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Introduction

Anti-Semitism is widespread throughout the Arab and Muslim world, manifested in many segments of society. The Anti-Defamation League monitors and documents anti-Semitic cartoons and articles which appear daily in the Arab and Muslim media. This publication is the latest compilation of select anti-Semitic and thematic caricatures and articles in the Arab and Muslim media, and includes examples from July-December 2012.

Newspapers across the Arab and Muslim world continue to feature anti-Semitic caricatures and themes, with demonic depictions of Jews that include big noses, black coats and hats, large skull caps, and many promoting age-old global Judaization conspiracy theories, including blood libel themes, Nazi symbols and the use of animal references – snakes, wolves and scorpions - to sinisterly portray Israel.

This edition of the Review includes for the first time anti-Semitic cartoons from Iran. The featured images all appeared on the website of the Fars News Agency, a quasi-official Iranian government website, and depict themes similar to the anti-Semitic cartoons found in the Arab media.

The anti-Semitic cartoons appearing during the past few months relate to a number of issues, including Israel's military operations in Gaza aimed at destroying rockets being fired on Israeli civilians, and the November vote in the United Nations General Assembly to upgrade the Palestinian's membership status. There was also a prevalence of anti-Semitic cartoons focusing on the anti-Islam film "Innocence of Muslims." The film, which was falsely rumored to have been produced and financed by Jews, sparked a wave of violent demonstrations throughout the Muslim world.

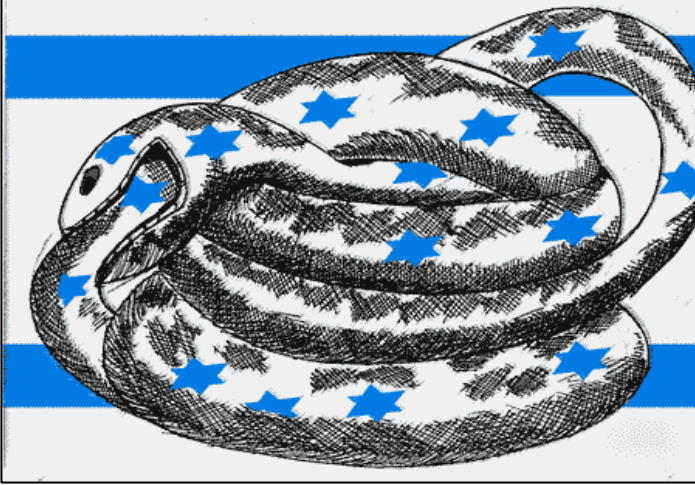
Another topic of focus was the November US presidential election. Arab and Muslim newspapers published a large number of anti-Semitic cartoons portraying President Obama, Governor Romney and the Democratic and Republican parties as subservient to Israeli interests, and being controlled by figures representing Israel and the Jews.

Finally, it is important to note that in the past few months the Anti-Defamation League has noticed a decline in the number of anti-Semitic cartoons published. This is likely attributable to a focus on domestic issues, specifically those relating to the Arab Spring, as well as the Syrian regime's brutality towards their citizens which grabbed the attention of many cartoonists. That said, while there were fewer anti-Semitic cartoons, a substantial number of incendiary and anti-Israel cartoons found their way into Arab and Muslim newspapers.

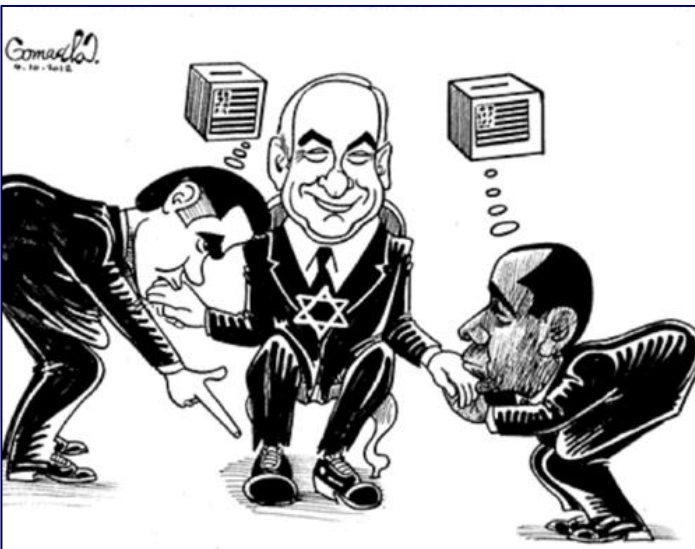
On the cover: Al-Watan, September 10, 2012 (Saudi Arabia)

Egypt

Cartoons



Al-Ahram weekly, October 4-10, 2012



Al-Ahram Weekly, October 4-10, 2012



Al-Ahram weekly, August 9-15, 2012

Articles

- "We call on Arab and Muslims, and the leadership of the Palestinian people, who still shake hands with the Jews and sit with them at the negotiation table – to go back to the Quran in order to truly know the Jews. This, as well as in order to forego the lie of peace which took us to dangerous places, brought upon us humiliation and shame, and which gave those who God had been angry with and cursed – the Jews, descendants of monkeys and pigs - our necks and capabilities... "
Ahmad Abu Zaid, "The Zionists are a People of Killers and War Criminals," *Al-Wafd*, November 21, 2012
- "... Violating treaties and agreements for them (Jews) is easier than drinking water and breathing air. Those are the Jews and this is the Jewish nature, even if they beautified themselves and were polite, hypocritical and cajoled, and deceived the entire world. We Muslims mustn't be deceived by them or by their claims or lies, for that which informed us of their nature is their creator and the most knowledgeable about them..."
Dr. Muhammad Ali Dabur, "Camp David Between Modification and Change," *Al-Misriyyun*, November 19, 2012
- "... Jews hold a monopoly over the world film industry and subject it to their goals and in the service of Israel and Zionism. Even world renowned actor Marlon Brando remained out of work for a long time after criticizing Jewish and Israeli control over film production companies. In addition, world famous director Steven Spielberg didn't win an Oscar until he directed Schindler's List, which falsely sides with the Jews..."
Farahat Husam Ad-Din, "The Arab Predicament: Not a Word!", *Al-Ahram*, October 22, 2012
- "...I totally agree with the view whereby the events resulting from the dissemination of the offensive film against the Prophet (Mohammed), peace be upon him, occur in the framework of the Zionist plot to provoke the Muslims, and to corroborate claims which revolve around their terrorist image in the eyes of the world. However, I stress that highlighting the true image of Islam and Muslims, in Muslim media in general and in Arab media in particular, is greatly insufficient. This, in addition to the lack of efforts to pass laws around the world, that make the defamation of religions a criminal offense,

like the laws Jews succeeded to pass in many countries, which make a criminal offense what they called anti-Semitism or denying the existence of the mass slaughter Jews reportedly suffered at the hand of the Nazis. This, even though religions and their sanctity existed prior to nationalities and the ardent zeal toward them..."

