



HAMAS AND ANTISEMITISM

Hamas is an organization that feeds off and perpetuates Jew-hatred.



Hamas' Charter

Hamas' 1988 charter, or founding document, contains several references that are considered antisemitic:

- The charter frequently cites the Protocols of the Elders of Zion, a fabricated and debunked document purporting to describe a global Jewish conspiracy.
- It makes claims that Jews were responsible for various global events and conflicts, including the French and Russian Revolutions.
- It describes the Jewish people as being treacherous and seeking world domination.
- Calls for the slaughter of Jews and destruction of Israel



Rhetoric and Propaganda

Throughout the years, leaders and spokespersons for Hamas have often used antisemitic rhetoric in their speeches, sermons, and publications:

- Equating Zionism with Nazism or other forms of extreme racism.
- Describing Jews as descendants of apes and pigs, a derogatory trope prevalent in some radical Islamic discourse.
- Accusations that Jews control the media, global finance, or global politics.



Violent Actions and Terrorist Activities

Hamas is behind numerous acts of terrorism against Israeli civilians. While many of these acts are rooted in political and territorial disputes, the influence of antisemitic beliefs is evident in some of the group's motivations and justifications.



International Responses and Criticisms

Many international entities, including governments, intergovernmental organizations, and NGOs, have criticized Hamas for its antisemitic rhetoric and actions:

- The designation of Hamas as a terrorist organization by several countries is partly a result of its violent actions influenced by antisemitic beliefs.
- International human rights organizations have documented and criticized instances of antisemitism in Palestinian educational materials and media.

The role of antisemitism in Hamas' ideology and actions cannot be overlooked. Recognizing and understanding this facet is essential for anyone seeking a comprehensive view of the conflict and its broader issues.