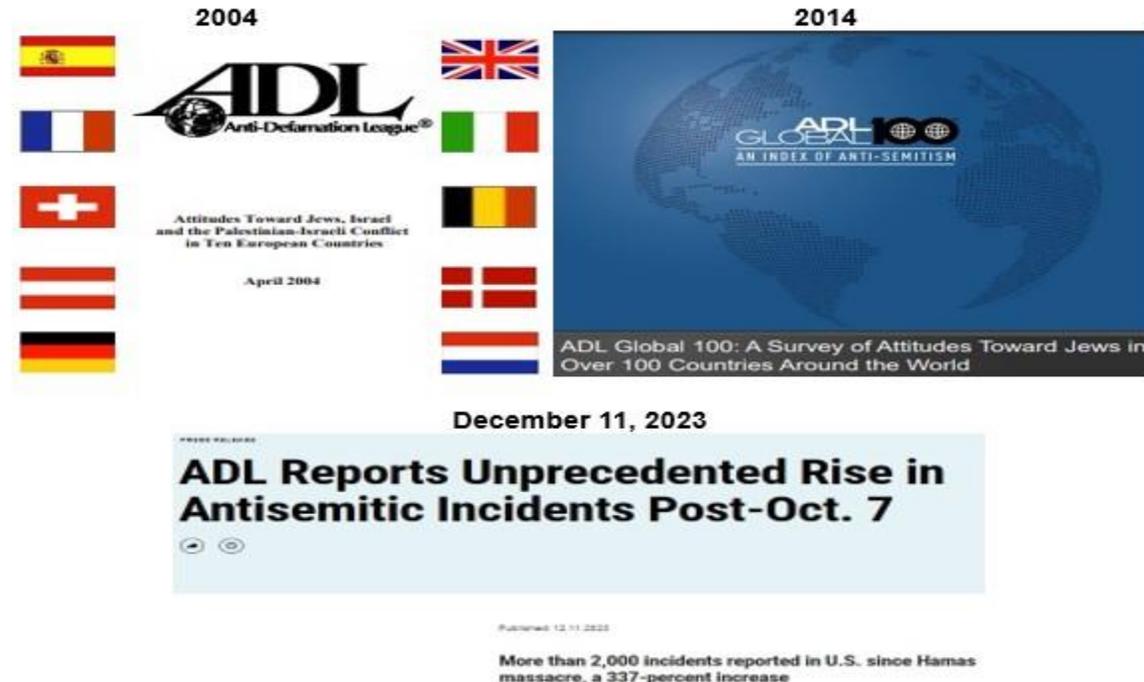


October 7th, 2023, & 20-Years of Anti-Defamation League (ADL) Survey Data on Extreme Antisemitism



- An examination of the overriding population sources of contemporary Jew-hatred as revealed by two decades of Anti-Defamation League (ADL) survey data tabulating extreme Antisemitism, worldwide.
- Additional independent validating data will also be reviewed
- Potential theological drivers of this Antisemitism will be introduced in relation to the October 7, 2023 carnage in southern Israel, and the explosion of Antisemitic expressions and attacks since that event.



“Antisemitism is always a means rather than an end; it is a measure of the contradictions yet to be resolved. It is a mirror for the failings of individuals, social structures, and State systems. Tell me what you accuse Jews of—I’ll tell you what you’re guilty of.”

—Vasily Grossman. [“Life and Fate : A Novel”](#), 1985, (originally published in 1959)

Background 1: The Jihad Carnage of October 7, 2023

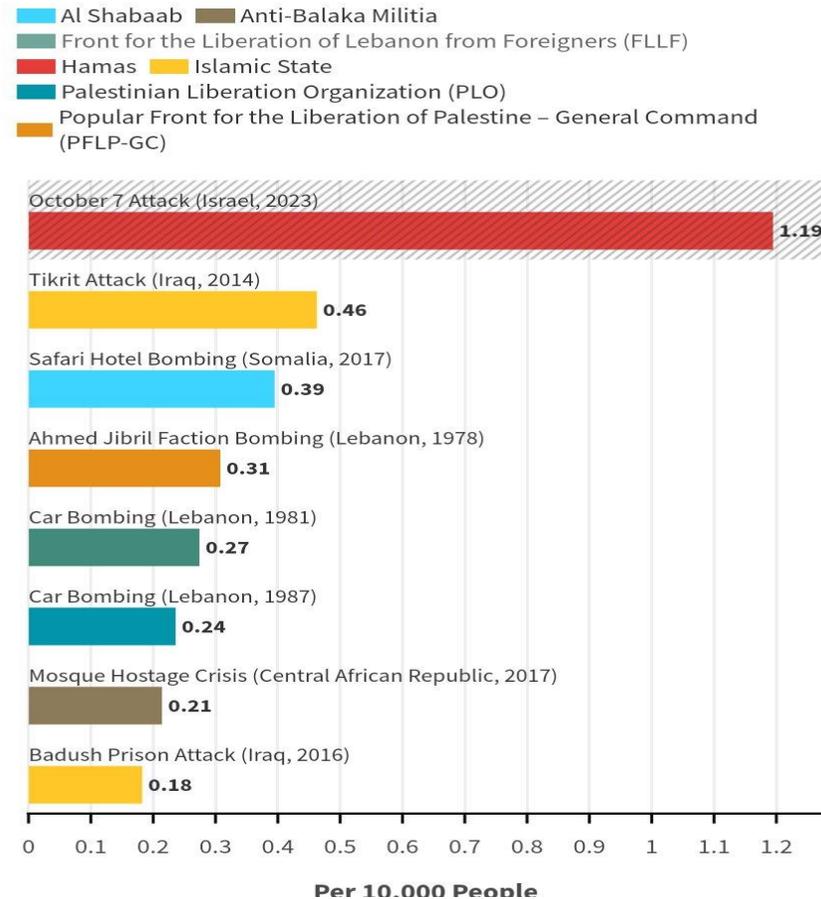
- **An unprovoked jihadist attack by Hamas (joined by local Gazan Muslims) in southern Israel, during an ostensible “truce,” which had been planned since 2014, by Hamas leadership**
- **Largest single day casualty toll for Jews since The Holocaust, ~1200 murdered**
- **Targets, disproportionately (i.e., >70%), were non-combatant children, women, men, & the elderly**
- **Atrocities committed against these Israeli non-combatants included mutilation, torture, beheadings, & mass rape, followed by burning, with documentation by the jihadists own videos, other videos, surviving eyewitness testimony, & forensic pathology evidence**

References:

<https://thefederalist.com/2023/10/25/palestinian-arabs-overwhelmingly-support-hamas-and-their-genocidal-aspirations/>; <https://english.aawsat.com/arab-world/4780421-%E2%80%98al-aqsa-flood%E2%80%99-initiated-70-elite-fighters-crafted-5-hamas-leaders>;
<https://www.timesofisrael.com/was-hamass-attack-on-saturday-the-bloodiest-day-for-jews-since-the-holocaust/>; <http://tinyurl.com/yrjw4cdn>;
<https://www.fdd.org/analysis/2023/11/12/israel-revises-october-7-death-toll-after-agonizing-forensics/>; <https://www.telegraph.co.uk/world-news/2023/12/30/truth-about-hamas-sex-crimes-may-never-be-known/>; <https://www.nytimes.com/2023/10/23/world/middleeast/israel-hamas-attack-video.html>; <https://apnews.com/article/israel-palestinians-hamas-attack-military-war-a8f63b07641212f0de61861844e5e71e>

Hamas' Oct 7, 2023, jihad carnage in southern Israel was the largest mass killing terror attack, per capita (per 10K population), in over 50 years, by ~2.6-fold

Figure 2: The Eight Deadliest Terrorist Attacks by Number of Fatalities per Capita 1970–2023



Background 2: October 7th Carnage Followed, Perversely, with an Explosion of Antisemitic Acts & Expressions, Incl in the U.S.

