

They lie and they lie...

The early Zionist settlers claimed that Palestine was 'a land without people for a people without land'. This was a lie and they knew it, not least as they were buying land off the existing owners and evicting their tenants! But the phrase has stuck as a justification for the ethnic cleansing that continues to this day.

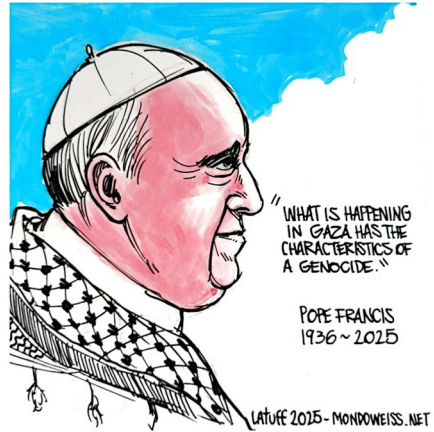
The Palestinian politician Hanan Ashwari cites the lie as evidence that the Zionists 'sought to deny the very existence and humanity of the Palestinians'

ONE EXAMPLE OF MANY

Shireen Abu Akleh was considered an icon of Palestinian journalism. On 11 May 2022 she was reporting on location in Jenin, wearing her blue press vest. She was shot dead by an Israeli soldier.

Israel initially blamed Palestinian 'crossfire', but later admitted it was likely they shot her accidentally. Investigations showed that she was deliberately targeted and was denied medical aid. During her Christian funeral, attended by tens of thousands, her coffin was violently attacked by Israeli police.

The propaganda has become more desperate since October 2023, as the atrocities are more brutal and harder to justify. But it is the same sequence: a) deny the incident; b) blame Hamas; c) blame faulty information and claim it was accidental; d) promise an investigation that everyone knows will have no consequences. More than 200 journalists and media workers and over 1000 healthcare workers have been killed by Israel since October 2023. There has been not a single prosecution of these war crimes.



Pope Francis phoned a Catholic priest in Gaza every evening. Israel bans all public condolence on his death.

On **Sunday 4 May** we will join in the Liverpool labour movement May Day march, assembling at 11.30am in Derby Square and proceeding to St George's Hall. This will take the place of our normal Sunday march.

What You Can Do

- **Tell your MP: condemn Israeli massacres and the Trump plan for Gaza, demand a full two-way arms embargo on Israel.**
- **Email David Lammy tinyurl.com/dlammy2**
- **Demos Sundays 2pm Catholic Cathedral.**
- **press for Merseyside Pension Fund divestment: tinyurl.com/mpfform1**
- **Boycott Barclays.** Join us outside the bank Mondays 1:30pm. Tell the City Council to switch its account, like LJMU.
- **Boycott Israeli pharmaceutical TEVA.** Give your pharmacist a letter tinyurl.com/tevaet1

The illegal occupation of Palestinian Territories, including the siege of Gaza, began long before 7th October 2023. Under international law, an occupied people have the right to resist the occupation, including by the use of force. Targeted attacks on civilians (by both Palestinian and Israeli forces on 7th October) are forbidden, but nothing that happened on 7th October justifies Israel's continued genocide of the Palestinians.



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