

1: A Truth-Telling Strategy to Advance Israeli-Palestinian Peace - by Max Singer

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2: Pursuing Truth about Israel/Palestine – Consortiumnews

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A Follow-up to the Ahed Tamimi story Ahed Tamimi, only 17 years old, is already one of the most well-known Palestinians ever, but your New York Times readers are still in the dark. Your second article, today, is just a summary of how an Israeli military court sentenced her to 8 months in jail, on top of the three months she has already spent behind bars. New York Times Hold on. Time for the facts. Find out if the Nabi Saleh residents are right. Ben Ehrenreich, who published a long piece in your magazine in about the village, has already provided some history. In the following years, Israel stole more Palestinian land in the area, as Ehrenreich recounts in his excellent book, *The Way to the Spring: Life and Death in Palestine*. The land expropriations are illegal under international law, as every nation in the world – aside from Israel – agrees. Yet somehow they still control the spring. Jewish settlers make very good copy and we can guarantee that their colorful quotes will draw readers in to your report. Next, start investigating the level of violence in the area, and who is responsible for it. By all means report that some Palestinian youths throw stones at the Israeli army, although you should point out that not a single Israeli soldier anywhere has ever been killed by stone-throwing. But you should also find out how many Palestinians in Nabi Saleh have been killed and seriously wounded over the years of what are mainly nonviolent demonstrations. Ben Ehrenreich apparently had no trouble getting the residents to talk to him. You should also talk to the Israeli soldiers on duty there. But then check with *Breaking the Silence*, the courageous organization of Israeli veterans against the occupation. Maybe some of them were stationed at Nabi Saleh, and can give you the story behind the story? Some of your New York Times predecessors apparently had trouble finding them. Finally, you should try to interview Ahed Tamimi herself. She is going to be in prison apparently until July, and Israel will of course try and keep her quiet. But the New York Times is a powerful institution, and you should at least ask. You will certainly be able to talk to those members of her family who are not jailed. Let us remind you that you have not quoted a single Tamimi in either of your articles. You might start by giving them to chance to respond to that statement you stuck in your first report back in December:

3: Memo to "NYTimes" Go to Ahed Tamimi's village in Palestine and report the truth - Jew Wor

From the foreword: " [The editors] have helped to bridge the gap between naivete and understanding by bringing together a variety of interpretive statements which address themselves to 'a search for truth' in the matter of Palestine".

From Yahweh to Zion: A Book Review Israel is an invented state with absolutely no historically valid claim to Palestine. Judaism is not Semitic " this is part of the Zionist myth " but to the extent it can be said to have roots, those roots are in Eastern Europe, among the Khazars. *Palestinian Landscapes in a Historical Mirror* University of California Press, to first study the atrocities of the British against their own freemen, and then of the Americans against the Native Americans. In its present construct, rooted in the genocide of the Palestinian people and the military occupation of lands that are in no way legitimately theirs, Zionist Israel is Satanic evil incarnate. While most do not understand this yet, the Zionists have overplayed their hand and are about to lose their control of the US economy, government, and society. They can only be defeated by cutting them off from their sole major enabler, the US treasury and this will only happen if the US public is deeply educated with the truth about Zionism. Hence the only way to shut down the Zionists is to communicate Zionist atrocities and subversion to the US public in such compelling terms that the US ends its plans to move the Embassy to Jerusalem, ends all funding for Zionist Israel and Saudi Arabia, closes all its military bases around the world including the forty four around Iran, and begins demanding a two state solution that reduces the Zionist state of Israel to a small demilitarized enclave stretching from Tel Aviv to the sea, while restoring full Palestinian sovereignty over the rest of Palestine, and particularly from Gaza to Jericho. Zionist theft of water from the Jordanian aquifers must stop at the same time that a regional energy and water authority creates hundreds of water desalination plants along the coast. Holistic analytics would enable Iran, among others, to present to the world compelling intelligence about not only the Zionist nuclear program funded by US taxpayers, but also about the seven integrated issues that must be addressed if peace and prosperity are to be achieved in the Middle East: Because of Zionist control of the media in the USA and Europe, the public is not aware of the true cost of Zionist atrocities to include, for the USA, a five trillion dollar cost of an unjust war on Iraq based on lies. The time has come for the Middle East to nurture the rise of the Byzantine, Arab, Ottoman, and Persian empires with a post-Western economic and engineering model. This one graphic shows the areas where the Middle East can end its dependency on the West. These remarks are as accepted by the conference for publication and also translation into Farsi. For the American Herald Tribune I have added linked endnotes to demonstrate the deep documentation available in support of my specific points. I am indebted to and salute Hamed Ghashghavi, the conference organizer who has managed my invitation and the complex process of getting a visa for a declared former spy from the USA. My many articles can be viewed free online. However, my sources are telling me that the Rothschilds and the Vatican have both agreed to an exit strategy demanded by President Donald Trump, President Vladimir Putin, and General Secretary Xi Jinping; the Zionists, however, have refused any accommodation. I anticipate a massive global purge against Zionists, beginning with the heads of Russian crime families associated with Zionism, and their counterparts in the USA, most of whom are heavily involved in human trafficking and child abuse. Zionist power in the USA is based on bribery and blackmail e. Henry Siegman formerly headed the American Jewish Congress and the Synagogue Council of America; his writing is a testament to the truth as it is known to and articulated by those who study history rather than invent it. *From Holy Land to Homeland Verso*, ; a summary review is free online. *Jewish Review of Books*, Spring I am persuaded that most religions, but particularly the Chabad supremacist and Orthodox variations of the Jewish religion; the Catholic Church, and the Mormon Church, are among the most horrific sustained practitioners of child sexual abuse, torture, and murder at the bishop level and above. *Is This Zionism Strike 12?* If it did, it would almost certainly include the need to close all US military bases overseas and end all US financial subsidies for all dictators and foreign militaries. See for instance, the three-monograph series at Amazon Kindle: *An American Grand Strategy*: All are also free online.

