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Palestinians have launched their biggest operation against Israel in years in a surprise offensive that combined fighters crossing the fence into Israeli occupied cities with a heavy barrage of rockets from

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US Officials Expect Israel to Launch Ground Invasion of Gaza

Officials said Sunday they expect it to happen within 24-48 hours

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Israeli defence minister orders 'complete siege' on Gaza

“We are fighting against human animals”. This is how Israeli Defence Minister Yoav Gallant announced what he called a “complete siege” on Gaza, following a surprise attack by Hamas on Israel.

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An Israeli MK called for nuclear weapons to be used on Gaza

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US Announces \$200 Million Arms Package for Ukraine

The package was announced as Zelensky and Austin were in Brussels for a meeting of Western military leaders

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Israeli officials have said they have no evidence of Iranian involvement

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White House Plans to Request Military Aid for Israel, Ukraine, and Taiwan

The request will also include money to produce more weapons to replace what's being sent overseas

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Blinken: 'As long as America Exists,' It Will Support Israel

Blinken expressed full-throated support for Israel while meeting Netanyahu in Tel Aviv amid the bombardment of Gaza

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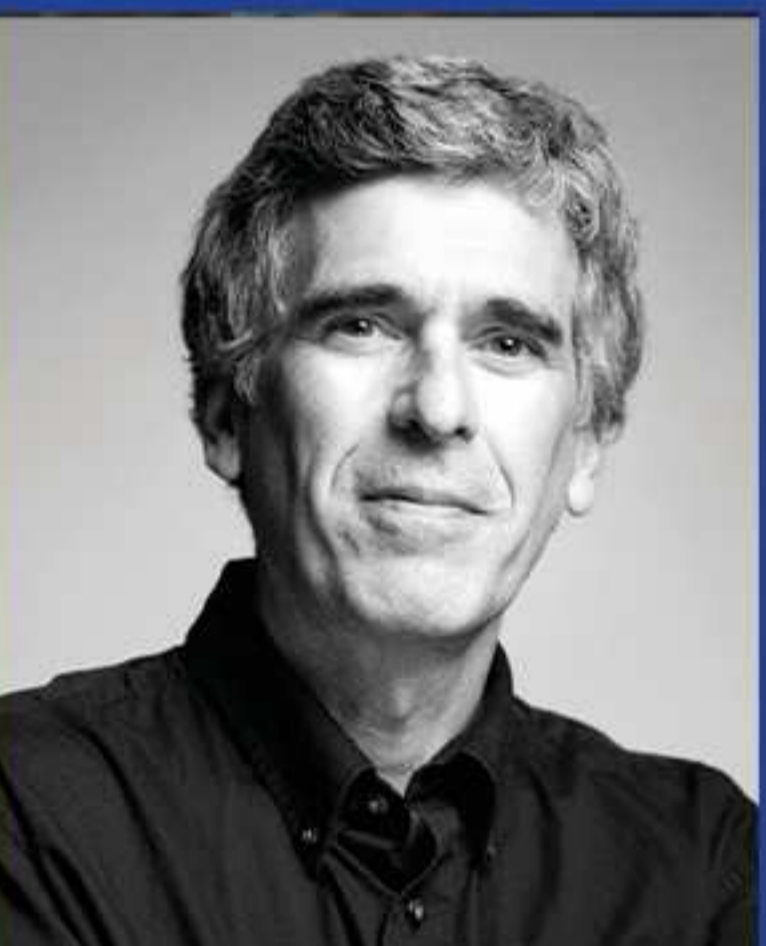
Israeli President Says There Are No Innocent Civilians in Gaza

Isaac Herzog says: 'It is not true this rhetoric about civilians not being aware, not involved'

OCTOBER 9, 2023

1 “Israel’s 9/11” Is a Slogan to Rationalize Open-Ended Killing of Palestinian Civilians

By Norman Solomon,
October 10, 2023



Norman Solomon

Norman Solomon is national director of RootsAction.org and executive director of the Institute for Public Accuracy. He is the author of many books including *War Made Easy*. His latest book, *War Made Invisible: How America Hides the Human Toll of Its Military Machine*, was published in summer 2023 by The New Press.

When Israel's ambassador to the United Nations spoke outside the Security Council on Sunday, he said: "This is Israel's 9/11. This is Israel's 9/11." Meanwhile, in a PBS NewsHour interview, Israel's ambassador to the United States said: "This is, as someone said, our 9/11."

While the phrase might seem logical, "Israel's 9/11" is already being used as a huge propaganda weapon by Israel's government — now engaged in massive war crimes against civilians in Gaza, after mass murder of Israelis by Hamas last weekend.

