

Israel Tear Gases 8-Month-Old Palestinian Infant to Death

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Daily Israeli atrocities continue, Palestinians are being murdered daily – the latest victim an 8-month-old baby boy. The PA health ministry said Ramadan Mohammad Faisal Thawabta died from toxic tear gas inhalation – another victim of Israeli state terror.

Since October 1, Israeli forces murdered 71 Palestinians in cold blood, including women (one pregnant), over a dozen children and two infants.

Three died on Friday alone:

- the 8-month-old infant:
- East Jerusalem youth Ahmad Hamada Qneibi, shot multiple times at point blank range, left to bleed to death, medics prevented from aiding him; and
- Qabatia youth Qasse Saba'na, another phony attempted stabbing incident claimed.

Stop the Wall activist Jamal Juma said Israel's ethnic cleansing scheme and plan to judaize al-Quds (Jerusalem) is being "hit strongly in the heart by the Palestinian youth uprising."

It changed the whole equation. The whole Israeli calculation toward what is happening in the West Bank (and East Jerusalem) has been hit in the heart.

Israel never learns from history, Juma explained. "In all the Intifadas...the thing that makes (them) bigger and bigger...is Israeli violence."

This is not going to stop the Palestinians. The more there's crime, the more the Palestinians will go out to the streets and their resistance will be increasing.

Senior Hamas official Mahmoud al-Zahhar urged all Palestinians to unite against Israeli state terror. Ongoing resistance restores the stature of the Palestinian cause, he said.

"The Al-Quds intifada has ended all the occupation's attempts to divide the Aqsa Mosque temporally and spatially," he added.

Israel's Channel 10 said Israeli Tel Aviv-Ariel line bus drivers prohibit Palestinians from boarding. Passengers without Israeli IDs are diverted elsewhere.

Segregation thrives in Israel. Even in US Jim Crow south, African Americans travelled on the

same buses as whites, consigned to back row seats.

One Israeli driver was heard telling a Palestinian: "I'm not negotiating with you. Go down" – later saying "(t)here's no such thing as a good Arab. Even one who looks so nice, so quiet, he isn't. There's no such thing."

Ariel settlement mayor Eliyahu Shaviro agreed with keeping Palestinians off buses with Jews, saying:

Today we're in a reality that anyone can pick up a knife and stab. Would you, or anyone else who watches us, would any father or mother who have a boy or a girl and on a certain bus there are 90 percent Palestinians, would he send his kid on that bus?

Last May, Netanyahu and Defense Minister Moshe Ya'alon suspended plans to have Jews and Palestinians travel on different West Bank buses after high-level criticism.

President Reuven Rivlin called the proposal "unthinkable." Attorney General Yehuda Weinstein said separation presented legal challenges. Zionist Union head Isaac Herzog called "separating Palestinians and Jews on public buses a warrantless humiliation, (fanning the flames) of hatred toward Israel around the world."

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