

**Submission sheet**

Individuals, groups and organizations wishing to submit information and documentation to the United Nations Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and Israel (hereafter the “COI”) are kindly asked to fill in this sheet with any information they are able to provide, and attach it to their submissions.

It is not a requirement to provide all requested information if not available, though particular attention should be given to filling in the section on consent.

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<b>Relationship of submitting entity/individual to the alleged victim/s</b>	
<b>Human rights violation/s or abuses alleged to have occurred</b>	
<b>Violations of the laws and customs of war (international humanitarian law)</b>	<p>One of the root causes of violence in April/May 2021, is the incitement to racism and Jew-hatred via the use of Nazi symbols by Palestinian Arabs in the Palestinian Authority.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">On <b>August 14, 2021</b>, Palestinians from the village of Bayta held a demonstration near the outpost of Eviatar in Samaria. The outpost was evacuated in July 2021, but as part of the agreement with the Israeli government, the land is still controlled by the IDF, an issue which is currently being examined by the Civilian Authority. During they demonstration they ignited rags soaked in kerosene forming a swastika inside a Magen David.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was a display planed in advance by the Palestinians, who prepared it, brought it to the location of the demonstration and set</li> </ul>

it on fire, part of the night harassment units' activities to protest the establishment of the outpost. **The Palestinian Authority (PA) and Fatah support such demonstrations and always deliberately ignored such displays.** Videos of the display and the demonstrators, including children, holding torches, were uploaded to the social networks and broadcast by Hamas' al-Quds TV.

- On **September 25, 2021**, Israeli soldiers uploaded a video to the social networks showing a Nazi flag hanging from the power lines on the outskirts of the Palestinian village of Bayt Umar, near Hebron. Several hours later an IDF force arrived and shot the flag down. A Nazi flag was also flown in Bayt Umar in July 2014.
- On **October 22, 2021**, swastikas were painted on a roadblock on the Hawwara road, south of Nablus (Twitter account of Zvi Sukkot, October 22, 2021).
- On **June 29, 2021**, a Palestinian child attending a Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ) military training camp (the Palestinian version of summer camp) in the Gaza Strip was interviewed for the organization's al-Quds al-Yawm TV station. To the Jews he said, **"We asked Hitler why he left some of you alive.** He did it to show how wicked you are. We will come for you from under the ground to spread terror in your hearts and above the ground we will mangle your bodies with our rockets. Go run to your shelters, you mice, you sons of Jewish women."
- Such events reflect the Palestinian attitude, including the government's official attitude, towards Nazism and its link to Jews and Zionism. Generally speaking, it has five aspects:
  - **Defaming the Jews: It is possible to understand Hitler and the Nazis**, because the [Ashkenazi] Jews [in Europe] were so detestable and loathsome the Europeans tried to get rid of them. Hitler did not kill all the Jews so that people who came after him, such as the Palestinians, could see for themselves that the Jews were inherently evil, **understand and perhaps justify the Nazis' actions.** On occasion Mahmoud Abbas uses Nazi themes in his speeches without specifically referring to Nazis.<sup>[1]</sup> **Over the past decade Nazi**

**themes such as the glorification of Hitler have appeared in children’s books published in the PA and on the official Fatah Facebook page.** In some instances, as happened recently in the Gaza Strip, the themes are used as a call to the Palestinians to finish what Hitler started. The message is plainly sent to the Palestinian target audience but downplayed and glossed over for foreign consumption.

