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Arendt, Hannah (1906–1975)

1/4: Who is this

Born October 14, 1906 (Cf. The European Graduate School. URL (06.11.12) http://bit.ly/YDk4Ye) Die deutsche Jüdin Hannah Arendt floh 1933 aus NS-Deutschland nach Frankreich und später in die USA. Angesichts des Eichmann-Prozesses in formulierte sie Anfang der sechziger Jahre ihr berühmtes Diktum von der "Banalität des Bösen". 2006 wäre Arendt 100 Jahre alt geworden. Das Werk der politischen Philosophin erlebte mit den Freiheitsrevolutionen in Mittel- und Osteuropa eine Renaissance. Nach dem Untergang des sowjetischen Imperiums stehen die europäischen Zivilgesellschaften vor der Aufgabe, nach Jahrzehnten der gewaltsamen Teilung eine gemeinsame Identität, eine neue politische Kultur der Freiheit und der Demokratie zu entwickeln. Arendts Erfahrungen mit dem Stalinismus und dem Nationalsozialismus können dazu beitragen. She described herself instead as a political theorist because her work centers on the fact that "men, not Man, live on the earth and inhabit the world."[2] Arendt's work deals with the nature of power, and the subjects of politics, authority, and totalitarianism. Arendt's essay "On Violence" distinguishes violence and power. She maintains that, although theorists of both the Left and Right regard violence as an extreme manifestation of power, the two concepts are in fact antithetical. Power comes from the collective will and does not need violence to achieve any of its goals since voluntary compliance takes its place. As governments start losing their legitimacy, violence becomes an artificial means towards the same ends and is therefore found only in the absence of Power. Bureaucracies then become the ideal birthplaces of violence since they are defined as the "rule by no one," with whom to argue against and therefore re-create the missing link with the people it rules over.

"Arendt was an avid reader from a young age, and by her sixteenth year her literary interests included Kant, and Goethe. In 1924 she graduated from high school in Koenigsberg. Perhaps inspired by the theology and romantic thought of Kierkegaard's poetry that was also in her library, she decided to study theology at the University of Marburg with Rudolf Bultmann. Martin Heidegger was lecturing at Marburg on Existenzphilosophie, and writing what would eventually become *Sein und Zeit [Being and time]* in 1927. It was during her time at Marburg that Arendt began her long relationship with Heidegger, sparked by a brief and passionate affair. The affair ended when Arendt learned of Heidegger's involvement in the National Socialist party, but the friendship, however strained, would continue for years to come, and Heidegger's phenomenological method had a notable influence on Arendt's work.

Arendt went on to study the phenomenological method with Husserl, then became a student at the University of Heidelberg, studying with the existentialist Karl Jaspers. It is under Jaspers that she wrote her dissertation on St. Augustine's concept of Love (*Der Liebesbegriff bei Augustin*). Jaspers and Arendt maintained a close relationship throughout their lives.

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Arendt's unique approach to political thought is derived from her education in and fidelity to the phenomenological method. Unlike typical political writing or philosophy which might begin with an analysis of general political concepts or empirical data associated with political science and impose conceptual structures on experience after the fact, she begins by prioritizing human life in its 'factical' and experiential character. By using the phenomenological method, returning to 'the things themselves', she attempts to reveal the fundamental structures of political experience, or political being-in-the-world, in its distinct existence apart from other ways of being.

In September 1929 Arendt earned her doctorate, and married Günther Stern (whose nom-deplume was Günter Anders). Anti-Semitism was on the rise in Germany, and Arendt undertook a project that would help her understand the conflict between German Nationalism and minority status. The book *Rahel Varnhagen: The Life of a Jewish Woman* was a biography of a Jewish salon hostess in Berlin in the early 1800s who converted to Christianity. It remained unpublished until 1958."

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Among the first to analyze the far-reaching implications of the new situation in Europe was the Frankfurt school, known for its Critical Theory. On the eve of Hitler's downfall, two of its members, Adorno and Horkheimer, made the first breakthrough, doing away with the old Marxist cliches, that had long served them as an explanation for both Nazism and antisemitism.4 Jew-hatred was no longer a mere class struggle in disguise. The Third Reich ceased to be one more manifestation of the death pangs of Capitalism. The two authors doubted the happy-end that awaits us all at the fulfillment of the historical process. They cast a shadow on the hallowed tradition of the Enlightenment. There and in later writings Horkheimer and Adorno established a link between Auschwitz and modernity, and gave rise to a new evaluation of both. In their footsteps followed Hannah Arendt, who placed antisemitism in the context of totalitarian society.

She saw antisemitism as being intertwined with imperialism and totalitarianism, all three phenomena reflecting the downfall of traditional bourgeois values5. Hannah Arendt wrote in the midst of the Cold War and enlarged her scope to transcend Auschwitz, referring to a larger variety of oppressive regimes. Her outlook was universal and not at all confined to a particular Jewishviewpoint. Arendt undertook to lay bare the origins of totalitarianism, and inadvertently enhanced the importance of the Jewish Question. She went back to nineteenth century antisemitism, and presented the entry of the Jews into European society as a test case of sorts." http://bit.ly/VsQAMI

"A more comprehensive examination of Arendt's theory concerning the rise of anti-Semitism in the parts of Europe she does discuss (mostly Germany and to a certain extent France)

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confronts the reader with yet another problematic conclusion: that the Jews, through their financial and banking activities, played a crucial role in the rise of the absolute monarchies and the modern nation-state. Critical readers cannot help but ask themselves what exactly is going on here, and where these views are coming from. The answer is clear: Arendt, who explicitly acknowledges that she is not a historian, is talking about the role played by the "court Jews," mainly in the 18th century, in the courts of some German princes. At the same time, she is basing her argument on Jewish bankers' involvement in the development of the banking system in the 19th century. No one disputes this. The problem is that Arendt generalizes from these historical findings to draw conclusions about the place of "the Jews" in European history, while entirely ignoring the fact that most of the Jews -- even in the German states -- were neither court Jews nor financial advisors to princes, but rather small traders and shopkeepers.

'No poor Jews'

As Arendt would have it, there were no poor Jews living on the margins of European society, managing to live with difficulty and without political and civil rights. As Arendt would have it, 'the Jews' were all bankers, financiers, court Jews and privileged, or in her generalizing language: "The Jews had been purveyors in wars and the servants of kings." Not some individual Jews, but 'the Jews.' [...] According to Arendt, "the Jews" always supported the governments in power in whichever country they were living, but the truth is that the number of Jews in the revolutionary, liberal and socialist movements was far greater than their representation in the overall population. "The Jews," continues Arendt, were responsible for the hatred felt toward them because of their communal seclusion, their non-involvement in politics, their concern solely for themselves and their non-participation in social and class struggles.

[...] Nevertheless, it would be wrong, even wicked, to see Arendt as a person tainted by Jewish self-hatred. She was a proud Jew and a courageous fighter against anti-Semitism and totalitarianism, which is why she wrote this book. Yet as she herself would acknowledge, sometimes victims internalize the criticism aimed at them by their enemies. And indeed, though her book contains echoes of anti-Semitic stereotypes and accusations, Hannah Arendt is by no means a self-hating Jew. On the contrary, she comes across as a victim of anti-Semitism, in what is perhaps one of its cruelest, and most insidious, forms. There are tragic aspects to this monumental treatise, demonstrating just what anti-Semitism can sometimes do to the most brilliant of Jewish minds. This tragedy is painful and distressing -- and far from banal." URL (17.10.12): http://bit.ly/RvebtS

"From these and from the German academic environment in which her outlook was formed Arendt drew her contemptuous attitude towards Jews, an attitude that was basic to her interpretation of modern history and that infected her relationship to everything Jewish, including Zionism and Israel." URL (17.10.12): http://bit.ly/U98a8a

"My essay, published in the Times Literary Supplement in October 2009, was concerned specifically with puncturing Arendt's claim to be taken seriously as a historian. [...] In a long, carefully documented essay, Wasserstein (who's now at the University of Chicago), cites

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Arendt's scandalous use of quotes from anti-Semitic and Nazi 'authorities' on Jews in her *Totalitarianism* book.

"Wasserstein concludes that her use of these sources was 'more than a methodological error: it was symptomatic of a perverse world-view contaminated by over-exposure to the discourse of collective contempt and stigmatization that formed the object of her study'—that object being anti-Semitism. In other words, he contends, Arendt internalized the values of the anti-Semitic literature she read in her study of anti-Semitism, at least to a certain extent. Wasserstein's conjecture will reignite the debate over Arendt's contemptuous remarks on certain Jews who were victims of Hitler in her Eichmann book and in her letters." URL (17.10.12): http://slate.me/Ws8nEg

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Prof. Shmuel Almog. Prof. at the Institute of Contemporary Jewry of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem since 1996- Professor Emeritus. He had the following to say about his interests: "Following a previous study I conducted on the subject of <u>productivization</u> in modern Jewish history (published in Hebrew in 1987 and in 1992 as well), I am now trying to reexamine the issue of the Jews as middlemen, both in the historical and economic literature of the 19th century and again in recent sociological writings, inspired by the use of ethnicity in the second half of the 20th century. I would like to establish a link between previous notions about the function Jews may have fulfilled in the socio-economic sphere and the ramifications of present day theories (on middlemen as a universal phenomenon in so called 'host societies') with regard to the 'Rise of the Jews'. I use these terms with much caution, though, as they often reflect a certain unthinking bias among researchers."

Bernard Wasserstein:

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See Letter signed Arendt, Einstein et al. 4th dec. 1948 to the NYT

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Barenboim, Daniel

1/4: Who is this

"Daniel Barenboim was born in Buenos Aires in 1942 to parents of Jewish Russian descent. He started piano lessons at the age of five with his mother, continuing to study with his father who remained his only other teacher. In August 1950, when he was only seven years old, he gave his first official concert in Buenos Aires.

Important influences in his development as a musician included Artur Rubinstein and Adolf Busch, both of whom performed in Argentina. The Barenboim family moved to Israel in 1952. Two years later, in the summer of 1954, the parents brought their son to Salzburg to take part in Igor Markevich's conducting classes. During that same summer he also met Wilhelm Furtwängler, played for him and attended some of the great conductor's rehearsals and a concert. Furtwängler subsequently wrote a letter including the words "the eleven year-old Barenboim is a phenomenon ..." This phrase was to open many doors to Daniel Barenboim for a long time to come. In 1955 the young Daniel Barenboim studied harmony and composition with Nadia Boulanger in Paris.

Barenboim made his debut as a pianist in Vienna and Rome in 1952, in Paris in 1955, in London in 1956 and in New York in 1957 with Leopold Stokowski and the *Symphony of the Air*. From then on, he made annual concert tours of the United States and Europe. He toured Australia in 1958 and soon became known as one of the most versatile pianists of his generation." (Daniel Barenboim Homepage. URL (06.10.12): http://bit.ly/TIoRWF)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"The Simon Wiesenthal Center welcomed the recommendations issued today by the Education Committee of the Knesset calling upon Israeli cultural institutions to boycott conductor Daniel Barenboim until he apologizes for playing a piece by German anti-Semitic composer Richard Wagner as an encore at the recent Israel Festival." (http://bit.ly/OUB7mM)

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"When one continues to uphold the Wagner taboo today in Israel, it means in a certain respect that we are giving Hitler the last word, that we are acknowledging that Wagner was indeed a prophet and predecessor of Nazi anti-Semitism, and that he can be held accountable, even if only indirectly, for the final solution.

