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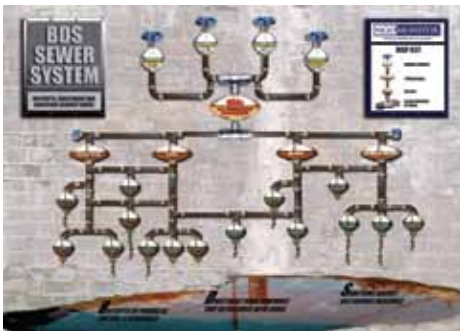
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KNESSET PASSES NGO FUNDING TRANSPARENCY LAW

NGO Monitor research and guidance
“instrumental” in passage of legislation

In March 2011, the Knesset passed the NGO Funding Transparency Law, requiring NGOs to issue quarterly reports about foreign donations and to disclose funding from foreign governments for advertisements. The legislation demonstrates the impact of NGO Monitor’s detailed research on NGO funding.

A *Jerusalem Post* editorial referred to NGO Monitor’s “instrumental” role in the law’s passage.

NGO Monitor’s “Trojan Horse” report on the impact of European government funding for Israeli NGOs led to a December 2009 conference held under the auspices of Minister Michael Eitan and MK Zeev Elkin on “Foreign Government Funding for NGO Political Activity in Israel.” The conference was followed by lengthy legislative negotiations among

a broad spectrum of MKs from Likud, Kadima, and Labor, which formed the basis for the new law.

The *Los Angeles Times*, *JTA*, *Ha’aretz*, and a *Jerusalem Post* news story also referenced NGO Monitor’s research on the lack of transparency of foreign government funding to NGOs.

In an op-ed in *Ha’aretz*, Prof. Gerald Steinberg wrote, “When [foreign-funded] groups sponsor quasi-academic conferences, newspaper advertising campaigns and public rallies heralding sweeping allegations of Israeli wrongdoing, the public has the right to know that the money was provided by a foreign government.”

NGO Monitor’s focus on transparency continues to drive the conversation



regarding funding to NGOs. In November, as new legislation prompted healthy, robust discussion among MKs and the Israeli public, NGO Monitor's research and analysis were repeatedly referenced. To promote an informed and substantive discussion, NGO Monitor published an "FAQs" document, addressing the core questions and presenting the basic facts, in both English and Hebrew.

As quoted by *The New York Times*, Prof. Gerald Steinberg emphasized that the "main issue" is the lack of transparency provided by foreign governments funding political advocacy NGOs in Israel. He described the legislative proposals as "mostly domestic politics" and added that the proposals would not survive.

On BBC's "Newshour," Prof. Steinberg debated B'Tselem Executive Director Jessica Montell, explaining that the

discussion on foreign funding is needed because the Israeli public recognizes that the current system is broken. In a feature article in *Ha'aretz*, Steinberg explained: "It's not the role of foreign governments to determine the policies of another democratic government."

In addition to the piece in *The New York Times*, articles and op-eds appeared in *The Forward*, *JTA*, *Ha'aretz*, *Jerusalem Post*, *Israel Hayom*, *Ma'ariv*, and others.

NIF STOPS FUNDING BDS NGO

NGO Monitor report leads to severing of NIF-CWP relationship



Prof. Gerald Steinberg on NIF-funded NGOs, Hebrew University, Dec. 18, 2011.



Panelists include Prof. Gerald Steinberg and NIF-Israel Executive Director Rachel Liel.

NGO Monitor published a detailed report identifying approximately 26% (\$4.3 million) of NIF's 2010 funding that went to highly politicized groups involved to varying degrees in delegitimization campaigns. Funding for these NGOs is in direct violation of the organization's publicly-announced funding guidelines in 2010, which were made only after NGO Monitor's public campaign raised awareness of NIF's problematic funding practices.

In addition, on May 12, NGO Monitor issued a fully documented report on Coalition of Women for Peace (CWP) - a leader of the BDS (boycotts, divestment, and sanctions) campaign. The report identified \$389,497 in direct disbursements from the New Israel Fund (NIF) to CWP in 2006-2009, as well as CWP's listing of NIF on its website as a funding channel in the US, UK, and Switzerland.

The publication of our report resulted in a wave of NIF denials about the funding, as well as attacks against NGO Monitor. On May 12, NIF issued a statement claiming that "NIF provided its last direct grant to CWP in 2008, and CWP is no longer on NIF's list of approved donor-advised organizations." However, in an open letter to NIF (March 23, 2011), CWP wrote, "we have been informed of the NIF decision to stop acting as fiscal sponsor for the Coalition of Women for Peace... the last donation via NIF entered our bank account on May 16, 2011."

"NIF's announcement that they will not continue funding CWP is good news and is a result of shining a light on its grantee and grantee activities," noted Dr. Ron Weiser, former president of the Zionist Federation of Australia.

The CWP letter continued, "it seems

particularly unfortunate that the exact timing of cutting off the relations of NIF and CWP has been dictated by NGO Monitor." The letter also noted, "the most unfortunate outcome is that [this] establishes NGO Monitor as NIF's ally and as members of one community in the 'big tent' of legitimate engagement with Israel. This strategic choice of NIF to legitimize NGO Monitor while excluding the Coalition of Women for Peace, is more than dangerous: it is tragic."

NGO Monitor's analysis was featured widely in Australia, as NIF opened an office there. Prof. Steinberg authored an op-ed ("Which NIF is coming to Australia?") in the *Australian Jewish News* on May 13, and Communications Director Jason Edelstein's letter to the editor ("'Too Late' says NGO Monitor") was published in *J-Wire* on May 19. In addition, Dr. Weiser extensively utilized NGO Monitor research in a May 23 op-ed piece in *J-Wire* that condemned NIF's support for groups such as CWP.

NIF faced additional scrutiny in September after a diplomatic cable published by WikiLeaks quoted an NIF official telling a US diplomat that "the disappearance of a Jewish state would not be [a] tragedy."



Award-winning submission to BADIL's annual Al-Awda Award contest.

NAMING & SHAMING: CUTTING EUROPEAN NGO FUNDING

Swiss government cuts funding to antisemitic NGO

NGO Monitor's July report on an antisemitic cartoon published by a Palestinian NGO known as "BADIL" resulted in significant developments. As reported in the *Jerusalem Post* and Swiss daily *Tages-Anzeiger*, the government of Switzerland froze its funding for BADIL, a group whose work a Swiss parliamentarian called the "worst antisemitic propaganda."

BADIL was in the middle of a three-year, \$575,000 grant from four countries including Switzerland.

"By stopping funding to BADIL, the Swiss government is acknowledging that NGOs sometimes misuse foreign government funding to pursue radical political agendas," commented Prof. Steinberg. He added that BADIL's leadership in the BDS movement, its publication of an antisemitic cartoon, and its rejection of multiple peace initiatives shows that the group is "clearly out of step with their European funders, and the funding has rightfully been frozen."

Dutch MP calls for cutting funding to anti-Israel NGOs

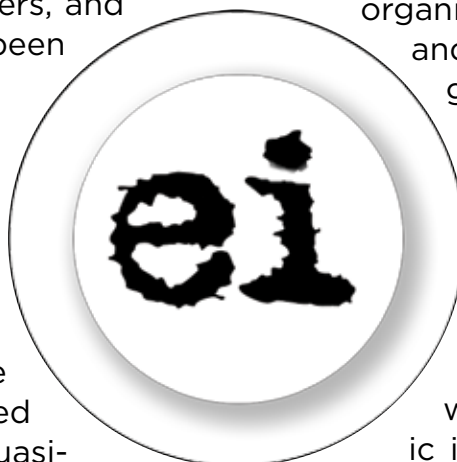
During a June 15 panel in the Dutch parliament, an MP called for cuts in grants to the quasi-governmental agencies that fund anti-Israel NGOs. This was the latest in a series of challenges - including from Foreign

Minister Uri Rosenthal in November 2010 and January 2011 - by Dutch officials to government funding for radical NGOs.

According to the *Jerusalem Post*, leading Dutch humanitarian relief organizations defended BDS campaigns against Israel at the panel hearing, prompting MP Johan Driesen to say, "It was the first time I sat down to talk with the directors of the aid groups and I found what they said not only surprising, but disgusting and I think the Dutch government should cut funding to organizations promoting this agenda."

Prof. Steinberg, quoted extensively in the *Post* article, said "Until recently, most Dutch legislators and officials had little information on how NGOs involved in the Arab-Israeli conflict utilize Dutch funding."

The Dutch government grants hundreds of millions of euros annually to Dutch organizations such as ICCO and Cordaid. In turn, these groups use the funds to support some of the most radical NGOs active in the Arab-Israeli conflict, such as Electronic Intifada, which plays a prominent role in the BDS movement; BADIL, which publishes antisemitic images; and Ma'an Development Center, which regularly uses apartheid rhetoric regarding Israel.



the Hudson Institute, based on NGO Monitor research, published a comprehensive summary of the “sea-change” in Israeli-Dutch relations.

NGO Monitor discloses German government-funded NGO supporting anti-Israel activities

In a four-part major exposé in the *Jerusalem Post*, NGO Monitor disclosed that Remembrance Responsibility Future (EVZ), a German foundation established to compensate slave workers during the Holocaust and fight contemporary antisemitism, misuses public funds to support anti-Israel activities.

Prof. Steinberg told the *Post* that “It is very troubling that the Remembrance Responsibility Future (EVZ) Foundation has not provided specific steps to compensate victims of the Nazis and educate about the horrors of the regime. Instead of fulfilling this goal and combating anti-Semitism – both part of the Foundation’s mandate – EVZ has funded German and Arab student programs that present distorted views of the Arab-Israeli conflict, compare Israeli policies to those of previous, repressive German governments, and developed student materials with anti-Semitic images and texts.”

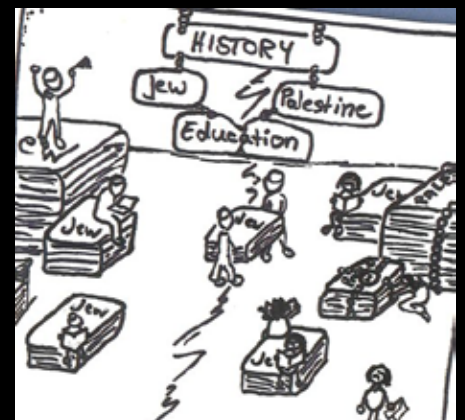
Steinberg further stated “EVZ misused 20,000 euros (\$27,000) to fund programs that actually contribute to the delegitimization of Israel. This information has been presented to EVZ, and yet the Foundation refuses to say how it will remedy the situation. The German government, which funds EVZ, should immediately cease funding and stop all operations until a complete evaluation of committee members,

funding mechanisms and programming is complete.”

