This monograph shows in rich detail that SJP, contrary to its image, actually supports a one state solution that would eliminate the very existence of the democratic state of Israel. We must understand this to react accordingly for the restoring of universities as safe environments for the peaceful exchange of ideas.

“The Jerusalem Center is a leader in the effort to expose BDS for what it is; anti-peace, anti-Israel and by singling out only Israel for BDS, anti-Jewish.”

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Students for Justice in Palestine has been misunderstood on many university campuses.

SJP is not a peaceful pro-Palestinian group that seeks to establish a Palestinian state next to Israel. Rather, SJP is an international campus network that seeks to dismantle the Jewish state. SJP glorifies terror groups like Hamas, Hizbullah, Islamic Jihad and the PFLP. It promotes violence and anti-Semitic acts against many Jewish and Israel-friendly students in defiance of university warnings and sanctions. Unmasking Students for Justice in Palestine on nearly 200 American campuses is critical to restoring the university as a safe environment for the peaceful and respectful exchange of ideas.
Students for Justice in Palestine Unmasked
HAMAS, PIJ AND PFLP TERROR LINKS, VIOLENCE AND ANTISEMITISM ON U.S CAMPUSES

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Foreword

The Hamas atrocities of October 7, 2023 – including rape, torture, mass murder, and kidnapping of infants, children, teens, women, and men – were met with a disconcerting show of public support across U.S. cities and university campuses. Revelations of savagery by both Hamas terrorists and Gazan civilians were recorded on bodycams and cell phones in real-time. Some atrocities were broadcast live on social media. Shocking international support for the Hamas massacre-kidnapping is not self-evident.

Unlike past international atrocities, such as the genocidal massacres in Nazi Germany and occupied Europe and, in later years, in Rwanda, Srebrenica, and Kosovo, which were met with international outrage and condemnation, the Hamas atrocities were greeted with encouragement and even excitement on some Western campuses and in some cities.

This convergence of Hamas’ barbaric torture and murder of more than 1,300 civilians, mostly Israeli – tantamount to some 50,000 Americans – together with robust Western support, particularly at North American universities, shines a spotlight on the Hamas-linked Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP), the largest “pro-Palestinian” network on North American university campuses.

SJP has platformed Hamas and other Palestinian terror groups, including Palestinian Islamic Jihad and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, since SJP’s founding in the early 1990s. The launching of National SJP in 2010, a nationwide network of SJP-affiliated groups, centralized and strengthened the group’s organized activity and protest culture at more than 200 universities across North America.

SJP’s enhanced influence has transformed America’s finest universities into hothouses of radicalism and extremism. At a rally at Cornell University organized by SJP, a professor said that Hamas’ acts “exhilarated” and “excited” him. SJP chapters posted pictures and graphics of invading Hamas paragliders on social media, celebrating its deadly assault on Israeli partygoers on the Simchat Torah holiday weekend. Hours after the massacre, George Washington University SJP issued a statement that justified the murders: “Decolonization is NOT a metaphor.”
These statements reflect the increasing radicalization of SJP over the years. In 2018, NYC Students for Justice in Palestine was rebranded as the extremist, “Within Our Lifetime” (WOL) organization. WOL’s student leader, Nerdeen Kiswani, was recorded at a protest in 2021 declaring, “We want all of it” - meaning all of “Palestine” from the river to the sea – which should be Arab and Muslim. This paralleled the Hamas charter, which calls explicitly for the murder of Jews.

In 2021, WOL launched a campaign to “Globalize the Intifada,” which “comes from the urgent need to defend our lands, resist our oppressors, and break free from the genocidal grip of U.S. imperialism and Zionism.”

The October 7th Hamas massacres energized this genocidal libel that has metastasized across U.S. university campuses. Days after the atrocities, SJP hosted a “National Day of Resistance” throughout the United States. Protest leaders declared: “Gaza broke out of prison. Resistance fighters captured one of the bulldozers used to destroy Palestinian homes and used it to breach the illegitimate border fence back into ’48 Palestine.”

The “Columbia Social Workers 4 Palestine” referred to the Hamas massacre as a “counteroffensive…and the centrality of revolutionary violence to anti-imperialism.” This was a shocking statement by social workers, mandated to help trauma victims such as the orphans, widows, widowers, friends, and rape victims of Hamas.

SJP’s jihadi narrative has whitewashed terrorism and mass murder, transforming the organization into a conduit for pro-jihadi activism, while academically intellectualizing civilian massacre.

This is why this policy book – Students for Justice in Palestine Unmasked – first published in 2018, is even more significant today.

The book reveals SJP’s historical, ideological, and social development. It illustrates how SJP help pioneer the genocidal antisemitic narrative that has taken hold on university campuses. The study’s broad assessment of SJP also points to how this student organization paved a pathway to the October 7, 2023, Hamas massacre, by establishing an environment of legitimacy for Palestinian disinformation and terrorism.

In short, SJP’s nationwide aggressive actions, initiatives, and programming have signalled to Hamas and other terror organizations that it could carry out the mass murder of Israelis with limited repercussions in the West.
In fact, a November 2023 poll revealed that 35 percent of Americans blamed Israel for the current war with Hamas and expressed doubts over Hamas’ rape of Israeli women. The poll also reflected the West’s uncritical acceptance of Gaza casualty numbers as provided by the Hamas-controlled Gaza Ministry of Health.

In sum, Students for Justice in Palestine Unmasked explicates the organizational threats and challenges that this radical organization poses to university student bodies across North America.

While several universities, including Brandeis and Colombia, have closed SJP branches, its ideology, growing membership, and broad influence on university campuses require scrutiny and demand moral clarity.

This monograph provides important context for understanding SJP’s major challenges to university presidents, senior administrators, faculty, and student leaders in weighing the acceptability of student organizational support for genocidal Islamic, Palestinian, and other terror organizations in North American universities.
1. Executive Summary

- The Students for Justice in Palestine network is the leading student arm of the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement in the United States.

- SJP is not a “grassroots” student organization; it is a terror-supporting, anti-Semitic network that harasses and intimidates Israel-friendly students and operates with autonomy and impunity at scores of colleges and universities across the United States.

- SJP’s founders, financial patrons and ideological supporters have been linked to Islamist and Palestinian terror organizations such as Hamas, Hizbullah, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, and the Marxist Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP).

- The annual National Students for Justice in Palestine (NSJP) conference, attended by over 200 local university SJP chapters, serves as a conduit to drive radical terror discourse, violence and anti-Semitism at colleges and universities across the United States.

- Students for Justice in Palestine is a byproduct of American Muslims for Palestine (AMP), an organization whose leaders were former members of Palestinian and Islamist terror organizations. AMP was founded in 2005 by the former leaders of three organizations; KindHearts, the Islamic Association for Palestine, and the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development. All three organizations were implicated by the US government between 2001 and 2011 for linkages to Islamist terror organizations.
• Jewish students on campuses across the United States have been victimized by anti-Semitic vandalism, verbal attacks, and outright violence at the hands of SJP members.

• SJP has adopted a policy of “anti-normalization” of relations with Zionist groups and most Jewish organizations, with the exception of the equally radical, anti-Zionist and pro-BDS Jewish Voice for Peace. Students for Justice in Palestine advances their proprietary view of Palestinian justice by undertaking initiatives to isolate, demonize, and ultimately destroy the state of Israel.

• Brandeis University and AMCHA Initiative studies reveal a direct correlation between BDS activities and anti-Semitism on campuses with large Jewish student populations. The studies also found a correlation between the presence of SJP and a rise in campus anti-Zionism and anti-Semitism.¹

• According to National SJP, by the end of 2017 there were roughly 200 SJP chapters nationwide.²

• Only one university in North America, Fordham in New York, has rejected a student request to form an SJP chapter. Dean of Students Keith Eldredge declared that a SJP chapter should not be established “in order to prevent polarization [on campus]...and the resulting possible negative impacts on student safety and the general security of the Fordham community.”

