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# Palestinian Summaries

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## Did Palestinians sell their land?



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The propaganda that the Palestinians have sold their land is merely the creation of the Jewish people alongside the help of Britain. This lie has spread widely throughout the West and in between Arabs themselves. The hardest thing for Palestinians is knowing that the Arab media has adopted this propaganda, and worse still that it is believed among some Arabs.

The Jews always took care of spreading such lies and fibs through the media. They created establishments and special organizations such as "publicity centre" in Qasr Al Nile in Cairo. They also employed lots of secret agents.

Such propaganda serves the Jews by helping them achieve their intention to incriminate the entire Palestinian people, who they have denied ownership to their land and their right to claim it back, as they are the ones who neglected it. In addition, they use such propaganda to destroy the morale of Palestinian people, or at least weaken it, so that they will not demand their rights, especially after seeing their Arab and Muslim brothers denying them and believing these lies, as they give up on helping them and defending their issue. Lying is one of the most obtruding characters of Jews. Allah says in the Quran, "And they speak untruth about Allah while they know [it]. "<sup>1</sup> They are known to be sly and deceiving; spreading rumours is their way and deceiving is their character and the way to achieve their goals. Zionists also managed to strengthen the people's belief in this idea.

The disproving of this lie is a difficult task, which is why "The Awda Readers Club" in "The Academy of Refugees Study" is concerned with reading this book, discussing it with other readers, summarizing it, and making it available, so that others can become exposed to many facts which were hidden from them.

"If you want to kill an enemy you do not shoot a bullet but a lie"

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Surah Al Imran, Ayat 75



To deny this fib, history and the stages of looting the lands, has to be reviewed.

# **Palestine Under the Ottoman Rule**

Sultan Abdul Hamid II lost the throne after thirty-three years of ruling the Ottoman Empire, which had lasted for four centuries, because he had rejected all sorts of temptations and pressure to hand Palestine over to the Jews. Britain, Zionism's biggest sponsor, put huge pressure on the Ottoman Empire, which led to the legislation of many laws which made it easier for Jews to own lands, such as (the behaviour of wise people) 1910 and the law which gives foreigners the right to own properties1911, etc.

The British delegation had the biggest role in choosing the best lands in Palestine to handover to the Jews later on through the border demarcation agreements and other twisted methods to deceive the Ottoman government. The Ottoman Empire in 1910 at the end of its glory, under the pressure of "Britain", issued the "Act of Wise Persons" which allows companies to dispose of immovable property such as land and property within the Ottoman Empire.

Until 1877, the percentage of Jews in Palestine never exceeded 1.3% of the population, and then the British started encouraging the Jews to illegally immigrate and promised to protect them while forcing their way into settlement in the "Promised Land"; all to achieve benefits for themselves for which they had sacrificed everything.

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# How Were the Jews Able to Settle in Palestine

## in the Ottoman Era?

The Zionists came up with sly strategies with the help of Britain and Europe, to seize the Palestinian territories including:



"650000 acres were
seized by the Jews at
the time of the
Ottoman
government under
the pretext of
flourishing the
agriculture and the
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1. In **1845**, the British demanded Ottomans to evacuate the occupants of Palestine and let the Jews take their place.

2. In **1875**, the Jews tried to finance the buying of the Suez Canal.

3. In **1882**, the immigration of Jews to Palestine increased with British support.

4. In **1897**, Theodor Herzl called for the establishment of a Jewish national homeland for the Jews in Palestine at the Pal-Swiss Conference, and the implementation began in crooked ways and through bribery in spite of the government's strong objections.

5. In **1886**, the role of the large feudal landlords who owned land in Palestine, most of them from non-Palestinian families, emerged.

6. In the period **1908-1909**, the Union of Association and Promotion had the biggest role in isolating Sultan Abdul Hamid II, "the stumbling stone of the Jewish Settlement Project."

7. The Jews, who had been backed by the western countries, took advantage of the facilities the Ottomans gave to the West by extending their influence and buying lands, as the Ottoman Empire gave the greater countries some privileges such as tax exemptions, the freedom of work, the freedom of travel, residence, and jurisdictional immunity as an effort to gain the empathy of those countries so that they may support the deteriorating economic situation.