This view is unworthy of Jewish listeners, who should rather be influenced by such great Jewish thinkers as Spinoza, Maimonides, and Martin Buber than by half-baked dogmas." (URL: http://bit.ly/SnhSBO)

Brumlik, Micha (NOT BEING ACCUSED)

"Professor Dr. Micha Brumlik, born 1947 in Davos,

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studies in Pedagogy and Philosophy he became Assistant Lecturer at two big German universities before he became an Assistant Professor at Hamburg University. From 1981 - 2000 he taught Education and Teaching Methodology at Heidelberg University. Since 2000, he is Professor at the Institute for Educational Sciences at Frankfurt University with focus on "The Theory of Education and Learning." Professor Dr. Brumlik has written a number of publications covering aspects of intellectual history, philosophy of religion, pedagogic and every day political topics. His main areas of research are pedagogic, ethics, theory and empiricism of moral socialization and philosophy of religion. Professor Dr. Micha Brumlik, being the specialist in methodology of Jewish education has continued to be our consultant on the development of our students as educators and conducted himself another of his regular consecutive intensive seminars about the subject "Jewish Religious Education", which he will continue in 2011." (Abraham Geiger Kolleg, Universität Potsdam. URL (06.10.12): http://bit.ly/SxLDgA)

Switzerland. After completing his

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

No one is accusing him. Rather to the contrary, he may have some sharp words for anyone who doubts that Iran is bent on destroying Israel. Here is not the place to discuss the accuracy of this contentious point. He is here as his general views show an enlightened way akin to the Hebrew humanism of Buber. It is not about denying Israel anything or stigmatizing Israel at any length. It is about making the whole idea of Israel in its neighbourhood a mutually and equally beneficial success for ALL parties at home in the region. He has some very constructive things to say about the way ahead. Good stuff.

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"Der heute in Israel vorherrschende politische Entwurf sowohl laizistischer Nationalisten als auch orthodox-jüdischer Fundamentalisten zielt (jedoch) auf die Aufhebung des Zionismus und damit auf die wesentliche Form, die die Moderne dem Judentum gegeben hat. [...] Der geistige Dialog, der über Jahrzehnte zwischen den Positionen Hermann Cohens, Franz Rosenzweigs, zwischen Leo Strauss und Hannah Arendt, Ernst Bloch, Margarete Susman und Emil Fackenheim geführt wurde, ein Dialog, der schließlich die postmoderne, nordamerikanische Gegenwartsphilosophie wesentlich beeinflusste, hat ergeben, dass die säkularen normativen Begründungen des staatsbildenden Zionismus zu einer Erneuerung des jüdischen Volkes nicht zureichen - ganz unabhängig von der Frage, welche Legitimität eine übermäßige Selbstbehauptungspolitik des israelischen Staates gegenüber den Palästinensern angesichts der jüdischen Ethik hat." No denying this: This is really good humanist and humane stuff. http://bit.ly/PIsLte

Buber, Martin - NO ONE ACCUSING HIM. Listed for our readers to find out about Hebrew Humanism

1/4: Who is this

"Martin Buber (1878 – 1965) was a philosopher.

"The philosopher, Martin Buber put it well when he said: "The notion of the Jews as chosen people does not indicate a feeling of superiority, but a sense of destiny. It does not spring from a comparison with others but from the concentrated devotion to a task...to the task of bringing a love of one God to the rest of the world" And Buber continues, "Never boast of being chosen. Instead, live up to it."

[http://bit.ly/SLBnDU]

"Martin Buber was an advocate of the ideology of Brit Shalom" http://bit.ly/SXLnKN Ben Ehrenreich, [as the name indicates Barbaras' son] wrote in the Opinion section of the Los Angeles Times: "The Brit Shalom movement -- founded in 1925 and supported at various times by Martin Buber, Hannah Arendt and Gershom Scholem -- argued for a secular, binational state in Palestine in which Jews and Arabs would be accorded equal status. Their concerns were both moral and pragmatic. The establishment of a Jewish state, Buber feared, would mean "premeditated national suicide." URL (16.10.12): http://lat.ms/5wi2B

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"In 1925, Martin Buber in Germany and Judah Magnes in Palestine established the political organization Brit Shalom to promote Jewish-Arab understanding in Palestine. Brit Shalom, which functioned until 1933, stood on a platform of creating 'a binational state in which the two peoples will enjoy equal rights as befits the two elements shaping the country's destiny, irrespective of which of the two is numerically superior at any given time' (from their first publication Our Aspirations, 1927)." Source: Bassem Eid, Multiculturalism in Israel/Palestine: Can a Binational State be the Solution for the Middle East Conflict? History and Prospects, Jerusalem: Palestinian Human Rights Monitoring Group PHRMG, 2009

From 1960 to 1962 Buber served as first president of the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities. Buber died in 1965. Martin Buber is identified as both Austrian and Israeli. This range of identifications represents the shifting borders that occurred throughout his lifetime. In conflict with his Orthodox Jewish heritage, Martin Buber devoted much of his work to secular philosophy. In 1898 he joined the Zionist movement, serving as a delegate to the Third Zionist Congress in 1899. He is best remembered for his examination of dialogue. Between the two wars, Buber became a spokesman for what he called 'Hebrew Humanism', advocating a policy of reconciliation with the Arab population of Palestine. In 1923 Buber published his mostfamous work, I and Thou, in which he outlines a religious philosophy of dialogue. Two years later the first volumes of his and Franz Rosenzweig's German translation of the Bible appeared. He famously examined the difference between the I-You and I-It relationships. He considered these relationships to constitute the basic words that defined human understanding and relations. Throughout his career, Martin Buber was awarded the Goethe award of the University of Hamburg, the Peace Prize of the German Book Trade, the Israel Prize in the humanities, the Bialik Prize for Jewish, and the Erasmus Prize in Amsterdam. Martin Buber wrote in a poetic style. His texts evoke Hasidic folktales, midrash a rabbinic spiritual exegisis his grandfather Solomon Buber was a master in, and the metaphysical tradition of dialogue." (The European Graduate School. URL (06.10.12): http://bit.ly/VyZ1GN)

2/4: What is he or she accused of? NOTHING regarding A-S

Buber is not accused of being an anti-semite. Positive Comment: "BUBER, Martin. Great Jewish philosopher and anti-racist Zionist who argued for a bi-national state in Palestine" http://bit.ly/RlvUkD

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing: NO ONE

Nobody is accusing Buber of being an anti-semite.

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4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue and about CHOSENNES

As an existentialist thinker, Buber's main concern in his writings seems to centre on different types of relationships, namely those between people and nature, human beings with each other, and human and spiritual beings.67 In his well-known 'I-Thou' formula Buber points to the relationship between man and God as the purest of all. According to Buber, man can be an I in its real sense only through the achievement of the I-Thou relationship. Because, for Buber, 'all real living is meeting' and that meeting appears in its purest form only between man and the Eternal Thou (God); this is so, due to the nature of him who is the Being that is directly, most nearly, and lastingly, over against us, that may properly only be addressed'.68 Moreover, in Buber's philosophy, the connection between I and Thou is fully realized in the unique relationship between Israel and God, as there is a special bond connecting them. He wrote: The great deed of Israel is not that it taught the one real God, who is the origin and goal of all being, but that it pointed out that this God can be addressed by man in reality, that man can say Thou to Him, that he can stand face to face with Him, that he can have intercourse with Him.69 According to Buber, even the relationship between man and God is exhausted through addressing and responding. However, as far as the relationship between God and Israel is concerned, those acts of 'address' and 'response' realize themselves

in a covenantal relationship, making Israel the chosen people. So, in respect of the relationship between God and Israel, the acts of addressing and responding turn into those of 'being chosen' and 'choosing', respectively, in the complete sense of the terms; and this subsequently brings about some mutual obligations.70 For Buber, what makes Israel unique is its ability to respond to God and enter a covenantal relationship with him, but the meaning of its election lies in the fact that 'any offence against the berith [covenant] is "visited upon" it'.71 Buber, following the mainstream rabbinic interpretations, maintains that Israel's election by God over other peoples has only one meaning and therefore serves one purpose, namely 'to set an example of harmony in obedience to God for the others'. This is the ultimate plan of God for humankind. In other words, the purpose of God's choosing one people among the others is to make a model people having a dialogue and partnership with God. This emphasis on 'relationship' as the essence of Judaism is, in fact, what most differentiates Buber's theology from that of Rosenzweig, for whom 'existence' alone is the consummation of Jewishness. So, according to Rosenzweig, one does not become, but rather is born a Jew, as he states: 'one is Jewish'.73 According to Buber, however, being

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Jewish is ultimately about undertaking the role of a model community whose essence lies in a 'dialogical', and not an 'existential', relationship between the community members themselves, on the one hand, and between the community and God, on the other. In other words, the task of man in general, and of Israel, in particular, is not 'being' but 'becoming'. As an ideal community, the Jewish people also incorporate in themselves the whole of humanity. For Buber it is not mere existence, but rather a dialogue which matters; an aspiration towards an ideal relationship with the Eternal Thou and humanity, as he writes: 'In genuine Judaism ethics and faith are no separate spheres; its ideal, holiness, is true community with God and true community with human beings, both in one.'74 In another passage Buber makes it clear that the 'spirit' (or the ideal) that Israel is believed to possess should refer 'not to ourselves but to the living truth, which is not our possession, but by which we can be possessed, which is not dependent upon us, but we upon it'.75 For Buber, unlike Rosenzweig, to be chosen, or one's realization of being chosen, is not sufficient in itself. What is more important than this is to 'respond' to the choosing act of God; this is the achievement that Buber means by the term 'dialogue'. As pointed out earlier, Buber's insistence on 'becoming' frees Judaism, at least as he understands it, from the danger of believing that the Jewish people, as a concrete entity, form an ideal community in itself. Rosenzweig's definition of Jewishness in relation to 'being', namely as something finished and waiting to be discovered, however, is not immune to the abovementioned

risk of confusing the ideal with the real. Again, as far as the issue of suffering is concerned, there remains a considerable difference between the two thinkers. Buber imposes a two-fold meaning on suffering: one refers to the deuteronomic notion of punishment for sins in relation to Israel's failure in its responsibilities, and the other to the idea of the suffering servant of God, as introduced

in the book of Isaiah. So, whereas for Rosenzweig suffering seems to be the pay-off for being one with the Father,76 a condition which is already fulfilled, for Buber it is a result of Israel's voluntary participation in the covenant.77 It is not an unexpected result of a fulfilled position but, on the contrary, as unfortunate as it may seem, is the guarantee of the continuity of the task.

