otherwise using Palestinian civilians as human shields, while simultaneously targeting Israeli civilians; and

(B) to lay blame both for the breaking of the 'calm' and for subsequent civilian casualties in Gaza precisely where blame belongs, that is, on Hamas;

(6) supports and encourages efforts to diminish the appeal and influence of extremists in the Palestinian territories, and strengthen moderate Palestinians who are committed to a secure and lasting peace with Israel;

(7) calls on Egypt to intensify its efforts to halt smuggling between Gaza and Egypt and affirms the willingness of the United States to continue to assist Egypt in these efforts;

(8) calls for the immediate release of the kidnaped Israeli soldier Gilad Shalit, who has been illegally held in Gaza since June 2006; and

(9) reiterates its strong support for a just and sustainable resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict achieved through negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority in order to ensure the welfare, security, and survival of the State of Israel as a Jewish and democratic state with secure borders, and a viable, independent, and democratic Palestinian state living side by side in peace and security with the State of Israel.

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