

On World Humanitarian Day, the UN Honored Terrorists

THE LIE

On World Humanitarian Day 2026, the United Nations declared that over 1,000 aid workers have been killed in the past three years - mourning innocent UNRWA staff killed in Gaza as innocent humanitarians and victims of violence.

THE TRUTH

Many of the UNRWA employees mourned by the UN as 'aid workers' on World Humanitarian Day were confirmed Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad terrorists who were photographed committing atrocities on October 7. The UN's own internal investigators found UNRWA staff were 'likely or highly likely' to have participated in the October 7 massacre.

BACKGROUND

- UNRWA - the UN's Gaza relief agency - employs approximately 12,000 to 13,000 Palestinians in Gaza. For years, Israel and watchdog groups documented Hamas infiltration of the agency, warnings the UN publicly dismissed as 'completely wrong' and 'deliberately dishonest.'
- In August 2024, the UN's own Office of Internal Oversight Services (OIOS) concluded that UNRWA employees were 'likely or highly likely' to have participated in the October 7 massacre, confirming what Israel and UN Watch had documented for months.
- On August 19, 2026, the United Nations held its annual World Humanitarian Day ceremony at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, calling on the international community to 'stop the violence' against aid workers and demanding accountability for attacks on humanitarians. [UN Geneva](#)

TRUTH EXPLAINED

- The UN honored Imad El Samhouri - a longtime UNRWA school principal - by lighting an eternal flame at an official UN ceremony on August 19th. This ceremony was attended by Secretary-General Antonio Guterres and then-UN General Assembly President Annalena Baerbock. El Samhouri was a Hamas terrorist commander whose social media documented Hamas officials hosted at UNRWA schools, praise for Hamas fighters, and a post celebrating the kidnapping and murder of three Israeli teenagers.. [U.S. State Department](#)
- UNRWA social worker Faisal al-Naami was mourned by UNRWA as a fallen 'aid worker' killed by the IDF. He was filmed on October 7 abducting the body of 21-year-old Israeli Yonatan Samerano into the back of his SUV and transporting it into Gaza. UNRWA driver Mohammed Abu Ittiwi was also mourned as an 'aid worker'. He was the Hamas commander who led the Re'im massacre at the Nova music festival. [Influencewatch](#)
- Fathi Sharif served simultaneously as head of the UNRWA Teachers' Union in Lebanon and principal of a major UNRWA school in Tyre while leading Hamas operations in Lebanon. Hamas published a statement confirming Sharif was 'the leader of the Islamic Resistance Movement Hamas in Lebanon.' [NY Post](#)
- A U.S. government probe,- independent of Israeli intelligence,- has referred 101 or more UNRWA staffers for debarment, identifying them as Hamas soldiers who participated in the October 7 attack. Those flagged include schoolteachers, principals, security personnel, psychosocial counselors, and medical professionals. The probe is expanding to at least 1,500 suspected terrorists connected to UNRWA. [Washington Free Beacon](#)
- The UN is actively obstructing the U.S. government's investigation into UNRWA-Hamas ties. A senior State Department source stated: 'UNRWA is a subsidiary of Hamas and aided and abetted terrorist activity, including on October 7.' American diplomats have warned the UN to 'divorce cancerous UNRWA' as the obstruction continues. [Washington Free Beacon](#)

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QUOTES

“UNRWA, funded by Western taxpayers, employs more than 30,000 Palestinians. Can you name one - just one - of these UNRWA employees who expressed shock or condemnation about their fellow teacher and school principal being a Hamas terrorist commander? What does that say about UNRWA?” - Hillel Neuer, Executive Director, UN Watch, August 17, 2026

TAKEAWAY

World Humanitarian Day exists to honor people who risk their lives to help others. The UN has turned it into a shield for Hamas. When an agency employs confirmed terrorists, honors their commanders with eternal flames, pays their salaries with Western taxpayer money, reinstates them under Hamas pressure, and then obstructs U.S. government investigations, that is not a humanitarian organization that has been infiltrated. That is a Hamas-aligned operation wearing a humanitarian mask. The same script runs every time: Israel strikes a target, UNRWA announces a fallen 'aid worker,' the media runs the headline, and the documented terror affiliation never makes the story. On World Humanitarian Day 2026, the UN asked the world to 'stop the violence' against humanitarians. The world should ask the UN to stop calling Hamas terrorists humanitarians.