One of the *Post*’s articles, “German program uses Shoah funds to play down Holocaust,” reported that EVZ contributed funds to a program for German and Palestinian students in which Palestinian participants questioned “whether the Holocaust had really happened to that extent.” The program centered on claims of Israeli violations and immorality, not on Holocaust education.

A second article, “Germans use ‘anti-Israel’ Jews to soothe Holocaust guilt,” highlights the EVZ use of 38,690 euros (\$53,687) to finance student exchange programs in 2010-2011, in which Israel was equated with the former repressive East German state and students published crude cartoons of Jews in a brochure. German taxpayer monies also funded the speaking engagement of Hajo Meyer, an ardently anti-Israel Holocaust survivor.

In the wake of the public criticism, EVZ cut funding for the Israeli NGO Zochrot, which supports the Palestinian claim to a “right of return,” endorsed the violent “Free Gaza Flotilla” in 2008, and falsely accuses Israel of “ethnic cleansing” and “forcible displacement and dispossession of the Palestinian people.”



Pictures drawn by Israeli-Arab and German students during their "Europeans for Peace" program, funded by EVZ. The images, depicting Israel as a violent state with an education system that excludes and oppresses Arab pupils, appeared in a EVZ brochure equating Israel with the defunct East German Stalinist state.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (UN AND OTHERS)

NGO Monitor condemns abuse of women's rights, Israel's record at the UN

On December 14, Prof. Steinberg met in Israel with Mr. Frank La Rue, the independent UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression. During the meeting, Prof. Steinberg detailed Israel's democratic processes, including the protections provided for minority citizens and its robust civil society and free press, and provided analysis on NGOs and the ongoing debate regarding NGO funding.

NGO Monitor released a press statement about the meeting:

Steinberg's discussion with Mr. La Rue emphasized the need for NGOs to refrain from using terms like "McCarthyite" or claiming that criticism of them is "undemocratic." Steinberg added that there is no censorship of Israeli civil society activities. "Critical reports of the government issued by NGOs such

as the Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI), B'Tselem, Yesh Din, Adalah, Mossawa, and many others receive extensive press attention in Israel, including from the government-owned and army-operated media."

In another example of NGOs hijacking an international platform to advance an anti-Israel political agenda, several NGOs filed a joint written submission to the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of the Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW).

The committee, established to protect women's rights internationally, met to review Israel's compliance with UN standards of treatment of women. The NGOs cynically exploited the forum to attack Israel. NGO Monitor also filed a written submission to the committee, refuting the NGOs' often exaggerated and false claims.



The NGOs' joint submission omits crucial women's rights abuses, failing to address domestic violence, rape, sexual assault, or murders termed "honor killings," which in 1999 comprised more than two-thirds of all murders in Gaza and the West Bank, according to UNICEF.

The submission instead attacked Israel for the denial of women's rights in the PA, and shortcomings in girls' education, violence against women, and early marriage are blamed primarily on Israeli policy.

Prof. Steinberg said, "These NGOs completely failed to seriously address discrimination against women. Rather, they use women as political pawns to advance their anti-Israel agendas. This NGO submission also omits the issues of polygamy and sexual assaults on peace activists

that occur in the PA. These critical issues are not addressed because they are outside the NGO narrative that obsessively focuses on demonizing Israel."


On the *Commentary* website, Alana Goodman wrote, "Any rational and honest observer can see that it's absurd to hold Israel accountable for women's rights violations that are rampant throughout the entire Muslim world - the same violations that can be seen in every country and territory surrounding Israel."

NGO Monitor also provided a submission to the Human Rights Council 5-Year Review process noting the ways in which the HRC has been exploited to promote political attacks on Israel.



SHALIT RELEASE HIGHLIGHTS MORAL BANKRUPTCY OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS FRAMEWORKS

In commenting on the release of kidnapped Israeli soldier Gilad Shalit, NGOs claiming a human rights mandate immorally equated Shalit's situation with that of more than 1,000 Palestinian terrorists and convicted murderers. Prof. Gerald Steinberg welcomed Shalit's release while noting that this episode further exposes the moral bankruptcy of international human rights mechanisms.



An October 17 report by NGO Monitor, “Justice and human rights denied: Five years of NGO silence on Shalit,” demonstrated many NGOs’ scant interest in Shalit’s human rights, their immoral equivalence between Shalit and Palestinian prisoners, and their exploitation of Shalit’s predicament to criticize Israel’s legitimate and legal responses to the thousands of Gaza-based attacks on Israeli civilians.

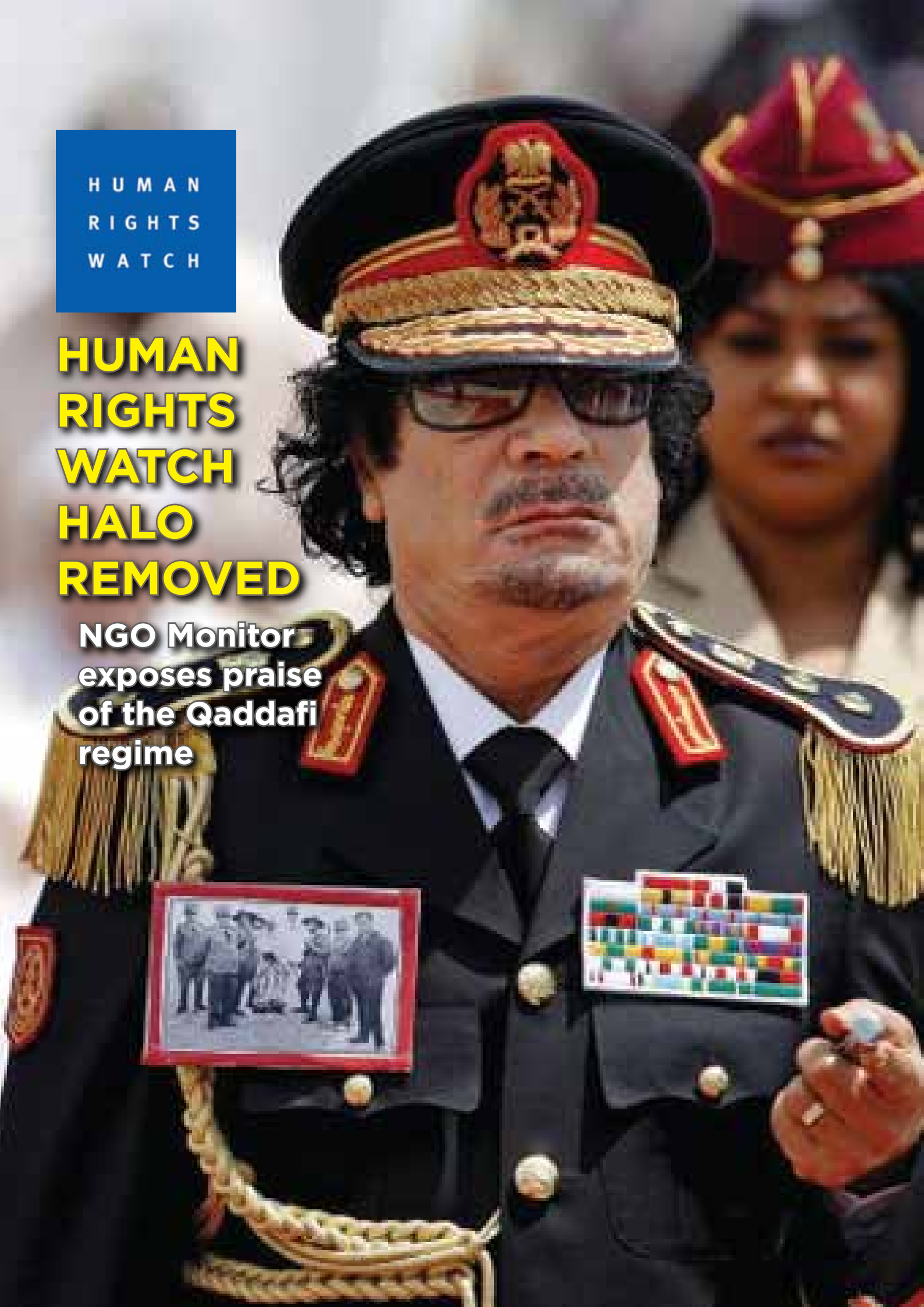
International media outlets such as the *Wall Street Journal*, Public Radio International, and *Christian Science Monitor* (October 11 and 18) sought Prof. Steinberg’s opinion on the Shalit release. He observed that “throughout the five years of Shalit’s captivity in Gaza, during which every human rights obligation was blatantly violated, NGOs failed to implement consistent, sustained campaigns to secure his release. Over the last week, these same NGOs, many of whom receive hundreds of thousands of Euros annually from the EU and European governments, welcomed the release of mass murderers responsible for the deaths of more than 550 Israelis.”

In an op-ed in the *Jerusalem Post*, “Not just any celebration,” NGO Monitor Communications Director Jason Edelstein and Managing Editor Naftali Balanson wrote, “if they had acted with moral consistency, B’Tselem, similar NGOs, and foreign governments, would have used their close connections to UN and other bodies to make Gilad Shalit’s case a serious issue internationally, as they did regarding both the blockade of Gaza and Palestinian prisoners.”

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HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH HALO REMOVED

NGO Monitor
exposes praise
of the Qaddafi
regime



Human Rights Watch (HRW) is the most prominent and influential international human rights NGO. NGO Monitor's research has held HRW accountable for its publications, actions, and statements regarding human rights in the Arab-Israeli conflict and the Middle East. Since 2005, NGO Monitor's annual report on HRW quantitatively has detailed the biases, incorrect interpretations of international law, and inherent anti-Israel ideology that permeates the organization's Middle East and North Africa (MENA) division. In 2011, NGO Monitor continued these efforts, with reports and media coverage chronicling the moral bankruptcy of HRW, and causing further erosion of HRW's credibility.

Human Rights Watch's praise for Libya's human rights record

As the Arab Spring reached Libya, HRW's MENA Division Director Sarah Leah Whitson attempted to revise history and deny that she ever praised Muammar Qaddafi's son, Seif Islam, as a leading reformer. Her original comments, made during a visit to Libya in 2009 and highlighted by NGO Monitor, included a tribute to Seif Islam for creating an "expanded space for discussion and debate."