ADL Reports Unprecedented Rise in Antisemitic Incidents Post-Oct. 7

<https://www.adl.org/resources/press-release/adl-reports-unprecedented-rise-antisemitic-incidents-post-oct-7>

“[H]ighest number of incidents during any two-month period since ADL began tracking in 1979, according to preliminary data released today (12/11/23).”

“Between Oct. 7 and Dec. 7, ADL recorded a total of **2,031 antisemitic incidents**, up from 465 incidents during the same period in 2022, **representing a 337-percent increase year-over-year**. This includes **40 incidents of physical assault**, 337 incidents of vandalism, 749 incidents of verbal or written harassment and 905 rallies including antisemitic rhetoric, expressions of support for terrorism against the state of Israel and/or anti-Zionism. On average, over the 61 days from 10/7/23/ to 12/11/23, Jews in America experienced **nearly 34 antisemitic incidents per day**.”

“[D]ata includes **one fatality** that occurred at an anti-Israel protest in Los Angeles, where a Jewish man was killed after being hit in the head by a pro-Palestinian protester.* There were about **250 antisemitic incidents** that specifically targeted Jewish institutions such as synagogues and campus Hillels. **On college and university campuses, ADL has recorded a total of 400 antisemitic incidents, compared to only 33 incidents during the same period in 2022**. At least **1,411 of the total incidents could be clearly linked to the Israel-Hamas war**.”

*[*What ADL failed to note was that the “pro-Palestinian protester,” & accused murderer, was a devout Muslim Computer Science lecturer at California State University-Northridge]*

*20-Year ADL Data “Substrate” to These Current Findings
(Complemented by Independent Data Validating These Findings)*

2004 ADL Questionnaire used to determine ADL Index Score* of Extreme Antisemitism**

- [1.] Jews don't care what happens to anyone but their own kind.*
- [2.] Jews are more willing than others to use shady practices to get what they want.*
- [3.] Jews are more loyal to Israel than to this country.*
- [4.] Jews have too much power in the business world.*
- [5.] Jews have lots of irritating faults.*
- [6.] Jews stick together more than other citizens. (of respondent's country of residence)*
- [7.] Jews always like to be at the head of things.*
- [8.] Jews have too much power in international financial markets.*
- [9.] Jews have too much power in our country today.*
- [10.] Jewish business people are so shrewd that others do not have a fair chance to compete.*
- [11.] Jews are just as honest as other business people.* (*frequency of respondents that disagreed with this)*

**** [1] to [10] created by asking whether the negative stereotypes, above, are “probably true”; Respondents who said at least 6 out of 11 statements are “probably true” for statements 1 to 10, or probably false” for statement 11, are considered to harbor extreme antisemitic attitudes.**

“Attitudes Toward Jews, Israel and the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict in Ten European Countries.” April, 2004. 34pp.

https://www.adl.org/sites/default/files/documents/assets/pdf/israel-international/european_attitudes_april_2004.pdf

Multivariable-adjusted analysis* of 2004 ADL Western European data, including Muslim subsample, demonstrating ~8-fold excess risk of extreme Antisemitism among Muslims

Table 3. Multifactor Logistic Model *Predicting Extreme Antisemitism* Controlling for Country of Residence, Age, Religion, Income, Gender, Contact with Jews, Commonality with Other Races/Religions, and Attitudes Toward Immigrants.

Religion (Relative to Christianity)	Odds ratio	95% Confidence Interval	
		Lower	Upper
Islam	7.80	4.69	12.98

Edward H. Kaplan. Charles H. Small. “Anti-Israel Sentiment Predicts Anti-Semitism in Europe.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 2006; vol. 50, no, 4, pp, 548-561.

2014 Questionnaire used to determine ADL Index Score* of Extreme Antisemitism

Antisemitic stereotypes

- 1) Jews are more loyal to Israel than to [this country/the countries they live in].
- 2) Jews have too much power in the business world.
- 3) Jews have too much power in international financial markets.
- 4) Jews don't care about what happens to anyone but their own kind.
- 5) Jews have too much control over global affairs.
- 6) People hate Jews because of the way Jews behave.
- 7) Jews think they are better than other people.
- 8) Jews have too much control over the United States government.
- 9) Jews have too much control over the global media.
- 10) Jews still talk too much about what happened to them in the Holocaust.
- 11) Jews are responsible for most of the world's wars.



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<https://web.archive.org/web/20190401023041/http://global100.adl.org/public/ADL-Global-100-Executive-Summary.pdf>

ADL country data, 2014:

The 16 countries with the highest prevalence of **Extreme Antisemitism** are ALL in the Muslim Middle East/ North Africa

West Bank/Gaza (93%)		United Arab Emirates (80%)
Iraq (92%)		Morocco (80%)
Yemen (88%)		Qatar (80%)
Algeria (87%)		Jordan (80%)
Libya (87%)		Lebanon (78%)
Tunisia (86%)		Oman (76%)
Kuwait (82%)		Egypt (75%)
Bahrain (81%)		Saudi Arabia (74%)

ADL Global 100: A Survey of Attitudes Toward Jews in Over 100 Countries Around the World

<https://web.archive.org/web/20190401023041/http://global100.adl.org/public/ADL-Global-100-Executive-Summary.pdf>

ADL data, 2014, global assessment:

Muslims > 2-fold more likely to be extremely antisemitic than members of other religions.



Religion source: <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/xx.html>



**ADL country data, 2015-2023:
Disproportionate extreme antisemitism in Western Europe,
and the United States, by religious affiliation with Islam**

Country	Muslims	Christians or non-Muslims
France	62%	15%
Belgium	58%	22%
United Kingdom	54%	22%
Germany	49%	14%
Spain	46%	27%
Italy	43%	18%
United States	34%	14%

<https://global100.adl.org/map/weurope;>

<https://www.adl.org/resources/press-release/first-new-adl-poll-finds-majority-americans-concerned-about-violence>

ADL Repeatedly Ignores, or Downplays, the Disproportionate Muslim Antisemitism Revealed by its Own Surveys (I)

- **Contributes (perhaps significantly) to the general unfamiliarity with these striking data**

Salient example 1, 2004 (2006):

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ADL data from 2004 upon which study, below, was based:

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“Anti-Israel Sentiment Predicts Anti-Semitism in Europe.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 2006; vol. 50, no. 4, pp. 548-561.