On the surface, an analogy between the atrocities just suffered by Israelis and what happened on Sept. 11, 2001 might seem to justify calls for

unequivocal solidarity with Israel. But horrific actions are in process from an Israeli government that has long maintained a system of apartheid while crushing basic human rights of Palestinian people.

What is very sinister about trumpeting "Israel's 9/11" is what happened after America's 9/11. Wearing the shroud of victim, the United States proceeded to use the horrible tragedy suffered inside its own borders as a license to kill vast numbers of people in the name of retaliation, righteousness and, of course, the "war on terror."

It's a playbook that the government of Benjamin Netanyahu is currently adapting and implementing with a vengeance. Now underway, Israel's collective punishment of 2.3 million people in Gaza is an intensification of what Israel has been doing to Palestinians for decades. But Israel's extremism, more than ever touting itself as a matter of self-defense, is at new racist depths of willingness to treat human beings as suitable for extermination.

On Monday, Israel's Defense Minister Yoav Gallant described Palestinians as "beastly people" and said: "We are fighting animals and are acting accordingly."

Indiscriminate bombing is now happening along with a cutoff of food, water, electricity and fuel. Noting that "even before the latest restrictions, residents of Gaza already faced widespread food insecurity, restrictions on movement and water shortages," the BBC reported that a UN official said people in Gaza "were 'terrified' by the current situation and worried for their safety — as well as that of their children and families." This is a terrible echo from the post-9/11 approach of the U.S. government, which from the outset after Sept. 11, 2001 conferred advance absolution on itself for any and all of its future crimes against humanity.

In the name of fighting terrorism, the United States inflicted collective punishment on huge numbers of people who had absolutely nothing to do with 9/11. The Costs of War project at Brown University calculates more than 400,000 direct civilian deaths "in the violence of the U.S. post-9/11 wars in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Syria, Yemen and elsewhere."

Early in the "war on terror," Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld had fashioned a template to provide approval for virtually any killing by the U.S. military. "We did not start this war," he said at a news briefing in December 2001, two months into the Afghanistan war. "So understand, responsibility for every single casualty in this war, whether they're innocent

Afghans or innocent Americans, rests at the feet of the al Qaeda and the Taliban."

Rumsfeld was showered with acclaim from the U.S. media establishment, while he not only insisted that the U.S. government had no responsibility for the deaths caused by its armed forces; he also attested to the American military's notable decency. "The targeting capabilities, and the care that goes into targeting, to see that the precise targets are struck, and that other targets are not struck, is as impressive as anything anyone could see," Rumsfeld said. He lauded "the care that goes into it, the humanity that goes into it."

Even before its current high-tech attack on Gaza, Israel had amassed a long track record of killing civilians there, while denying it every step of the way. For instance, the United Nations found that during Israel's 2014 "Operation Protective Edge" assault, 1,462 Palestinian civilians died, including 495 children.

There's no reason to doubt that the civilian death toll from the present Israeli military actions in Gaza will soon climb far above the number of people killed by the Hamas assault days ago. As in the aftermath of 9/11, official claims to be only fighting terrorism will continue to serve as PR smokescreens for a government terrorizing and inflicting mass carnage on Palestinians. Deserving only unequivocal condemnation, Hamas's killing and abduction of civilians set the stage for Israel's slaughter of civilians now underway in Gaza.



Absent from the New York Times home page Monday night and relegated to page 9 of the newspaper's print edition on Tuesday, a grisly news story began this way: "Israeli airstrikes pounded Gaza on Monday, flattening mosques over the heads of worshipers, wiping away a busy marketplace full of shoppers and killing entire families, witnesses and authorities in Gaza said. Five Israeli airstrikes ripped through the marketplace in the Jabaliya refugee camp, reducing it to rubble and killing dozens, the authorities said. Other strikes hit four mosques in the Shati refugee camp and killed people worshiping inside, they said. Witnesses said boys had been playing soccer outside one of the mosques when it was struck."

Along with releasing a statement about the latest tragic turn of events, at RootsAction.org we've offered supporters of a just peace a quick way to email their members of Congress and President Biden. The gist of the message is that "the horrific cycle of violence in the Middle East will not end until the Israeli occupation ends — and a huge obstacle to ending the occupation has been the U.S. government."



2 'This Is Not What Fighting Hamas Looks Like': Israel Orders All of Northern Gaza to Evacuate

By Jake Johnson
October 13, 2023



Jake Johnson

Jake Johnson is a senior editor and staff writer for Common Dreams.

The Israeli military on Friday ordered the entire population of northern Gaza—roughly 1.1 million people—to evacuate to the southern half of the occupied territory within 24 hours, prompting fears of an even worse humanitarian catastrophe as Israel readies a ground invasion and continues its disastrous bombing campaign.