• Professors who serve as faculty advisors to SJP act as de facto campus liaisons between SJP chapters and Palestinian terrorists. These professors have encouraged students to protest in support of Palestinian terrorists, have included readings in their undergraduate class curricula by convicted Palestinian terror leader Ghassan Kanafani, have publicly encouraged violent “Palestinian resistance” against Israel, and have spread anti-Semitic libels about Israel.
2. Unmasking National Students for Justice in Palestine

National Students for Justice in Palestine (National SJP) is the terror-linked, violence-promoting, and largely anti-Semitic national umbrella network representing more than 200 university chapters of Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP) across the United States. Many of NSJP’s activists are recent graduates or current student leaders of campus SJPs. Since SJP’s founding in 2001, campus chapters operated with relative autonomy, and with only nominal national coordination. However, this robust decentralization changed in 2010, when National SJP was founded by leaders of American Muslims for Palestine and the US Palestinian Community Network, two organizations linked to US-designated terror organizations.

National SJP, which plays a central and influential role among campus SJP branches, receives support from other radical groups such as the Boycott National Committee (BNC) and CodePink, both of which maintain close ties to Palestinian terror groups. National SJP also glorifies and extols terrorists and terror organizations across its social media networks.

The annual 2018 National SJP conference has been scheduled to be hosted at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) from November 16-18. The annual conference, attended by over 200 local university SJP chapters, serves as a public platform to drive radical terror discourse on US university campuses. Terrorists such as Khader Adnan, a leader of the Palestinian Islamic Jihad and Rasmea Odeh, former member of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), have been featured speakers at previous NSJP conferences. National SJP’s organizers, affiliated organizations and keynote speakers have called for the destruction of the state of Israel as a strategic goal. National SJP’s establishment at the 2010 US World Social Forum featured workshops, educational material, ideological backing, and inspiration from organizations with direct ties to US-designated terror organizations.
2.1 The Roots of National Students for Justice in Palestine

In 2010, National Students for Justice in Palestine, a national network of affiliate SJP groups, was formed by the terror-affiliated American Muslims for Palestine and US Palestinian Community Network (USPCN) at a conference sponsored by the Boycott National Committee (BNC). American Muslims for Palestine, USPCN, and the BNC are tied to Palestinian and Islamic terror organizations.
2.2 American Muslims for Palestine (AMP)

American Muslims for Palestine (AMP) was founded in 2005, after three organizations, KindHearts, the Islamic Association for Palestine (IAP), and the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development were implicated by the federal government between 2001 and 2011 for financing Hamas. Many of the leaders and top donors to these organizations were jailed, deported, or investigated for terror connections. Numerous members who remained in the United States, and who are not currently imprisoned, have since migrated to AMP. SJP founder Professor Hatem Bazian also chairs American Muslims for Palestine and is listed on the 2013-2015 990 tax forms for AMP’s fiscal sponsor Americans for Justice in Palestine Educational Foundations as the organization’s president. Bazian also receives a yearly salary from AMP.

Prior to and since founding the first SJP chapter at UC Berkeley in 2001, Bazian perpetrated a number of subversive, anti-American, anti-Semitic and terror-supporting acts. He has made speeches, many exclusively to students, declaring, “It’s about time that we have an Intifada in this country [USA], We’ve been watching Intifada [violent uprising] in Palestine, we’ve been watching an uprising in Iraq [against US soldiers] and the question is that: what are we doing? How come we don’t have an Intifada in this country?” “The only language the [Israeli] slave master understands is the language of violence.”

In addition to Bazian, a second AMP employee, Taher Herzallah, served as the organization’s liaison to Students for Justice in Palestine. Herzallah has called for violence against Israel and was twice arrested for anti-Israel activity, including disrupting a US congressional hearing. One of his duties, in addition to providing funds, speakers, and educational support to campus SJP chapters, is serving as an AMP liaison to help organize National SJP conferences.
2.3 US Palestinian Community Network (USPCN)

USPCN was founded in 2007 by former members of the Islamic Association for Palestine (IAP), an organization listed by the US federal government as an unindicted coconspirator in the Holy Land Foundation case for supporting Hamas. Rafeeq Jaber, former IAP president and Magdi Odeh, former IAP employee, are both listed on USPCN’s incorporation documents in the state of Illinois.

Additionally, Hatem Abudayyeh, who served as the first director of USPCN and currently leads the organization, was raided by the FBI in 2010 for suspected terror financing. He also served as the spokesperson for convicted Palestinian terrorist Rasmea Odeh’s Defense Committee.
Several other key USPCN members, including Monadel Herzallah and Mazin Qumsiyeh, maintain ties to terror organizations. USPCN also provided a platform to terrorists and their families at various conferences, including hosting Raed Salah, the leader of the Hamas-affiliated Northern Islamic Movement in Israel, and hosting the Committee to Defend the Holy Land Five, an organization that supported the five members of the Holy Land Foundation who were convicted for providing material support to Hamas.

2.4 The BDS National Committee

The BDS National Committee (BNC) is an umbrella organization for Palestinian boycott organizations. It also has several direct ties to Palestinian terror organizations, both among its terror-affiliated founding members and employees, and among the organizations it represents. The BNC also frequently collaborates with National SJP by hosting speakers at national conferences, and one of the keynote “assemblies” at the 2010 World Social Forum, where National SJP was formed.

One of the organizations instrumental in the founding of the BNC is the Council of National and Islamic Forces in Palestine (PNIF). PNIF was founded by convicted terrorist leader Marwan Barghouti, who has been imprisoned in Israel since 2004 for committing
acts of terrorism. As a senior member of the Islamic Al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigade, a US-designated terrorist organization, Barghouti was convicted of planning suicide attacks and shootings during the PLO- and Hamas-led "Al-Aqsa" terror war in Israel and the West Bank from 2000 to 2004.21

PNIF member organizations include other US-designated foreign terror organizations including Hamas, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, (PFLP), Popular Front – General Command (PFLP-GC), Palestine Liberation Front, and Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ).22

2.5 Terror Support and Violence at the First NSJP Convention

In June 2010, AMP called for SJP members from around the United States to attend the US Social Forum’s two-day conference in Detroit, considered by organizers and participants to be the first National SJP conference. Awad Hamdan, American Muslims for Palestine’s former “National Protection and Programs Directorate” chair posted on Students for Justice in Palestine - Northeastern Illinois University’s Facebook page that AMP would sponsor SJP members from across the country to attend the conference to “unite SJP work and to strengthen work for Palestine in the US.”23

A keynote address at the 2010 US Social Forum was sponsored by the BNC and featured BDS leader Jamal Juma, who has devoted his career to advocating for the dissolution of Israel.24 Juma is one of the BNC’s founders and coordinator of the Stop the Wall Campaign. Juma has called for violence against Israelis and Israel. Many of the protests he has
orchestrated have included throwing Molotov cocktails and burning tires, resulting in hundreds of injuries. Juma has also condemned the Palestinian Authority for cooperating with Israel in clamping down on violence and terror. In Juma’s words, “For the oppressed and occupied, ongoing struggle and resistance using all necessary means is not only our right, it is our obligation.”

Other leading members of the BNC and Stop the Wall Campaign, two groups which actively worked to form National SJP, include Salah Khawaja and Khalida Jarrar, both active members of the PFLP terror organization.

The Free Gaza movement, which organizes flotillas and missions to Gaza that include cooperation with Hamas leaders, also sponsored a workshop at the first National SJP conference.

