

## Confronting Netanyahu and the Ideology of Likud Zionism

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If you are a Jewish family living in Paris or London, you are expected to conform to the mindset that the State of Israel is your personal insurance policy in the event that the scourge of anti-Semitism should again become mainstream and Jews are prohibited from holding public, or any, office anywhere in Europe.

A scenario that depicts a concentration camp in London's Hyde Park, and another under the shadow of the Eiffel Tower in Paris. A time when the horrors of another Holocaust could be visited upon the Jewish Diaspora communities of France and England.

The above statements are typical of those that Mr Netanyahu and his extremist right-wing government would have you believe as they continue with their illegal settlement of over 500,000 Israeli citizens in the Occupied Palestinian West Bank and East Jerusalem, in violation of the 4th Geneva Convention on Human Rights (GCIV) and in contempt of the will of the United Nations for the establishment of a Palestinian state.

That is what the Netanyahu government would have you believe as they continue their blockade of essential goods and services against 1.8 million civilians in Gaza in a deliberate policy to starve the indigenous population into submission in this, its seventh year, and following upon the attempt by the IDF to totally destroy the infrastructure in Gaza during its viciously unprovoked attack upon the civilian population in July 2014.

And Mr Netanyahu is not wrong, as his policies are, in fact, increasingly successful in driving anti-Semitic sentiment throughout Europe as an expression of the disgust of ordinary people at the tragedy that is supported and funded by a United States Congress that is complicit in carrying out the agenda of the Israel lobby.

This is the political movement that has been allowed to circumvent international law in its bid for regional power and hegemony and to violate the Geneva Conventions in its settlement policy in the Occupied Territories – a violation supported and funded by the Israel lobby.

Yet even this situation is compounded because Israel, who is not a member of NATO, is also the only undeclared nuclear weapons state on the planet with an estimated secret arsenal of up 400 nuclear warheads – entirely outside the inspection of the IAEA.

The above is a brief snapshot of the extremist right-wing ideology that is the Likud Zionist movement. That there is an urgent requirement for a paradigm shift to be initiated by the European Union, is a need that now screams out for action.

The continuing dispossession and persecution of an entire indigenous people which has been the regional majority in the Holy Land for over a thousand years, is an issue that now needs to be confronted and dealt with by the United Nations General Assembly.

Failing which, there will be a [nuclear] war that will impact not only the Middle East but the whole of Europe. The EU must act because this new anti-Semitism, and its inevitable consequences, can only be avoided by a global rejection of the Israeli government policy agenda.

Likud Zionism is not in God's name nor in the name of Europe.

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