The order, initially issued to the United Nations, impacts nearly half of Gaza's population and comes after hundreds of thousands of the enclave's residents were already displaced by Israeli airstrikes, which have killed more than 1,500 people.

U.N. spokesperson Stéphane Dujarric said in a statement that the organization "considers it impossible for such a movement to take place

without devastating humanitarian consequences."

Dujarric added that the order must be "rescinded" to avert "a calamitous situation."

News of Israel's directive sparked alarm and confusion on the ground in northern Gaza, which includes densely populated Gaza City—home to the territory's primary hospital.

Al Jazeera reported that one of its journalists in Gaza City "saw residents packing up whatever belongings they could as they began evacuating towards the south in cars, vans, and any other vehicle that was available."

"In northern Gaza, residents early in the morning of Friday said the streets were empty as people stayed inside their homes trying to decide what to do next following Israel's evacuation orders," the outlet noted. "There were no cars on the road except for ambulances. Because of the internet outages and collapse of phone networks, Palestinians said information was scant and most still had not heard direct orders from the army to evacuate."

"We fear that Israel may claim that Palestinians who could not flee northern Gaza can be erroneously held as directly participating in hostilities, and targeted."

Aid groups and human rights organizations expressed horror in response to the Israeli military's evacuation order, which observers warned is a prelude to "mass atrocities."

Jan Egeland, secretary-general of the Norwegian Refugee Council, said that without "any guarantees of safety or return," the order "would amount to the war crime of forcible transfer."

"The collective punishment of countless civilians, among them children, women, and the elderly, in retaliation for acts of horrible terror undertaken by armed men is illegal under international law," said Egeland. "My colleagues inside Gaza confirm that there are countless people in the northern parts who have no means to safely relocate under the constant barrage of fire."

"We fear that Israel may claim that Palestinians who could not flee northern Gaza can be erroneously held as directly participating in hostilities, and targeted," Egeland continued. "The United States, the U.K., the European Union, and other Western and Arab nations who have influence over the Israeli political and military leadership must demand that the illegal and impossible order to relocate is immediately rescinded."

B'Tselem, an Israeli human rights group, said in response to the order that "a million people in northern Gaza are not guilty."

"They have nowhere else to go," the group added. "This is not what fighting Hamas looks like. This is revenge. And innocent people are being hurt."

The order was delivered amid warnings that Gaza's healthcare system is on the verge of total collapse, overwhelmed by the influx of thousands of airstrike victims and hampered by Israel's total blockade, which has cut off the enclave's supply of electricity, food, fuel, and

other necessary supplies.

Gaza's lone power plant has stopped operating due to a lack of fuel, forcing already-strained hospitals to operate on generators.

The International Planned Parenthood Federation said Friday that "over 37,000 pregnant women will be forced to give birth with no electricity or medical supplies in Gaza in the coming months, risking life-threatening complications without access to delivery and emergency obstetric care services."

The World Health Organization (WHO) said Thursday that "time is running out to prevent a humanitarian catastrophe if fuel and lifesaving health and humanitarian supplies cannot be urgently delivered to the Gaza Strip amidst the complete blockade."

"Hospitals have only a few hours of electricity each day as they are forced to ration depleting fuel reserves and rely on generators to sustain the most critical functions," the WHO said. "Even these functions will have to cease in a few days, when fuel stocks are due to run out. The impact would be devastating for the most vulnerable patients, including the injured who need lifesaving surgery, patients in intensive care units, and newborns depending on care in incubators."

Despite such dire warnings, the U.S.—Israel's largest supplier of weaponry and military aid—has thus far not called for a cease-fire or an end to the siege.

As The Associated Press reported Friday, "A visit by Secretary of State Antony Blinken, along with shipments of U.S. weapons, offered a powerful green light to Israel to drive ahead with its retaliation in Gaza after Hamas' deadly attack on civilians and soldiers, even as international aid groups warned of a worsening humanitarian crisis."

World BEYOND War @WorldBeyondWar · Oct 1

Day 3 of Peace in Ukraine Week Worldwide! Over 50 nations stand united at the UN, calling for peace in Ukraine. Join the global movement for a peaceful future!

worldbeyondwar.org

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Declassified UK @declassifiedUK · Oct 2

Today is 5 years since the murder of Jamal Khashoggi by the Saudi regime

Days after, the UK military sold spare parts to the Saudi air force bombing Yemen

5 years on, Whitehall's special relations remain with those who dismembered a journalist.

declassifieduk.org

NET POL Netpol @netpol · Oct 3

This is Tory London Assembly member @AndrewBoff quietly disagreeing with Suella Braverman's far-right culture-war nonsense about "gender ideology". Senior officers from @gmpolice need to explain why he was arrested and what powers were relied on when deciding to intervene.