The Council on American-Islamic Relations, known as CAIR, a designated terror group in the United Arab Emirates, was also a sponsor of the first National SJP conference. One CAIR employee was indicted in 2003 for attempting to travel to Pakistan and Afghanistan to fight with Al Qaeda and the Taliban. Another was convicted on 21 counts in 2005, including funneling $12.4 million directly to Hamas and terror leader Mousa Abu Marzook. Numerous other CAIR employees have been indicted for terror activities or laundering money to terrorists, often through CAIR itself.
Palestine Solidary Group-Chicago, an organization that was investigated by the FBI for maintaining PFLP and Hizbullah contacts, was also “thanked” by conference organizers.31

Maureen Murphy is the managing editor of the Electronic Intifada, a terror-supporting online publication that leads political and economic warfare campaigns against Israel. EI sponsored a media session for student activists at the 2010 conference. Murphy was subpoenaed by the FBI and ordered to appear in front of a grand jury in December 2010 for working with Palestine Solidarity Group-Chicago.32

Since its founding in 2001, Electronic Intifada has published articles in support of terror against Israel including statements such as "September 11th was the biggest gift, wrapped up in silk ribbons and presented on a golden platter, that [the pro-Israel lobby] could ever hope to receive. A real day of victory and glee for them to see that now they have the entire US populace in the palm of their hands,”33 published on September 12, 2001, and "Hizbullah is hope…and a shining light.”34

Conference participants also attended a session introducing them to the work of the International Solidarity Movement. The goal of the session was to “prepare volunteers to travel to Palestine as volunteers with ISM and do solidarity at home.”35 ISM describes itself as "a Palestinian-led movement committed to resisting the Israeli occupation of Palestinian land using nonviolent, direct-action methods and principles.”36
However, in contrast to its declarations, statements by ISM leadership demonstrate support for terror attacks against Israeli targets. According to a 2002 article by ISM cofounders Adam Shapiro and Huwaida Arraf, “The Palestinian resistance must take on a variety of characteristics, both non-violent and violent…In actuality, nonviolence is not enough…Yes, people will get killed and injured,” but these deaths are “no less noble than carrying out a suicide operation. And we are certain that if these men were killed during such an action, they would be considered shaheed Allah.” ISM members have also been arrested by US authorities for transferring money to Hamas, and have admitted to knowingly working with Hamas and Islamic Jihad terrorists.
An NSJP workshop entitled “BDS 101,” where students could “learn more about how to apply BDS in the North American context,” was sponsored by Interfaith Peacebuilders (IFPB).\(^4\) Interfaith Peacebuilders brings several delegations to the West Bank each year, coordinating closely with the PFLP. IFPB regularly brings its delegations to meet PFLP-affiliated extremist organizations, such as Al-Haq,\(^4\) Addameer,\(^4\) Defense for Children International – Palestine,\(^4\) Laylac Center,\(^4\) and the BDS National Committee.\(^4\) Interfaith Peace Builders routinely houses its participants in the Dheisheh refugee camp, a known hotbed of PFLP activity.\(^4\)

The Middle East Children’s Alliance (MECA) also sponsored a workshop at the conference.\(^4\) MECA provides financial assistance to the Union of Health Work Committees (UHWC), a PFLP-affiliated health organization, and MECA workers have visited its Gaza headquarters.\(^4\)
2.6 Terror Support, Violence, and Intimidation at Conferences by National Students for Justice in Palestine

National SJP conventions have been marked by close coordination with terror-affiliated individuals and organizations. NSJP’s 2015 conference featured convicted terrorist Rasmea Odeh as its keynote speaker. Odeh was imprisoned for her participation in two suicide bombings as a member of the PFLP, a US-designated terror organization. After her early release as part of a prisoner exchange, Odeh falsified immigration papers to obtain US citizenship, which was ultimately revoked in August 2017, when she was subsequently deported to Jordan. National SJP has also expressed support for Odeh on various social media accounts, encouraging students to protest her deportation.

A session at the 2012 NSJP conference featured a speech, via video, by Palestinian Islamic Jihad terror operative Khader Adnan. Islamic Jihad is also a US-designated terror organization, for which Adnan is a senior spokesman and leader. Islamic Jihad terror attacks have killed 122 people since its founding in 1981. In addition to inviting him
to speak to National SJP, conference leaders have also demonstrated support for Adnan
including a “statement of solidarity” on National SJP’s social media accounts.54

At the 2013 conference, National SJP held a session on mass incarceration and clarified
their intention to work with Addameer, a political prisoners support organization in the
Palestinian-controlled territories that was founded by PFLP leaders55 and is currently run
by at least eight PFLP members,56 including Abdullatif Ghaith (cofounder),57 Khalida Jarrar
(cofounder currently imprisoned for her ties to the PFLP),58 Yaqoub Odeh,59 Mahmoud
Jeddah,60 Rinad Zoarob, Bashir Al-Khairy,61 Ayman Nasser (currently imprisoned for
his ties to the PFLP),62 and Salah Hamouri (also currently imprisoned for his ties to the
PFLP).63

The WeDivest campaign, endorsed by the BNC, featured prominently in the 2012 National
SJP conference. The 2012 conference also proudly labeled the terror- affiliated BNC as one
of its organizational endorsers in conference literature.64 The 2014 National SJP conference
closing plenary featured Hind Awwad, the national coordinator of the BNC in Ramallah.65

National SJP has frequently used its social media accounts to support terror and terrorists.
National SJP shared a tweet in support of convicted murderer Marwan Barghouti.
Barghouti was a leader of Fatah's armed wing – the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades – during the Second Intifada. In 2002, he was captured and charged by Israel on five counts of murder, as well as attempted murder, conspiracy to murder, and membership in a terrorist organization.66

In 2016, NSJP posted a link from the PFLP-affiliated Addameer Association in support of PFLP leader Bilal Kayed on its Facebook.67 In July 2018, National SJP wrote Facebook and Twitter posts honoring the memory of Ghassan Kanafani, a leading member of the Political Bureau of the PFLP terror organization. In the post, NSJP praised “his voice” as “one of the Palestinian revolution and the Palestinian people.”68 Notably, the original National SJP post included a direct link to the PFLP’s website. This original post was shared by 25 entities, including SJP at UCLA, the hosts of the 2018 National SJP conference. After nine hours the post was edited and the link to the PFLP website was removed. The link directed readers to a PFLP article on Kanafani that included images in support of terrorism.69
2.7 National SJP and CodePink

National SJP also coordinates many of its activities with CodePink, a radical organization that advocates redirecting the United States’ defense budget to domestic social welfare initiatives.70 Although CodePink claims to be committed to nonviolence, it maintains ties to numerous US-designated terror organizations. It has extensively documented its numerous visits to Hamas in Gaza,71 has publicly endorsed the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) terrorist Khalida Jarrar,72 and has engaged with Hizbullah73 as well as with former Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad.74

National SJP and CodePink coordinate closely on activities, events, and even share office space, and possibly personnel. CodePink appears to be training university students in extreme protest tactics, such as civil disobedience and disrupting public speaking events.75 It also cohosts protests with SJP leaders and other prominent BDS organizations76 and its cofounders and staff meet with SJP chapters across the United States.77 Furthermore, CodePink uses SJP members to create propaganda for CodePink-organized protests.78

Since 2015, CodePink has posted ads to its website saying that it seeks interns focusing on “Palestine work,” listing the address 1247 E Street SE as the internship location. This same address was used by National Students for Justice in Palestine as its mailing address in its 2016 newsletter. However, CodePink lists its regional DC office at a different location.79 The office on E Street SE seems to be hosting only this project dedicated to Palestine-related issues, using the same space as National Students for Justice in Palestine, if not devoting the position exclusively to National SJP.80

Samidoun, listed as one of CodePink’s “cosponsors,” is a PFLP proxy led by PFLP commander Khaled Barakat, and Addameer, listed as CodePink’s “partner,” is a West Bank based organization that is led by PFLP officials. Further, CodePink refers to the Palestinian BDS National Committee, a committee deeply intertwined with Hamas and the PFLP, as “an ally.”81

In 2009 alone CodePink organized seven trips to Gaza. On each visit they were welcomed by Hamas.82 When addressing concerns for participant safety on the trips, CodePink founder Medea Benjamin noted, “Hamas has pledged to ensure our safety.”83 On another trip Benjamin received a letter penned by Hamas that she planned to deliver directly to US President Barack Obama. The letter was signed by Ahmed Yusef, former Deputy Foreign

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Minister and former Senior Political Advisor to former Hamas President Ismael Haniyeh. CodePink has also closely coordinated with PFLP members during its trips to the West Bank, taking part in joint activities and tours with PFLP members.

