"The 40 Dead Babies of Kfar Aza" Special "Oy Vey Shut it Down" Edition

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Hello folks. Lestrade here, shockingly not talking about Japan for once and instead hoping to contribute to Miles's excellent work on the Hamas paragliding competition last weekend.

You've probably heard about the recent news of Mossad-funded Palestinians causing havoc at music festivals. Thousands dead. Mass chaos. Sex dolls were lugged around in pickup trucks and so on. Very grim business. A particular "shrieking hysteria" beat I couldn't avoid was the press talking about babies being beheaded and I thought I'd prod this to see what it amounted to.

To get it out of the way: babies being beheaded immediately echoes atrocity propaganda seen in the past to paint an enemy as not deserving of any sympathy whatsoever. It's a psychological tactic. One famous example is the Iraq war "babies-thrown-from-incubators" claim, aka the <u>Nayirah</u> <u>Testimony</u>.

The site of the "Israeli babies beheaded by Palestinian gunmen" plot line is the Kibbutz Kfar Aza. <u>Here is the initial lore collated on Wikipedia</u>.



If we read <u>this gem of an article</u> the Kibbutz/commune is supposed to have secure rooms, like panic rooms, in the buildings to let the occupants hide from bombings (and presumably attacks from gunmen). As per MSN, hilariously the panic rooms are apparently designed with doors that easily open from the outside:

"Kfar Aza, which was home to **750 people**, lies just 3km from the Gaza Strip. It was one of the first Israeli settlements to be attacked during Hamas' multi-pronged surprise offensive that has left at least 1,000 Israelis dead.

"We ran into the security room", says Michal, a common feature of houses in the area. The room is equipped with a specialist door that is designed to be opened from the outside, to rescue inhabitants who are trapped inside a bombed-out building."

Because that's what you want from a security room / panic room. So then the occupants had to (checks notes) hold the door shut... to stop the Hamas troops getting in. By the way, MSN is saying 750 people lived in Kfar Aza but Wikipedia says 400 occupants. A bit of a difference.

"For the first seven hours of the ordeal, Michal's husband and son took 15-minute shifts holding the door shut with their hands as gunshots and screams rang out across the Kibbutz."

The idea of having safe rooms that can be easily accessed from the outside is absurd on the face of it. If you knew this why would you even get in the room? Or not attempt to barricade the door with furniture or something? The Hamas troops would then have to make an effort attempting to crack each room, buying time for the army to arrive.

This paragraph is interesting:

"As they sheltered in total silence, **up to 70** Hamas gunmen entered Kfar Aza, breaking through fences, **pulling up on motorbikes**, **and landing in paragliders**, before stalking the streets with Kalashnikov rifles and rocket-propelled grenades, according to members of the Israeli military.

"We heard people getting shot from inside their homes, our neighbours crying for help, and nobody came," says Michal."

Up to 70 troops, with rifles, versus 750 Israeli occupants, who would (given IDF conscription) likely have military training and (due to proximity to Gaza) have their own weapons caches. Also note that Hamas are turning up on motorbikes, i.e. they have made a land crossing from Gaza not just paragliders. How did they get past the troops guarding the strip?

And:

"At around midday, after several hours of waiting in silence, they decided to take a risk. "We ran out into the kitchen and grabbed some rope, two knives, a bottle of water, and a phone charger" – and ran back in, **barricading the door shut with rope.**"

I thought they were holding the door shut, i.e. the people outside are pushing to get in? How do you secure that with a rope? What, the door swung outwards the whole time? So they're holding the handle from the inside and the Hamas guerillas are pulling on it to open in a tug of war? But don't shoot the doors hinges off or use explosives?

"The phone charger was essential. Across the community WhatsApp groups of Kfar Aza, residents were keeping each other up to date with what was happening."

Again, they are sitting in their individual domestic bunker/panic rooms. I love how nobody called the police. Or the army. They're going on WhatsApp and bitching about the terrorists ruining their weekend.

"When voices speaking Hebrew could be heard outside, which they believed to be those of Israeli soldiers who had arrived to fight the gunmen, "the WhatsApp groups went mad. 'Help us, help us, they're here, they're in the house, we're holding the door, we're holding the door...'"