Despite all these differences, however, one thing remains certain, namely that all these modern Jewish thinkers emphasized 'a positive symbiosis between Judaism and elements of modern German culture' and also advocated a programme towards universal unity as the goal of Jewish chosenness, albeit in different ways and to different degrees. This was done through reason and mission (Geiger and Cohen), or love (Rosenzweig) or dialogue (Buber).(source: Gürkan, Leyla: The Jews as a chosen people - Tradition and Transformation, Routledge, New York, 2009, p. 73)

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"Accordingly, the notion of chosenness provided the Zionist movement with a missionary role. In this way, the universalist and redemptive implications of the traditional doctrine of chosenness, particularly in terms of 'leading the world', were employed to a great extent by the Zionists to justify their goal of establishing a Jewish state in Palestine. The new Jewish nationhood established in their ancestral homeland would aspire to the role of a 'mentor of the Middle East' (Moses Hess), or represent a 'moral priesthood whose authority is accepted by all mankind' (Ahad Ha-Am), or become 'the shining star of humankind' (Martin Buber). The traditional notion of chosenness, which originally referred to the Jewish people as a physical collective entity, was transformed in this way into the Jewish nationhood as a political-ethical entity. The theme of 'leading the world' was also used by the socialist Jews of the Diaspora. They would attribute a 'vanguard' role to the Jews, as 'a chosen people not of God but of history', a people 'preaching a salvation open to all mankind'.14 However, unlike the Zionists, they would place an emphasis on the Jewish socialist nationality in the Diaspora instead of a Jewish state in the land." (source of all of the above: Gürkan, Leyla: The Jews as a chosen people - Tradition and Transformation, Routledge, New York, 2009, p. 93)

Butler, Judith

1/4: Who is this

"Butler was born February 24, 1956 in Cleveland, Ohio. She earned a PhD in Philosophy from Yale in 1984 and now works at UC Berkeley in Rhetoric and Comparative Literature. Butler describes herself as gay/woman/philosopher/anti-Zionist American Jew. In Butler's work, we'll see the influences of several major philosophers including Heidegger, Foucault, Derrida, Kristeva, Lacan, Irigary, and others. Butler is associated with third-wave feminism. social constructivism, and often employs psychoanalytic literary analysis in claims." Butler. making her (Resources on Judith URL (06.10.12):http://judithbutler.wordpress.com/)

"Judith Butler, Ph.D., she is the Hannah Arendt Chair at the European Graduate School EGS, attended Bennington College and then Yale University, where she received her B.A., and her Ph.D. in philosophy in 1984. Her first training in philosophy took place at the synagogue in her hometown of Cleveland. She taught at Wesleyan and Johns Hopkins universities before becoming Maxine Elliot Professor in the Departments of Rhetoric and Comparative Literature at the University of California, Berkeley." (The European Graduate School. URL (06.10.12): http://bit.ly/9Ipx5J)

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2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Butler has called Hamas and Hezbollah progressive left-wing social movements. 'Understanding Hamas, Hezbollah as social movements that are progressive, that are on the Left, that are part of a global Left, is extremely important,' she said." (http://bit.ly/UW5nxF)

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Salomon Korn http://bit.ly/T2KWzy

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

http://bit.ly/OVjqUk

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Carter, Jimmy

1/4: Who is this

"Jimmy Carter (James Earl Carter, Jr.), thirty-ninth president of the United States, was born October 1, 1924, in the small farming town of Plains, Georgia".

"He was educated in the Plains public schools, attended Georgia Southwestern College and the Georgia Institute of Technology, and received a B.S. degree from the United States Naval Academy in 1946. In the Navy he became a submariner, serving in both the Atlantic and Pacific fleets and rising to the rank of lieutenant. Chosen by Admiral Hyman Rickover for the nuclear submarine program, he was assigned to Schenectady, N.Y., where he took graduate work at Union College in reactor technology and nuclear physics, and served as senior officer of the pre-commissioning crew of the Seawolf, the second nuclear submarine. [...] When his father died in 1953, he resigned his naval commission and returned with his family to Georgia. He took over the Carter farms, and he and Rosalynn operated Carter's Warehouse in Plains, a general-purpose seed and farm supply company. He quickly became a leader of the community, serving on county boards supervising education, the hospital authority, and the library. In 1962 he won election to the Georgia Senate. He lost his first gubernatorial campaign in 1966, but won the next election, becoming Georgia's 76th governor on January 12, 1971. He was the Democratic National Committee campaign chairman for the 1974 congressional and gubernatorial elections.

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On December 12, 1974, he announced his candidacy for president of the United States. He won his party's nomination on the first ballot at the 1976 Democratic National Convention, and was elected president on November 2, 1976.

Jimmy Carter served as president from January 20, 1977 to January 20, 1981. Significant foreign policy accomplishments of his administration included the Panama Canal treaties, the Camp David Accords, the treaty of peace between Egypt and Israel, the SALT II treaty with the Soviet Union, and the establishment of U.S. diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of China. He championed human rights throughout the world. On the domestic side, the administration's achievements included a comprehensive energy program conducted by a new Department of Energy; deregulation in energy, transportation, communications, and finance; major educational programs under a new Department of Education; and major environmental protection legislation, including the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act.

[...] In 1982, he became University Distinguished Professor at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, and founded The Carter Center. Actively guided by President Carter, the nonpartisan and nonprofit Center addresses national and international issues of public policy. Carter Center fellows, associates, and staff join with President Carter in efforts to resolve conflict, promote democracy, protect human rights, and prevent disease and other afflictions. Through the Global 2000 program, the Center advances health and agriculture in the developing world." (Ibid.)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"White supremacists, who already focus much of their hatred on Jews and believe that "Zionists" and Israel control the U.S. government and create the world's problems, welcomed President Carter's book as an affirmation of their warped anti-Semitic conspiracy theories." (http://bit.ly/QbbSbg)

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Anti-Defamation League

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"As you know," says Carter, "I've been called an anti-Semite, I've been called a bigot, I've been called senile, I've been called a liar, I've been called a plagiarist. This is hurting me." A Nobel peace prize winner and deeply religious man, Carter has done what no US president has: throw in his lot with the Palestinian cause and overtly attacked Israel's policies. In a country settled by puritans and disaffected Protestants who identified with the Jewish narrative - that a divine destiny had taken them to the Promised Land - support for Israel runs deep; religiously, culturally, financially. (source: http://bit.ly/TNV1wV)

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Chomsky, Noam

1/4: Who is this

Born 1928 (Cf. The European Graduate School; URL (31.10.12): http://bit.ly/X1CO4D) "Institute Professor & Professor of Linguistics (Emeritus)" (Cf. MIT Linguistics, Department of Linguistics & Philosophy; URL (06.12.12): http://bit.ly/TuHxqk) at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology "Linguistic Theory, Syntax, Semantics, Philosophy of Language" (Ibid.) –Noam Chomsky, Professor of Linguistics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology" (http://bit.ly/OUlnQI)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"The question of left-wing anti-Semitism has, against the will of many, inserted itself into the political discourse of the West over the four years since the outbreak of the second intifada. Noam Chomsky, among the most radical – and most popular – leftist intellectuals in America is oft-cited as a purveyor of leftist anti-semitism – or at the least of being a self-hating Jew – although he denies the accusation vociferously." http://bit.ly/Q2mH1f

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"The ADL is '...one of the ugliest, most powerful pressure groups in the U.S...Its primary commitment is to use any technique, however dishonest and disgraceful, in order to defame and silence and destroy anybody who dares to criticize the Holy State ('Israel')."

Cole, Juan

1/4: Who is this

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Born 1952 (Cf. Atlantic Free Press; URL (31.10.12): http://bit.ly/Tu9uki). "After completing an undergraduate degree at Northwestern University (see below), Cole pursued Islamic and Middle Eastern studies at the American University in Cairo and the University of California Los Angeles, and ultimately joined the faculty at the University of Michigan. [...]

Cole has personal and professional experience in the Middle East and South Asia having lived for six years in the Arab world, and another two and a half in South Asia. He worked as a newspaper reporter in Beirut, Lebanon in the late 1970s and lived in Cairo, Egypt.

He has continued to visit the region in the past 15 years, as stated in his blog, in order to keep in touch with the "pulse of opinion and changing local views." Cole is fluent in modern standard and colloquial Arabic, Urdu and Persian, and has a command of Turkish. He was awarded Fulbright-Hays fellowships to India (1982) and to Egypt (1985-1986).

From 1999 until 2004, Juan Cole was the editor of The International Journal of Middle East Studies. He has served in professional offices for the American Institute of Iranian Studies. He was elected president of the Middle East Studies Association of North America in November 2004. In 2006 Cole was nominated to teach at Yale University and was approved by Yale's sociology and history departments; however, the senior appointments committee overruled the nomination. Cole continues to teach at the University of Michigan.

He blogs at www.juancole.com

- * 1975 B.A. History and Literature of Religions, Northwestern University.
- * 1978 M.A. Arabic Studies/History, American University in Cairo
- * 1984 Ph.D. Islamic Studies, University of California Los Angeles
- * 1984-1990 Assistant Professor of History, University of Michigan
- * 1990-1995 Associate Professor of History, University of Michigan
- * 1992-1995 Director, Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies, University of Michigan
- * 1995- Professor of History, University of Michigan" (Ibid.)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"One of the most prominent anti-Zionists today is Prof. Juan Cole from the University of Michigan. Part of being a successful anti-Zionist involves claiming that Jews have no right to the land of Israel. So to be a good anti-Zionist, one needs to deny Jewish history.

To this end, in March Cole published a piece of historical fiction in the Salon online magazine. Titled "Ten reasons why East Jerusalem does not belong to Israel," Cole mixed half-truths with flagrant lies to justify his denial of Jewish history and belittlement of the Jewish rights. Cole wrote, "Jerusalem not only was not being built by the likely then non-existent 'Jewish people' in 1000 BCE, but Jerusalem probably was not even inhabited at that point in history. Jerusalem appears to have been abandoned between 1000 BCE and 900 BCE, the traditional dates for the united kingdom under David and Solomon."

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This assertion is so mendacious that it takes your breath away. As anyone who has actually been in Jerusalem can attest, it is all but impossible to be physically present in the oldest areas of the city and not bump into relics dating from between 1000 and 900 BCE.

Cole's allegation is the academic equivalent of Louis Farakhan's claim that white people are devils planted on earth by aliens. As an anti-Zionist anti-Semite, it was just a matter of time until Cole travelled into the fetid swamp of denying the historical record to facilitate his false claim that Jews are not a people and therefore are bereft of rights as a nation to our national homeland. And why shouldn't he cover himself in anti- Semitic muck? So far, the stench has brought him great success. The very fact that I felt compelled to write an essay explaining why anti- Semitism is anti-Semitism and why anti-Zionism is anti-Semitism is depressing proof that anti- Semites have been wildly successful in whitewashing their bigotry." http://bit.ly/bmQdp8

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Caroline Glick

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"It finally happened. The Jerusalem Post has declared archeology itself anti-Semitic. To tell you the truth, I am frankly worried about some of my colleagues who are committed Zionists having difficulty in dealing with reality in the wake of the severe difficulties facing the Zionist project in historical Palestine. Caroline Glick's inaccurate and angry attack on me in the Jerusalem Post reminded me again of why I am anxious about the Closing of the Zionist Mind. Glick is actually alleging that anyone who practices critical history of the ancient world or the Middle East in general is thereby an anti-Jewish bigot. Glick, from Chicago, was a captain in the Israeli army and a judge advocate-general during the first Intifada or Palestinian uprising against the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, which the Israeli army brutally crushed. She seems to be going off the deep end, having made herself notorious with the sick satirical video 'We Con the World,' which made fun of the civilian aid workers killed by Israeli commandos on May 31 of this year (and which appears to have had some backing from the Israeli government itself). [...] Other strange features of this discourse are the disregard for any evidence that contradicts the set talking points, unwillingness to seriously reconsider positions in the light of such evidence, the repetition of key phrases in an impenetrable way, the allegation that critics said things they never said, and insistence on demonizing the source of the alternative evidence. I got exactly the same treatment in the 1970s from Maronite Christians in Lebanon and in the 1990s from pro-Milosevic Serbs, and recognize the condition. It is Failing Nationalism Syndrome (FNS). [...]

Since the government of Israeli prime minister Binyamin Netanyahu is doing its best to run out the clock on a two-state solution, the only two plausible outcomes in Israel/Palestine in

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the coming decades are long years of dreary Apartheid or a one-state solution. It is not plausible that the Israelis will be allowed to keep the Palestinians stateless and without, ultimately, any real rights, forever. So Zionists (Israel nationalists) are increasingly suffering from Failing Nationalism Syndrome, and it is causing them to flail about saying the strangest things. [...] Zionism is just Israel nationalism. Nationalism is of two sorts. It can be a sane patriotism in which people take pride in their identity and pull together to achieve national projects of self-improvement. Or it can be an aggressive, expansionist, grasping and destructive movement that exalts the in-group over out-groups and disadvantages or damages the latter. The second sense of the word 'nationalism' was the more common in the 19th and the early 20th century. So, I am not an anti-Zionist in principle (and it is weird that Glick would accuse me of being one), since Israel nationalism is fine with me as long as it is of the first sort. Any nationalism of the second sort, I roundly denounce, whether adopted by Jews, Arabs, or Melanesians. It is the virulent sort that Closes the Mind. [...] Glick is the one who is out of touch with reality. She cannot bump into a single monument from the period 1000-900 BCE in today's Jerusalem. The position I hold is what is called the 'Copenhagen school' or 'biblical minimalism,' and it is a perfectly respectable academic movement. I think all archeologists and historians would hold it if some were not religious believers in the Bible. It is people like Capt. Glick who are politicizing archeology and tampering with science.