4: The Truth Of Israel

2. *Palestine, a research for truth: approaches to the Arab-Israeli conflict. edited by Alan R. Taylor and Richard N. Tetlie.*
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This story is reported here. It is full of optimistic and cheerful comments. Even the Israelis are said to be on board: Quartet envoys will meet for a third day Tuesday afternoon to work on the text. She said that the Europeans were talking to the Palestinians, but noted: Students and government employees are being given time off to attend the rallies. Israeli settlers in the West Bank are reportedly planning to counter-demonstrate. It could be a mess, but mainly on the roads outside the main Palestinian cities. Mahmoud Abbas was interviewed on Fox News, and reminded the viewers that U. Though much less attention is now being paid to him, Palestinian Authority Prime Minister Salam Fayyad has also been in New York, attending a regular meeting of major donors to the PA held every six months. Because he limited himself to speak for the body for which he works does not mean, and is no kind of proof, that the PA will replace the PLO, as some have vehemently argued. This interview merely illustrates what should be an evident fact that if a journalist asks a PA official for an interview, he will speak as a PA official. Here is an excerpt of some of what Fayyad said, in this largely uninformative, simply space-filling, and somewhat misleading interview: Are you in favor of going to the Security Council even if that means a confrontation with the United States, which has announced it would veto the application? If it is as certain that it will be a failed motion at the Security Council, as it is generally believed to be, then I would say: Let us pursue a path that is more inclusive, that ensures that we act hand in hand with our friends in the international community. Europe is already divided. Germany spoke out earlier this year against the UN initiative, but France and Spain tend to support it. At most, the UN would be able to bestow Palestine with the rank of a non-member observer state – similar to the Vatican. But Palestine would still be far away from becoming an independent state. After the declaration of our independence made by our late President Yasser Arafat in , many countries recognized Palestine. In recent months, there has been a significant addition to the already long list of countries that recognize Palestine. Countries are moving to recognize us, and countries are upgrading our representation in their capitals. Creative frameworks are being found for dealing with the Palestinian Authority as if it were a sovereign state. Nevertheless, many important countries are still holding back support for your UN bid – especially Germany, which is doing so out of consideration for Israel. The reflexive response and the argument that we are acting unilaterally. This is not unilateralism! This is not about the unilateral declaration of statehood. Our political objective is a sovereign state on 22 percent of the British Mandate for Palestine. This is the full embodiment of the two-state solution. The most recent negotiations with Israel collapsed a year ago. Do you still believe in the peace process? Negotiations with Israel are needed. I find it most regrettable that, after 18 years, it is no longer clear what we are talking about. We negotiate over principles rather than assurances and arrangements. A growing number of Palestinians are starting to feel that the idea of a Palestinian state is becoming increasingly unrealistic. Does the two-state solution still stand a chance? I not only still believe that the two-state solution is possible, but also that people should not rush to declare it dead either. Because what exactly is the alternative? Without negotiations and UN membership, your state-building project could soon fizzle out. I was perhaps the first who said: Whatever we do must be seen as an exercise that will lead to the end of the Israeli occupation. This rather unspectacular interview with Fayyad can be read in full here.

5: Can there be investigative journalism in Palestine? | UN-Truth

A search for truth would ask why the Palestinian leadership (both intellectual and political) takes such pains to falsely deny the ancient Jewish presence in the land.

