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# Introduction

Anti-Semitism is widespread throughout the Arab and Muslim world, manifested in many segments of society. The Anti-Defamation League monitors and documents anti-Semitic cartoons and articles, which appear daily in the Arab media. This publication is the latest compilation of select anti-Semitic and thematic caricatures and articles in the Arab and Muslim media, and includes examples from July–December 2014.

Newspapers across the Arab and Muslim world continue to feature anti-Semitic caricatures and themes, with demonic depictions of Jews that include big noses, black coats and hats. Many promote age-old global Jewish conspiracy theories, including control of international governments, obsession with money, blood libel, and the use of animal imagery – snakes, sharks, crocodiles, bulls – and Nazi analogies to portray Israel and Jews as sinister predators.

A major theme highlighted in this compilation is cartoons which relate to Operation Protective Edge – this past summer’s conflict between Israel and Hamas in Gaza. During that period, there was a noticeable uptick in anti-Semitic caricatures published in Arab and Muslim newspapers featuring Israel and Israeli political leaders as Hitler/Nazis and predatory animals, as well as cartoons depicting Israel as controlling the media, US government and other international bodies.

Also included in this report are anti-Semitic cartoons portraying Israel as being behind the terrorist group ISIS and of attempting to “Judaize” Jerusalem, often depicting Jews as nefariously “stealing” the Temple Mount or the Al-Aqsa Mosque.

You can view the previous edition of the Middle East Press Review (January-June 2014) here - <http://www.adl.org/assets/pdf/anti-semitism/arab-world/mepr/middle-east-press-review-january-june-2014.pdf>

On the cover: Top right: *Al-Bayan*, July 15, 2014 (UAE)  
Top left: *Al-Jazira*, September 17, 2014 (Saudi Arabia)  
Bottom: *Al-Khalij*, July 20, 2014 (UAE)

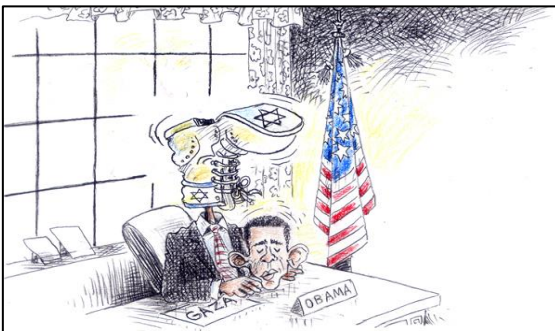
# Egypt

## Cartoons



*Al-Wafd*, November 4, 2014

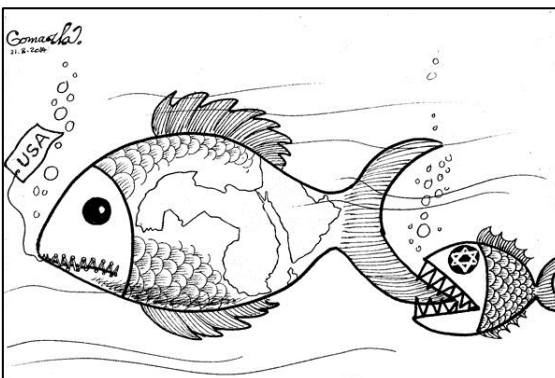
The Jewish figure is saying to the other figures, representing ISIS: "Be vigorous, my dear ones. Complete what you're doing with the Egyptian army!!"



*Al-Ahram Weekly*, August 28, 2014



*Al-Ahram Weekly*, August 20, 2014



*Al-Ahram Weekly*, August 20, 2014



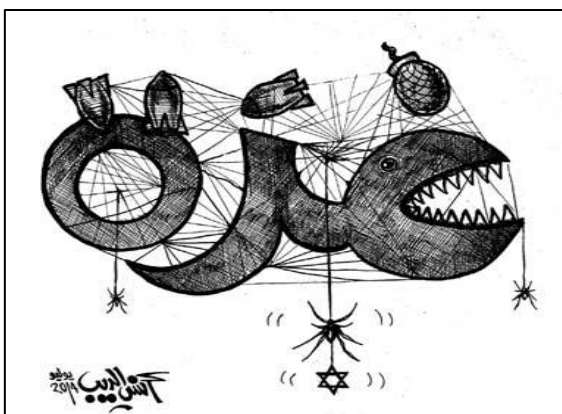
*Al-Wafd*, August 17, 2014  
 Headline: "ISIS' massacres"  
 Both figures are singing: "They're killing one another."



*Al-Ahram*, August 16, 2014  
 Written in Arabic: "The Middle East."



*Al-Ahram Weekly*, August 13, 2014



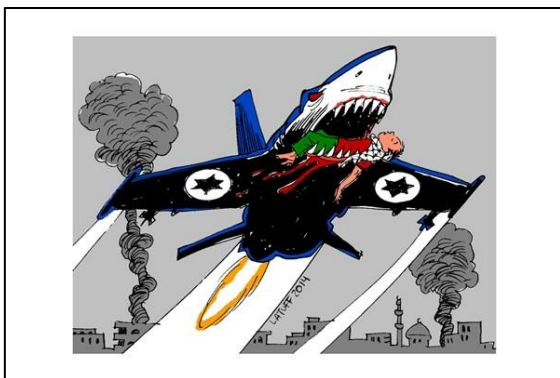
*Al-Ahram*, July 26, 2014  
 Written in Arabic: "Gaza."