But was only the start of the fighting in the area, which continued for over three days."

The men outside were speaking Hebrew? Eh?

"It was only 20 hours after their ordeal began that Michal and her family were rounded up by Israeli troops and escorted on foot to safety. **They walked for two kilometres past dead bodies**, **shot-up vehicles, and eventually to an Israeli army truck which evacuated them.**"

The army rescue truck (singular?) could not be driven to the commune... they instead made civilians march two kilometres past corpses to reach the truck for evacuation. Sure. Sure.

"The next day, they made it to the Shefayim Hotel in northern Tel Aviv, which has become a temporary home to over 300 former residents of Kfar Aza, who are unsure of where they will head next."

So there were 400 people there... I think? And over 300 are at the hotel? So... how many died? A couple dozen? Already we find the tale of the kibbutz very weird to begin with.

Now let's turn to the source of the "Hamas decapitated 40-odd babies at the kibbutz" claim. This stems from i24 journalist Nicole Zedek. Or possibly Zedeck, the media can't decide. Accuracy don't matter, obviously.

She sure does love the news.



Nicole Zedeck • VERIFIED

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I sure do love the news. CO || CA || AL || TLV. Correspondent with @i24NEWS_EN

Her news clip <u>can be viewed here</u>. It's 3:24 long and it's worth watching once to listen to her prattle on (admitting in the process she's going on second hand information relayed by an IDF commander so no, she hasn't seen 40 beheaded infants) and a second time to focus entirely on the background as she walks around giving her speech. For the site of what is supposed to be an extremely brutal raid, with mass execution of civilians many of whom died defending the site, who were then dismembered or beheaded, houses burned, etc. etc. you can see the location looks rather clean and tidy.

Destroyed property:



A building destroyed by rockets/artillery, she says. Meanwhile, just across the (clean, undamaged) lawn we see these properties:



She walks past a bunch of IDF troops standing around posing for the camera. Note the clean, undamaged parked cars in the background. Brought in by the production crew? But Ms. Zedek is only with a small team. They can't be for the IDF surely, so that leaves the residents. The residents who had to walk out, for kilometres, having suffered massive devastation. Right.



The camera does a nice little 360 pan around the 1 minute mark, check out how completely normal and undamaged the area looks. Try and find a spent shell casing, or artillery impact crater, or bullet holes on walls, or anything broken/busted. Let alone corpses or blood stains on the lawn.

Ah wait, at 2:50 we are shown some devastation. Behold: a lamp-post has been knocked over (a large military truck parked nearby presumably being the cause of this) and some pavement has been damaged. Hilariously she points at the pavement and claims this is caused by artillery:



This was the best she could do? There was nothing more to show the audience back home? What about all the body bags?

Fun fact: Zedek means "righteousness", from the <u>Phoenician name Sydyk</u>. Of course it's Phoenician. Righteousness can be said to be "*an attribute that implies that a person's actions are justified, and can have the connotation that the person has been "judged" or "reckoned" as leading a life that is pleasing to God"*, which is the whole point of this accusation of infanticide – to justify the upcoming Israeli slaughter of civilians in the Gaza strip in revenge for their misdeeds.

Therefore making her name... a pun. How very Phoenician!

People have already suspected this was a fake story (or at least exaggerated). This has led to articles such as this one which decries people who dare to doubt a journalist:

"However, that didn't stop some on social media from claiming it was a hoax. Idiots desperate to run cover for Hamas took to social media to claim that there was simply no way a terrorist organization would ever behead babies. We're supposed to believe Hamas has no problem burning people alive, gunning down innocent civilians, massacring families but draws the line at murdering babies."

I mean I'm sceptical of the whole event, to be honest. The paragliding jihadi thing seems pretty dumb on the face of it, let alone when you read up on what Miles has already covered about Hamas and the PLO being fronts for western intelligence. Also these allegations are easily shown to be emotive hearsay. But no, do go on.

What's funny is that people aren't even buying it in their own comments section:



Tanner Oar October 11, 2023 at 2:55 pm

Question everything about this conflict and don't be blinded by rage and emotion. I'm not saying this didn't happen, obviously Hamas isn't above doing this, but if it did happen you better come with receipts and not hearsay.