In 2006, senior CodePink leaders also were approached by Hizbullah terror operatives and requested permission from Hizbullah authorities to travel in Hizbullah-controlled Southern Lebanon at the height of the Second Lebanon War between the Shiite terror group and Israel. In November 2008, CodePink founders Jodie Evans and Medea Benjamin and staff member Ann Wright were invited by then Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad to the Islamic Republic of Iran, which according to the US State Department is the world's leading state sponsor of terror. Benjamin returned to Iran as a representative of CodePink in 2014 as she attended the “New Horizon Conference” in Tehran which hosted various Holocaust deniers, and 9/11-truthers who accuse Israel of perpetrating and covering up the 9/11 attacks.
2.8 Conclusion

National Students for Justice in Palestine was founded by several organizations that work closely with US-designated terror organizations, often transferring funds to them and sharing personnel. NSJP annual conferences feature speeches by convicted Palestinian terrorists from designated terror organizations, and the conference steering committee frequently demonstrates support for Palestinian terrorists, often linking social media posts to the terror groups themselves.

It is likely that the 2018 National SJP conference, which has been scheduled for November 16-18 at UCLA, will continue this well-established policy of support for terror against Israel. This NSJP conference will continue training student SJP members in using violence and extreme tactics on campus in disrupting Israel-friendly events and promoting divestment campaigns inspired by and developed in coordination with terrorists and terror-affiliated organizations featured at the conference. UCLA and University of California state system administration, faculty, alumni, and students have aligned themselves with terrorists and designated terror organizations by sanctioning the 2018 National SJP conference.
3. SJP’s Terror Glorification, Campus Violence, and Anti-Semitism

A 2011 display by UCLA’s Students for Justice in Palestine featuring Hamas “Freedom Fighters.”
3.1 Terror Glorification by SJP Chapters

Many SJP chapters have expressed support for Palestinian terrorists. Some SJP groups have invited convicted terrorists to address them. For example, Khader Adnan Mohammed Musa is a spokesperson for Islamic Jihad, a US-designated terrorist organization and has been featured guest at SJP events. Adnan was imprisoned numerous times by Israel and has incited terrorism and murder, especially in the form of suicide bombings targeting civilians.90

Adnan has also established contacts with SJP chapters across the United States. In 2013, SJP at American University in Washington DC organized a Skype call with Adnan. The event was cosponsored by Amnesty International and Jewish Voice for Peace.91 SJP branches at Bowdoin College, Tufts University, Union Theological Seminary, Ryerson University, and Columbia University have expressed solidarity with Adnan on social media.92

SJP chapters have also expressed public support for the Hamas terror group on social media. A Facebook post “In solidarity with the innocent Palestinian prisoners” by University of Alabama Birmingham’s SJP chapter named three terrorists as “innocent” hunger-striking prisoners.93 One terrorist, Abdullah al-Barghouti, is currently serving 67 consecutive life sentences in Israel after pleading guilty to bomb-making for Hamas in 2004. Bombs assembled by al-Barghouti killed 66 people and injured 500 others.94 Two members of Islamic Jihad were also named in the post.95

Many SJP chapters have also lauded the work of PFLP Beirut leader Ghassan Kanafani. SJP chapters at Temple University, the College of William and Mary, UCLA, National SJP, and SJP founder Hatem Bazian shared an interview from 1970 on their social media in which Kanafani declares that talking to Israeli leaders is a “conversation between the sword and the neck.”96 In the interview he also claims that the PFLP and other Palestinian terror groups are “defending themselves against a fascist government.” Kanafani says of the 1970 PFLP Dawson’s Field plane hijacking, “We did not make a mistake in the hijacking. In contrast, we did one of the most correct things we ever did.”97 Similarly, he was honored by Florida State University (FSU) SJP President Reem Zaitoon in a radio interview where she declared him a “revolutionary for Palestine.”98

In March 2018, Columbia and University of California Santa Barbara (UCSB) SJP chapters shared PFLP propaganda posters on social media in honor of International Women’s Day.99 UCSB’s deleted Facebook post included PFLP propaganda and pictures of convicted PFLP terrorist Leila Khaled brandishing guns with the description, “Solidarity is the weapon and armed resistance is the catalyst. Support all mujeres taking arms against imperialism.”100
In 2015 Mohammed Nablusi, a BDS activist and law student at the University of Texas Austin, wrote an op-ed in *Warscapes* magazine recommending that campus BDS groups align with Palestinian terror organizations.\(^{101}\) *Warscapes* receives generous funding from George Soros’ Open Society Foundation.\(^{102}\)

Nablusi wrote, “In developing the strategic vision of BDS, we must (1) look to and support Palestinian resistance groups and civil organizations that remain steadfast, in the face of PA-Israel collaboration, in their commitment to anti-colonial struggle—groups such as the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Hamas and Palestine Islamic Jihad; and (2) commit ourselves to supporting a one-state solution.”\(^{103}\)
NYC SJP has been the most outspoken among North American SJP chapters in its support of Palestinian terror organizations, particularly the PFLPNYC. SJP is comprised of students from across New York City, with a large proportion of Palestinian-American members enrolled in the CUNY system.

On social media, NYC SJP has demonstrated support for and communicated directly with the PFLP student arm, the Progressive Student Labor Front (PSLF). NYC SJP wrote that the PSLF gives their “support to New York City Students for Justice in Palestine and their firm and committed struggle against Zionism and racism and for the liberation of Palestine” in a 2015 post on its official WordPress site.104
In another 2015 WordPress post, NYC SJP criticized the BDS movement for failing to take actions to liberate territory, indicating support for Palestinian terror. Former PFLP terrorist Leila Khaled is quoted in the post as saying, “BDS, of course, on the international level, is very effective. But it doesn’t liberate land.”

NYC SJP has also posted a number of links directly to the PFLP official website on its Facebook page. In March 2017, NYC SJP tweeted a video that highlights the stories of female “Palestinian martyrs,” who are commonly referred to as “terrorists” in the West.

In early 2018, NYC SJP rebranded itself as Within Our Lifetime. The group wrote in 2018, “We know Palestine, within our Lifetime. Palestine will be freed, refugees will return, and all of historic Palestine will be decolonized.” The group noted that its new name, Within Our Lifetime, “empowers and ignites our fire to be a part of resisting zionism and building the path towards liberation.” In the group’s short history it has stated multiple times that its goal is to “liberate all of Palestine within our lifetime,” implying the replacement of Israel with a Palestinian state. According to the group’s founder Nerdeen Kiswani, “The only way forward for a free Palestine is through resistance… As with all anti-colonial struggles, a concrete way forward is through fight back, in all of its forms.”

A May 2017 NYC SJP demonstration in Times Square, New York.
3.2 SJP’s Violence, Intimidation, and Anti-Semitism

There are numerous examples of anti-Semitic violence and intimidation perpetrated by SJP members against Jewish students at American universities.