*Al-Ahram Weekly*, July 24, 2014



*Al-Ahram Weekly*, July 16, 2014



*Al-Ahram Weekly*, July 16, 2014



## **Articles**

- "...There is no exaggeration in comparing the crimes some of the Jews were subjected to at the hand of the Nazis - in what has been called the Holocaust, including all the exaggerations it involves – to what is happening to the Palestinians in the Gaza strip at the hand of the Zionist criminals, some of whose fathers or forefather died in that Holocaust..."

Dr. Wahid Abdul Majid, "The Nazism of Zionism", *Al-Ahram*, August 24, 2014

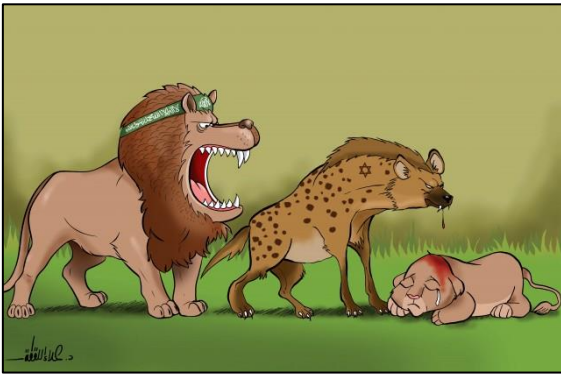
# Gaza – Hamas

## Cartoons



*Filastin*, August 27, 2014

Headline: "Gaza Won". A Jewish family from the towns surrounding Gaza is shown returning to the "(area) enveloping Gaza" - depicted as a mouse hole. The caption reads: "You shall return only by order of the resistance."



*Filastin*, August 20, 2014



*Filastin*, August 13, 2014

Written in Arabic: "The resistance."

## Articles

- "...The sight of the live broadcast of Zionist war planes during the war, leveling the Italian Complex then the Basha Tower, preceded by the Zafer Tower – is the same sight that wasn't broadcast live, of the Nazi crimes during World War II and the destruction of Europe, until it was free from the Nazi beast. It is the same crime perpetrated by the US when it bombed Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan, with the difference between the two being that in the current century, live broadcast is available. Only that what is taking place irrefutably corroborates that they are both sides of the same coin and that the difference is the timing..."

Iyyad Al-Qara, "Zionism and Nazism are Both Sides of the Same Coin," *Filastin*, August 29, 2014

- "... Hamas is not ISIS, even if we don't possess precise information about it. However, Netanyahu is the 21<sup>st</sup> century's Hitler and his army is completely and wholly the Nazi one. We must reiterate this to the world for it to hear. Not in order to rob it, but rather to establish the fact that the actions of the Nazis and the Israelis are similar. The Holocaust perpetrated by Netanyahu against the children of Gaza is crueler and more violent than what Hitler did, and Netanyahu added the destruction of mosques, homes, high-rises, plants, the siege and the occupation. Then he brags of accusing Hamas of terror. When Hitler perpetrated his crimes, we found in the international community those who came out against him and joined in alliance to punish him, including Arabs and Muslims. But as for Israel's Hitler, there is no one to stand up against him, neither from the West nor from the Arabs. This is due to America's embrace of him, and because the victims of Netanyahu's Holocaust are Arabs and Muslims..."

Yousuf Rizqa, "What if this Killing Were in Europe?!", *Filastin*, August 25, 2014

# Jordan

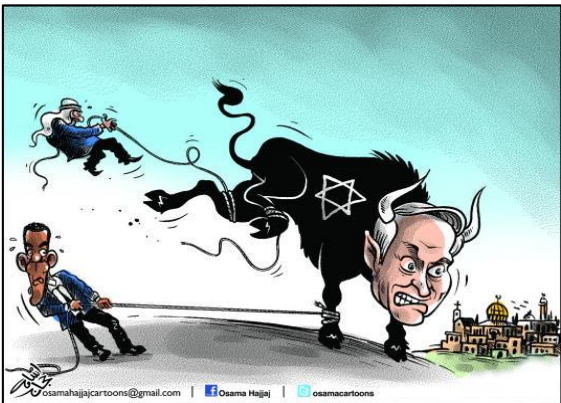
## Cartoons



*As-Sabil*, November 25, 2014  
Written in Arabic: "Jerusalem." The soldiers are firing from behind a Torah scroll.



