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European Union Financing of Organizations
Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

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Executive Summary

1. **This report presents the Ministry of Strategic Affairs' updated research regarding financial aid granted by European Union institutions to Palestinian and European non-governmental organizations which promote boycotts against the State of Israel.** It details the funding provided by the European Union to these organizations in 2017 and multi-year funding beginning in 2018 (for which full data has still not been released by the EU). This report follows the first report by the Strategic Affairs Ministry, released in May 2018, on EU funding during the period of 2016.
2. It should be noted that this report does not cover the entirety of EU funding to anti-Israel boycott organizations, but rather, focuses on the financial support to **ten NGOs active in promoting boycotts of Israel. The research presented covers direct financial aid to these organizations, regardless of the express purpose of the funding.**
3. This approach, which focuses not on the professed purpose of projects listed, but rather on the identities of the organizations receiving the funding, is in line with the findings of the European Court of Auditors report published in December 2018 (Special report no. 35/2018). In this report, **the ECA found a significant lack of transparency within the EU funding mechanisms**, and warned that the European Council does not have sufficient or adequately-detailed information on the actual use of funds transferred to NGOs. It concluded that a greater degree of transparency is required. The ECA report points to the distinct possibility that EU funds may have been used by NGOs for purposes other than for which they were intended.
4. The ECA report reinforces the Ministry of Strategic Affairs' concerns presented in the first "Money Trail" Report (from May 2018) that **EU funds are being used by organizations to promote boycotts against Israel, even if the EU funding has been granted for projects not directly related to promoting boycotts, due to insufficient oversight and information-gathering regarding the actual use of all funds.**
5. In addition, it is clear that money is fungible, and that funding transferred to seemingly legitimate causes enables BDS-promoting NGOs to channel other funds to



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advance the delegitimization and boycott of the State of Israel. Furthermore, the fact that an organization which supports a boycott of Israel is a recipient of EU financial aid, even if for purposes other than boycotting Israel, grants the organization a unique status and an enhanced legitimacy which can assist it in raising funds from other entities for boycott activities. It should be noted that a considerable number of organizations assisted by EU institutions, especially Palestinian organizations, lack transparency, and publish their financial statements irregularly, if at all, thus raising questions about their use of EU funds.

6. The information underlying this report is based mainly on **data published by the EU's Financial Transparency System – FTS**, and on data released by European and Palestinian organizations which promote boycotts against the State of Israel. It should be noted that in some cases, according to the FTS, these organizations receive EU funding in the framework of larger projects carried out jointly with other NGOs. Due to a lack of data, it is not possible to determine what percentage of the grant went to each organization participating in the joint project. It should also be emphasized that as of January 2019, the FTS system does not include data regarding funding transferred in 2018. Where 2018 data is unavailable, our findings are based on data for 2017.
7. In addition to the FTS data, this report identifies data from International Cooperation and Development records of the European Commission, which detail **multiyear direct-funding transfers (apparently beginning in 2018) to Palestinian organizations Al-Haq and Al-Mezan, both of which are prominent promoters of anti-Israel boycotts**. As is well known, **Al-Haq is led by a former senior official of the EU-designated terror organization “The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine”**. Shawan Jabarin, Director-General of Al-Haq, served three years in prison for terrorist activities, and currently employs former PFLP activists, who were also incarcerated due to involvement in terror.
8. **Due to the lack of transparency, both in EU data and among the organizations receiving EU funds, it is difficult to determine the complete amount of funding to organizations promoting boycotts. The Ministry of Strategic Affairs estimates that the figure is well above €5 million per year.** Moreover, some of these



organizations also receive funds directly from EU member states. Therefore, there exists "twofold European funding," both from the EU and from member states.

Israel urges the European Union to immediately implement the following measures:

- 1. Stop funding of organizations promoting boycotts against the State of Israel, and stipulate that any future funding will be contingent on a commitment not to promote such boycotts. In this manner, EU funding will be brought in-line with the declared EU policy of opposition to boycotts and the delegitimization of Israel.**
- 2. Ensure full transparency regarding funds transferred to organizations promoting boycotts, as well as to all NGOs active in the Israeli-Palestinian arena. This includes full transparency regarding the division of funds granted to projects in which several NGOs participate, as well as implementing fully the recommendations in the ECA report.**
- 3. Ensure that EU funds do not reach or benefit EU-designated terrorist groups in any way, including by halting funding to NGOs with connections to terror groups.**



Summary of Findings

Direct Multi-Year Financing of Organizations Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel¹

Organization	HQ	Total support
Al-Haq	PA	€296,600
Al-Mezan	PA	€449,997

Direct Financing to of Organizations Promoting Boycotts against Israel – 2017

Organization	HQ	Total Support
The Palestinian Non-Governmental Organization Network (PNGO)	PA	€1,200,000 (with 3 other organizations, the percentage received by the PNGO is unknown)
Defence for Children International Palestine (DCI-P)	PA	€1,680,534 (2 grants with other organizations, the percentage received by DCI-P is unknown)
Agricultural Development Association	PA	€4,909,942 (with 8 other organizations, the percentage received by the Agricultural Development Association is unknown)
The Applied Research Institute Jerusalem (ARIJ)	PA	€494,361 (with another organization, the percentage received by ARIJ is unknown)
Norwegian People's Aid (NPA)	Norway	€2,300,000
Un Ponte Per	Italy	€2,000,000
CCFD- Terre Solidaire (Comité catholique contre la faim et pour le développement)	France	€798,843 (2 grants with other organizations, the percentage received by CCFD is unknown)
Trocaire	Ireland	€697,466 Direct (2 grants with other organizations, the exact percentage received by Trocaire is known).
		€3,024,423 (4 grants with other organizations, the percentage received by Trocaire is unknown)

¹ Beginning apparently in 2018



Multi-year Financing to Organizations Promoting Boycotts of the State of Israel²

1. Al-Haq

Overview

Al-Haq is a Ramallah-based Palestinian organization, and member of the PHROC (Palestinian Human Rights Organizations Council), established in 1979. The organization promotes boycotts against the State of Israel, and has taken action against the State of Israel in the International Criminal Court (ICC) and the United Nation Human Rights Council (UNHRC).

Examples of Al-Haq Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

- A. Among the actions taken by Al-Haq to promote boycotts and divestment against the State of Israel, has been its very active role in pressuring the United Nation Human Rights Council to publish a "Black List" of companies with some connection to Judea, Samaria and East Jerusalem. In November 2017, it was among the signatories of a declaration calling for the publication of such a list,³ and in November 2018, was among the signatories of a letter to the UN Commissioner of Human Rights urging the creation and publication of a database of companies involved in businesses related to Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.⁴
- B. In 2018, Al-Haq, along with several French organizations, published a report regarding a transportation infrastructure project, urging companies involved in the project to cancel their contracts with Israel's authorities, and to declare their refusal to take part in any project directly or indirectly contributing to communities within the Judea and Samaria regions. The report also urged the French Government to take all necessary measures to prevent any participation or investment of French companies in Israeli communities within Judea and Samaria.

