

Puppet Regime: Hamas' Coercive Grip on Aid and NGO Operations in Gaza

Introduction

As the international community seeks to develop and implement a post-war reconstruction strategy, it is essential to understand how Hamas weaponized aid before October 7th. Based on internal Hamas documents, this report spotlights the terrorist group's systematic control of foreign NGOs operating in Gaza.

Hamas operatives describe their surveillance of NGO officials and offices, methods for manipulating foreign-funded humanitarian groups, and the military and intelligence-gathering considerations that guide the limitations they impose on NGO activity. Similarly, the documents reveal that NGOs were complicit in this regime, hiding or downplaying Hamas abuses, and acquiescing to its demands.

Perhaps the most invasive and egregious mechanism, as exposed by these documents, is the “guarantor” system, whereby Hamas requires formal liaisons between its internal security apparatus and the international NGOs.

The 2018-2022 Arabic-language documents originate from the Gaza Interior Security Mechanism (ISM),¹ a unit within the Hamas Ministry of Interior and National Security

¹ The [Ministry](#) commands the [police force](#), along with other [interior security forces](#) responsible for surveillance, counter-espionage, political dissent, civil defense, border crossings, enforcement of Islamic law, and handling of prisoners in Gaza. After seizing control of Gaza in 2007, Hamas assigned the Izz Ad-Din Al-Qassam Brigades to oversee the security forces under the Ministry. The [Interior Security Mechanism](#) is [responsible](#) for uncovering, preventing, and investigating crimes that threaten “national” security and government bodies. It combats espionage, provides protection and security for officials and leaders, and responds to external threats that may affect security, including political opposition. It is also responsible for operating informants and defending against cyber attacks. In January 2021, [Naser Maslah](#) was appointed as Minister of Interior and National Security in the Hamas government. A month prior to the October 7th Hamas attacks, Maslah met with “[representatives of the resistance factions in Gaza](#)” in a meeting set up by the ministry's “unit for factions coordination” in order to strengthen cooperation and coordination with the terror groups. Participants included members of Hamas and PIJ. As of [January 2025](#) and until his death in [March](#)

(MoINS). The documents were removed from Gaza and then declassified by the Israel Defense Forces (IDF).

The evidence confirms that NGOs in Gaza do not operate independently or neutrally. Rather, they are embedded in an institutionalized framework of coercion, intimidation, and surveillance that serves Hamas' terror objectives.

Hamas' efforts, as described in these documents, complement myriad other stratagems and activities for commandeering international aid, and directing it to its members, sympathizers, and others with whom the organization wishes to curry favor. As previously reported by NGO Monitor, these include inserting Hamas operatives to administrative positions within international NGOs operating in Gaza; generating beneficiary lists for cash-assistance, which are then utilized by the UN and aid organizations; and outright theft.

(For more information, see NGO Monitor's "[European Government Funding for Programs Involving Hamas-Controlled Ministry](#)," "[Hamas Influences UK Funded Gaza Cash Programme](#)," and NGO Monitor's [Written Testimony to the US Subcommittee on Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations](#).)

Ministry of Interior and National Security (MoINS)

All NGOs operating in Gaza are required to adhere to strict Hamas security protocols, which include regular engagement with the terror group's Ministry of Interior and National Security (MoINS) and Ministry of Social Development (MoSD), and other ministries relevant for specific projects, such as the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) and Ministry of Education (MoE).

NGOs – both local and international, including ones operating under the auspices of UN projects – are not permitted to provide services or operate projects in Gaza without Hamas' approval and maintaining an ongoing line of coordination with the abovementioned Hamas ministries.

This framework effectively grants Hamas veto power over humanitarian operations, enabling the regime to block, reshape, and exploit aid delivery based on its political and military priorities. NGOs are compelled to comply, ensuring that their activities do not contradict Hamas' authority and narrative or obstruct its military agenda.

In other words, this compulsory engagement with MoINS is not a matter of standard regulatory compliance, but rather a Hamas political and security mechanism to control the activities of civil society organizations.

[2025](#), the Minister of Interior and National Security was Mahmoud Abu Watfa, named by multiple news [outlets](#) as "[a leading commander in Hamas](#)."