The study authors confirmed their rather mundane *a priori* hypothesis: Anti-Israel sentiment was a strong, independent predictor of Antisemitism. *De-emphasized, and noted only in passing by these authors, was a much more original, and striking finding*: In a controlled comparison to Western European Christians, Western European Muslims were nearly *8-fold* more likely to evidence extreme Antisemitism, as gauged by agreement with at least 6 of 11 Antisemitic stereotypes. *More disturbing, & auguring a pattern of deliberate minimization which persists to this day, the original 2004 34pp. ADL survey report of 2004 made no mention of the Muslim sample at all!*

Another striking example of ADL blithely ignoring the implications of its 2004 data

- **Virulent (since the early 1970s*) Muslim Jew-hater, & Turkish leader, Erdogan received the 2005 ADL “Courage to Care Award”**

***Erdogan wrote, produced, & starred in the viciously Antisemitic play, “Mas-Kom-Ya”** in the early 1970s, & joined the traditionally Islamic Jew-hating &-baiting fundamentalist Turkish Muslim political movement spearheaded by Necmettin Erbakan (who became a Turkish PM)**



Turkey's Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan receives the ADL's 'Courage to Care' award from ADL National Director Abraham Foxman in New York. June 10, 2005. (Photo: jta.org)

ADL presentation to Erdogan, 2005: <https://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-3098827,00.html>

*Erdogan background: <https://www.andrewbostom.org/2019/03/mas-kom-yah-erdogan-mainstream-islams-most-influential-muslim-of-2019/>

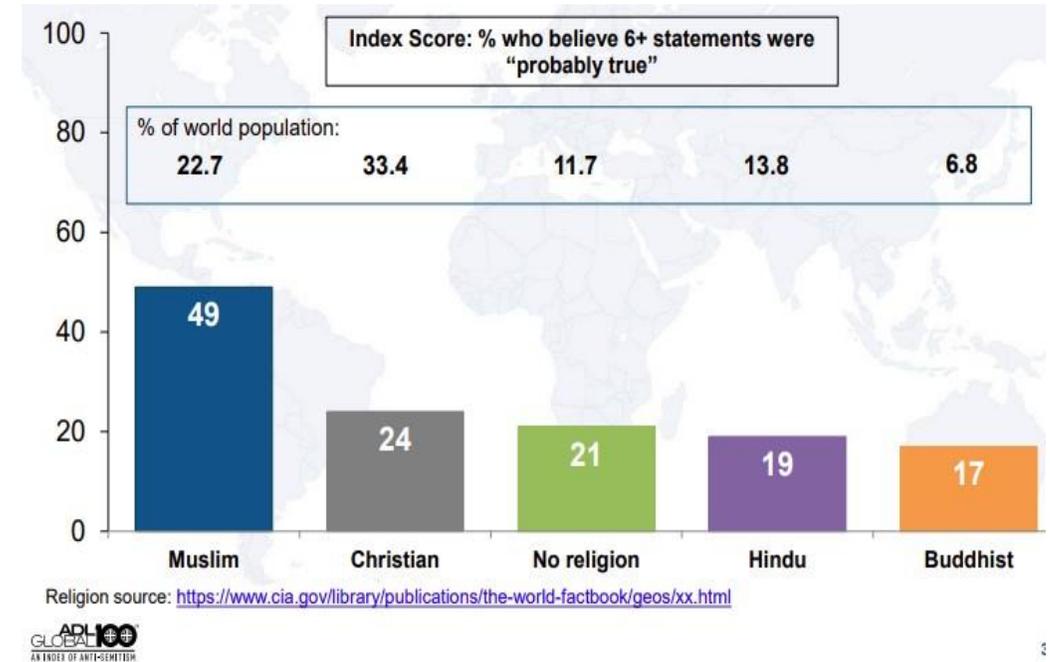
****** *“The synopsis is crystal clear. The son of a religious Muslim family, **played by Erdogan**, returns to Turkey after being sent to Europe. He declares that he no longer believes in Allah and considers his parents as retarded. **The father also sees his factory taken over and occupied by the Communists, whose leader is Jewish/Zionist. The latter then turns against the workers and reduces them to slavery, giving way to the poem that concludes the play: “The red bastard.” There is talk of permanent drinking, decadence, and women turned into sex objects (led by the ‘Zionist Jew’).**”*

ADL Repeatedly Ignores, or Downplays, the Disproportionate Muslim Antisemitism Revealed by its Own Surveys (II)

Salient example 3, 2014

Without any evidence ADL conducted the controlled, multivariable-adjusted analyses published in 2006 ([p.2](#)), being Muslim was **omitted** ([p.10](#)) from the purported, “*Factors that are predictors of Antisemitic views.*”

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ADL data from 2014:

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Salient examples 4-7, from W. Europe & the U.S., 2015-2023

2015—rates were “*lower than corresponding figures of 75% in 2014 for Muslims in the Middle East and North Africa.*”

2017—ignoring the 2.4-fold excess rate of extreme Muslim Antisemitism among American Muslims, i.e., 34%, relative to 14% in American non-Muslims—consistent with global patterns ADL has detected for at least the past decade—the report [chirped](#), “*that is far lower than Muslims in Europe, where 55% hold these views, and the Middle East/North Africa, where 75% hold (extreme) Antisemitic views.*”

2019—listing the Muslim data as the ***last*** of six bullet points—ADL grudgingly [acknowledged](#), “*Muslim acceptance of Antisemitic stereotypes was substantially higher than among the national populations—on average almost three times as high—in the six countries tested: Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, and The United Kingdom.*” ADL also [failed](#) to note how compared to Western European Christians, **specifically**, Muslims remained three times more likely to harbor extreme Antisemitic attitudes.