Nahal Shukri, "Political Inclinations: The Message," *Al-Ahram*, September 23, 2012

- "...History has not known a more powerful secret organization than the Freemasonry, and it is the oldest organization known to mankind. In addition, it is of the evil of the doctrines of destruction, Jewish thought is a product of which..."

'Ali Khamis, "World Zionism... Is It Stealing The Fruit Of The Egyptian Revolution?!", *Al-Wafd*, July 24, 2012

Gaza – Hamas

Articles

- “...UNRWA intends on discontinuing some services in the near future, such as dental treatment and physical therapy. At the same time, it is concerned with and supports the fictitious story of the Jews’ Holocaust, and wants to teach it to our children and students in a compulsory manner. And this is precisely the audacity: when UNRWA wants the son of Amman New Camp in Jordan¹ to sympathize with a Jew who drove him out, displaced him, and occupied his land and home. This is irrefutable proof that the Agency, which is part of the UN, fundamentally works against the Palestinian people and against the Palestinian cause. In this manner, it fulfills the goals of the UN, which gave legitimacy to the occupation state (Israel) and refuses to recognize a Palestinian state even as an observer state, because it was created only for the realization of the Jews’ goals...”

Dr. ‘Isam Shawir, “UNRWA is Determined to Support the False Jewish Narrative,”
Filastin, October 16, 2012

¹ Palestinian Refugee Camp

Iran

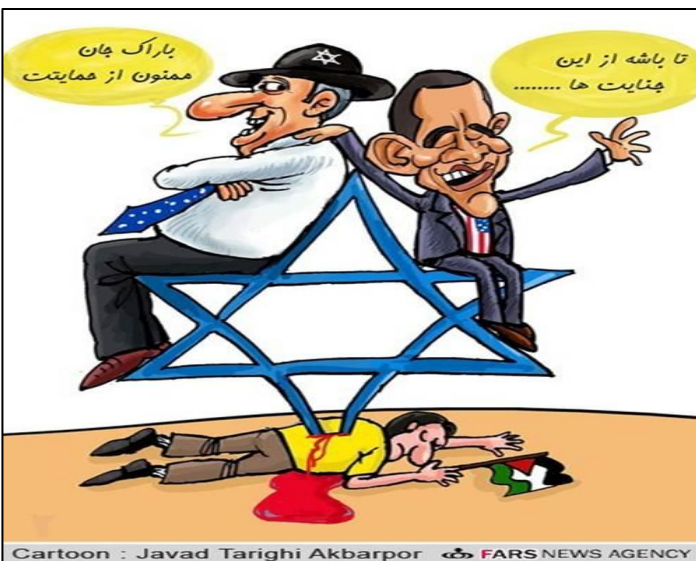
Cartoons



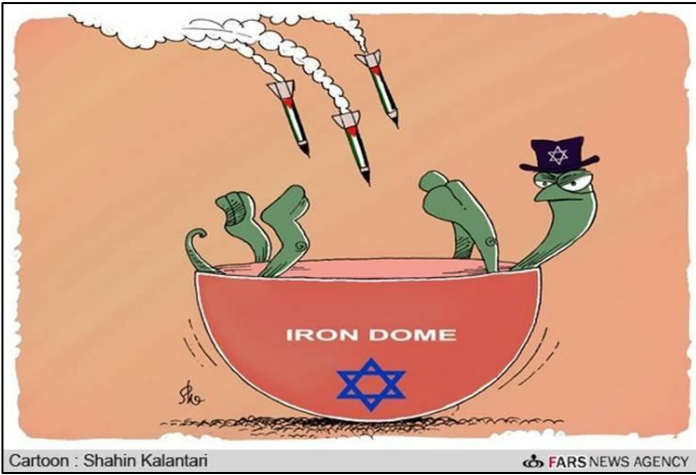
Fars, November 2012



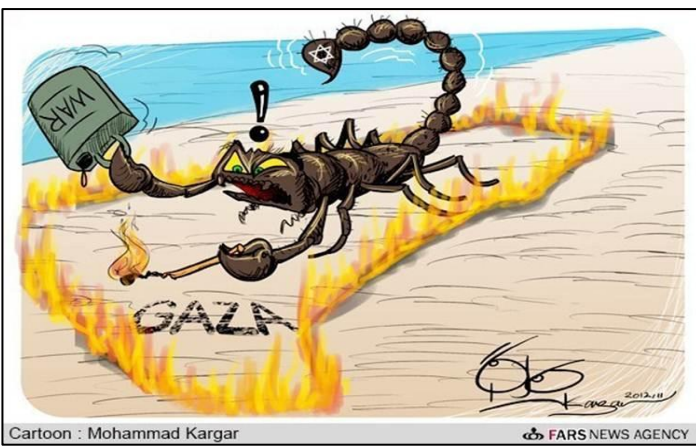
Fars, November 2012



Fars, November 2012
Netanyahu: "Barak, my dear, thank you for the support." Obama: "Until these crimes continue..."



