

# Middle East racists: Arabs or Zionists?

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 fled Egypt left behind their possessions and were denied compensation. But we are told that Egypt is a moderate country. Moderate in comparison to what? To Iraq - where innocent Jews were taken from their homes and hanged in the main squared from Basra up the Tigris to Baghdad?

So much for the Arabs opposing Zionists but not Jews.

But where then does Zionism fit into the picture? Zionism is the National Jewish movement whose purpose is the restoration of National Jewish sovereignty in the land of Israel, the historical homeland for which the Jews struggled for over two millenia. In fact, one of the main goals and achievements of Zionism, embodied in the Law of Return, is the rescue of Jewish refugees expelled from Arab countries. These refugees comprise more than half of Israel's population. It is ironic that the Arabs attacked this law as "racist" when

its principal provision is intended to rescue the victims of their own intolerance and racism.

The Arabs' strategy is to vilify Zionism to such an extent that their planned destruction of Israel will be perceived by the West as a moral act.

If racism is truly to be combatted this decade, it is in the heart of the Arab world that one should start. But with the combined power of the new oil weapon and the indiscriminate use of terror, the Arabs have successfully turned the UN into a Kafkaesque tribunal where the criminal is prosecuting the victim.

The consequence is that the new moral giants such as Iconid Btazhnev and Muammar Qadhafi can judge people like Albert Eistein and Martin Buber - both active passionate Zionists - racists. At stake in the race between anti-Semitic destruction and Zionist reconstruction is the entire moral fabric of free democratic society.

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 work the land.

-*Kibush Ha'avoda* (conquest of labor) which meant that Jewish enterprises should, as much as possible hire Jewish workers.

-*T'ozeret Ha'aretz* (produce of the land) which practically meant the total boycott of Arab goods.

It suffices, at this point, to quote David Hacoheh, a leader of the Mapai Party (the party that ruled and still rules Israel). In a 1969 speech he said:

"I had to fight with my friends (in London), on the issue of Jewish socialism to defend the fact that I would not accept Arabs in my trade union, the

Histadruth; to defend preaching to housewives that they not buy at Arab stores; to defend the fact that we stood guard at orchards to prevent Arab workers from getting jobs there." (appeared in Ha'aretz, Nov. 15, 1969)

Israel, the Zionist established state, has a law of return which allows any Jew who has never been to Palestine to "return." It also has a policy prohibiting Palestinians from actually returning to their home. The basis of this discrimination is that the first is a Jew, and the second a non-Jew.

A further example of Zionist racial discrimination is that in Israel Arabs are not allowed to

buy land from Jews beyond the confines of their immediate area of residence, while Jews are encouraged to buy Arab land. Sometimes Arabs are forced to sell their land for the establishment of Jewish settlements (as in a recent case in Upper Galilee, the only part of Israel that conserved its Arab majority). Again the basis of this discrimination is that Arabs are non-Jews. David Hacoheh said in the same speech mentioned above;

"To buy dozens of dunams (.23 acre) from an Arab is permitted but to sell, God forbid, one Jewish dunam to an Arab is prohibited."

If this is not racism, what are we to call racism?

## ASA Impeachment

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 September proves his real, honest interest in activities. His work toward civil engineering and law degrees would have provided ample excuse.)

Forrest's real crime was trying to do more work than the ASA presidents before him. The greasy moves - and some people claim I should be the one to know! - didn't belong to Forrest, but to the groups which were afraid that he would give their activity space to a more deserving activity, and to the others who saw an opportunity in a weaker and more manipulable president.

McNamee said; "... if all the community sees is the greasiness of the 'leaders' of a few activities which have convinced themselves of their power and authority - activities will have no one

to blame for their decline but themselves." No one really know what went on in the minds of the students at the meeting, but the activities will continue to decline until their leaders, including those of *The Tech*, begin to fairly present both sides of an issue.

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(The *Tech's* reporter attempted to contact Krutter - and other persons involved in the impeachment - before his story was written, but his calls were not returned. With regards to the procedural points Wootton mentioned, when *The Tech* attempted to get a copy of the minutes of the impeachment meeting, it was told they were not available and might not be made public. - Editor)

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