

As Netanyahu Sinks into the Gutter - Israel will have to pay the price

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The putative Prime Minister of 'The Only Democracy in the Middle East' has committed himself to denying nearly six million indigenous Palestinian Arabs their democratic rights. That extraordinary position will likely lead to:

- *EU sanctions on future European bilateral trade with Israel
- *A move to abrogate the EU-Israel Association Agreement that affords free access to trade with the 28 European Union states
- *A move by the British government to withdraw National Health Service supplier status from Israeli-owned pharmaceutical companies in order to source all future NHS drugs and pharmaceutical supplies from EU members - and ditto regarding arms supplies
- *An increase in the global BDS divestment and sanctions movement against Israeli goods and services
- *An end to the U.S. veto in the United Nations against all official resolutions critical of Israel and a re-evaluation by Washington of its financial and military support
- *A formal application to the International Criminal Court to investigate alleged war crimes in Gaza during Israel's Operation Cast Lead
- *A reinforcement of the proposal to designate the whole Middle East including both Israel and Iran as a Nuclear Weapons Free Zone with immediate effect
- *An increase in critical comment on campus against violation of human and civil rights and for specific compliance with international law

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