² Beginning apparently in 2018

³ <http://www.eccpalestine.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/MDE1575212017ENGLISH.pdf>

⁴ https://www.business-humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf



- C. In June 2018, Al-Haq published a statement calling for sanctions against the State of Israel.⁵
- D. In 2017, Al-Haq, alongside other French organizations, published a report titled: "The Dangerous Liaisons of French Banks with the Israeli Occupation." The report includes a call for French banks to withdraw direct or indirect financing of Israeli companies and banks which contribute to the development of the "settlements."⁶
- E. Al-Haq is a member of the PHROC,⁷ in the framework of which it signed a petition directed to the UN Secretary-General, urging the termination of all business ties with G4S, due to the company's alleged involvement with "Israeli breaches of human rights."⁸
- F. In 2015, Al-Haq was among the organizations leading the campaign against the presence of the telecommunications company "Orange" in Israel. Al-Haq and other organizations published a report titled "Orange's Dangerous Liaisons in the Occupied Palestinian Territory".

Al-Haq's Ties to Terror⁹

- A. **Shawan Jabarin, Al-Haq's** General Director since 2006,¹⁰ was a senior member of the "Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP)," a terror organization recognized as such by the European Union¹¹. Jabarin maintains links to operatives of the organization in Judea and Samaria. In the 1990s, he was placed in administrative detention numerous times due to his activities as a senior member of the PFLP and served three years in Israeli prison. The judge presiding over his case described Jabarin as a "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde. Some of his time is spent in conducting a human rights organization, and some as an operative in an organization which has no qualms regarding murder and attempted murder, which have no relation whatsoever to

⁵ <http://www.alhaq.org/advocacy/targets/third-party-states/1268-51-years-of-israeli-occupation-11-years-of-closure-of-the-gaza-strip-time-for-action-time-for-sanctions>

⁶ http://www.france-palestine.org/IMG/pdf/les_liaisons_dangereuses_de_banques_franc_aises_avec_la_colonisation_israe_lienne_mars_2017_final.pdf

⁷ https://static1.squarespace.com/static/548748b1e4b083fc03ebf70e/t/5761b801d2b857b357d231c5/1466021891343/PHROC_right+to+BDS.pdf

⁸ <http://bdsberlin.org/2015/09/11/joint-letter-to-un-secretary-general-terminate-contracts-with-g4s/>

⁹ See the report on links between BDS organizations and terror organizations, to be published in the near future.

¹⁰ <https://www.facebook.com/IADH.AIHR/photos/pcb.1437262759634384/1437261506301176/?type=3&theater>

¹¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32014R0790>



rights. Quite the opposite, they reject the most basic right of all, without which there are no other rights, that is, the right to life."¹²

B. Jabarin was a member of the Board of Directors of **Defence for Children International – Palestine (DCI-P)**,¹³ another Palestinian boycott-promoting organization linked to the PFLP (see Pg. 15).

C. Jabarin employs PFLP operatives who served time in Israeli jails for terror-related activities:

- **Ziyad Muhammad Shehadeh Hamedian** – Hamedian works as Al-Haq's Director of Training.¹⁴ He was held in custody in 1996 and during 2005–2007 due to terrorist activities carried out on behalf of the PFLP.
- **Zahi Abd-Al-Hadi Muhammad Jaradat** – Jaradat serves as the Director of Operations, Management and Donations, and oversees the organization's budget.¹⁵ During 1988-1992 Jaradat was held in custody numerous times due to terrorist activities carried out on behalf of the PFLP.
- **Majed Omar Daud Abbadi** – Abbadi worked for Al-Haq as its Director of Planning and Projects until 2016.¹⁶ He was arrested numerous times by Israeli security forces in the early 1990s for terrorist activities carried out on behalf of the PFLP.

¹² <http://www.takdin.co.il/Search/>

¹³ <https://web.archive.org/web/20140906184508/http://www.dci-pal.org/english/display.cfm?DocId=698&CategoryId=16>

¹⁴ In May 2017 he represented the organization in a conference abroad; <http://labaribrahim.unblog.fr/2017/05/>

¹⁵ <http://www.alquds.com/articles/1536989930143132800/> a report from September 15, 2018. Also mentioned are the CEO Jabarin, and Sahar Francis CEO of Addameer, as well as other known Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions personalities.

¹⁶ <https://www.facebook.com/mjabbadi>



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EU Financing

The European Commission's International Cooperation and Development (ICD) records reveal that it awarded Al-Haq a grant based on their proposal for the project, "EuropeAid/154-602/DD/ACT/PS."¹⁷

European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) Country-Based Support Scheme (CBSS) - Budgets 2016 & 2017

and

European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI)-Annual Action Programme (AAP) 2016

Palestine

GRANT CONTRACTS AWARDED DURING 2017 + 2018

FINANCING SOURCE:

LOT 1) BGUE-B2016-21.040100-C1-DEVCO/NEAR & BGUE-B2017-21.040100-C1-DEVCO/NEAR 2

LOT 2) BGUE-B2016-22.040104-C1-NEAR

1. Grants awarded under call for proposals: EuropeAid/154-602/DD/ACT/PS

The document below which lists organizations that won grants based on their proposals show Al-Haq was granted a three-year grant of €296,600:

Contract Number	Beneficiary(ies): Name & Address	Nationality (ISO code)	DAC code	Country/region where the action takes place (ISO code)	Action title	Action location	Action duration (in months)	Grant amount ⁷ (EUR)	Percentage of total eligible action costs (%) financed by the EU
	LOT 2								
ENI/2018/395-142	AL HAQ ASSOCIATION - RAMALLAH MAIN STREET DEIR LATIN BLDG P.O. Box 1413	PS	15160 - Human rights	PS	Righting the Wrong: Empowering Palestinian Civil Society to Promote the Effective Reporting and Implementation on International Rights Instruments Palestine acceded to in 2014	PSE - West Bank and Gaza Strip	36	296,600.00	89.89%

¹⁷ <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?ADSSChck=1528366043663&do=publi.detPUB&searchtype=AS&zgeo=35546&debpub=&orderby=pub&orderbyad=Desc&nbPubliList=15&page=1&aoref=154602>. The relevant document is [e11_publication_of_award_2017+2018.pdf](#)



2. Al-Mezan

Overview

Al-Mezan is a Palestinian organization based in the Gaza Strip. In addition to promoting boycotts, the organization has taken action against the State of Israel in the International Criminal Court (ICC) and the United Nations Human Rights Council. Al-Mezan is a member of PHROC.

