As Israel faces blame for the hunger crisis in Gaza, UN’s own data shows most of its aid is looted

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 04.08.2025

Prof. Kobi Michael: Hamas is not the most reliable source in the world. The international media and other sources do not consider the interests of Hamas, or its strategy, and they do not seem to acknowledge that Hamas wants a chaotic situation in the Gaza Strip. Hamas wants there to be many casualties among Palestinian civilians, because it serves their interests.

Just to listen to what Hamas leaders have been saying since October 7 – They have promised to repeat October 7 again and again, they have called on the Arab world to join the armed resistance against Israel and on the Arab public to pressure their regimes. They have also said publicly, and loudly, that they have no problem sacrificing another 100,000 Palestinian civilians for the sake of the victory.

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A difficult situation, but talks of a diplomatic disaster is exaggerated

written by Meir Ben Shabbat | 04.08.2025

Meir Ben Shabbat: Unfortunately, some countries fall prey to Hamas' manipulation. The world finds it easier to identify with the suffering of the weaker side. Israel gains sympathy only when its mutilated citizens' bodies dominate news broadcasts, and even then, it is short-lived. The horrors of October 7 were quickly forgotten. Leaders criticizing Israel must understand that their conduct encourages terror elements to exploit civilian suffering. Accepting demands to halt the war because of civilian casualties—caused by terror groups—only strengthens that method, which will not be limited to Gaza.

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Israel has no interest in shooting innocent civilians

written by Ruth Wasserman Lande | 04.08.2025

Ruth Wasserman Lande: If you are willing to have your daughters 30 metres away from terrorists who have said again and again, very, very unashamedly, that they will carnage, massacre, rape and burn them because they are British or Christian or whatever it is that you belong to. And you feel that your government should not do anything at all. Plus, your government would be giving food to those specific people, who wish and claim and claim again that they will ravage, massacre, burn and rape your daughters. And you feel that this is a normal situation and you feel it is correct to give them a state which they had since 2005. They had independence. And what did they do with that independence? They carnage their own territory.

The interview took place on Channel 7 on July 31, 2025.

Israel Faces Growing Global Backlash Over Gaza Starvation Claims

written by Meir Ben Shabbat | 04.08.2025

Meir Ben-Shabbat: There is a difference between difficult conditions that emerge from a lengthy war and intentional starving on Israel's part. If Hamas will release the hostages and disarm, the war will end.

Instead of defending itself, apologizing and explaining, Israel should promote the

plan for voluntary immigration from Gaza … while putting Hamas under pressure.

Israel needs to continue its war until it reaches all of its goals. This is an existential war for Israel.

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Who Is Starving for the Truth?

written by Lahav Harkov | 04.08.2025
Lahav Harkov: Israel needs a formal, professional, civilian body responsible for public diplomacy, with a budget and full-time paid personnel enabling it to operate more fully at all times, not only in wartime. Having consistent names and faces that journalists and the public know will allow for more effective communication when a crisis breaks out.

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‘Israel is not abandoning its allies’

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 04.08.2025
Prof. Kobi Michael:The reopening of the IDF’s field hospital in southern Syria serves as a clear signal that Israel is not abandoning its allies.

Israel needs to maneuver between the need to protect its vital security interests, the ethical-historical commitment to the Druze citizens of Israel and the Druze minority near its borders, and the need to establish coordination and cooperation mechanisms with a stable and non-hostile Syrian regime as a basis or infrastructure for further cooperation and for Syria’s inclusion in the new regional architecture in the spirit of U.S. President Trump’s vision.

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Israel’s Strategic Failure in Gaza

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 04.08.2025

Prof. Kobi Michael: Unfortunately, we didn’t do that. We didn’t choose any strategic path or stick to it. We’ve been dancing something like a Yemenite dance—two steps forward, one step backward—and eventually we found ourselves in this mess.

Now we are reaching this option while being in the worst position with regard to the international community, and after paying very heavy prices in every aspect one can think of.

The interview took place on ILTV on July 28, 2025.

Why Israel’s next conflict could be with Turkey

written by Prof. Kobi Michael | 04.08.2025

Prof. Kobi Michael: Erdogan has ambitions to make his country the dominant regional power and “expand Turkish hegemony in the broader Middle East,” with Syria a key target.

Israel’s agenda in Syria is different. We don’t have any territorial demands there, but as long as we are not sure the regime in Syria is stable enough and reliable enough, we will remain there.

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Macron Can Recognize a Palestinian State, but Their Leaders Don’t Want It

written by Arsen Ostrovsky | 04.08.2025
Arsen Ostrovsky: You can have 100 countries saying the earth is flat and that won’t make it true.

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Beyond Israel: The Shiite–Sunni War Behind the Chaos

written by Ruth Wasserman Lande | 04.08.2025

Ruth Wasserman Lande: We tend to focus constantly on the Israel–Palestine conflict — the Muslim-Jewish, Arab-Israeli dynamic. But I want to offer a different lens. If we take a step back and look globally, the core struggle is actually between Shiite and Sunni Muslim extremists. Within that larger battle, we are caught in the middle. Both sides are striving to establish an extreme global caliphate based on Sharia law — one according to Shiite principles, the other Sunni. And what lies at the center of their ambitions? Jerusalem. That's what makes us a target — not just Israel, but also America, Europe, Canada, and Australia. Understanding this broader context helps us better analyze events like October 7, the aftermath, and the recent 12-day Iranian-Israeli war.

The full conversation took place before student representatives in Washington, USA.