The AMCHA Initiative, which monitors campus anti-Semitism, reveals a direct correlation between BDS activities and anti-Semitism on campuses with large Jewish student populations in their 2015 and 2016 reports. These studies also found a correlation between the presence of a SJP chapter and a rise in campus anti-Zionism and anti-Semitism.110

Another 2016 Brandeis University study attributed intensified anti-Semitism to the campus BDS movement.111 The Brandeis study documented hostilities, intimidation techniques, and anti-Semitic rhetoric employed by SJP activists against Jewish students on campuses across the United States. Many Jewish students reported being accused by BDS activists of personal responsibility for the actions of the Israeli government, simply because they were Jewish.112

According to the Brandeis report, more than a third of students polled agreed that there was a “hostile environment” toward Jews on their campuses.113 The study also found that students at schools with active BDS movements were frequently exposed to anti-Semitic statements such as: “Jews have too much power in America,” “Jews exploit the Holocaust,” “Jews are more loyal to Israel,” and “Israelis behave like Nazis.”114

In another example, close to 20 percent of Jewish students reported having heard a form of the statement “Israelis behave like Nazis” at CUNY-Brooklyn and schools in the University of California system, which have strong BDS movements. Almost 20 percent of students at UCLA, host of the November 2018 National SJP conference, have heard other students say that Jews have too much power.115

The Brandeis poll also revealed compelling statistics on the rise of online harassment of Jewish students, anti-Semitic vandalism, and even physical attacks against Jewish students on campuses with a strong BDS movement.116

Correlation between an anti-Israel campus presence and anti-Semitism was found at the University of Oregon in 2018. In May 2018, the Oregon student senate passed a resolution endorsing the BDS movement as an “anti-racist human rights movement.”117 Two months later, a sign on campus belonging to the University of Oregon Hillel welcoming students in Hebrew and English was vandalized with profane statements including “Free Palestine you f*cks.”118
In July 2018, Stanford University Students for Justice in Palestine leader and university residence advisor Hamzeh Daoud posted to Facebook, "I’m gonna physically fight Zionists on campus next year if someone comes at me with their ‘Israel is a democracy’ bullsh*t. And after I abolish your ass I’ll go ahead and work every day for the rest of my life to abolish your petty ass ethno-supremacist, settler-colonial state.”119

In May 2018, a member of UCLA’s SJP attacked an Armenian-Lebanese Christian student speaking about the Armenian genocide at an “Indigenous Peoples Unite” panel. The SJP member approached as he spoke, ripped down and stole the student’s Armenian flag, screaming “Get this motherf—king flag down!” and threw the speaker’s notecards into the crowd. Campus police were called to disperse the roughly two dozen SJP protestors who took part. SJP members again interrupted him by screaming, “F—k white supremacy!”120
In April 2018, two dozen students from SAFE, a University of Michigan Palestinian solidarity group, protested a presentation by Nadav Tamir, director of international affairs at the Peres Center for Peace shouting, “You are a terrorist. You’ve been calling people terrorists all day and you yourself work for a terrorist organization.”

SJP’s mock eviction notices have been a popular anti-Semitic intimidation tactic. SJP members at universities including Harvard, NYU, and Northeastern have placed these notices under the doors of student dormitory rooms. Although mock eviction notices have not targeted individual Jews, at NYU, eviction notices were placed under doors in a student residence in which a majority of residents were Jewish, leading those students to report anti-Semitic fears and harassment by SJP. SJP libels included charges such as, “Palestinian homes are destroyed as part of the state of Israel’s ongoing attempts to ethnically cleanse the region of its Arab inhabitants and maintain an exclusively ’Jewish’ character of the state.”

SJP rallies have featured Islamist war cries for the destruction of Israel. In July 2014, Florida International University’s SJP cosponsored a rally in front of Miami’s Israeli consulate. Protestors chanted “Khaybar, Khaybar, oh Jew, Muhammad’s army will return,” a reference to a massacre of Jews by Muslims in 628 CE.
Also in 2014, UCLA’s SJP chapter hosted a presentation by Palestinian BDS leader Omar Barghouti, the founder of the Boycott Israel movement. The event was called “International Solidarity with Palestine: Towards a Global Intifada.” Barghouti justified Palestinian terror, claiming that Jews held positions within the former Nazi regime. Barghouti also charged that Israeli soldiers shoot Palestinian children “for sport.” In 2017, Columbia SJP similarly held a demonstration on Holocaust Memorial Day featuring Barghouti.

Following a March 2016 lecture by Israeli diplomat George Deek at UC Davis, Jewish students reported verbal threats such as “Death to the Jews.” SJP members interrupted Deek, a Christian Arab from the mixed Israeli city of Jaffa, shouting, “Long live the Intifada,” “When Palestine is occupied, resistance is justified,” and “Takbir, Allahu Akbar.” Campus security refused to stop SJP disruptions.

A tweet by Temple University SJP honoring George Habash, founder of the PFLP, a US-designated terror organization.
UC Davis’ SJP branch exposed its goal of eliminating Israel in a July 2018 op-ed that appeared in the California Aggie student newspaper. SJP’s op-ed declared that “It is an ideological fantasy to really believe that progress is possible so long as the state of Israel exists.”

An altar glorifying terrorist “martyrs” created by the University of Chicago’s Students for Justice in Palestine in November 2015. This “Dia de los Muertos” altar commemorates Palestinian terrorists, including Hadeel al-Hashlamon, who attempted to stab an Israeli soldier, and Fadi Aloun, who stabbed a 15-year-old Israeli in October 2015.
In 2016, the Irvine, California district attorney announced a criminal investigation of University of California Irvine’s SJP chapter, in response to an incident in which protestors interrupted an event by a pro-Israel student organization, chanting “‘Long live the intifada,’ ‘f *** the police,’ ‘displacing people since ’48, there’s nothing here to celebrate’ and ‘all white people need to die.’”129

In 2014, a man tabling for SJP at Temple University punched a student in the face and called him a “kike” and “baby-killer” for asking to discuss Israel.130 In 2010, a Jewish student holding a sign saying “Israel Wants Peace” was rammed with a shopping cart by an SJP activist during University of California Berkeley’s Israel Apartheid Week.131

SJP chapters across the United States have also spread anti-Semitism both on campuses and via social media. In May 2014, Vassar College’s SJP posted anti-Semitic Nazi propaganda cartoons and links to white-supremacist websites on their social media accounts.132 Vassar President Catharine Hill reprimanded SJP in an email to students, faculty, and employees and called for an investigation of Vassar’s SJP chapter. However, no formal actions were taken.133

In May 2018, a Facebook post by Stony Brook Students for Justice in Palestine attacked campus Muslim Chaplain Sanaa Nadim for promoting interfaith activities with the campus Hillel branch. The SJP chapter wrote, “You have reached a heinous level of betrayal to the Palestinian people by working with and aiding Zionists on their endeavors…if there were Nazis, white nationalists, and KKK members on campus, would their identity have to be accepted and respected? Absolutely not. Then why would we respect the views of Zionists?”134

Violent incidents have also been reported at Cornell, Loyola University in Chicago, and Stanford where Jewish students have been spat on, harassed, and assaulted on campus by SJP protestors. In other cases, students were ejected from SJP events for questioning the group’s “bias” regarding Israel.135 Online harassment of Jewish students by SJP members and anti-Semitic statements targeting Jewish students have also been recorded by the AMCHA Initiative in its 2018 report.136
3.3 SJP and Israel Apartheid Week

Students for Justice in Palestine has played a central role in Israel Apartheid Week (IAW) activities. IAW is a designated seven days of BDS activities held each spring at university campuses around the world, primarily in South Africa, across Europe, and North America. IAW was founded in 2005 at the University of Toronto.137

SJP chapters have promoted IAW across the United States. It is often the busiest week of activities at each SJP chapter. IAW activities include speaker series, movie screenings, and campus demonstrations all carrying one message: Israel is an illegitimate apartheid entity that must be replaced with a Palestinian state.138 These events are often held in campus public spaces such as quads and student unions. Israel Apartheid Week events have become platforms for harassment and intimidation of students who question or disagree with IAW propaganda.

The “Mock Apartheid Wall” is a cornerstone of Israel Apartheid Week. It is often coupled with a replica of an Israeli military checkpoint where SJP members perform street theater featuring bloody executions.
Students for Justice in Palestine is a byproduct of American Muslims for Palestine (AMP), an organization whose leaders were former members and supporters of Palestinian and Islamist terror organizations. AMP was founded in 2005, after three organizations, KindHearts, the Islamic Association for Palestine, and the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development were implicated by the federal government between 2001 and 2011 for terror funding and linkages. Many of the leaders and top donors to these organizations were either jailed, deported, or investigated for terror links. Some members who remained in the United States have since migrated to AMP.