Examples of Al-Mezan Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

- A. The organization signed the "Palestinian Civil Society Call for BDS" in 2005.¹⁸
- B. Al-Mezan, alongside other members of the PHROC, signed a letter to the UN Secretary- General urging the creation and publication of a database of any company with business ties to Israeli communities within the Judea and Samaria regions.¹⁹
- C. In 2017, Al-Mezan signed a petition, with other organizations, calling on the UN Human Rights Council to publish a "Black List" of companies with connections to Judea, Samaria and East Jerusalem.²⁰
- D. Al-Mezan, alongside other members of the PHROC, signed a petition directed at the UN Secretary-General, urging the termination of all business links with G4S, due to the company's alleged involvement in "Israeli breaches of human rights."²¹
- E. In 2014, the organization signed, alongside other Palestinian organizations, a public call urging for an intensification of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign directed at the State of Israel.²²

¹⁸ <https://bdsmovement.net/call>

¹⁹ <https://www.business->

humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf

²⁰

<http://www.mezan.org/en/post/22147/Joint+NGO+Statement+in+Support+of+the+UN+Human+Rights+Database+on+Business+Activities+related+to+Settlements+in+the+Occupied+Palestinian+Territory>

²¹ <http://bdsberlin.org/2015/09/11/joint-letter-to-un-secretary-general-terminate-contracts-with-g4s/>

²² <https://web.archive.org/web/20160702123546/http://stopthewall.org/pt-br/node/8875>



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EU Financing

The European Commission's International Cooperation and Development (ICD) records indicate that it awarded Al-Mezan a grant based on their proposal for the project, "EuropeAid/154-602/DD/ACT/PS."²³

European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) Country-Based Support Scheme (CBSS) - Budgets 2016 & 2017

and

European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI)-Annual Action Programme (AAP) 2016

Palestine

GRANT CONTRACTS AWARDED DURING 2017 + 2018

FINANCING SOURCE:

LOT 1) BGUE-B2016-21.040100-C1-DEVCO/NEAR & BGUE-B2017-21.040100-C1-DEVCO/NEAR 2

LOT 2) BGUE-B2016-22.040104-C1-NEAR

1. Grants awarded under call for proposals: **EuropeAid/154-602/DD/ACT/PS**

According to the following document, detailing organizations that won grants based on their proposals, Al-Mezan was granted a three year grant of €449,997.

Contract Number	Beneficiary(ies): Name & Address	Nationality (ISO code)	DAC code	Country/region where the action takes place (ISO code)	Action title	Action location	Action duration (in months)	Grant amount ¹ (EUR)	Percentage of total eligible action costs (%) financed by the EU
	PO BOX 54262 Zip code 91516 JERUSALEM								
NEAR-TS/2018/395-144	AL MEZAN CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS - 5/102 AL MENA OMAR EL MUKHTAR ST Zip code 5270 Location GAZA	PS	15160 - Human rights	PS	Strengthening monitoring, protection and Rehabilitation of Civilians Victimized by, or at risk of, human rights and IHL Violations in Gaza with Relation to Access Restricted Area and Torture.	PSE - West Bank and Gaza Strip	36	449,997.00	90%

²³ <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?ADSSChck=1528366043663&do=publi.detPUB&searchtype=AS&zgeo=35546&debpub=&orderby=pub&orderbyad=Desc&nbPubliList=15&page=1&aoref=154602>. The relevant document is [e11_publication_of_award_2017+2018.pdf](#)



Funding of Organizations Promoting Boycotts, Some with Links to Terror, by the European Union in 2017

3. The Palestinian Non-Governmental Organization Network (PNGO)

Overview

PNGO is an umbrella organization of multiple Palestinian entities, some of which promote the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign against the State of Israel, including: Al-Haq, Badil and Defence for Children International- Palestine (DCI-P).²⁴

Examples of PNGO Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

- A. PNGO is a member of the BNC, the leading Palestinian coalition of Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions groups against the State of Israel.²⁵ The BNC leads a coalition of 29 Palestinian bodies, in which the "Palestinian Council of National and Islamic Forces (PNIF)"²⁶ plays a very prominent role. PNIF is a coordination framework of Palestinian factions (both nationalistic and religious), including terror organizations such as Hamas, Islamic Jihad and the PFLP.²⁷
- B. PNGO, alongside other Palestinian organizations, signed a petition directed to the UN Secretary-General, urging the creation and publication of a database of any company maintaining business ties with Israeli communities within the Judea and Samaria regions.²⁸
- C. In 2015 PNGO signed, along with other Palestinian organizations, a "Nakba Day" declaration, urging governments and international entities to impose "a comprehensive military embargo and suspending free trade agreements and other bilateral agreements until such time as Israel complies with international law, including lifting the siege on Gaza; apply pressure on universities, banks and pension funds to divest from companies profiting from Israel's occupation and war crimes"; and to campaign against Elbit Systems, G4S and HP.²⁹

²⁴ <http://www.pngo.net/our-members>

²⁵ <https://bdsmovement.net/bnc>

²⁶ <https://bdsmovement.net/bnc>

²⁷ See the report on links between BDS organizations and terror organizations, to be published in the near future.

²⁸ [https://www.business-](https://www.business-humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf)

[humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf](https://www.business-humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf)

²⁹ <https://bdsmovement.net/news/nakba-day-palestinian-civil-society-besieged-gaza-decries-collective-failure-ensure>



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- D. In 2014, the organization signed a public petition against the so called "Apartheid Wall," urging for an intensification of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign against the State of Israel.³⁰
- E. In 2014, PNGO's Director signed a public petition to the foreign ministers of EU member states urging them to "suspend the EU-Israel association agreement and to implement a European military embargo on Israel."³¹
- F. In 2012, PNGO organized a workshop on boycotting Israel, with the participation of senior officials in the Palestinian Authority, the Gaza Strip and significant Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions entities. The goal was to spread the idea of promoting boycotts in various institutions and arenas (both politically and academically).³²
- G. PNGO was among the organizers of the first National BDS Conference (2007).³³
- H. In 2007, PNGO was a member of the Palestinian delegation to the World Social Forum held in Kenya. Palestinian civil organizations published a joint declaration on the occasion of the conference, in support of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign.³⁴

³⁰ <https://web.archive.org/web/20160702123546/http://stopthewall.org/pt-br/node/8875>

³¹ <http://www.eccpalestine.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Palestinian-letter-Ashton-18-Sep-2014.pdf>

³² <http://www.alhaya.ps/pdf/2012/3/6/page8.pdf>

³³ <https://www.stopthewall.org/2007/11/18/first-palestinian-conference-boycott-israel-bds>

³⁴ <https://plateforme-palestine.org/Joint-Statement-of-Palestinian,1131>



EU Financing

According to the EU's Financial Transparency System (FTS) data, in 2017 PNGO received jointly with three other organizations €1,200,000 from the European Union.³⁵ We cannot ascertain the exact percentage of the grant which the PNGO received. The following screenshot was taken from the FTS website:

The screenshot displays the Financial Transparency System (FTS) interface. At the top, the European Commission logo and the text 'FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY SYSTEM' are visible. Below this, a navigation bar includes links for 'FTS', 'About', 'FAQ', 'Contact', and 'Help'. The search criteria are set to 'Year 2017', 'Any Country', and 'The Palestinian Non-Governmental Organization Network'. The search results show a single entry for '2017 PALESTINIAN CIVIL SOCIETY PLATFORMS: A VEHICLE FOR GRASSROOTS CIVIL SOCIETY DEVELOPMENT AND POLICY INFLUENCE' with a funding amount of '1,200,000 €' circled in red. The recipient is identified as 'THE PALESTINIAN NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION NETWORK' and the location as 'Occupied Territories - Palestine'. A link to 'and 3 other recipients' is also present.

³⁵ http://ec.europa.eu/budget/fts/index_en.htm



4. Defence for Children International Palestine (DCI-P)

Overview

The Defence for Children International Palestine (DCI-P) is the Palestinian branch of Defence for Children International, focusing on issues pertaining to minors. The organization cooperates with American BDS organizations including US Campaign for Palestinian Rights; American Muslims for Palestine; Jewish Voice for Peace; and the American Friends Service Committee on the campaign "No Way to Treat a Child."³⁶ DCI-P is a member of the PHROC.

