

Dear Maoz Partner,

On Sunday this week, Israel's Public Security Minister, Gil'ad Erdan, presented a report compiled by Israel's Strategic Affairs Ministry, revealing the connections between different BDS (Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions) organizations and internationally-recognized terror groups.

The ministry has been working on the study for the past two years with a goal to combat the BDS, whose "work" is becoming more and more visible and publicized.

Currently there are about 300 organizations around the world calling for a boycott of Israel. The ministry presented a list of 42, that "generate hatred of Israel." Erdan then gave several examples of known (and some convicted) terrorists, who are now active members of BDS organizations. He calls them "terrorists in suits."

Overall, the report identifies over 100 ties of terrorist organizations with organizations promoting BDS. It also identified 30 terrorists, some of whom murdered Israelis, who are currently serving or have in the past served in key positions at 13 organizations promoting BDS in the U.S, Europe, and other countries.

Erdan revealed, that over the last 10 years, these BDS groups have built a network - including on the internet - which allows them to communicate and work together against Israel.

Of course, these organizations go to any lengths needed, including spreading lies and incitement, as well as violence, in order to hurt Israel on the international scene. Over the years, the BDS movement has been "successful" in many of their endeavors, including closing a "Soda Stream" plant in the West Bank (Judea and Samaria!), which cost many Palestinians a decent job and left their families without a source of income.

The fact is, that BDS has been able to mobilize a small army of supporters in every country where they are active. The protests they organize vary from several dozen who are shouting across the street from a hall where an Israeli orchestra is playing, to thousands of people who march on the streets in support of the Palestinian people, claiming that the destruction of Israel is the only solution to the Middle East conflict.

But the fact is, also, that we are in a spiritual war. And this war is fought with weapons that are not carnal, but spiritual.

As brothers and sisters in arms, I invite you to join us in prayer this week:

Against the BDS. Pray for the report presented on Sunday to be recognized in every country where BDS organizations operate. Pray for real steps to stop the support of terrorists. Pray that the BDS organizations with proven ties to terrorist groups to be banned from campuses around the world.

The vast majority of people will never hear on the news how Israel daily provides humanitarian aid to Palestinians in need, including treating the sick in Israeli hospitals, providing food and medicine to villages, and more. For various reasons, some of these activities are even being kept secret. Pray that in spite of the BDS, Israel will continue helping her enemies in the Middle East, and that this aid would be a high priority of the next government, whomever is elected.

Pray that the BDS will not penetrate the body of believers around the world, and that all who love the God of Israel will also love and support Israel. Not because we are so perfect or the "elect," but because Israel is a key part of God's plan of salvation for the entire world.

For the Israeli elections which are 9 weeks away. Pray for the Lord to give us leaders who have pure hearts and clean hands.

For Ari, Shira, and our directors around the world. Pray for wisdom and anointing, health and strength. Pray for each director as they set goals for expanding the reach of Maoz in 2019. Pray for creative ideas on how to help the younger generations understand the importance of standing with and supporting Israel.

Pray for Ari, who is currently in the U.S., attending the President's Prayer Breakfast.

Pray for Shira, who is working on the next issue of the Maoz Israel Report.

For our worldwide staff.

For healing for Yacov Damkani and Eddie Santoro. We will update you as soon as we have anything new to tell you.

For the "Narrated Bible in Chronological Order" project. Pray for the upcoming meeting later this month. Pray that the progress of work will continue as planned, and this project will be finished on time. Pray for the Lord to supply every resource needed to complete this Bible with excellence.

For Maoz Media. Pray for the Lord to expand our reach of young Israelis with the Gospel.

For the Hebrew Books department. In 2019 the department is focusing on youth and children's books. We just received the rights to translate 2 new books, and are now beginning to plan the process and timeline. Pray for everything to fall into place, so that the work of translating can begin.

For the body of believers in Israel. Pray for unity. Pray for wisdom. Pray for Spiritual growth. Pray that we will be a light to our nation.

For Israeli Messianic believers persecuted for their faith.

For our Arab brothers and sisters in Messiah.

For the salvation of Israel.

From Maoz UK: Last Saturday there was an excellent prayer for the nation event at the Wembley Arena, with thousands in attendance and many more following online. It's important to keep momentum in prayer as we continue to pray for our nation.

Please pray for Maoz Ireland. They now have a separate charity status in the Republic and are looking to grow and make a difference in a country where there is a strong anti-Semitic lobby. Pray for our director there, Miriam, and also Mary, who works closely with her.

Please pray for the younger generation of believers in the UK and Ireland. We need to make sure that they hear and understand the truth about Israel. Pray for us at Maoz UK as we consider various ways in which we could reach them.

Thank you for standing with us. Thank you for praying for us. We bless you in the precious name of Messiah Yeshua.

Shalom and Blessings from the Maoz Israel Ministries Team