Sultan Abdul Hamid II tried to legislate multiple laws to ban Jews from entering Jerusalem, but Britain put more pressure in favour of the Jews. The Jewish expansion and the Jewish control over the land resulted in the formation of the Jewish homeland's core, and that was clear due to the following:

- 1. In 1780, the first agricultural school was established by Moritz Von Hirsch, founder of the Land of Israel Colonization Association.
- 2. In 1855, Montoveri neighbourhood was the first Jewish neighbourhood to be established.
- 3. In 1868, Odef Karimia managed to rent 2,600 acres of Turkish land for 99 years.
- 4. It was active in 1913 in Jewish immigration in association with the Association of Union and Progression.



# was the Palestinian reaction

## to the Jewish project?

In 1914, a number of national and charitable institutions emerged to resist the Jewish tide by raising awareness of the Jewish threat such as "Al-Ikhaa and Al Afaf Society, the Palestinian Economy Company," and many others. These

institutions directly resisted the Jewish threat by destroying Jewish and foreign property. Despite the Ottoman laws and regulations that limited the transfer of land, during the period between 1850 and 1920, the Jews managed to seize 650,000 acres of land in Palestine, and with feeble excuses, sometimes manipulating the laws and at other times manipulating British support.

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#### Who were the feudal people who sold the land of

#### **Palestine**?

The total number of what has been sold to Jewish at that time was 625,000 acres distributed as follows:

- 400000 acres in Murj Bany Amer
- 165000 acres in Alhawla lands
- 32000 acres in Wadi Alhawarth
- 28000 acres in Nasrah, Safad, Akah, Bisan, Jeneen, Tolkarim

It is worth mentioning that most of these families were Arab and not Palestinian.

The Ottoman state imposed heavy taxes on the villagers because of the poor economic conditions that the country was going through. The people could not pay taxes and the state sold their land to <u>the senior</u> owners to pay off the debts who sold them in return to the Jews.

The Palestinian villagers, as a counter-reaction to the sale, attacked settlements and protested to Sultan Abdul Hamid II.

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#### How many feudal Palestinians sold Palestine land?

It is not permissible to generalize the disposition of a minority of Palestinian society to the entire society. Nor should the Palestinian people as a whole be judged by the misdeeds of some Arab feudalists or the traitorous minority of Palestinians.

If we return to the statistics and percentages, the total number of lands that had been transferred to Jews is 261,400 acres out of the total area of Palestine, 27 million acres, i.e. 1% of the area of Palestine, sold by feudal landlords or traitors, or simply by default, or by helpless people forced, due to poverty, to sell their lands, or by unfair and expropriation laws.



On the contrary, the Palestinian people rejected these sales and criminalized those who carried them out. They also issued fatwas (legal opinions) to forbid such sales, and some traitors were punished. At that time, voices rose warning the Ottoman state of the Jewish threat. At the same time, the entry of arms into the Jewish side began to suppress the growing Palestinian revolutions which were activated by the strong Palestinian people due to their need to confront the Jews.

"Sheikh Amin al-Husseini, Mufti of Palestine, confirms that the people of Palestine, like other people, include the righteous, the wicked and the sinful. However, the presence of a few individuals that are wicked and sinful does not decrease the dignity of the Palestinian people or the Mujahids, nor erase the pages of their great struggle."

It is therefore fair to the Palestinian people to invalidate the saying that "The Palestinians have sold their land".

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## **Palestine territory under British occupation**

After Britain gave its disastrous promise (The Balfour Declaration) in 1917 to the Jews, the British government worked to fulfil this promise through several methods:

- 1. Palestine was placed under the British mandate, which was founded only for the establishment of а national homeland for the Jews and then became the British occupation officially in 1923. This promise was combined with the mandate instrument to ensure its fulfilment. and British Colonial Secretary Winston Churchill repeatedly asserted the right of Jews in Palestine.
- This government helped Jews purchase large tracts of land in cooperation with Jewish organizations such as The Israel National Fund, The British Palestinian Bank, and Pika, founded by Baron Rothschild.
- Herbert Samuel, the first Jewish leader of Sami, gave the Jews thousands of acres of the most fertile lands of Palestine on the coast after the land was

handed over to the Mandate Administration under the Treaty of Lausanne in 1925.

- 4. Double the annual taxes were enforced upon the Palestinian farmers, and when they were unable to pay them, they had to choose between paying and having their land confiscated.
- They tempted the Palestinians to sell their lands to the Jews at double the original price of their lands, but the Palestinians refused such offers.
- Support for Jewish immigration, which doubled from 55,000 in 1918 to 646,000 in 1948, increased the Jewish ownership of the land from 1% at the beginning of the British occupation to 7% by the end of it, and they managed to establish 292 settlements.