Paul McNamara @PGMcNamara · Oct 3

Heckler at Suella Braverman's speech has just been kicked out...

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World BEYOND War @WorldBeyondWar · Oct 7

On this day in 2001, the U.S. launched a #war in #Afghanistan that lasted far too long. Let's never forget that wars can and should be prevented, not perpetuated. The human cost is immeasurable, and the world deserves a future free from the ravages of war buff.ly/3tjlyyV

"They didn't give their lives for their country! Their lives were taken from them by their government."
—Howard Zinn

WORLDBEYONDDWAR.org

London CAAT @londoncaat · Oct 8

The licensing of arms sales to Saudi Arabia has to stop and we hope this appeal is able to do that #StopArmingSaudi #YemenCantWait

Global Legal Action Network (GLAN) @GLAN_LAW · Sep 12

GLAN+ @MwatanaEn have requested to appeal a recent judgment on #UK arms sales to #SaudiArabia. The High Court upheld UK gov licensing of weapons sales despite Mwatana & @CAATuk providing extensive evidence of grave civilian harm. Support the appeal: glan.live/war-crimes

World BEYOND War @WorldBeyondWar · Oct 9

Startling revelations in #Argentina! Declassified documents now confirm the #military's admission to 22,000 crimes between 1975-1978. This revelation sheds further light on a dark period in history, emphasizing the importance of truth & justice!

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Human Rights Watch @hrw · Oct 9
Abhorrent. This is a call to commit a war crime by @yoavgallant. The @IntlCrimCourt should take note.

Quote by @OmarSShakil

“Defense Minister Gallant’s statements are abhorrent. Depriving the population in an occupied territory of food and electricity is collective punishment, which is a war crime, as is using starvation as a weapon of war. The International Criminal Court should take note of this call to commit a war crime.”

— Omar Shakil, Israel and Palestine Director at Human Rights Watch

Maha Hussaini @MahaGaza · Oct 9
Israeli Defense Minister Yoav Gallant:

"I have ordered a complete siege on the Gaza Strip. There will be no electricity, no food, no fuel, everything is closed. We are fighting human animals and we act accordingly."

PSC @PSCupdates · Oct 9
MARCH FOR PALESTINE- END THE VIOLENCE - END APARTHEID

When: Saturday 14 October
Where: Meeting at BBC, Portland Place, W1A, London

Join us next Saturday when we march to demand Israel end its occupation of Palestinian land and apartheid rule over the Palestinian people. 🇵🇸

**MARCH FOR PALESTINE
END THE VIOLENCE
END APARTHEID**

ASSEMBLY 12PM AT BBC

Mark Curtis @markcurtis30 · Oct 10
The UK media is truly fearless in its reporting on the British role in wars.

News > UK

New Ukraine ambassador wore a kilt for first meeting with Zelensky

Martin Harris, who grew up in Scotland, wore his family for his initiation into the role, which was admired by President Zelensky.

Sarah Ward · 2 days ago

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Yanis Varoufakis @yanisvaroufakis · Oct 9
No electricity, no food, no fuel for 1 million children. Straight from the horse's mouth. That can't be the civilised world's answer, whatever differences we may have on who did what to whom first or last.

The Cradle @TheCradleMedia · Oct 9
Israeli Defense Minister Yoav Gallant:

"I have ordered a complete siege on the Gaza Strip. There will be no electricity, no food, no fuel, everything is closed. We are fighting human animals and we will act accordingly."

B'tselem בתסלם @btselem · Oct 10
B'tselem: Revenge policy in motion; Israel committing war crimes in Gaza

On Saturday, hundreds of Palestinian militants entered Israel from the Gaza Strip, killing hundreds of civilians, soldiers and police officers, burning down homes and kidnapping more than 100 people. >

A POLICY OF REVENGE

Saul Staniforth @SaulStaniforth · Oct 11
BBC Presenter: "The Israelis would say, well look, we are defending ourselves, we are targeting Hamas targets in Gaza..."

Daniel Levy: "Do you really keep a straight face when you say that? ... these kind of lies can be allowed to pass"

GAZA LIVE

NEWS
Gaza health ministry: At least 950 Palestinians killed

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Francesca Albanese, UN Special Rapporteur... @FranceskA... · Oct 11 ...
 I look forward to the same declaration by President @vonderleyen on Israel's cutting of electricity, water and food in Gaza.

If not, people could think that European institutions do not value the protection of Palestinian children, women and men as much as that of Ukrainians.