Fars, November 2012



Fars, November 2012



Fars, November 2012



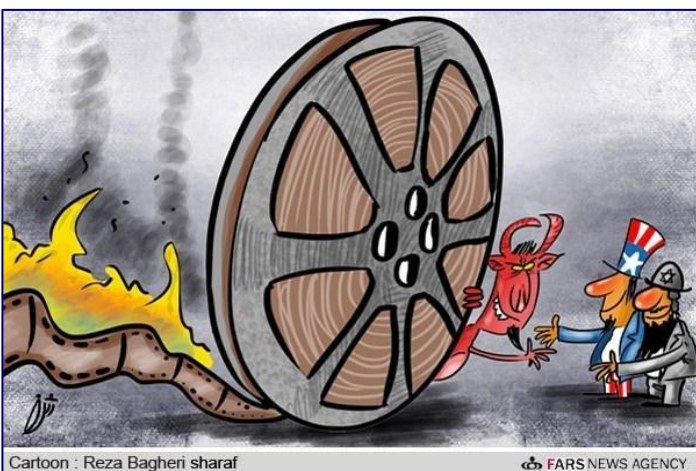
Fars, October 23, 2012



Fars, October 18, 2012



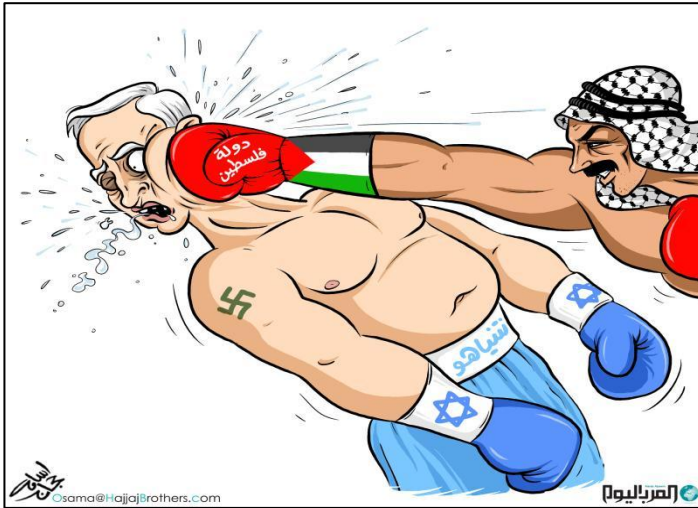
Fars, September 19, 2012
The Jewish serpent is being led by Satan. He is waving an American flag and his hissing tongue is depicted as the anti-Muslim film "The Innocence of Muslims."



Fars, September 19, 2012
The American and Jew shake the hand of Satan who is hiding behind the film reel.

Jordan

Cartoons



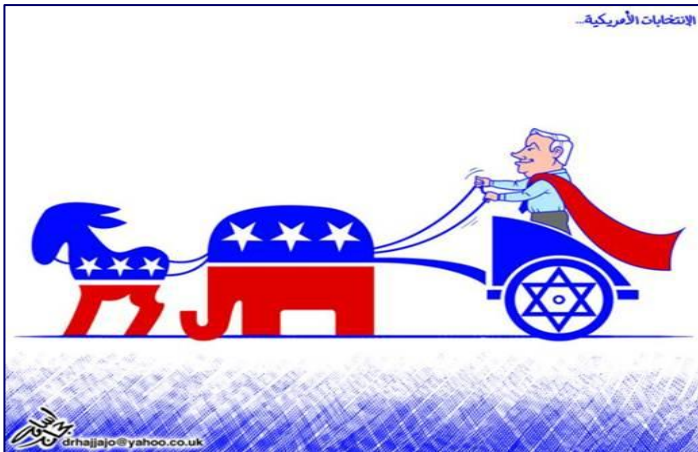
Al-'Arab Al-Yawm, December 4, 2012
The "State of Palestine" is depicted punching "Netanyahu."



Ad-Dustur, November 17, 2012



Ar-Rai, November 6, 2012
Headline: "The 2012 US Elections."
Written on the podiums: "The Democratic Candidate Obama" and "The Republican Candidate Romney."



Al-'Arab Al-Yawm, October 19, 2012
The cartoon's headline: "US Elections."



Ad-Dustur, October 10, 2012
The figures represent the Republicans and the Democrats.



Ar-Rai, October 8, 2012
The Israeli soldiers are shooting from atop a Torah scroll which is partly covering the word "Jerusalem".



Al-Ghad, September 10, 2012
Headline: "Judaization of Jerusalem."
The figure represents Jerusalem.



Ad-Dustur, September 5, 2012
Written on the rifles: "terrorism" and "racism."



Ammon News, August 4, 2012
Written in the cloud: "Arab Spring" and Netanyahu is eating "Jerusalem."



Al-Ghad, August 1, 2012
Headline: "Romeo of the US elections!"



Ad-Dustur, July 27, 2012
The arm represents Syria.



Ad-Dustur, July 23, 2012
The Al-Aqsa Mosque is in the Jews' mouth.



Ad-Dustur, July 5, 2012

Articles

- "...The Zionist propaganda turned a few hundred or thousand Jews who had been burned in the Nazi period into millions, and made them a matter of sentimental, spiritual and material robbery. This contributed to the emergence of the state of Israel on the land of Palestine..."

Laila Al-Hamud, "Egypt is Entitled to USD 20 Billion in Compensation from Israel!", *Ar-Raj*, November 25, 2012

- "... They are flocks of Jewish settlers spread all over Jerusalem and the West Bank, increasing like cancer, picking quarrels freely, in a manner which calls to mind the wild American cowboy era. They became the 'settler state', numbering approximately 600-700 thousand settlers, all of whom deserve the death sentence..."

Nawwaf Az-Zarw, "A Campaign to Improve the Image of Jewish Colonialists – Imagine...!?", *Al-'Arab Al-Yawm*, October 18, 2012

- "...Prisoner Al-Aqsa (Mosque) is today at the eye of the storm. It was and will remain the appointed time and place of the prophet killers, enemy's rabbis, hateful religious, mob of criminal settlers, and peculiars of Brooklyn. They agreed on the anniversary of what is called the 'Destruction of the Temple', to storm the Mosque and desecrate it. This, on the grounds that it is set up in the Holy Basin, in the land of the alleged Temple after its destruction..."

Rashid Hasan, "The Rush to Al-Aqsa," *Ad-Dustur*, July 29, 2012

Lebanon

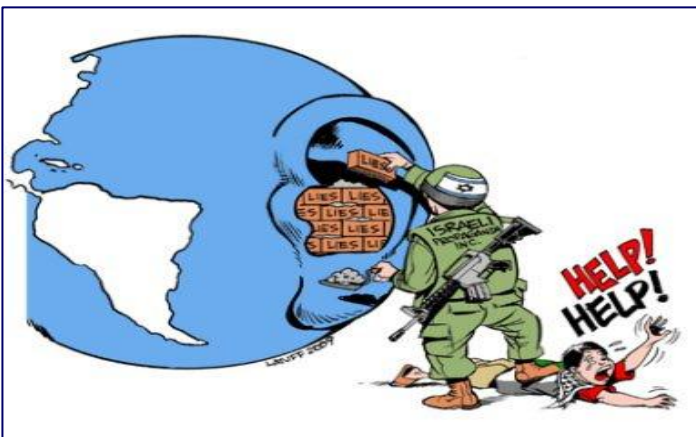
Cartoons



Al-Bina, November 20, 2012
On the arm: "The resistance."