But for many years, the US has been a big part of the reason why the diplomatic world accepts a false narrative of the Arab-Israeli conflict that harms Israel and makes it harder to achieve peace. Washington should move to a truth-telling strategy to dismantle the structure of false views that slander Israel and stand in the way of peace. The widely accepted false narrative of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is built on the following premises: The US has consistently either supported or been unwilling to contradict these premises. Palestinian leaders have an additional false view on which they insist when they speak in Arabic, and which they often proclaim to international audiences. This view is that the Jewish people did not, in fact, live in and rule parts of Palestine, including Jerusalem, for hundreds of years long before the beginning of Islam. This Palestinian false history is not challenged by the US or by any other democracy. Had the US utilized an active strategy of telling the truth, the Palestinians would not have been able to continue to use their false picture to resist peace. Rejecting false premises does not mean rejecting a peace agreement based on a two-state solution. The truth is compatible with a variety of ideas about what should be done in the future. Those who support a two-state solution can also support a strategy of telling the truth, as can those who doubt the feasibility of a two-state solution. US policy has always been to ignore, and sometimes even to support, the falsity of these diplomatically accepted narratives in order to avoid contradicting the Palestinians and arousing the wrath of the Arab and Muslim nations. This longstanding American willingness to put reality aside to try to encourage negotiations has been unsuccessful thus far, and has become increasingly harmful. Washington should switch to an even-handed policy of supporting truth, whether it comes from Palestinians or from Israelis: Of course, many statements are partly true and partly false, and often there are good reasons for different opinions about what is true. But there would be a great improvement in the diplomatic environment if the US took the lead in rejecting the most important and clearly false elements of diplomatic consensus. A truth-telling strategy does not mean being absurd by always insisting on truth. The realities of human nature, and of politics and international relations, require substantial room for untruth. The US government cannot and should not act like an innocent who expects everyone to always tell the truth, and who views not doing so as evil. It is controversial, rather than a falsehood, to say that justice and peace require Israel to turn over to a Palestinian state essentially all the land it seized in its defensive war in 1948. But there is a big difference between the controversial statement that the West Bank should become Palestinian territory as part of a peace agreement and the false statement that these areas are now, or ever were in the past, Palestinian territory. The distinction between saying that the West Bank including East Jerusalem is Palestinian territory and saying that it should become Palestinian territory is important for both the past and the future. From the Palestinian point of view, it differentiates between an immoral submission to a thief who has more power and a wise compromise with neighbors who have overlapping claims of right. It is not Palestinian territory "despite US acceptance of a UNSC resolution that refers to it as such" because there is no Palestinian territory and never has been. Palestinians have never ruled or been sovereign over any land. This is an indisputable fact, not a question of policy or interpretation. The West Bank is disputed territory: The most recent sovereigns before the West Bank came into dispute were the British Mandate from the League of Nations to promote a Jewish national home and the Ottoman Empire. Individual Palestinians certainly own much land in the disputed area, just as they own land in Israel, in the US, and elsewhere. But ownership of land by individual Palestinians does not make it Palestinian territory, either in Nablus or in New York. Palestinian national rights to the land do not come from international law, but from a principle that has become widely accepted over the last century: But this principle is not automatic and self-executing. Implementing it presents difficulties that require exceptions or else east Boston would have become part of Ireland. Who the majority is in an area depends on how the borders are drawn. For example, Israelis are the great majority of the population of Area C in the West Bank "a Jewish majority that was not created by removing Arabs. The others are descendants

of refugees who have died. The Palestinian leadership and the Arab states have prevented these descendants, who never lived in Israel, from settling and living normal lives in any Arab state except Jordan. Furthermore, UNGA Resolution did not, in fact or in law, grant the right of return to all refugees, and would have had no authority to do so even if it had tried. The issue should not yet be addressed, so the thinking goes, because it is so hard to resolve. This is one of a number of instances where the government of Israel has chosen to appease international opinion rather than use the truth to defy it. It is time for Israel too to move away from such appeasement, which has not worked. A truth-telling strategy would hold that it is time to say openly what everyone knows to be true. This does not have to be an obstacle to peace. It is indisputable that the creation of Israel led to at least as many Jewish refugees from Arab countries as Palestinian refugees from Israel. And the Jewish refugees, who were all resettled without international help mostly in Israel, were forced to leave behind more assets than did the Palestinian refugees. The US can further increase its truth-telling by allowing the passports of American citizens born in Jerusalem to record the fact that they were born in Israel. At present, Washington is unwilling to allow this truth to appear in American passports. Because the US has been willing to ignore these truths for so long, there will be great Arab resistance to their being stated in public. The fiercer their protests, the more the Arabs will demonstrate the cost of having avoided truth-telling for so long. In the long run, a recognition that the US has a commitment to the truth will reduce the harm done by violent protests. Conversely, a policy of avoiding the truth in deference to threatened violence will lead to more such violence or to US subservience to the rioters. Official statements always refer to Jerusalem as sacred to both sides sometimes adding that it is sacred to Christians as well and typically imply that a fair solution will require equal treatment for Israel and the Palestinians on Jerusalem. But in reality, there is very little symmetry between the Israeli and Palestinian connections to Jerusalem. The al-Aqsa Mosque, which is located in Jerusalem, has significance for the religion of Islam although its origins are controversial but it is in no way central. The city of Jerusalem is not mentioned even once in the Koran, nor in regular Muslim prayers. On the other hand, Jerusalem is a central feature of the Jewish religion and of daily Jewish prayer and identity. The climax of every Jewish wedding ceremony is when the groom breaks a glass to symbolize the exile from Jerusalem and repeats a quotation from Psalm Under Israeli rule over Jerusalem West Jerusalem for 19 years and the entire city for 50 years, there has been freedom of religion and protection of the holy sites of all religions. During the 19 years of Jordanian rule over East Jerusalem, Jews were not allowed entry even to the Jewish Quarter, and Jewish religious sites were destroyed. The religion of Islam takes no notice of Jerusalem as a city. Muslims have expressed interest in Jerusalem only when it was ruled by non-Muslims. For over a thousand years of Muslim rule over Jerusalem, it was never made into the capital of any part of the Muslim empire, not even the local district. From to , when it was ruled by Jordan, Jerusalem was treated as inferior to Amman. By contrast, the city of Jerusalem has always been a major concern of the Jewish religion and of Jewish identity, including throughout the nearly 2, years during which it was in the hands of others. Israel cannot survive as a Jewish state without Jerusalem as its capital. Israeli and Palestinian interests in the future of Jerusalem are not at all symmetrical. Israel needs Jerusalem to continue to be a vibrant working city. The Palestinians, by contrast, would make an important gain in their effort to destroy Israel if they achieved new arrangements for Jerusalem that allowed its health as a city to be undermined by violent conflict. The Palestinian interest in having Jerusalem as the capital of a new Palestinian state should be satisfied in a way that is consistent with these three values. The False Assertion that the Palestinians are Ready to Make Peace with Israel A US truth-telling strategy would also address the question of whether the Palestinian community and leadership are in fact willing to make peace with Israel. While there cannot be any indisputable truth about such a hypothetical and complex question, there is evidence that can be examined in order to respectfully try to understand the point of view of the Palestinians. A search for truth would ask why the Palestinian leadership both intellectual and political takes such pains to falsely deny the ancient Jewish presence in the land. It must be unpleasant and difficult for informed Palestinians to tell such obvious falsehoods that there never was a Jewish Temple in Jerusalem from which Christ could chase the money-changers, or that Jews did not rule the land for centuries before most of them were exiled by the Romans 2, years ago. This denial of history is not part of the religion of Islam; it is a recent Palestinian invention. One plausible explanation why