- **The claim that Israel acts like Nazi Germany: Israel is accused of treating the Palestinians exactly or almost exactly as the Nazis treated the Jews.** Zionism is the new Nazism (and the new apartheid), and the Palestinians are the new victims. The victims of Nazi racism have become Nazi racists themselves. That is the message sent by senior Palestinian figures, the Palestinian media and the many demonstrations, including the one held near the evacuated outpost of Eviatar. Senior Fatah figure **Jibril Rajoub**, who is a possible replacement for Mahmoud Abbas, repeatedly calls the Jews “the new Nazis.” The message is aimed at people overseas who are unaware of the actual facts, and resonates with the left, including its anti-Semites, around the world. The claims have two objectives, one to delegitimize the existence of Israel as a Jewish state, and the other to represent the Palestinians as the new victims of contemporary Nazism in order to enlist international support.
- **The claim that the Zionists were Nazi collaborators: The Palestinians accuse the Zionists of collaborating with the Nazis, helping them establish their regime and even kill Jews,** in the belief that it would cause the Jews of Europe to emigrate to Israel [sic] to escape the fate awaiting them.<sup>[2]</sup> That twisted claim was the basis for Mahmoud Abbas’ PhD thesis, “The ties between Nazism and Zionism, 1935-1942,” and his book, *The Other Face: the Secret Relation between the Nazis and the Zionist Movement*, a reworking of his doctoral dissertation. Its main theme is “Zionism, the beginning and the end.” According to

Mahmoud Abbas, the many attempts made by Zionists to utilize and manipulate Nazism to increase the willingness of the Ashkenazi Jews in Europe to emigrate to Israel, i.e., Mandatory Palestine, had little success. The source of the theme was apparently Russian communist propaganda from the 1950s and '60s.

- **Accusations that Israel cynically exploits the Holocaust: Israel's objective, according to the Palestinians, is to justify its positions and policies, and enlist international support.** The Holocaust was admittedly terrible but Israel exaggerates it, and in any case the Palestinians and Arabs had no part in it. Therefore they should not have to suffer at the hands of the Zionists because the Jews suffered at the hands of the Nazis.
- **The adoption of Nazi symbols to show Palestinian hatred of the Jews: The Palestinians have adopted the swastika and the Nazi salute,** and examples of such practices surface from time to time. **Haj Amin al-Husseini, the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem at the time and an ardent opponent of Zionism, collaborated with the Nazis and met with Hitler,** a fact rarely mentioned in the Palestinian narrative, but neither criticized nor expressed with remorse.
- It is difficult to assess how widespread or deeply ingrained such ideas are within Palestinian society or in Palestinian political circles. Even the most limited and mild attempts to challenge them are met with sharp criticism. For example, the vehicle of **Professor Muhammad Dajani Daoudi**, who visited Auschwitz in 2014, was torched, he received death threats, the university he taught at, the al-Quds University in the PA, shirked all responsibility and he was forced to flee to the United States. No Palestinian politician came to his defense. The five aspects noted above are part and parcel of the policy of indoctrination and incitement to hatred of Zionists implemented by the PA and most of the Palestinian organizations, and all fit the definition of anti-Semitism of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA).

<b>Date/s of incident/time period</b>	June-October 2021
<b>Place of incident</b>	Village/township/city: <b>Judea &amp; Samaria</b> Province:
<b>Name/s of alleged victim/s gender, age</b>	Name: Gender: Age: Father's name: Nationality: Profession: Phone number/email: Address:
<b>Identification of those allegedly responsible</b>	Name of alleged perpetrator if known:  State or non-state entity with which perpetrator is affiliated, if any: <b>Palestinian Authority</b>  Any identifying marks of the perpetrator which indicate their affiliation, such as the colour or pattern of their uniform and uniform's insignia:  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/President.Mahmoud.Abbas">https://www.facebook.com/President.Mahmoud.Abbas</a>
<b>Description of the incident(s)/allegations (2000-word limit)</b>	Detailed description of:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the incident(s) or alleged violation(s), including dates, specific locations (e.g. street, building) and number and types and name(s) of victim(s)</li> <li>- the context in which they took place</li> <li>- alleged perpetrators</li> <li>- alleged motive</li> </ul> <p>Please also include information on the impact of these violations, as well as age and gender-sensitive considerations (e.g. how these violations affected women and men, girls and boys differently).</p>
<b>Description of the State's response, (500-word limit)</b>	Indicate whether the incident was reported to the authorities: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, which authorities:  Information on any investigations, judicial processes, decision/judgements and sentences, including reparations, in response to the incident:
<b>Methodology employed in the collection of information</b>	Please provide a description of the methodology employed in the collection of the information shared- primary, secondary sources, means of verification, etc., along with how informed consent was gained from the information provider. If needed, attach a copy of the relevant standard operating procedures followed.
<b>Consent</b>	<b>Please indicate whether you, the person submitting the information, agree to the following use of the information by the COI with or without personally identifiable data:</b>