Hence, we see that the British Mandate government is only a means of establishing a homeland

for the Jews. This is confirmed by Henry Ford's book: The International Jew. The administration of the British Mandate was Jewish. And although the conspiracy against the Palestinians was far greater than the capabilities of the Palestinian people, the people of Palestine

"They love their land in a very special way. They touch it, smell it, and know it," Rosemary says.

rejected the British occupation and the Zionist project and remained steadfast on their land.



They carried out several revolutions, the most important of which was the Great Revolution from 1936-1939. And each time the British promised to stop immigration and stop selling lands, they denied their obligations, as usual.

This is confirmed by the statistics, as the percentage of land occupied by the Jews until 1948 was about 6.6% of the total area of Palestine, and this is undoubtedly the biggest response to those who say that the Palestinians have sold their land.

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# Palestine after the Declaration of the Establishment of Zionist Entity:

British forces announced the end of their mandate on Palestine at midnight on May 15, 1948, and within a few hours, the establishment of the State of Israel was declared.

The greatest goal of this usurper entity was to take over the largest area of the land of Palestine, and they took steps to achieve this goal, including:

#### **Roger Garaudy says**:

"Until 1949, the Jews managed to take over 80 percent of the land and expelled 770,000 Palestinians. The way which was used was terrorism. The best example of this was the Nazi-like massacre of Deir Yassin. Where 254 people were slaughtered by the "Irgun" forces headed by Menachem Begin." 1. The country was placed under the so-called "Emergency Land Grab."

2. The Absentees' Property Law was issued in 1950 and expropriated their land as abandoned land, which was expropriated by the state with aging. It seized entire villages with the equivalent of 750,000 refugees, who were prevented from returning to their villages.

3. Since 1948, Zionism has enacted some 30 legislations to circumvent the transfer of land ownership to the occupying state.



# was the colonial project carried out on the land of Palestine?

Forcibly taking the land of Palestine from its aborigines, and replacing them with immigrants, was the goal of the colonial project, as they used all means of violence, force, and oppression to achieve this goal.

In addition to the laws that they set in order to forcibly take as much of these lands as possible, they wanted to accelerate this project; they used violence and force until the proportion of land that they owned in 1982 reached about 93%, using the most inhumane ways to achieve it, including:

1. The Zionists destroyed 478 out of 585 Palestinian villages with all their features. "The villages were destroyed, including their homes, their garden walls, even the tombs and gravestones, so that there was literally not a single stone standing," says the Jewish scholar Shahak. "Any visitors that pass by the villages are told that they were originally deserted."

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2. They committed 34 massacres against the Palestinians (this is only the number that was dated, the number is far greater than that). One of the biggest massacres is the Deir Yassin massacre, and Menachem Begin says: "The massacre of Deir Yassin contributed among other massacres to the emptying of 650,000 Arabs. If not for Deir Yassin, Israel would not have existed."

"The truth about the Arab villages in the state of Israel before 1948 is one of the most kept secrets in Israeli life. There is no publication, book or pamphlet containing the number of these villages and their inhabitants. The eradication of whole Arab villages by bulldozers was for the purpose of teaching the myth of the empty land and feeding it to visitors, " says Israel Shahak.

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#### Palestinian territories After the 1967 war

#### **First: The West Bank**

After the 1967 war, the Jewish authorities intensified their efforts and looted the lands of Arab Palestine in the West Bank to establish colonies on them; this has given a legal character in the issuance of several laws allowing for the confiscation of Arab lands, where they seized vast tracts of land amounting up to 25% of the West Bank, and 400,000 acres representing 8% of the West Bank. Farmers also lost about 100,000 acres of their most fertile land. In 1978, surveys were carried out on the West Bank, in which the lands were classified into three types: - Rocky land (not suitable for agriculture)

- Fertile land (suitable for agriculture)
- Planted land

This survey was based on the opinion of Jewish experts who suggested that the Palestinian territories should be taken as their heritage, rather than gradually taken over. Hence, the seizure of the uncultivated West Bank lands was easy, if those lands were not registered.

Settlement officials took all possible facilities for brokers and contractors to establish settlements on the largest possible area of the Palestinian territories, until the number of settlements in the West Bank reached approximately 160 settlements between 1980 and 1983.

#### Second: The Gaza Strip

Although the area of the Gaza Strip does not exceed 360 square kilometres, the occupation authorities control an area of 117-153 thousand acres (according to various sources), constituting 32.5-43% of the total area. There was a total number of 16 settlements in Gaza Strip, with 3,800 settlers in 1993.



