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Hamas is not a terrorist organization



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Anyone who watches, hears or reads the Western media will be certain that Hamas is a terrorist group and should be treated as such. Yet, believe it or not, the majority of the world's population condemns Israel's genocide in Gaza. For many reasons. Of course, because killing the majority of children, women and the elderly, journalists and doctors, does not seem to be the way to put an end to a terrorist group. In fact, it doesn't make any sense.

This is, however, the usual military doctrine of the Zionist state. We have seen it act many times over the last few years in Palestine, but also in Lebanon. Murder defenseless innocents en masse to persuade the resistance to desist from fighting. Western politicians are well aware that the Zionist entity systematically commits war crimes, but they are not

willing to confront either the United States or the heart of world capitalism, which is, after all, what the state of Israel represents in the world.

Fighting terrorism seems to give the empire's allies full freedom and immunity to commit all kinds of atrocities. This is what the United States and NATO have been doing since they changed their *strategic concept* after the fall of the Berlin Wall. Remember, for example, the invasion of Afghanistan and the hundreds of thousands of deaths it caused, supposedly to hunt down Bin Laden, who was not even inside the country.

So, if "against terrorism" is added to the well-trodden *right to self-defense*, it means that all the necessary paragoods can be counted on to take punitive actions against those who are considered as such.

But let's stop here: what is terrorism? Although it may seem otherwise, there is no agreed definition from the point of view of international law. Because, of course, if there were, there would be a risk of being able to accuse many governments and their armies as terrorist entities. That is why they have decided to leave the issue open and in the political field, or in other words, in the hands of the owners of the world, who are granted the ability to decide who can be or branded as a terrorist, impose their narrative and apply their punishments.

This is so, to the point that, as Alfonso Sastre wrote and our colleague Iñaki Gil often reminds us, *terrorism is the war of the poor*, especially when they confront the powerful. Jean Rostand embroidered this same concept in another sentence: kill one man and you will be a murderer; kill millions and you will be *a conqueror; kill them all and you will be God*, which is just what Israel seems to be aiming for these days in Gaza.

So arbitrary is the attribution of terrorist conduct that, when we lift the focus a little to look for context, we can be in for many surprises. It turns out that **Hamas is considered** *terrorist* **only by the enemies of the Palestinian state**: Israel, the United States, Europe and a few other NATO allies; To the rest of the world they are just a political grouping. If we superimpose on this map the map of the countries that have not recognized Palestine, we see that both coincide almost entirely. It's funny, isn't it?

In grey, countries that do not recognise PalestineIn gray, countries that consider Hamas a terrorist group

Why does the West say Hamas is a terrorist group? We all know that it is the political party that legitimately won the elections in Gaza and that today it would surely be victorious in the whole of Palestine if another election were held.

Perhaps the problem is that it has a military wing, the Al-Quds Brigades, but that is something common to the rest of the Palestinian factions, nor should it be something very decisive. Fatah, the West's favorite Palestinian group, is associated with the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades, even if they work very little. Maybe that's the point, that they successfully confront the Zionist occupier to try to free themselves from the colonial rule of the mobs of fundamentalist Jewish invaders from all over the world. Isn't that what occupied peoples are supposed to do as recognized by international law?

That's where the old, moribund world order comes in, giving the U.S. absolute power to categorize and sanction whomever it pleases as terrorists if they collide militarily with its interests anywhere in the world (or dictatorships if they clash in the political arena). The setback for them is that, especially since the war against Russia in Ukraine, the king is already walking naked and what was once seen as the all-powerful *international community* that represented the entire world, has now dwindled to symbolize only and exclusively the collective West, a small and quite minority, part of the planet.

On what basis then do they justify their discourse? They often say it's because they shoot Israeli civilians. But isn't that what Israel does? Perhaps the problem lies in the fact that Hamas' homemade rockets are not precise enough to direct them where they want, unlike Zionist missiles, which can be directed to the millimeter and are mostly deliberately launched against Palestinian civilians, against their hospitals, schools, mosques or churches. Who, then, is the real terrorist?

Moreover, it is difficult to recognize that there are civilians in the state of Israel when all, absolutely all of its population is militarized from the age of 18 to beyond the age of 50. When the so-called civilians of the Zionist state are mostly armed and when they practice terror against defenseless Palestinians every day.

Other times they say that Hamas is terrorist because its militants practice kidnapping. I would ask you, do you know how many thousands of Palestinians rot in enemy jails? Now there are about five thousand, but there have been more than doubles. Jewish cells are filled with political prisoners, women, children, the sick and people without any charges, what they euphemistically call *administrative detentions*. Who really is the terrorist?

Thus we could go on ad infinitum. Hamas is not a terrorist group, it is the legitimate representatives of the Palestinian people, democratically elected. And they are also part of the self-defense groups of the oppressed Palestinian people, who are facing a terrorist state of the worst kind that exists on the entire planet.

Probably, the point is that, according to Sastre and Rostand's thesis, Hamas is poor, does not kill enough, and confronts the United States and its allies. That's all... Let us bear this in mind every time we listen to our politicians or our media.

And those who think that the above is only the result of a partisan position, should read and re-read Resolution 3070 of the United Nations General Assembly, which:

... It also reaffirms the legitimacy of the struggle of peoples to free themselves from foreign colonial domination and foreign subjugation by all possible means, including armed struggle.

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