As reported in detail in the *Jerusalem Post*, Whitson was advancing a fiction - Libya remained a closed totalitarian regime and showed no true signs of reform. During the collapse of the Qaddafi regime, Seif Islam continued to be an integral part of the repression, even appearing on state television to warn the protesters that the regime would "fight until the last man, the last woman, the last bullet."

In light of this most recent failure, NGO Monitor called for the immediate resignation of Whitson. In a statement to the media, Prof. Steinberg wrote, "MENA has completely failed to promote universal human rights in the region. In fact, Mauritania, a country with more than 600,000 slaves, is not even covered by HRW. Human Rights Watch will continue to decline as long as Sarah Leah Whitson leads the MENA division."

Prof. Steinberg and Anne Herzberg published an op-ed in the *Jerusalem Post* highlighting HRW's failure in Libya and other totalitarian regimes in the region.

NGO Monitor also released a comprehensive report detailing HRW's embrace of the Qaddafi regime. "In the wildly misnamed 'Tripoli Spring,' (*Foreign Policy*, May 27, 2009), Whitson called Seif Islam 'the real impetus for transformation' via his Qaddafi Foundation for International Charities and Development and two semi-private newspapers."

Race-baiting

In an op-ed in the *Huffington Post*, Sarah Leah Whitson exploited the issue of race to bait Israelis and American Jews. Whitson falsely analogized the sensitive issue of the American civil rights movement to the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, and repeated the phrases "segregate," "race/racist," "discrimination" and "equal/unequal" 23 times.

In an article in the *Jerusalem Post*, Prof. Steinberg was quoted as saying: "Abusing Dr. Martin Luther King's assassination for this purpose is particularly offensive - erasing both the Jewish community's leadership in the civil rights struggle, and Dr King's support for Israel. In contrast, Whitson takes a racist position denying

Human Rights Watch's Race-baiting Condemned by NGO Monitor's International Advisory Board

JERUSALEM – Members of the NGO Monitor International Board of Advisors published the following statement:

We are deeply disturbed by Sarah Leah Whitson's April 15 Huffington Post article, in which she used the words "segregate," "race/racist," "discrimination" and "equal/unequal" 23 times in reference to Israel. We are also offended by the juxtaposition of American Jewry's deep engagement in the U.S. civil rights movement with support for what Whitson libelously refers to as "these kinds of [racist] laws and policies in Israel".

Ms. Whitson's premise rests on falsely and gratuitously framing the Arab-Israeli conflict as motivated by "Israeli racism". Similarly, her references to Dr. Martin Luther King in order to condemn Israel and American Jews exploits and distorts his legacy beyond recognition. Whitson stated, "In a week when the U.S. paused to recall the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, [Israeli] President Peres might have considered King's message -- an end to segregation -- and why such a system of racial inequality remains in place in the Occupied Palestinian Territories."

HRW's race baiting regarding Israel and American Jews brings into question the organization as a source of moral judgment on Syria, Libya, Egypt and elsewhere. We urge HRW officials, board members and funders to put an end to the racist rhetoric, and restore their dedication to the moral and universal principles of human rights.

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the right of the Jewish people to sovereign equality.”

Members of the NGO Monitor International Board of Advisors published a statement that appeared in the July 28 edition of *The Forward* and online in *The Jewish Week*. The statement observes, “We are deeply disturbed by Sarah Leah Whitson’s April 15 *Huffington Post* article, in which she used the words ‘segregate,’ ‘race/racist,’ ‘discrimination’ and ‘equal/unequal’ 23 times in reference to Israel. We are also offended by the juxtaposition of American Jewry’s deep engagement in the U.S. civil rights movement with support for what Whitson libelously refers to as ‘these kinds of [racist] laws and policies in Israel.’”

In addition, Prof. Steinberg and Managing Editor Naftali Balanson co-authored an op-ed, “HRW’s ‘Arab Spring’,” in the *Jerusalem Post*. The piece noted, “Since the Arab Spring awoke at the end of 2010...HRW’s lack of preparation, foresight, and capacity is obvious. Indeed, the international media have relied entirely on local activists; as a source of information, HRW is entirely irrelevant. As HRW’s Fred Abraham stated, ‘The west of Libya is a black hole...we have no idea what’s going on.’”

Human Rights Watch and Amnesty International bias in Second Lebanon War - new study completed

Marking the fifth anniversary of the Second Lebanon War, Prof. Steinberg and Bar Ilan University colleague Prof. Abraham Bell (also a board member of NGO Monitor in Israel), co-authored an in-depth analysis of Human Rights

Watch and Amnesty International publications from during and following the war.

As reported in the *Jerusalem Post*, the NGOs’ reports “demonstrate a widespread pattern of methodological failures, distortion of evidence, improper application of legal standard and bias.”

Professors Steinberg and Bell published an op-ed in *Ynet*, “Lebanon War distortions,” which notes that “HRW and Amnesty allegations were immediately accepted, at face value, by the world’s media. Politicians and diplomats then echoed the war crimes accusations, without any fact-checking... justice will only truly be served when the NGOs are held accountable for their distortions.”

Human Rights Watch embraces alleged terrorist

Human Rights Watch appointed Shawan Jabarin, an alleged senior member of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) terror group, to its Mideast Advisory Board. Jabarin also heads the NGO Al Haq, a leader in “lawfare” against Israeli government and military officials.

A *Jerusalem Post* article quoted Prof. Steinberg: “This appointment ends any façade that Human Rights Watch is a moral ‘watchdog’ organization.” In an op-ed published in *The Jewish Week* (New York), Prof. Steinberg wrote,

“The deeply-rooted bias among HRW senior officials, most notably [Middle East and North Africa division heads Sarah Leah] Whitson and Joe Stork, in contrast to human rights principles, is well documented.



“But Jabarin’s appointment is an emphatic slap in the face to terror victims, Israelis, Jews, and others who care about universal human rights.”

Jerusalem Post, op-ed by Prof. Gerald Steinberg, June 15, 2011

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Failing homosexuals in Iran

HRW, which in December 2010 again called for sanctions against Israel, had been silent about Iranian persecution and repression of its LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender) citizens. (Israel, it should be noted, has laws protecting the rights of its LGBT citizens.)

Journalist Benjamin Weinthal wrote in an op-ed that efforts by NGO Monitor contributed to the decision by HRW to finally address this important human rights issue: "NGO Monitor highlighted the skewed priorities of HRW, such as fundraising in violently homophobic Saudi Arabia and devoting the bulk of its Middle East resources to investigating the region's only democracy - Israel - which guarantees LGBT rights and freedoms for Jewish and Arab Israelis."

Weinthal also authored an article on the subject in the *Jerusalem Post*, in which he quoted Prof. Steinberg: "Instead of obsessing over Israel, [HRW's Middle East and North Africa division] should refocus its moral compass and devote the necessary resources to address the many troubling human rights grievances throughout the Middle East."

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-Benjamin Weinthal



COMBATING BDS, ISRAELI APARTHEID WEEK, AND OTHER NGO DEMONIZATION

In advance of the March 6 - 20 “Israeli Apartheid Week” (IAW), a virulently antisemitic program that takes place primarily on North American college campuses, NGO Monitor developed the “BDS Sewer System” - a guide to understanding BDS (boycotts, divestment, and sanctions), one of the primary tactics utilized by IAW organizers in their campaigns of delegitimization. NGO Monitor distributed thousands of copies of the “BDS Sewer System” to universities, organizations, and individuals around the world (see pp. 26-27).

The “Sewer System” also received substantial attention in traditional media,

Twitter (more than 100 tweets), and in the blogosphere (more than 50 posts). Numerous media outlets, including the *Jerusalem Post*, *Washington Times*, *Commentary*, *Washington Jewish Week*, *Florida Today*, and Orange County Independent Task Force on Anti-Semitism, covered the BDS Sewer System.

In addition, NGO Monitor participated in a program at Hebrew University, “How can we defeat the lies and hate of ‘Israeli Apartheid Week?’” The program included a live audience and was streamed over the internet to help prepare students in advance of events on their campuses.

