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## **THE BLACK LIVES MATTER ORGANIZATIONS’ ANTISEMITISM & ISRAEL-BASHING**

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### **I. INTRODUCTION**

Of course, Black lives matter. ZOA believes in ending anti-Black racism. Mort Klein fought for Black voting rights, and was arrested in Mississippi for doing so. The true *phrase* “Black lives matter” is NOT the subject of this report.

The problem is the Black Lives Matter (“BLM”) *organization* and related *organizations’* express antisemitism; blood libels; Israel-bashing; promotion of anti-Israel boycotts, divestment and sanctions (“BDS”); promotion of other anti-Israel policies and activities; instigation of and participation in antisemitic violence; and involvements with front groups for the Marxist, designated foreign terror organization Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (“PFLP”).

### **II. THE ANTISEMITIC, ANTI-ISRAEL BLM/M4BL PLATFORM**

The BLM/M4BL platform falsely accuses Israel of perpetrating “genocide” against Palestinian-Arabs, apartheid, child-arrests and other blood libels; demonizes settlements; promotes BDS; demands ending aid to Israel & more. These smears and policies are contained in the BLM /M4BL official platform’s “divest/invest” plank, in a “Cut Military Expenditures Brief.”<sup>1</sup> This is all still online and has never been abrogated. The platform includes:

**a. The Genocide Against Palestinian-Arabs Blood Libel:** The BLM/M4BL platform states:

*“The US justifies and advances the global war on terror via its alliance with Israel and is complicit in the genocide taking place against the Palestinian people.”*

In fact, Israel’s Arab population today is ten times larger than it was when the Jewish State was re-established in 1948. Liberal Harvard Professor Alan Dershowitz’s article condemning “BLM’s war on the Jewish people” declared:

*“Until and unless Black Lives Matter removes **this blood libel** [accusing Israel of committing genocide] from its platform and renounces it, **no decent person** — black, white or of any other racial or ethnic background — **should have anything to do with it.**”<sup>2</sup>*

Professor Dershowitz recently re-emphasized that the BLM platform “is antisemitic,” and noted: “*To single out the nation-state of the Jewish people for the worst false accusation imaginable – genocide – a term coined to describe the Jewish people’s destruction – is antisemitic.*”<sup>3</sup>

**b. The Apartheid and Systemic Discrimination Libels:** The BLM/M4BL platform also calls Israel “*an apartheid state with over 50 laws on the books that sanction discrimination against the Palestinian people*” and “*a state that practices systematic discrimination.*”

In fact, Israel’s “Basic Law: Human Dignity and Liberty” (the highest law of the land) guarantees the rights of “*all persons*” and “*all nationals,*” without distinction.<sup>4</sup> Moreover, most Palestinian Arabs in Judea/Samaria are governed by the Palestinian Authority (*not* Israel), and the Arabs in Gaza are governed by Hamas (*not* Israel).

In addition, the BLM/M4BL platform falsely states: “*Everyday, Palestinians are forced to walk through military checkpoints along the US funded apartheid wall.*” “Apartheid wall” is the misleading anti-Israel term for the security barrier that Israel had to establish to stop frequent suicide bombings that murdered and maimed 10,000 Jews during the Second Intifada.

**c. Bulldozers, Settlements and “Occupation” Libels:** The BLM/M4BL platform also includes the following, standard anti-Israel “Big Lies” perpetrated by demonizers of Israel:

*“Palestinian homes and land are routinely bulldozed to make way for illegal Israeli settlements. Israeli soldiers also regularly arrest and detain Palestinians as young as 4 years old without due process.” . . .*  
*“[Israel] has maintained a military occupation of Palestine for decades.”*

In fact, no Palestinian homes and lands are being bulldozed to make way for settlements. There have been virtually no new Israeli settlements established for the past 20 years. The building that has occurred is within the footprint of the existing settlements. In addition, as the Trump administration recognized, Israel settlements are *legal* under international law.<sup>5</sup> Judea/Samaria was guaranteed to the Jewish people under binding international law, including the San Remo Resolution, the Mandate for Palestine, the Anglo-American Convention and UN Charter Article 80 (the “Jewish people’s clause”).<sup>6</sup> Israel is not, and cannot be an “occupier” of the land to which Israel has the historic, religious, moral and legal right.