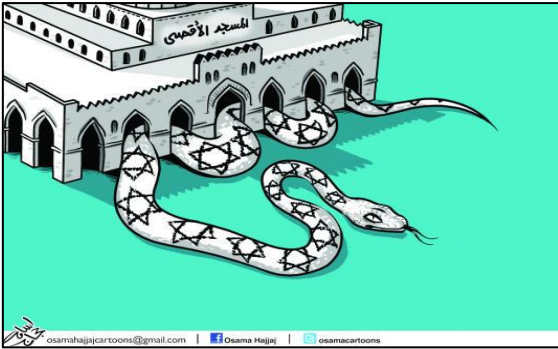
*Ad-Dustur*, November 23, 2014



*Al-Arab al-Yawm*, November 11, 2014



*Al-Arab al-Yawm*, November 6, 2014  
Headline: "Judaization of Jerusalem."



*Al-Arab al-Yawm*, November 3, 2014  
Written in Arabic: "Al-Aqsa Mosque."



*Ad-Dustur*, October 22, 2014  
Written in Arabic: "The Arab silence."



*As-Sabil*, September 7, 2014



*Ar-Rai*, August 30, 2014



*Ad-Dustur*, August 15, 2014  
 Headline: "The explosive barrels".  
 The barrels represent Gaza and Syria.



*Ar-Rai*, July 17, 2014  
 Headline: "Gaza's steadfastness."



*Al-Arab al-Yawm*, July 14, 2014

## Articles

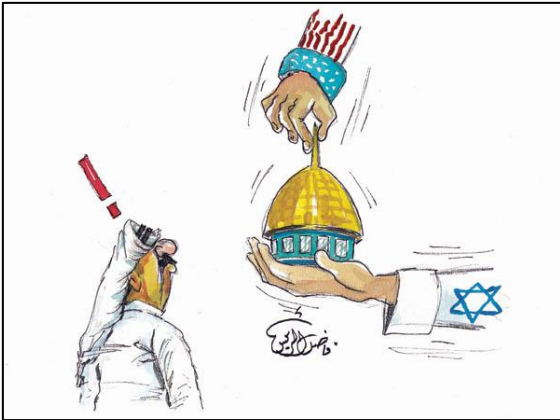
- "Innumerable are the Jews' claims and they constitute a towering mountain of lies, which they skillfully weave. And it seems as though they compose their lie and then believe it. Later, they ask with exceptional shamelessness all the peoples of the world to believe it, as if it were an incontestable truth. They even argue with the entire world about it, knowing that it is not true! It seems that Goebbels, Nazi Germany's propaganda minister, learned from them, as he used to say "Lie, lie, lie, until the world believes you." Jews believe in magic, astrology and prophecies, and they dream of seizing the land and those on it, based on Jewish religious law."  
Sufian Shawa, "The Lie of Israel as a Jewish State?", *Ad-Dustur* , December 11, 2014
- "The same killer (who killed Mohammed Ad-Durrah and Mohammed Odeh<sup>1</sup>) continued its rituals by taking pleasure in the Palestinian blood and practicing its sadism, killing and torturing. It (practiced) its inhuman Nazism and Fascism by killing children while they were playing..."  
Jihad Al-Mansi, "Israel's Ambassador Criticizes Our Parliamentarians...How Splendid and Glorious," *Al-Ghad*, November 26, 2014
- "...I firmly believe that Israel lost the chance of co-existence in the Arab region, as it was squandered by the extreme right wing, which disregards anyone in Israel who strives to co-exist with the Arab peoples. (I also firmly believe that) the bombs of American-backed Zionist hatred - which wrench lovers, children, youths, elderly and women - are painful and cause the hearts to bleed before the eyes. However, they hasten the end of the monstrous Zionist entity. The uprooting of this malignant tumor has come near, not as a matter of wish, for the evidence corroborating this are copious.  
Khalid Az-Zubaidi, "Will The Extreme Right Wing Hasten The End Of The Monstrous Entity?!", *Ad-Dustur*, July 21, 2014

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<sup>1</sup> Mohammed Ad-Durrah was a 12 year-old Palestinian child who died of gunfire in September 2000, and Mohammed Odeh was a Palestinian child who was shot by the Israeli army during the Second Intifada, in 2000.

# Kuwait

## Cartoons



*Al-Jarida*, October 21, 2014



*Al-Jarida*, July 25, 2014  
Written in Arabic: "Gaza."



*Al-Jarida*, July 19, 2014  
On the sign: "Gaza."



# Palestinian Authority

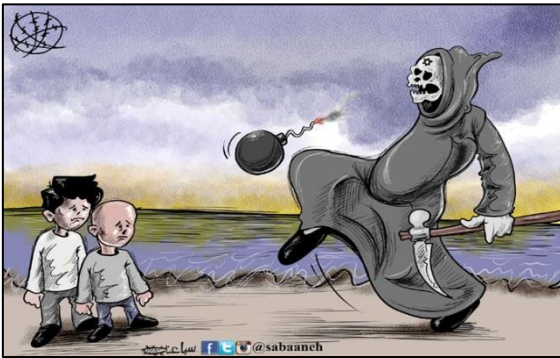
## Cartoons



*Al-Hayat al-Jadida*, November 10, 2014  
Written on the right: "The alleged Temple." Written on the left: "The defeated skeleton." In Arabic, the word "Haikal" means both "Temple" and "skeleton".