Ursula von der Leyen @vonderleyen · Oct 19, 2022
 Russia's attacks against civilian infrastructure, especially electricity, are war crimes.

Cutting off men, women, children of water, electricity and heating with winter coming - these are acts of pure terror....
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B'Tselem **בצלם** بتسيلم @btselem · Oct 12 ...
 Efforts to unearth victims from an Israeli air assault on the al-'Azayzeh family's home in Deir al-Balah, Southern Gaza Strip. According to initial reports, about 25 people were killed in the attack. Video: Khaled al-'Azayzeh (B'Tselem), October 10, 2023



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James Schneider @schneiderhome · Oct 12 ...
 It is easy to condemn Hamas atrocities that we have no role in.

But it seems hard to condemn Israeli war crimes precisely because our political and media class supports them.

Do the difficult thing: loudly oppose British complicity in Israel turning Gaza into rubble.

LIVE



JAMES SCHNEIDER | FORMER LABOUR ADVISER
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PSC @PSCupdates · Oct 13 ...
 All people of conscience will be horrified by the order issued by the Israeli Government for 1.1 million people in the North of Gaza to immediately leave their homes and move South within 24 hours.

Palestinians are rightly fearing another Nakba of mass ethnic cleansing. (1/10)



Stop the War @STWuk · Oct 12 ...
 Rishi Sunak supports Israel "taking proportionate action to bring an end to the violence."

There is nothing 'proportionate' about the collective punishment and indiscriminate slaughter of people under siege.

[#FreeGaza](#) [#StopTheMassacre](#) [#EndTheSiege](#)



Reuters.com

Farah-Silvana Kanaan @farahkanaan · Oct 12 ...
 Wow. Paris after protests in solidarity with Palestine were banned by the government.

Mediavenir @Mediavenir · Oct 12
 FLASH - Plusieurs milliers de personnes se sont réunies en soutien aux Palestiniens sur la Place de la République à #Paris, malgré l'interdiction de la manifestation. (via @LucAuffret)



@LucAuffret
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Chris Doyle @Doylech · Oct 12

Once again when given an opportunity the Foreign Secretary refuses to condemn a war crime nor even remind Israel it has obligations under international law. This is giving a huge green light to war crimes.

Channel 4 News @Channel4News · Oct 11

"Do you have any concerns about the nature and scale of the Israeli response?"

@SecKermani asks Foreign Secretary James Cleverly about Israel's retaliatory actions in Gaza, where hundreds of children have been ... [Show more](#)



Jeremy Corbyn @jeremycorbyn · Oct 12

In the immediate aftermath of horror, we need voices for de-escalation and peace.

Instead, our political leaders have given the green light for the annihilation of Gaza.

My piece for @tribunemagazine.



tribunemag.co.uk

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jewdas // יהודאס @jewdas · Oct 13

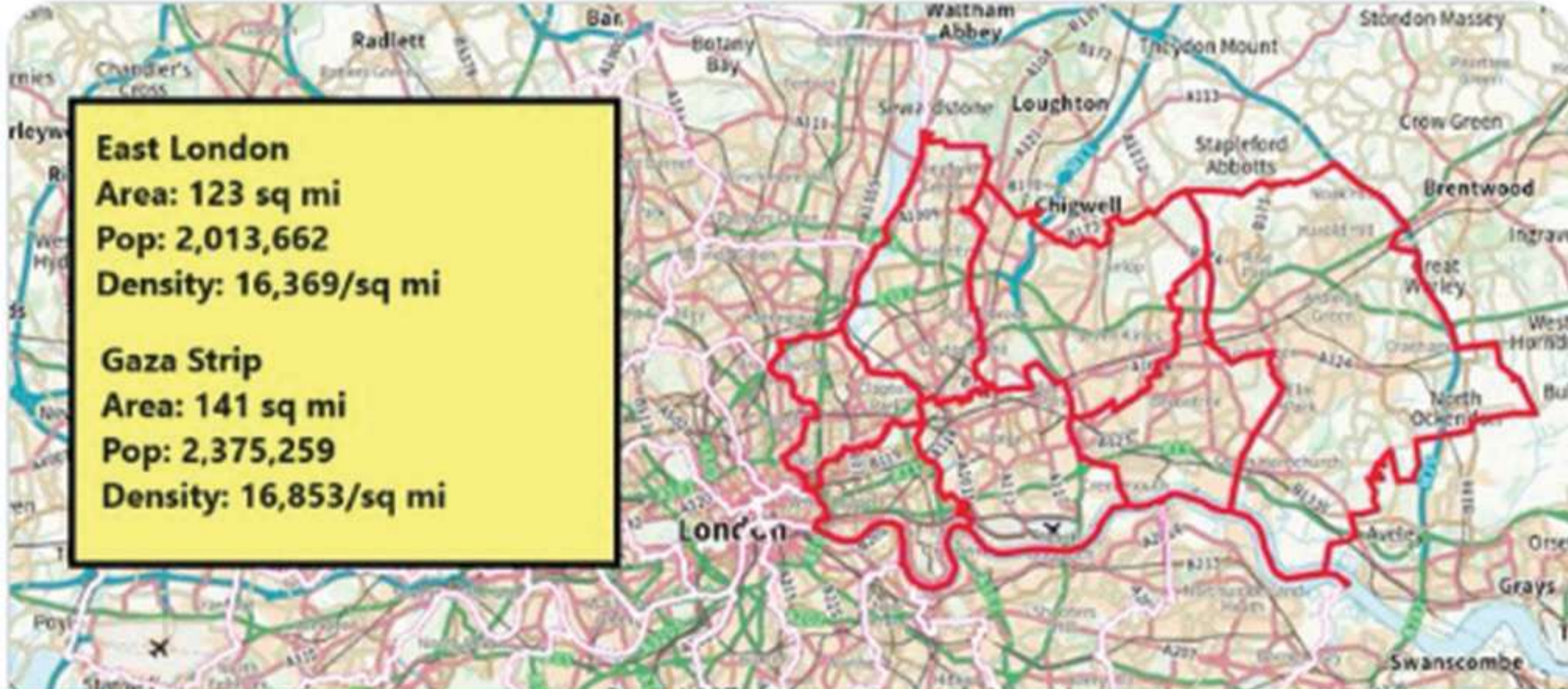
It is difficult to convey how small and densely populated Gaza is.