2023—ADL’s 22pp. summary report of its most recent survey of 6 Western and 4 Eastern European countries (published [May, 2023](#)), **makes no mention whatsoever of extreme Muslim Antisemitism, while emphasizing (p.17) alleged, “high concern over right wing violence.”**

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ADL data from 2015-2023: <https://www.adl.org/resources/press-release/new-adl-poll-finds-dramatic-decline-anti-semitic-attitudes-france#.Vn8RAMtOnqA>;
<https://www.adl.org/resources/press-release/first-new-adl-poll-finds-majority-americans-concerned-about-violence>; <https://www.adl.org/resources/press-release/adl-global-survey-18-countries-finds-hardcore-anti-semitic-attitudes-remain>; https://www.adl.org/sites/default/files/pdfs/2023-05/ADL-Global100-2023_1.pdf

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Salient examples 8-9, 2019

- Not surprisingly, ADL heavily [promoted](#) journalist Bari Weiss' 2019 [pocket book](#), "*How To Fight Anti-Semitism.*" Weiss disregarded the major findings of ADL's [2014](#) global survey: namely, that the 16 most Antisemitic countries in the world were all Arab Muslim, with a prevalence of extreme Antisemitism of from 74% to 93%, and that Muslims worldwide exhibited a 2- to 3-fold excess prevalence of extreme Antisemitism, relative to those professing Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism, or no faith. Bari Weiss' reductio ad absurdum "assessment" omitted those data noting ([p. 141](#)), in lieu, "*a 2014 ADL survey which looked at attitudes toward Jews in 100 countries found that...only 8% of respondents in the Middle East and North Africa had heard of the Holocaust and believed it actually happened.*"
- Finally, during an April, 2019 U.S. Congressional [hearing](#), in "response" to Zionist Organization of America President Mort Klein's presentation of ADL data such as the [2014](#) global survey illustrating the 16 countries with the highest prevalence of extreme Antisemitism—all of them, Arab Muslim societies whose populations are 90-100% Muslims (with the exception of 60% Muslim majority, Lebanon)—ADL's Eileen Hershenov, Senior VP for Policy, had the temerity to portray, the virulently Antisemitic Muslim denizens of these countries, [as follows](#) :

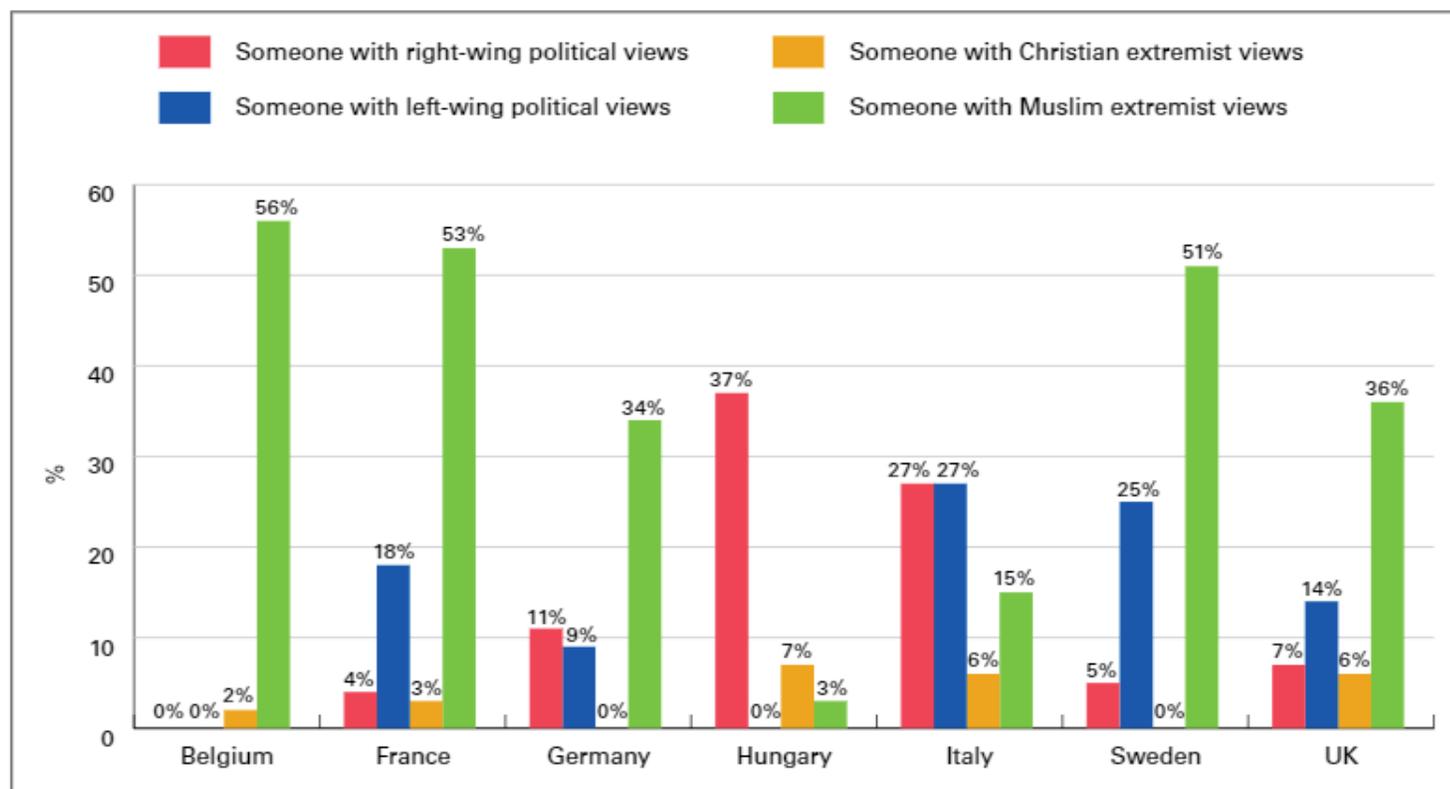
"One of the witnesses (Klein) talked about global attitudes that we look at...and the ADL does track that...[V]ulnerable, marginalized communities have bigotry within them."

References: <https://twitter.com/bariweiss/status/1191844608923328513?lang=en>; <https://www.amazon.com/How-Fight-Anti-Semitism-Bari-Weiss/dp/0593136055>; <https://web.archive.org/web/20190413134213/https://judiciary.house.gov/legislation/hearings/hate-crimes-and-rise-white-nationalism>; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vo7Tk3nWXhc>

Independent Findings Corroborating ADL's Data, But Examining *Antisemitic Violence & Violent Threats*, Across Europe

Gross 2.2-fold excess occurrence of non-lethal violence, or violent threats against Western European Jews, by Muslims, relative to non-Muslims, collectively, who held designated, “right-wing”, “left-wing”, or “Christian extremist” views, as identified by their Jewish victims.

Figure 30: The FRA survey: Thinking about the incident in which somebody attacked or threatened you in a way that frightened you because you are Jewish – who did this to you? (n=403)



Reference: Dencik, L., & Marosi, K. (2017). Different antisemitisms: Perceptions and experiences of antisemitism among Jews in Sweden and across Europe. (February 2017 ed.) Jewish Policy Research Institute, London., p.27 https://rucforsk.ruc.dk/ws/portalfiles/portal/60998881/JPR_2017_Different_Antisemitisms_in_Sweden_and_across_Europe.pdf