**d. The Arrested Palestinian-Arab Children Libel:** The BLM/M4BL platform also falsely claims that: “*Israeli soldiers also regularly arrest and detain Palestinians as young as 4 years old without due process.*”

Israel does *not* arrest 4-year-olds or other young children. For instance, when Hamas recently sent two 8-year-old Palestinian-Arab boys, armed with knives, over the border to stab Israeli soldiers, the IDF gave the boys water and returned the boys to their parents.<sup>7</sup>

The so-called “children” that Israel arrests are young adult murderers, such as the 17-year-old Palestinian-Arab terrorist who broke into a Jewish home and brutally stabbed to death an innocent 13-year-old Jewish-American-Israeli girl who was asleep in her bed. And the 19-year-old Palestinian-Arab terrorist who broke into an Israeli home and stabbed to death a 70-year-old Jewish man and two of his children, and wounded other Jewish family members, when the family was sitting at their Sabbath table.<sup>8</sup>

**e. Condemning and blaming Israel for the “global war on terror”:** The BLM/M4BL platform also twists the global war on terror into an excuse to blame Israel, as follows:

*“[T]he US driven “global war on terror” . . . has led to the killing of 4 million civilians in the Middle East. US arms and military corporations have made billions of dollars in profit off of waging disaster and destabilization in the Middle East, while increasing western control over the land and resources of the region . . . . The US justifies and advances the global war on terror via its alliance with Israel . . . .”*

**f. Grossly Exaggerating, Maligning and Demanding Ending to Aid to Israel:** The BLM/M4BL platform calls for “Federal Action” to “*Build invest/divestment campaigns that ends US Aid to Israel’s military industrial complex and any government with human rights violations.*”

The platform also stirs up opposition to aid to Israel by grossly exaggerating the percentage of the US aid budget sent to Israel, ignoring the enormous benefits the US receives in return, and falsely claiming that US aid to Israel diverts funding from reparations, education and social programs, to help an “abusive” Israeli government. The platform misleadingly states:

*“Approximately 3 billion dollars in US aid is allocated to Israel, a state that practices systematic discrimination and has maintained a military occupation of Palestine for decades. Together with aid to Egypt Israel’s most important regional ally this figure represents **nearly 75 percent of all US aid dollars.** As these figures demonstrate, **resources and funds needed for reparations and for building a just and equitable society domestically are instead used to wage war against a majority of the world’s communities.** . . . . The results of this policy are twofold: it not only **diverts much needed funding from domestic education and social programs, but it makes US citizens complicit in the abuses committed by the Israeli government.**”*

In fact, aid to Israel is only 6% of U.S. foreign aid, or a miniscule 0.07% of the federal budget.<sup>9</sup>

**g. Promoting Antisemitic, Anti-Israel BDS - Boycott Divestment and Sanctions:** The BLM/M4BL platform calls for specific anti-Israel BDS actions, including “*organiz[ing] campaigns against G4S,*” and fighting *against* anti-BDS legislation. G4S has been a major BDS target, because G4S did business in Israel.

The BLM/M4BL platform’s co-authors and “organizations working on policy” include leading antisemitic BDS movement groups, including the U.S. Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation,

the American Friends Service Committee, Adalah and Dream Defenders, DD leader Rachel Gilmer and Black Alliance for Just Immigration (BAJI) leader Ben Ndugga-Kabuye.

**h. The BLM/M4BL Platform’s “Resources” Promote BDS, Demonize Israel and Promote Anti-Israel Violence:** The BLM/M4BL platform’s anti-Israel “Brief” contains two “resources”: a “Black Palestinian Solidarity” website and the major “BDS movement” website.

Similar to the BLM/M4BL platform itself, these BLM “resource” sites contain vicious, incendiary, antisemitic, anti-Israel and anti-American smears, and promote “resistance” against the U.S. and Israel. These “resource” sites falsely accuse Israel of killing and “*targeting unarmed civilians*” including children; falsely accuse the U.S. and Israel of “*unchecked state-sanctioned racialized violence*”; and promote multiple cultural, academic and economic BDS campaigns against Israel’s Jews and those who do business with or interact with Israel.