the Palestinian leadership is so insistent on such an extreme denial of reality is that if the Palestinian people knew the truth, they might be more willing to accept Israel on part of the land. This suggests that it might be constructive for the US to remind the Palestinians that according to Islamic tradition, the Temple Mount was built by Jews as the site of the Jewish Temple. A public airing of the fact that there is no doubt that there were ancient Jewish kingdoms in the land a thousand years before Islam might increase the readiness of the Palestinian people to make peace with the Jewish people, who share their connection to the holy land. It would show the Palestinians that the US, and presumably other democracies, are not prepared to accept blatant falsehoods as justification to force Israel to accept a Palestinian victory. This would undermine one of the major Palestinian reasons for thinking they might still be able to destroy Israel: That Palestinian hope is the fundamental obstacle to peace. If we are to gain a truthful answer to the question whether the Palestinians are now willing to make peace with Israel, we must also ask the following question: If the Palestinian leadership and public are now willing to make peace with Israel, when did they change? And what was the political process that produced the change? Since before the establishment of Israel, despite the deep desire of many Palestinians for peace, the Palestinian community and its leadership were determined not to accept a Jewish state on any terms and were committed to struggle to destroy it until it was removed from land that had once been Muslim-ruled. This is a statement of fact, not an accusation. There is no evidence of such statements. Nor can one find many Palestinian political voices who say such things in Arabic in public. Before there can be any major change in Palestinian policy, there will have to be a sharp public debate among Palestinians. This debate would be visible in public channels, and it would be possible to see which side was eventually forced to retreat. There has been no such debate. Palestinian discourse still maintains the taboo against suggesting it is necessary or desirable to give up the war against Israel on any terms. A truth-telling US strategy would not continue to assume that peace can be negotiated with the Palestinians if Israel makes appropriate concessions. Truth-telling is consistent with urging negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians, but not from the position that the success of those negotiations will depend on what Israel does. This structure of unreality has failed to produce useful results. Perhaps, therefore, the new US president, who campaigned on making significant changes to US policy, should adopt a new strategy of truth-telling, which might lead to better results. International pressure is one of the main weapons with which the Palestinians hope to destroy Israel. They will not give up that goal until it has become clear that there is no way it can succeed. Demonstrating that the world will no longer pretend to believe Palestinian falsehoods might lead more Palestinians to see that they have no chance of eliminating Israel. They might then seek the benefits of peace.

6: The Truth About 'Disappearing Palestine' - Israel Today | Israel News

Here is the truth. More Than Rockets Fired At Israel From Gaza. Remember, Israel Gave Up Gaza For Peace!

