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Myths & Facts: Online Exclusive

Do Palestinian Support the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions Movement Against Israel?

In an effort to delegitimize, isolate and ultimately destroy Israel, organizations around the world have called on universities, governments, labor unions and co-ops to boycott, divest from and sanction Israel (termed the [BDS movement](#)). Supporters claim that international pressure through the BDS movement will help the Palestinian people achieve independence. However, BDS advocates do not support a Palestinian state coexisting beside Israel, do not help individual Palestinian businesses and do not represent the views of the Palestinian Authority or even most Palestinians living in the territories.

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Mitchell Bard in The Jerusalem Post

Time to Banish the 'A' Word

The annual campus hate fests that attempt to tar Israel with a comparison to the discriminatory policies of the old South African regime have come and gone. On most U.S. campuses, they didn't cause a ripple. They've become as predictable and ineffective as the forecasts of Punxsutawney Phil. Events attracted members of the anti-Israel choir and few others and most were eclipsed by

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"peace weeks" sponsored by pro-Israel groups. Much time and energy, however, was devoted to responding to the canard linking Israel and South Africa and too often Israel's defenders played into the delegitimizers' hands by repeating their language. It is time that pro-Israel activists banish the A-word from their vocabulary.

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Fact of the Week

Israeli Agreement with Kenya

Kenyan President Ukuu Kenyatta arrived in Israel on February 23, 2016, the first visit of a Kenyan President to Israel since 1994. Kenyatta is the son of the first Kenyan President Jomo Kenyatta, who solidified a positive relationship with Israel in 1976 when he allowed Israeli jets to refuel in Nairobi during [Operation Entebbe](#) in neighboring Uganda. While visiting Israel in February 2016, President Uhuru Kenyatta asked Israeli business-people and investors to invest in Kenya's infrastructure projects. Kenyatta stressed the need for investment in Kenyan transportation and renewable energy sectors such as electric, wind, geothermal, and solar, to reduce dependence on fossil fuels. A joint bilateral committee was established during the meetings to cooperate on water resources, and the agreement doubles the number of Kenyans who will undergo irrigation agriculture training in Israel.

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Podcast: Start Up Nation For the Humanities

People of the visitor book: Commemorative practices in Jerusalem's war museum

Click the link below to listen to a podcast concerning Prof. Chaim Noy's study of the visitor book at Jerusalem's most celebrated former battlefield, and the glimpse it offers into the make-up of Israeli society today.

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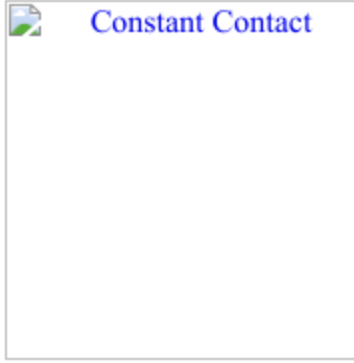


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