“brilliant” - American Jewish Committee

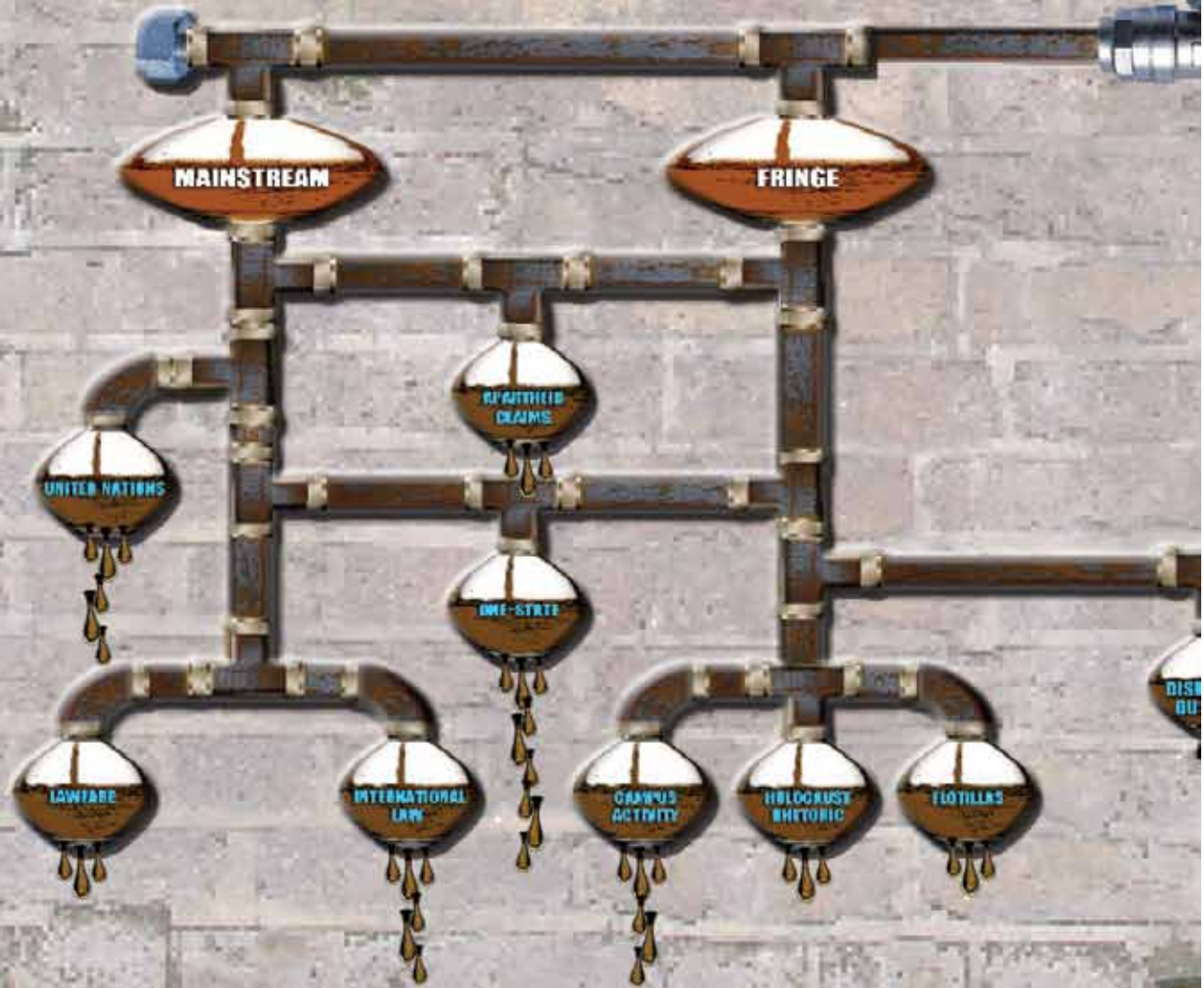
“smear video” - Electronic Intifada

The screenshot shows a YouTube video player interface. At the top left is the YouTube logo. A search bar contains the text "bds sewer system". The video title is "BDS Sewer System: Exposing Anti-Israel Boycotts". Below the title are buttons for "NgoMonitor", "Subscribe", and "47 videos". The video player shows a still image of a sewer system with three vertical pipes. The left pipe is labeled "CAMPUS ACTIVITY", the middle pipe is labeled "HOLOCAUST RHETORIC", and the right pipe is labeled "FLOTILLAS". The video progress bar shows 0:42 / 1:40. Below the player are buttons for "Like", "Add to", "Share", and a flag icon. The video has 7,323 views, 88 likes, and 24 dislikes. It was uploaded by NgoMonitor on Jul 20, 2011. The description is: "http://www.ngo-monitor.org/bds Exposing the network of funders, NGOs, and tactics that make up the global boycott, divestment, and sanctions (BDS) movement against Israel." A link "As Seen On: Israpundit" is also visible.

In July, NGO Monitor released a YouTube video based on the “BDS Sewer System,” which received thousands of hits and elicited a range of comments. Ben Cohen of the American Jewish Committee referred to it as “brilliant,” while Electronic Intifada labeled it a “smear video.” Dozens of highly-charged comments, supportive and critical, appear on YouTube.

BDS SEWER SYSTEM

BOYCOTTS, DIVESTMENT AND
SANCTIONS AGAINST ISRAEL



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COMBATING NGO-LED LAWFARE

United Kingdom changes its universal jurisdiction law

NGO Monitor was the first organization to highlight the problem of NGO lawfare in 2008, with the publication of the monograph “NGO ‘Lawfare’: Exploitation of Courts in the Arab-Israeli Conflict” and an op-ed in the *Wall Street Journal (Europe)*. Deputy Foreign Minister Danny Ayalon hosted NGO Monitor at a press conference in December 2010 to present the second edition of the lawfare monograph.

This landmark research on “lawfare” – the exploitation of international courts to prosecute Israeli officials – played an integral role in the decision by the British government to change its policies regarding the “universal jurisdiction law.” The policy change will prevent the automatic arrest in the UK of public figures such as Tzipi Livni and Ehud Barak.

Attorney General Baroness Scotland had referred to politically-motivated NGO lawsuits in her lecture entitled “Lawfare” at the Hebrew University in January 2010, noting that legal procedure in the UK was being abused for “political and other unjust purposes” and that “energetic efforts [were] being made to find a resolution to the problem.”

In the past, British universal jurisdiction laws allowed private citizens to seek politically-motivated arrest warrants against individuals who had allegedly committed international crimes. The laws faced increased criticism, particularly following an attempt by a Hamas-linked NGO to trigger the arrest of Tzipi Livni, Israel’s former foreign minister and current opposition leader, for “war

crimes.” Widespread protest led to demands for a change in the universal jurisdiction law to prevent further abuse by private litigants.

The new law requires the consent of the Director of Public Prosecutions before an arrest warrant can be issued for a privately-initiated prosecution in which universal jurisdiction offenses (e.g. war crimes, torture, genocide, crimes against humanity) have allegedly occurred.

NGO Monitor’s Legal Department also issued an in-depth report in May 2011 – covered in the *Jerusalem Post* – that exposed the NGO campaign to discredit Israel’s justice system, a new strategy to bolster universal jurisdiction cases against Israelis in Europe and at the International Criminal Court. Anne Herzberg also detailed this lawfare campaign in her *Ynet* op-ed, “The Legal War on Israel.”

NGO Monitor also provided information to counter one-sided “lawfare” events taking place at UC Hastings and Columbia University.

“a group of NGOs, primarily funded by European governments, the EU, and the New Israel Fund (NIF) have initiated a campaign to denigrate the Israeli justice system in order to bolster efforts to have Israelis arrested for ‘war crimes’ in Europe”

YNet, op-ed by Anne Herzberg, NGO Monitor Legal Advisor, June 15, 2011

GOLDSTONE RECANTS

NGO Monitor and JCPA publish
The Goldstone Report- "Reconsidered"
to refute the UN-sponsored report



NGO Monitor implemented a strategic campaign that played a key factor in Judge Goldstone's reconsideration of the Goldstone Report, published under the auspices of the UN Human Rights Council in September 2009. The report was used to justify a widespread campaign of demonizing Israel, with false accusations of "war crimes" and demands for BDS (boycotts, divestment, and sanctions).

Early in the year, as Judge Goldstone held a speaking tour defending his work,

NGO Monitor published a fact sheet on the Goldstone Report for campus and community leaders. NGO Monitor maintained an intense dialogue with Judge Goldstone throughout his speaking tour.

In March, NGO Monitor provided a submission to the UN's Goldstone follow-up committee led by Judge Mary McGowan Davis.

In April, Judge Goldstone published a landmark op-ed in the *Washington Post*, in which he retracted the main allegations of the Goldstone Report. NGO

Monitor called on the NGOs that were the report’s main sources to withdraw and revise their discredited claims.

Goldstone was misled by an orchestrated campaign led by powerful NGOs, including Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International, B’Tselem, Breaking the Silence, Adalah, Palestinian Center for Human Rights, and Al Haq. As NGO Monitor demonstrated when the report was released, the so-called “evidence” provided by these groups was at the core of the political war against Israel.

Prof. Steinberg authored several op-eds on the subject, “The Human Rights Sham” (*Ynet*), “Judge Goldstone vs. Goldstone Report” (*Washington Jewish Week*), and “Goldstone Reconsidered” (*Canadian Jewish Week*).

NGO Monitor emphasized the exploitation of the Goldstone Report by NGOs that advance BDS, lawfare, and other forms of political warfare against Israel. Prof. Steinberg was quoted in the *Jewish Chronicle* (UK), *Washington Post*, and *Makor Rishon* regarding Goldstone’s op-ed.

In October, Judge Goldstone continued to distance himself from his role in the discredited UN report. He wrote in *The New York Times*, “In Israel, there is no apartheid.” The op-ed coincided with the Russell Tribunal on Palestine held in South Africa. This “kangaroo court” charging Israel as an apartheid state was dealt a severe blow by Goldstone’s statement (see pp. 36–37).

The Goldstone Report “Reconsidered”

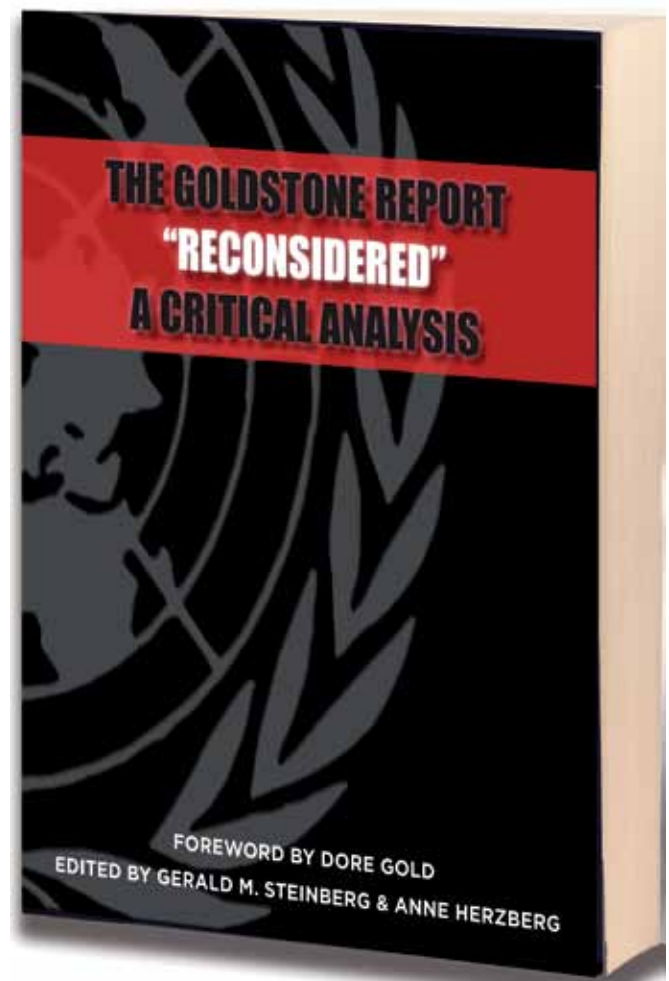
NGO Monitor and the Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs (JCPA) co-published *The Goldstone Report “Reconsidered”*-

A Critical Analysis, a comprehensive volume on international law and the principles of universal human rights, particularly as they relate to the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The anthology, co-edited by Prof. Steinberg and NGO Monitor Legal Advisor Anne Herzberg, includes a foreword by Amb. Dore Gold, president of the JCPA, and contributions from Prof. Alan Dershowitz, Irwin Cotler, and other international legal experts.

The book was launched on December 4 at Jerusalem’s Menachem Begin Heritage Center on December 4, with more than 350 people in attendance.