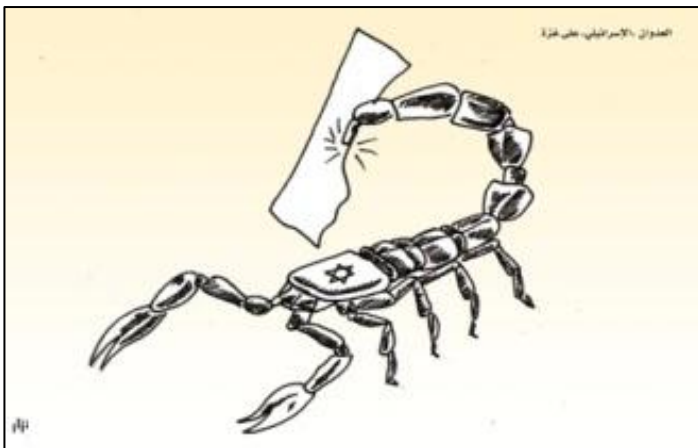
Al-Intiqad, November 19, 2012
Headline: "Gaza exposed the origin and the forgery."



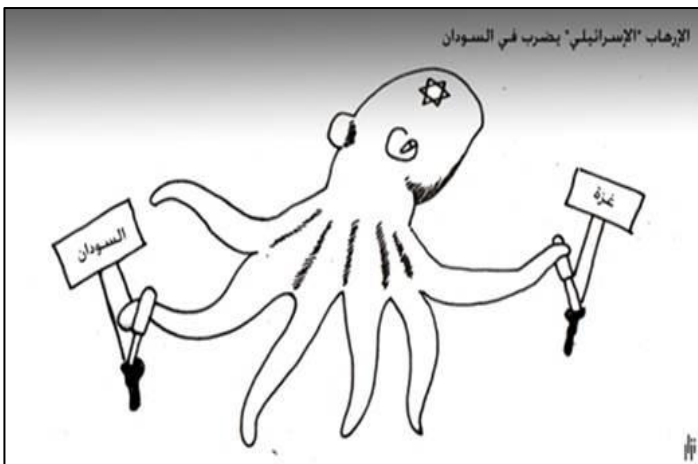
Al-Akhbar, November 17, 2012



Al-Bina, November 15, 2012
 Headline: "Ongoing Zionist hostility towards Gaza."



Al-Bina, October 28, 2012
 Headline: "The Israeli aggression toward Gaza."



Al-Bina, October 25, 2012
 Headline: "The Israeli terror strikes in Sudan." Written on the signs: "Sudan" and "Gaza."

Oman

Cartoons



Oman, October 10, 2012
Headline: "American presidential debates." The figures represent the Democratic and Republican parties.



Oman, September 20, 2012
Headline: "Settlements."

Palestinian Authority

Cartoons



Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, October 12, 2012
Headline: "The road to the White House."



Al-Quds, August 29, 2012
The apple represents Jerusalem and the "Arab Spring" is on TV.

Articles

- "...Followers of the Jewish religion are required to awaken from the coma of the forging of history, fabricated by the Zionist movement and the merchants of world capitalism, who traded and trade the slaughter of Jews at the hand of Fascism and Nazism during World War II. This, because what they do in Palestine against the Palestinian Arab people is more dangerous and repulsive than what Hitler's Holocaust caused Jews and the world's peoples at the time, in the 1940's..."

Adil Abd Al-Rahman, "The Pulse of Life: The Jewish New Year and Peace," *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida*, September 18, 2012

Qatar

Cartoons



Al-Jazeera, December 2, 2012



Ar-Raya, November 28, 2012



Ar-Raya, October 15, 2012
Headline: "Until the victory."
The rocket represents "the resistance."



Al-Watan, October 12, 2012
Written on the flag: "Obama"
and "Romney."



Al-Watan, September 19, 2012
Headline: "US elections."



Ar-Raya, September 4, 2012
The Arab figure is saying: "We sharply criticize, condemn and disapprove of what Israel does, namely the swallowing of Palestinian land; and we will continue to condemn and disapprove until the last breath."



Ar-Raya, September 2, 2012



Ar-Raya, August 30, 2012
The Jewish figure is watering the "Israeli Peace" with blood from the "Vein of the Palestinians."



Ar-Raya, August 2, 2012



Al-'Arab, August 1, 2012
Written on the ballot box: "US elections."

Articles

- "...Apologizing to peoples and countries has become a characteristic of our time, as statesmen, especially in western countries, have extended numerous apologies for mistakes that they or former rulers had made. This was done with the Jews, who practiced material and spiritual robbery in order to obtain financial compensation, by talking night and day of the hen which lays for them golden eggs – the Holocaust. This, until some western countries, such as Germany, Austria and Switzerland, paid them large compensations to atone for what the Jews call the crimes that these countries perpetrated against thousands of Jewish families killed in the Nazi slaughters. Western governments hounded – for the sake of the Jews – anyone who denied the occurrence of the alleged Holocaust or the number of its victims, be it a philosopher or a historian; and threatened them with imprisonment on charges of anti-Semitism. This, while Muslims and Arabs still look for someone to apologize to them for the injustice that afflicted upon them..."

Nuf Ali Al-Matiri, "The Time to Apologize has Come," *Ash-Sharq*, November 12, 2012

- "...There isn't a more rational or logical description to apply to what is called in forged history "the Holocaust", than deliberate and intentional manipulation of the western mind. This, in order to insert fright in the hearts of westerners and force them into the corner of anti-Semitism ..."

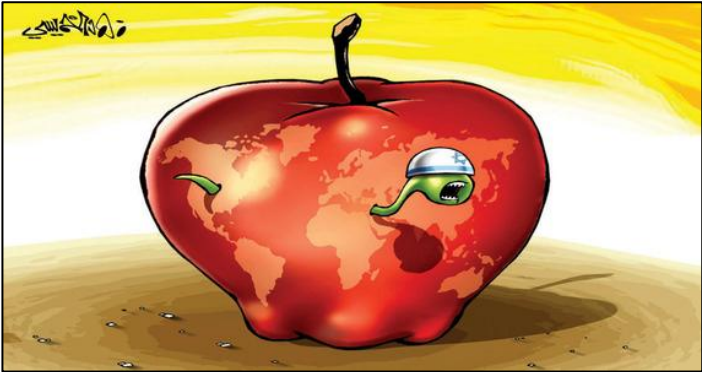
As'ad Al-Azuni, "The Holocaust ... A Manipulation of the Western Mind?!", *Ar-Raya*, October 16, 2012.

