

## IMAM AYATULLAH KHOMEINI AND QUDS

### Israel is the Real Danger

**I**t should be realized that many sensitive positions are in the hands of Israel agents. The danger of Israel to Islam and Iran is very real...It is necessary for our distinguished religious scholars and respected orators to make the other classes aware of the situation so that we can stop them in time. Today is not the time to act as before, and we shall lose everything by keeping silent and detaching ourselves. (1962)

### We Oppose Pact With Israel

I declare to the heads of the Muslim countries and to Arab and non-Arab governments that Islamic scholars, religious leaders, the pious nation of Iran and the noble army are brothers of the Muslim governments and share in their gains and in their losses. They would oppose any pact with Israel – the enemy of Islam and Iran, in abhorrence. I proclaim this clearly and openly: let then the Israel agents end my life (1963).

### America: Protector of Israel

It is America, which protects Israel and its sympathizers; it is America, which empowers Israel to make Muslim Arabs homeless...(1964).

### Muslims Should Arm Themselves Against Israel

Today, the first "*qibla*" (place toward which one prays) of Muslims has fallen into the hands of Israel, this cancerous tumor of the Middle East; today it (Israel) is with all its might shedding the blood of our dear Palestinian and Lebanese brothers. Today, Israel is creating disunity with all the devilish means at its disposal, and it is incumbent upon every Muslim to arm himself against Israel. (1977).

### Camp David Is Not Acceptable

The Camp David agreement and agreements like it are a plot to legitimize Israel's aggressions, which have altered the situation in Israel's favour and to the Arabs' and Palestinians' disadvantage. Such a situation will never be accepted to the people of the region. (1978).

## No Free Person Recognizes Israel

Neither the Muslims nation of Iran, nor any Muslim – basically no free person – recognizes Israel, and as for us, we shall always defend our Palestinian and Arab brothers. (1978).

## Israel Is Our Enemy

We are on the side of the oppressed – anyone who is oppressed anywhere –and the Palestinians are oppressed; Israel has oppressed them and so we are on their side—We reject Israel and will not have any relations with it. Israel is a usurping government and our enemy. (1978).

## Disunity Is the Cause of Disaster

If the Arab governments with their vast populations and groups were united, these disasters would not have occurred to Palestine and Quds. Unfortunately, the Arab governments did not heed our advice and did not pay attention to the differences created amongst them by the foreigners. These differences exist now too, and one of them is the difference created by the pact made between Egypt and Israel. Foreign hands fanned the flames of differences between Muslim governments, and as the latter are not politically developed, they could not resolve their problems, and thus surrendered to such crimes, which resulted in increased differences between the Muslims and the Muslim governments. This is the cause of our great sorrow. (1979).

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