Gaza is about the size and population of East London.

Imagine if ALL FOOD, WATER, FUEL and POWER was shut off to everyone from Hackney to Havering.

Imagine carpet bombing a city as dense as London.

Genocide.



East London
Area: 123 sq mi
Pop: 2,013,662
Density: 16,369/sq mi
Gaza Strip
Area: 141 sq mi
Pop: 2,375,259
Density: 16,853/sq mi

Al Jazeera English @AJEnglish · Oct 13

Replying to @AJEnglish and @safwatkahout

US Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin has arrived in Tel Aviv to meet senior Israeli gov't leaders and see firsthand some of the weapons and security assistance the US has rapidly delivered.

LIVE updates: aje.io/xzd93z



MILITARY
US military aid to Israel

The US has sent Israel more than \$120bn in military aid over the past seven decades.

— Military and Defense

1973 October War

2008 Assault on Gaza

2012 Assault on Gaza

2014 Assault on Gaza

\$3.6bn

Source: Congressional Research Service | Jewish Virtual Library (2023)

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Double Down News @DoubleDownNews · Oct 14

Israel & the Myth of 'Self Defence' @davidahearst



in the so-called stable piece there were 30 4 children killed so far this year by soldiers in

Mickey @mickeypeedia · 15h

Belfast says #FreePalestine



I have to show the world what Israel's doing in Gaza | Close Up



"This war in Gaza is one of the most brutal wars I've ever experienced. It's the first time I feel so terrified," says Muhammad Qndeel, a Palestinian photojournalist from Gaza.

For the last week, Close Up has been filming the Palestinian photojournalist as he documents the impact of Israel's assault on Gaza. "They're bombing houses, shelling towers, bombarding neighbourhoods and using white phosphorus [explosives]", he says.

Our team managed to get footage of Qndeel's work before electricity was cut to the Gaza strip. Gaza's Deadliest Days is his story.

The story begins on October 7th, when Hamas – the armed group that governs Gaza – launched a surprise attack on southern Israel, killing more than 1,300 Israelis. Israel retaliated with a massive bombardment, and Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has vowed to defeat Hamas and "change the Middle East". So far, more than 2,670 Palestinians have been killed.

Photojournalist Qndeel has covered five conflicts in the region, but this time it's more personal. He has

lost three colleagues in the last week. "I can't stop thinking about my children," he says. "How can I keep them safe if I'm killed?"

Despite the dangers, Qndeel is determined to continue covering the fighting. "We are sharing what we see to make sure our message reaches the entire world that Gaza is under siege and the most heinous crimes are being committed here."