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Frank Mularz October 11, 2023 at 6:47 pm

Sorry, but after destroying their credibility these last 3 years, journalists don't get the benefit of the doubt. I call bullshit.

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Tanner Oar October 11, 2023 at 8:18 pm

100. Idk why Outkick is running so hard with this narrative w/out concrete proof. I guess b/c they're owned by Fox and Fox ran with it. But now, Biden has come out and 'confirmed' it. Now I'm definitely skeptical/calling BS.

Nicole Zedek gave a speech on why she's telling the truth:

"Zedek appeared Wednesday on the "The Clay Travis & Buck Sexton Show" and came out swinging against the deniers stating the following:

"It's sickening, really, people are asking, 'Where are the babies? Why aren't you showing the babies?' Is that anything anyone would want to see, personally, with their own eyes because after the graphic images I saw of children's beds covered in blood, I don't think I would be able to stomach those atrocities as well. I think if people actually listened to the full clip because I think people are often just using cuts from the different clips, so 40 babies, 40 children were carried out on gurneys. Forty dead children were found. and a lot of people are saying, 'Forty babies? Well, how does she know this number? How old are they?' I think that...The fact people are focusing on that, does it matter if they're three months, three years old, six months old, six years old? A six-year-old is someone's baby. The fact people are still questioning this and we have a clip. We have these soldiers confirming what they've seen of the mutilation of these children."

Yeah so her mic drop moment to refute the tinfoil hat crowd here is interesting as originally she said the dead baby thing was based on what a commander in the IDF told her when she turned up to the scene, i.e. second hand hearsay. Then it was that she saw the evidence "with her own eyes" i.e. bodies on gurneys (which we've seen no footage/photographs of), then it's actually that she's seen photographs taken by the IDF of children's beds covered in blood.

So, think about that: the beds are empty, covered in blood. OK. So what happened? Were the children all in bed asleep when they were executed? Hamas burst into the individual bedrooms and opened fire? But there was forewarning, what with the motorbikes and the paragliders and the gun battle with the kibbutz defenders prior to them being overrun. Surely the kids would have been moved to the panic rooms or tried to run away or something? Or if Hamas took a specific house wouldn't all the occupants have been marched outside the buildings to be shot on the lawn, cartel execution style?

Point being: keep talking Nicole because the more you tell me the less it hangs together.

I'll also quote this Sky News article which pretty firmly establishes she's bullshitting:

"In an interview with Sky's Mark Austin on Tuesday evening, Israeli economy minister Nir Barkat echoed a similar claim: "We've seen just now... we've heard of 40 young boys. Some of them were burned alive. Some were beheaded. Some were shot in the head." CBS News in the US said on Wednesday that Yossi Landau, head of operations at Zaka, Israel's volunteer civilian emergency response organisation, confirmed to them he had "personally seen" adults, children and babies beheaded.

But when asked directly whether "40 babies were beheaded", an IDF spokesman said children were killed - but that reports of beheadings were "unconfirmed".

It was later reported by at least one major TV news network that the reports of babies being beheaded had been "confirmed" by a spokesperson for the Israeli prime minister's office.

This was subsequently attributed to Tal Heinrich, a freelance news anchor who appears to have been drafted in by Benjamin Netanyahu's office on 8 October to assist with media relations in the wake of Hamas's attacks a day earlier."

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"The only available public statement on the matter from Ms Heinrich at the time of writing was an interview she conducted with LBC on Wednesday, in which she was asked about the claims.

Ms Heinrich, who was quoted by LBC as a spokesperson for Mr Netanyahu's office, said: "Toddlers, babies, I can tell you some of them... yes, heads were cut off. **This is what we are** hearing from... soldiers on the ground who dealt with the bodies."

Replying to a later post on X linking to a story citing her comments, she said on Wednesday evening: "Please note: We said that these reports are based on testimonies of soldiers."

'Important to separate facts from speculation'

Ramsay interviewed two IDF majors – one of whom was a spokesman.

Ramsay said: "At no point did either he, or the other major I spoke to, ever mention that Hamas had beheaded or killed 40 babies or children. I believe that if it were the case, they would have told me and others there.

"There is no doubt that a horrific attack took place at Kfar Aza, and it needed to be reported, and we did see the bodies of the dead from the community in their houses, in the back of a truck, and on the basketball court.