Palestine is a name the Romans gave to Eretz Yisrael with the express purpose of infuriating the Jews. Why should we use the spiteful name meant to humiliate us? There is no language known as Palestinian. There is no distinct Palestinian culture. There has never been a land known as Palestine governed by Palestinians. Palestinians are Arabs, indistinguishable from Jordanians another recent invention, Syrians, Lebanese, Iraqis, etc. Keep in mind that the Arabs control Israel represents one-tenth of one percent of the landmass. They want it all. And that is ultimately what the fighting in Israel is about today. No matter how many land concessions the Israelis make, it will never be enough. All too often, these terms are used with regard to their historical or geographical meaning, so that the usage creates illusions rather than clarifies reality. It has never been the name of a nation or state. It is a geographical term, used to designate the region at those times in history when there is no nation or state there. The word itself derives from "Peleshet", a name that appears frequently in the Bible and has come into English as "Philistine". The name began to be used in the Thirteenth Century BC, for a wave of migrant "Sea Peoples" who came from the area of the Aegean Sea and the Greek Islands and settled on the southern coast of the land of Canaan. There they established five independent city-states including Gaza on a narrow strip of land known as Philistia. The Greeks and Romans called it "Palastina". The Philistines were not Arabs, they were not Semites. They had no connection, ethnic, linguistic or historical with Arabia or Arabs. The name "Falastin" that Arabs today use for "Palestine" is not an Arabic name. Therefore, he took the name Palastina and imposed it on all the Land of Israel. At the same time, he changed the name of Jerusalem to Aelia Capitolina. The Romans killed many Jews and sold many more in slavery. Some of those who survived still alive and free left the devastated country, but there was never a complete abandonment of the Land. There was never a time when there were not Jews and Jewish communities, though the size and conditions of those communities fluctuated greatly. The Canaanites had many tiny city-states, each one at times independent and at times a vassal of an Egyptian or Hittite king. The Canaanites never united into a state. There they formed first a tribal confederation, and then the biblical kingdoms of Israel and Judah, and the post-biblical kingdom of Judea. From the beginning of history to this day, Israel-Judah-Judea has the only united, independent, sovereign nation-state that ever existed in "Palestine" west of the Jordan River. In biblical times, Ammon, Moab and Edom as well as Israel had land east of the Jordan, but they disappeared in antiquity and no other nation took their place until the British invented Trans-Jordan in the s. The Arabs, who had no name of their own for this region, adopted the Greco-Roman name Palastina, that they pronounced "Falastin". In that period, much of the mixed population of Palastina converted to Islam and adopted the Arabic language. They were subjects of a distant Caliph who ruled them from his capital, that was first in Damascus and later in Baghdad. They did not become a nation or an independent state, or develop a distinct society or culture. After, it was never again under Arab rule. The Christian Crusader kingdom was politically independent, but never developed a national identity. It remained a military outpost of Christian Europe, and lasted less than years. Thereafter, Palestine was joined to Syria as a subject province first of the Mameluks, ethnically mixed slave-warriors whose center was in Egypt, and then of the Ottoman Turks, whose capital was in Istanbul. At the end of the war, the Ottoman Empire collapsed and among its subject provinces "Palestine" was assigned to the British, to govern temporarily as a mandate from the League of Nations. The theme throughout their reports is dismal: The land was empty, neglected, abandoned, desolate, fallen into ruins Nothing there [Jerusalem] to be seen but a little of the old walls which is yet remaining and all the rest is grass, moss and weeds. One may ride 10 miles hereabouts and not see 10 human beings. For the sort of solitude to make one dreary, come to Galilee. Jericho lies a moldering ruin. Bethlehem and Bethany, in their poverty and humiliation. A desolate country whose soil is rich enough, but is given over wholly to weeds. We never saw a human being on the whole route. Hardly a tree or shrub anywhere. Even the olive tree and the cactus, those fast friends of a worthless soil, had almost deserted the country. Palestine sits in sackcloth and ashes. Their labors created newer and better conditions and opportunities, which in turn attracted migrants from many parts

