

To End War, Israel Must Pay Reparations to 600,000 Palestinian Refugees, Victims of Naqba 1948

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To end the war in the Middle East and the continued slaughter of thousands of innocent civilians in Gaza, Israel must pay reparations to the families of the 600,000 Palestinian victims of the 1948 Naqba, whose then assets were stolen by Jewish, displaced, immigrant refugees from all over Europe subsequent to the defeat of National Socialism, in 1945 Germany.

Those same immigrant refugees were subsequently paid substantial reparations from the German government, each year, and have continued to date. The Claims Conference representing Jewish survivors has pursued reparations from Germany since 1951, and has secured more than \$90 billion in payments, subsequently, for the benefit of those who had lost families, homes, businesses and other assets, as a result of theft, expropriation by the state, and war.

Why has the state of Israel, then, not paid reparations to the indigenous Palestinians whose homes and assets it expropriated by threat of violence to indigenous Arabs in villages throughout Palestine, (as in Deir Yassin) in the run-up to the unilateral Declaration of Independence for an independent state of Israel, in 1948?

Since that time, not only did Israel expropriate Palestinian homes and businesses, but it has also received billions upon billions of American tax monies, authorised by a U.S. House of Representatives, in Congress, that is apparently beholden to the Israel lobby, AIPAC, one of the most powerful pressure groups that determines US foreign policy both in the Middle East and elsewhere. This lobby is composed of millions of both evangelical Christian Zionists and Jewish Zionists, resident in the US, who all believe in the literal word of the Christian/Judeo Bible.

Overall, the state of Israel has received more money, aid, grants and interest free loans from both the US and the community of nations, than any other state in the world. Notwithstanding this astonishing fact, there are now 5 million dispossessed Palestinian Arabs still living as refugees under a violent occupation.

Whilst there is no equivalence in numbers, 600,000: 6,000,000 I.e. one tenth, there is every equivalence in substantive fact, justice, humanity and morality. The state of Israel must pay reparations now, to every family whose homes and assets it expropriated illegally by violence.

If not, there will never be peace in the Holy Land but will bring nuclear war to the entire world.

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