Saudi Arabia

Cartoons



Arab News, November 27, 2012



Al-Iqtisadiyya, November 22, 2012



Arab News, November 20, 2012



An-Nadwa, November 15, 2012
 Headline: "Gaza."



'Ukaz, November 10, 2012
 Written on the right: "Before the US elections."
 Written on the left: "After the US elections."



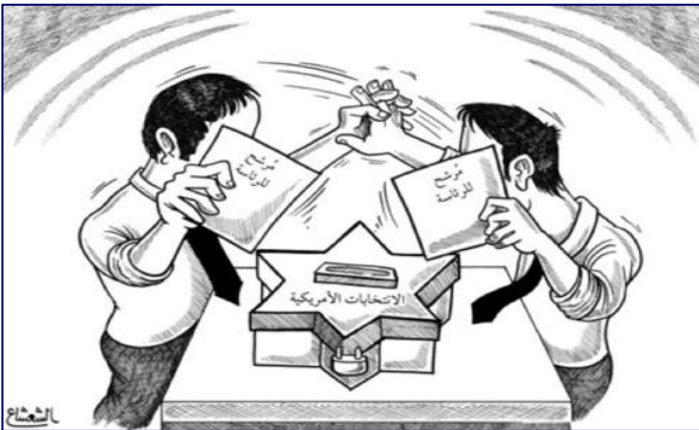
An-Nadwa, November 7, 2012
 Written on the ballot box: "The US elections."



Al-Watan, November 6, 2012



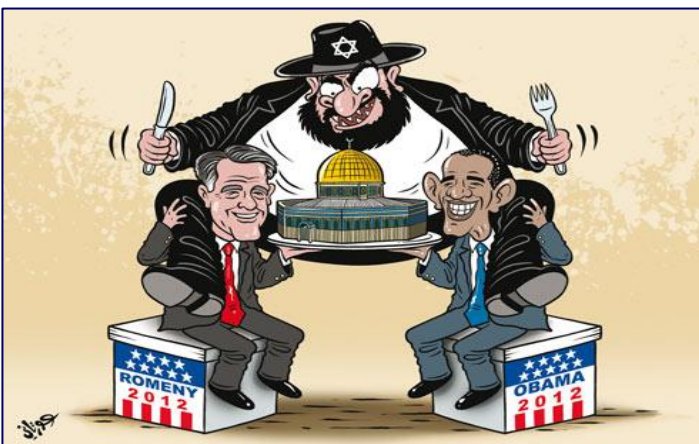
Arab News, October 1, 2012



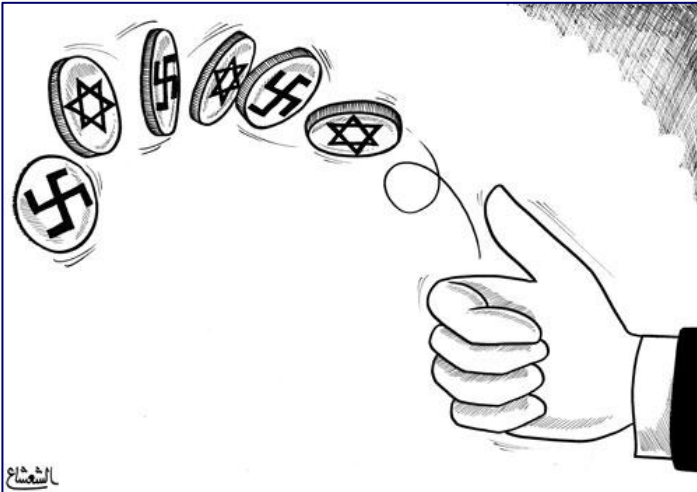
Al-Jazira, September 30, 2012
Written on the Star-of-David-shaped ballot box: "US elections." Written on the ballots: "Presidential candidate."



