Products to Boycott

Why? Items on the following pages are made in illegal settlements in the occupied West Bank beyond Israel’s recognized borders. These segregated colonies built on Palestinian land violate international law and have been opposed for many years by the United States and other nations. Thousands of Christians in the Holy Land have issued an urgent plea to churches of the world, asking for boycott and other economic measures to end the Israeli occupation of their land. Boycott can cause settlement companies like the one shown below to find legal locations.

What does our church say? For years, United Methodist General Conferences have passed resolutions titled “Opposition to Israeli Settlements on Palestinian Land.” In 2012, our General Conference passed a resolution that “calls on all nations to...prohibit the import of products made in Israeli settlements on Palestinian land.”

Keter Plastic Products
• Plastic containers
• Tool boxes
• Furniture
• Toys
• Outdoor & Indoor storage

Keter has a factory in the settlement of Barkan.

Royalife Linens
Sold as Williams Sonoma and Pottery Barn Brands

Williams Sonoma, which owns Pottery Barn, imports sheets from Royalife. Their labels say “Made In Israel” but many of the linens with that label are actually from the illegal settlement of Barkan inside the West Bank.

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For years, SodaStream (SodaClub) has had its main plant in Ma’ale Adumim, an illegal settlement. It has responded to boycott pressure by labeling its US products “Made in the West Bank,” and said it will leave the settlement by late 2015. We will monitor.

Ahava products are made in Mitzpe Shalem, an illegal settlement, with minerals and mud from the Dead Sea. They are sold globally in department stores and pharmacies, and are carried by many US retailers like T.J. Maxx, Marshall’s, Nordstrom’s, Ulta, and Macy’s.

These toys are made in Barkan, an illegal settlement. They are sold by Edushape as Interstar Toys, and by Toys R Us as part of its Imaginarianum Discovery Line.

Smart-Fab is sold online through school supply stores, Staples, Wal-Mart, and other vendors. It is made by Dispobud in the illegal Barkan settlement.