There is no evidence for a monotheistic cult in Canaan in the period leading up to 1000 BCE. Monotheistic Judaism appears to have been invented in the Babylonian exile or perhaps a little before, and the fables of a great kingdom of David and Solomon were woven together then. The Assyrians were the gossips of the ancient world and they wrote down everything that happened in their clay tablets, and even talk about minor Arab queens in the Hijaz, and they didn't know anything about a magnificent kingdom of David and Solomon with palaces. If these figures existed at all, I suspect they just had really, really nice tents, not golden palaces (which by the way have not been found despite what ideologues like Glick assert). Historical Judaism was a reformation of Canaanite religion over a period of time. (Some readers asked me who I thought was carried off to Babylon in the first place, and the answer is simple: Canaanites, perhaps those of a certain religious cult, but very possibly not the sort of monotheist depicted in the Bible). [...]

Anyway, if Israel nationalism depends on the Bible's stories of David and Solomon being historical, then kiss it goodbye. But note that my point in the Salon article was not that Israelis had no right to be in Israel but rather that they have no right to expel all Palestinians from Jerusalem (Yes, that is what Israelis of Glick's stripe are doing). Glick's shouting is designed to cover up an ongoing set of crimes against someone else, by painting herself the victim of, horror, biblical minimalism of an academic sort. [...]

I'm still looking for evidence of anti-Semitic muck in anything I've written, as opposed to just practicing history. And, I'm glad she thinks me a success, but let's face it, I'd have gone much further in conventional life if I hadn't gotten on the wrong side of strident fanatics such as she. But, I was never interested in a conventional career. I have a sneaking admiration for Hunter S. Thompson that I doubt very many deans share. [...]

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The Closing of the Zionist Mind, so evident in Glick's weird column, is dangerous because a cult-like, black and white mindset is the first prerequisite for a turn to violence and it makes compromise and flexibility impossible. But what the Mideast needs more of is reasoned, humane, complex openness to change, to negotiation, to seeing the Other as human. Glick is foreclosing that process, and in so doing is helping dig the grave of Israel as we know it. Luckily, most Israelis I knoware nice people and Glick is not representative, so maybe I'm wrong to see a trend here as opposed to just a supremely annoying and ignorant individual." http://bit.ly/9DQfdZ

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Dawkins, Richard

1/4: Who is this

"Born in Nairobi, Kenya, in 1941, Professor Richard Dawkins is one of the world's leading scientific intellectuals, specialising in evolutionary biology. After undertaking his doctorate under the instruction of Nobel-prize winning ethologist Niko Tinbergen at Berkeley University of California, in 1967 he was appointed Assistant Professor of Zoology at Berkeley Dawkins returned to Oxford University, where he gained his degree, before becoming a fellow at New College, Oxford in 1970.

Professor Dawkins is an enormously successful writer. His first book, The Blind Watchmaker, published in 1976, was a huge success and has since been translated into 13 languages worldwide. [...]

He has won countless awards and regularly lectures around the world. He widely accredits Charles Darwin as having a profound influence on his life and work" (National Geographic Channel; URL (31.10.12): http://bit.ly/ogTAqK)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

Alleged "Anti-Semites"

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Lord Sacks: "So you come prejudiced against what you call the Old Testament and that's why I did not read the opening to chapter two in your book as a joke, I read it as a profoundly anti-Semitic passage" (http://bit.ly/R1WFJ3)

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Lord Sacks

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"Prof Dawkins, an Oxford evolutionary biologist, dismissed the allegation as "ridiculous" and said he was not 'anti-Jewish' just 'anti-God'." (http://bit.ly/R1WFJ3)

Dierkes, Hermann,

1/4: Who is this

Born 1949 (C.f. Muslim Markt, 12.3.2009; URL (31.10.12): http://bit.ly/SjNciY) Fraktionsvorsitzender, Ratsfraktion Duisburg, Die Linke

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

To have repeated "Oppose the moral blackmail of the so-called Holocaust! ["Wahrheit macht Frei!"] Truth makes free!" (Probably [sic!])

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

He is place nine on the "2011 Top Ten Anti-Israel/Anti-Semitic Slurs" published by the Simon Wiesenthal Center (http://bit.ly/TFGiJA)

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"Es geht nicht hier um einen Konflikt der mit einer rassistischen Prägung oder gegen Juden oder so: Es geht um eine politische Auseinandersetzung. So, wie kriegst du eine Lösung hin die friedlich und gerecht ist usw.? Und diese läppische Frage um das Exixtenzrecht Israels und so weiter also, dazu wie gesagt gibt es diesen schönen Aufsatz hierdrin und ich finde das

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auch wirklich richtig: Als Kontrapunkt dagegensetzen: Wir sind für das Existenzrecht der Palästinenser. [...] Was ich in Zweifel ziehe und zwar auch ganz energisch, das Israel sich definieren will als jüdischer Staat. Das heisst die Menschen hunderttausende, millionen die innerhalb der Staatsgrenzen leben, Bürger zweiter Klasse sind, eine Art Apartheid durchmachen usw. Ja haben wir denn nichts zu sagen? Ist das im Sinne der Menschenrechte alles OK was dort läuft? Ich finde es auch wichtig das wir uns heute konzentrieren auf die Frage der Menschenrechte, das wir sagen 'die sind universal, und da kann sich keiner drüber entheben' und kann sagen 'Ja uns ist in der Vergangenheit furchtbares passiert und deswegen haben wir das Recht jetzt die Palästinenser gewissermaßen zu entsorgen.' Das ist doch das was im Grunde dort läuft." Youtube Video (http://bit.ly/NN99YJ) Transkribiert von Benno

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Einstein, Albert

1/4: Who is this

Really no need to dwell on this one but well, here we go: 1879-1955 (Official Web Site of the Nobel Peace Price: The Nobel Prize in Physics 1921; Albert Einstein. URL (30.10.12): http://bitly.com/qjaxq) "in 1896 he entered the Swiss Federal Polytechnic School in Zurich to be trained as a teacher in physics and mathematics. In 1901, the year he gained his diploma, he acquired Swiss citizenship and, as he was unable to find a teaching post, he accepted a position as technical assistant in the Swiss Patent Office. In 1905 he obtained his doctor's degree. [...] in 1908 he was appointed Privatdozent in Berne. In 1909 he became Professor Extraordinary at Zurich, in 1911 Professor of Theoretical Physics at Prague, returning to Zurich in the following year to fill a similar post. In 1914 he was appointed Director of the Kaiser Wilhelm Physical Institute and Professor in the University of Berlin. [...] 1933 when he renounced his citizenship for political reasons and emigrated to America to take the position of Professor of Theoretical Physics at Princeton*. He became a United States citizen in 1940 and retired from his post in 1945. After World War II,

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Einstein was a leading figure in the World Government Movement, he was offered the Presidency of the State of Israel, which he declined, and he collaborated with Dr. Chaim Weizmann in establishing the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. [...]

Albert Einstein received honorary doctorate degrees in science, medicine and philosophy from many European and American universities. During the 1920's he lectured in Europe, America and the Far East and he was awarded Fellowships or Memberships of all the leading scientific academies throughout the world. He gained numerous awards in recognition of his work, including the Copley Medal of the Royal Society of London in 1925, and the Franklin Medal of the Franklin Institute in 1935."

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

We're waiting to see what the accusers will say when they discover the opening lines to Einstein and Arendt's <u>letter to the NYT dated 4th of December 1948.</u>

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

So far none that we know of.

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4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"April 10, 1948 Mr. Shepard Rifkin Exec.Director American Friends of the Fighters for the Freedom of Israel 149 Second Ave. New York 3,N.Y.

Dear Sir:

When a real and final catastrophe should befall us in Palestine the first responsible for it would be the British and the second responsible for it the Terrorist organizations build up from our own ranks. I am not willing to see anybody associated with those misled and criminal people.

Sincerely yours, (Signed, 'A. Einstein')

Albert Einstein" http://bit.ly/cUxxqR

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"As my friend Daniel Septimus pointed out to me the other night, had Rosenfeld dealt with the issue of the history of Israel and the academy or progressive Jewish thought, he would have had to contend with the fact that respected and celebrated Jews in the academy, ranging from Martin Buber to Albert Einstein—yes Einstein—proposed at one time or another the possibility of a bi-national state. Simply put, Judaism was more important to them than Jewish nationalism. While I totally disagree with Buber and Einstein, I would never in my right mind label them anti-Semites. These are not crazy people, nor can one even dare to refer to them as anti-Semites. Though, according to Rosenfeld's criteria, they could be termed anti-Semites, he never once mentions their names." http://bit.ly/q58FIj

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Falk, Richard

1/4: Who is this

ggf. Syracuse University Library; URL (30.10.12): http://bit.ly/TTHbxU

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Timeline: Richard Falk's Anti-Semitic Cartoon, Denial, and Non-Apology Apology

- June 29 Richard Falk, the UN Palestine expert tasked by the Human Rights Council to investigate 'Israel's violations of the bases and principles of international law,' posts a cartoon on his blog depicting a bloodthirsty dog wearing a Jewish religious headcovering.
- July 6, 9:22 AM (*California time*) UN Watch, a Geneva-based human rights organization, exposed Falk's publication of the cartoon, condemns its incitement to anti-Semitism, and calls on UN rights chief Navi Pillay to speak out.
- July 6, 10:38 AM Falk responds: 'It is a complete lie. I know nothing about such a cartoon, and would never publish such a thing, ever.'
- July 6, 10:54 AM Falk deletes the cartoon. He explains: 'Maybe I do not understand the cartoon, and if it offends in this way I have removed it from the blog. It may be in bad taste to an extent I had not earlier appreciated, but I certainly didn't realize that it could be viewed as anti-semitic, and still do not realize.'
- July 6, 1:42 PM Falk is still unable to see any problem with the cartoon: 'I did not perceive any racist connotations, and certainly no anti-semitic implications, and since it offends people I have removed it without understanding why.'

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- July 6, 2:30 PM Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, Chair of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, denounces Falk's cartoon on the floor of the US Congress. Click here for text and video.
- July 6, 3:41 PM Falk points a finger at UN Watch executive director Hillel Neuer: 'Neuer consistently defames me, claiming I am a 9/11 conspiracy theorist when I am not, and so forth.'
- July 6, approx. 5:00 pm Falk issues an Apology for Unintentionally Posting Anti-Semitic Cartoon in Qaddafi Arrest Warrant Blog. 'With apologies, I realize that the cartoon... had strongly anti-semitic symbolism that I had not detected before it was pointed out to me... My intention has never been to demean in any way Jews as a people despite my strong criticisms of Israeli policies, and some versions of Zionist support... Beyond this, if we are to have a sustainable human future we must also make peace with nature, and treat animals with as much respect as possible... At the same time, I am quite aware that many of the messages were motivated to discredit me due to my views of Israeli policies and behavior.'
- July 6, 7:54 PM Falk admits to knowingly attacking the US: 'I did realize that the cartoon was anti-American, but I did not realize that it was also anti-semitic.'
- July 7 UN Watch called on UN rights chief Navi Pillay to lead efforts to fire Richard Falk. *Click here for UN Watch press release*." URL (22.10.12): http://bit.ly/nLBX10

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

UN Watch

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

We invite you to visit Richard Falk's excellent and regularly updated website to find out for yourself, that he is as anti-Semitic as the pope is an atheist: http://richardfalk.wordpress.com ... well on second thought, we are not as sure about the pope as we are about Richard Falk's not being anti-Semitic. (THIS IS HUMOUR! Take it easy, we respect all religions alike.)

