

# Strong Jewish lobby blocks U.S. view of Arab plight

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Without humanitarian regard, Israel continues the same line of terrorism that has ruined peace in Palestine and the Middle East since contemporary Zionism came alive 80 years ago.

It was Theodor Herzl's *The Jewish State* that started Jews the world over parading behind his idea that the "eternal circle" of anti-Semitism meant continued hostilities and oppression for all Jews until they could form a national homeland in Palestine — thus, the only hope.

Since then, the Zionists have displayed a history of nothing short of savage barbarism as a premise to establishing the Jewish state. Racism and oppression were the cries the world heard for the need of a Jewish national homeland, but Zionist expansionists fought to achieve their goal by employing evils similar to those they wished to escape, the results of which have left thousands of innocent Arabs dead, more than a million without permanent homes, and the world waiting for the ultimate war.

1917 was the first year of substantial immigration, both legal and illegal, by Zionist zealots to the Holy Land shores of Palestine. This movement was encouraged by the British who ruled Palestine, and who the Jews later fought out of Palestine, while being armed and financed by Jewish federations throughout the world.

As Zionists began homesteading in Palestine, the existing harmony between Arabs and Jews who lived together for hundreds of years broke down. With the increasing numbers of Zionists there came a demand for more land, land which was the very life of the Arabs who inhabited it and refused to sell it.

To the egocentric expansionist Zionists, this anti-Semitic refusal let them to attack these people in the name of revenge — a wild kind of justice that set the stage for a line of savage racism that has spilled blood and has spread suffering through the years.

Today Israel continues to display racist policies while spitting anarchy in the face of a world badly in need of peace, thus paving the way for an ultimate disaster

paid for by the United States.

The problems surrounding a peace settlement in the Middle East includes more than recognition of the right to exist in secure borders and the return of four deserts.

Generations of suffering by Palestinian Arabs pushed off their land, lucky to be alive in the deplorable refugee camps throughout Lebanon, Syria, Iraq and Jordan, must be accounted for. These host countries have always had huge problems of their own, and the weight of the refugees is more than they can handle.

These people, this mass of humanity cannot continue to exist forever in these camps overflowing with sickness and starvation, as the Zionists procrastinate peace.

These people, overrun and expelled by fear (some twice in a generation) at the hands of the racists in power, must have at least the choice to return to their stolen land or take a just compensation for what rightfully belongs to them so they can start some sort of meaningful life over again. Israel must speak to this issue if there is ever to be peace.

How much longer can rabid racism ruin prospects for peace in a world begging for it? As long as the United States permits rule by racism in Israel, one can only guess on that issue.

As evidenced in the recent tragic terrorist attack outside Tel Aviv, the Israeli government continues to allow bigoted guidelines to cloud the real issue at hand.

Israeli officials completely missed the point that it wasn't the PLO killing "jews" rather it was the PLO killing *people*. These victims could have been Moslem or Christian, and their fate would have been the same. They were innocent bystanders who happened to be in the line of the terrorists trying to reach Tel Aviv.

Yet paranoia permits the Zionists to level charges of anti-Semitism and Nazism as they charged into Lebanon for a "reasonable retaliation leaving over 300 killed, many of whom were peaceful Arabs trying to exist. But all guerillas look alike to the Israelis.

The responsibility of procrastination instead of peace finds the United States

also guilty. It is the Congress and the President who "must" continue to bend their knees to Zionist whim. As the strongest lobby, the Zionists control more power in this country than they have constituents.

The United States, champion of human rights around the world, supplies 15 percent of the Israeli budget and U.S.-Israeli racism oppresses world peace.

There is a need for Israel to leave its self-righteous expansionist religions delusion behind, and see that secure borders are found only through peace, not through blowing up Arabs.

With big American bucks pouring into Israel, the U.S. human rights campaign re-

mains a sham. Paradoxically, blinded by the Zionist political machine, our government overlooks humanitarian violations that at least equal the outrages of South Africa.

Consistent systematic harassment and arbitrary jailing along with neo-Nazi-like tortures remain a fact of life for those Arabs lucky to be alive in their native homeland — now greater Israel.

Yet homeless Palestinians aren't heard. Their cries are overlooked in a calloused world flowing with emotional appeal from a few powerful organizations calling for the Holocaust to be the norm for settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

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