Palestinian Muslim Attitudes Toward Hamas, Just Before, & Since, October 7, 2023

- Palestinian [polling data](#) obtained by the *Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research*, (PCPSR) Bir Zeit University, Research from face-to-face interviews of 1270 adults, obtained **June 7th to 11th, 2023**, confirmed the public preference for Hamas over Fatah: **Hamas polled 10% higher than Fatah on the question of “deserving to represent the people,” while Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh was preferred by 23% more Palestinians than Fatah leader Mahmoud Abbas, to be President.**
- Released Nov. 14, 2023, 668 Palestinians polled (391 West Bank; 277 Gaza) by *Arab World for Research & Development*: “How much do support the military operation carried out by the **Palestinian resistance** led by Hamas?” **75% extremely or somewhat supportive, 59.3% extremely; 15.7% somewhat.** Also reported these “favorability’s”: **Hamas 76%, but Palestinian Authority only 10%**; Highest favorability among designated military/jihad terror organizations: **Al Qassam Brigades 89%; Islamic Jihad 84%; Al Aqsa Brigades 80%**
- PCPSR poll released Dec 13, 2023, n=1231 adults interviewed face to face 750 West Bank /481 in Gaza Strip: **72% (82% in the West Bank/57% in Gaza) said Oct 7th jihadist attack was “correct decision”.** **Satisfaction with the role of Hamas was the highest—72% ; (85% West Bank/ 52% Gaza) followed by the role played by Hamas leader Sinwar 69% (81% West Bank/ 52% Gaza), vs. only 14% for the PA (10% West Bank/21% Gaza), & 11% for PA/Fatah leader Mahmoud Abbas (7% West Bank/ 17% Gaza).** **54% believed that Hamas is the most deserving of representing & leading the Palestinian people, while 13% believed that Fatah under the leadership of Abbas is more deserving.** For the Arab regional actors, **the highest level of satisfaction went to Houthi-dominated Yemen 80% (89% West Bank/ 68% Gaza), followed by Qatar, 56%.**

References:

<https://pcpsr.org/en/node/944>; <https://www.awrad.org/files/server/polls/polls2023/Public%20Opinion%20Poll%20-%20Gaza%20War%202023%20-%20Tables%20of%20Results.pdf> ;
<https://pcpsr.org/en/node/961>

Dec 2023/Early Jan 2024 Poll Representing ~95% of Arab Muslims Finds Overwhelming Support For Hamas' Oct 7th Attacks

Poll of 8000 Arab Muslims conducted by The Arab Center for Research and Policy conducted from Dec 12, 2023 to Jan 5, 2024, in Mauritania, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Sudan, Yemen, Oman, Qatar, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, and the West Bank, Palestine (including Jerusalem). *"The surveyed communities represent 95% of the population of the Arab region and its far-flung regions. The sample in each of the communities was 500 men and women."*

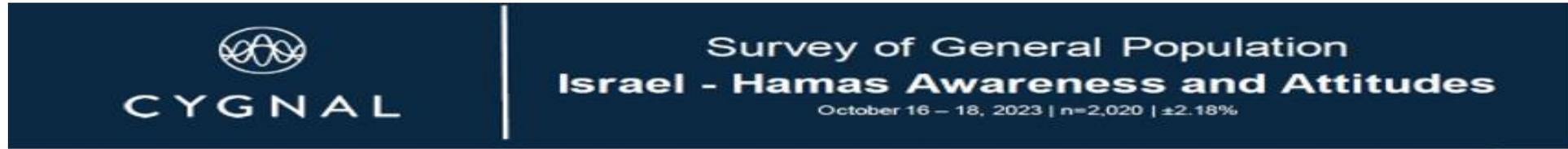
~90 of the respondents felt the Oct 7, 2023 Jihad Carnage by Hamas was "a legitimate resistance operation"

- 67%, unequivocally "a legitimate resistance operation"
- 19%, "a somewhat flawed, but legitimate resistance operation"
- 3%, "a legitimate resistance operation that involved criminal acts"

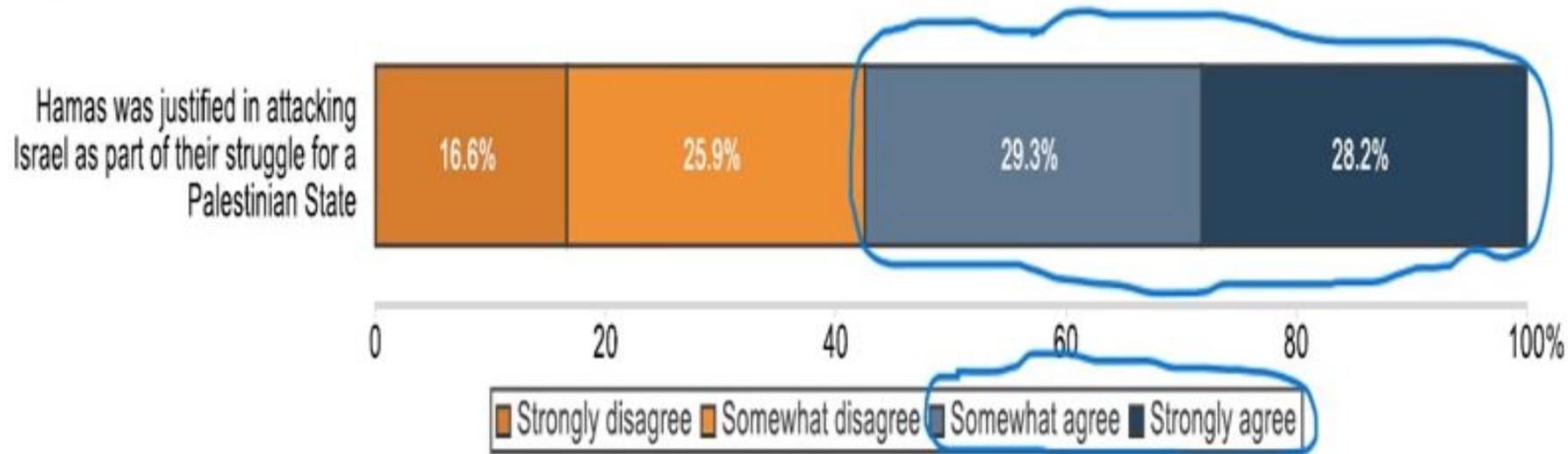
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<https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/the-arab-center-for-research-and-policy-studies-announces-results-of-public-opinion-poll-regarding-the-israeli-war-on-gaza-302032988.html>

U.S. Muslims Polled After Hamas' October 7, 2023 Jihad Carnage in Israel



Attitudes Response (Muslim Americans)



~58% of US Muslims* Agree Hamas JIHAD CARNAGE—Murder, Rape, Mutilation, & Burning of Primarily Non-Combatant Israelis—“was justified”
(* ~2.3-fold > the 25% of Americans, overall)

From Polling Data, to Animating Religious Ideology

1988 Hamas Charter Features:

- First statement, even before the Preamble, is Qur'an 3:112, a sacred Islamic religious justification for the permanent degradation of the Jews because of their alleged "transgressions"
- Preamble extols the Muslim Brotherhood, & Hamas' connection to it
- Article 7 features a canonical tradition of Muhammad, where he claims the Jews must be annihilated to usher in the messianic age
- Article 15 summons the global Muslim community ("umma") to join Hamas in waging a jihad to destroy Israel as a political entity

Unique 2011 polling data by Greenberg et al querying agreement with these key elements of articles 7 & 15 in the Hamas Charter. 1,010 Palestinian Muslims in the West Bank & Gaza, were polled, face to face in Arabic.