The “resistance” that these groups encourage includes violence. During a joint BLM/Dream Defenders trip to “Palestine” (Israel), attended by BLM co-founder Patrisse Cullors and antisemite [Marc Lamont Hill](#), the BLM/DD attendees “resonated” with Palestinian-Arab statements urging them to “*deal[] with the obsession over ‘non-violence’.*” An attendee [reported](#): “*A [Palestinian] sister said in a meeting that until recently, [Palestinians] didn’t have a distinction between violence and nonviolence—it was all resistance. I think that is so powerful as Black Americans find themselves caught up in this faux binary of good versus bad protester, and that assignment, to one or the other, is often handed down by those in power.*”<sup>10</sup>

### **III. ANTISEMITIC, ANTI-ISRAEL BLM FACEBOOK POSTS**

**(1) “Connecting” Supposed U.S. Violence Against Blacks to Supposed Israeli Violence and “Genocide” Against Palestinian-Arabs:** BLM Facebook posts promote this absurd “connection,” saying:

*“It is urgent that we make the clear connection between violence inflicted on Black people globally that is encouraged and permitted by the state and profiling, harm and genocide funded by the United States and perpetrated by Zionists vigilantes and the Israeli Defense Forces on Palestinian people.”*<sup>11</sup>

**(2) “Ethnic Cleansing” and Other Blood Libels, and Promoting Violent “Resistance” and BDS:** Similar to the M4BL/BLM platform, BLM Facebook posts falsely accuse Israel of vicious blood libels, including perpetrating “genocide,” “*ethnic cleansing*” and occupying “*Palestinian land*”; falsely depict Palestinian-Arabs as “*indigenous people*” and “*oppressed people*”; praise “resistance” (violence); and promote BDS. BLM Facebook posts commit to the

*“global shared struggle of oppressed people, namely the people of occupied Palestine and other indigenous communities who for decades have resisted the occupation of their land, ethnic cleansing of their people, and the erasure of their history and experiences.”*

*“Our collective oppression mandates that we work together across geography, language and culture to decry and organize to end capitalistic, imperialist regimes.”*

*“We commit to global struggle, solidarity and support of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanction (BDS) movement to fight for freedom, justice and equality for Palestinian people and to end international support for the occupation. #FreedomNow #BlackPalestinianSolidarity.” (Id.)*

**(3) Celebrating BLM/Dream Defenders’ Anti-Israel Propaganda Trip to “Palestine”:** The same BLM Facebook page also includes a photo of American BLM members in “Palestine,” demonstrating against Israel, while waving Palestinian flags, wearing a PLO keffiyeh, and holding signs saying “*BLM in Solidarity with Palestine*” and “*From Ferguson to Palestine*” – which is yet another depiction of the U.S. and Israel as oppressors, and Blacks and Palestinian Arabs as their victims. (Id.) (See further discussion of BLM/DD trips below.)

**(4) Supporting Hamas:** Another BLM Facebook post, at the height of Hamas’ attempts to march into Israel to kill Jews, depicts a keffiyeh-wearing Black man waving a Palestinian-Arab flag, standing in the midst of billows of black smoke, with the caption: “*The Movement for Black Lives Stands in Solidarity with the Palestinian people.*” The black smoke looks like the smoke from the tires Hamas’ burns on the Gaza-Israel border to try to obscure the terrorists who are shooting at Israelis and attempting to breach the border to murder Jews.<sup>12</sup>

**(5) Promoting Pro-BDS Political Candidates:** BLM’s Facebook page posted pictures of antisemitic pro-BDS political candidates Ilhan Omar and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (AOC) and others, in a “candidate spotlight” frame, and urged voters: “*Be Progressive,*” “*Vote Out White Supremacy,*” “*Take Your Voice to the Polls,*” “*support. . . local Black candidates.*”

#### **IV. Key BLM Organizations:**

A web of interconnected, radical Black Marxist and terrorist Palestinian-Arab front groups are involved with BLM.

