Obama's anti-Israel bias has been around for many years

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Secretary of State John Kerry's disgraceful anti-Israel speech recently belies the anti-Israel sentiment that is prevalent in the Obama administration, especially Obama himself.

Kerry's insistence on a two-state solution without requiring the acceptance of Israel's right to exist by the Palestinians and his insistence that Israel reduce its borders to where they were before the 1967 war (the Six-Day War) indicates that they are too ignorant or too prejudiced to understand how much this endangers Israel.

This misinformation about Israel is nothing new. For example, in June of 2016, a misinformation article appeared on Al Jazeera that read, "On June, 1967, an unprovoked Israel invaded Palestinian, Egyptian, and Syrian territories at once. Six days and over 300,000 Palestinian refugees later, it had occupied the Sinai Peninsula, Gaza Strip, West Bank and Golan Heights."

In fact what had happened was when Egypt amassed its military on the border of Israel, Israel assumed an attack was eminent and launched a preemptive strike that all but wiped out the Egypt's military. At the same time, Syria and Jordan attacked Israel, but Israel defeated them. As a result, Israel took the West Bank and East Jerusalem from Jordan and the Golan Heights from Syria.

Obama's recent snubbing of Israel by preventing the veto of a U.N. resolution against Israel's settlement in these "occupied territories" is nothing new either. Here is what I wrote in an article back in April of 2011:

"Israel has had the support of the United States since 1948, but it has had little support and a lot of condemnation from the United Nations. To this day, the majority of America's legislators support Israel, and they recently urged Obama to place pressure on the Palestinians to resume peace talks with Israel.

"However, Obama and some in his administration appear to have little interest in the protection of Israel from the attacks of the Palestinians or the Iranians.

"A former advisor to Obama and the wife of his science czar Cass Sunstein, Samantha Power, advised Obama back in 2008 that the state of Palestine should be created, and that a 'mammoth protection force' should be created to stop the genocide that Israel is supposedly committing upon the Palestinians.

"The Washington Times reported on February 17 of this year (2011) that "the administration recently told Arab governments Washington will support a U.N. Security Council resolution that

stipulates the world body 'does not accept the legitimacy of continued Israeli settlement activity,' referring to the construction of Jewish settlements on land claimed by the Palestinians."

That same year, Obama refused to meet with Israeli Prime Minister Bibi Netanyahu because he had refused to concede to Obama's demands to stop construction of settlements in East Jerusalem. Here is something else I reported in an article in 2011:

"An article in the Free Republic also said, 'Sources said Obama also urged Netanyahu to accept Palestinian Authority conditions for the resumption of direct negotiations. One of the demands submitted by PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas was for Israel to agree to a full withdrawal from the West Bank before talks begin."

"So far, Netanyahu has held his ground against Obama's demands. In March of this year (2011) he made it plain in an AIPAC speech that Israel will stop Iran from getting nuclear weapons, whether or not they have help from the United States or anyone else. He also explained emphatically in that speech that they would not allow Israel to be divided and that they would also not stop the development of settlements in Jerusalem."

Anti-Israel sentiment in America is not limited to the Obama administration. I also wrote this in 2011:

"Even some churches in America no longer support Israel. In 2007 and 2008, the World Council of Churches produced several documents that not only condemned Israel for 'occupying' Palestinian land, but revived an old doctrine of 'replacement theology' that claims that today's Church replaced Israel and that today's Jews have no connection with Moses. The Presbyterian Church (USA), which declared in 2004 that we must divest ourselves of Israel, endorsed one of those documents that called for a boycott of Israel and support for the Palestinians."

Obama's parting shot at Israel for not conceding to the demands of the Palestinians is his last attempt to poison relations between the United States and Israel.

However, President-elect Trump has made it very plain that he is pro-Israel. Israel has a right to its territory, and the United States and its churches need to support Israel's defense, including the construction of settlements on the land it rightfully owns.



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