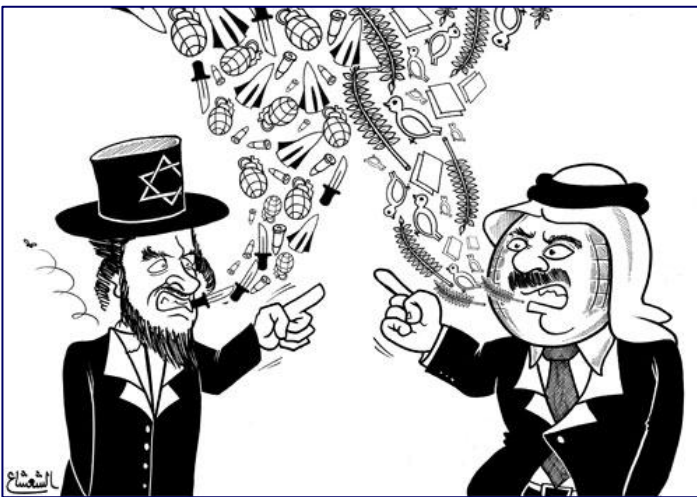
Al-Jazira, September 11, 2012



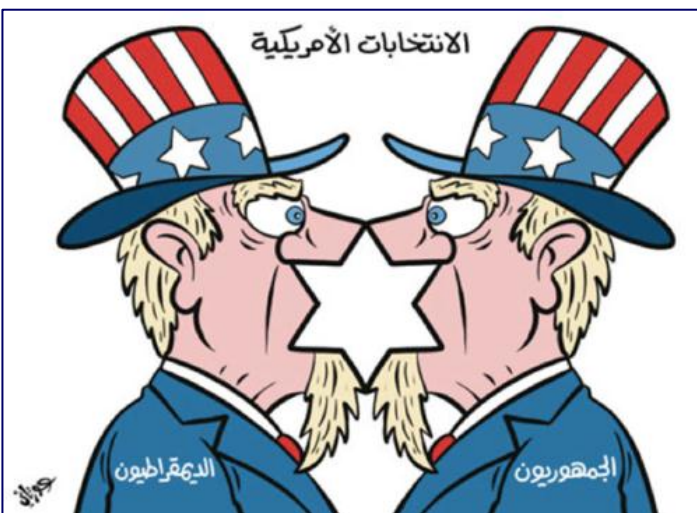
Al-Watan, September 10, 2012



Al-Jazira, August 21, 2012



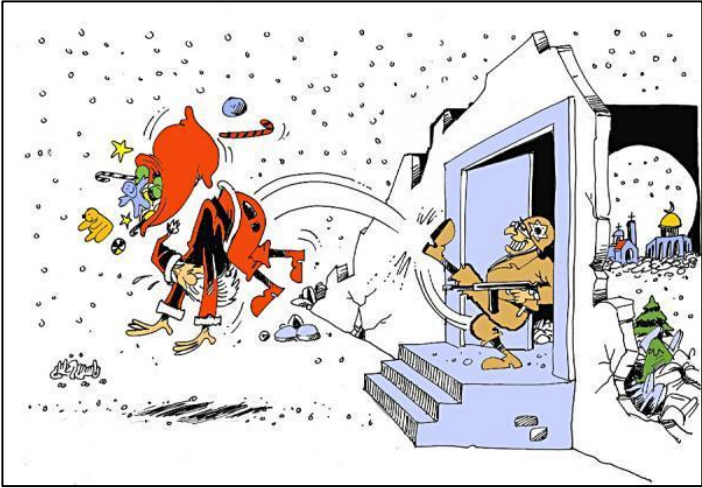
Al-Jazira, August 6, 2012



Al-Watan, August 1, 2012
 Headline: "The US elections." The figures represent the "Democrats" and the "Republicans."

Syria

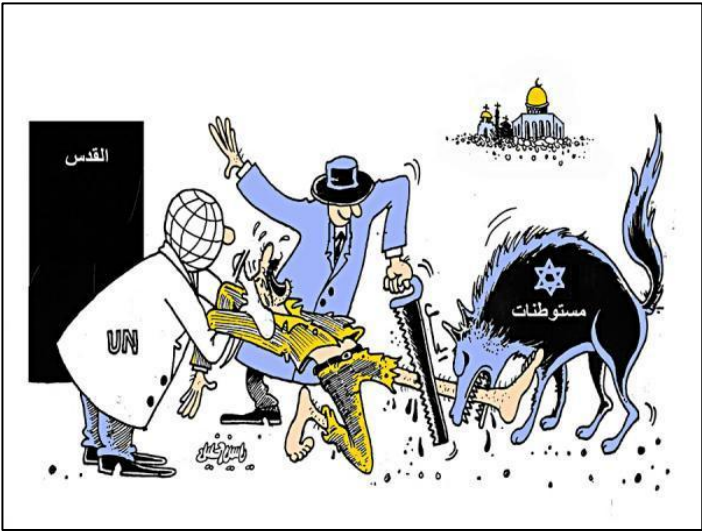
Cartoons



Tishrin, December 24, 2012



Tishrin, December 10, 2012



Tishrin, December 1, 2012
The wolf represents "settlements."
Written on the door: "Jerusalem."



Tishrin, August 3, 2012
The arms are those of Obama and Romney.



Tishrin, July 12, 2012
Headline: "The US elections."



Tishrin, July 9, 2012

Articles

- "...There are, in fact, numerous other texts that expose the Jews' conspiracy against the world's peoples in general, and against our Arab people and land in particular. But through the little that preceded, we comprehend that all Jews and Christians in the world who believe in this alleged Torah, believe in the Jews' right to establish their alleged sovereignty in our land. Here lies the danger of the matter, and through this the world Jewish government and its executive agencies - namely the Zionist movement, the Masonry and others - was able to tilt Western public opinion in its favor. This, while some Arab rulers still call for and promote projects of surrender, and call for dialogue with this usurping entity..."

Khalil Rashid, "The Roots of the Zionist Movement in the Old Testament," *Syria News*, November 11, 2012²

² The article was taken from the reader contribution section.

United Arab Emirates

Cartoons



Al-Bayan, December 23, 2012
Written on the pocket of the Arab figure: "Palestine."



Al-Ittihad, November 17, 2012
The right head is saying: "No to the armed resistance," and the left: "No to a peaceful solution."



Al-Imarat Al-Yawm, November 12, 2012
The child represents Gaza.



Al-Bayan, November 1, 2012



Al-Bayan, October 14, 2012
 Headline: "US elections."



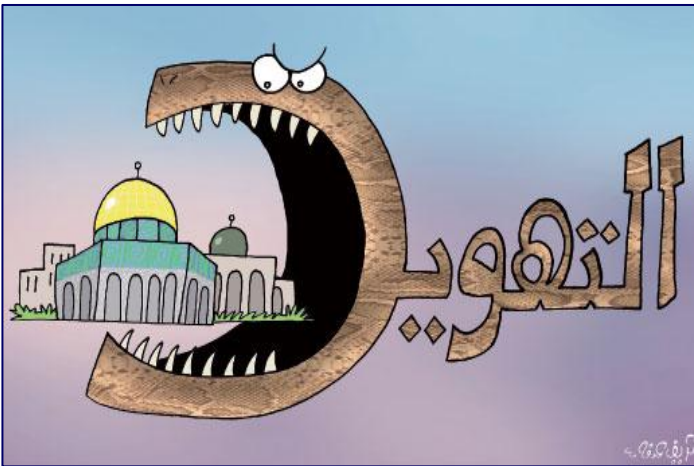
Gulf News, October 13, 2012



Al-Ittihad, September 25, 2012
 Headline: "Romney."



Al-Bayan, September 25, 2012



Al-Ittihad, September 8, 2012
Written: "Judaization."



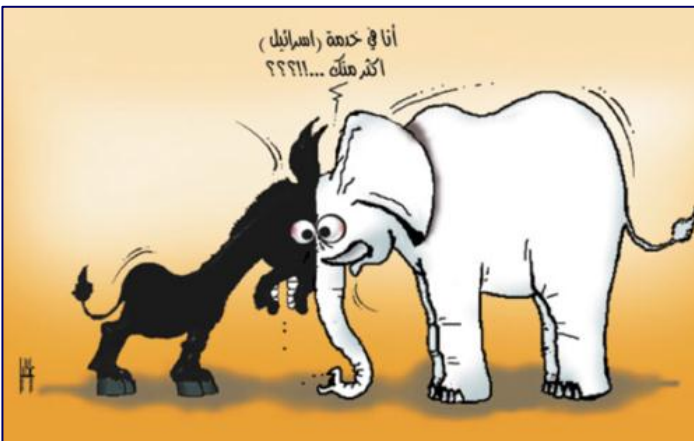
Al-Khalij, September 5, 2012
Headline: "The Middle East."
The figure represents Israeli PM Netanyahu.



