

BATTLING FALSE NARRATIVES

Most narratives are political, designed not so much to describe a crime, but to place Israel, its military, its citizens, and its supporters as outside the realm of decency and human values. (Same with other accusations - apartheid, colonisation, ethnic cleansing.) These are not true - but through classic propaganda strategy of simplified messages, repeated endlessly - the propaganda sinks in – and is accepted as truth.

(This is how the Nazis were able to turn whole nations against the Jews in WWII.)

1.Genocide? Political, NOT actual

<https://israelinstitute.nz/2025/06/the-genocide-charge-evaluating-the-claim-through-the-three-is-intent-implementation-and-implications/>

The intent is the most difficult element to determine. To constitute genocide, there must be a proven intent on the part of perpetrators to physically destroy a national, ethnical, racial or religious group.

The irony of the absurd claim is that Hamas (along with most of the Palestinian “resistance”) harbors verifiably genocidal intent towards Jews.

The 1988 Hamas charter states clearly that “Israel will exist and continue to exist until Islam will obliterate it, just as it obliterated others before it.”

Israel’s enemies “continue to openly call for the annihilation of Israel and the mass murder of Jews.”

Hypocrisy: Consider the case of Saeb Erekat, a member of the Palestinian Legislative Council and senior PLO negotiator, who himself charged Israel with genocide. When Erekat was gravely ill in October 2020, he chose to be treated in an Israeli hospital. Also, Hamas’s family members are treated in Israeli hospitals. Would he have done so if he truly believed Israel was guilty of genocide against his people?

South Africa took Israel to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) in January 2024 over whether Israel is committing genocide against Palestinians amid the ongoing conflict in Gaza. Many commentators reported that the court found the genocide claim plausible. This was not what the court said.

The court decided that the Palestinians had a plausible right to be protected from genocide and that South Africa had the *right to present that claim in the court*. It then looked at the facts as well, but ***the court did not decide that the claim of genocide was plausible.***

2.The Famine Myth (UN figures)

The UN figures do not account for all the aid entering the Strip. UNRWA collects data only on aid entering Gaza via two land crossings (Kerem Shalom and Rafah), and only on trucks that they observed and registered while present at the two locations. (Doesn’t include aid at Erez crossing in the north where UNRWA representatives are not stationed.) Data omits a significant amount of aid, including aid supplied by UN agencies, NGOs, and countries, as well as goods from the private sector, deliveries by the World Food Program (WFP), and flour deliveries to bakeries in northern Gaza. Supplies of gas and fuel are also not included in UNRWA figures.

Hamas, not Israel, is the primary obstacle to humanitarian relief in Gaza.

Israel’s Aid Record (May 30, 2025- <https://israelinstitute.nz/2025/05/aiding-hamas-abandoning-gaza-the-uns-moral-collapse/>):

- Israel has **facilitated** the entry of over 250,000 tons of humanitarian aid via more than 12,000 trucks through crossings like Kerem Shalom and Nitzana, amid this war.
- Israel has enabled **airdrops** of more than 10,000 pallets of humanitarian supplies, supported by the USA, France, Jordan, Egypt, and UAE. A U.S. built floating pier also enabled deliveries of aid by **sea**, over 6,000 tons, directly to Gaza’s coast.
- Israel has paused operations, opened humanitarian corridors, and accepted significant security risk to screen shipments for weapons and dual-use items.

Hamas's War on Aid

Hamas systematically steals and diverts aid. Gunmen intercept convoys, violently seize supplies, and reroute them to merchants loyal to the group. These goods are [resold](#) at inflated prices, enriching Hamas's coffers while impoverishing the very people the aid was meant to help.

Eyewitnesses in Gaza have reported watching Hamas fighters commandeer trucks and shoot at civilians near distribution points. Videos show armed looting and systematic exploitation. One Gazan told Israel Hayom: "*Hamas steals the aid and resells it to merchants, who set the prices they want at the expense of the entire population.*"

Israeli intelligence and independent media alike confirm that Hamas operates a centralised black-market aid economy, designed to keep the population dependent and the leadership flush with cash. Aid theft is not a bug in the system; [it is the system](#).

A Grave Breach: The UN Blacklists NGOs for Helping Gaza

In a shocking and underreported development, a number of major international NGOs made the principled decision to participate in a new, independent aid initiative that bypasses Hamas and UN intermediaries to deliver food directly to Gazan civilians. The goal was simple: cut out the middlemen, protect the aid, and feed the people.

Instead of supporting this, the [UN removed those NGOs](#) from its central aid coordination database — a system created and endorsed by a UN General Assembly resolution to track all humanitarian deliveries into Gaza.

3.Weaponisation of Casualty Statistics

All of the numbers of deaths being quoted by international media are coming from Hamas and Hamas controlled organisations such as the Gaza Health Ministry, without an independent count or credible verification process. Media organisations are generally accepting these numbers without any evidence. *These statistics were shown to be fake by experts on Statistics and Data Science. The proportions of women and children killed were statistically impossible or highly improbable.*

Hamas doesn't distinguish between civilians and fighters. All deaths include natural death, and those killed by their own misfired rockets (as high as 1 in 5). Their child death stats include teenagers, and many of their fighters are teenagers.

It is also known that Hamas has been killing their own people — sometimes deliberately (ie. when people are trying to flee)

Military experts agree that the "steps that Israel has taken to prevent casualties is historic in comparison to all these other wars." (John Spencer, chair of Urban Warfare Studies Modern War Institute at West Point.)

The estimated civilian to combatant casualty ratio at slightly over 1:1, is nine times lower than the UN published global average, 4 to 5 times lower than numbers produced by the US and its allies (such as in Iraq and Afghanistan), and lower than any **urban warfare scenario** that has ever been recorded in history. Yet Israel absurdly faces accusations of genocide.

Richard Kemp - "most moral military in the world" - commander of British Army in Afghanistan from July to November 2003.

Andrew Fox — (served 16 years in British Army with three tours of Afghanistan and leaving in 2021 as a Major in the Parachute Regiment.) In the last 6 months, he visited Israel 3 times (<https://fathomjournal.org/opinion-the-uks-shameful-decision-to-ban-some-arms-exports-to-israel/>):

Israel has taken unprecedented measures to protect civilians. They have evacuated over a million people from combat areas, in line with their international humanitarian law obligations. They have dropped millions of leaflets, made millions of phone calls and sent millions of text messages to warn people to get out of harm's way. Israel repaired the water lines to Gaza damaged by Hamas on 7 October. They have enabled field hospitals to be set up and have provided tents for the displaced. They have facilitated more aid into Gaza than was going in before the war. They have built two new vehicle crossings at Erez to replace the crossing destroyed by Hamas on 7 October. They have taken unprecedented measures, exceeding their International Humanitarian Law obligations, with a specific cell set up to measure population densities in Gaza before any strike can take place. **One in every two planned air strikes in Gaza has been cancelled due to civilian proximity.** The fatality statistics speak for themselves. With fully half of Hamas' claimed 40,000 deaths in Gaza being Hamas fighters, there have been astonishingly few civilian deaths for a war of this nature. And here is the key point: **not one war crime has been conclusively proven since the start of the war. Not one. The allegations made against Israel are nothing more than elements of a propaganda campaign to ensure that Hamas survive, and Israel lose the war.**