Examples of DCI-P Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

- A. The organization signed the 2005 "Palestinian Petition Calling for Boycotts, Divestments and Sanctions against the State of Israel."³⁷
- B. In November 2018 it was among the signatories of a letter to the UN Commissioner of Human Rights, urging the creation and publication of a public and updated database of companies involved in business with Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.³⁸
- C. DCI-P is a member of the PHROC,³⁹ within the framework of which it signed a petition to the UN Secretary-General, urging the termination of all business links with G4S, due to the company's alleged involvement in "Israeli breaches of human rights."⁴⁰
- D. In 2012, DCI-P signed a petition by 12 Palestinian organizations calling to take steps against G4S, including urging public institutions and private companies to terminate their business links with G4S.⁴¹
- E. In August 2015, DCI-P initiated a petition addressed to the President of the United States and to the British Prime Minister against IDF units which allegedly had "violated human rights and international humanitarian law."⁴²

³⁶ <https://nwtac.dci-palestine.org/about>

³⁷ <https://bdsmovement.net/call>

³⁸ <https://www.business->

[humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf](https://www.business-humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf)

³⁹ https://static1.squarespace.com/static/548748b1e4b083fc03ebf70e/t/5761b801d2b857b357d231c5/1466021891343/PHROC_right+to+BDS.pdf

⁴⁰ <http://bdsberlin.org/2015/09/11/joint-letter-to-un-secretary-general-terminate-contracts-with-g4s/>

⁴¹ <https://bdsmovement.net/news/palestinian-civil-society-and-human-rights-organisations-mark-palestinian-prisoners%E2%80%9999-day-call>



DCI-P's Links to Terror

DCI-P maintains links to the terror organization PFLP.⁴³ Former members of the DCI-P board have or are members of the PFLP include:

- A. **Hassan Abed Aljawad** – A former board member of DCI-P,⁴⁴ Aljawad is a leader of the PFLP in the Bethlehem area.⁴⁵
- B. **Halima Abu Saleb** – Saleb was sentenced in the late 1980s to three years in prison for her connections to the PFLP.⁴⁶ She also served as a board member of DCI-P.⁴⁷
- C. **Marie Rock** – A former board member,⁴⁸ Rock campaigned a decade ago to lead the PFLP in the Bethlehem area.⁴⁹
- D. **Hashem Abu Maria** – Maria was an employee of the DCI-P until he was killed during the course of violent riots in the town of Beit Ummar in 2014. In an official announcement by the PFLP's propaganda department, Abu Maria is described as a member and a commander in the organization.⁵⁰
- E. **Mahmoud Jiddeh** – Jiddeh served as a board member of the DCI-P⁵¹ as well as a member of the PFLP. He and his brother were incarcerated for 17 years by Israel for carrying out hand-grenade terror attacks against Israeli citizens in Jerusalem in 1968.⁵² He was arrested again in 2006.⁵³ Jiddeh is a board member and a member of the General Assembly of Addameer, an organization with close ties to the PFLP.⁵⁴

⁴² https://www.dci-palestine.org/campaign_gaza_One_year_on_petition

⁴³ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32014R0790>

⁴⁴ <http://www.maannews.net/Content.aspx?id=840550>

⁴⁵ <http://pflp.ps/ar/post/>; <http://www.maannews.net/Content.aspx?id=244392>

⁴⁶ <https://pulpit.alwatanvoice.com/content/print/94200.html>

⁴⁷ <http://www.maannews.net/Content.aspx?id=840550>

⁴⁸ <http://www.maannews.net/Content.aspx?id=840550>

⁴⁹ <https://www.alwatanvoice.com/arabic/content/print/32255.html>;

<https://www.alwatanvoice.com/arabic/content/print/36243.html>

⁵⁰ <http://pflp.ps/english/2014/08/03/pflp-mourns-comrade-hashem-abu-maria-murdered-by-occupation-forces/>

⁵¹ <http://www.maannews.net/Content.aspx?id=291498>

⁵² <http://www.palestinebehindbars.org/asmamoharron15May2k7.htm>; <http://www.timesofisrael.com/the-old-citys-african-secret/>

⁵³ <http://www.alriyadh.com/138925>

⁵⁴ <http://www.addameer.org/about/board-general-assembly>



EU Financing

According to the EU's Financial Transparency System – FTS data, the DCI-P received from the EU, in 2017, a grant of €981,298 along with three other organizations, and another grant of €699,236 with five other organizations.⁵⁵ The exact percentage of these grants apportioned to the DCI-P cannot be determined.

The following screenshot was taken from the FTS website:

The screenshot displays the Financial Transparency System (FTS) interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the European Commission logo and the text "FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY SYSTEM". Below this, a breadcrumb trail reads "European Commission > Budget > Financial Transparency System (FTS)". A search bar contains the text "DEFENCE FOR CHILDREN INTERNATIONAL PALESTINE SECTI...". Below the search bar, there are tabs for "Summary", "Country", "Responsible Service", "Program", "Recipients", and "Details - 2 results". An "Export" button is also visible. The search results are listed in a table with two entries:

Year	Program	Amount	Country
2017	PREVENTION, MITIGATION AND REHABILITATION FOR PALESTINIAN CHILDREN EXPOSED TO TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT.	981,298 €	Occupied Territories - Palestine
2017	STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE AND SOCIAL COHESION IN EAST JERUSALEM ON BOTH SIDES OF THE SEPARATION WALL (MUNDUBAT)	699,236 €	Occupied Territories - Palestine

Each entry includes the recipient name "DEFENCE FOR CHILDREN INTERNATIONAL PALESTINE SECTION ASSOCIATION*" and a link to view details. The amounts "981,298 €" and "699,236 €" are circled in red in the original image. At the bottom, there are "Prev", "1", and "Next" navigation buttons.

⁵⁵ http://ec.europa.eu/budget/fts/index_en.htm



5. The Agricultural Development Association

Overview

The Agricultural Development Association is a Palestinian organization, and a member of the PNGO, that serves as the umbrella organization for various Palestinian entities (see Pg. 12).

Examples of The Agricultural Development Association Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

Note: The Agricultural Development Association (PARC) appears also in some publications as the Agricultural Relief Committees (PARC) or Union of Palestinian Agricultural Relief Committees (PARC). However, to the best of our knowledge these are one and the same.

- A. The organization signed the 2005 "Palestinian Civil Society Call for BDS".⁵⁶
- B. The Union of Palestinian Agricultural Relief Committees is a member of the Palestinian Non- Governmental Organizations Network (PNGO),⁵⁷ itself a member of the BNC,⁵⁸ the Palestinian organization spearheading the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign. The BNC leads a coalition of 29 Palestinian bodies, in which the "Palestinian Council of National and Islamic Forces" (PNIF)⁵⁹ plays a very prominent role. PNIF is a coordination framework of Palestinian factions (including both nationalistic and religious groups), including terror organizations⁶⁰ such as Hamas, Islamic Jihad and the PFLP.⁶¹
- C. In its annual report of 2015, PARC noted that it is signed a BDS campaign petition,⁶² citing its activities regarding the boycotting of products from Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria as one of its main achievements that year.⁶³

⁵⁶ <https://bdsmovement.net/call>

⁵⁷ <http://www.pngo.net/our-members/>

⁵⁸ <https://bdsmovement.net/bnc>

⁵⁹ <https://bdsmovement.net/bnc>

⁶⁰ See the report on links between BDS organizations and terror organizations, to be published in the near future.