Finkelstein, Norman

1/4: Who is this

American political scientist, activist and author. Truly Good Stuff. Recently wrote a book on Gandhi, which is good stuff in our books. However he likes to harp on Gandhi's abhorrence of cowardice to such an extent, that Gandhi comes across as a closet guerillero. Anyhow, this man's should be "Norman – Impeccable Accuracy – Finkelstein". Now there is a youtube video of his out there, where he kind of says it's good Israel got a beating (military by either Hamas or Hizbollah – will have to check this and link it up here). Please remember: We do

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not condone violence. At all. Zero. Neither by, nor against Israel. Please keep that in mind whenever discussing Galtung's work. Galtungism is harshly against the use of cultural, direct and structural violence, unless! it is akin to the necessity of a medical amputation, which usually neither your doctor nor you as a patient really look forward to as a "good" solution. But you probably knew that already if you've found this document and are reading it. And if you really didn't know that about Galtung, watch this. Back to Norman Finkelstein: Born 1953 (Cf. Radboud University, Soeterbeeck Programme; URL (30.10.12): http://bit.ly/V56P2P) Norman Finkelstein "is an American political scientist, activist and author. His primary fields of research are the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the politics of the Holocaust, an interest motivated by the experiences of his parents who are Jewish Holocaust survivors. He is a graduate of Binghamton University and received his Ph.D in Political Science from Princeton University. He has held faculty positions at Brooklyn College, Rutgers University, Hunter College, New York University, and, most recently, DePaul University, where he was an assistant professor from 2001 to 2007." (Ibid.)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"For Finkelstein, everything he sees is filtered through the prism of his anti-Israel animus, with results that would be merely absurd were they not so often used to incite hatred against Israel and undermine efforts to diminish anti-Semitism in the world." (http://bit.ly/QflCEa)

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

To name just one: Anti-defamation league (http://bit.ly/zVwT5)

Filling this section (which will be done at some point) will probably add 20 pages to this entire document. But Finkelstein takes it like a rock and keeps delivering new and original perspectives on the conflict formation in the Middle East.

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

http://bit.ly/QQyYEz

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hNAKWF1uQ08

Friedman, Thomas

1/4: Who is this

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Born 1953 (Cf. The New York Times; URL (30.10.12): http://bit.ly/75fUHY) "Thomas L. Friedman is an internationally renowned author, reporter, and columnist—the recipient of three Pulitzer Prizes and the author of six bestselling books" (Ibid.)

"After graduating from high school in 1971, Friedman attended the University of Minnesota and Brandeis University, and graduated *summa cum laude* in 1975 with a degree in Mediterranean studies. During his undergraduate years, he spent semesters abroad at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the American University in Cairo. Following his graduation from Brandeis, Friedman attended St. Antony's College, Oxford University, on a Marshall Scholarship. In 1978, he received an M.Phil. degree in modern Middle East studies from Oxford. That summer he joined the London Bureau of United Press International (UPI) on Fleet Street, where he worked as a general assignment reporter. [...] In May 1981, Friedman was offered a job by the legendary *New York Times* editor A. M. Rosenthal. He left Beirut and joined the staff of *The New York Times* in Manhattan. From May 1981 to April 1982, Friedman worked as a general assignment financial reporter for the *Times*. [...] In January 1995, Friedman took over the *New York Times* Foreign Affairs column." (Ibid.)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"The notion that the only reason politicians support Israel is because of Jewish money is a central myth of a new form of anti-Semitism which masquerades as a defense of American foreign policy against the depredations of a venal Israel lobby." (http://bit.ly/vJWcIY)

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Jonathan S. Tobin

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

http://bit.ly/SILmWt

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Gaarder, Jostein

1/4: Who is this

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Sophie's World must be everyone's favourite early introduction to philosophy, right? Born 1952 (Cf. Jostein Gaarder Homepage. URL (24.10.2012): http://bit.ly/TfipGk) "He worked as a teacher in Valler High School from 1978 to 1981 and Bærum Fana Folk High School in Bergen from 1981 to 1991, where he had much time to write. [...] When he saw that the world appreciated his books, in 1991, decided to leave the teaching career to devote himself full time to writing. [...] In 1993, Jostein is nominated for the Brage Prize. In the same year he moved with his family in Bear Road 3, Oslo. In 1997 Gaarder was awarded the Buxtehude Buller at the International Festival in Bergen. Today, Jostein Gaarder is a busy man. All corners of the world wants to get in touch with him to have an opinion about his worldview. Jostein Gaarder's books are published in over 44 countries, only Sophie's World and The Solitaire Mystery have so far sold 21 million copies.

Jostein Gaarder is perhaps one of the greatest Norwegian authors in recent years so much so that it was called Norway's answer to Umberto Eco. For his writing, he has received numerous awards in Norway and international, in addition to the above price also Sonja Mann Children's Garden in 1991 (for "Sophie's World"), School Library Association award in 1993, Bokhandlerprisen 1993 (for "Throuth a glass, darkly"), two Germans, two Italians and a Spaniard. In 1996 he was named "Peer Gynt" in 2002 was awarded the Brage Prize Honors Award. In 1997, Gaarder and his wife have founded the "Dannevig Sophie Foundation", which annually bestows the Sophie Prize, an international award in the environmental field. The author in 2005 was appointed Commander of the Order of St. Olav, and receives an honorary degree from the University of Dublin" (Ibid.).

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Two years ago the conservative Aftenposten got international attention when it published an op-ed by Jostein Gaarder which until this day remains the vilest anti-Semitic article published in a European mainstream paper since the Second World War." http://bit.ly/peOKrU

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Manfred Gerstenfeld for "The Jerusalem Post"

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"It is time to learn a new lesson: We do no longer recognize the state of Israel. We could not recognize the South African apartheid regime, nor did we recognize the Afghan Taliban regime. Then there were many who did not recognize Saddam Hussein's Iraq or the Serbs' ethnic cleansing. We must now get used to the idea: The state of Israel in its current form is history. [...]

Shame on all apartheid, shame on ethnic cleansing, shame on every terrorist strike against civilians, be it carried out by Hamas, Hizballah, or the state of Israel! [...] the state of Israel, with its unscrupulous art of war and its disgusting weapons, has massacred its own legitimacy. It has systematically flaunted International Law,

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international conventions, and countless UN resolutions, and it can no longer expect protection from same. It has carpet bombed the recognition of the world. But fear not! The time of trouble shall soon be over. The state of Israel has seen its Soweto. [...]

We do not recognize a state founded on antihumanistic principles and on the ruins of an archaic national and war religion. [...]

We recognize the state of Israel of 1948, but not the one of 1967. It is the state of Israel that fails to recognize, respect, or defer to the internationally lawful Israeli state of 1948. [...] We do not recognize the state of Israel. Not today, not as of this writing, not in the hour of grief and wrath. " http://bit.ly/VAmtms There is also the original article in Norwegian: http://bit.ly/iGAY

Comment: Though one understands what he wanted to say – probably the same thing as Angela Merkel when she tells Netanyahu to stop encroaching on international law and begin promoting the peace process as he risks "world seclusion" – but the way Gaarder said it, is rather difficult to digest as he outright spells out a denial of the right of Israel to exist. Or at least that sounds like what he is saying. His basic point being "we do not recognize the inhumane activities of the state of Israel", for anyone familiar with his work to impute anti-Semitism to him is just ridiculous. Most certainly, Gaarder would agree, that in the same manner as one cannot reject a whole human for some of his wrong actions one cannot reject the state of Israel for its wrongdoings, but instead the wrongdoings themselves.

Galtung, Johan

1/4: Who is this

An awesome and restless polymath! Something akin to our boss, but more of a friend: A true Mentsch. Get to know him here: Galtung Biopic

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

Read <u>this</u> fraudulent article by a Ha'aretz (yes we couldn't believe it either) journalist to get the gist of this farce. This article <u>HERE</u> however, puts the entire story back into its accurate context.

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The Ha'aretz journalist based his entire piece on views put out there by none other than the very <u>Norwegian fellow</u> who had the good judgement to emit <u>this revelatory tweet.</u>... seriously? We rest our case.

In the aftermath of the Ha'aretz piece, none other than Mr. Forbes n° 118 jumped up and added his lack of good judgement to this ridiculous charge. All the others who might be checking here to find their names: tough love. You're not significant enough.

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

1: FIGHTING ANTI-SEMITISM CONSTRUCTIVELY

2: <u>HA'ARETZ: Ingredients for a true Peace Process</u>
Now this! is the Ha'aretz we know and continue to love.

Goldstone, Richard

1/4: Who is this

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"Goldstone was born on 26 October 1938 and studied law at the University of the Witwatersrand where he obtained a BA LLB degree with honours in 1962.

World-renowned South African judge, Richard Goldstone has served in the most influential courts in the country as Judge of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court in 1989 and Justice of the Constitutional Court of South Africa from July 1994. He has also served as prosecutor and commission member in several other countries, including genocide investigations and judgements for Bosnia in the Hague." (South African History Online. URL (06.11.12): http://bit.ly/PBbV4o)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"While critical non-Jews are often smeared as 'anti-Semites', jurist Richard Goldstone, who lead the UN investigation into the Israeli war on Gaza., was not a mere anti-Semite for concluding that Israel and Hamas had both potentially committed war crimes and crimes against humanity. Dershowitz told Israeli Army Radio that Goldstone is a 'traitor to the

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Jewish people'. 'The Goldstone report is a defamation written by an evil, evil man,' Dershowitz said (Haaretz, October 31)." http://bit.ly/AcPLoY

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Ramzy Baroud and many others...

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

http://bit.ly/m682M

Gordon, Neve

1/4: Who is this

Born 1965 (Cf. Gordon, 01.06.2010). "Neve Gordon served as chair of the Department of Politics and Government at Ben-Gurion University, Israel, between the years 2008-2010. He has been a visiting scholar at the University of California, Berkeley, the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor and the Watson Institute at Brown University. During the first intifada, he was the director of Physicians for Human Rights – Israel. His writings have appeared in numerous scholarly journals as well as in publications such as: The Washington Post, The Los Angeles Times, The Guardian, The Nation, Chicago Tribune, The Boston Globe, Chronicle of Higher Education and The National Catholic Reporter" (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, The Department of Politics & Government)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"It is my opinion that Neve Gordon has gotten into bed with neo-Nazis, Holocaust justice deniers, and anti-Semites. He is a despicable example of a self-hating Jew and a self-hating Israeli." http://bit.ly/SxSkC5

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Alan Dershowitz

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

His Website: http://www.israelsoccupation.info/

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Grass, Günter

1/4: Who is this

Born 1927 (Cf. The official web site of the Nobel Prize). "After military service and captivity by American forces 1944-46, he worked as a farm labourer and miner and studied art in Düsseldorf and Berlin. 1956-59 he made his living as a sculptor, graphic artist and writer in Paris, and subsequently Berlin. In 1955 Grass became a member of the socially critical Gruppe 47 (later described with great warmth in *The Meeting at Telgte*), his first poetry was published in 1956 and his first play produced in 1957. His major international breakthrough came in 1959 with his allegorical and wide-ranging picaresque novel *The Tin Drum* (filmed by Schlöndorff), a satirical panorama of German reality during the first half of this century, which, with *Cat and Mouse* and *Dog Years*, was to form what is called the Danzig Trilogy.