Prof. Steinberg moderated a panel featuring Prof. Alan Dershowitz, IDF Maj. Gen. Avichai Mandelblitt, and Prof. Avraham Bell (another contributor to





(Top Image) Prof. Alan Dershowitz praising NGO Monitor and discussing the delegitimization campaign against Israel.



(Bottom Image) Maj. Gen. Avichai Mandelblit, outgoing Military Advocate General, IDF, speaking about challenges Israel will face in future political, legal, and traditional warfare.

Reconsidered). The panel discussed the unique challenges Israel faces in asymmetric warfare, the great length to which Israel goes to uphold human rights, and the constant scrutiny of the international community.

Prominent Israeli journalist Yaakov Ahimeir, covering the event for the leading Israeli daily, *Israel Hayom*, called *Reconsidered* “an important book... which refutes the Goldstone Report... on legal grounds.” Israeli television Channel 10 and Channel 2 also covered the event.



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FRAMING THE DISCOURSE AROUND “SEPTEMBER UN EVENTS”



In media accounts and opinion articles, NGO Monitor framed the public discourse leading up to the Palestinian submission for statehood at the UN and the Durban III Conference, two crucial September events. We were quoted in the *Wall Street Journal* and elsewhere, published three op-eds and an academic article, and released two in-depth reports.

In March, NGO Monitor Communications Director Jason Edelstein wrote in an op-ed in the *New York Post*,

“Durban III also is a chance for UN agencies to examine their own processes, and revamp their agendas and members as needed. If the

United Nations addresses its own internal issues, NGOs and their funders will be marginalized.”

Prof. Gerald Steinberg and Legal Advisor Anne Herzberg’s academic article “The UN’s Integral Role in Palestinian Rejectionism” was published in the Fall 2011 volume of *inFocus Quarterly*, an influential Jewish Policy Center journal.

The *Wall Street Journal*, in “Grappling With Protests, Israel Seeks to Limit Use of Force,” quoted Prof. Steinberg discussing the IDF’s attempt at restraint during anticipated clashes with Palestinians after the request for statehood: “It took Israel 10 years to understand the lethality of a one-sided media image,”

he said, referring to the power of video footage of Israeli attacks to spur further upheaval.”

“Durban Redux,” a feature story in the *Jerusalem Post Weekend Magazine*, addresses the dramatic decrease in NGO-driven anti-Israel rhetoric at the two Durban conferences since the notorious original conference in 2001. The article quoted NGO Monitor managing editor Naftali Balanson, who “compares [Durban III] to a tree that gives less fruit. ‘Because of the microscope that was on the other two [conferences], the NGOs have realized [that attending the conference is counterproductive]’, and they have moved on.”

In “Have the Durban conferences been discredited?,” an analysis piece in the *Jerusalem Post*, NGO Monitor was quoted: “While Durban III has come and gone, ‘mini Durban’ conferences continue, along with the continued isolation of Israel in international arenas, such as the UN Human Rights Council and the International Criminal Court.”

“Ten years of the Durban strategy,” Jason Edelstein’s *The Jewish Week* (New York) op-ed noted, “Any hope for a two-state solution is dependent on the Durban Strategy giving way to a new era. Instead of flotillas, the Goldstone Report, lawfare cases, and calls for BDS – none of which would exist without NGOs – NGOs should lead rigorous efforts and hold international conferences that promote a two-state solution.”

In his *Jerusalem Post* op-ed, “September should be a season for change,” Naftali Balanson wrote “This September’s events will continue [the] Durban legacy. Now, as then, it is driven by NGOs... The Durban strategy defined the tactics and goals that Abbas and Al-Haq

are pursuing this September. They are primarily concerned with isolating Israel and perpetuating the conflict.”

One of NGO Monitor’s in-depth reports detailed the criticisms made by New Israel Fund grantees against the Israel Defense Forces’ preventative measures in the West Bank in anticipation of clashes related to the Palestinian bid for statehood at the United Nations. In one example, the Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI) sent an open letter (to generate publicity) in August to Defense Minister Ehud Barak alleging that “military legislation governing protests and demonstrations in the West Bank denies Palestinian residents the right to demonstrate.”

Another NGO Monitor report demonstrated that the NGO network is utilizing the proceedings at the United Nations as a platform for advancing arguments in favor of further legal attacks against Israel. Al Haq, for example, identifies legal attacks against Israel, not Palestinian statehood, as the “benefits” of the PA’s “September Initiatives at the United Nations,” including “further possibilities to adjudicate claims of violations of international humanitarian and human rights law.”



RUSSELL TRIBUNAL ON PALESTINE: NGO KANGAROO COURT FAILURE

Working in close coordination with South African Jewish organizations, NGO Monitor played an instrumental role in focusing criticism on the Russell Tribunal on Palestine (RToP), resulting in the failure of this

effort to revive the NGO Durban strategy in South Africa.

On November 5-6, the RToP held a session in Cape Town, South Africa, under the façade of a legal framework, ostensibly to consider if “Israel’s

ell Tribunal on Palestine



treatment of the Palestinian people fits the international legal definitions of the crime of apartheid.”

NGO Monitor developed and launched a website to provide background on the RToP, the key figures involved, and the political objectives that motivate them. Material from this website was used by the local community and international activists in real time on Twitter, Facebook, and blogs.

During an hour-long radio debate on “SAFM,” a national South African station, Prof. Gerald Steinberg put RToP “witness” and former UN Special Rapporteur John Dugard on the defensive by stating “for over 70 years, the Palestinians, the Arabs and their supporters like

Mr. Dugard, have denied us our basic freedoms, have denied us the right to self-determination, have denied us the right to be able to revive our history.”

The RToP, nothing more than a PR stunt, was a total failure; none of its stated objectives were achieved. The tone of international coverage was set by Judge Richard Goldstone’s scathing op-ed in *The New York Times*: “[The RToP] is not a ‘tribunal.’ The ‘evidence’ is going to be one-sided and the members of the ‘jury’ are critics whose harsh views of Israel are well known.”

HISTORY DID NOT REPEAT ITSELF



In advance of the “Free Gaza Flotilla” scheduled for June 2011, NGO Monitor prepared a comprehensive Briefing Note on the NGOs and funders behind the flotilla. The report was updated daily and posted on NGO Monitor’s website Flotilla Resource Page. The Flotilla Briefing Note received broad distribution via the Israeli Foreign Ministry and Jewish organizations around

the world. It was sent to dozens of U.S. and European officials and was widely quoted.

NGO Monitor’s research on the Flotilla, dating back to 2010, contributed to the movement’s failure to obtain broad international approval. The individuals and NGOs were exposed for their links



to terror and the façade of humanitarian aid.

Prof. Gerald Steinberg, quoted in *The Jewish Week* (New York) on June 28, prior to the scheduled start of the flotilla, predicted, “This is going to be anti-climatic. The Israeli government is much better prepared.”

Communications Director Jason Edelstein authored an op-ed in *Ynet* on June 30, “Flotilla won’t bring peace” which highlighted the anti-humanitarian nature of the movement. The op-ed also appeared in publications in Germany and Lebanon.

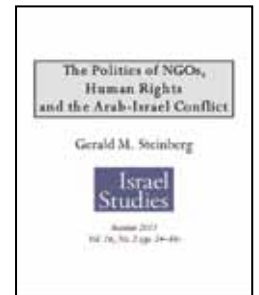
RECENT PUBLICATIONS

The Politics of NGOs, Human Rights and the Arab-Israel Conflict

Gerald M. Steinberg

Israel Studies, Summer 2011

Examines the influence of NGO activity within the political conflict, and on Israeli foreign and security policy in particular.



NGOs, the UN, and the Politics of Human Rights in the Arab-Israeli Conflict

Gerald M. Steinberg

Israel Journal of Foreign Affairs, 1:2011

An influential network of political NGOs has targeted Israel, joining forces with the countries that dominate the UN human rights frameworks — specifically the members of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC).

The Framing of Political NGOs in Wikipedia through Criticism Elimination

Andre Oboler, Gerald Steinberg and Rephael Stern

Journal of Information Technology and Politics 7(4), 2010

Introduces criticism elimination, a type of information removal leading to a framing effect that impairs Wikipedia's delivery of a neutral point of view (NPOV), and ultimately facilitates a new form of gatekeeping with political science and information technology implications.



The UN's Integral Role in Palestinian Rejectionism

Gerald M. Steinberg and Anne Herzberg

inFocus Quarterly

A highly influential journal of the Washington, DC-based Jewish Policy Center published article on Palestinian Rejectionism in advance of the September Palestinian campaign for independence at the UN.



NGOs, Human Rights, and Political Warfare in the Arab-Israeli Conflict - An Anthology of Journal Articles and Conference Presentations

Gerald M. Steinberg

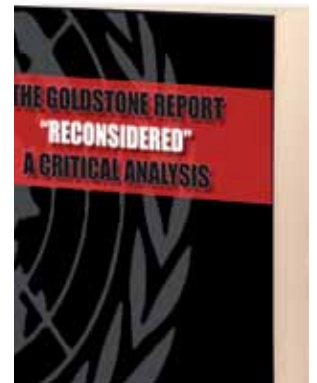
Addresses the impact of NGOs claiming a human rights mandate, demonstrates the importance of developing best-practice guidelines for NGOs and funders, and assesses their performance on this basis.

The Goldstone Report 'Reconsidered'- A Critical Analysis

Gerald M. Steinberg and Anne Herzberg, ed.

Israel has been the subject of numerous controversial UN inquiries related to armed conflict and responses to terror attacks. But, the scope and impact of the “Goldstone Report” was particularly extreme. Produced under the politicized UN Human Rights Council, the “fact finding” reflected in the Goldstone Report has been shown to be largely inaccurate. Applying a number of academic approaches, the contributors to this books systematically address the flaws of the report and examine its far-reaching consequences. The volume serves as an essential volume for understanding the principles of human rights and international law.

Books have been distributed to law schools throughout North America and sold to individual customers.



NGOs, soft power and demonization in the 'lawfare' strategy

Gerald M. Steinberg

Justice

The International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists
48, Winter 2011, 5-9

NGO power and its abuse are facilitated by the absence of accountability and transparency, particularly with respect to funding. In order to restore the universal moral principles on which the 1948 Declaration of Human Rights was based, the exploitation of these values for political warfare against Israel, and the inversion of aggressor and victim, must be exposed.