**(1) Black Lives Matter Global Network Foundation (“BLM”)** is the central BLM entity. BLM is intertwined with and is the major organization in the M4BL umbrella organization.<sup>13</sup> BLM operates in the U.S., U.K., Canada and elsewhere; and has at least 17 local chapters.

In an article describing BLM’s threat to American Jews, journalist Caroline Glick [explained](#): “*Black Lives Matter, the radical group leading the demonstrations, is an anti-Semitic organization. BLM was formed in 2014 as a merger of activists from the anti-Semitic Nation of Islam, the anti-Semitic Black Panthers and Dream Catchers.*”<sup>14</sup>

BLM-Los Angeles leaders support Louis Farrakhan and instigated the antisemitic pogrom in the Fairfax Jewish district of L.A., in which BLM targeted, defaced, burned and/or looted synagogues, Jewish schools, and Jewish stores and businesses. BLM collaborates with PFLP front groups; takes joint BLM/DD anti-Israel propaganda trips to “Palestine”; participates in anti-Israel “Days of Rage”; posts anti-Israel libels on its Facebook page, including accusing Israel of perpetrating “genocide”; and more, discussed herein.

**(2) Movement for Black Lives (“M4BL”)** is an umbrella organization of dozens of Black-led “racial justice” organizations. M4BL published the anti-Israel antisemitic platform, discussed below. BLM is the major player in M4BL; M4BL and BLM leadership is intertwined. M4BL sets priorities for member groups, and controls major fundraising arms. For instance, Borealis Philanthropy’s “Black-Led Movement Fund” states: “*The Fund’s grantmaking is guided by priorities set in alignment with the M4BL.*” The M4BL-guided fund gives grants to BLM chapters and the PFLP-intertwined Dream Defenders.<sup>15</sup>

**(3) Dream Defenders (“DD”)** and DD leader **Rachel Gilmer** are the primary co-authors of the anti-Israel BLM/M4BL platform. Rachel Gilmer [says](#) “*Zionism at its core is white supremacy.*”<sup>16</sup>

A Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs (JCPA) [report](#)<sup>17</sup> details that Dream Defenders is intertwined with the **Popular Front for the Liberation Palestine** (“PFLP”). The PFLP is designated as a [foreign terrorist organization](#) by the U.S. State Department.<sup>18</sup> PFLP terrorists assassinated Israel’s tourism minister, hijacked and blew up airplanes, and attacked Jews praying in a Jerusalem synagogue with guns, knives and axes, [murdering four innocent Jewish worshippers](#), including three U.S. citizens, and a Druze policeman, and injuring twelve others.<sup>19</sup>

Joint BLM/DD anti-Israel propaganda trips to “Palestine” visit PFLP strongholds, demonstrate against Israel, and ensnare Black activists into supporting the PFLP and hating Israel. (JCPA [report](#).) Anti-Israel demonstrations during a BLM/DD trip to “Palestine” [falsely accused](#) Israelis of greed, hate and stealing Palestinians’ land.<sup>20</sup> BLM platform co-author and DD leader Rachel Gilmer also [wore](#) a PFLP T-shirt, emblazoned with the PFLP’s Arabic slogan promoting violence, during a BLM/DD trip to a PFLP stronghold in “Palestine.”<sup>21</sup>

The Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs [report](#) notes that:

*“Dream Defenders is not simply another organization in the Black Solidarity Movement. Dream Defenders brings people to the Middle East to meet with PFLP members and PFLP-affiliated organizations. Alarming, through the Rebellion curriculum, social media posts, “report back” events, and activities with other BDS organizations, Dream Defenders allows PFLP ideology to infiltrate into the United States. With its sway and connection to the Black Lives Matter Movement and BDS Movement, and under the guise of “racial oppression” and “human rights activism,” Dream Defenders spreads the agenda of a designated terror organization, giving legitimacy to an illegitimate entity.”*