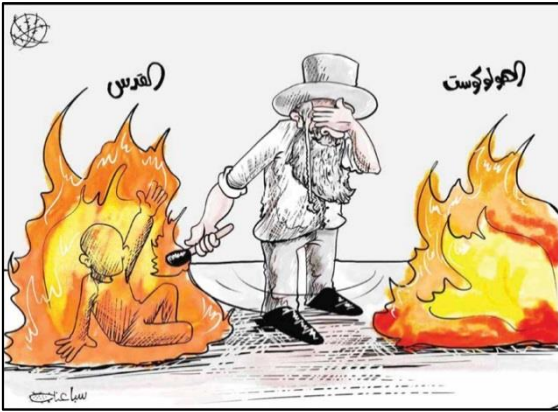
*Al-Hayat al-Jadida*, October 18, 2014  
Headline: "Terror."



*Al-Hayat al-Jadida*, July 19, 2014



*Al-Hayat al-Jadida*, July 7, 2014



*Al-Hayat al-Jadida*, July 6, 2014  
On the left: "Jerusalem"; on the right:  
"Holocaust."

## Articles

- "...The German leadership must comprehend the terrible dangers posed to the Palestinian people, caused by its historic complex due to the Holocaust against the Jews. This, in addition to the imminent dangers to regional and global peace, especially since in every war it launches against the Palestinians, Israel perpetrates a new Holocaust against children, women and elderly, and destroys various manifestations of life, as took place during the 'Protective Edge' war on Gaza..."

Omar Hulmi Al-Ghoul, "The Pulse of Life: The Price of the Holocaust Complex", *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida*, October 23, 2014

# Qatar

## Cartoons



*Al-Watan*, December 25, 2014



*Ar-Raya*, December 23, 2014



*Al-Jazeera TV*, December 9, 2014  
Headline: "The Jewish (character) of the State."



*Al-Watan*, November 21, 2014



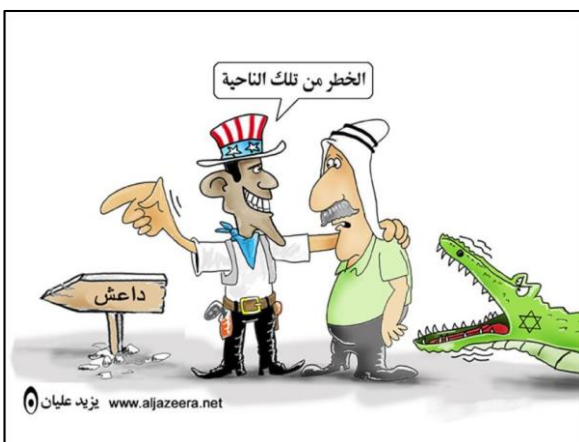
*Al-Watan*, November 19, 2014  
 Headline: "The operation in Jerusalem."<sup>2</sup>



*Al-Jazeera TV*, November 19, 2014  
 The man represents "Zionist terrorism" and he is holding "the UAE terror list."<sup>3</sup>



*Ar-Raya*, November 16, 2014<sup>4</sup>



*Al-Jazeera TV*, November 14, 2014  
 Obama says to the Arab figure: "The danger is that way," while pointing on a sign that reads "ISIS."

<sup>2</sup> This refers to the terror attack in a Jerusalem synagogue on November 18.

<sup>3</sup> This is following the UAE government's decision to include the UAE Muslim Brotherhood in its terrorist list.

<sup>4</sup> This refers to a series of terror attacks involving Palestinian drivers running over Israeli civilians with their cars.



Ar-Raya, November 2, 2014  
The snake represents Yehuda Glick, an activist for Jewish right of worship on the Temple Mount who was shot in Jerusalem. The figure representing his assailant is saying "You got on my nerves."



Al-Watan, October 22, 2014  
The Satanic figure is saying: "The next time we come to you, it'll be just me... and ISIS."



Al-Watan, September 17, 2014  
The Jew is saying: "Assad is a terrorist, Hamas is a terrorist (organization), ISIS is a terrorist (organization), al-Maliki is a terrorist."



Ar-Raya, September 3, 2014  
Written on the sign: "Don't come close: heavy security guarding."  
Written above the door: "The holy sites."



*Al-Watan*, August 31, 2014  
 The rocket represents the war in Syria and it is piercing through the UN forces in the Golan Heights, on its way to the Jewish figure. This refers to the spilling over of the Syrian civil war into Israel.



*Al-Watan*, August 27, 2014  
 On the sign: "The Arab world."



*Al-Jazeera TV*, August 22, 2014  
 Bathing in the blood of Palestinian women and children, the Jewish figures are calling the figure on the left, representing Qatar, a terrorist. He is holding a folder in the colors of the Qatari flag, representing "support for Gaza."



*Al-Watan*, August 21, 2014



*Al-Watan*, July 25, 2014



*Al-Watan*, July 23, 2014  
In Arabic: "World public opinion."