"But it's important to separate the facts from speculation in a situation like this.

"To reiterate – the IDF had every opportunity to inform the world's media of any story that had become apparent as the military continue to clear up the kibbutz. The murder and beheading of 40 children was never mentioned to me or my team."

And another journalist, Oren Ziv, who works for independent news outlet 972 mag, was also present and given the opportunity to speak to "hundreds of soldiers on site".

In a post on X, he said of the baby claims: "During the tour we didn't see any evidence of this, and the army spokesperson or commanders also didn't mention any such incidents."

Whoops. Sorry Nicole. Tell you what, come back with actual evidence and I'll update this article with a retraction. I won't hold my breath.

A trip to <u>her facebook page</u> shows she is the consummate professional journalist, leading with a bikini photo of herself in college with her sorority sisters. There we find she is only two years out of college, so about 24, and she has been a professional journalist for only eight months. So of course they choose her for this headline-leading story.

In the meantime: photography!



"Personal belongings including a child's stroller are seen on the road next to a car near Kibbutz Kfar Aza, in southern Israel October 10" - <u>REUTERS/Ronen Zvulun</u>

Oh wow, so Hamas shot the car and its occupants.

No wait, hang on. No bullet holes no broken windows no blood no corpses. Erm. So... er... they stopped the car and ordered them all out and the Israeli's parked up and also opened the car boot to get the pram out. And then another family did the exact same thing with a white car. Then everyone vanished.



"A rucksack bearing the emblem of Hamas' militant wing is seen on the ground following a mass infiltration by Hamas gunmen from the Gaza Strip, in Kibbutz Beeri in southern Israel, October 11." - <u>REUTERS/Violeta Santos Moura</u>

I love the idea that Hamas were wearing rucksacks with their logo printed on it. Makes it easier to spot your buddies I guess.

This next one is interesting:



"Israeli soldiers carry the body of a victim of Saturday's Hamas attack at Kibbutz Kfar Aza, in southern Israel, October 10." REUTERS/Ronen Zvulu

Again note the complete lack of any visible damage/carnage at this kibbutz. Two sets of running gun battles (Hamas vs. residents and later Hamas vs. IDF) culminating in hundreds of residents dead, up to 70 Hamas dead and an unknown number of IDF (you'd think at least one or two IDF would get killed or wounded in the process of retaking the site).



"The body of a man lies amongst rubble on Kibbutz Kfar Aza, in southern Israel, October 10." - REUTERS/Ronen Zvulun

So now I'm thinking these are abandoned buildings. This isn't a normal apartment with a corpse, that's an abandoned building with a bloke lying on the ground pretending to be dead. No visible wounds or blood.



"The body of a man lies next to destroyed buildings on Kibbutz Kfar Aza, in southern Israel, October 10." - REUTERS/Violeta Santos Moura

These very much look like abandoned buildings, torched, possibly torched in the past given that the grass and foliage around the property is not unaffected by the fire. Weird how the roofing is charcoal black and yet completely intact (i.e. these properties were burned to crisp but stayed structurally sound). No sign of a gun battle (e.g. bullet holes, casings, indication of explosions, blood spatter). No blood under the corpse or sign of bullet entry wounds, burned right arm and either no head or the corpse is at an angle. The corpse has been placed at that spot there as he's not run out of the building on fire (male clothing so I assume a he) as he's side on to the properties, nor has he been shot to death if running out on fire (no blood or visible entry wounds). If he's meant to be decapitated there's no head nearby. Or blood trail from the neck stump. The clothing choice is interesting as the invasion was supposed to start around 6:30am according to the Reuters article:

"Schwartzman told Reuters he was woken **at about 6.30 am on Saturday** by the booming sounds of rockets and that he and his family moved to their safe room an hour later after receiving a kibbutzwide text telling them it was dangerous to be outside. "We heard shootings and we were basically barricaded in for 21 hours until the army rescued us," his wife, Keren Flash, took up the account. "We kept hearing shootings and gunfire and bombs and alarms, and we just didn't know what was happening. Our worst nightmares." Soldiers were still securing the streets of the kibbutz, once neatly lined with palm trees, banana plants and single-storey houses with verandas."