of the Middle East, both Arabs and others. Mandate Palestine originally included all of what is now Jordan, as well as all of what is now Israel, and the territories between them. There was no traditional or historic Arab name for this land, so it was called after the river: By this political act, that violated the conditions of the Balfour Declaration and the Mandate, the British cut more than 75 percent out of the Jewish National Home. Less than 25 percent then remained of Mandate Palestine, and even in this remnant, the British violated the Balfour and Mandate requirements for a "Jewish National Home" and for "close Jewish settlement". They progressively restricted where Jews could buy land, where they could live, build, farm or work. After the Six-Day War in 1967, Israel was finally able to settle some small part of those lands from which the Jews had been debarred by the British. Successive British governments regularly condemn their settlement as "illegal". In truth, it was the British who had acted illegally in banning Jews from these parts of the Jewish National Home. British policy was to curtail their numbers and progressively limit Jewish immigration. By 1948, the White Paper virtually put an end to admission of Jews to Palestine. This policy was imposed the most stringently at the very time this Home was most desperately needed -- after the rise of Nazi power in Europe. Jews who might have developed the empty lands of Palestine and left progeny there, instead died in the gas chambers of Europe or in the seas they were trying to cross to the Promised Land. At the same time that the British slammed the gates on Jews, they permitted or ignored massive illegal immigration into Western Palestine from Arab countries Jordan, Syria, Egypt, North Africa. In 1946, Winston Churchill noted that "So far from being persecuted, the Arabs have crowded into the country and multiplied. The current myth is that these Arabs were long established in Palestine, until the Jews came and "displaced" them. The fact is, that recent Arab immigration into Palestine "displaced" the Jews. That the massive increase in Arab population was very recent is attested by the ruling of the United Nations: That any Arab who had lived in Palestine for two years and then left in qualifies as a "Palestinian refugees". Casual use of population statistics for Jews and Arabs in Palestine rarely consider how the proportions came to be. One factor was the British policy of keeping out Jews while bringing in Arabs. Another factor was the violence used to kill or drive out Jews even where they had been long established. In 1948, Arab rioters with the passive consent of the British -- killed or drove out virtually the entire Jewish community. They killed or drove out every Jew. It is now often proposed as a principle of international law and morality that all places that the British and the Arabs rendered Judenrein must forever remain so. In contrast, Israel eventually allotted 17 percent of Mandate Palestine has a large and growing population of Arab citizens. This question was taken up by various British and international commissions and other bodies, culminating with the United Nations in 1947. During the various deliberations, Arab officials, spokesmen and writers expressed their views on "Palestine". Our country was for centuries part of Syria. It is the Zionists who introduced it. When they were offered half of Palestine west of the Jordan River for a state, the offer was violently rejected. Six Arab states launched a war of annihilation against the nascent State of Israel. Their purpose was not to establish an independent Falastin. Their aim was to partition western Palestine amongst themselves. They did not succeed in killing Israel, but Trans-Jordan succeeded in taking Judea and Samaria West Bank and East Jerusalem, killing or driving out all the Jews who had lived in those places, and banning Jews of all nations from Jewish holy places. Egypt succeeded in taking the Gaza Strip. These two Arab states held these lands until 1967. Then they launched another war of annihilation against Israel, and in consequence lost the lands they had taken by war in 1948. During those 19 years, 1948-1967, Jordan and Egypt never offered to surrender those lands to make up an independent state of Falastin. The "Palestinians" never sought it. Nobody in the world ever suggested it, much less demanded it. Finally, in 1967, the Palestine Liberation Movement was founded. Ahmed Shukairy, who less than 10 years earlier had denied the existence of Palestine, was its first chairman. Its charter proclaimed its sole purpose to be the destruction of Israel. To that end it helped to precipitate the Arab attack on Israel in 1967. The outcome of that attack then inspired an alteration in public rhetoric. As propaganda, it sounds better to speak of the liberation of Falastin than of the destruction of Israel. Much of the world, governments and media and public opinion, accept virtually without question of serious analysis the new-sprung myth of an Arab nation of Falastin, whose territory is unlawfully occupied by the Jews.

7: Solomon's Temple: Myth and History - PALESTINE Bedrock of the World

The news this morning from CNN was that "international" diplomats "mostly European" were working to arrange some kind of face-saving deal whereby Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas would present an official request for full UN membership to the UN Security Council, but not ask for a vote.

War stories, however, have a habit of growing darker. For the same year old senior Syrian doctor then adds something profoundly uncomfortable: Am I hearing this right? Which version of events are we to believe? By bad luck, too, the doctors who were on duty that night on 7 April were all in Damascus giving evidence to a chemical weapons enquiry, which will be attempting to provide a definitive answer to that question in the coming weeks. At the same time, inspectors from the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons OPCW are currently blocked from coming here to the site of the alleged gas attack themselves, ostensibly because they lacked the correct UN permits. Before we go any further, readers should be aware that this is not the only story in Douma. I walked through three of them yesterday, vast corridors of living rock which still contained Russian "yes, Russian" rockets and burned-out cars. So the story of Douma is thus not just a story of gas "or no gas, as the case may be. I walked across this town quite freely yesterday without soldier, policeman or minder to haunt my footsteps, just two Syrian friends, a camera and a notebook. I sometimes had to clamber across foot-high ramparts, up and down almost sheer walls of earth. I first drove into Douma as part of an escorted convoy of journalists. Several other reporters, mostly Syrian, did the same. Even a group of Russian journalists "all in military attire" drifted off. It was a short walk to Dr Rahaibani. There was a lot of shelling [by government forces] and aircraft were always over Douma at night "but on this night, there was wind and huge dust clouds began to come into the basements and cellars where people lived. People began to arrive here suffering from hypoxia, oxygen loss. People started throwing water over each other. Yes, the video was filmed here, it is genuine, but what you see are people suffering from hypoxia "not gas poisoning. But it was a strange world I walked into. They shrugged when I asked about the 43 people said to have died in the infamous Douma attack. The White Helmets "the medical first responders already legendary in the West but with some interesting corners to their own story "played a familiar role during the battles. They are partly funded by the Foreign Office and most of the local offices were staffed by Douma men. I found their wrecked offices not far from Dr. A gas mask had been left outside a food container with one eye-piece pierced and a pile of dirty military camouflage uniforms lay inside one room. Planted, I asked myself? The place was heaped with capsules, broken medical equipment and files, bedding and mattresses. Of course we must hear their side of the story, but it will not happen here: Again, my earnest questions about gas were met with what seemed genuine perplexity. How could it be that Douma refugees who had reached camps in Turkey were already describing a gas attack which no-one in Douma today seemed to recall? So what were they telling me? They talked about how the armed groups had stolen civilian homes to avoid the Syrian government and Russian bombing. The Jaish el-Islam had burned their offices before they left, but the massive buildings inside the security zones they created had almost all been sandwiched to the ground by air strikes. A Syrian colonel I came across behind one of these buildings asked if I wanted to see how deep the tunnels were. Ah yes, Ms May, I remembered, whose air strikes had been so intimately connected to this place of tunnels and dust.