⁶¹ <http://web.archive.org/web/20081011192013/http://www.jmcc.org/banner/banner1/bayan/aqsbayan14.htm>

⁶² <https://www.pal-arc.org/uploads/publications/Annualreport2015en.pdf>, p. 41

⁶³ <https://www.pal-arc.org/uploads/publications/Annualreport2015en.pdf>, p. 38



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- D. In its 2014 annual report, the Agricultural Development Association (PARC) noted that it conducted 45 workshops on boycotting Israeli products.⁶⁴ Representatives of the organization took part in other workshops related to Israel boycotts as well.⁶⁵
- E. In its 2013 annual report, the Agricultural Relief Committees noted that it promoted four campaigns in support of "national" products and of confiscating Israeli goods.⁶⁶
- F. In 2013, the Agricultural Relief Committees was among the agricultural organizations signed on a call to end to international trade with Israeli agricultural companies.⁶⁷
- G. In its 2012 annual report, the Agricultural Relief Committees noted that it called for an active boycott of products from Israeli communities within Judea and Samaria,⁶⁸ produced a radio campaign urging the boycott of Israeli products,⁶⁹ and cooperated with the Palestinian Ministry of Economy in the context of promoting boycotts.⁷⁰

⁶⁴ <http://www.pal-arc.org/uploads/publications/2014e.pdf>, p. 28

⁶⁵ <http://www.pal-arc.org/uploads/publications/2014e.pdf>, p.27

⁶⁶ <http://www.pal-arc.org/uploads/publications/2013e.pdf>, p. 24

⁶⁷ <https://bdsmovement.net/news/palestinian-agricultural-organizations-and-civil-society-networks-call-ending-international-0>

⁶⁸ <http://www.pal-arc.org/uploads/publications/2012e.pdf>

⁶⁹ <http://www.pal-arc.org/uploads/publications/2012e.pdf>, p.26

⁷⁰ <http://www.pal-arc.org/uploads/publications/2012e.pdf>, p. 38



EU Financing

According to the EU's Financial Transparency System – FTS data, in 2017 the Agricultural Development Association received from the EU a grant of €4,909,942 with eight other organizations.⁷¹ We cannot ascertain the exact percentage received by the Agricultural Development Association. The following screenshot was taken from the FTS website:

The screenshot displays the European Commission's Financial Transparency System (FTS) interface. At the top, the European Commission logo and the text 'FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY SYSTEM' are visible. Below this, a navigation bar includes links for 'FTS', 'About', 'FAQ', 'Contact', and 'Help'. The search interface shows the following criteria: Year 2017, Any Country, and AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION*. The search results are displayed in a table with columns for Summary, Country, Responsible Service, Program, Recipients, and Details - 1 results. The first result is for the year 2017, under the program 'MEDUPI PROMOTING SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN THE MEDITERRANEAN REGION', with a grant amount of 4,909,942 €. The recipient is listed as 'AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION*' in 'Occupied Territories - Palestine'. The amount '4,909,942 €' is circled in red. A link for '...and 8 other recipients' is also visible.

⁷¹ http://ec.europa.eu/budget/fts/index_en.htm



6. The Applied Research Institute Jerusalem (ARIJ)

Overview

The Applied Research Institute Jerusalem (ARIJ) is a Palestinian organization primarily focused on promoting environmental and natural resources research. It is a member of the PNGO, the umbrella organization of various Palestinian entities (see Pg. 12).

Examples of ARIJ Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

- A. The Applied Research Institute Jerusalem is a member of the Palestinian Non-Governmental Organizations Network (PNGO).⁷² The PNGO is a member of the BNC,⁷³ the Palestinian organization spearheading BDS activities against Israel.⁷⁴ The BNC leads a coalition of 29 Palestinian bodies, in which the "Council of National and Islamic Forces in Palestine"⁷⁵ plays a very prominent role. The "National Islamic Forces" is a coordination framework of the Palestinian factions (including both nationalistic and religious groups), including terror organizations⁷⁶ such as Hamas, Islamic Jihad and the "Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine."⁷⁷
- B. ARIJ signed the 2005 "Palestinian Civil Society Call for BDS."⁷⁸
- C. In November 2018, the organization signed a petition to the High Commissioner of the UN Human Rights Council, urging the creation and publication of a public and updated database of companies involved in business with Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.⁷⁹
- D. In 2014, the organization signed a public call against the so-called "Apartheid Wall," urging for the intensification of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign against the State of Israel.⁸⁰
- E. In 2014, ARIJ signed, along with other Palestinian organizations, a petition to end international commerce with Israeli agricultural companies.⁸¹

⁷² <http://www.pngo.net/our-members/>

⁷³ <https://bdsmovement.net/bnc>

⁷⁴ <https://bdsmovement.net/bnc>

⁷⁵ <https://bdsmovement.net/bnc>

⁷⁶ See the report on links between BDS organizations and terror organizations, to be published in the near future.

⁷⁷ <http://web.archive.org/web/20081011192013/http://www.jmcc.org/banner/banner1/bayan/aqsbayan14.htm>

⁷⁸ <https://bdsmovement.net/call>

⁷⁹ <https://www.business->

[humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf](https://www.business-humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf)

⁸⁰ <https://web.archive.org/web/20160702123546/http://stopthewall.org/pt-br/node/8875>



F. In 2013 ARIJ, urged Rome's Water Company to stop cooperation with the Israeli water company "Mekorot."⁸²

EU Financing

According to the EU's Financial Transparency System – FTS data, in 2017 the ARIJ received from the EU a grant of 494,361 Euro along with one other organization.⁸³ We cannot ascertain the exact percentage received by the ARIJ. The following screenshot was taken from the FTS website:

The screenshot displays the FTS website interface. At the top, there is the European Commission logo and the title 'FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY SYSTEM'. Below this, a navigation bar includes 'European Commission > Budget > Financial Transparency System (FTS)'. A search bar contains the criteria: 'Year 2017', 'Any Country', and 'Applied Research Institute Jerusalem'. A 'Search' button is visible. Below the search bar, there are tabs for 'Summary', 'Country', 'Responsible Service', 'Program', 'Recipients', and 'Details - 2 results'. An 'Export' button is also present. The search results table shows a single entry for '2017 EAST BETHLEHEM ARD INITIATIVE' with a value of '494,361 €' circled in red. The recipient is listed as 'APPLIED RESEARCH INSTITUTE JERUSALEM ASSOCIATION*ARIJ' with a flag for 'Occupied Territories - Palestine'. Below the table, it says '...and 1 other recipients'.

⁸¹ <https://bdsmovement.net/news/palestinian-agricultural-organizations-and-civil-society-networks-call-ending-international-0>

⁸² <https://www.stopthewall.org/2014/02/06/palestinians-ask-rome-not-sign-mekorot>

⁸³ http://ec.europa.eu/budget/fts/index_en.htm



7. Norwegian People's Aid (NPA)

Overview

The NPA is a Norwegian organization, active both in Norway and internationally (the Middle East, Africa, Europe, Latin America, and Asia) that works in various areas including the integration of refugees into society and disarmament.

