

**THE
"242 CAMPAIGN"
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EXPOSED



(2 STATES FOR 2 NATIONS)

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1. Background

In May 2014, Habonim Dror South Africa (HDSA) published a visually impressive campaign called 242 (two states for two nations i.e. Israel and Palestine). The [campaign](#) consisted of 5 info-graphics and a short [video](#) titled "Why Support a Two state solution".

This document exposes not only the campaign's fundamental flaws, but also the presumptions, inaccuracies, bias, distortions and false assumptions/presumptions presented as fact to the unwary. The campaign is deceptive and dishonest at best, and Antisemitic at worst, as will be illustrated and documented here within. Furthermore, the campaign contravenes HDSA's own constitution in its attempt to justify controversial agenda.

Where Antisemitism, physical war, embargos, terrorism and intifadas have failed, Israel's new front is the "War on Words". Unsubstantiated narratives and rhetoric have taken over civil discourse and it is thus imperative to take issue with each and every bit of misinformation and disinformation that is seeping into the complex problem of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. This is the guideline alone which has prompted such an in-depth analysis of the HDSA campaign¹.

For ease of use, this document is color coded as follows:

	- false, untrue
	- distortion, half-truth, inaccuracy
	- debatable
	- comment

Each info-graphic is analyzed and debunked according to sequence with the full graphic appearing first, followed by comments according to section numbers which have been added to the original graphic.

Note: A bastion of democracy is free speech and opinion. The question of whether to present a solution to the conflict in the Middle East is not contested here, but rather the employment of propaganda and false narratives more typical of those who star on viciously anti-Semitic websites and hate speech media outlets. HDSA's constitution and ideology is not contested in this document.

2. HDSA's "Sources"

- i. HDSA pretentiously provides sources under the info-graphics on its official website **only**. The "sources" are not posted with the graphics in other locations. The astute examiner quickly notices that the apparent sources are **not real**

sources of information/data at all, but rather just a list of organizations without any references to articles or research.

Example:



This example can be found [here](#)

- ii. It is apparent from the example above that HDSA "sources" are controversial at best, and plainly belong on a longer list of Anti-Israel hate sites and organizations at worst. (Time permitting examples to substantiate the latter statement will be provided).
- iii. Where sources were added to the info-graphics, they had little or no reference at all to the subject matter. Furthermore, statistics and values were deliberately changed to suit the info-graphic's agenda (see Info-graphic #1 below).

INFO-GRAPHIC #1

So who supports the **2 STATE SOLUTION ?**

95% of the world's **NATIONS**

185

- UN member states in favour of a two-state solution
- UN members against two-state solution or yet to take a position

(Source: UN Gen. Assembly 60/25, 9 Nov 2005)

1. FALSE

2. FALSE

3. FALSE

4. FALSE

5. DISTORTION

6. DISTORTION

7. DEBATABLE

8. DEBATABLE

The most important POLITICAL PLAYERS

The UN
The USA
The PA
Israel

And these JEWISH ORGANISATIONS in South Africa

SAZF SAJBD SAUJS HDSA Embassy of Israel Ameinu SA

On this question, the world is **united** support:

PROJECT 2

'2 states for 2 nations' | 12-22 May

Info-graphic #1- "So who supports the 2 state solution"

1. FALSE

[Source: UN Gen. Assembly 66/225 20 Dec. 2013]

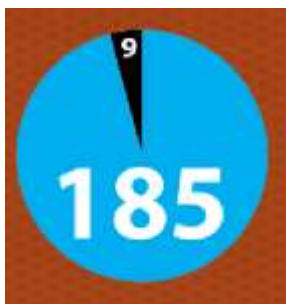
- i. UN General Assembly 66/225 did **not** take place on 20 Dec 2013. It took place on **29 March 2012**.
- ii. Resolution 66/225 **did not deal** with the issues of two states for two nations. **The resolution dealt with permanent sovereignty for the Palestinian peoples over natural resources**. See the resolution [here](#).

It is clear that from the first lie in the first info-graphic, which serves as the basis for the rest of the campaign, that the attempt to garner credibility is nothing less than a libel presented as credible fact. Providing a false more recent date, citing a resolution that does not deal with the subject of the graphic, is placing a stumbling block before the blind. This is pure deception, dishonesty and a blatant lie. Two questions should arise from this:

- If the first graphic is untruthful, what is to follow?
- Why does the "source" appear in such small print?

Res 66/225 was not a vote in favour of a two state solution. The resolution was a condemnation of Israel re "occupation", and in favour of further extensions of rights normally reserved for sovereign states to the Palestinian Authority, whose jurisdiction doesn't even run in all the Palestinian Territories. It was also a vote of the UN General Assembly which doesn't have the required jurisdiction.

2. FALSE



- i. As was shown in the above [link](#), **the countries that took part in the resolution was not 185, but 167 with 6 abstentions**.

