Hypocrisy ‘uber alles’

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Here is a roundup of global callousness and double standards, from Sweida to Taybeh and from Gaza to Jerusalem. Hypocrisy dominates the diplomatic playing field in relation to Israel. Then you wonder why Israel scorns Western opinion.

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Thirty Western foreign ministers, from Australia to Switzerland, issued a fierce joint statement this week condemning Israel for its actions in the so-called "Occupied Palestinian Territories" ranging from "inhumane killing of civilians" and "drip feeding" of Gazans to settlement plans for the E1 quadrant east of Jerusalem.

Their rant arrogantly insisted three times that Israel "must" end the war in Gaza and its "flagrant breaches of international law" and other "completely unacceptable" actions. Harrumph!

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Similarly, Western foreign ministers wind themselves up into a tizzy when Israel insists on new security perimeters along its borders with Gaza, Lebanon, and Syria, including the Mt. Hermon Crown. That is "wholly unacceptable," they say, because the rotten and ravished old armistice lines are "sacrosanct"– especially in relation to any territory demanded by the Palestinians.

Yet, when Erdogan occupies a large slice of land in northern Syria, quite clearly for the long term, and talks about his permanent imperial domain over greater Syria, the same superior Western foreign ministers issue nary a sniff of disapproval.

The ultimate example of Western hypocrisy toward Israel is, of course, the treatment of Iran. Interdicting the Iranian nuclear bomb program has been a critical security challenge for decades; a core global responsibility.

But aside from America, the world insipidly did little, finally forcing Israel to strike Iran at great risk. And when Israel did act, Western elders were snap-quick on the very first day of Operation Rising Lion to call for an immediate ceasefire, instead of backing Israel's bravery.

Comparative muffled global response to slaughter of Syrian Druze in Sweida

NOW COMPARE international hyper-activity against Israel regarding Palestinians to the muffled global (non)response to the slaughter of Druze by the new Islamist government in Syria.

Ahmed al-Sharaa, like his predecessor Bashar Assad, can torture and massacre hundreds of Syrians a day, yet the issue does not rate much more than a diffident frown from foreign ministry spokespeople in Paris and London.

The world gets truly self-righteous and especially angry only when Israel becomes involved, even though it is intervening to protect the Druze minority and to secure its northern border against explicitly jihadist forces.

Sunni jihadi guns can obliterate a Syrian hospital, leave the wounded bleeding to death in the streets, and rampage through the streets with razors to humiliatingly shave the mustaches off Druze elders – yet the story has not been front-page news

in world newspapers for more than a few milliseconds.
The same institutions and voices that claim to champion human rights (Palestinian, and not Israeli or Druze human rights, that is) have gone quiet. There was one emergency UN session, but there are no campus demonstrations, and no trendy boycott hashtags. It is the ugly silence of selective morality, a silence that excuses real genocide.
In contrast, all Israel has to do is place several caravans on a Samarian hilltop in the Biblical heartland, and Western spokespeople freak out. Israel is condemned in a flash in the strongest terms and even threatened with "consequences."
And if one Israeli shell goes errant and hits a Palestinian or Syrian shelter despite prodigious IDF safeguards, the story becomes the lead for every global broadcast for weeks in all gory detail.
Over 1,000 Christians in Syria have been killed between the fall of Assad last November and this summer.
Have you heard about this? Of course not. And in no place in the Middle East is the Christian community growing other than Israel. But when a church is hit by mistake by IDF fighters in Gaza or burned in Taybe in the West Bank by Israeli attackers, the media and diplomatic hordes are swiftly out to roast Israel.
But wait – that is a fake story. Turns out that no Israeli attackers burned a church in Taybe. No matter, the main thing is that the false assault on Israel's reputation registered around the world…
CONSIDER THIS too: The UN has never tried to cobble together a peacekeeping force to protect Syrians from their murderous leaders (even when the Arab League – the Arab League – begged for it), but UNESCO will send international observers at the drop of a hat to make sure that Israel does not rebuild the Mughrabi Bridge leading to Jerusalem's Temple Mount. (But of course, the Temple Mount is not really the Temple Mount, according to UNESCO – it's a Muslim heritage site, only).
When Israel killed nine armed Islamic radicals trying to run its coast on a ship sponsored by the hostile leader of Turkey in support of the Iranian-backed Hamas (the Mavi Marmara incident), the world swiftly demanded and convened an international committee of investigation.
And when Israel acts to eviscerate Hamas's dictatorial and genocidal regime in Gaza, which has brought ruin and suffering to Palestinians and Israelis alike, the world pleads for a ceasefire and relief for the Palestinians. It readies to convene donor conference after donor conference to raise funds for Gazan rehabilitation (even under de facto Hamas rule).
In stark contrast, nobody around the world except Jews is going to raise a penny for rehabilitation and reconstruction of Israel's southern and northern areas that have been depopulated and devastated by Hamas and Hezbollah attacks.
The UN certainly has no time at all to recognize Israel's humanitarian efforts on

behalf of wounded Syrians. Thousands of Syrians injured in that country's horrific and long civil war have been treated in Israeli hospitals. This month the IDF is even operating a field hospital inside Syria for wounded Syrian Druze. But nobody in the jaundiced UN and international "human rights" ecosystem would dare give Israel credit for this.

Hypocrisy has no shame, and the demonization of Israel no limits. Hypocrisy uber alles: hypocrisy reigns supreme, above all else. This is the reason Israelis increasingly dismiss Western protests and pressures and instead act independently to secure their country's future.Published in The Jerusalem Post, July 25, 2025.