Al-Khalij, August 28, 2012
The Jewish figure represents "Zionism" and the other figure the "world media."



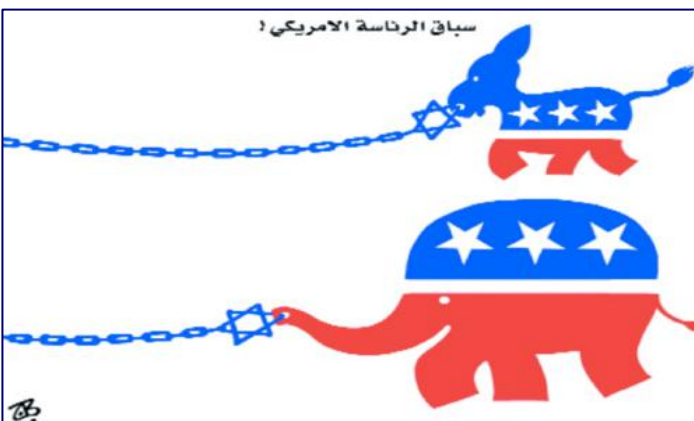
Al-Imarat Al-Yawm, August 16, 2012 The Jew is eating "Jerusalem." Written on the bottom of the Dome: "The Islamic world."



Al-Khalij, August 6, 2012 The Republicans and Democrats are saying to each other: "I am at Israel's service more than you...!!!!?"



Al-Ittihad, August 4, 2012 Headline: "Election campaigns..."



Al-Imarat Al-Yawm, July 31, 2012 Headline: "The US presidential race!"

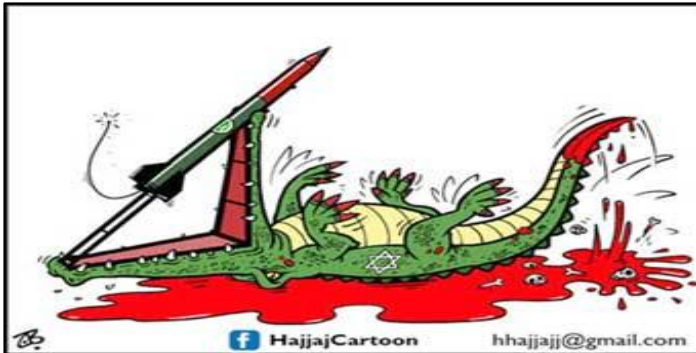
Articles

- "...These American positions (commitment to Israel's security) mean one thing: giving the Zionist entity a green light to continue its barbarity, with regard to settlements, Judaization, the Siege on Gaza, dismembering the West Bank, and writing off Jerusalem's original identity. This, in addition to the killing and arrests it carries out on a daily basis, as well as continuing to hold thousands of prisoners captive in its Nazi prison cells..."

(Editorial), "Ammunition to Continue the Aggression," *Al-Khalij*, July 17, 2012

United Kingdom-Based Newspapers

Cartoons



Al-Quds al-Arabi, November 22, 2012



Ash-Sharq Al-Awsat, November 12, 2012
Written on the door: "Gaza Strip."



Al-Quds Al-'Arabi, August 4, 2012
Written on the cloud: "Arab Spring."
Israeli PM Netanyahu is depicted eating "Jerusalem."



Al-Hayat, August 2, 2012
Headline: "US election fever." The figures represent Obama and Romney.

Articles

- "...A plausible hypothesis I came to know through a Jewish friend who is anti-Zionist, is that the 'Holocaust' was planned: that Jewish circles in Germany, Poland and elsewhere exploited the Nazis' hatred headed by Adolf Hitler, toward anyone who is not Nazi – a Jew or other – and incited them to perpetrate the 'Holocaust'. This, because they had a far-reaching strategic view to reap the fruits afterward. The very excessive pampering of Jews and the state of Israel on the part of Western governments, and the putting of Israel above the interests of the West itself – are some of the fruits of this Jewish planning..."

A. D. 'Ali Al-Hayl, "Israel is a Red Line' and All Else is Nothing," *Al-Quds Al-'Arabi*, July 30, 2012

- "...According to the widely circulated (Israeli daily) "Yediot Ahronot", approximately 200 German men and women who died in recent years, bequeathed everything they owned to the state of Israel. This, to atone for the Nazi Holocaust against the Jews. The German Nazis killed the Jews and we have paid the price in Palestine, in land and in human life, till this day. I consider the Palestinians worthier to inherit the Germans than a gang of war, occupation and racism established on lands of others, on the basis of fables of the Torah..."

Jihad Al-Khazin, "Eyes and Ears: Israelism," *Al-Hayat*, July 26, 2012

Select List of Middle East Media Outlets

Ad-Dustur (Jordan) — first issued on March 28, 1967, this government-owned daily expresses pro-Palestinian and anti-Israeli views. Editor in chief: Muhammad Hasan At-Tal.

Al-Ahram (Egypt) — an Egyptian daily controlled by the Egyptian government: the president appoints the editor. The editor (and the editors of the other government owned dailies, *Al-Gumhuriyya* and *Al-Akhabar*) is given substantial leeway in his editorial practices, assuming he avoids certain “taboos.” *Al-Ahram* is the largest Arabic paper in the world and has established the *Al-Ahram* Regional Press Institute. It was founded in 1875.

Al-Ahram Al-'Arabi (Egypt) — a weekly published by the Dar Al-Ahram publishing house. The editor-in-chief of the newspaper is Dr. 'Abd Al-'Ati Muhammad, and the chairman of the publishing house is Ibrahim Nafi, who is *Al-Ahram's* editor in chief. Although both newspapers are published by the same publishing house, *Al-Ahram* and *Al-Ahram Al-Arabi* are different. The editorials in *Al-Ahram* are always supportive of government positions, while the editorials in *Al-Ahram al-Arabi* are critical of the government and also other countries. The paper publishes very strong anti-Israeli views.

Al-Akhabar (Lebanon) - A leading Lebanese daily founded in 2006 by Joseph Samaha, after the 33-day war with Israel.

