

If It Starts With “UN,” It’s Unreliable: The Truth About UNRWA

The Lie:

- UNRWA is a humanitarian agency supporting Palestinian refugees.

The Truth:

- UNRWA isn’t a relief agency — it’s a Hamas front group that radicalizes Gazans, glorifies terror in its classrooms, and bankrolls the terrorism.

Background:

- Created in 1949 to aid roughly 700,000 Arab refugees — a war launched by five Arab armies seeking to destroy the newly declared State of Israel — UNRWA was meant to be temporary.
- The agency began operations in 1950 and was initially focused on direct relief and employment projects to prevent starvation and distress among refugees. UNRWA’s mandate was understood to be temporary, contingent on political resolutions to the refugee problem. However, this temporary situation evolved into a long-standing mandate, as the agency expanded its services to include education, health, social services, and microfinance for millions of Palestinian refugees and their descendants.
- As of 2024, UNRWA is the only UN agency that makes refugee status hereditary — inflating its registry from 700,000 in 1949 to 5.9 million, many of whom are citizens elsewhere. The agency is now deeply infiltrated by Hamas and weaponizes aid against Israel.

Truth Explained:

- **Deep terrorist infiltration:** UNRWA is **deeply infiltrated by Hamas**. UNRWA funnels international aid in ways that strengthen Hamas’s control and sustain its war against Israel ([IDF Report, Apr 2025](#))
- Israeli intelligence found **1,462 of UNRWA’s 12,521 Gaza employees (12%)** are members of Hamas or Palestinian Islamic Jihad — dozens joined the Oct 7 massacre. ([IDF Report, Apr 2025](#))
- **Aid diverted to terror:** Since Hamas took control of the Gaza Strip in 2007, UNRWA has enabled Hamas’s military buildup, diverting international assistance meant for civilians into tunnels, rockets, and drones. ([Jerusalem Post, Nov 6 2025](#))
- **Systematic abuse of facilities:** UNRWA offices, schools, and warehouses were used as **Hamas command centers and weapons sites**, powered by the agency’s own utilities. ([Jerusalem Post, Nov 6 2025](#))
- **In October 2025, indoctrination resumed:** Despite evidence that UNRWA staff joined the Oct 7 massacre, the agency **quietly reopened schools in Gaza** under Hamas’s shadow — without reforms, oversight, or curriculum changes. ([Times of Israel, Nov 8 2025](#))
- **Classrooms of hate:** UNRWA textbooks glorify jihad and martyrdom. **IMPACT-se** found antisemitic lessons, maps erasing Israel, and “martyrdom math.” ([NGO Monitor, Jan 31 2024](#))
- **Teachers cheering massacre:** A Telegram group of **3,000 UNRWA educators** celebrated Hamas’s Oct 7 attacks with rocket emojis and videos. ([The Media Line, Jan 31 2024](#))
- **Terror tunnels beneath UN facilities:** The IDF uncovered a **Hamas command center directly beneath UNRWA’s Gaza headquarters**, powered by cables from the building above. ([JINSA, Oct 30 2024](#))
- **Congressional freeze after Oct 7:** After revelations that UNRWA staff joined the October 7 massacre, **Congress halted all U.S. funding for UNRWA through March 2025**. ([Jerusalem Center for Security & Foreign Affairs, Jul 30 2025](#))
- **Democratic efforts to restore funding continue:** The **UNRWA Funding Emergency Restoration Act (Mar 2025)** seeks to override the freeze — despite Israeli proof of terrorist infiltration. ([JCFA, Jul 30 2025](#))
- **European complicity:** **Germany, France, Sweden, Japan, and Canada** quietly resumed tens of millions in aid after a UN “review” whitewashed evidence of terrorism. ([JINSA, Oct 30 2024](#))
- **Global donors ignore terror ties:** Despite all this, **celebrities and NGOs raised ≈ \$150 million for UNRWA**, glamorizing a terror-linked agency. **U.S. rapper Macklemore** and others donate streaming proceeds directly to it. ([Sada Elbalad, Sept 6 2024](#))

Quotes:

- “UNRWA is a horror show that is decades in the making — co-produced by the U.S. taxpayer.” — *Richard Goldberg, FDD testimony to U.S. Congress (Jan 30 2024)*
- “The last place any child should be is in the very hands of the system that produced generations of jihadi foot soldiers.” — *Lt. Col. (res.) Jonathan Conricus, Jerusalem Post (Nov 6 2025)*
- “UNRWA is a subsidiary of Hamas and must have no role in Gaza’s future.” — *U.S. Secretary of State Marco Rubio (Nov 2025)*

Takeaway:

UNRWA isn’t humanitarian, it’s Hamas with UN funding. Every dollar sent to UNRWA fuels terror, not peace.