8: Reports of a Palestinian compromise at the UN may, or may not, be premature | UN-Truth

Pursuing Truth about Israel/Palestine May 1, 2008 Comments Many journalists are confronted with a choice in their careers: pursue a difficult truth by taking on powerful interests or protect.

A land with a vision. An idea, an ideal. A land one can rarely live up to, for what mere human can "live up" to the expectations of the Eternal God? The real trial is simply to keep trying. To remember that this home was taken from us, forcing us into exile and two millennia of wandering. We continued to remember, never to forget or to abandon it, or to lose faith that someday, somehow, we would return. We must appreciate what it means that no other nation, no country, no people ever succeeded in making this seemingly forsaken, parched patch of ground blossom. That no one ever struck roots or created a viable, lasting home here. Conquerors came and went, blown away like leaves from yesteryear. Their ruins dot the landscape. Mark Twain, in a marvelous travelogue of his trip to the Holy Land visited Palestine so named by the Romans in CE, after the ancient Philistines, in an effort to erase the "Jews" and "Judaism" from Judea, which is what the country was called at the time of the Roman conquest, a full years before the first Arab arrived in the 7th century Arab conquest. Almost years after Roman rule, Mark Twain found a barren, empty, desolate country with a small, impoverished, scattered population. No one called themselves "Palestinians. The Arabs in Palestine considered themselves part of the greater, general Arab nation. As a child, I remember my mother, a dedicated Hadassah member, working for "Palestine" and the "Palestinians" -- i. The Jewish State is still defending its legitimacy while the newly founded Palestinian i. Arab nation is universally recognized and has won the endorsement if not always the love of the world. Bombarded as we are with falsehoods, it is almost impossible to tell the difference between truth and falsehood, between right and wrong. Living in Jerusalem with friends and relatives across the length and breadth of the country -- in the army, on so-called "settlements" half of the neighborhoods in the Jerusalem municipality are referred to by Arabs as "settlements" , in cities and towns and moshavim -- I am, like most Israelis, fairly well informed. Israel is like a small town and important news travels across the country almost instantaneously via radio and telephone. But the truth is different. And to the rest of the world as well. Yaffa Ganz has written more than forty books for young Jewish readers - story books, holiday books, informational books, and an assortment of just fun-to-read books on different topics. Her books have been translated into five languages. The Ganzes live in Jerusalem and are the grandparents of a growing clan.

9: Eradicating Zionism with Truth – “A Plan for Peace and Prosperity for All - American Herald Tribune

No, Nabhan says he thinks investigative journalism is impossible because, as he explains, Palestinian culture is a culture of reconciliation, where direct confrontation is avoided and intensely disliked.

While readers may think the choice is obvious pursue the truth it often comes with a high price, as journalist Alan Hart learned. By Alan Hart I am withdrawing from the battlefield of the war for the truth of history as it relates to the making and sustaining of the conflict in and over Palestine that became Israel, and the following is an explanation of why. And as I noted in my book *Zionism: They*, like almost all Jews, were the descendants of peoples from many homelands mainly in Eastern and Western Europe who converted to Judaism centuries after the brief rule of the ancient Hebrews ended and who, after their conversion, had only their religion and its rituals in common. By the time Zionism declared itself into existence around 1900, there were more Palestinian Arabs, who had descended from the ancient Hebrews, than Palestinian Jews who could count the ancient Hebrews as direct ancestors. That is because many descendants of the ancient Hebrews had converted to Islam and Christianity over the centuries. As I document in detail in my book and have indicated over the years in more than a few articles and presentations of public platforms of all kinds, that is propagandistic nonsense. In the first place the UN, without the consent of the majority of the people of Palestine, did not have the right to decide to partition Palestine or assign any part of its territory to a minority of alien immigrants in order for them to establish a state of their own. But the General Assembly resolution was only a proposal meaning that it could have no effect, would not become policy, unless approved by the Security Council. So the partition plan was vitiated became invalid, and the question of what to do about Palestine after the occupying British had been driven out it by Zionist terrorism was taken back to the General Assembly for more discussion. The option favored and proposed by the U.S. It was while the General Assembly was debating what to do next that Israel unilaterally declared itself to be in existence actually in defiance of the will of the organized international community, including the Truman administration. The truth of the time was that Israel had no right to exist. Israel always was the aggressor and oppressor, not and never the victim. A Personal Stand When I made my commitment to the war for truth more than three decades ago, I believed that calling and holding Israel to account for its crimes, in order for there to be peace based on justice for the Palestinians and security for all, would remain a mission impossible unless the citizens of the Western nations, enough of them and Americans especially, were informed about the truth of history. That seemed obvious to me because it was clear that, unwilling to confront the Zionist lobby in all its manifestations, the governments of the major Western powers were not going to use the leverage they have to oblige Israel to end its defiance of international law unless and until they were pushed to do by informed public opinion by manifestations of real democracy in action. THE problem was that most citizens of the Western nations, Americans especially, were too misinformed and uninformed to do the pushing. In other words, because they had been conditioned by Zionist propaganda, peddled without question by the mainstream media, most citizens were too ignorant to make their democracies work for justice and peace in the Middle East. The truth-tellers were few in number but among those who produced major truth-telling works books were Jews of real integrity including, for example, the Jewish-American Alfred M. In such company the Gentile me felt secure in the frontline trenches of the war for truth. There was also comfort in knowing that we were taking on Zionism from the moral high ground. Over the last 20 years or so, with their books, articles and public speaking, the truth-tellers have made an impact but not on a big enough scale to change the outcome of the war. The truth today is that the situation of the occupied and oppressed Palestinians is worse than it has ever been and is worsening as Israel continues its defiance of international law and gobbles up more and more Palestinian land and water resources. Also true today is that there is a rising, global tide of anti-Israel-ism, but it has little or nothing to do with the work of the truth-tellers. That has to be a possibility, but I think it is much more likely that the rising, global tide of anti-Israel-ism will have an opposite effect. Lack of Resources On reflection today I believe that Zionism could have been contained and defeated by now if the resources yes, I do mean money had been available to assist the promotion and spread of the truth of history on the scale necessary to empower the citizens of the