*Al-Watan*, July 22, 2014



*Al-Watan*, July 5, 2014  
Written in Arabic: "Iraq."



## Articles

- "...Israel is in fact a disease and its existence is a disease in the body of this nation. There are factors that help this disease linger and ones that hasten the recovery from it. First and foremost are the belief in the recovery from the disease; will; and receiving suitable and effective treatment. The question remains open: who is the doctor who will carry out the treatment, and how? Undoubtedly, the answer will be obtained after much pain and suffering..."

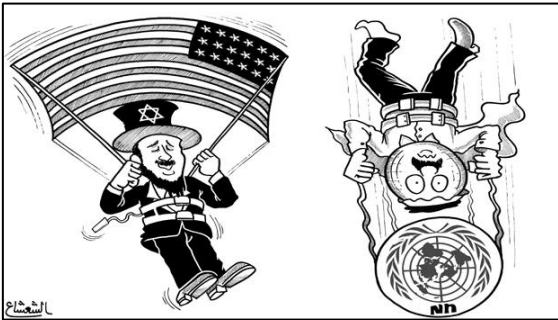
Mahmud Samir Al-Rantisi, "Who will Treat the Israeli Disease and How?", *Ash-Sharq*, October 22, 2014

- "...The irony here is the extent of hatred, isolation and hostility Israelis and Jews suffer everywhere in general. This is due to the Israeli entity's ongoing crimes against the legitimate owners of the land and of the holy sites. Those who compare it (the irony – AB) with Nazism - diminish it, as the Zionist media's influence exceeds that of the Nazi propaganda; and its entity's massacres are beyond compare to what is called "Hitler's Holocaust..."

Mariam Al-Khater, "To the Eyes of the Zionist Lobby: an Apology and a Red Card", *Ash-Sharq*, August 19, 2014

# Saudi Arabia

## Cartoons



*Al-Jazira*, December 17, 2014



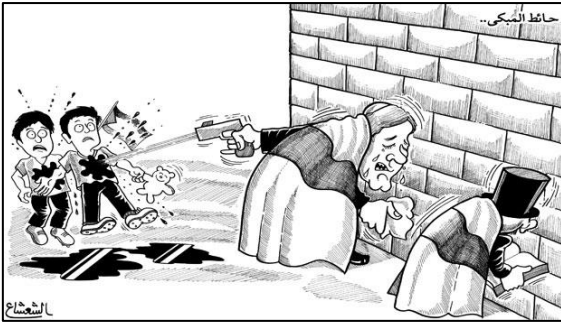
*Al-Watan*, December 1, 2014  
The Star of David is made of the words: "Racism, occupation, extremism, settlement, nazism, terror."



*Ar-Riyadh*, November 25, 2014



*Al-Jazira*, September 17, 2014  
Written in Arabic: "Netanyahu."



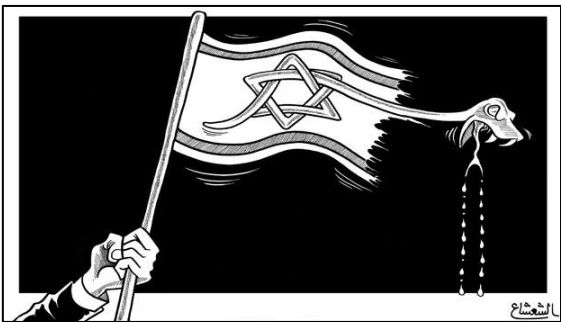
*Al-Jazira*, July 28, 2014  
 Written in Arabic: "The Wailing Wall."



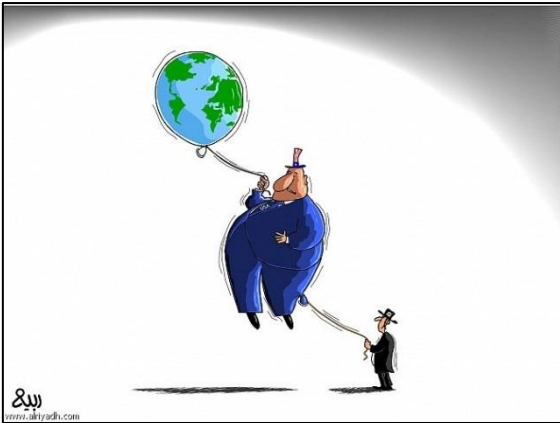
*Ar-Riyadh*, July 27, 2014  
 Written in Arabic: "The Western media."



*Arab News*, July 23, 2014



*Al-Jazira*, July 23, 2014



*Ar-Riyadh*, July 22, 2014



*Al-Madina*, July 11, 2014  
On the sign: "Gaza."



*Arab News*, July 10, 2014

## Articles

- "...The upshot is that the Jews are Zionism's food, its foremost source, and they are the true core! Jews are the arrogant ones in the world today. They are the ones who rejected the prophecy of the Chosen one (Islam's Prophet Mohammed) – peace be upon him - out of pride and arrogance, in accordance with their assumption whereby their race holds a monopoly over the prophecy. This, as they are God's chosen people, whereas others are illiterates and mere forced labor, honored by serving the masters, as western politicians do today, especially leading personalities in the executive and legislative apparatuses in the US!.."