Results:

- ***"When given a quote from the Hamas Charter about the need for battalions from the Arab & Islamic world to defeat the Jews (Article 15), 80% agreed."***
- ***"73% agreed with a quote from the charter (and a hadith, or tradition ascribed to the prophet Muhammad, in Article 7) about the need to kill Jews hiding behind stones and trees."***

References: The Hamas Covenant <https://www.memri.org/reports/covenant-islamic-resistance-movement-%E2%80%93-hamas>;

Qur'an 3:112 <https://corpus.quran.com/translation.jsp?chapter=3&verse=112>; Sahih Muslim 2922; Sahih Muslim Vol. 7, Book of Tribulations and Portents of the Last Hour, Hadith 6985

<https://amrayn.com/muslim:2922>; Greenberg survey, 2011 <https://www.jpost.com/Diplomacy-and-Politics/6-in-10-Palestinians-reject-2-state-solution-survey-finds>

Al-Azhar University, Sunni Islam's Vatican, & Its 75-Year Promotion of Jihad War Against Israel

- ***“For over a thousand years, Al-Azhar (University) has stood as a beacon of Islamic learning,”*** declared then POTUS Obama, during his much ballyhooed June, 2009 address in Cairo, Egypt. Obama further opined that ***“Islam—at places like Al-Azhar,”*** maintains ***“a proud tradition of tolerance.”***
- **Indeed, since the end of the 12th century C.E., Al-Azhar University (& its mosque) has been recognized as the foremost center of Sunni Muslim religious teaching, & dubbed by Egyptian observers as a de facto *“Vatican of Islam on theological issues.”***
- **On Oct 7, 2023, Al-Azhar celebrated the brutal jihad carnage of Hamas as *“the resistance efforts of the proud Palestinian people.”***
- **By Oct 19, 2023, Al-Azhar issued a formal *“fatwa,”* or religious edict, declaring that *ALL* Israelis were legitimate targets of jihad**
- **This fatwa marked a continuum of such edicts issued by Al-Azhar since 1947 (just after the U.N. Partition Plan for Palestine was accepted by the Jews); twice in 1948 (at the beginning & end of the 1948 war); 1956* (9-months before the Sinai war); 1967 (at the outset of the 6-day war); & 1973 (at the outset of the Yom Kippur War)**
- **In 1968*, Al-Azhar held a conference for religious leaders from the entire Muslim world, dedicated (largely) to an annihilationist jihad to destroy Israel**

Al-Azhar University, 1956 Fatwa(s) on the Jihad Against Israel

Seven years after the 1949 armistice agreements, two complementary fatwas, one by then grand mufti of Egypt, Sheikh Hasan Ma'moun, written January 5, 1956, and another January 9, 1956, signed by the leading members of the Fatwa Committee of Al Azhar, and Al Azhar's major representatives of all four Sunni Islamic schools of jurisprudence, re-stated and elaborated the rationale for the jihad against the Jews of Israel. Bearing in mind that Egypt then occupied Gaza, & Jordan occupied Judea-Samaria (the West Bank), nonetheless, these religious rulings maintained that all of historical Palestine—modern Jordan, Israel, & the disputed territories of Judea & Samaria, as well as Gaza—**having been conquered by jihad, was a permanent possession of the global Muslim umma (community), “fay territory”—booty or spoils—to be governed eternally by Islamic law.**

(Fatwas consolidated):

*“Muslims cannot conclude peace with those Jews who have usurped the territory of Palestine & attacked its people & their property **in any manner which allows the Jews to continue as a state in that sacred Muslim territory.** [As] **Jews have taken a part of Palestine and there established their non-Islamic government and have also evacuated from that part most of its Muslim inhabitants. . . . Jihad . . . to restore the country to its people . . . is the duty of all Muslims, not just those who can undertake it.** And since all Islamic countries constitute the abode of every Muslim, the Jihad is imperative for both the Muslims inhabiting the territory attacked, and Muslims everywhere else because even though some sections have not been attacked directly, the attack nevertheless took place on a part of the Muslim territory which is a legitimate residence for any Muslim... Everyone knows that from the early days of Islam to the present day the Jews have been plotting against Islam and Muslims and the Islamic homeland. They do not propose to be content with the attack they made on Palestine and Al Aqsa Mosque, but they plan for the possession of all Islamic territories from the Nile to the Euphrates.*

Al-Azhar University, 1968 “4th Conference of the Academy of Islamic Research” in Cairo

Convened a year after Israel’s decisive victory during the 1967 war, assembled prominent Muslim theologians not only from the Middle East, but Asia, Africa, & Europe. This seminal, if ugly Conference, marked the formal abandonment of pseudo-secular “Arab Nationalism,” in lieu of jihadism & Islamic Jew-hatred, as guiding ideological rationales for the simmering conflict with Israel.

6 key recurring themes, as summarized late historian, David Littman :

- 1) “Jews are frequently denoted as the ‘Enemies of Allah’”
- 2) “Jews manifest in themselves an historical continuity of evil qualities...as described in the Qur’an”
- 3) “The Jews do not constitute a true people or nation”
- 4) “The State of Israel is the culmination of the historical and cultural depravity of the Jews...It has to be destroyed by a Jihad”
- 5) “The superiority of Islam over all other religions is brandished as a guarantee that the Arabs will ultimately triumph”
- 6) “It is outrageous for the Jews, traditionally kept by Arab Islam in a humiliated, inferior status, and characterized as cowardly, to defeat the Arabs, have their own State, and cause the contraction of the ‘abode of Islam’”

Littman’s analysis of the 935 pp. Conference Proceedings in 1971, concluded Al Azhar was promoting ideas which,

“lead to the urge to liquidate Israel, politicide, & the Jews, genocide. If the evil of the Jews is immutable & permanent, transcending time and circumstances, & impervious to all hopes of reform, there is only one way to cleanse the world of them—by their complete annihilation.”

Late Al-Azhar University Grand Imam (Sunni “Papal Equivalent”) Tantawi (d. 2010), [I]

- Muhammad Sayyid Tantawi, Grand Imam from 1996 to 2010
- One of the most revered modern authorities on Qur’anic interpretation, having edited a magnum opus 15 vol contemporary Qur’anic commentary. He also helped create the largest online website of classical & contemporary Qur’anic commentaries.
- Earlier, Tantawi’s 766 pp. Al-Azhar University Ph.D. thesis, (in English translation, *Jews in the Qur’an and Traditions*; completed 1966, published 1968), provided a summary gloss on the Qur’anic depiction of Jews.
- As Grand Imam, Tantawi, in April 2002, referred to Israeli Jews, as “*enemies of Allah, descendants of apes and pigs.*” (Qur’an 5:60)
- That same month, he sanctioned homicide bombing “martyrdom” operations against “*any Israeli, including children, women, and teenagers,*” notwithstanding the gruesome Netanya Passover homicide bomber massacre just beforehand, on March 27, 2002.