“BDS Sewer System” map

Designed to help students combat Israel Apartheid Week and other delegitimization events, more than 1,000 copies of the BDS Sewer System (IAW) map have been distributed to individual students, Hillels, Israeli embassies, and pro-Israel organizations around the world. Fifty campuses received copies in advance of the 2012 IAW.



CHALLENGES FOR 2012

NGO Monitor faces two primary challenges. Firstly, some of our most impactful work occurs in private meetings and confidential forums with government leaders, diplomats, and other key decision-makers. We are not always able to share this information with stakeholders, even if our efforts lead to tangible results.

Secondly, our research is often cited without attribution in the media and by other organizations. Concepts such as “the Durban Strategy” and “lawfare” were identified first by NGO Monitor; now they are part of the public discourse. Political parties and other organizations often utilize our research to pursue their own agendas, although they lack an understanding of the nuances and details regarding our areas of research.

This is a result of ten years of impactful and detailed research on the NGOs that implement the delegitimization campaign. We broke through a ceiling that previously existed – major organizations and much of mainstream media now recognize that a vast and well-funded network of NGOs exist and impact the Arab-Israeli conflict.

MEETINGS WITH OFFICIALS

In 2011, NGO Monitor met with high ranking officials from Israel, United States, European Union, United Kingdom, Canada, Czech Republic, Slovenia, The Netherlands, as well as the UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression.

NGO Monitor continues to be the go-to source for information on politicized human rights frameworks. Heads of leading worldwide Jewish organizations regularly consult NGO Monitor for our research and analysis in preparation for their meetings and briefings with decision-makers and policy-makers in the United States and Europe.

MEDIA IMPACT

NGO Monitor continues to enjoy an increasing presence in the media. Articles involving NGO Monitor reports and related NGO issues were cited more than 200 times in publications such as *The New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *Ha'aretz*.

NGO Monitor published 73 op-eds in publications such as the *New York Post*, *Ha'aretz*, the *Jewish Telegraphic Agency* (JTA), *The Jerusalem Post*, and *Israel Hayom*, Israel's most widely-read daily. In addition, journalists, scholars, and authors frequently interview Prof. Steinberg on and off the record for background information and to offer perspective on a variety of current events touching on NGO funding issues.

TELEVISION

NGO Monitor staff appeared on television programs on international news networks, including BBC and CNN, the Knesset Channel, Israel Broadcasting Authority in English and Hebrew, and French, Chinese, Swedish, Russian, and Belgian television.

RADIO

NGO Monitor staff appeared on radio programs on the BBC, SAFM (South Africa), and Israel Radio.

ONLINE

According to Alexa Internet Rankings, the industry's gold standard, more people consult NGO Monitor online for information on issues concerning the delegitimization of Israel than any nongovernmental Israeli source.

OUR WEBSITE

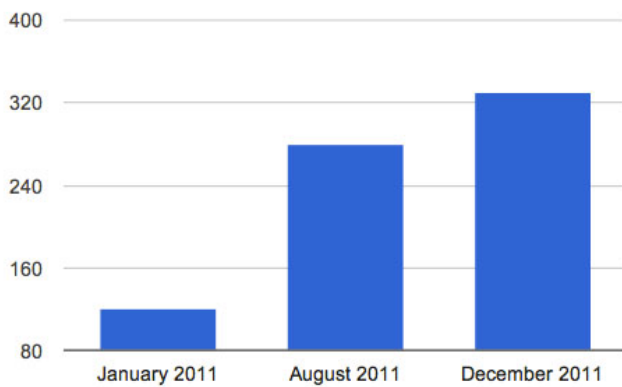
We received an average of 1,440 unique visitors per day in 2011, a 16% increase from 2010. Additionally, we launched a full Hebrew language website with translations of reports, press releases, and other materials.



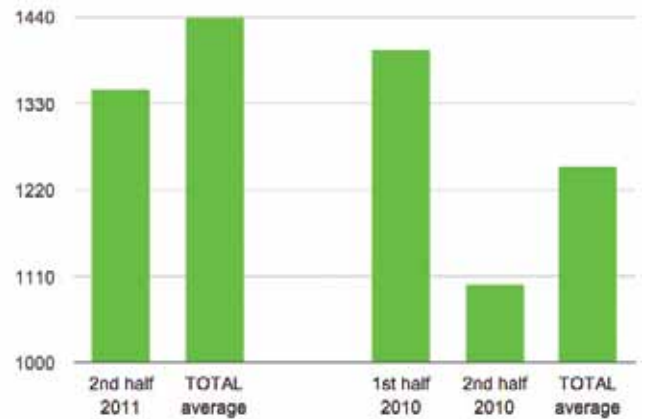
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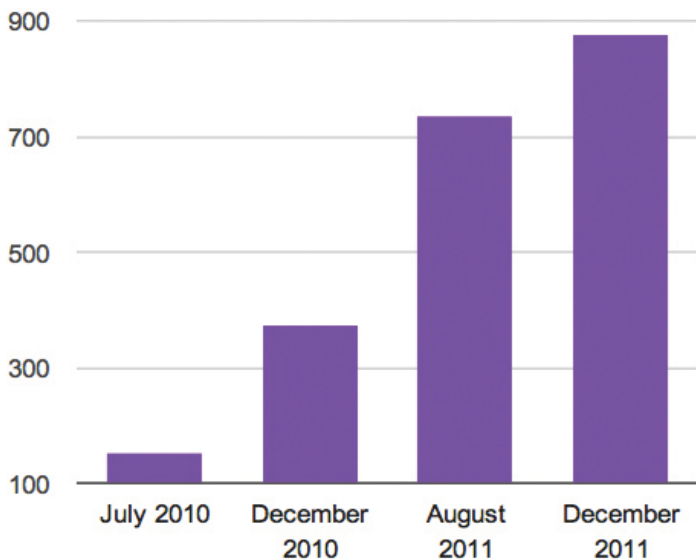
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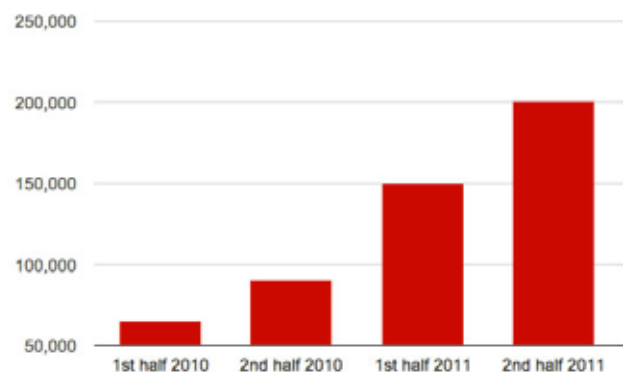
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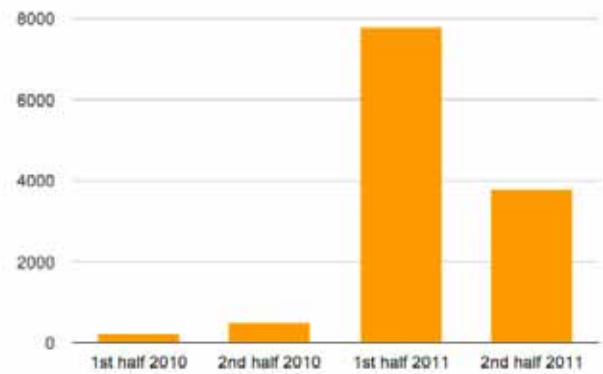
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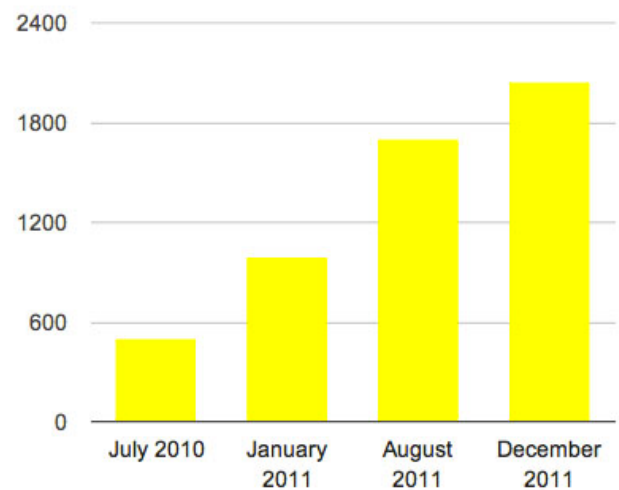
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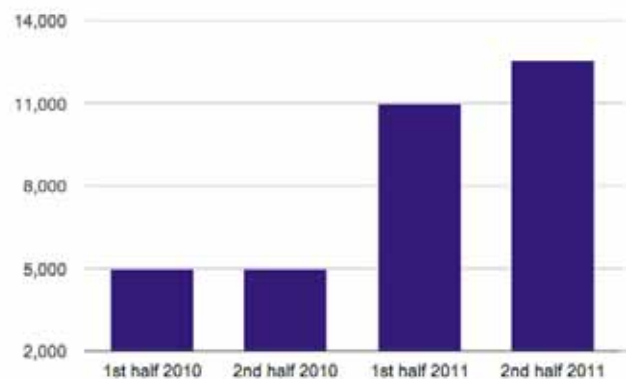
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Blogosphere (references via Google search)



OP-EDS

“Europe certainly is in no position to criticize the Knesset and the debate on NGOs. While preaching democracy and good government to others, officials blatantly violate the basic rules of funding transparency and open debate.”

“NGO inquiry committee has wrong focus, framework”

Gerald Steinberg and Jason Edelstein
Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA)
January 12, 2011



“NGO officials are not subject to polls, checks and balances, or fact-checking. And their allegations are accepted as fact by journalists and in UN documents, such as Richard Goldstone’s indictment.”

“Time to hold these groups to account”

Gerald Steinberg
Jewish Chronicle (UK)
January 13, 2011



“In a talk at Stanford University in January, Goldstone acknowledged that the U.N. Human Rights Council, which appointed him to head the so-called investigation, was biased against Israel.”

“Judge Goldstone vs. the Goldstone Report?”

Gerald Steinberg
Washington Jewish Week
March 23, 2011



“To play an effective and positive social role and restore its reputation, NIF leaders need to strongly repudiate and eliminate funding for BDS and demonisation activities as well as listen to its critics without mudslinging and uncivil behavior.”

“Which NIF is coming to Australia?”

Gerald Steinberg
Australian Jewish News
May 13, 2011



“[Political advocacy NGOs such as Badil, PCHR, and others] hijack an international platform and the rhetoric of human rights to demonize Israel, using Palestinian women as pawns to advance a singular political agenda.”