Salem Bin Ahmad Sahab, "Between the Jews and the Zionists", *Al-Madina*, August 16, 2014

- "...As for the majority of polls in the occupying entity, they corroborate the Jews' support for the war of annihilation tirelessly carried out by Israel against the innocent and unarmed, hospitals and schools, mosques and shelters. Just as Nazi Germany rejoiced at the killing of the innocent Jews (as they claim), the Zionists do the same thing with the innocent Palestinians..."

Salem Bin Ahmad Sahab (Saudi Arabia), "Awaiting the Destined Promise!", *Al-Madina*, August 3, 2014

- "...Treating the other as an enemy is in the Jews' nature and mentality, because they like killing others and make permissible their blood, money, possessions and dignity. And why wouldn't it be so, since they are killers of prophets! Besides, more than others, Jews are notorious for breaking agreements and contracts, and additional traits of theirs are treachery, occupation and robbery. The texts of the noble Quran attest to them and to the matter, and so are remarks made by early American founders and presidents and the measures they took against them. One of the Jews' major problems is that they draw for themselves a picture as if they were exemplary, along with their firm belief, according to their religion, that they can cheat, steal and kill without being punished. This is because they believe they're God's chosen people, and this makes them feel superior to and proud toward others..."

Abdullah Al-Sultan, "Jews and the Propaganda of Defamation", *Ukaz*, September 1, 2014

- "..This (Israeli) army always presents itself to the world as a victim of the Holocaust and of the gas chambers, but we don't understand: had the Jews not been subjected to that Holocaust, as they say, would the Israeli army and the residents of the settlements (still) be treating the Palestinian people as blood suckers? In addition, what does the Holocaust of which they speak mean, compared to what their army does to the Palestinians? Isn't what the Israelis perpetrate in Gaza a war crime? Why aren't these criminals in Tel Aviv brought before the International Criminal Court? Is the Israeli blood more precious or valuable than the Palestinian Arab blood? It is a true, documented and contemporary Holocaust, perpetrated against the Palestinians by the victims of the Holocaust, as they say. This, having monopolized the role of the victim, by means of which they have come to rob various countries, while they in fact play the role of the executioner and the killer, perpetrating crimes against the Palestinian people..."  
Abdul Latif Al-Duwaihi, "The Gaza Holocaust and the Holiday Gifts," *Ukaz*, July 29, 2014

# United Arab Emirates

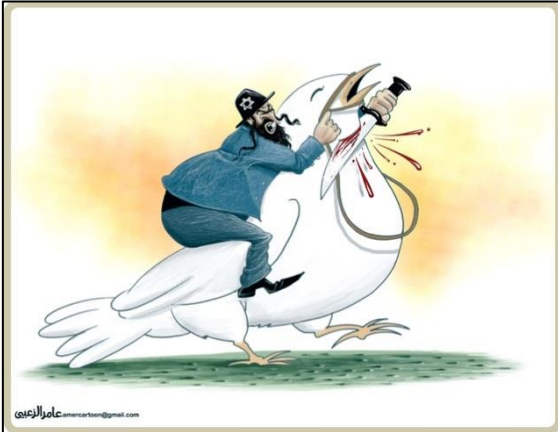
## Cartoons



*Al-Bayan*, December 7, 2014



*Al-Bayan*, November 28, 2014



*Al-Bayan*, November 13, 2014



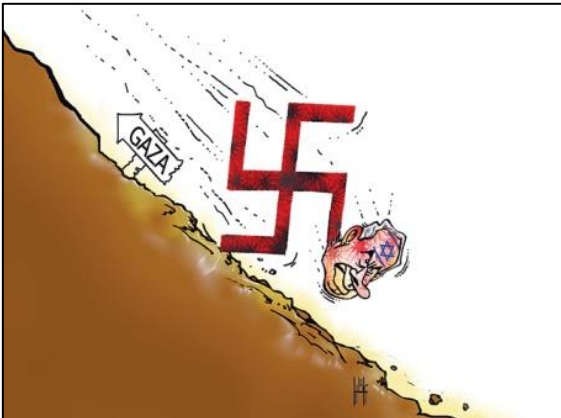
*Al-Bayan*, September 8, 2014  
Headline: "Israel's crimes."



*Al-Khalij*, September 2, 2014  
On the octopus: "The settlements."



*Al-Ittihad*, August 31, 2014  
The Israeli soldier is saying to his friend: "Beautify my image."