In the 1960s Grass became active in politics, participating in election campaigns on behalf of Social Democrat party and Willy Brandt. He dealt with the responsibility of intellectuals in Local Anaesthetic, From the Diary of a Snail and in his "German tragedy" The Plebeians Rehearse the Uprising, and published political speeches and essays in which he advocated a Germany free from fanaticism and totalitarian ideologies. His childhood home, Danzig, and his broad and suggestive fabulations were to reappear in two successful novels criticising civilisation, The Flounder and The Rat, which reflect Grass's commitment to the peace movement and the environmental movement. Vehement debate and criticism were aroused by his mammoth novel Ein weites Feld which is set in the DDR in the years of the collapse of communism and the fall of the Berlin wall. In My Century he presents the history of the past century from a personal point of view, year by year. As a graphic artist, Grass has often been responsible for the covers and illustrations for his own works. Grass was President of the Akademie der Künste in Berlin 1983-86, active within the German Authors' Publishing Company and PEN. He has been awarded a large number of prizes, among them Preis der Gruppe 47 1958, "Le meilleur étranger" 1962, the Büchner Prize 1965, the Fontane Prize 1968, Premio Internazionale Mondello 1977, the Alexander-Majakowski Medal, Gdansk 1979, the Antonio Feltrinelli Prize 1982, Großer Literaturpreis der Bayerischen Akademie 1994. He has honorary doctorates from Kenyon College and the Universities of Harvard, Poznan and Gdansk." (Ibid.)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Now, anti-Semitism is a charge that is flung about too frequently against critics of Israel. Unfortunately, in this instance it is fully deserved." According to Jacob Heilbrunn in the National Interest. (http://bit.ly/HrWR30)

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Jacob Heilbrunn for "The National Interest"

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

From the horse's mouth 1

From the horse's mouth 2

By the way: "from the horse's mouth" is an extant idiom and not an invective

Greenwald, Glenn

1/4: Who is this

Born 1967 (Cf. Fox News). He is "is an American political journalist, lawyer, columnist, blogger, and author" (Ibid.). "Glenn Greenwald was a constitutional law litigator in New York, and is now a Contributing Writer at Salon, where he writes his daily political blog, Unclaimed Territory." (The Huffington Post)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Greenwald's anti-Americanism is so intense he once compared the US overthrow of Saddam Hussein to the Nazi conquest of Europe. As is often the case with Guardian-brand commentators, Greenwald's anti-imperialist ideological package includes a vicious anti-Zionism, and a corresponding belief on the injurious influence of organized US Jewry on American foreign policy in the Middle East." http://bit.ly/Q3kMa7

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Adam Levick for "The Times of Israel"

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"AIPAC's former spokesman, Josh Block, had been encouraging neoconservative journalists and pundits on a private email list to attack as "anti-Semites" various Middle East commentators employed by two of the most influential Democratic-Party-aligned

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organizations: the Center for American Progress (CAP) and Media Matters (MM). Block distributed a dossier containing posts by these CAP and MM writers about Israel and Iran that he claimed evince anti-Semitism, and then issued these marching orders (emphasis in original): "YOU SHOULD AMPLIFY this. And use the below [research] to attack the bad guys." The predictable roster of neoconservative, hatemongering extremists on that email list – led by *The Washington Post*'s Jennifer Rubin, who recruited the Simon Wiesenthal Center to the cause — dutifully spewed out articles echoing Block's attacks against these mostly young, liberal writers: Matt Duss, Ali Gharib, Eli Clifton and Zaid Jilani at CAP's ThinkProgress blog and Media Matters' MJ Rosenberg (a former AIPAC employee)." http://bit.ly/zyQkjU

Grosser*, Alfred

1/4: Who is this

Born 1925 (Friedenspreis des Deutschen Buchhandels). "Nach dem Studium und dem Staatsexamen in Germanistik schließt er sich der französischen Widerstandsbewegung an.

Von 1950 bis 1951 ist Grosser stellvertretender Leiter des UNESCO-Büros in der Bundesrepublik. Anschließend nimmt er eine Dozentenstelle an der Sorbonne an. Ab 1956 ist Grosser hauptamtlicher Forschungsdirektor an der «Fondation nationale des sciences politiques» und Professor am «Institut d'etudes politiques» in Paris.

In zahlreichen Veröffentlichungen und Vorträgen setzt er sich immer wieder für den Dialog zwischen den Nationen ein und nimmt unter anderem in Le Monde als Kolumnist öffentlich Stellung zu politischen Fragen.

Als Generalsekretär des »Französischen Komitees für den Austausch mit dem neuen Deutschland« gilt Alfred Grosser als Wegbereiter der deutsch-französischen Aussöhnung. Durch seinen Einsatz für eine friedliche Zweistaatenlösung im israelisch-palästinensischen Konflikt stößt er besonders in Israel immer wieder auf Kritik" (Ibid.).

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Und die Festansprache wird ausgerechnet ein Mann halten, der das, was die Nazis den Juden angetan haben, gerne mit dem vergleicht, was die Israelis den Palästinensern antun: 'Ich bin als Judenkind in der Frankfurter Schule verachtet und sogar geschlagen worden. Ich kann nicht verstehen, dass Juden andere verachten.'" http://bit.ly/QB1A61

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Henryk M. Broder

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"SZ: Wie wird die Diskussion um Grass in Frankreich aufgenommen? Grosser: Es gibt ein paar kleinere Artikel, die eher auf der Seite von Grass sind und die ganze Emotion in Deutschland nicht verstehen können. Die Kritik an Israel – nicht am Judentum – ist hier alltäglich. Kritiker wie ich gelten da vielleicht mal als Antisemiten. Wir werden aber nicht angegriffen, weil wir würdige Bürger der Franzözischen Republik sind. In Deutschland ist das anders, weil es dort heißt, als Deutscher dürfe man Israel nicht angreifen." (http://bit.ly/Ix9dnV) "Ich fände es besser, Deutschland würde sich auf sämtliche Gründe besinnen, aus denen heraus man den Nationalsozialismus ablehnt. Diese Ideologie war nämlich nicht nur antisemitisch, sie war insgesamt rassenverachtend. Warum macht man sich also nicht dafür stark, dass die Würde der Menschen für alle gilt - ob Jude, Palästinenser oder sonst wer. Wer das nicht tut, ist dem Anti-Nazismus nicht treu." http://bit.ly/VrHNdS

Grossman, David

1/4: Who is this

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He is "one of Israel's most celebrated novelists" (theguardian).

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"When examining the number of Palestinians killed over more than forty years of occupation, it turns out that Israel is cautious, by any international standard. But Grossman upends the plate. It is like when a Jewish thief is discovered, the claim is that all Jews thieves. Anti-Semites specialized in this method. Grossman, alas, adopts it." http://bit.ly/QqtnYR

"Famed writer, who lost his son in Lebanon and decried Israel's leadership, didn't shake PM's hand." http://bit.ly/S2aRYM

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Ben-Dror Yemini at Maariy

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"Staff Sgt. Uri Grossman, 20, the son of renowned novelist and peace activist David Grossman was killed Saturday in Lebanon, just days after his father made a public call for the government to halt its military operation and enter negotiations." (Haaretz Article Aug.13, 2006. URL: http://bit.ly/OtbFoF -- http://bit.ly/dwIsu2

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Hass, Amira

1/4: Who is this

Born 1956 "Amira Hass is the Haaretz correspondent for the Occupied Territories. [...] Hass joined Ha'aretz in 1989, and has been in her current position since 1993. As the correspondent for the territories, she spent three years living in Gaza, which served of the basis for her widely acclaimed book, "Drinking the Sea at Gaza. [...] Hass is also the author of two other books, both of which are compilations of her articles." (Ibid.)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

Amira Hass: The anti-Semitism that goes unreported http://bit.ly/NOrO61

Hecht-Galinski, Evelyn

1/4: Who is this

Jewish-German activist, member of European Jews for a Just Peace, daughter of Heinz Galinski, former president of the Central Council of Jews in Germany

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Hecht-Galinski, whose late father served as the head of Berlin's first post-Holocaust Jewish community and president of the Central Council of Jews in Germany, equates Israeli policies

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with those of Nazi Germany, and argues that a "Jewish-Israel lobby with its active network is extended over the world and thanks to America its power has become so great..." (The Jerusalem Post. URL: http://bit.ly/QxyWV0)

"Mit heutigem Urteil hat das Landgericht Köln die Klage hinsichtlich der verbliebenen sieben Anträge abgewiesen

und die Kosten des Rechtsstreits vollumfänglich Frau Hecht-Galinski auferlegt.

Herr Broder argumentierte in diesem Rechtsstreit, dass seine Äußerungen über Frau Hecht-Galinski voll von seinem Recht auf freie Meinungsäußerung gedeckt und aufgrund von Äußerungen antisemitischen Inhalts Frau Hecht-Galinskis gerechtfertigt seien." (Der Berliton News URL: http://bit.ly/OX2lcC)

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Henryk M. Broder

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Hecht-Galinski antwortet auf Lustiger Antisemitismus ist nicht gleich Antizionismus: http://bit.ly/NQQ9bO

Hobsbawm, Eric

1/4: Who is this

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1917-2012 (Cf. BBC News UK). "Eric Hobsbawm joined the Communist Party aged 14 [...]. Mr Hobsbawm, a historian in the Marxist tradition, wrote more than 30 books.

His reputation rests largely on four works, including History of the 20th Century, The Age of Extremes, which has been translated into 40 languages." (Ibid.).

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"Britishness probably also immunized me, fortunately, against the temptations of a Jewish nationalism, even though Zionism among the central European young generally went together with moderate or revolutionary socialist views, except for the disciples of Jabotinsky, who were inspired by Mussolini and now govern Israel as the Likud party" (2002, 22-23).

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Höger, Inge

1/4: Who is this

Born 1950 (abgeordnetenwatch.de). Diplom-Betriebswirtin (Ibid.). Tätigkeit: Mitglied des deutschen Bundestages (Cf. Ibid.). Abgeordnete Bundestag DIE LINKE (Ibid.).

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Broder quotes Höger and after the quote proves his illiteracy. I could not find the quote, could be that she has taken it down from her web-site. "Die Frage, die man sich stellen muss, ist: Wer profitiert von diesen furchtbaren Verbrechen? Zum einen sind nun zwei der für Israel 'gefährlichsten', weil engagiertesten, bekanntesten und renommiertesten Aktivisten ausgeschaltet. Die Morde an Vittorio und Juliano könnten außerdem ein Mittel sein, um der internationalen Solidaritätsbewegung einen empfindlichen Schlag zu versetzen - gerade angesichts der bevorstehenden zweiten Flotilla und der Tatsache, dass sich internationale Aktivisten noch immer nicht davon abbringen lassen, nach Palästina zu fahren. Durch die Behauptung, Juliano und Vittorio seien durch extremistische Palästinenser umgebracht worden, könnten viele Aktivisten nun davon abhalten werden, weiterhin nach Gaza und in die Westbank zu fahren. Das wäre die schlimmste Konsequenz, die die Morde haben könnten, es würde das Lebenswerk dieser beiden Menschen unterminieren. Und die Palästinenser stünden wieder einmal als gewaltbereite Extremisten in der Weltpresse.'

Das ist lupenreiner Antisemitismus. Nicht weil Frau Höger jeden Beleg für ihre Spekulationen schuldig bleibt, sondern weil sie davon ausgeht, ihre Überlegungen seien an und für sich so überzeugend, dass sie nicht belegt werden müssen. So wie ein Mathematiker sich darauf verlässt, dass zwei mal zwei vier ergibt und ein Zoologe nie auf die Idee käme, einen Löwen mit einem Lamm in denselben Käfig zu sperren, so muss auch ein lupenreiner Antisemit nicht beweisen, dass den Juden alles zuzutrauen ist. Das versteht sich von allein. Dieses eiserne Vorwissen ist das Fundament aller antisemitischen Konstrukte und Koalitionen.

