

Deadly terrorist shootings throw spotlight on Hebron and the Negev

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Prof. Kobi Michael in JNS: The Bedouin society in the Negev is a ticking time bomb due to problematic elements growing within it. They [the problematic elements] are definitely not the majority of the Bedouin society, but they are very dangerous.

These elements of Bedouin society are the products of religious radicalization processes led by Hamas and the Northern Islamic Movement, combined with Palestinian nationalism, influenced by the family ties of these elements to the Gaza Strip and Hebron—both Hamas and Palestinian nationalist strongholds—due to the phenomenon of polygamy and the acquisition of Palestinian women who receive Israeli citizenship by virtue of their marriages.

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