SJP founder Hatem Bazian also serves as chairman of American Muslims for Palestine. He is also listed on Americans for Justice in Palestine Educational Foundations’ 990 tax forms for 2013-2015 as the organization’s president. Bazian is also listed on AMP’s website as the chairman of AMP’s national board.

In addition to Bazian, Taher Herzallah has served in senior roles at AMP where he has routinely called for violence against Israelis. Herzallah has served since 2016 as the Associate Director of Outreach & Grassroots Organizing for AMP. In addition to his arrests for interrupting US congressional proceedings and pro-Israel campus events, Herzallah has claimed that, “The State of Israel is a lie,” and charged that the “Israel lobby” works to ensure that Israel’s legitimacy remains unchallenged. He has declared that, “Israelis have to be bombed, they are a threat to the legitimacy of Palestine, and it is wrong to maintain the State of Israel. It is an illegitimate creation born from colonialism and racism.”
Numerous connections exist between AMP board members, employees, volunteers, keynote speakers and Palestinian terror groups, such as Hamas, the Islamist terror organization that governs the Gaza Strip. In some cases, AMP leaders and supporters have been implicated for fundraising for Hamas. In one case, Saleh Sarsour, an AMP board member, used his furniture store in Milwaukee to pass money to Adel Awadallah, the leader of the Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades, Hamas’ armed wing. Sarsour also spent eight months in an Israeli jail for Hamas activity.\textsuperscript{143}

The Islamic Association for Palestine was another organization that provided financial and material support for Hamas in the United States. The Islamic Association for Palestine was founded in 1987 after Mousa Abu Marzook, a senior Hamas figure who has been listed as a specially designated terrorist by the US State Department since 1995, provided startup funds. The Foundation for the Defense of Democracies has found “significant overlap between employees from this Hamas-supporting organization and the American Muslims for Palestine network.”\textsuperscript{144}

One of the major interlocking and financial connections between the Islamic Association for Palestine and AMP is found in AMP’s 2013-2015 990 tax forms. Rafeeq Jaber, the former president of the Islamic Association for Palestine, prepared the taxes for AMP via his organization Jaber Financial Services from 2010 to 2015. Jaber’s official role with AMP
is unclear, as are the current activities of Jaber Financial Services, which has little web presence but operates out of the same building where the Islamic Association of Palestine was located in Palos Hills, Illinois, before it was shut down in 2004 by the State Department for funding Hamas.145

The exact funding sources for AMP have yet to be determined. However, it is notable that Rafeeq Jaber, the same individual who headed the Islamic Association for Palestine, a nonprofit organization responsible for funding Hamas in the United States, has also prepared AMP’s returns since 2010.

The funds distributed through American Muslims for Palestine (AMP) and its fiscal sponsor Americans for Justice in Palestine Educational Foundation to individual SJP chapters and National Students for Justice in Palestine were reported to be at least $100,000 for 2014.146 As per a 2010 Al Jazeera op-ed by AMP media and communications coordinator Kristen Szremski, “We [AMP] offer SJPs the same help we offer others planning events.”

Beyond its employment of Herzallah and Bazian, and its work spearheading the creation of National SJP, AMP also works with SJP chapters to initiate other nationwide campus events. In September 2014, American Muslims for Palestine sponsored “International Day of Action on College Campuses for Palestine” events across the country. Hatem Bazian, head of the General Union for Palestinian Students (GUPS) at San Francisco, Rabab Abdulhadi, and other pro-Palestinian professors from across the nation, many holding advisory roles for SJP chapters at their respective universities, sponsored the nationwide series of events.

Students and faculty members protested against “academic complicity with Israeli occupation, study abroad programs in Israel, university presidents visiting Israel, joint research or conferences with Israeli institutions, cooperation with Hasbara networks on college campuses, and strategizing with Jewish Zionist NGOs.”147

This event set the stage for “anti-normalization” activities targeting Israel on American campuses. Over 300 students attended the Berkeley rally where Bazian spoke, declaring that SJP and AMP will fight to “denormalize” university relations with Israel.148 This platform of pressuring universities to end normal relations with Israel, Israeli universities, and pro-Israel groups was similarly adopted by SJP chapters across the nation.
5. The Faculty Backing of SJP

5.1 SJP Founder Hatem Bazian

Students for Justice in Palestine was founded by Palestinian activist Hatem Bazian in 1992.\textsuperscript{149} However, the organization did not expand nationally until the early 2000s. Bazian is currently a professor of philosophy and Islamic Studies at University of California Berkeley. He is also an alumnus of San Francisco State University’s General Union of Palestinian Students (GUPS), a precursor to SJP.\textsuperscript{150}

Bazian has worked as a fundraising speaker for KindHearts, a charity that was dismantled by the US State Department in 2006 for funding Hamas.\textsuperscript{151} He has given speeches, many of them made exclusively to students, calling for violence against the United States. He has declared, “It’s about time that we have an Intifada in this country [USA]. We’ve been
Bazian has declared, “It’s about time that we have an Intifada in this country [USA]. We’ve been watching Intifada in Palestine, we’ve been watching an uprising in Iraq [against US soldiers] and the question is that: what are we doing? How come we don’t have an Intifada in this country?”

“[The] only language the [Israeli] slave master understands is the language of violence.”

Bazian continued these anti-Semitic activities as head of Students for Justice in Palestine while completing his doctorate at University of California Berkeley. In April 2002, 79 SJP members were arrested for disrupting a Berkeley Holocaust Memorial event. Bazian held a press conference to protest the arrests, where he affirmed his anti-Semitic bona fides stating, “take a look at the type of names on the buildings around campus — Haas, Zellerbach — and decide who controls this university.”
In May 2002, a San Francisco high school issued an apology to parents for inviting Bazian to speak at the school’s “cultural assembly.” His presentation featured a rap song comparing Zionists to Nazis.157

Bazian gained a national reputation for his BDS leadership in the United States and the United Kingdom. In December 2016, Jeremy Corbyn, head of the UK Labour Party and Opposition Leader in Parliament, attended a book-signing event for Bazian’s book *Palestine...It Is Something Colonial*, hosted by the Iranian regime’s Press TV. The Berkeley professor and the prime minister-hopeful posed for pictures that Bazian uploaded to his social media accounts.158
5.2 Rabab Abdulhadi and the General Union of Palestinian Students: A Precursor to SJP

The General Union of Palestinian Students (GUPS) that spawned SJP has operated since 1959, when Yasser Arafat founded its first branch while a student in Cairo.

The oldest branch of GUPS in the United States is located at San Francisco State University (SFSU). The branch was founded in 1973 when the United States still designated the Palestine Liberation Organization as a foreign terrorist organization. A GUPS branch at the University of New Orleans was founded in 2008. In 2008, it was also reported that GUPS branches were founded at California State University at Chico and in New York City.

Like SJP, GUPS sanctions BDS and has been involved in supporting violence and terror.

Mohammed Hammad, former President of San Francisco State University’s General Union of Palestine Students (GUPS), a university-sanctioned student group, and supporter of BDS and the dissolution of Israel, was widely alleged to have posted this photo on his Tumblr account saying, “I seriously cannot get over how much I love this blade. It is the sharpest thing I own and cuts through everything like butter and just holding it makes me want to stab an Israeli soldier.” According to AMCHA, the anti-Semitism monitoring group, Hammad was reported to have identified an Israeli soldier and said, “The only ‘peace’ I’m interested in is the head of this *cking scum on a plate, as well as the heads of all others like her, and all others who support the IDF,” 2013.
Rabab Abdulhadi, the current GUPS faculty advisor, is a national BDS leader and the founder of USACBI, the US Campaign for the Academic and Cultural Boycott of Israel. She has frequently glorified terrorists. Abdulhadi and Bazian have held several events together and have coordinated joint Berkeley-SFSU campaigns between GUPS and SJP. She is also a frequent featured speaker at National SJP conferences.