“NGOs Fail Palestinian Women at the UN”

Paula Kweskin
Moment
February 24, 2011



“...a careful reading of Goldstone’s statements over the past six months shows a gradual but growing recognition of the truth.”



“Goldstone Reconsidered”

Gerald Steinberg
Canadian Jewish News
April 28, 2011

“In theory, Israeli NGOs should be covered by the existing reporting requirements for non-profits, but in practice, many political advocacy groups have found ways to avoid such transparency by registering under different frameworks, or avoiding any Israeli oversight mechanism.”



“Transparency for NGOs is not anti-democratic”

Gerald Steinberg
Ha'aretz
February 23, 2011

OP-EDS

"The 10-year anniversary of Durban I should be marked with a conference that, in contrast to the earlier efforts, avoids the anti-Israel obsession and actually takes significant steps to end racism and human-rights abuses."

NEW YORK POST

"The UN hatefest coming to New York"

Jason Edelstein
New York Post
March 29, 2011

"Any hope for a two-state solution is dependent on the Durban Strategy giving way to a new era. Instead of flotillas, the Goldstone Report, lawfare cases, and calls for BDS – none of which would exist without NGOs – NGOs should lead rigorous efforts and hold international conferences that promote a two-state solution."

"Ten years of the Durban strategy"

Jason Edelstein
Jewish Week (New York)
September 14, 2011

"...HRW was content as a spectator throughout much of Assad's brutal reign. Now, as Syrian citizens are murdered by his forces, HRW has no infrastructure or networks in place to aid citizens leading the 'human rights' revolution."

THE JERUSALEM POST

"HRW's 'Arab Spring'"

Gerald Steinberg and Naftali Balanson
Jerusalem Post
August 4, 2011

"Christopher Hitchens wrote that Amnesty's actions... exemplified the organization's 'degeneration and politicization,' reflecting 'a moral crisis that has global implications.'"

"Amnesty International is losing its way"

Gerald Steinberg & Jason Edelstein
Asia Times
June 13, 2011

ASIA TIMES

"If Bashi really thought that Shalit's abduction was the reason for economic sanctions on Gaza, then why didn't her organization, Gisha, tirelessly campaign for his release? Why did she not repeatedly and loudly condemn Hamas rocket attacks on Israeli civilians or its murderous suppression of political opposition?"

"The truth about Gaza"

Anne Herzberg & Jason Edelstein
also translated by the Israeli Embassy
in Berlin: "Die Wahrheit über
den Gaza Streifen"
Ynet
October 28, 2011



"The EU's singular effort to manipulate civil society in order 'to change Israeli policy' makes a mockery of democratic principles."

ISRAEL HAYOM

"European democracy or hypocrisy?"

Gerald Steinberg
Israel Hayom
December 8, 2011

"...a parliamentary inquiry into abuses of NGO funding would be most useful in the European context, since this is the main source of money for the BDS campaigns and other forms of demonization."

HAARETZ

"Time to focus on transparency"

Gerald Steinberg and Jason Edelstein
Ha'aretz
July 22, 2011

OP-EDS

"In our systematic and detailed research, supported by the Israel Science Foundation, we found major contradictions as well as numerous unsupported charges, double standards and false or invented "evidence.""



"Lebanon War distortions"

Gerald Steinberg and Abraham Bell

Ynet

August 1, 2011

Also appeared in Daily Alert (Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations); and NOW Lebanon

"...limited boycotts' will...increase the friction between the ideological poles and further alienate the Center. For groups claiming to promote peace, boycott campaigns in any form are counterproductive."



"BDS and limited boycotts: A distinction without a difference?"

Gerald Steinberg

Bitter Lemons

July 21, 2011

Also appeared in *Daily News Egypt* and *Jewish Chronicle* (UK)

"While 'apartheid' can have broader meaning, its use is meant to evoke the situation in pre-1994 South Africa. It is an unfair and inaccurate slander against Israel, calculated to retard rather than advance peace negotiations."



"Giving credit where credit is due"

Gerald Steinberg

Jerusalem Post

November 2, 2011

"Such NGOs receive funds under the façade of representing Israeli 'civil society' and promoting 'human rights and democracy...' But, their attacks take place far away from Israel -- in college campuses around the world, European parliaments, and via international frameworks such as the UN Human Rights Council."



"NGO Warfare"

Gerald Steinberg

Jerusalem Report

December 19, 2011

"One must question why a group that claims to want to impact Israeli society spends so much time speaking to anti-Israel audiences abroad and reinforcing the image of the Israeli soldier as evil doer and 'war criminal.'"

"Mouthpieces for Europe"

Anne Herzberg and Naftali Balanson

Ynet

November 20, 2011



"If HRW and Amnesty did not invest in developing its capabilities in the closed and repressive societies of the Middle East, what were their priorities, and those of the entire NGO network in the region?"

"Lost hope of 2011"

Jason Edelstein

Jerusalem Post

December 21, 2011



OP-EDS

“The 1948 war (known as the Nakba in Arabic), in which many Israeli children and others were killed, is twisted by DCI-PS to fulfil its political agenda. According to the organisation’s version, Israel has ‘historical and legal responsibility for the Nakba’ and its consequences, even though the war was initiated by the invasion of Israel by five of its neighbours.”

“Child soldiers of Hamas not the sole victims of a conflict clouded by propaganda”

Gerald Steinberg
The Australian
December 3, 2011



“Earlier this month, U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and New York Times columnist Tom Friedman expressed some concerns about Israeli democracy. Maybe Clinton and Friedman first should take a hard look at the state of democracy at home.”

“A letter of concern for American democracy”

Jason Edelstein
Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA)
December 28, 2011



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Gerald Steinberg
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Elie Klutsein
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הדמוקרטיה

ישראל היום
Gerald Steinberg
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Itai Reuveni
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נבהל מעצמו



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חתמו ויתור על החברה הישראלית

מערב NRG
Josh Bacon
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“If KAIROS sponsors speakers who, while sheltering under an umbrella of humanitarian image, openly accuse Israel of ethnic cleansing, it cannot complain when its efforts to receive taxpayer-provided funding are denied.”

“Kairos’s agenda disqualifies it from public funds”

Gidon Shaviv
Calgary Herald
November 2, 2011



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“To help college students combat the flood of anti-Israel rhetoric that will wash over them for the next two weeks, NGO Monitor has constructed a visual aid called the BDS Sewer System, an image that uses a network of pipes to show the links connecting NGOs to their money sources - and that maps out the uses to which they put the money.”

The Washington Times

**“Stay alert, students:
It’s Israeli Apartheid Week”**
Washington Times
March 8, 2011

“When ‘human rights organizations’ become merely a part of the trendy international Left, the cause of human rights is deeply damaged.”

**“Human Rights
Organizations Off
the Deep End”**
*Council on Foreign
Relations*
October 12, 2011

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“NGO Monitor applauded the passage of the transparency bill, saying that it helps protect Israeli democracy and civil society from manipulation, and provides the appropriate framework to hold foreign governments accountable for their NGO funding.”

**“Knesset enacts law
requiring NGO funding
transparency”**
Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA)
February 22, 2011



“According to NGO Monitor, governmental bodies such as the European Union pour millions into various Israeli groups. The money doesn’t always go where it should and groups often overstep their stated missions.”

**“Israel: NGOs must disclose foreign
governmental funding, new bill says”**

Los Angeles Times
February 22, 2011

Los Angeles Times

“Despite the international outcry from groups complaining about a simple disclosure law, Steinberg told me, “Transparency is not a right-wing issue in Israel.” Polls conducted by the University of Tel Aviv show that 60 percent of Israelis favor requirements for transparency.”

The Washington Post

“Israel looks out for itself”
Washington Post
February 24, 2011

“‘Clearly, the Goldstone report was the catalyst,’ Gerald Steinberg...director of NGO Monitor, a pro-Israel advocacy group that tracks the work of nongovernmental organizations critical of Israel, said of the military investigations.”

The New York Times

**“Israel Grapples With Retraction
on Gaza Report”**

New York Times
April 3, 2011

“NGO Monitor, Israel’s most prominent watchdog of human rights groups, publicly rejects the turn that criticism against those groups is taking.”

**“Does Arab money fund left-wing Israeli
NGOs?”**

The Jewish Daily Forward
January 19, 2011

**The Jewish Daily
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"[Dutch Foreign Minister Uri] Rosenthal told the Post [], "I will look into the matter personally. If it appears that the government-subsidized NGO ICCO does fund Electronic Intifada, it will have a serious problem with me.""

THE JERUSALEM POST

"Dutch FM mulls slashing funding for anti-Israel charity"

Jerusalem Post
January 23, 2011

"Whitson who runs the Middle East division of Human Rights Watch (and who raised funds for the group in Saudi Arabia -- perhaps the least free country on the planet -- by bragging about her group's work excoriating Israel), had something of a soft spot for the lunatic Libyan and his dangerous son, it seems."

"Giving Qaddafi the Benefit of the Doubt"

Atlantic Monthly
February 28, 2011

the Atlantic

"The phrase 'useful idiots,' which is generally attributed to Lenin, refers to the ability of ruthlessly authoritarian regimes to hoodwink Western liberals into believing that awful political systems are model forms of government. Lenin would surely be proud of HRW and Whitson's work in Libya."

"Qaddafi's Useful Idiots"

National Review
March 2, 2011

NATIONAL REVIEW

"Professor Gerald Steinberg, president of the research organisation NGO Monitor, said Amnesty's latest outburst 'further demonstrated that the organisation had become a crude anti-Israel advocacy group'."

"Amnesty 'aligns with terrorists' to support Hizbollah spy"

Jewish Chronicle (UK)
February 3, 2011

THE JC

"The Swedish government transferred NIS 390,000 (roughly \$104,600), under the guise of humanitarian aid, to a Swedish-Palestinian solidarity group [that] accuse[s] Israel of racist legislation, ethnic cleansing, racial segregation, establishing an Apartheid regime in the territories, [] bombing Palestinian civilian homes, ... [and] a boycott of the Jewish state."

"Sweden funds anti-Israel brochure"

Ynet
November 20, 2011



"So instead of helping Europeans understand what's at stake, most of the media and the NGO community have spun this story as one of violations of human rights on 'both sides' with a heavy focus on Israeli misdeeds."