Examples of Norwegian People's Aid (NPA) Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

A. In November 2018, the organization signed a petition to the High Commissioner of the UN Human Rights Council, urging the creation and publication of a public and updated database of companies involved in business with Jewish communities in Judea and Samaria.⁸⁴

B. In June 2018, NPA's Board of Directors adopted the declaration stating that the Norwegian authorities should make a clear distinction in their cooperation with Israel, to ensure that they do not recognize Israel's control of "the Palestinian occupied territories." The declaration urges the Norwegian Foreign Ministry to issue directives which ensure that commerce with Israel does not benefit Israeli communities within Judea and Samaria.

Also, NPA urged municipal authorities to "contribute" by deciding not to do business with the "Occupied Territories" or to supply/receive services from them. The NPA's board of directors encouraged its local branches to be vigilant about the issue, so that as many municipalities as possible would join in the boycott, such as the municipal authorities of Trondheim and Tromsø.⁸⁵

C. In 2012 and in 2016, the NPA published special reports detailing Norwegian links to the Israeli "occupation." The 2016 report's⁸⁶ recommendations include:

- The Norwegian government should publish recommendations to Norwegian businesses on avoiding economic relations which support the Israeli

⁸⁴ https://www.business-humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf

⁸⁵ <https://www.folkehjelp.no/Nyheter/Nyhetsarkiv/2018/Norsk-Folkehjelp-stoetter-palestinernes-rettmessige-kamp-for-fred-og-frihet>

⁸⁶ <https://www.npaid.org/News/News-archive/2016/Dangerous-Liaisons-II-Norwegian-ties-to-the-Israeli-Occupation>



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communities in Judea and Samaria, and other so-called breaches of international law and human rights in the "Palestinian Occupied Territories."

- The Ethics Committee should recommend to the Government Pension Fund to withdraw its investment from 13 companies and banks involved in the "occupation."
- Norwegian municipalities should withdraw their investments and pension funds from these 13 companies and banks.
- The Norwegian Government should promote legislation forbidding Norwegian citizens and organizations to supply any economic support to Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.
- A recommendation to private individuals to avoid buying products produced in the "Palestinian Occupied Territories."

D. In October 2014, the NPA published an update, following SodaStream's announcement that it intended to close its plant in Mishor Adumim. The NPA indicates that it was one of 22 organizations to demand that SodaStream quit the "occupied territories." The campaign urged Norwegian retailers and consumers to avoid buying and selling SodaStream products until the company complied with this demand.⁸⁷

E. In September 2014, the NPA published a policy paper regarding Israel.⁸⁸ The organization asserted that it does not call for a total boycott of Israel, but calls to take steps against companies, institutions, and organizations, allegedly contributing to "breaches of human rights and the international law." The organization declared that it is working to ensure that Norwegian local authorities, companies, institutions and organizations do not contribute to the "Israeli Occupation" by maintaining economic relations that support the "Occupation." Also, the paper declared that companies and importers should put an end to any commercial relations with companies operating in the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria, or contributing to breaches "in the Palestinian occupied territories."

⁸⁷ <https://www.npaid.org/News/News-archive/2014/Prospective-victory-for-boycott-campaign-against-SodaStream>

⁸⁸ <https://www.npaid.org/News/News-archive/2014/NPA-is-working-for-an-end-to-the-Israeli-occupation-of-Palestine-and-to-cut-Norwegian-ties-to-the-occupation>



In addition, the NPA encourages investors to exclude companies contributing to alleged breaches of international law and human rights associated with the Israeli "occupation" of Palestinian territories. The NPA encourages the Norwegian Government and the Norwegian military-industrial complex to freeze any military cooperation or arms deals with Israel.

- F. In 2012, the NPA partnered with more than twenty other organizations to prepare a report focusing on the manner in which Europe is "assisting the illegal" Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.⁸⁹ Among the recommendations in the report are: a boycott on products imported from the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria; encouraging companies to avoid doing business with Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria or invest in them; excluding the Jewish settlements in Judea and Samaria from bilateral agreements and cooperation mechanisms; publish instructions for European travel agents on how to avoid assisting businesses in the Jewish settlements in Judea and Samaria, including hotels, archeological sites and transportation companies; warning people against buying properties in Israeli communities in the Judea and Samaria regions.

NPA's Ties to Terror⁹⁰

In April 2018, the American authorities announced that the NPA, a recipient of American funds for many years, was fined \$2 million for making false claims to USAID following an investigation according to which during the period 2012-2016, NPA transferred money to projects for young people (15 – 28 years of age) aimed at helping them participate in the political process in the Gaza Strip. It was revealed that Hamas, PFLP, and Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine operatives (all deemed terrorist organizations by the United States) were involved in the project. It was also found that the NPA provided, in 2001-2008, services related to an oil development project in Iran.⁹¹

⁸⁹ https://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/trading_away_peace_-_embargoed_copy_of_designed_report.pdf

⁹⁰ See the report on links between BDS organizations and terror organizations, to be published in the near future.

⁹¹ <https://www.justice.gov/usao-sdny/pr/manhattan-us-attorney-announces-settlement-norwegian-not-profit-resolving-claims-it>



EU Financing

According to the EU's Financial Transparency System – FTS data, in 2017 the NPA received from the EU a grant of 2,300,000 Euro.⁹² We cannot ascertain whether these specific funds directly assisted the organization's work to promote boycotts of Israel. However, the ECA report mentioned above reinforces the concern that **EU funds contribute to these organizations' activities to promote boycotts, even if the official projects for which the funds were received are not directly linked to boycott-related activities.** Moreover, support for allegedly-legitimate purposes enables the organizations to **channel other funds** to activities promoting the delegitimization and boycotts of Israel. Furthermore, the receipt by a boycott-promoting organization of funds from the EU, even if not intended to promote boycotts, **grants it special status and legitimacy, which assists it in raising funds from other sources.**

The following screenshot was taken from the FTS website:

The screenshot shows the Financial Transparency System (FTS) interface. The search criteria are set to Year 2017, Any Country, and NORSK FOLKEHJELP FORENING*NORWEGIAN PEOPLE'S AID L... The search results are displayed in a table with columns for Year, Program, Recipients, and Amount. Two results are shown, both for 2017, with amounts of 1,916,223 € and 383,777 € respectively. The amount 1,916,223 € is circled in red.

Year	Program	Recipients	Amount
2017	STRENGTHENING THE RAPID LIFE-SAVING RESPONSE FOR MOSUL INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE (IDPS)	NORSK FOLKEHJELP FORENING*NORWEGIAN PEOPLE'S AID LTD NPA	1,916,223 €
2017	STRENGTHENING THE RAPID LIFE-SAVING RESPONSE FOR MOSUL INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE (IDPS)	NORSK FOLKEHJELP FORENING*NORWEGIAN PEOPLE'S AID LTD NPA	383,777 €

⁹² http://ec.europa.eu/budget/fts/index_en.htm



8. UN PONTE PER

Overview

The UN Ponte Per is an Italian organization established in 1991. Its activities focus on conflicts in the Middle East. The organization is based in Italy, with branches in Lebanon, Iraq, and Jordan.