Frau Höger könnte ihre hellseherische Begabung auch dazu nutzen, als Trüffelschwein im Hochgebirge zu arbeiten oder mit einer Wünschelrute nach Wasserquellen in der Wüste zu suchen. Aber damit würde sie sich sogar in ihrer eigenen Partei lächerlich machen. Als lupenreine Antisemitin dagegen muss sie nicht befürchten, sich zu blamieren, wenn sie rhetorisch anfragt, wer 'von diesen furchtbaren Verbrechen' profitiert. Cui bono? Es sind, natürlich, die Juden. Eine Antwort, die sowohl sie wie ihre Klientel optimal befriedigt." http://bit.ly/hYC5n8

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Auch hier wird die israelische Besatzungsmacht kritisiert, doch Claudia Haydt betont: "Dadurch wird Inge Höger keine Antisemitin." Kritik an der Haltung einer Regierung sei nicht gleichbedeutend mit Antisemitismus. Die Pressesprecherin: "Das wäre auch eine Verharmlosung von Antisemitismus und dem, was Antisemiten angerichtet haben." http://bit.ly/QQ8UJL

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Kasrils, Ronnie

1/4: Who is this

Born 1938 (Cf. South African History Online), "Member of the African National Congress (ANC); Umkhonto we Sizwe (MK) and secretary of the Congress of Democrats in the early 1960s. Kasrils was involved in MK military operations, and served as Deputy Minister of Defence (1994 -1999). Kasrils was also appointed Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry (1999- 2004) and Minister of Intelligence Services (2004 – 2008). [...] Following the unbanning of the political organizations and the creation of a new democracy in South Africa, Kasrils continued writing, and his works have appeared in South African newspapers and international journals. From 1994, his articles became focused on defence, development, water resources and forestry, and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict." (Ibid.)

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"It is shocking to discover that certain roads are barred to Palestinians and reserved for Jewish settlers. I try in vain to recall anything quite as obscene in apartheid South Africa" (http://bit.ly/SAKKro)

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"The SA government admitted outright they believed that races were distinctly different and had to develop separately along their own

cultural and traditional lines. Blacks therefore would be treated as foreign workers/visitors to white SA and would have their own "national" rights in their Bantustans - greatly deprived rural areas. Laws were required for such separation of racial groups. Of course, they pretended that each group would receive same assistance for their development but in fact the White group received all the privileges.

In the Israeli case, it is quite clear that non-Jews do not receive equal rights and treatment as Jews, but the Zionists are embarrassed to admit

this. Consequently, they attempt to conceal the fact that Israel is not a democracy for all its citizens, but they have various laws to ensure that Jews receive preferential treatment. It is apartheid by another name. I refer here to the situation in Israel itself where over 40 laws give Jews privileges and rights over non-Jews.

In the Occupied Palestinian Territories, it is quite a different matter where open and strict apartheid laws allow for the segregation and control of the Palestinian people whilst the illegal Jewish settlements receive State protection and privileges. But in both cases - Israel itself and the OPT - a clear system of apartheid-style rule operates." Aljazeera interview (27.9.12). URL (15.10.12): http://aje.me/UYHsxs

Klein, Naomi

1/4: Who is this

She "is an award-winning journalist, syndicated columnist and author of the *New York Times* and #1 international bestseller, *The Shock Doctrine: The Rise of Disaster Capitalism.* Published worldwide in 2007, *The Shock Doctrine* is being published in 30 languages and has over a million copies in print. [...] She is a former Miliband Fellow at the London School of Economics and holds an honorary Doctor of Civil Laws from the University of King's College, Nova Scotia." (Naomi Klein Homepage)

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"Interestingly, all this Goebbels-like venom—Israel as wicked, racist, and depraved in its essence—as well as the article's hysteria, rage and paranoia, are erased from Klein's later accounts. [...] Klein's memory appears to have completely repressed the fact that the newspaper had merely reported her own words and her own headline. Psychologists describe this phenomenon as the defense mechanism of denial." http://bit.ly/sA4fqt

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Hillel Neuer

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"I am called a "self hating Jew." You see, Jews are not allowed to dislike other Jews, to disapprove of mainstream diaspora opinions, or to criticize Israeli policy in anything other than a strictly Jewish forum, without being accused of self hatred. [...] When I speak out on issues of misogyny in Israeli culture – of Israeli soldiers' brutality towards Palestinian women, of the escalating incidents of battery and rape of Israeli women by Israeli men, of the abusive treatment of women who dare to protest the occupation, and of the servile attitude of the diaspora, it is only other Jews who come after me, as they have been known to condemn the many voices of dissent in our community." http://bit.ly/sA4fqt

Langer, Felicia

1/4: Who is this

Born 1930 (Cf. Felicia Langer Homepage). "Felicia Langer arrived in Israel from Poland in 1950 with her husband, who was a survivor of the Nazi concentration camps. After studying law she had her own legal practice in Tel Aviv from the mid-1960s. [...] For 22 years she single-mindedly fought a system of Israeli lawlessness, administered in particular through military courts. [...] In 1990, Langer moved to Tübingen in Germany to take up a university post." (The Right Livelihood Award)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

'Instead Oettinger probably thought what a wonderful opportunity it would be to award an elderly Jewish lady for her merits, expecting praise and not paying attention to the fact that this wonderful lady is nothing but an anti-Semitic Israel hater,' Stawski said." http://bit.ly/VsL0tL

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Benjamin Weinthal, Jerusalem Post correspondent

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"Boris Palmer: ""Ich kenne Felicia Langer und Ihren Mann persönlich. Ich weiß, dass ihr Motive nicht Hass, sondern Mitmenschlichkeit ist.

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Es geschieht ihr Unrecht, wenn ihre Kritik an Israels Politik mit der Absicht, Israel zu vernichten, gleichgesetzt wird." http://bit.ly/Yaju

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Maguire, Mairead

1/4: Who is this

Born 1944 (Official Web Site of the Nobel Peace Price), "Co-founder of Community of Peace People with Mr. Ciaran McKeown and Mrs Betty Williams - Founded 14/8/76 Education: St. Vincent's Primary School, Falls Road, Belfast Miss Gordons Commercial College for 1 year Employment: From the age of 16 worked in various positions as shorthand typist. When Movement started was employed as Confidential Secretary to the Managing Director of Arthur Guinness & Co. Recognitions Received: Carl Von Ossietzky Medal for courage from Berlin section of International League of Human Rights. Hon. Doctor of Law from Yale University, U.S.A. Norwegian People Peace Prize, 1976 Nobel Peace Prize Winner – 1976. She has received honorary doctorates from institutions: the College of New Rochelle, St. Michael's College in Vermont, and others. In 1978 she was honoured by the United Nations program for Women of Achievement. In 1990 she gave the Ava Helen Pauling lecture at Oregon State University, was a guest speaker at the Third International Conference on Human Rights in Helsinki, and received the 1990 "Pacem in Terris" Peace and Freedom Award in Davenport, Iowa. In 1992 the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation of Santa Barbara, California, granted her its Distinguished Peace Leadership Award." (Ibid.)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"We only need to look at Maguire's record of social justice and peace activism to realize that she likely has good intentions in her advocacy on behalf of the Palestinian people. The reality, however, is that the agenda that she is promoting (hopefully unbeknownst to her) is one of hatred and anti-Semitism" (http://bit.ly/9Hnhb)

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Michael Elterman

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Mankell, Henning

1/4: Who is this

Born 1948, writer of novels and theatre plays (Cf. Homepage Henning Mankell).

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Mankell also believes Israel is an Apartheid state which shouldn't exist. That is, as he surveys the political landscape and observes the 193 nations in the world, the only country he deems unworthy of statehood "in its current form" – meaning as the world's only Jewish state – is Israel. For those unaware, the EU working definition of anti-Jewish bigotry sanely includes those who hold the abhorrent view, which rejects only Jewish nationalism, as anti-Semitic." http://bit.ly/oMgAEp

"He is calling for global sanctions against Israel and believe it or not, halting the Hebrew translation of his books. This action in my opinion should be abhorrent to most civilized people." http://bit.ly/SNyaAh

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"there was a fake Henning Mankell on Facebook. Someone was posting strange, but most of all, untrue political statements in my name. On the fake Facebook profile it was posted, for instance, that I defended statements made by the leader of Hezbollah, Hassan Nasrallah. [...] a few days after that someone started sending emails in my name. In those emails it said that I did not want any Israelis to be able to read what I write in the future - neither my novels, nor anything else. This text that I am writing here for Ha'aretz obviously proves that the aforementioned email was false." http://bit.ly/jGlU70

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Massad, Joseph

1/4: Who is this

"Joseph Massad teaches and writes about modern Arab politics and intellectual history. He has a particular interest in theories of identity and culture — including theories of nationalism, sexuality, race and religion. He received his Ph.D. from Columbia University in 1998. [...] He teaches courses on modern Arab culture, psychoanalysis in relation to civilization and identity, gender and sexuality in the Arab world, and Palestinian-Israeli politics and society, with seminars on Nationalism in the Middle East as Idea and Practice, and also on Orientalism and Islam." (Middle Eastern, South Asian, and African Studies, Columbia University)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Massad's own viewpoints have been called anti-Semitic by a U.S. congressman, a member of Columbia Law School's advisory board, and others. While Massad would presumably protest this description—"the claim ... that criticism of Israel is 'anti-Semitic' is the most anti-Semitic claim of all," he asserts—some of his generalizations about Jews are disconcerting. For example, he argues that European intellectuals ought to see "the status of the European Jew as a coloniser," and that American and Israeli Jews "often are" racists, and make up "a large and disproportionate number of the purveyors of anti-Arab racism." http://bit.ly/RHjaXu

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Gilead Ini

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"This witch-hunt aims to stifle pluralism, academic freedom, and the freedom of expression on university campuses in order to ensure that only one opinion is permitted, that of uncritical support for the State of Israel. Columbia University, the Department of Middle East and Asian Languages and Cultures, and I personally, have been the target of this intensified campaign for over three years. Pro-Israel groups are pressuring the university to abandon proper academic procedure in evaluating scholarship, and want to force the university to silence all critical opinions. Such silencing, the university has refused to do so far, despite mounting intimidation tactics by these anti-democratic and anti-academic forces.

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The major strategy that these pro-Israel groups use is one that equates criticism of Israel with anti-Semitism. But the claim that criticism of Israel is an expression of anti-Semitism presupposes that Israeli actions are "Jewish" actions and that all Jews, whether Israelis or non-Israelis (and the majority of world Jews are not Israelis), are responsible for all Israeli actions and that they all have the same opinion of Israel. But this is utter anti-Semitic nonsense. Jews, whether in America, Europe, Israel, Russia, or Argentina, are, like all other groups, not uniform in their political or social opinions." http://bit.ly/PGd4mC

Gandhi, Mohandas Karamchand

1/4: Who is this?

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Mahatma Gandhi was an anti-Semite. [...] In an article in the November 26, 1938 issue of a magazine called *Harijan*, Gandhi suggested that Germany's Jews could successfully confront their Nazi oppressors with non-violence. Well, this was 1938. World War II had not yet begun. If we wish to excuse Gandhi on the grounds that he didn't know what he was talking about, since he was writing before Hitler's plans were known, we should also consider that he told Louis Fischer, one of his biographers, after the war was over, that "collective suicide" might have been a better strategy: "The Jews died anyway, didn't they? They might as well have died significantly" (see "The Gandhi Nobody Knows" by Richard Grenier, *Commentary*, March 1983). Collective suicide is not *satyagraha*, since it is in no way passive. And how passive can one be about one's children when committing collective suicide? Gandhi never advocated collective suicide in any other situation." (Jochnowitz, George; In: Jochnowitz George Homepage (2009): "The Universality of Anti-Semitism". URL (06.11.12): http://bit.ly/TIGYLS)

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George Jochnowitz

"George Jochnowitz was born in New York City, in 1937. He became aware of different regional pronunciations when he was six, and he could consciously switch accents as a child. He got his Ph.D. in linguistics from Columbia University and taught linguistics at the College of Staten Island, CUNY. His area of specialization was Jewish languages, in particular, Judeo-Italian dialects. As part of a faculty-exchange agreement with Hebei University in Baoding, China, he was in China during the Tiananmen Massacre." (Perry J Greenbaum. URL (06.11.12): http://bit.ly/SLeZui)

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Morin, Edgar

1/4: Who is this

Born 1921. (Cf. iiAC, Centre Edgar-Morin). "Études universitaires d'histoire, sociologie, économie, philosophie. Licence en Histoire et Géographie et Licence en Droit (1942).