DD and the PFLP also produced an 11th grade [curriculum](#) glorifying the PFLP and Black Panther Party (whose tenets are similar to those of the BLM platform). DD is supported by leading BDS activists Remi Kanazi and Linda Sarsour (who calls throwing rocks at Israelis “the definition of courage”). DD also glorifies PFLP terrorists including Leila Khalid; held a fundraiser for PFLP terrorist and Jew-murderer Rasma Odeh; and tweeted pictures of leading PFLP operatives with the words: “*Palestine, all of Palestine. From the River to the Sea.*”

(4) **Black Alliance for Just Immigration (“BAJI”)** and BAJI leader **Ben Ndugga-Kabuye** co-authored the antisemitic BLM/M4BL platform. Ndugga-Kabuye then publicly [defended](#) the platform’s false blood libel accusing Israel of “genocide.” and further accused Israel of an ongoing, “state sanctioned” unaccountable “structure of violent deaths.”<sup>22</sup> On [BAJI’s Facebook page](#), BAJI demonstrators scream: “Free, free Palestine.” **BLM co-founder** Opal Tometi was BAJI’s executive director for 8 years.

(5) **Repairers of the Breach**, led by Israel-hater **Rev. William J. Barber II**, is a top recipient of the George Soros’ Open Society Foundations’ recently announced \$220 million grant to Black-led “racial justice groups.” Barber gives anti-Israel sermons and speeches, promotes BDS, and calls defaming Israel “*moral resistance*.”<sup>23</sup> Barber was the keynote speaker for the major U.S. anti-Israel BDS umbrella group (USCPR)’s 2018 conference, where Barber twisted “faith” and “morality” language to demonize Israel, Israeli Jews, Zionists, and pro-Israel Evangelicals, and made demands that amounted to Israel’s destruction.<sup>24</sup> Barber also leads the “**Poor People’s Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival**,” whose “anchor organizations” are Repairs of the Breach and **Kairos**.<sup>25</sup> The infamous Kairos Palestine Document uses antisemitic theology to turn Christian churches against Jews and promote anti-Israel boycotts, and calls Arab terrorist attacks on Jews “*Palestinian legal resistance aimed at ending [the occupation]*.”<sup>26</sup>

## **V. Other BLM-Affiliated Palestinian-Arab Terror, BDS and Propaganda Organizations:**

(1) **U.S. Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation** (now called the **U.S. Campaign for Palestinian Rights - “USCPR”**) is the major U.S. umbrella organization of hundreds of anti-Israel BDS groups.<sup>27</sup> The BLM/M4BL platform identifies the U.S. Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation as an “Organization Working on Policy” for BLM/M4BL. In addition, the BLM/M4BL platform resources include a major anti-Israel BDS website.

(2) **Adalah**, another major anti-Israel BDS, demonization and BDS group,<sup>28</sup> also co-wrote the BLM/M4BL platform.

(3) **Al Haq**. The Israeli Ministry of Strategic Affairs report, “*Terrorists in Suits: The Ties Between NGOs Promoting BDS and Terrorist Organizations*,”<sup>29</sup> details that Al Haq (and DCI-Palestine, discussed below) are both run by PFLP terror operatives. Recent BLM-UK tweets promote Al Haq’s call for onerous sanctions against “Israel’s colonial apartheid regime,” including: banning arms trade and security cooperation with Israel; suspending trade agreements with Israel; prohibiting all trade with Israeli settlements; and bringing to justice persons and companies responsible for Israel’s (supposed) “war crimes” and “crimes against humanity.”<sup>30</sup>

(4) **Defense of Children International-Palestine (“DCI-Palestine”)**, is another PFLP front group, that exploits children to demonizes Israel and promote anti-Israel BDS.<sup>31</sup> BLM promoted a DCI-Palestine program featuring leaders of DCI-Palestine and Adalah. BLM declared: “*We stand in solidarity with the people of #Palestine*.”<sup>32</sup>

## **VI. BLM-Los Angeles Leader and BLM co-founder Instigated BLM’s Anti-Jewish Pogrom**

Over the Shavuot weekend (May 30-31, 2020), BLM and its allies perpetrated an anti-Jewish pogrom in the Jewish Fairfax district of Los Angeles. BLM destroyed, vandalized, burned and defaced multiple Jewish synagogues, Jewish schools, and Jewish stores and businesses. BLM spray-painted “Free Palestine,” its abbreviated form “FP,” and “ACAB” (All Cops Are Bastards) on synagogue and Jewish school walls. (ZOA can provide photos of the destruction.)