#### **Third: Jerusalem**

The city of Jerusalem was the most affected city:

- In the first month of the occupation of Jerusalem in 1967, living quarters were demolished, the lands and houses of many of the villages around Jerusalem were confiscated, the residents were evacuated, and some 6,000 Palestinians were expelled outside the city walls.
- On June 28, 1967, a decision was issued, a resolution authorizing the occupation's government to annex 70,000 acres of old Jerusalem in addition to the surrounding areas.
- (8/1968) allowed the Jews under miserable laws to own property in the

Article 49 of the Geneva Convention states: "It is not the right of the occupying State to transfer part of its own civilian population to the territories it has occupied"

Arab section of occupied Jerusalem, while the Arabs were prevented from doing so in the occupied part of Jerusalem in 1948.

 56,000 of the 63,000 acres of Jerusalem are under Jewish control, of which 250 acres are from the Old City.

## Palestine Lands in the Eyes of Jewish Leaders and Chiefs

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The main objective of the Zionist project was to displace the Palestinians from their land and settle the Jewish occupiers. Therefore, the first Zionist conferences were held, which focused on the principle of securing the land, considering it a very important issue.

All the statements of the Zionist leaders express this clearly, including:





And many other statements illustrate the approach of the Jews and the leaders of their movement in the seizure of Palestinian Arab territories, which established the Jewish perception that the territory of Palestine is a Jewish right from the beginning and that Arabs are strangers.

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#### **Palestinian Lands in the Eyes of Jewish Rabbis**

Many statements by Jewish rabbis have been and still are a clear indication that fighting in Palestine is a sacred religious duty, and their statements and religious institutions justify the expansionist cupidity of the Jewish state and urge them to continue to take away the land.



Committee of Rabbis of the Colonies:

"Every settlement site in the Land of Israel is part of the obligations of the reconstruction of the country, and it is absolutely forbidden to evacuate it." Isaac Nasim: "The Land of Israel is a sacred heritage for every Jew." Zerach Farha Fetig:

"We have returned to our land, and from now on forever."

And they used to consider anyone who gave up one shred or inch of the "promised land" – or as they claimed – to be out of Judaism.

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#### **Palestinian Land and Jewish Immigration**

According to the first article of the Law of Return in 1950, "Every Jew has the right to immigrate to Israel and to settle there." Therefore, this rogue entity sought to encourage emigration to Palestine and allocated new assistance, facilities, work rights, ownership, and other privileges to every new immigrant.

"The State of Israel will be open to Jewish emigration, to gather the Diaspora, and to develop the country for the benefit of all its inhabitants," the dependence declaration goals state. Therefore, the vast majority of Jews in Palestine are immigrants who are divided into two parts:

a) Western Jews: Born in Europe andAmerica and are called "The Ashkenazim"

b) Eastern Jews: Born in Asia and Africa and are called "Sephardic Jews"

c) There is also category where their parents and they themselves were born in



Palestine before the occupation, and they are called "The Jews of Samaria."

Statistics indicate that the number of Jews before the year 1800 was 10,000 Jews, which increased during the waves of Jewish immigration to Palestine until the end of 1993 to about 2.9 million Jews. Some believe that the total number of Jews reached 5.2 million in 2002. These migrations took place in various stages: in the late Ottoman period, during the British mandate, during the Jewish occupation, and in different ways. This leads us to a dangerous conclusion: that the resettlement of the Jewish immigrants in Palestine was met through the expulsion of the Palestinian people from their homeland and the dispossession of their land.

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## Jewish Laws that Targeted the Seizure of

## **Palestinian Land**

From the above information, we find out about the pillaging of Palestine—all of Palestine.

Therefore, the Jews enacted special laws aimed at controlling the Palestinian lands from which their families had abandoned forcefully so that they could seize vast areas and whole villages, including:

Law of the Acquisition of Uncultivated Lands (1980) Implemented to seize 87,000 acres of Arab land in the Negev region, allowing the government to confiscate land, expel its owners without recourse to the courts, and use force for implementation.

#### Land Acquisition Law

Fragmentation of large property under the pretext of ending prohibition of feudalism.

#### Absentee Property Law (1950)

The land that was forcibly abandoned was given to the Kerry Kymet Foundation; it was given on the pretext that it is absentee property and that the Zionist entity owns the land that was the property of almost 300 Arab villages.