In February 2018, Abdulhadi wrote on her personal Facebook page, “Zionists are NOT welcomed on our campus.” The post was then shared by the page for SFSU’s Arab and Muslim Ethnicities and Diaspora Studies (AMED) program, which she chairs. Following her statements, graffiti echoing these statements was found throughout the SFSU campus.

Abdulhadi’s statement was made in response to a public apology issued by SFSU President Leslie Wong for past anti-Semitic incidents on campus, perpetrated by Abdulhadi and GUPS. Although Chancellor of the California State University system Timothy White denounced Abdulhadi, saying she explicitly contradict “SFSU’s principles of inclusion,” Wong and the SFSU leadership took no further action against her, and the statements remain on Abdulhadi and AMED’s Facebook pages.
5.3 Other SJP Activist Professors

There are over a hundred professors across US university campuses who also engage in BDS activism. Rutgers University’s Jasbir Puar peddles anti-Semitic blood libels in academic journals. She has claimed that Israel secretly harvests the organs of Palestinians. Columbia University’s Hamid Dabashi has espoused anti-Semitic conspiracy theories and support for numerous terror groups throughout his academic career.

However, in addition to Bazian and Abdulhadi, other professors have devoted substantial time to helping establish or assisting as faculty advisors to campus SJP chapters. Much of SJP’s credibility on campus, including SJP’s false claim that it is a mainstream student human rights organization, is bolstered by faculty support and guidance. These professors have also expressed support for terrorists on their social media accounts, in interviews, and in their writings, thereby helping promote the terror-supporting and violent messaging of SJP.

For example, UCLA history professor Robin D.G. Kelley has argued that Palestinians have a right to use violence against Israel. He said any calls for Palestinians to practice nonviolence are a “bludgeon” used to beat Palestinians. Kelley has also declared in an article that the Israeli “government of injustice will indeed vanish.” Kelley has spoken at several events organized by UCLA SJP, the scheduled hosts for the 2018 National SJP Conference. UCLA SJP also hosted an event titled “International Solidarity with Palestine: Towards a Global Intifada,” where Kelley and BDS cofounder Omar Barghouti were featured speakers. Kelley serves as an advisory board member of the US Campaign for the Academic and Cultural Boycott of Israel (USACBI).

UCLA also employs BDS proponent Saree Makdisi, a professor of English literature. In addition to speaking at UCLA SJP events, Makdisi has also made a career espousing the libel that Israel is an apartheid state like former apartheid South Africa, and has regularly launched verbal attacks on Jewish and pro-Israel professors. Much of his slander has been disproven by fellow US academics, and even more significantly, by black South African leaders and activists who suffered under apartheid.

As another example of faculty activism in the BDS movement, Saëd Atshan, an assistant professor of Peace and Conflict Studies at Swarthmore College has participated as a speaker...
at numerous east coast SJP events. Atshan spoke at Haverford College for SJP’s Israel Apartheid Week. He said, “My argument is that no violence is acceptable. But Israeli violence is considered moral [whereas for] stateless Palestinians…when they deploy violence, that’s terrorism. Do Palestinians have a right to self-defense, to security?” Atshan also declared that the recent rise of far-right nationalism and neo-Nazism in the United States marked the “Israelification of the US.”

Atshan was also a featured speaker at the 2014 National SJP conference at Tufts University. Here, he blamed Israel for Palestinian honor killings and the persecution of gays in the West Bank and Gaza, because of “the intersection of Zionism with misogyny and homophobia.”

University of Hawaii-Manoa English professor Cynthia Franklin has worked to establish new SJP chapters nationwide. Franklin is a member of the organizing collective of USACBI. She and the organizing collective have worked to help establish and assisted students in creating SJP chapters at University of California Davis, Purdue University, Kent State University, and the University of Florida. Franklin is also responsible for several libelous
articles, interviews and social media postings, including accusations that Israeli doctors intentionally “execute” Palestinian patients.\textsuperscript{179} 

She has also helped establish Faculty for Justice in Palestine (FJP) nationwide. In an Electronic Intifada podcast by Franklin and FJP cofounder, Purdue University English and American Studies professor Bill Mullen, Franklin explains that FJP was founded by a group of BDS-supporting faculty members, frequently citing UC Davis SJP faculty advisor Sunaina Maira as a source of inspiration, to provide moral and material support to BDS-activist students and their universities’ SJP chapters. Franklin and Mullen attribute their activism to fighting the “repression and double standards that SJP chapters are held to.”\textsuperscript{180} 

In the interview, Mullen noted that he designed the curriculum for his courses at Purdue to include material by author and PFLP terror-group leader Ghassan Kanafani and “other critical Palestinian writers who have, to some extent, been neglected outside of the narrow canons of Middle East literature, who I think now are becoming more familiar to students.”\textsuperscript{181} 

Mullen and Franklin have also encouraged students to read books like Electronic Intifada cofounder and one-state activist Ali Abunimah’s \textit{Battle for Justice in Palestine}. Mullen says that because of these reading selections and a strong campus SJP presence, “faculty and curricula are beginning to shift.”\textsuperscript{182} Franklin expressed optimism that SJP will connect with local communities and organizations in terms of not only events, but also classroom curriculum.\textsuperscript{183} 

Mullen’s personal website includes the tagline “From the River to the Sea,” declaring his support for Israel’s destruction and features pictures of and quotes by Kanafani.\textsuperscript{184} On Mullen’s personal Facebook page he celebrates the 30\textsuperscript{th} anniversary of the First Palestinian Intifada, shares links in support of the creation of “One State in Palestine,” and petitions in support of Palestinian Islamic Jihad terrorist Khader Adnan.\textsuperscript{185} 

CUNY Staten Island English Professor Sarah Schulman serves as the university SJP’s advisor and sits on the academic advisory board of Jewish Voice for Peace. In 2015, Schulman announced in a Facebook post that she was bringing CUNY Staten Island’s SJP to a protest at the United Nations in New York City against the arrest of Islamic Jihad terrorist Mohammad Allan.\textsuperscript{186} Allan had been arrested twice previously by Israeli authorities for trying to recruit suicide bombers, and was detained for a third time for praising ISIS on social media.\textsuperscript{187}
Schulman said in a 2013 interview that all Jews should move to New York and “forget about Israel.” At a 2013 book reading she refused to condemn Hamas for criminalizing homosexuality with the death penalty in Gaza, because Hamas was “democratically elected.” Schulman has also circulated a petition to release Ezra Nawi from prison. Nawi is an Israeli registered sex offender and far-left extremist who worked with the Palestinian Authority to track down Palestinians who sold land to Israelis, an executable offense according to Palestinian Authority law.

Iyman Chehade, a lecturer in Middle East History at Columbia College and the Art Institute of Chicago, serves as a faculty advisor to both SJP and Jewish Voice for Peace at Columbia College and has been a featured speaker at National SJP conferences.

In Chehade’s words, “everything I do basically ties back [to] Palestine. When you work on Palestine here, you’re resisting there as well.” Chehade also wrote in an op-ed published in the Emirati newspaper The National, “‘Balance’ has been a frequent demand by Zionists to present Israel’s violent occupation of the Palestinians as somehow symmetric with Palestinian resistance.” Chehade notably had a course on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict canceled due to both low attendance and complaints of his explicit bias against Israel. However, his course was later reinstated due to protests from the global BDS movement.

Students for Justice in Palestine at College of Staten Island Facebook profile picture in support of Islamic Jihad terrorist Mohammad Allan.
University administrations have achieved isolated successes against individual SJP chapters, but actions have yet to limit SJP growth nationally. Only one university, Fordham in New York City, rejected a student request to form an SJP chapter. Dean of students, Keith Eldredge has stated that an SJP chapter should not be formed “in order to prevent polarization [on campus]…and the resulting possible negative impacts on student safety and the general security of the Fordham community.”