During the pogrom, “protestors” also screamed “No justice, no peace,” while carrying a sign saluting Hezbollah senior leader Abu Ali al-Aksari and “USA The End!”<sup>33</sup>

**BLM co-founder Patrisse Collors** reportedly organized the Fairfax anti-Jewish pogrom, and stated: *“Let’s go into the heart of what is symbolically white in Los Angeles, which is Beverly Hills. These people need to hear our pain and our grief. We wanted to bring this to communities who often aren’t dealing with police violence.”*<sup>34</sup>

**BLM-Los Angeles lead organizer Melina Abdullah** was the key instigator of the anti-Jewish pogrom. At the BLM Fairfax pre-riot protest, Abdullah egged on the crowd, shouting through a megaphone: *“F\*\*\* white capitalism. F\*\*\* The Grove. F\*\*\* 3<sup>rd</sup> and Fairfax. F\*\*\* Beverly Hills,”* and her daughter Thandiwe Abdullah [ranted](#), *“I know you want to tear some s \_\_\_ up,”* and urged setting companies on fire. (Third and Fairfax is the center of the Jewish community.)

Melina Abdullah openly stated that BLM was *“very deliberate”* in choosing to go to the Fairfax district and Santa Monica. Abdullah also called for inflicting *“violence and pain and hurt . . . upon . . . those who think that they can just retreat to white affluence.”*<sup>35</sup>

BLM-Los Angeles also partners with the Nation of Islam. Melina Abdullah’s abhorrent record includes supporting Nation of Islam Jew-basher **Louis Farrakhan** (Farrakhan’s infamously called Judaism *“a gutter religion”* and called Jews *“Satan”* and *“termites.”*) Abdullah complained that the Women’s March included *“Zionists,”* and accused CNN of standing *“with a Zionist Israel that murders and terrorizes the Palestinian people”* when CNN didn’t renew Jew-hater Marc Lamont Hill’s contract.<sup>36</sup> Thandiwe Abdullah, co-founded the BLM Youth Vanguard, and told the Women’s March that as a *“black Muslim girl, it is very important to me that Black Lives Matter also values the lives of the Muslim women in Palestine”* and accused Israel of *“genocide.”*

Jews on the scene in Fairfax reported<sup>37</sup>:

*“It’s no coincidence that the riots here escalated in Fairfax, the icon of the Jewish community. I saw the Watts and the Rodney King riots. They never touched a synagogue or house of prayer. The graffiti [this time] showed blatant antisemitism. It’s Kristallnacht all over again.”* (Rabbi Shimon Raichik, a Chabad Rabbi in Los Angeles)

Chants of *“F \_\_\_ the police and kill the Jews.”* (Report passed along by SWU co-founder)

Screams of, *“F \_\_\_ Jews”* (Heard during the riots and looting, by Aryeh Rosenfeld, an Orthodox Jewish small business owner in the area, as he tried to protect his store.)



*“I live in the Fairfax district. A block and a half from my home, thousands of people were marching. . . . Very soon the looting, destructing, vandalism and arson started and nothing was done. There was graffiti on the synagogues near my home. some businesses that had just opened up, found their windows broken and looted. There was nothing peaceful. . . . Police stopped nothing and Mayor Garcetti, the enabler, did not call in the National Guard until it was over. High end shops at the Grove and on Melrose were vandalized and looted. . . . people with heavy crowbars [] were beating the ground so that people knew they were coming. They were in no hurry. there is nothing spontaneous or peaceful about this mess. God will judge.” (Commenter Andreaofla)*

Rabbi and Law Professor Dov Fischer wrote about the Los Angeles pogrom:

*“The Black Lives Matter pogrom saw **attacks on Temple Beth El, Baba Sali Congregation, the Kosher Mensch Bakery and Kitchen, Cong. Beth Israel, Cong. Beth Tivereth Avi/Morasha, Shaarei Tefilah Synagogue, Shalhevet Yeshiva High School for Girls, and a Shul wall on which were spray-painted anti-Semitic and anti-Israel slogans.** The Black Lives Matter pogromists even — get this! — defaced a statue of Raoul Wallenberg, . . . the Black Lives Matter pogrom was so violent and vicious that it even scared [2 pro-Israel orthodox groups and university] into silence. In the aftermath of the pogrom, each issued milquetoast statements that were targeted carefully at not getting the Black Lives Matter pogromists and Nazis angry. There was even a Jewish deli that decided, in light of all the destruction all around them, to put a “Black Lives Matter” sign in their window and to hand out bottles of water to the anti-Semitic Black Lives Matter pogromists and Nazis. Their cowardice worked; their structure was not burned down. Only the Zionist Organization of America and the National Council of Young Israel had the courage to speak out.”<sup>38</sup>*

## **VII. BLM Joined Nationwide Anti-Israel “Days of Rage” Demonstrations Calling for Israel’s Destruction**

Beginning on July 1, 2020, BLM joined anti-Israel “Days of Rage” demonstrations throughout the U.S. and elsewhere, calling for Israel’s destruction, and accusing Israel of murdering children and other libels.<sup>39</sup>

In Washington, DC, 200 marchers carried PLO or BLM signs, and chanted: “*Israel, we know you, you murder children, too*”; “*Black lives matter!*”; and “*Palestinian lives matter!*”<sup>40</sup>

In Los Angeles, protestors outside the Israeli consulate carried signs such as “*Palestinians for Black Power*” and “*Free Palestine*”; called for replacing Israel with a Palestinian state “*from the river to the sea*”; and admitted that they didn’t want peace during confrontations with pro-Israel counter-demonstrators.<sup>41</sup>

In Brooklyn, Day of Rage protestors declared, “*Jaffa, Haifa, and Tel Aviv...were stolen, and the leader of BDS group “Within Our Lifetime” declared, “We don’t wanna go just back to our homes in Gaza and the West Bank. We want all of it!”*”<sup>42</sup>

## END NOTES:

- <sup>1</sup> The BLM/M4BL divest/invest plank’s “Cut Military Expenditures Brief” is downloadable at <https://m4bl.org/policy-platforms/invest-divest/?fbclid=IwAR3irnIKCIM1JUVR4n54urjWB3tNZL0fXzuH1MxSNa4UQS1tluZK4FJq60Y> .
- <sup>2</sup> “Alan Dershowitz: Black Lives Matter Must Rescind Its Anti-Israel Declaration,” *Algemeiner*, Aug. 16, 2016, at <https://www.algemeiner.com/2016/08/16/alan-dershowitz-black-lives-matter-must-rescind-its-anti-israel-declaration/>
- <sup>3</sup> Video: “Alan Dershowitz on Black Lives Matter and Defending ZOA’s Mort Klein,” JBSTV, June 12, 2020, at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bAOTjJLgh-w&feature=youtu.be>
- <sup>4</sup> <https://mfa.gov.il/MFA/MFA-Archive/1992/Pages/Basic%20Law-%20Human%20Dignity%20and%20Liberty-.aspx>
- <sup>5</sup> See “ZOA Strongly Praises Pres. Trump, Sec. Pompeo Repudiating Orwellian Anti-Semitic Lie That Jews Building in Judea Samaria is Illegal,” Nov. 18, 2019, at <https://zoa.org/2019/11/10429048-zoa-strongly-praises-pres-trump-sec-pompeo-repudiating-orwellian-anti-semitic-lie-that-jews-building-in-judea-samaria-is-illegal/>
- <sup>6</sup> See Discussion of relevant international laws, in “13 Reasons ZOA Strongly Supports Israel Restoring Her Rightful Sovereignty Over Judea-Samaria-Jordan Valley Now,” at <https://zoa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/13-Reasons-ZOA-Strongly-Supports-Israel-Restoring-Her-Rightful-Sovereignty-Over-Judea-etc-LONG-version-FINAL-with-header-2.pdf>
- <sup>7</sup> See “WATCH: Israeli soldiers safely return 8-YEAR-OLD Palestinian boys sent across border with knives Apr 5, 2019,” at <https://www.cufi.org.uk/featured-videos/watch-israeli-soldiers-safely-return-8-year-old-palestinian-boys-sent-across-border-with-knives/>
- <sup>8</sup> See list of numerous brutal terror attacks carried out by Palestinian-Arabs in their teens, in “ZOA: J Street Funded Cong. McCollum Should Withdraw Bill Penalizing Israel for Questioning/Arresting Young Palestinian Terrorists,” at <https://zoa.org/2017/11/10377159-zoa-j-st-funded-cong-mccollum-should-withdraw-bill-penalizing-israel-for-questioning-arresting-young-palestinian-terrorists/>
- <sup>9</sup> “Foreign Aid: An Introduction to U.S. Programs and Policy,” Congressional Research Service, Apr. 16, 2019, at <https://fas.org/sgp/crs/row/R40213.pdf>
- <sup>10</sup> “Black-Palestinian Solidarity in the Ferguson-Gaza Era,” by Kristian Davis Bailey, Yale Law School “Rebellious Lawyering” publication, at [https://reblaw.yale.edu/sites/default/files/black-palestinian\\_solidarity\\_in\\_the\\_ferguson-gaza\\_era.pdf](https://reblaw.yale.edu/sites/default/files/black-palestinian_solidarity_in_the_ferguson-gaza_era.pdf)
- <sup>11</sup> <https://www.facebook.com/BlackLivesMatter/photos/a.180522288785691.1073741827.180212755483311/617271021777480>
- <sup>12</sup> <https://www.facebook.com/BlackLivesMatter/> (May 22, 2018)
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<sup>21</sup> <https://www.flickr.com/photos/144260555@N07/27919737346/>