#### Act of Use (1953)

States that the land of an owner who does not act effectively (by himself and by his hand), shall be ordered by the Minister of Finance to be the property of the State, registered under the Reconstruction and Construction Authority and <u>not subject to the</u> <u>control of the courts.</u>

#### Amendment of the Property Tax Law (1972)

The imposition of heavy taxes on agricultural land on the grounds that it is land intended for construction, equivalent to 4.2% of the value of the land after being given imaginary numbers.

#### The Law of the Uncultivated Lands (1948)

Gives the authority to confiscate any land that has not been cultivated for one year regardless of the reasons.



New laws are still being enacted which facilitate confiscation and looting while legalizing settlements.

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## The Lies of Jews to Justify Occupation

Since the Jews' attention was directed upon the plunder of Palestine, they have invented many false arguments, including:

The Palestinians came out of their land voluntarily	It is their historical right	It is their religious right (Promised Land)
Palestine is an empty desert	Palestine is a land without a people	The Jews turned Palestine from desert to paradise

The head of the Land Department in the Zionist entity, Joseph Feets, saddened by what he saw, stated, "We have seen the effects of the original agricultural civilization by what has been left behind by the displaced, and I have a concern because of this, and because of our current reality. Where would we have enough human power to continue this Civilization and to continue to deepen and expand? And when will we be able to bring thousands of Jews here to maintain Galilee on its prosperity and maturation."



## Forms of Forgery to Steal the Palestinian Lands

The occupation has imposed a bitter reality on the people of Palestine, through which it was able to control and seize the Palestinian lands and remove them from their rightful owners in crooked ways that reflect the image of the occupation. In order to identify the twisted ways through tricks, lies, and forgery, we will only be satisfied with what the Jewish press, lawyers, and specialists in this regard have revealed about the sale and transfer of land ownership, which is enough.

**First**, Under the title of the looting of land in East Jerusalem by **Amira Haas**, she indicates that the falsification of property papers is very easy, and it is known that there are six to seven gangs controlling the land in Eastern Jerusalem. In many cases, the Palestinians did not know that their land had been registered in the name of the state, and when they tried to object after they found out, the date of the objection was too late or the lands were already donated to settlements claiming "good intention"! **Second**, they claimed the lands on the basis of conducting scientific experiments. In order to conduct these experiments, they needed to set up equipment and to stay in these lands for several days in tents; this was done to expel the Palestinians by military force, then grant lands to the Jews and build settlements on them. The Israeli occupation's authorities in the Jerusalem municipality have used all illegal means to place the land under Israeli control (such as forceful taking, seizure, closing off areas, registering as state lands, and absentee **property**). Although many of the property transfers were in doubt and were being challenged by the Arabs, they were refused because the committee was often chaired by a high-level legal adviser in the Lands Authority and therefore rejected all objections.

Third, land was sold with forged bonds and worthless documents. There were also always fake certificates, fake and counterfeit documents, and fake companies.

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#### **Settlers Seize Arab Property in East Jerusalem**

**Using Several Means, Including:** 

1. Properties of families where one of their members is involved in a criminal case making him a potential subject for negotioation.

2. Assigning court orders to demolish certain properties within a short period of time so that the owners are put in a critical place and have to decide whether to sell or to lose everything.

3. Properties taken forcefully (various methods are used to force inhabitants to leave their homes).

4. Properties acquired with the cooperation of the Government which have been confiscated for security reasons—such as to stop inhabitants from resisting the occupation—and then handed over to settlers.



#### Methods of forgery to steal lands

The surveyors of the Jewish territories put signs in the middle of the owners land and when the owner objects, he is surprised when he is shown signed documents with forged signatures.

Tricking the owner of the land to sign documents for certain porpuses, then he is surprised that his property is being taken away from him.

Tricking people who are going through the procedures of obtaining death certificates for relatives to signing documents which forces them to sell their lands while they are ingnorant of it. With the authorization of land owners absent in foreign countries, Zionist advisers reject the usual Arab objections.

Fingerprints are obtaining from the deceased secretly before their burial, as a confirmation to the signed documents so that the heirs' properties will be transferred to the Jews with suspicious legal procedures.