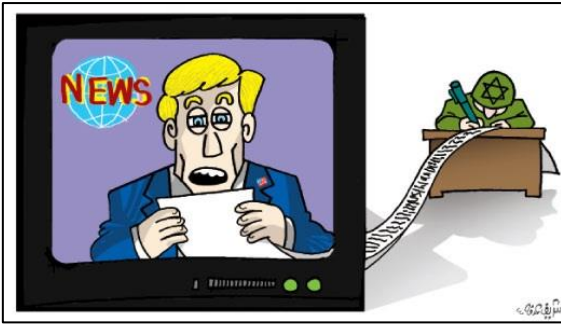


*Al-Khalij*, August 28, 2014

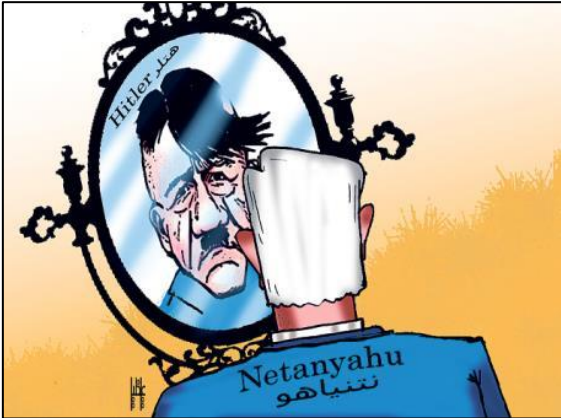


*Al-Bayan*, August 23, 2014  
In Arabic: "Palestine."





*Al-Ittihad*, August 1, 2014



*Al-Khalij*, July 20, 2014



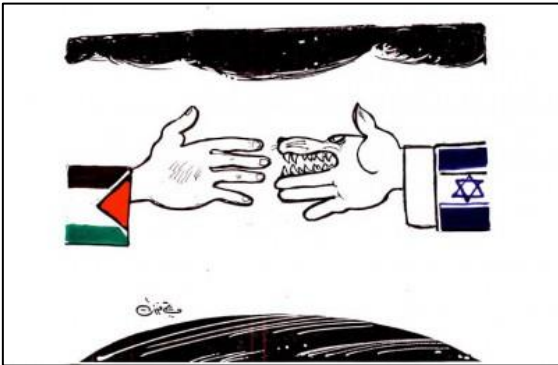
*Al-Ittihad*, July 17, 2014  
Written in Arabic: "The truce initiative."



*Al-Bayan*, July 15, 2014

# United Kingdom-Based Newspapers

## Cartoons



*Al-Quds al-Arabi*, December 23, 2014



*Al-Hayat*, October 6, 2014



*Al-Arab*, August 3, 2014



*Al-Arab*, July 18, 2014  
Written in Arabic: "The West."

## Articles

- "...Israel's shamelessness in accusing Hamas' combatants of killing their children is paralleled only by the claim that Israel and PM Ariel Sharon the war criminal withdrew from the Gaza strip. It did not withdraw, but rather turned it into an outdoor Nazi concentration camp. Thus the survivors of Nazism and their descendants have become the new Nazis, the only ones in the entire world..."

Jihad Al-Khazen, "Eyes and Ears: Before We Forget", *Al-Hayat*, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014

## **Select List of Arab Media Outlets**

***Ad-Dustur (Jordan)*** — first issued on March 28, 1967, this government-owned daily expresses pro-Palestinian and anti-Israeli views. Editor in chief: Muhammad Hasan At-Tal.

***Al-Ahram (Egypt)*** — an Egyptian daily controlled by the Egyptian government: the president appoints the editor. The editor (and the editors of the other government owned dailies, *Al-Gumhuriyya* and *Al-Akhbar*) is given substantial leeway in his editorial practices, assuming he avoids certain “taboos.” *Al-Ahram* is the largest Arabic paper in the world and has established the *Al-Ahram* Regional Press Institute. It was founded in 1875.

***Al-Ahram Al-'Arabi (Egypt)*** — a weekly published by the Dar Al-Ahram publishing house. The editor-in-chief of the newspaper is Dr. 'Abd Al-'Ati Muhammad, and the chairman of the publishing house is Ibrahim Nafi, who is *Al-Ahram's* editor in chief. Although both newspapers are published by the same publishing house, *Al-Ahram* and *Al-Ahram Al-Arabi* are different. The editorials in *Al-Ahram* are always supportive of government positions, while the editorials in *Al-Ahram al-Arabi* are critical of the government and also other countries. The paper publishes very strong anti-Israeli views.

***Al-'Arab Al-Yawm (Jordan)*** – Self-described “Independent” daily, based in Amman.

***Al-'Arab Online (United Kingdom)*** – Arab daily newspaper. Its editor-in-chief is Mohamed Ahmed El-Houni.

***Al-Bayan (United Arab Emirates)*** — owned by the Al-Bayan Foundation for Press, Printing and Publication. The newspaper was founded in 1980 and the editor is Hasher Al-Mektom, a member of the royal family.

***Al-Ghad (Jordan)*** — an independent and privately sponsored mainstream daily. Today the paper is less anti-Israel than it used to be.

***Al-Hayat (United Kingdom)*** — a London-based pan-Arab daily, which reflects the general tone in the Arab world and tends to publish scoops.

***Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Palestinian Authority)*** - The official Palestinian Authority daily.