	<p><b><u>INFORMED CONSENT TO USE THE INFORMATION:</u></b></p> <p>1. Use internally and publicly (e.g. public report, press release), with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. <b>Agree</b></p> <p>2. Use internally only (within the COI), with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. <b>Agree</b></p> <p><b><u>INFORMED CONSENT TO SHARE THE INFORMATION:</u></b></p> <p>1. Raise the case with national authorities, courts or accountability mechanisms that respect international standards (including due process) with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. <b>Agree</b></p> <p>2. Share info with national human rights institutions, with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. <b>Agree</b></p> <p>3. Refer to national or international organizations (including UN human rights mechanisms and other UN entities) providing victim assistance (e.g. ICRC, medical, legal), with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. <b>Agree</b></p> <p>5. Share info with international and regional courts – including the International Criminal Court (ICC) -, or accountability mechanisms of other States that respect international standards (including due process) with <input type="checkbox"/> without <input type="checkbox"/> personally identifiable data. <b>Agree</b></p> <p><b><u>Additional Details on Consent:</u></b></p> <p>Please indicate if consent to provide this information to the CoI has been received from the alleged victims (any consent given must be provided by the victim or by relatives or legal representatives on their behalf, or by a parent/legal guardian in case of a child) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>; consent provided by: _____</p> <p>If necessary, please explain:</p>
<p><b>Description of any broader issues not related to specific violations (2000-word limit)</b></p>	<p>Description should be succinct, highlighting issues of relevance to the mandate of the COI, and include concrete examples whenever possible.</p> <p>Please also include information on the impact of these violations, as well as age and gender-sensitive considerations (e.g. how these violations affected women and men, girls and boys differently) as relevant.</p>
<p><b>Any other human rights NGOs to whom you reported the incident</b></p>	<p>If appropriate, please provide name and contact information of any other person or organization to whom the incident was reported.</p>

<p><b>Additional materials (documents, images, videos, etc) relevant to the incident(s)/allegation(s)</b></p>	<p>Please indicate, if you are aware of, or in possession of, any additional materials from other sources (including the media and NGOs) in which the above incident(s)/allegations are cited, that are deemed relevant/useful. The COI may follow-up at a later date in order to receive the material(s) indicated.</p> <p>Date of publication: <b>28/10/2021</b>  Title: <b>Nazism in Palestinian society and the use of Nazi symbols</b>  Source (author/organisation): <b>The Meir Amit Intelligence and Terrorism Information Center</b>  Web link;  <a href="https://www.terrorism-info.org.il/app/uploads/2021/10/E_154_21.pdf">https://www.terrorism-info.org.il/app/uploads/2021/10/E_154_21.pdf</a></p> <p>Date of publication: <b>20/04/2018</b>  Title: <b>Palestinians fly swastika kite with petrol bomb across Gaza border into Israel</b>  Source (author/organisation): <b>Times Of Israel</b>  Web link;  <a href="https://www.timesofisrael.com/palestinians-fly-swastika-kite-with-petrol-bomb-across-gaza-border-into-israel/">https://www.timesofisrael.com/palestinians-fly-swastika-kite-with-petrol-bomb-across-gaza-border-into-israel/</a></p> <p>Date of publication: <b>06/06/2018</b>  Title: <b>Video: Palestinian Flag and Swastika Fly in Gaza</b>  Source (author/organisation): <b>Legal Insurrection</b>  Web link  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8EcnZHpJOYs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8EcnZHpJOYs</a></p> <p>Type of material: <b>2 Documents</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (total doc); <b>10 Images</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (total images); <b>1 Video</b> <input type="checkbox"/> (total videos); Other (please specify)</p>
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