# The Separation Wall and the Plundering of Palestinian Lands

On June 16, 2002, the Sharon government decided to begin building the wall of amputation and annexation on the pretext of preventing infiltration, in order to

swallow up more than 45% of the West Bank, adjacent to the Green Line. Despite the high cost, which amounted to more than one million dollars per kilometre, the wall extended along the length of 360 km, with a height of 8 meters, and a length of 730 kilometres, consisting of two concrete walls, and barbed electrified wire. In the event of its completion, the West Bank is divided into three security zones; east along the hills of the eastern Jordan Valley, with an area of 1237 km, or 21.9% of the West Bank, which includes 40 settlements; and the West Bank, with an area of 1328 km, or 23.4% of the West Bank, meaning that both areas will comprise 45.7% of the West Bank. The latter, which covers 54.7% of the West Bank, is divided into eight semi-detached areas.





In a report issued by the Centre for Information on Land Confiscation, the Zionist forces-imposed control over most of the land and made the Palestinians live in their cities and villages in a large prison-like place. This forced more than 3 million Palestinians to live on 5% of their land, with 95% at the control of the Israeli forces. Incursions and frequent invasions created a permanent state of instability and insecurity.

The Arab League and the Non-Aligned Movement issued resolutions in early October 2003 that considered the wall illegal but the US veto stopped the resolution despite the approval of all members of the Security Council.



# The Steadfastness of the People of Palestine Refutes the Lie

What the Palestinians offer today from sacrifices to heroism and resistance against the occupier, despite the magnitude of the plot against them is good proof of their attachment to their lands. More than 56 years ago, Jews were trying their best to buy houses from their owners at the highest prices. The residents of the camps since the 1940s are practical witnesses to this—among them are those who kept their identity papers and some whom had kept their keys waiting to return to their homes.

"The Palestinians have proven themselves to be hard fighters who can never be underestimated. The determination of the Palestinian people to refuse to live under the yoke of the occupation will push their sons to extort themselves in order to get rid of a miserable reality," said Shlomo Ben Ami, the former foreign minister of the Jewish entity, "to seek to get rid of it."

## **Muslim Scholars Forbade the Sale of Land to Jews**

The first fatwa was issued in January 1935, when senior Palestinian scholars met in Jerusalem and agreed to ban the sale of land in Palestine to the Jews; prohibited brokering on this sale, mediating it, and facilitating the matter in any way; and prohibited the consent to any of that or keeping quiet about such acts. All violators of the following must be discarded and boycotted; satisfaction to these actions and/or keeping quiet about them is absolutely forbidden.



## To Those Who Were Deceived by This Crime

"Do not make your pens and mouths contribute to the distribution and spreading of lies, and do not be an arrow at the side of your brothers who are still on their land to defend it and sacrifice for it."

"Whoever says that, either did not bother to look for the truth of this lie or is covering up the falsehood of the Jews, we hope you will support your brothers, strengthen their will, defend them with truth and do not oppress them more than the injustice of the Jews has."

We also recognize the existence of traitors and criminals who sold their land to the Jews and are still selling until today. They are an exiled class of the Palestinian people. Newspapers have published news about the liquidation of Palestinians who sold their land to the Jews, brokering on this sale, or mediating it.

Even during the era of Prophet Muhammad there were some weak souls and hypocrites, but it is not fair to the Palestinian people to put up with a crime committed by some of the traitors and the ones who sold their consciences and their homes in pursuit of personal interests...



## Finally, Why?

# Why Would the Palestinians Sell Their Lands, if in Fact They Even Sold Them?!

- Why are the inhabitants of the camps under the burden of homelessness and hardship of living to this day? They live in refugee camps which bring misery. Is this the situation of someone who had sold his land, and is enjoying its value?!
- Why do they still demand the right to return to the land of Palestine, and will not give up on this right regardless of the temptations and compensations?!
- Was the decision to build the partition dividing Palestine into Arab and Jewish regions based on the purchase of Palestine by the Jews?
- Why demand the implementation of international resolutions calling for the withdrawal of the Jewish entity from the areas of the West Bank and Gaza, if Palestinians had really sold their lands?!
- Why resist the occupation and offer sacrifices to defend the lands and holy places to their last breaths?!
- Why were the Jews not able, with all this effort, to buy houses in East Jerusalem (with fictitious prices and crooked methods), and achieve their goals to Judaize Jerusalem and expel its people?
- Why do the Jews claim that it was an empty desert, a land without a people, and that they have a historical right when they could have just said that they had paid for it?!
- And why did the Jews plan and work hard to expel the people of Palestine under the name of the transfer by force?



Because of the truth: "The land of Palestine was not sold by its people, nor did the Jews buy it."

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