Arbitrarily upping values for impression is plainly deception.

3. FALSE



- i. The mathematics is actually correct (94.8%), however, since the values are fabricated and do not tally with the "source", this resulting 95% is to be considered false.

Presenting the "fact" that 95% of the world's nations support a two state solution is unacceptable demagogic propaganda, at least where truth and integrity are of value.

- Recent history shows that resolutions adopted at the UN can be erroneous and overturned, especially regarding Israel (see "Zionism is racism").
- The apparent 95% presented by HDSA is too good a pass rate which only fools the ignorant. It is imperative to remember that; 99.9% voted to make Hitler Fuhrer for life; 97.4% voted for Stalin as Russia's ruler; 95.99% voted in Saddam Hussein; 96.9% voted for Gadaffi. More recently, Bashar al-Assad collected similar figures in his presidential vote after massacring much of his country. The majority may have a majority vote, yet portraying that a majority vote is undoubtedly moral, humane and righteous insults intelligence.
- The overwhelming 95% presented by HDSA includes China, Venezuela, Syria, North Korea, Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan and others. Are these corrupt countries and dictatorships the votes that HDSA employs to further their agenda?
- Included in the "impressive" 95% are countries which do not have diplomatic relations with Israel and without fail, always vote against Israel no matter the issue. This does not add credibility or objectivity.

95% support for a resolution that did not take place should now look a lot less impressive and more of an abomination than truth.

4. FALSE



- i. HDSA lists the Embassy of Israel as a "Jewish organisation in South Africa". **The Israeli Embassy is not a Jewish organisation, not is it South African.** It is a branch of the Israeli government in South Africa

and is afforded diplomatic privileges not afforded to South African Jewish organizations. Once inside the embassy, one is de facto in Israeli territory, as with any other diplomatic Embassy.

Perhaps HDSA thought that the shrewd introduction of the Israeli Embassy as a "Jewish South African organisation" would go unnoticed. Shoving the Embassy on the list, not too close to the left and not at the end, only serves as an admission of guilt and devious intent.

5. DISTORTION



How disingenuous to simplify the complexities of the problem into a yes/no question. Everyone in Israel would support a two state **under certain conditions**, which are obviously left out of the info-graphic. **It is these conditions that form the basis of the conflict with opposing views and desires and requirements.** No person in their right mind or with any concern for Israel and the Jews (or others for that matter), would provide a one word answer. HDSA is no doubt targeting the simplest of simpletons with a "yes" to this outrageous unqualified question.

6. DISTORTION



The list of organizations is might be visually pleasing to the designers, but it is a transparent fruit salad of nonsense. HDSA obviously supports their propaganda which leaves 5 organisations. Remove the Israeli Embassy, which is objectively not a Jewish South African organisation, leaving 4. "Ameinu SA" is a tiny splinter group with little activity and influence. This leaves exactly 3 reasonable organisations which themselves have reserves to the imaginary question "Who supports a two state solution?" (See #5 below).

Since there are many more South African Jewish organizations of reasonable size and influence, perhaps **it would have been an inconvenient truth to add a more relevant substantiated statistic of the percentage of support.** Instead, "Ameinu SA" is included to beef up the visual.

7. DEBATABLE

On this question, the world is **united**

Since the question is far more complex than a "yes/no" question (see point #5 above), and since the question as presented by HDSA, **has not been addressed by "the world", this statement is a controversial and highly debatable.**

8. DEBATABLE



The Palestinian Authority's (PA) support for a two state solution is highly contested. Presenting PA support in the context of Western values and mentality can be misleading. The underlying premise here is that the PA agrees to two states and peace. This campaign was launched before the recent PA move, namely, unity with Hamas - the internationally recognized terror organization. The latest move only consolidates a deep misunderstanding of PA motives and strategy. If one couples history and rhetoric with the concepts of "tahadiyah" and "hudna", there is no escaping that presenting the PA as a state interested in a peaceful two state solution is inaccurate.

Summary - Info-graphic #1

The first info-graphic serves as the basis for the entire campaign. Content in the first info-graphic is based on a UN resolution which supposedly proves that almost the entire world supports the notion of two states for two nations. Even in the event of there being a UN resolution to this effect with the support presented by HDSA, the most damning flaw of this first info-graphic is that Israel is presented as supporting the solution without any of the accompanying reservations and conditions. Capitilising on ignorance displayed by many of the world's nations with regards to Israel is a shot in the back. It seems somewhat arrogant to disregard Israel's viewpoint as valid arguments, yet collect support from the likes of Saudi Arabia, The Islamic Republic of Iran, among others.

This first info-graphic serves as a rather cunning skeleton concept to vilify Israel and blame the absence of a viable solution entirely on Israel. This will be demonstrated in analysis of the other five info-graphics.

¹ See this interesting [address](#) by Dr. Wilf on the "War of Words"