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<sup>30</sup> See below screenshot:

The screenshot shows a tweet from the account #BlackLivesMatterUK (@ukblm). The tweet text reads: "On the eve of Israel's planned formal annexation of Palestinian land, we stand with Palestinian civil society in calling for targeted sanctions in line with international law against Israel's colonial, apartheid regime." Below the text is a link: [alhaq.org/palestinian-hu...](https://alhaq.org/palestinian-hu...). A light blue box contains a list of four demands: 1. Ban arms trade and military-security cooperation with Israel. 2. Suspend free-trade agreements with Israel. 3. Prohibit all trade with the illegal Israeli settlements and ensure that companies refrain from/terminate business with Israel's illegal settlement enterprise. 4. Ensure that individuals and corporate actors responsible for war crimes/crimes against humanity in the context of Israel's regime of illegal occupation and apartheid are brought to justice. The tweet is dated 12:59 PM · Jun 28, 2020 and shows 2.1K likes and 1K retweets.

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<sup>39</sup> See “Black Lives Matter Joins Anti-Israel Demonstrators in ‘Day of Rage,’” by Joel Pollak, *Breitbart*, July 2, 2020, at <https://www.breitbart.com/middle-east/2020/07/02/black-lives-matter-joins-anti-israel-demonstrators-in-day-of-rage/> (Exhibit L); and “The Alignment of BDS and Black Lives Matter: Implications for Israel and Diaspora Jewry,” by Dan Diker, *Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs*, July 16, 2020, at <https://jcpa.org/article/the-alignment-of-bds-and-black-lives-matter-implications-for-israel-and-diaspora-jewry/> (Exhibit N)

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<sup>41</sup> See “Black Lives Matter Joins Anti-Israel Demonstrators in ‘Day of Rage,’” *supra*, and “‘Palestinians for Black Power’: Anti-Israel ‘Day of Rage’ in L.A.,” by Joel Pollak, July 1, 2020, at <https://www.breitbart.com/middle-east/2020/07/01/palestinians-for-black-power-anti-israel-protest-targets-annexation-in-los-angeles/>

<sup>42</sup> “The Alignment of BDS and Black Lives Matter,” by Dan Diker, *supra* (and internal citations therein).