



PCUSA Votes on Antisemitic Resolution Calling Israel an Apartheid State

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THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH USA WANTS TO CLAIM ISRAEL AS AN 'APARTHEID' STATE:

On June 29th, 2022 The Presbyterian Church (USA) voted on the following resolution:

1. Recognize that Israel's laws, policies, and practices regarding the Palestinian people fulfill the international legal definition of apartheid. Apartheid is legally defined as inhuman acts committed for the purpose of establishing and maintaining domination by one racial group of persons over any other racial group of persons and systematically oppressing them. This occurs in Israel/Palestine through:

- a. Establishing two sets of laws, one for Israelis and one for Palestinians, which give preferential treatment to Israeli Jews and oppressive treatment to Palestinians.
- b. Expropriating Palestinian land and water for Jewish-only settlements.
- c. Denying the right to freedom of residence to Palestinians.
- d. Dividing the population along racial lines by the creation of separate reserves and ghettos for the Palestinians.
- e. Denying Palestinians the right to a nationality.
- f. Urge members, congregations, presbyteries, and national staff units, including the Office of Interfaith Relations, to seek appropriate ways to bring an end to Israeli apartheid.
- g. Direct the Stated Clerk to communicate this action to all other PCUSA councils.

[READ THE FULL RESOLUTION HERE](#)

The Final Committee Vote: **Affirmative: 28; Negative: 3; Abstaining: 0**

Their resolution seeks to recognize that Israel's laws, policies, and practices regarding the Palestinian people fulfill the international legal definition of apartheid.

Apartheid

noun | apart · heid | ə- 'pär-,tāt , -tīt

Definition of apartheid:

1. Racial segregation specifically: a former policy of segregation and political, social, and economic discrimination against the nonwhite majority in the Republic of South Africa

NOTE: The extreme racial segregation of apartheid lasted from 1948 to 1994 and included such restrictions as where people of certain races (see RACE ENTRY 1 SENSE 1A) could live or own land, what jobs they could hold, and who could and couldn't participate in government.

2: SEPARATION, SEGREGATION cultural apartheid gender apartheid

*Definition from Merriam-Webster (<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/apartheid>)

Why is PAL protesting?

"What the PCUSA is planning to adopt is essentially Christian antisemitism, as a Christian it is important to denounce and rejects all forms of Christian antisemitism," Luke Moon, Deputy Director of the Philos Project, said. "2,000 years of Jewish hatred cannot be ignored." [Read more](#)

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