"What Gilad Shalit tells us about the respect for life in Europe, Israel and Palestine"

The Telegraph (UK)
October 21, 2011

Telegraph.co.uk

"Gerald Steinberg, the London-born president of watchdog group NGO Monitor, is opposed to European governments bankrolling Israeli left-wing groups, but maintains that the two bills proposed by Israeli lawmakers to curtail that are misguided."

"Nonprofit watchdog says NGO funding bills miss the point"

Ha'aretz
November 25, 2011

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“Last February, Parliament passed a law requiring Israeli groups to report quarterly on which foreign governments were donating to them. A group that campaigned for that law, NGO Monitor, said its concern was that European governments were supporting political activities in Israel without accountability.”



“Israeli Government Backs Limits on Financing for Nonprofit Groups”

New York Times
November 14, 2011

“As for the bill that did pass, NGO Monitor applauded it, saying that it helps protect Israeli democracy and civil society from manipulation, and provides the appropriate framework to hold foreign governments accountable for their NGO funding.”

“Knesset cools on bill to scrutinize left-wing NGOs”

J Weekly (San Francisco)
February 24, 2011



“Having researched this issue for 10 years, Steinberg and his NGO Monitor have done much of the spadework for Israel and other governments in tracking and exposing the funding of the BDS movement and monitoring some 1,500 NGOs that grew out of the Durban Conference of 2001.”

“Painstakingly following the money trail used to harm Israel”

South Africa Jewish Report
August 26, 2011



“On Sept. 5, an organization called NGO Monitor reported that an associate director of the New Israel Fund, cited in a February 2011 State Department cable released by Wikileaks, said that ‘the disappearance of a Jewish state would not be the tragedy that Israelis fear since it would become more democratic.’”



“Israel’s Predicament”

Wall Street Journal
September 13, 2011

“Some critics, like NGO Monitor’s Gerald Steinberg...acknowledge that such groups are now publicly on record as opposed to BDS. But he said recently that the new guidelines of the NIF are ‘tentative at best,’ and that the group needs to be watched to see if its actions mirror its rhetoric.”



“Advocacy Gone Awry”

Jewish Week (New York)
March 15, 2011

“The genius of the NGO movement is its promotion of Israelis themselves to make the case against Israel. Who better to convince Westerners that they are wrong to admire Israel than Jews feigning concern over Israel’s moral standing?”

“The B’Tselem Witch Trials”

Commentary
May 2, 2011



“Even Gerald Steinberg, head of NGO Monitor, who has made his reputation exposing what he considers dangerous left-wing biases in Israeli human rights groups - even Steinberg thinks these bills go too far.”

“Undermining Democracy”

The Forward
Editorial
November 21, 2011



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NGO Monitor delivered strategic and timely messages on the delegitimization and demonization of Israel to leading academics, legal institutions, and major Jewish organizations.

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- * Dutch Parliament Committee on Foreign Affairs
- * International Council of Jewish Parliamentarians
- * Israeli Parliament (Knesset)
- * Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- * Israeli Ministry of Education

ACADEMIC VENUES AND CONFERENCES

- * American Freedom Alliance
- * Begin-Sadat Center for Strategic Studies (Bar Ilan University)
- * Catholic University
- * Centre for Defence and Strategic Studies (Australia)
- * Columbia University Saltzman Center for War and Peace Studies
- * Hebrew University (Minerva Center for Human Rights - co-sponsors: International Committee of the Red Cross and Konrad Adenauer Foundation)
- * Herzliya Conference
- * International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT)
- * Israeli Association for International Studies (IAIS)
- * Israeli Law and Society Association (ILSA)
- * Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies
- * Limmud South Africa
- * London School of Economics (Grimshaw Society)
- * Middle East Forum
- * New York University (Tel Aviv)
- * Open University (Raanana)
- * Scholars for Peace in the Middle East (SPME)
- * Shishi Astrategi (Katedra, Land of Israel Museum)
- * Tel Aviv University
- * Tikvah Israel Fellowship

- * University of California - Los Angeles (UCLA)
- * UN Watch
- * Wageningen University (Netherlands)

JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS

- * Aardvark Israel (Young Judea)
- * AIPAC - Los Angeles
- * American Jewish Committee (AJC)
- * AMIEL
- * Anti-Defamation League
- * Australia/Israel & Jewish Affairs Council (AIJAC)
- * Beitar Youth Organization
- * CAMERA
- * Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs (CIJA)
- * Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations
- * Congregation Valley Beth Shalom (Encino, CA, USA)
- * European Friends of Israel
- * Honest Reporting
- * Israel Government Fellows
- * Jewish Agency for Israel (Institute for Jewish Leaders)
- * Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) of New York
- * Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) of San Francisco
- * Jewish Federation of Greater Houston
- * Jewish Federation of Greater Kansas City
- * Midreshet Lindenbaum
- * Olive Tree Initiative (Jewish Federation of Orange County)
- * Simon Wiesenthal Center
- * South African Zionist Federation
- * Steinhardt Scholars
- * StandWithUs
- * Sydenham Highlands North Congregation (Johannesburg)
- * World Jewish Congress
- * World Zionist Organization

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Prof. Gerald Steinberg provides direction and strategy for NGO Monitor. Professor Steinberg had a prolific 2011, meeting regularly with high-level foreign and Israeli government officials, appearing in international news outlets such as *The New York Times*, the BBC, and Al Arabiya, and publishing several academic papers. He also co-edited *The Goldstone Report "Reconsidered": A Critical Analysis*.

MANAGEMENT

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Anne Herzberg is the author of NGO Monitor's "NGO 'Lawfare': Exploitation of Courts in the Arab-Israeli Conflict" and the International Law, Human Rights and NGOs series. She is one of the leading experts on NGO "lawfare" cases against Israeli officials and companies doing business with Israel. She is also the co-editor of *The Goldstone Report "Reconsidered": A Critical Analysis*. Anne is invited regularly to speak at international conferences. Her op-eds and articles have appeared in *Ha'aretz*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Ynet*, *Jewish Ideas Daily*, *inFocus Quarterly*, and the *Jerusalem Post*.

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT

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Naftali Balanson directs NGO Monitor's research. Managing the research team and the internship program, Naftali develops the research strategy of the organization and ensures that all NGO Monitor publications are produced in an effective and timely manner. Naftali has written extensively about BDS campaigns, and his correspondence with EU and NGO officials has elicited crucial and useful information. The research department includes a deputy editor, along with the Middle East Desk, Europe Desk, and other researchers.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Jason Edelstein, Communications Director

Jason Edelstein develops NGO Monitor's communications strategy, overseeing and implementing the organization's media outreach and related activity. He also develops NGO Monitor's marketing and information materials, liaises with partner organizations, and cultivates donors for new projects. His op-eds have appeared in the *New York Post*, *Jerusalem Post*, *JTA*, *Ynet*, and *The Jewish Week*.

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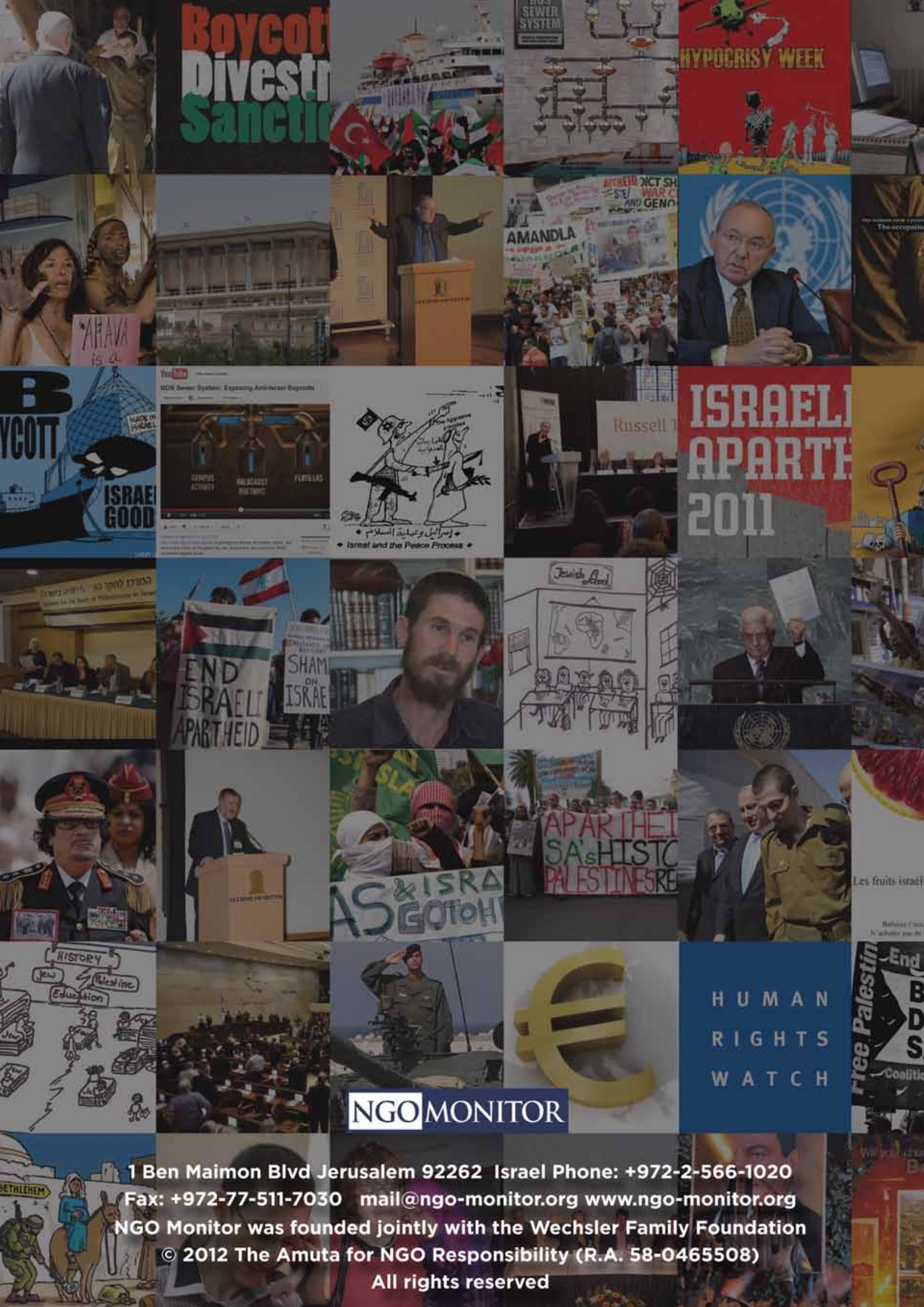
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