Credits

Filmed by: Real Gaza Productions

Writers: Tierney Bonini & Donald Cameron

Editor: Antonia Perello

Transcribers: Ahmed Deeb and Bayan Abuta'ema

Senior Editor: Donald Cameron

Executive Producer: Tierney Bonini

Sound Mixer: Linus Bergman



A Poem for Gaza

Written By Remi Kanazi

I never knew death until I saw the bombing of a refugee camp
 Craters filled with disfigured ankles and splattered torsos
 But no sign of a face, the only impression a fading scream
 I never understood pain
 Until a seven-year-old girl clutched my hand
 Stared up at me with soft brown eyes, waiting for answers
 But I didn't have any
 I had muted breath and dry pens in my back pocket
 That couldn't fill pages of understanding or resolution

In her other hand she held the key to her grandmother's house
 But I couldn't unlock the cell that caged her older brothers
 They said, we slingshot dreams so the other side will feel our father's presence
 A craftsman
 Built homes in areas where no one was building
 And when he fell, he was silent
 A .50 caliber bullet tore through his neck shredding his vocal cords
 Too close to the wall His hammer must have been a weapon
 He must have been a weapon
 Encroaching on settlement hills and demographics

So his daughter studies mathematics
 Seven explosions times eight bodies
 Equals four Congressional resolutions
 Seven Apache helicopters times eight Palestinian villages
 Equals silence and a second Nakba
 Our birthrate minus their birthrate
 Equals one sea and 400 villages re-erected
 One state plus two peoples...and she can't stop crying
 Never knew revolution or the proper equation
 Tears at the paper with her fingertips
 Searching for answers
 But only has teachers
 Looks up to the sky and see stars of David demolishing
 squalor with hellfire missiles



She thinks back words and memories of his last hug before he turned and fell
 Now she pumps dirty water from wells, while settlements divide and conquer
 And her father's killer sits beachfront with European vernacular
 She thinks back words, while they think backwards
 Of obscene notions and indigenous confusion

This our land!, she said
 She's seven years old
 This our land!, she said
 And she doesn't need a history book or a schoolroom teacher
 She has these walls, this sky, her refugee camp
 She doesn't know the proper equation
 But she sees my dry pens
 No longer waiting for my answers
 Just holding her grandmother's key...searching for ink



DECOLONIZING PALESTINE

By Somdeep Sen (Author)