Late Al-Azhar University Grand Imam (Sunni “Papal Equivalent”) Tantawi (d. 2010), [II]

From Tantawi’s 1966-68, “Jews in the Qur’an & Traditions”:

*“(The) Qur’an describes the Jews with their own particular degenerate characteristics, i.e. killing the prophets of Allah (see Qur’an [2:61](#)/[3:112](#)), corrupting His words by putting them in the wrong places ([4:46](#)), consuming the people’s wealth frivolously ([4:161](#)), refusal to distance themselves from the evil they do ([3:120](#); [5:79](#)), and other ugly characteristics caused by their deep-rooted (lascivious) envy ([2:109](#))...only a minority of the Jews keep their word...[A]ll Jews are not the same. The good ones become Muslims (Qur’an [3:113](#)), the bad ones do not...[T]he Jews always remain maleficent deniers....they should desist from their negative denial...some Jews went way overboard in their denying hostility, so gentle persuasion can do no good with them, **so use force with them** and treat them in the way you see as effective **in ridding them of their evil**. One may go so far as to ban their religion, their persons, their wealth, and their villages.”*

From Tantawi’s 1992, “The Broad Interpretation of the Holy Qur’an”:

The gloss from his contemporary Qur’anic commentary on Qur’an 5:60, (which dubs the Jews “apes and pigs”) condemned in broad terms, **“the corrupt thinking and false assumptions and claims of the Jews.”** It further maintained **“what you [the Jews] claim is even more evil as shown in the penalty that has befallen you as you have been cursed and become estranged from Allah’s mercy and compassion, and what has befallen your ancestors, of whom some were transformed into apes, others into pigs.”**

Current (since 2010) Al-Azhar University Grand Imam al-Tayeb

Ahmad al-Tayeb, former mufti of Egypt, Al-Azhar President, & since 2010, Grand Imam of Al-Azhar.

- **Sanctioned homicide bombing against all Israeli Jews in 2007**
- **Claimed in 2014 & 2018 the internecine strife in the Muslim world caused by ISIS & other jihad terror groups, was a Zionist plot**
- **In 2018 he further insisted the “Zionist entity” will “march on the Kaaba [central stone structure in Islam’s holy mosque in Mecca] & on the Prophet’s mosque [in Medina]. This is on their minds & in their hearts.”**
- **Nonetheless, he also stated in 2018, “the issue of antisemitism is a lie that continues to deceive nations to this day.”**

Tayeb, during 2013 and 2017 Egyptian national television interviews, rationalized permanent Muslim hatred of Jews by riveting on Qur’an 5:82, which epitomized an alleged 1400 years of Muslim “suffering from Jewish and Zionist interference.” From his 2013 interview:

*“A verse in the Qur’an explains the Muslims’ relations with the Jews...This is an historical perspective, which has not changed to this day. See how we suffer today from global Zionism and Judaism...Since the inception of Islam 1,400 years ago, we have been suffering from Jewish and Zionist interference in Muslim affairs. This is a cause of great distress for the Muslims. The Qur’an said it and history has proven it: **‘You shall find the strongest among men in enmity to the believers to be the Jews’...**”*

Habib Umar bin Hafiz, the 2023/24 “World’s Most Influential Muslim” (I)

Toward the end of each year, The Royal Islamic Strategic Studies Center (RISSC) in Amman, Jordan—a pre-eminent avatar of mainstream, “moderate Islam”—issues its annual rankings of “The World’s 500 Most Influential Muslims.” This year’s top ranking was bestowed upon **Yemeni theologian Habib Umar bin Hafiz**, *“one of the foremost scholars, spiritual guides, and preachers within the Islamic tradition today,”* whose direct influence extends to *“hundreds of millions of Muslims around the globe.”* Upon release of the rankings in early October, 2023, a fawning report gushed that Habib Umar bin Hafiz *“played an instrumental role in shaping the ethical and moral compass”* of Muslims worldwide, concluding he represented, *“the true essence of the religion [Islam]—one that promotes peace, tolerance, and understanding.”*

- On 10/10/23, ignoring the precipitating murderous brutality wrought by Hamas just 3-days earlier, & anticipating Israel’s understandable defensive response, bin Hafiz launched into a diatribe against Jews employing standard Qur’anic motifs of sacralized Jew-hatred, “spreading corruption” (5:33; 5:64), and “propagating falsehood” (3:75; 5:41). He concluded with a genocidal declaration, repeating the canonical tradition of Jew-annihilation attributed to Muhammad himself, & also featured in Hamas’ Covenant, article 7: *“When one of them seeks refuge under a tree and stone, the trees and the stones will cry out, ‘Oh Muslim, Oh servant of Allah! Behind me is a Jew, come and kill him.’ This was repeated by the most truthful of people. No doubt that day will surely come.”*

Habib Umar bin Hafiz, the 2023/24 “World’s Most Influential Muslim” (II)

A more recent pronouncement by bin Hafiz (12/15/23) repeated the charge that Jews/Zionists fuel discord and corruption, & claimed they lie and deceive in a manner that *“is more disgusting & foul than people realize,”* before insisting all Muslims have always been the target of the Jews’ conspiratorial treachery:

“The war they wage is the same type of war from the very beginning [of Islam]. It is a war born of hatred (5:82)...You are their target. Your religion [Islam] is their target. Their aim is to destroy the Islamic laws! Their aim is to claim the earth is theirs! It is hostility towards Muhammad...It is hatred toward his divine message and revelation...It is hatred towards companions, pure family, and his Ummah (entire Muslim community). It is hatred towards the laws of the religion [Islam]...[The Jews are] the leadership of disbelief on the earth! ‘If they attack your faith, fight the leaders of disbelief. They never honor their oaths, so fight them (9:12).’...They killed prophets (2:61; 2:91; 3:112; 3:181). They have been doing this from the very beginning...So what do you expect from them? ‘Hatred has become evident from their mouths (3:118)’...‘If good befalls you it grieves them, and if harm afflicts you, they rejoice (3:120).’”

Omar Suleiman, U.S. Muslim “Thought Leader” & (2019) Congressional Invocation Imam

Imam Omar Suleiman gave a U.S. Congressional invocation May 9, 2019, & has participated in high profile “interfaith dialogue” events including Thursday March 5, 2020, at North Carolina State University, with J.D. Greear of the Southern Baptist Convention. Both the Democrats who invited him to “prayerfully” address Congress, & Mr. Greear, were willfully blind to Suleiman’s open espousal of Sharia supremacism, & traditionalist Islamic Jew-hatred.

Suleiman has defended Sharia punishments for adultery [stoning] & theft [amputation], advocated for both “societal Sharia” & a Caliphate, so that Sharia could “be applied in totality,” & even defended Muslim concubinage and sex-slavery.