***Al-Ittihad (United Arab Emirates)*** — it was first issued on October 20, 1969. The editor-in-chief is Rashid Salih Al-'Arimi. It is a government daily, which emphasizes the government's policy and its

achievements in domestic and foreign affairs. The paper publishes all kinds of news related to the Arab and Muslim arena. It has a wide network of correspondents in Arab countries and the west. The paper is being published by Emirates Media ([www.emi.ae](http://www.emi.ae)).

***Al-Jarida (Kuwait)*** - Arabic daily newspaper that launched in July 2007, and is among the top 3 most circulated newspapers in the country. The newspaper has offices in Cairo and Beirut. The paper is owned by Mohammed Al-Sayegh, the former editor in-chief of *Al-Qabas* newspaper. The editor-in-chief is Khalid Hilal al-Matiri.

***Al-Jazeera TV (Qatar)*** - A popular Qatari news channel accessible throughout the Arab world, launched in 1996, and headed by Sheikh Hamad bin Thamer bin Mohammed bin Thani Al-Thani. It broadly covered the uprisings in the Arab world. The cartoons were posted on Al-Jazeera's website.

***Al-Jazira (Saudi Arabia)*** — very conservative, pro-Islamic. The paper has a limited circulation and is not widespread in relation to the other Saudi papers. It was established in 1960. The editor-in-chief is Khalid Bin Hamd Al-Malik.

***Al-Khalij (United Arab Emirates)*** — The country's largest Arabic language newspaper; it is privately-owned. It was founded in 1970.

***Al-Madina (Saudi Arabia)*** – A Saudi daily established in 1937. The editor in chief is Fahd Hasan Al 'Aqran. It is one of the earliest Saudi newspapers and it is based primarily in Jeddah.

***Al-Quds al-Arabi (United Kingdom)*** – A London based pan Arab daily first issued in 1989 by Palestinian expatriates. The paper is published by the *Al-Quds al-Arabi Foundation for Publishing and Media*. Editor in-chief: Abd al-Bari Atwan

***Al-Wafd (Egypt)*** — *Al-Wafd* is the main opposition paper in Egypt. The paper criticizes the regime on a wide range of issues — from economy to internal and foreign policy. However, it is important to note that the criticism is only on subjects that are allowed by the regime. The paper is one of the most acceptable tools of opposition activism, since the Egyptians see themselves as supporters of freedom of the press, and the paper is supposed to be concrete proof to this idea. *Al-Wafd* expresses extreme anti-Israel and anti-Semitic views, in its articles and cartoons. Editors-in-chief are 'Adil Al-Qad and 'Adil Sabri.

***Al-Watan (Qatar)*** — *Al-Watan* is one of the five Qatari dailies. *Al-Watan*'s chairman is Hamad bin Sahim Al Thani, a member of the royal family (all of the papers are owned by different branches of the royal family). The Foreign Minister, Hamad Bin Jasim Bin Jabir Al Thani, owns half of the newspaper. It was founded in 1995.

***Al-Watan (Saudi Arabia)*** — a daily owned by the governor of the Asir district.

***Arab News (Saudi Arabia)*** — The first English daily newspaper in Saudi Arabia. Published simultaneously from Jeddah, Riyadh and Dhahran. Established in 1975 by Saudi Research & Publishing Co. (SRPC). It is distributed to Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman, Near East, North Africa, Europe and the USA. ArabNews Online is published by ArabNews from its offices located in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. Editor in Chief is Mr. Khalid Al-Maina.

***Ar-Rai (Jordan)*** — first issued in 1971, it is a government daily which expresses the approaches of the Jordanian regime. The editor-in-chief is 'Abd Al-Wahab Zaghilat.

***Ar-Raya (Qatar)*** — a government-sponsored daily edited by Yusuf Muhammad Darwish and published through the Gulf Company, which belongs to the royal family.

***Ar-Riyadh (Saudi Arabia)*** — A Saudi daily, one of the four principal Saudi papers (the three others are: *Al-Madina*, *Al-Jazira* and *Al-Watan*). The paper presents a relatively conservative attitude, while emphasizing (as most of the Saudi papers) its praise of the Royal family. Generally, the Saudi government lays severe limitations on the freedom of press and has a strict censorship, even on the foreign press that enters Saudi Arabia. Since the Saudi press is government-oriented, it concentrates on praising the Saudi Royal Family. Of course, opposition or independent newspapers do not exist in Saudi Arabia. However, the London based Saudi press has more independent features.

***Ash-Sharq (Qatar)*** — a daily newspaper edited and managed by Mr. 'Abd Al-Latif Al-Mahmud and part of the Ash-Sharq publishing and printing house. The Ash-Sharq house board is headed by one of the royal family members.

***As-Sabil (Jordan)*** – Newspaper published since 1993, that became a daily in 2009.

***Filastin (Gaza)*** — Affiliated with Hamas. It was first issued in May 2007.

***Ukaz (Saudi Arabia)*** – a Saudi daily. Editor in chief is Abdullah Saleh Kamel.



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