Palestine Legal, a BDS-supporting lawfare group, filed suit claiming that the university administration violated the students’ right to free speech in rejecting the bid. Palestine Legal argued that the university administration’s decision would result in a protracted legal battle, even as Fordham moved to have the case dismissed.
At other universities, SJP has been censured or suspended for anti-Semitism and incitement. However, the organization has not been banned. Northeastern University in Boston suffered violent and anti-Semitic attacks perpetrated by SJP members. Yet, its chapter continues to operate with relative impunity, regardless of numerous warnings by the university administration. For example, SJP Northeastern stormed a Holocaust remembrance event with anti-Israel signs, chanting “Free, Free Palestine!” During its 2012 Israel Apartheid Week activities, SJP members plastered the Northeastern campus with anti-Semitic messages, targeting a statue of a Jewish trustee of the university.

After years of anti-Semitic hate speech, intimidation, and vandalism, Northeastern’s SJP was placed on administrative probation in May 2013, after members interrupted an event featuring Israeli soldiers. SJP members then violated this probation on March 7, 2014, when they placed mock eviction notices in student residences, causing some students to report the leaflets to the university. Northeastern responded by suspending SJP from the campus for at least a year and barring its current executive board from serving on any future board in the organization.

Although Northeastern University’s rebuke of SJP garnered media attention, it was ineffective in practice. Only weeks after the suspension, SJP held an event at Northeastern’s School of Law on March 25, 2014. They held another event entitled “Mis-using Anti-Semitism to Promote Islamophobia and Silence Criticism of Israel,” in a Northeastern classroom on April 15, 2014.

The following academic year, SJP’s operations continued unabated. Since Northeastern SJP’s “suspension” of activities, they have also launched campaigns to boycott Hewlett Packard and Tribe and Sabra hummus brands on campus, due to their presence in Israel.
In 2014, Professor M. Shahid Alam, Northeastern’s SJP faculty advisor, remarked at a SJP event that members should be proud to be called anti-Semites and should wear the title as a “badge of honor.” Despite his incitement, there have been no indications of any actions taken by the university against Professor Alam. According to his page on Northeastern’s website, as of September 2017 he remained the SJP faculty advisor and a Northeastern professor.

Other universities have been similarly ineffective in acting against BDS. Loyola University Chicago’s SJP chapter was placed on probation for the 2014-2015 academic year for attempting to block a table set up by Hillel advertising Taglit/Birthright trips to Israel at a student club fair. However, Hillel was also reprimanded for the incident for having an unapproved table. Within two months, SJP’s probation had been lifted.

SJP’s defiance of university administrations and US law are most sharply illustrated in a series of disturbances over the past several years at University of California Irvine (UCI). Since its founding in 2006, the UCI chapter of SJP alone has been embroiled in several incidents involving altercations, harassment, and intimidation of pro-Israel events and students on campus. The group has been reprimanded repeatedly by the university administration.

In June 2010, Irvine SJP members, known as the “Irvine Eleven [sic]” were arrested for violent verbal disruptions of a presentation by Dr. Michael Oren, former Israeli ambassador to the United States, subsequently a member of Knesset and Deputy Minister of Public Diplomacy in the Prime Minister’s Office.
In response, the university administration required the UCI students who were arrested to complete 50 hours of community service. They were also banned from holding campus events until 2011. In September 2011, the “Irvine 11” were found guilty of criminal misdemeanor charges and sentenced to three years of informal probation by an Orange County, California court. AMP campus liaison Taher Herzallah was one of the “Irvine 11” who was arrested along with two fellow UC Riverside students who traveled to Irvine specifically to protest Oren.

In May 2016, the same SJP chapter interrupted a screening of a documentary about IDF soldiers. They received a warning from the university administration. In 2017, 40 SJP members violated the warning by disrupting an event featuring former IDF soldiers. In September 2017, administrators announced they were sanctioning the chapter, requiring members to attend 12 mandatory meetings on free speech, and requiring them to meet with members of the university administration at least two weeks before putting on any events.

Though their own events must be pre-approved by the university administration, UC Irvine SJP continued to sabotage pro-Israel events during the 2017-2018 academic year. In May 2018, Irvine SJP members protested and interrupted an event featuring the Israeli group Reservists on Duty that was attended by the Irvine dean of students. They were not censured for violating the sanctions set earlier that year.

A 2017 map created by National SJP showing chapters nationwide. As of 2018 there were roughly 200 SJP chapters across the United States. (National SJP)
7. Conclusion

As this monograph has illustrated, SJP is not a peaceful, mainstream pro-Palestinian equivalent to pro-Israel student organizations. SJP sanctions violence, bigotry, harassment and intimidation of Jewish and Israel-friendly students and faculty on campus, and avoids transparent fundraising activity. Instead, it operates under mysterious auspices and receives monetary and material support from organizations and individuals who have had ties to Palestinian terror groups. SJP also advances policies of anti-normalization and regularly intimidates and harasses Jewish and pro-Israel students. Documented incidents of anti-Semitism involving SJP members make the commonalities between this organization and Palestinian extremists and terrorists more apparent.

There are means to stop SJP’s violence, harassment, intimidation, and linkages to terror groups. There are also strategies and initiatives to expose SJP’s boycott of Jews, Israelis, and Zionists on campus, extremist propaganda regarding the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, as well as its illegitimate funding. However, without constant monitoring and diligence, SJP will continue to operate unabated. Therefore, university donors and alumni would be well advised to remain well-informed and vigilant, and demand that campus communities and state governments unmask, expose, investigate, prosecute, and sanction SJP so as to rein in their extremist and anti-Semitic actions on US campuses.
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AMP will be hosting four 4-hour intensive training sessions at the US Social Forum on June 23 and 24. We need members of SJP’s from around the country to attend. AMP will help sponsor your trip to Detroit. Please call 708.598.4267 x 21 or email info@ampafrica.org for more details. This is a huge opportunity to unite SJP work and to strengthen work for Palestine in the U.S. JOIN NOW!

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elizabethwelliver The Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions movement is a non-violent tool of advocacy to pressure government and corporate institutions and free people from slavery, apartheid, and oppression. BDS upholds an ethical duty to support what is just. Mahmood Navajja @navajjja speaks about the global BDS movement from Palestine. Palestinians have hope in the BDS movement to hold Israel accountable for their violations of international law and apartheid system of control, to restore justice. It is up to the international community to stand for Palestinian rights as they stand for liberation of all people. @bdsouthafrica @jewishcafesforpeace @jlpive @free.palestine.1948 #endthecolonization #justice #solidarity #intersectionality #boycott #divestment #video #adivision #blacklivesmatter #indigenousrights #refugeerights
3. Israeli Apartheid Week at American University

Public · Hosted by Damián Fontanez

March 18, 2013 – March 22, 2013
Mar 18, 2013 at 5:30 PM to Mar 22, 2013 at 8 PM EDT

Check the details or cover photo for exact locations!

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Israeli Apartheid Week (IAW) is an annual international series of events held in cities and campuses across the globe. The aim of IAW is to educate people about the nature of Israel as an apartheid system and to build support for the growing Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) campaign against Israel. Last year’s IAW was incredibly successful with over 215 cities participating worldwide.
Here is a list of our dates:

MONDAY MARCH 18TH
[5:30pm-7:30pm Mary Graydon Center Room 200]
Skype talk with Khader Adnan
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July 10

Jewish Voice for Peace
July 9

Ghassan Kanafani, reknowned writer and Palestinian leader. In this rare video from 1970 he answers why he refused to talk to Israeli leaders. "That's the kind of conversation between the sword and the neck"
NYC Students for Justice in Palestine shared Pulsetine's video.

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The following statement will be distributed to the International Committee of the Red Cross, Israeli officials, and the US State Department urging immediate action for the freedom of Khader Adnan.
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This monograph shows in rich detail that SJP, contrary to its image, actually supports a one state solution that would eliminate the very existence of the democratic state of Israel. We must understand this to react accordingly for the restoring of universities as safe environments for the peaceful exchange of ideas.

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