He is also a virulent Muslim Jew-hater, who proudly lauds Islam’s Antisemitic canon, in particular, the Qur’anic epithet (Qur’an 5:60) for Jews as “apes and pigs,” elaborated at length during a 5-part, nearly 6-hour 2012 lecture series, “**Lost Chronicles of Bani Israel**,” still available online. The usage, “**brothers of apes and pigs**,”* **Suleiman maintains is appropriate for most Jews, given their inveterate Qur’anic predilection for deceit, endeavoring “to take Allah for a fool.”**

(*’brothers of apes/monkeys” is the usage Islam’s prophet invoked while besieging the Jewish tribe Banu Qurayza)

Artist's Rendition of Ibn Ishaq's Description of Muhammad Beheading the Surrendered Males of the Jewish Tribe Banu Qurayza

"When the apostle [Muhammad] approached their forts he said, 'You brothers of monkeys, has Allah disgraced you, & brought his vengeance?'"

... "Then they [the men, including post-pubescent boys, of the Jewish tribe] surrendered, and the apostle confined them in Medina... Then the apostle went out to the market of Medina and dug trenches in it. Then he sent for them and struck off their heads in those trenches as they were brought out to him in batches... There were 600 or 700 in all, though some put the figure as high as 800 or 900... This went on until the apostle made an end of them."

From: "The Life of Muhammad—A Translation of Ibn Ishaq's Sirat Rasul Allah," translated by A. Guillaume, & first published, 1955, pp. 461,464



Mainstream Islamic Jew-Hatred Preached From U.S. Mosques, Post-October 7th, Example 1

Imam Alhagie Jallow was born in Gambia (1987), & completed his memorization of the Qur'an while studying in Senegal. Later he studied at the Islamic University of Imam Muhammad bin Saud in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

“During his seven years of study in Riyadh, Alhagie graduated with a degree in Sharia and learned from some of the foremost Islamic scholars of our age including Sheikh Sadhan, Sheikh Abdullah ibn Jibreen, & Sheikh Saalih ibn Fawzaan al Fawzaan. **Alhagie became the Imam of the Masjid Us-Sunnah shortly after his visit to Madison in 2009.** More than just leading prayers, **he also conducts lectures, organizes Islamic education classes for children, and meets with non-Muslims to help grow an understanding of the Islamic religion.** Focusing his lectures mainly on authentic Hadith and the Qur'an, he spends time explaining the different schools of teachings in regards to any subject.”

From his sermon 10/13/23, in Madison:

"The only thing that can bring glory to this Islamic nation is the Jihad, which is mentioned in the Quran and the hadiths of the Prophet Muhammad. The only thing that can bring honor and glory to this nation is Jihad... Oh Jews, you unjust, criminal, corrupt oppressors – stop! You will all most definitely be killed. The Jews, the aggressors, the evil... You describe them, what they do. By Allah, all of them [Jews] will be killed by Muslims. They all will be executed by Muslims. They will all be killed, this is a divine promise that will inevitably be fulfilled. This is a promise from Allah and it is going to happen. They will all be killed. They will all be killed, and on that day, the believers will rejoice in Allah's victory."

Mainstream Islamic Jew-Hatred Preached From U.S. Mosques Post-October 7th, Example 2

Imam Umar Mitchell of Masjid Umar Ibn Al-Khattab in Aurora, Colorado taught a Koranic lesson to children at the Colorado Muslims Community Center, October 22, 2023, outlining for his young audience central indelible, pejorative characteristics of the Jews as depicted in the Qur'an:

- He intoned that the Jews are inveterate liars (Qur'an 2:10; 3:75) who never abide their contracts and covenants (2:61; 3:112; 4:155; 5:13), murdered their prophets (2:61; 3:112; 3:181; 4:155), and even attempted to murder Jesus (actually "Isa," a decidedly non-Christian "Muslim Jesus," 4:157).
- Imam Mitchell also recounted the Qur'anic story of Jewish fishermen who were allegedly transformed by Allah into "literal physical monkeys" for fishing on Saturday (2:65; but elaborated in 7:163, 7:164; 7:165; 7:166; verse 5:60 refers to the Jews as "apes and pigs").
- Imam Mitchell concluded that not all Jews are as despicable as their portrayal in the Qur'an but consistent with Qur'an **3:113**, he asserted **only "a couple of them" aren't**.
- Imam Mitchell garnered the following predictable responses from his "successfully" indoctrinated young audience:

[Mitchell] "So I'm going to ask you: If this is the group of people who broke their rules with Allah, should you trust these people today?" [Children]: "No!"

[Mitchell]: "Does this sound like good worshippers?" [Children]: "No!"

[Mitchell]: "He (Allah) made them into monkeys. Literal physical monkeys. Monkeys. Does this sound like a people you want to do business with?" [Children]: "No!"

Mainstream Islamic Jew-Hatred Preached From U.S. Mosques, Post-October 7th, Example 3

From a Friday sermon delivered by Ghaith Arodaki an entrepreneur and a recent graduate of San Jose State University December 29, 2023, at the Islamic Center of Frisco, Texas:

“Every single day, we recite the Al-Fatiha (opening) chapter of the Quran 5X a day,* and at the end, we recite: 'Guide us along the Straight Path, the Path of those You have blessed—not those who have incurred Your wrath, or those who were misguided.' The interpreters explained this verse to mean three categories of people: 'Those who You have blessed,' and they said it means the Muslims. **'Those who have incurred Your wrath.'** **'Those that You have cursed,' they said it [is] meant to be the Jews.**** 'Those who were misguided,' and it was said to be the Christians.”**

*Up to 17X/day accounting for subdivisions of the 5 prayer sessions;

** **Islam’s prophet Muhammad in a canonical tradition (at-Tirmidhi, Vol. 5, Book 44, Hadith 2954) & 90% of classical & modern authoritative Qur’anic commentaries, Sunni & Shiite alike, provide this interpretation**

From, “*The Qur’an: An Encyclopedia*,” a modern compendium of analyses written by 43 Muslim & non-Muslim mainstream academic experts, edited by Oliver Leaman, & published by Routledge, New York, 2006.

“The Prophet [Muhammad] interpreted those who incurred God’s wrath as the Jews and the misguided as the Christians. The Jews, we are told killed many of their prophets and through their character and materialistic tendencies [usurious 2:275, 4:161; greedy/hedonistic 2:96; envious 2:109; hard-hearted 2:74; liars 2:78] have contributed much to moral corruption, social upheaval and sedition in the world [Koran 5:32–33; 5:64] ...[T]hey were readily misled and incurred both God’s wrath and ignominy [2:61; 2:90; 3:112]. As for the Christians...over time they succumbed to the influence of those who had already deviated from the chosen path (5:77).”

What Must Be Done

- **Aggressively bring the ADL data, & other independent validating findings, to the attention of religious & political leaders, & the media**
- **Insist those same religious, political, & media figures discuss & condemn mainstream, institutional Islam's promulgation of Jew-hatred**
- **Public demand—by lay & religious leaders, alike—that mainstream, institutional Islam undergo radical, *mea culpa*-based reform of its Jew-hating theology, akin to the Catholic Church's Nostre Aetate/ Vatican II reforms**