

Rampaging State-Sponsored Israeli Settlers. Daily Acts of Violence against Palestinians

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Israeli settlements are permitted to freely terrorize defenseless Palestinians including young children, committing daily acts of violence and vandalism, at times cold-blooded murder with impunity.

Israeli authorities do nothing to stop them, de facto encouragement to rampage freely, often protected by soldiers and police – notably when they disruptively enter the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound where they don't belong, commit vigilante attacks against young children, farmers in their fields, holy places or homes by settling them ablaze.

Yesh Din Volunteers for Human Rights receive daily complaints from abused Palestinians, notably during recent weeks of Israeli instigated violence, settlers attacking them at home, in vehicles, in village areas, in fields, virtually anywhere in the West Bank and East Jerusalem.

Attacks happen so often, it's hard keeping track of how many or making accurate damage assessments. Israeli soldiers and police, as well as PA security forces do nothing to protect defenseless victims.

Maan News said over 200 radicalized settlers attacked Wad al-Haseen and Wad al-Nasara villages overnight Saturday – throwing stones and "firebombs" at Palestinian homes.

At least three injuries were reported, including two children, one wounded seriously when a firebomb struck him in the chest.

Residents saw Israeli soldiers protecting their rampage, letting them attack Palestinians freely. Homes were set ablaze. Villagers fled to mosques for safety, warned others about what was happening.

When other Palestinians arrived to help, soldiers attacked them with live fire, rubber-coated steel bullets and toxic tear gas.

Radicalized settlers rampage freely. Soldiers attack Palestinian victims. Israeli forces killed at least 44 Palestinians since October 1, including 11 children.

Scores of arrests are made daily, many hundreds detained and brutalized, over 500 wounded by live fire, around 5,000 harmed by toxic tear gas inhalation.

On Saturday morning, a radicalized settler dressed in white, holding two guns, murdered 18-

year-old Fadel al-Qawasmi. Video footage showed the incident's aftermath.

The settler directed soldiers to the body of the youth he murdered, unarmed, threatening no one. Soldiers failed to disarm a killer or arrest him, free to kill again, allowed to do it unaccountably.

Paramedics were denied access to the dying youth, left to bleed to death unattended, his body then whisked away to an unknown location, his family denied access to it.

Soldiers lethally shot another Palestinian youth and a young woman threatening no one. Since October 1, most victims were young children or youths.

Only two Israelis died over the same period, both lethally shot, none by so-called knifewielding Palestinians. The Big Lie about them terrorizing Israelis continues unabated.

Most people believe it because hard truths are suppressed. One-sided support for Israeli state terror ignores longstanding Palestinian suffering and the horrors they're experiencing now.

BDS activists called for worldwide solidarity with courageous Palestinian resisters. "Boycott Israel now," they urged!

"A new generation of Palestinians is marching on the footsteps of previous generations, rising up against Israel's brutal, decades-old system of occupation, settler colonialism and apartheid," they explained.

Tens of thousands of Palestinians have joined demonstrations taking place in dozens of cities across historic Palestine and in refugee camps in neighbouring Arab countries.

A "wave of action" is underway in solidarity with their struggle – in "in response to Israel's intensifying ethnic cleansing and (brutal) oppression…"

Since July alone, Israeli security forces and settler attacks left over 1,000 Palestinian children and youths either disabled or faced with life-altering injuries – victims of brutal state terror, supported by Washington, other Western regimes and despotic regional ones.

Global solidarity is needed to fight back. Boycotts, divestments and sanctions are essential.

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