Netanyahu: U.N. set new hypocrisy record with Israeli war crimes allegation

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The United Nations has set a new record for hypocrisy and lies with its [report that accuses Israel](https://www.jpost.com/Middle-East/UNHRC-IDF-may-have-committed-war-crimes-in-quelling-Gaza-border-protests-582043) of deliberately shooting children at the Gaza border and possible war crimes, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said.

"Israel rejects outright the report of the UN Human Rights Council, which sets new records of hypocrisy and lies, out of obsessive hatred of Israel, the only democracy in the Middle East” Netanyahu said.

He spoke after a United Nations Human Rights Council commission of inquiry released a report on the Hamas led border protests, that began on March 30, 2018. Israel has held that Hamas terrorists participate in the protests, which have involved attempted to infiltrate Israel and other violent border attacks. This includes the launching of incendiary devices into Israel, that have burned thousands of daunts of fields and forests.

The Palestinians have claimed that it is peaceful protest and on Thursday,  the UNHRC agreed that weekly and sometimes daily events were largely no-violent.

Netanyahu rejected their conclusions., He that the IDF was responding in self defense to Hamas “which fires rockets at Israeli civilians, launches incendiary devices and carries out terrorist activities during its violent protests by the [border] fence,” Netanyahu said.

“Israel will not allow Hamas to harm Israeli sovereignty and its citizens and will protect its right to self-defense,” Netanyahu said.

“IDF soldiers will continue to firmly defend Israeli citizens against attacks by Hamas and by Iranian-funded terrorist organizations which have a declared intention to destroy Israel,” Netanyahu said.

Minister of Public Security and Minister of Strategic Affairs Gilad Erdan said, “The UN Human Rights Council bears no relation to the protection of human rights.

“The release of this patently false report is a sadly predictable step from a body that has long lost its legitimacy,” Erdan said.

"Israel will continue to protect its citizens from the terrorist group Hamas. It is Hamas and its leaders who must be held accountable for their actions. We will not accept the preaching of morals from a council led by authoritarian regimes that violate human rights on a daily basis,” he explained.

“When the United Nations ignores Hamas's cynical exploitation of the "civilian” Terror Marches as cover for terrorist attacks and denies Israel's right to defend its citizens, it becomes a partner in Hamas’ terror. Every country committed to the struggle against terrorism must reexamine its funding to the UN in light of its encouragement of Hamas' terrorism,” Erdan said.

“The IDF and Israeli security forces will continue to protect Israeli citizens in the South, regardless of the UNHRC’s false and absurd reports,” Erdan explained.