Combattant volontaire de la Résistance. Lieutenant des Forces françaises combattantes (1942-44).

Attaché à l'État-Major de la 1ère Armée française en Allemagne (1945), puis Chef du bureau "Propagande" à la Direction de l'Information au Gouvernement militaire français en Allemagne (1946). Rédaction d'un premier livre *L'An zéro de l'Allemagne*.

Activités journalistiques à Paris. Rédaction de *L'Homme et la mort* (1947-50).

Chercheur au CNRS (1950-1989)

- . Maître de recherche (1961)
- . Directeur de recherche (1970)
- . Directeur de recherches émérite (1993-)
- . Directeur de la revue Arguments (1956-62); Directeur de la revue Communications.

Rédacteur de la Revue Sociologie Française (1960-1965).

Co-Directeur du Centre d'Études Transdisciplinaires (Sociologie, Anthropologie, Politique) de l'École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (1973-1989).

Président de l'Agence européenne pour la Culture (Unesco).

Président de l'Association pour la pensée complexe.

Président du conseil scientifique de l'Institut des sciences de la communication (ISCC) du CNRS.

Membre du Conseil académique du Centre européen pour la paix et le développement, de l'Université des Nations Unies pour la Paix.

Président d'honneur du CERCO (Centre d'épistémologie et d'anthropologie complexe, Faculté des Lettres Université de Bergame).

Président d'honneur de l'Institut international du mieux-être, Membre d'honneur de « Restaure la Terre ».

Docteur Honoris Causa: Université de Perugia (Sciences politiques), Université de Palerme (Psychologie), Université de Genève (Sociologie), Université de Bruxelles, Université d'Odense (Danemark), Laus honoris causa Instituto Piaget (Lisboa), Colegiado de Honor du Conseil supérieur de l'éducation d'Andalousie (Espagne), Université de Natal, Université de Joa Pessoa (Brésil), Université catholique de Porto Alegre (Brésil), Université technologique de La Paz (Bolivie), Libera Universita de lingue e communicazione, Milan (Italie), Université fédérale de Guadalajara (Mexique). Université de Messine (Italie). Université de Bergamo (Italie). Université Candido Merndes (Rio de Janeiro, Brésil). Université de Vera Cruz (Mexique), Université Aristote, Thessaloniki

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(Grèce), Université de Laval à Québec, Université Ricardo Palma (Pérou), Université Nationale Majeur de San Marcos (Pérou), Université La Cantuta (Pérou), Université Nationale Pedro Ruiz Gallo (Pérou), Université de Cracovie (Pologne), Université de Santiago (Chili), Université de Valencia (Espagne), Université de Naples (Italie), Université de Barcelone (Espagne).

Commandeur de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres,

Commandeur de la Légion d'honneur (2001),

Officier de l'ordre du mérite espagnol,

Grand Croix de l'ordre de Santiago de l'Espada (Portugal),

Médaille de Vermeil de la Ville de Paris.

Prix européen de l'essai Charles Veillon 1987. Prix Viareggio international 1989. Médaille de la Chambre des députés de la République italienne (Comité scientifique international de la Fondation Piu Manzu). Prix Media (Culture) de l'Association des journalistes européens 1992. Prix Méditerranéenne de la Généralité de Catalogne 1994. Médaille d'or (" Aristote d'or ") de l'Unesco 2001. Médaille d'or du Centre Pio Manzu (2001). Prix poetica do pensar, de l'Instituto Piaget, Portugal, 2002. Premio internazionale Federico Nietzsche 2002-2003 (Associazione interenazionale di Studi e ricerche « Federico Nietzsche »). Prix Nonino (2004). Prix Averroes de l'Université Averroes (Maroc, 2009). Prix du Bertalanffy Center for the Study of Systems Science, 2012, (Vienne)." (Ibid.)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

http://bit.ly/PgAvbr

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http://www.dailymotion.com/video/xab6aa_edgar-morin-juif-humaniste-traite-d_news

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Paech, Norman

1/4: Who is this

Born 1938. Studied History, Law, Jura, made a dissertation to the topic employment and pubic law and post graduate studies at the german institute of development policy in Berlin (Cf. Norman Paech Homepage).

He is "Mitglied der "Vereinigung demokratischer Juristinnen und Juristen" (VDJ), der "Freundschaftsgesellschaft Vietnam-BRD", im Wissenschaftlichen Beirat von "International Association of Lawyers against Nuclear Armement" (IALANA) und "International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War" (IPPNW), bei Attac und im Auschwitz Komitee.

1969 Eintritt in die SPD, 1972 bis 1973 Mitglied im Juso-Landesvorstand Hamburg, 1977 bis 1986 Vorsitzender der Vereinigung demokratischer Juristen in der BRD, 2001 Austritt aus der SPD. 2007 Eintritt in die Partei DIE LINKE.

2005-2009 Mitglied des Deutschen Bundestages, Außenpolitischer Sprecher der Fraktion DIE LINKE." (Ibid.)

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"Another example of this is a question posed by Norman Paech, then professor of public law at the University for Science and Politics in Hamburg and current Foreign Policy Spokesman of the Left's party grouping in the Bundestag, to German-Jewish Professor Micha Brumlik. In an open letter responding to Brumlik's criticism of the Canadian philosopher Ted Honderich for legitimizing terrorism, Paech asked him whether it has 'occurred to you that such an executivist ensure of thought could give a fresh boost to anti-Semitism, which, after all, clearly exists in our society?'[48] On another occasion, Paech claimed that Israel was waging a 'war of extermination'[49] in Lebanon, thereby using a specific term in characterizing the actions of the Jewish State that is clearly associated with the kind of battle conducted by the Nazis in Eastern Europe.[50] His use of the ideologeme of the (co-)responsibility of Jews for anti-Semitism, as well as the double standards in the treatment of Israel, by no means epitomize a slip of the pen. Both constitute positions that Paech had already been promoting decades earlier. At the time he had written in the Hamburger Lehrerzeitung that 'Israel has, however, to ask itself indeed whether its Palestine policy does not fuel a latent anti-Semitism in Germany, which we cannot counter by remaining silent.'[51]" http://bit.ly/VtpHbx

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Yves Pallade

"Yves Pallade is director of the Foreign Affairs Network of B'nai B'rith Europe. He deals in particular with the question of Israel's image in Europe and the political fight against anti-Semitism. He previously served as an expert on combating anti-

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Semitism at the Berlin office of the American Jewish Committee. The focus of his research and writing is on modern anti-Semitism, political extremism, and international terrorism." (Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs. URL (06.11.12): http://bit.ly/Xh2WbN)

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"Wer von israelischen Politikern aus der eigenen historischen Leidenserfahrung Sensibilität gegenüber dem Leiden der Palästinenser fordert, vergleicht nicht die Judenverfolgung im Dritten Reich mit dem Umgang Israels mit den Palästinensern, wie es mir vorgeworfen wird." http://bit.ly/UrEBdm

Said, Edward

1/4: Who is this

1935-2003 (Cf. The European Graduate School), "critically acclaimed American writer and professor of Palestinian origin [...] Edward Saïd would teach English literature and comparative literature at Columbia University in New York City from 1963 until his death in 2003. He would be the author of numerous books of literary criticism, music analysis and most notably on the Arab-Israeli conflict. " (Ibid.) He was engaged very much on research on the Israel/Palestine Conflict.

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

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Edward Said spoke quite favorably of the politics of Martin Buber and the Brit Shalom movement he helped found: "During the inter-war period a small but important group of Jewish thinkers (Judah Magnes, Buber, Arendt and others) argued and agitated for a binational state. The logic of Zionism naturally overwhelmed their efforts, but the idea is alive today here and there among Jewish and Arab individuals frustrated with the evident insufficiencies and depredations of the present. The essence of that vision is coexistence and sharing in ways that require an innovative, daring and theoretical willingness to get beyond the arid stalemate of assertion and rejection. Once the initial acknowledgment of the other as an equal is made, I believe the way forward becomes not only possible but attractive." [http://bit.ly/SXyRcd]

Alleged "Anti-Semites"

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Sand, Shlomo

1/4: Who is this

"Shlomo Sand studied history at the University of Tel Aviv and at the École des hautes études en sciences sociales, in Paris. He currently teaches contemporary history at the University of Tel Aviv." (Verso Books)

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Among the most open Israeli promoters of anti-Semitic mythology today is Professor Shlomo Sand, a hardcore communist on the history faculty of Tel Aviv University. Sand last year published a book with a far-left anti-Israel publisher claiming to prove that Jews are not and never have been a 'people.' Recycling myths popularized by Neo-Nazi web sites, Sand's entire book is a sort of Protocols of the Elders of Anti-Zion, a pseudo-analysis that claims that most Jews today are frauds, converts from the Khazar Turkic tribe, impersonators of Jews. All real Jews, according to the learned professor, became Palestinian Arabs centuries ago. Hence Israeli 'Jews' are not Jews at all, certainly none that have a right to their own state." http://bit.ly/S4WBhW

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Steven Plaut

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

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Thomas, Helen

1/4: Who is this

born 1920 (Cf. Amandolare, 26.01.2010), "first woman officer of the National Press Club, the first female officer of the White House Correspondents' Association and the first woman to be a member of the Gridiron Club. In May 2000, after decades of covering presidents for United Press, Thomas signed on as a columnist for Hearst News Service" (Ibid.). Not very famous.

American author and former news service reporter, member of the White House Press Corps and opinion columnist of Lebanese Rûm/Melkite descent

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"No one should have been surprised that Helen Thomas, the antisemitic octogenarian of American journalism, said what was really on her mind when the rabbi David Nesenoff stuck a video camera in her face on the White House grounds late last month." (http://bit.ly/cjCrl9)

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

Dan Kennedy for "the Guardian"

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

http://bit.ly/QLpuxp

Tikkun Olam - NOT A PERSON BUT A CONCEPT rooted in metaphysical deep culture

"The Jewish response to injustice – to actively pursue tikkun olam – is deeply rooted in our religious and cultural heritage, going to the core of the Jewish faith." This concept is also central to Israel's official foreign aid policy towards the "developing" world. Look up Rabbi Michael Lerner's work to find out more about this concept. Really good Hebrew Humanism.

Tutu, Desmond

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born 1931, Archbishop of Capetown since 1986, (Cf. BBC; 22.07.2010) very famous, compares Israel to Apartheid in south Africa, "in November 1995, the then President Mandela asked Archbishop Tutu to head a Truth and Reconciliation Commission. His task was to gather evidence of apartheid-era crimes and to recommend whether people confessing their involvement should receive amnesty" (BBC; 22.07.2010). rejects violence

2/4: What is he or she accused of?

"Desmond Tutu claims today's Palestinians pay penance for Holocaust" (http://bit.ly/PHUuN0)

3 /4: Who is accusing and stigmatizing

World Jewish Congress

4 /4: Et altera pars: What is he/she saying about this issue

"I have visited the occupied palestinian territories. And I have witnessed the humiliation of palestinians at israeli military checkpoints. The inhumanity that won't let ambulances reach the injured, farmers tend their land or children attend school. This treatment is familiar to me in the many black south africans who were coralled and harrassed by the security forces of the apartheid government." (URL: http://bit.ly/PEMngN)

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