Examples of UN Ponte Per Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

- A. In March 2018, the organization published, along with other Italian organizations, a detailed report on the BDS Campaign titled, "The BDS – A legitimate movement for Human Rights," which includes recommendations for action to be taken by the Italian Government against the State of Israel.⁹³
- B. In March 2018, the organization took an active part in the "Israeli Apartheid Week."⁹⁴
- C. In 2017, the organization signed a petition calling to cancel the Giro d'Italia bicycle competition in Israel.⁹⁵
- D. In 2017, the organization signed a petition sent to FIFA, calling on it to suspend Israel from the association due to the existence of football teams in the Judea and Samaria regions.⁹⁶
- E. In 2016 and 2017, the organization took part in a campaign calling for chefs from around the world to cancel their participation in a food festival in Tel Aviv.⁹⁷
- F. In 2016, the organization signed, along with other European organizations, a call to the European Water Commission to cancel its sponsorship of the water convention, WATEC, which took place in Israel that year.⁹⁸
- G. In 2015 the organization signed a petition to the UN Secretary General to boycott G4S due to its activities in Israel.⁹⁹

⁹³ <https://sci-italia.it/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/DOSSIER-sul-DIRITTO-DI-BOICOTTARE-ISRAELE-mar-2018.pdf>

⁹⁴ <https://www.facebook.com/events/2020030178253895/>

⁹⁵ <https://bdsitalia.org/index.php/comunicati-cambia-giro/2360-spostare-giro-da-israele>

⁹⁶ <https://bdsmovement.net/sites/default/files/Letter-FIFA-Council-19-April-2017.pdf>

⁹⁷ <https://bdsmovement.net/news/180-civil-society-groups-urge-international-chefs-withdraw-tel-aviv-round-tables> ; <https://bdsmovement.net/news/campaigners-restaurant-chefs-cancel-your-participation-tel-aviv-round-tables-tour>

⁹⁸ <https://bdsitalia.org/images/stories/pdfs/letter-ec.pdf> ; <https://bdsmovement.net/news/trade-unions-water-movements-urge-european-commission-withdraw-patronage-israeli-water>

⁹⁹ <http://www.addameer.org/printpdf/2011>



EU Financing

According to the EU's Financial Transparency System – FTS data, UN PONTE PER received from the EU, in 2017, a grant of €2,000,000.¹⁰⁰

The following screenshot was taken from the FTS website:

The screenshot shows the Financial Transparency System (FTS) website interface. At the top, there is the European Commission logo and the text 'FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY SYSTEM'. Below this, a navigation bar contains 'European Commission > Budget > Financial Transparency System (FTS)'. A search bar is present with filters for 'Year 2017', 'Any Country', and the search term 'un ponte per'. The search results are displayed in a table with columns for 'Summary', 'Country', 'Responsible Service', 'Program', 'Recipients', and 'Details - 1 results'. The first result is for the year 2017, with the program 'LIFE-SAVING HEALTH ASSISTANCE TO THE POPULATION IN NES' and the recipient 'UN PONTE PER... ASSOCIAZIONE*'. The amount is listed as 2,000,000 € in two rows, with the top row circled in red. The country is listed as Italy.

Year	Program	Recipients	Amount
2017	LIFE-SAVING HEALTH ASSISTANCE TO THE POPULATION IN NES	UN PONTE PER... ASSOCIAZIONE*	2,000,000 €
			2,000,000 €

¹⁰⁰ http://ec.europa.eu/budget/fts/index_en.htm



9. CCFD Terre Solidaire (Comité Catholique Contre la Faim et pour le Développement)

Overview

The CCFD Terre Solidaire is a French organization active in France and around the world on various issues, including the struggle against hunger and preventing / resolving conflicts.

Examples of CCFD Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

- A. In 2017, the CCFD, along with other French organizations and Al-Haq, published a report titled: "The Dangerous Relations of French banks with Israeli Colonization." It included a call for French banks to withdraw any direct or indirect financing from Israeli banks and companies contributing to the development of "settlements."¹⁰¹
- B. In 2016, the CCFD signed a petition in defense of the right to ban products from Israeli communities located within Judea and Samaria, and to stop criminalizing the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign against the State of Israel. The petition urged the EU to take action on these issues.¹⁰²
- C. In 2015, the CCFD was among the leaders of the campaign against the communication company "Orange" doing business in Israel, including the publication with Al-Haq and other organizations of the report: "Orange's Dangerous Liaisons in the Palestinian Occupied Territories."¹⁰³
- D. The CCFD was a participant, along with other French organizations, in the campaign "Made in Illegality," urging the French government and the European Union to ban the importation of products from the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria; to exclude these Israeli communities from bilateral agreements and other cooperation with Israel; to instruct travel agents on how to avoid supporting businesses and tourists sites in the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria; to dissuade Palestinian and European citizens from buying real estate properties in the Israeli communities in

¹⁰¹ http://www.france-palestine.org/IMG/pdf/les_liaisons_dangereuses_de_banques_franc_aises_avec_la_colonisation_israe_lienne_mars_2017_final.pdf

¹⁰² <https://ccfd-terresolidaire.org/infos/paix-et-conflits/palestine-israel-appel-5528>

¹⁰³ https://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/rapport_orange-eng.pdf



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Judea and Samaria; and to dissuade French companies from investing in or doing business with the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.¹⁰⁴

- E. In 2014 the CCFD and the FIDH published a report titled: "European Measures against Israeli Colonization." Among its recommendations, they urged the EU and member states: to mark products from the "settlements" and to broaden the present ban of certain products from the "colonies" to include all products from these "settlements."¹⁰⁵
- F. In 2012, the CCFD and more than 20 other organizations published a report titled: "Trading Away Peace: How Europe Helps Sustain Illegal Israeli Settlements."¹⁰⁶ Among the recommendations in the report were: a ban on products imported from the Jewish settlements in Judea and Samaria; encourage companies to avoid doing business with or invest in the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria; exclude Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria from bilateral agreements and cooperation mechanisms; instruct travel agents on how to avoid supporting businesses and tourists sites in the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria, including hotels, archeological sites and transportation companies; and to warn Palestinian and European citizens against buying real estate properties in the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.

¹⁰⁴ https://plateforme-palestine.org/IMG/pdf/cncd_factsheet-france.pdf

¹⁰⁵ <https://ccfd-terresolidaire.org/IMG/pdf/tableaux-paix-a5-web.pdf>

¹⁰⁶ https://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/trading_away_peace_-_embargoed_copy_of_designed_report.pdf



EU Financing

According to the EU's Financial Transparency System – FTS data, in 2017 the CCFD received from the EU a grant of 498,843 Euro along with two other organizations and an additional grant of 300,000 Euro along with two other organizations.¹⁰⁷ We cannot ascertain the exact percentage of the grant received specifically by the CCFD in the context of the joint project.

The following screenshot was taken from the FTS website:

The screenshot displays the Financial Transparency System (FTS) interface. At the top, there is the European Commission logo and the text 'FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY SYSTEM'. Below this, a navigation bar includes 'European Commission > Budget > Financial Transparency System (FTS)'. A search bar contains the text 'Year 2017', 'Any Country', and 'ccfd', with a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, there are tabs for 'Summary', 'Country', 'Responsible Service', 'Program', 'Recipients', and 'Details - 2 results'. An 'Export' button is also visible. The search results show two entries for 2017 grants to CCFD. The first entry is for a grant of 498,843 € to 'COMITE CATHOLIQUE CONTRE LA FAIM ET POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT ASSOCIATION*CCFD' in France. The second entry is for a grant of 300,000 € to the same organization in France. Both grant amounts are circled in red in the original image.