Western nations, Americans especially, to make their democracies work for justice and peace by demanding that their governments end their unconditional support for Israel, right or wrong. In my view, which is based on my own engagements with audiences across the U. Because the resources were not made available, the war for the truth of history has remained the most asymmetric of all information wars. The truth-tellers are, as they always have been, without the resources needed to put together and implement a coordinated, winning campaign strategy. The main providers of the resources necessary for winning the information war ought to have been seriously wealthy Arabs in general and seriously wealthy diaspora Palestinians in particular. They ought to have done for Palestine what seriously wealthy Jews did and still do for Zionism. There are two main reasons why seriously wealthy diaspora Palestinians declined to play their necessary part in funding promotion of the truth of history. Those who live in the Gulf States are frightened that assisting the truth-tellers could put their very comfortable positions and relationships with the rulers of those states at risk because the rulers would not take kindly to a blow-back hassle from Zionism. Zionist heavyweights in America do sometimes call Gulf Arab rulers directly to tell them what they should not do or allow. One such call was made to tell a ruler that he should not support Alan Hart and Ilan Pappé. The call was made after Ilan and I had made a joint presentation in the particular state, at its invitation, and had been promised support for our work. That statement is something of an exaggeration to make a point but it contains much truth. Weighing Costs Today I can quantify the cost of my own commitment to the war for truth. If I had written a pro-Zionist book, I would have had wealthy Jews throwing money at it and me for global promotion of all kinds. The Real Enemy of the Jews, which is a complete re-writing of the entire history of the conflict exposing Zionist propaganda for the nonsense it is and replacing it with the documented truth of history, I was on my own. To fund the research and writing over nearly five years, then the printing and publication of the original, two-volume hardback edition, and then some promotion, I took out a loan against the security of the home that my wife and I owned outright and have lived in for a quarter of a century. My previous book *Arafat, Terrorist or Peacemaker?* I was, of course, aware that there were truths in *Zionism: The Real Enemy of the Jews* that would be more than uncomfortable for the Arab regimes and which they would not want their newspapers to publish. But newspaper serialization of a two-volume book which became three volumes in its updated American edition would have taken only a relatively small amount of total content. Arab editors doing the serialization could have left out everything that offended their political masters and still had more than enough material to inform and entertain their readers. But it was no go. My book was not only red-flagged by Zionism and therefore all the major Western publishing houses, this despite the fact that my extremely well-connected and respected literary agent had on file letters from the CEOs of some of them with rare praise for my manuscript. Preparing to downsize will require, among other things, months of my fulltime to sort through and dispose of much of what has been accumulated over decades and could not be accommodated and stored in a much smaller property with little or no land. And that in the proverbial nutshell is why I am withdrawing from the battlefield of the war for truth. The days when I could serve causes beyond self in order to feel that I was doing something useful with my life are gone. Like seriously wealthy diaspora Palestinians and other Arabs, I must now put my own interests, and above all those of my dear wife, first. Back in the early '80s when I was making *Five Minutes To Midnight*, my documentary on global poverty and its implications for all, I had a verbal boxing match with Mother Teresa in Calcutta. After a day of filming with her as she collected some of those dying from poverty on the pavements to give them a few more days of life with shelter and loving care, she invited my camera crew and me to a frugal evening meal with some of her sisters. The question I posed for discussion over the meal was this: Which is the most important word in any language love or justice? Mother Teresa argued with passion, sometimes angry passion, for love. I argued, with equal but not angry passion, for justice. In the days and weeks to come, I will no doubt find myself wondering if I was naive to believe that I could help Palestinian right triumph over Zionist might. A Palestinian friend once asked me if, on matters to do with Palestine, I was aware of the main difference between Arabs and Jews. Jews often do what they say they will not do. His latest book *Zionism: The Real Enemy of the Jews, Vol. The False Messiah*, is a three-volume epic in its American edition. He blogs on AlanHart.

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