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## Construction of Israel's concentration camp in Gaza completed

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Israel announced the completion of an underground wall and a sea barrier surrounding the besieged Gaza Strip. Although no media outlet used the term "concentration camp" to report on it, they should have done so.

The Merriam-Webster dictionary <u>defines</u> a concentration camp as "a place where large numbers of people (such as prisoners of war, political prisoners, refugees, or members of an ethnic or religious minority) are detained or confined under armed guards, which is used especially in reference to the camps created by the Nazis in World War II for the internment and persecution of Jews and other prisoners." And an extermination camp is "a concentration camp in which large numbers of prisoners are systematically killed!"

The Gaza Strip, occupied and besieged by Israel's apartheid, qualifies for both stages; the difference is that it is larger than all the known concentration and death camps created by the intolerant Western regimes in the twentieth century. Israel's decision to redeploy its troops around the densely populated coastal strip in 2005, and then impose in 2006 an unprecedented medieval siege that has shattered every sphere of life, and then carry out four massive attacks that have killed more than four thousand civilians, including women and children, it does not seem to be enough for the ruling Zionist elites of the rogue state.

Two days ago, he announced the completion of an underground wall equipped with sensors around Gaza that includes hundreds of cameras, radars and other sensors, and stretches for 65 km. The ministry did not disclose the depth of the underground wall. It took three and a half years to complete.

Not a single media outlet used the term "concentration camp," nor apartheid in reference to the ongoing siege of the Gaza Strip. The language used by the Israeli Occupation Forces has become the reference, no questions asked. No Gaza/Palestinian voice can say a word about the impact of this "project" on their lives. What we can read is the statement made by the Israeli war criminal, Defense Minister Benny Gantz, who says "[the] barrier, which is an innovative and technologically advanced project, deprives Hamas of one of the capabilities it tried to develop." and that it "[places] an 'iron wall,' sensors, and concrete between the terrorist organization and residents of southern Israel." POINT! No questions were asked!

The two million residents of the Gaza Strip must be imprisoned inside this concentration camp because they are all "Hamas supporters," and that gives "us" the right to use a "smart wall" to surround them. That is not a form of "collective punishment" just because "they" are not born of Jewish mothers and therefore do not have the "right" to be treated as full human beings. Only those with white skin and/or born into Jewish families can have that right.

Apartheid South Africa and the southern United States under Jim Crow laws must have been a picnic compared to this.

The two million residents of besieged Gaza, the vast majority of whom are refugees who were violently expelled and dispossessed from their homes by Zionist forces in 1948, were subjected to four weeks (2009), 2 weeks (2012), 51 days (2014), and 11 days (May 2021) of relentless Israeli state terror, in which Israeli warplanes systematically attacked civilian areas, they reduced entire neighbourhoods and vital civilian infrastructure to rubble and destroyed dozens of schools, including several run by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), where civilians were sheltering. This came after years of an ongoing, crippling and deadly Israeli medieval siege of Gaza, a severe form of collective punishment. But why are "they" not satisfied

with what "we" supported by the "friendly" Western and Arab complicit regimes offer them? (Forget the Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949, ratified by "we," i.e., Israel, which prohibits the collective punishment of a civilian population.)

Nunca antes se le ha negado a una población los requisitos básicos para sobrevivir como una política deliberada de colonización, ocupación y apartheid, pero esto es lo que Israel le está haciendo al pueblo de Gaza, hoy: dos millones de personas viven sin un suministro seguro de agua, alimentos, electricidad, medicinas, y casi la mitad de ellos son niños menores de 15 años.

And now we have to deal with the fact that we are literally inmates of the largest concentration camp in the world without any rights. President Carter was not exaggerating when he visited Gaza in 2009: "[Palestinians in the Gaza Strip] are being treated more like animals than human beings; never before in history has a large community like this been savagely attacked by bombs and missiles and then deprived of the means to repair itself."

Unfortunately, Carter is no longer the president of the US, Israel's apartheid strategic ally. As long as official bodies and world leaders decide to say and do absolutely nothing, Israel will continue to kill more Palestinians, build higher walls, reinforce the siege, and claim that everything is done in "self-defense"!

And yet, we, ungrateful "anti-Semites," are blamed for calling it a "concentration camp."

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