

Amnesty board member shares support for war crimes, terrorism

It's not clear if Amnesty International USA was aware of Rasha Abdel Latif's hateful views when appointing her to the board of directors - or if it would have cared.



Rasha Abdel Latif. Source: YouTube screenshot.



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(June 4, 2023 / JNS) Rasha Abdel Latif, a director at Partners Global, joined the Amnesty USA board last year. Amnesty International purports to be a human rights organization, and Partners Global, an NGO supported by the US government, claims to pursue “peacebuilding.”

But in recent years, Latif has written or shared posts on Twitter dignifying the murder of Jewish-Israeli civilians, praising Palestinian rocket attacks that violate international law, misrepresenting the laws of war, celebrating the escape convicted terrorists and murders, insisting Israel doesn't exist

and arguing Israel will be expelled from the Middle East because the land “doesn’t fit two identities.”

Both Latif and Partners Global announced her appointment to the Amnesty International USA board on April 11, 2022. Only four days earlier, on the day a Palestinian terrorist opened fire on civilians in Tel Aviv, Latif retweeted a post honoring that attack.



Alongside the hashtag #Tel_Aviv_Operation, the post described the terror attack, which killed three Israeli civilians, as a declaration that the land belongs to Palestinians and Israel has no choice but to leave.



That the attack was in Tel Aviv suggests the view that all of Israel is regarded as Palestinian land.

Other posts written and shared by Latif are more explicit. In February 2022, Latif retweeted a cartoon showing the land encompassing all of Israel, the West Bank and Gaza Strip flicking away a Star of David. The accompanying Arabic text reads: “This land does not fit two identities. It’s either us — or us.”

Rasha Abdel Latif Retweeted



موطني موطني @AhmadLubbad6 · Feb 16

Replying to @IsraelintheGulf



In June 2013, Latif herself wrote on Twitter, “There is NOTHING called ‘Israel,’ it is ‘Palestine territory.” A June 2021 post by Latif includes the hashtags #freepalestine, #return and #27027km—a reference to the land area of a Palestine that subsumes all of Israel.



Rasha Abdel Latif

@RashaAbdelLatif

There is NOTHING called "Israel" it is "Palestine Territory" [#learn](#)
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5:12 PM · Jun 21, 2013

In September 2021, Latif retweeted a post celebrating the escape of Palestinians from a prison in Israel, including prisoners convicted of deadly terror attacks and other terror offenses.

Rasha Abdel Latif Retweeted



Nour Odeh  #NojusticeNopeace @nour_odeh · Sep 6, 2021

Israel has imprisoned nearly 1 million Palestinians, including 1000s of women & children. This is not the first escape but the scale, timing, and context is historic & the impact is impossible to understate. Palestinian will is unbreakable. #FreePalestine  #نقف_الحرية



Rania Zabaneh @RZabaneh · Sep 6, 2021

Reports six Palestinian prisoners have fled the Israeli prison of Gilboa located north of the 1967 line of the occupied WB via a tunnel they've dug over several years. Previous documented escapes took place in 1987, 1996 and 2003. Here are some of the photos floating online:

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Latif has also indicated support for indiscriminate rocket fire into Israel from Gaza, which even the virulently anti-Israel Amnesty International admits are war crimes. Earlier this month, she retweeted a post and article extolling the rocket arsenal of Gaza “resistance fighters” of Hamas and Islamic Jihad.

She also shared a Twitter post embedding and quoting a CNN interview with Palestinian propagandist Noura Erekat. In the video, Erekat responds to a question about whether she supports Hamas’s indiscriminate rockets fired toward Jewish civilians by falsely claiming the attacks are legal under international law.

↳ Rasha Abdel Latif Retweeted



Arjun Sethi @arjunsethi81 · May 11, 2021

“Palestinians have the right to use force under international law in order to fend off racial discrimination & colonial regimes.”

Moral & legal clarity from @4noura.



It's not clear if Amnesty International USA was aware of Latif's extreme and hateful views when appointing her to the board of directors. But considering how virulent and dishonest Amnesty's slandering of Israel has become, it's not clear, either, whether the organization would care if it were.

CAMERA recently brought directly to the attention of Amnesty board members repeated and egregious falsehoods in its video attacking Israel with the “apartheid” slur. Considering Latif's record, it might not be a surprise that none have come forward with any comment.

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