Year	Country	Responsible Service	Program	Recipients	Amount
2017	France	COMITE CATHOLIQUE CONTRE LA FAIM ET POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT ASSOCIATION*CCFD	- TERRE SOLIDAIRE	MUJERES, JÓVENES Y MOVIMIENTOS CAMPESINOS E INDÍGENAS RENOVANDO EL DIÁLOGO POLÍTICO Y LA GOBERNANZA DEMOCRÁTICA EN LAS ZONAS BOCA COSTA Y COSTA DEL SUR OCCIDENTE DE GUATEMALA.	498,843 €
2017	France	COMITE CATHOLIQUE CONTRE LA FAIM ET POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT ASSOCIATION*CCFD	- TERRE SOLIDAIRE	TEJIENDO REDES DE MUJERES MAYAS Y MESTIZAS LIDERESAS Y SOBREVIVIENTES DE VIOLENCIA PARA EJERCER SUS DERECHOS CON LIBERTAD, JUSTICIA Y EQUIDAD EN HUEHUETENANGO, QUICHÉ, CHIMALTENANGO Y PETÉN	300,000 €

¹⁰⁷ http://ec.europa.eu/budget/fts/index_en.htm



10. Trocaire

Overview

Trocaire is an Irish organization established in 1973, which is active around the world in various endeavors, and focuses on food and resource rights, women's empowerment and humanitarian response.

Examples of Trocaire Promoting Boycotts against the State of Israel

- A. In November 2018, a video was published featuring the organization's CEO in the "Occupied Territories," urging support of an Irish bill whose application may criminalize whoever does business associated with the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.¹⁰⁸ Already in January 2018, the organization endorsed the bill.¹⁰⁹
- B. In November 2018, it was among the signatories of a letter to the UN Commissioner of Human Rights, urging the creation and publication of a public and updated database of companies involved in business with Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.¹¹⁰ In November 2017, the organization signed, along with 50 other organizations, including Badil, Al-Haq, Addameer and the PCHR, a public call in support of the publication by the UN Human Rights Commissioner of a database of companies involved in business with Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.¹¹¹
- C. In 2014 the organization was signed on a call to suspend the EU-Israel Association Agreement.¹¹²
- D. In 2012, Trocaire published a policy paper about EU commerce with Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.¹¹³ Among the recommendations were: retailers should quit stocking products from Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria; they should also quit doing business with Israeli suppliers of products from the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria; the British and Irish government should lead the other EU members in banning products from the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.

¹⁰⁸ <https://twitter.com/trocaire/status/1067830581629788166>

¹⁰⁹ <https://www.trocaire.org/news/ban-trade-with-israeli-settlements>

¹¹⁰ https://www.business-humanrights.org/sites/default/files/documents/HC_Database_Letter_27%20November%202018.pdf

¹¹¹ <https://www.amnesty.org/download/Documents/MDE1575212017ENGLISH.pdf>

¹¹² <http://www.eccpalestine.org/a-european-call-to-suspen-the-eu-israel-association-agreement/>

¹¹³ <https://www.trocaire.org/sites/default/files/resources/policy/sustaining-injustice-eu-trade-with-israeli-settlements-in-the-opt.pdf>



E. In 2012, Trocaire partnered with more than twenty other organizations, in preparing a report focusing on the manner in which Europe is "assisting" the "illegal" Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.¹¹⁴ Among the recommendations were: a boycott of products imported from the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria; encouraging companies to avoid doing business, or invest in, Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria; exclude Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria from bilateral agreements and cooperation mechanisms; publish instructions for European travel agents on how to avoid assisting businesses in the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria, including hotels, archeological sites and transportation companies; and warning Palestinian and European citizens against buying properties in the Israeli communities in Judea and Samaria.

EU Financing

According to the EU's Financial Transparency System – FTS data, in 2017, Trocaire received from the EU six grants:¹¹⁵

- A €999,423 grant with four other organizations. We cannot ascertain the exact percentage received by Trocaire.
- A €800,000 grant with four other organizations. We cannot ascertain the exact percentage received by Trocaire.
- A €750,000 grant with three other organizations. We cannot ascertain the exact percentage received by Trocaire.
- A €721,171 grant with four other organizations, of which Trocaire received €513,871.
- A €622,587 grant with five other organizations, of which Trocaire received €183,595.
- A €475,000 grant with another organization. . We cannot ascertain the exact percentage received by Trocaire.

We cannot ascertain if and which parts of the grants were used by Trocaire to promote boycotts. However, the ECA report mentioned above reinforces the concern that **EU funds contribute to these organizations' activities to promote boycotts, even if the**

¹¹⁴ https://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/trading_away_peace_-_embargoed_copy_of_designed_report.pdf

¹¹⁵ http://ec.europa.eu/budget/fts/index_en.htm



official projects for which the funds were received are not directly linked to boycott-related activities. Moreover, support for allegedly-legitimate purposes enables the organizations to **channel other funds** to activities promoting the delegitimization and boycotts of Israel. Furthermore, the receipt by a boycott-promoting organization of funds from the EU, even if not intended to promote boycotts, **grants it special status and legitimacy, which assists it in raising funds from other sources.**

The following screenshot was taken from the FTS website:

Year	Country	Responsible Service	Program	Recipients	Details - 6 results	Export
2017	Ireland	TROCAIRE	TO BUILD AN INCLUSIVE AND DEMOCRATIC MYANMAR THROUGH EMPOWERING MARGINALISED, ETHNIC COMMUNITIES AND THEIR DUTY BEARERS TO UPHOLD AND PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONSOLIDATE GOOD GOVERNANCE.	...and 4 other recipients	999,423 €	Search
2017	Ireland	TROCAIRE	TO BUILD AN INCLUSIVE AND DEMOCRATIC MYANMAR THROUGH EMPOWERING MARGINALISED, ETHNIC COMMUNITIES AND THEIR DUTY BEARERS TO UPHOLD AND PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONSOLIDATE GOOD GOVERNANCE.	...and 4 other recipients	800,000 €	Search
2017	Ireland	TROCAIRE	ENHANCING THE CAPACITY AND PARTICIPATION OF SMALL SCALE FARMERS AND CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS IN DECISION-MAKING AND GOVERNANCE PROCESSES RELATED TO SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY IN RWANDA.	...and 3 other recipients	750,000 €	Search
2017	Ireland	TROCAIRE	DEPLOYMENT OF EU AID VOLUNTEERS:EU AID VOLUNTEERS: CARITAS EUROPEAN ACTION FOR RESILIENCE AND EFFECTIVE HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE	...and 4 other recipients	721,171 € 513,871 €	Search
2017	Ireland	TROCAIRE	TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND CAPACITY BUILDING : EUAV TEACH - TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR EUROPEAN CARITAS ORGANISATIONS IN HUMANITARIAN AID	...and 5 other recipients	622,587 € 183,595 €	Search
2017	Guatemala	TROCAIRE	EL PUEBLO MAYA DE GUATEMALA: SUJETO POLÍTICO Y DE DERECHOS	...and 1 other recipients	475,000 €	Search
	Guatemala		ASOCIACION COMISION PAZ Y ECOLOGIA			