I don't see why someone would be dressed like they were ready for a night out (i.e. shiny leather leggings and leather biker jacket) at 6 or 7 in the morning. Are we looking at a bike/car accident victim reallocated from a morgue, perhaps?



"The body of a man lies amongst rubble on Kibbutz Kfar Aza, in southern Israel, October 10." - REUTERS/Ronen Zvulun

No dropped weapon, no bullet wounds no blood no gore. No bullet impact on the wall behind him.

"The body of a man lies amongst debris on Kibbutz Kfar Aza, in southern Israel, October 10." - REUTERS/Violeta Santos Moura



This one is interesting – the caption implies he's a civilian who died in the shoot-out and not a Hamas soldier. If he's the latter and Reuters is wrong, why is he dressed like that and where is his weapon? If he is a civilian, why in God's name are all these soldiers walking around ignoring a corpse? Why is he left out in the sun, not in a body bag or being taken back to a hospital/morgue for processing and identification?



"Israeli soldiers inspect burnt cars that are abandoned in a carpark near where a music festival was held before an attack by Hamas gunmen, by Israel's border with Gaza in southern Israel, October 10." - REUTERS/Ronen Zvulun

Photo from the music festival car park. Funny how there's only like one or two models of car here. Or how many of them have the hood or boot open. No bullet holes mind. Why are the centre white car and the black car on the right hand side crushed at the front from a vehicle impact? Is it because... these are junk cars from a scrapyard, placed at the scene? Or is this a paste up? Every car is in focus, despite a different range for the lens. Plus the trees in the distance. Plus the wreckage in the foreground. And again, no color in these cars at all: either white or some shade of gray. Don't they sell colored cars in Israel?



"Israeli soldiers inspect abandoned cars in a carpark near where a music festival was held before an attack by Hamas gunmen, by Israel's border with Gaza in southern Israel, October 10." -REUTERS/Ronen Zvulun

I'm thinking this image is not only a paste-up, but appears to be AI generated. That car on the right! What's going on there!? Look at how crisp the number plate is and yet how blurred the main car is. Or how the car is a 2D flat object! The whole thing is a series of flat sections of car slapped on top of each other with some high-res soldiers in the distance floating above the ground.

To round it off, you <u>should watch this video from Sky News</u>, showing us the CCTV footage of the Hamas fighters breaking into the kibbutz. Follow the link and scroll down until you see this:



In it you see not 70, not a dozen, but two guys: one on point who can't crawl under a gate (for some reason) and the other keeping watch. Sky tells us they hide in a booth at the entrance to the kibbutz. When a residents car pulls up to go in the Hamas troops jump out and kill everyone in the vehicle. Except they don't – watch it yourself. They don't open fire and instead run inside, with the vehicle and its occupants unharmed. The car even starts to drive in after them!

Anyway, I could go on but you get the picture.

This is all nonsense.

Outro Music



Addendum:

I wrote this because it's a current event rather than historical and I hope it does more damage to the Empire's story-of-the-month narrative as a result. I'm actually pretty salty about being de-listed from major search engines, blacklisted on the YouTube algorithm and having a complete radio silence from the internet about what I've demonstrated in the Pacific Theatre. It's like... the most I've ever written on a single topic. I proved Pearl Harbour was fake for goodness sake! Yet: crickets. You'd think an American would care. Other than Miles I mean, chad that he is. I'm going to take it as a compliment that American Intel community frat bros couldn't come up with a single coherent counterpoint to anything I've raised. If I'd made an actual academic error they could flay me over it. But seriously. Honestly. You guys. Thank God Miles exists and his site allows me to say stuff or else it's like pissing in a hurricane.

Update 13/10:

Fake conservative propagandist Benjamin Shapiro tried to do some damage control for the "40 Dead Babies" plot line and <u>posted this on X (formerly Twitter)</u>:



Drat, my theory is undone. None can contest this gruesomeness. Wait. Hang on: the glorious idiots of 4chan already found the original photo that the AI-generated charcoal-baby was shopped into, thus disproving it:



They also ran it through "Aiornot.com" and found the image was computer generated:

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What's funnier is that people are posting this on Shapiro's feed and he's got absolutely no comeback whatsoever. Remember: they lie about awful things to control your perspective.