Al-'Arab (Qatar) - A Qatari daily established in 1972 by Abdullah Hisein Na'ma. It was issued until 1996, and then resumed in 2007. Editor in chief is Ahmad Bin Said Ar-Ramihi.

Al-'Arab Al-Yawm (Jordan) – Self-described “Independent” daily, based in Amman.

Al-Bayan (United Arab Emirates) — owned by the Al-Bayan Foundation for Press, Printing and Publication. The newspaper was founded in 1980 and the editor is Hasher Al-Mektom, a member of the royal family.

Al-Bina (Lebanon) – daily newspaper first published in 1958.

Al-Ghad (Jordan) — an independent and privately sponsored mainstream daily. Today the paper is less anti-Israel than it used to be.

Al-Hayat (United Kingdom) — a London-based pan-Arab daily, which reflects the general tone in the Arab world and tends to publish scoops.

Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Palestinian Authority) - The official Palestinian Authority daily.

Al-Imarat Al-Yawm (United Arab Emirates) – A newspaper published by *Dubai Media Incorporated*. The paper was first published in 2005. Editor in-chief: Sami ar-Riyami.

Al-Intiqad (Lebanon) - Pro-Hezbollah Lebanese daily.

Al-Iqtisadiyya (Saudi Arabia) – economics-focused daily, and its editor-in-chief is Salman Aldossary.

Al-Ittihad (United Arab Emirates) — it was first issued on October 20, 1969. The editor-in-chief is Rashid Salih Al-'Arimi. It is a government daily, which emphasizes the government's policy and its achievements in domestic and foreign affairs. The paper publishes all kinds of news related to the Arab and Muslim arena. It has a wide network of correspondents in Arab countries and the west. The paper is being published by Emirates Media (www.emi.ae).

Al-Jazeera (Qatar) - A very popular Qatari news channel accessible throughout the Arab World, launched in 1996, and headed by Sheikh Hamad bin Thamer bin Mohammed bin Thani Al-Thani. It has broadly covered the uprisings in the Arab world.

Al-Jazira (Saudi Arabia) — very conservative, pro-Islamic. The paper has a limited circulation and is not widespread in relation to the other Saudi papers. It was established in 1960. The editor-in-chief is Khalid Bin Hamd Al-Malik.

Al-Khalij (United Arab Emirates) — The country's largest Arabic language newspaper; it is privately-owned. It was founded in 1970.

Al-Misriyyun (Egypt) - A self-described "independent daily" Egyptian newspaper. The Editor in chief is Jamal Sultan, while the acting one is Mahmud Sultan.

Al-Quds (Palestinian Authority) - An opposition daily, which does not contradict the government's policy.

Al-Quds al-Arabi (United Kingdom) – A London based pan Arab daily first issued in 1989 by Palestinian expatriates. The paper is published by the *Al-Quds al-Arabi Foundation for Publishing and*

Media. Editor in-chief: Abd al-Bari Atwan.

Al-Wafd (Egypt) — *Al-Wafd* is the main opposition paper in Egypt. The paper criticizes the regime on a wide range of issues — from economy to internal and foreign policy. However, it is important to note that the criticism is only on subjects that are allowed by the regime. The paper is one of the most acceptable tools of opposition activism, since the Egyptians see themselves as supporters of freedom of the press, and the paper is supposed to be concrete proof to this idea. *Al-Wafd* expresses extreme anti-Israel and anti-Semitic views, in its articles and cartoons. Editors-in-chief are 'Adil Al-Qad and 'Adil Sabri.

Al-Watan (Qatar) — *Al-Watan* is one of the five Qatari dailies. *Al-Watan*'s chairman is Hamad bin Sahim Al Thani, a member of the royal family (all of the papers are owned by different branches of the royal family). The Foreign Minister, Hamad Bin Jasim Bin Jabir Al Thani, owns half of the newspaper. It was founded in 1995.

Al-Watan (Saudi Arabia) — a daily owned by the governor of the Asir district.

Al-Watan (Syria) – Self-described “Independent” political daily.

Ammon News (Jordan) - A Jordanian news website which describes itself as “a serious effort to build an alternative media form that gives a voice to the "silent majority" by allowing readers to obtain the news and to publicly post their reactions to local, regional and global developments in real time.”

An-Nadwa (Saudi Arabia) – daily newspaper whose editor-in-chief is Ahmad Bin Saleh.

Arab News (Saudi Arabia) — The first English daily newspaper in Saudi Arabia. Published simultaneously from Jeddah, Riyadh and Dhahran. Established in 1975 by Saudi Research & Publishing Co. (SRPC). It is distributed to Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman, Near East, North Africa, Europe and the USA. ArabNews Online is published by ArabNews from its offices located in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. Editor in Chief is Mr. Khalid Al-Maina.

Ar-Rai (Jordan) — first issued in 1971, it is a government daily which expresses the approaches of the Jordanian regime. The editor-in-chief is 'Abd Al-Wahab Zaghilat.

Ar-Raya (Qatar) — a government-sponsored daily edited by Yusuf Muhammad Darwish and published through the Gulf Company, which belongs to the royal family.

Ash-Sharq (Qatar) — a daily newspaper edited and managed by Mr. 'Abd Al-Latif Al-Mahmud and part of the Ash-Sharq publishing and printing house. The Ash-Sharq house board is headed by one of the royal family members.

Ash-Sharq Al-Awsat (United Kingdom) - A London-based pan-Arab daily which is sponsored by the Saudi government; it reflects the general tone in the Arab world and tends to publish scoops. It was founded in 1978. The editor-in-chief is Tariq Al-Humaid.

Fars (Iran) – The Fars News Agency is a quasi-official Iranian government news website.

Filastin (Gaza) — Affiliated with Hamas. It was first issued in May 2007.

Gulf News (United Arab Emirates) – English-language daily, based in Dubai. It was first published in 1978 and re-launched in 1985.

Oman (Oman) — first issued in November 1972, it is a government affiliated paper. The editor-in-chief is 'Abdallah Bin Nasir Ar-Rahabi.

Syria News (Syria) – A Syrian website that is part of *Dash Dot News Group*. Established in 2005.

Tishrin (Syria) — a state-sponsored and owned newspaper, in which the journalists are appointed and instructed by the government (the English-language *Syria Times* is published by *Tishrin* as well).

'Ukaz (Saudi Arabia) - A Saudi daily. Editor in chief is Abdullah Saleh Kamel.



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