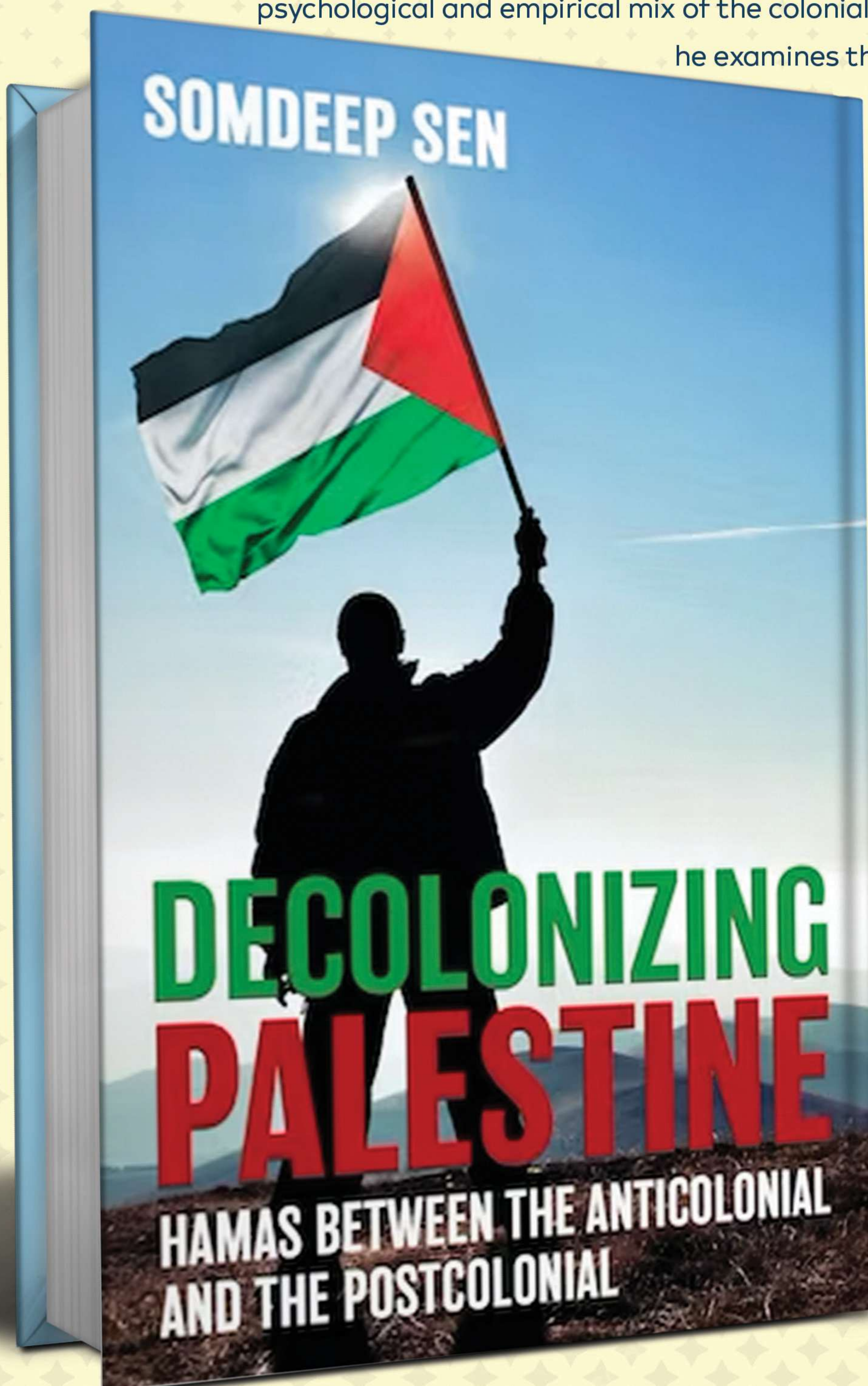
BOOK DESCRIPTION

In *Decolonizing Palestine*, Somdeep Sen rejects the notion that liberation from colonialization exists as a singular moment in history when the colonizer is ousted by the colonized. Instead, he considers the case of the Palestinian struggle for liberation from its settler colonial condition as a complex psychological and empirical mix of the colonial and the postcolonial. Specifically,

he examines the two seemingly contradictory,

yet coexistent, anticolonial and postcolonial modes of politics adopted by Hamas following the organization's unexpected victory in the 2006 Palestinian Legislative Council election.

Despite the expectations of experts, Hamas has persisted as both an armed resistance to Israeli settler colonial rule and as a governing body. Based on ethnographic material collected in the Gaza Strip, the West Bank, Israel, and Egypt, *Decolonizing Palestine* argues that the puzzle Hamas presents is not rooted in predicting the timing or process of its abandonment of either role. The challenge instead lies in explaining how and why it maintains both, and what this implies for the study of liberation movements and postcolonial studies more generally.



BIOGRAPHY

Somdeep Sen is an Associate Professor in International Development Studies at the Department of Social Sciences and Business at Roskilde University in Denmark. While trained as a political scientist, his research is interdisciplinary, operating at the intersection of the study of politics, race and racism, colonialism/imperialism, and decolonization. Much of his work has been ethnographically driven. Sen has conducted fieldwork in Palestine/Israel, Egypt, Iran, Turkey, Bosnia-Herzegovina, India, Bangladesh, Tanzania, and Mexico. But his writings also seeks to relate the ethnographic everyday with the global. Accordingly, his book *Decolonizing Palestine* theorizes the everyday nature of settler colonialism in Palestine/Israel in view of a global history of settler colonialism. Equally, the book builds on ethnographic insights on the trajectory of the Palestinian liberation struggle to delve into a global deliberation on what it means to be (un)liberated that draws on insights from South Asia, Africa and Latin America. Herecently also published a co-edited volume *Globalizing Collateral Language* that explores the global proliferation of the political discourse that surrounded the US-led "War on Terror". Alongside academic outlets, Sen's writings have appeared in *The Washington Post*, *Al Jazeera English*, *Foreign Policy*, *The Huffington Post*, *Open Democracy*, *Jacobin* and *The London Review of Books*.



ENDORSEMENTS

Sen's work, *Decolonizing Palestine - Hamas Between the Anticolonial and the Postcolonial* is a powerful and well-argued presentation on Hamas' actions in Gaza. At the same time, he very thoughtfully extends his arguments as being part of the global system of .settler-colonialism
The Palestine Chronicle

Decolonizing Palestine is a brilliant ethnography inquiring about the anticolonial violence and postcolonial statecraft in Palestine from the prism of the experience of Israel's settler colonialism in Gaza. [T]he volume provides a significant theoretical contribution to postcolonial studies by offering interesting insights into the ways in which a transnational discussion on the struggle for liberation can be framed, potentially connecting anticolonial and postcolonial experiences of people around the world fighting for their liberation in a meaningful process of exchange, solidarity and mutual learning.
The International Spectator

Decolonizing Palestine serves as a corrective to accounts that imagine Hamas or Gaza as the main stumbling block in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict resolution attempts. Sen creates space to think about internal Palestinian politics independently, as well as in a global context that extends beyond Israel.
International Affairs

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