The Role of “Guarantors”

A central mechanism by which Hamas maintains control over NGO activities in Gaza is through “guarantors.” Local Gazans, approved by MoINS, serve as the point of contact between Hamas authorities and NGOs. Hamas requires that such “guarantors” hold senior administrative positions, such as director, deputy director, or board chair, ensuring access to the highest levels of the NGOs’ local branches and operations.

“Guarantors” also serve another function, allowing Western NGOs to circumvent various government restrictions on direct engagement with Hamas. For instance, an April 2022 Hamas intelligence report² notes that “American associations present in the Gaza Strip do not engage with the Gaza government **directly, but via an intermediate individual**” (emphasis added). Although this arrangement is seemingly contradictory – namely, if the guarantor is also an employee of the NGO, how does this avoid direct contact – it appears that both Hamas and the NGOs considered the guarantors as a sufficiently informal backchannel to the terror group. Finally, as described in detail below, Hamas views “guarantors” as potential high-value intelligence assets to gain access to the NGOs’ internal information and operations.

Even more disturbing, according to a December 2022 document produced by MoINS’ Foreign Associations Department³ and reviewed by NGO Monitor, at least ten such “guarantors” who served as senior NGO officials were Hamas members or supporters, or employed by Hamas-affiliated authorities (all quotations and information, including affiliation claims, in the following bullet points taken from the Hamas December 2022 document):

- MAP-UK’s “administrative director” in Gaza who works in Hamas’ military arm and “is affiliated with Hamas and has pledged allegiance to its rule.” Moreover, MoINS detailed that “he is employed in the [Hamas-affiliated] Islamic University [of Gaza],” and that “his circle of friends is from the Hamas movement.”
- Human Appeal’s director in Gaza who “is affiliated with the Hamas movement” and has “held several positions and management posts in the [Hamas] movement.”

² The report was submitted on April 5, 2022, by the Director of the Division of Public Activity to the Deputy Director General of [the Sector of] Intelligence Affairs, ISM’s head unit for monitoring NGO activity as of the start of 2022.

³ “Report on the employees in foreign associations that have the right to submit a request for a foreign visitor” was submitted on December 14, 2022 to the Director of the Division of Associations.

- CIVITAS' executive director in Gaza who is "affiliated with Hamas" and "pledged his commitment during the First Intifada...was organized with the Da'wa groups of the [Hamas] movement, and he pledged his allegiance to the movement [i.e. Hamas]."
- A member of a CESVI "representative body" who is "affiliated with Hamas."
- International Medical Corps' (IMC) Gazan Administrative Director, who "was committed for a long time in the area [for Hamas operations], and was one of the supporters of Hamas. He is currently a Naqib (Hamas rank for captain) in the Daawa in the Sabarin mosque."
- Norwegian Refugee Council's (NRC) Gazan Administrative Director, who "supports the Hamas movement but is not affiliated with the movement," and "He is employed by the government of Gaza and has the rank of Naqib (Hamas rank for captain)."
- El Baraka Association For Charitable and Humanitarian Work's Gazan Director who "was affiliated with the Hamas movement in the past and is currently without any affiliation." He also worked in the past at [Hamas] Al-Aqsa TV as an accountant."
- Rahma Worldwide's Gazan Director who "is now affiliated with the Hamas movement."
- Handicap International's Gazan Director" is affiliated with the Hamas movement."
- El-Amal Rehabilitation Society's Gazan Executive Director "works as a civilian employee (teacher) in the Government of Gaza."

In addition, the document mentions that the "guarantor" for US-registered Catholic Relief Services (CRS), director of the NGO in Gaza, is "affiliated with the Popular Front [for the Liberation of Palestine] (PFLP)" – designated as a terrorist organization by the US, EU, and Canada.

(For details about funding for the NGOs mentioned in this section, see Appendix 1.)

Surveillance and Coercion: March 2020 and December 2022 MoINS Documents

A March 2020 MoINS document⁴ clearly identifies multiple local and international NGOs as important targets for Hamas security and espionage efforts, viewing them as “security dangers and a threat.” Thus, Hamas’ internal security mechanism is directed to:

- “identify the guarantors and local employees inside organizations and associations”
- “classify guarantors according to security criteria in order **to make use of them**” (emphasis added)
- “prepare security reports on all active and operating guarantors”
- “place associations and international organizations **under constant technological surveillance**, i.e. cameras.” (emphasis added)
- “**infiltrate international organizations’ headquarters and their employees**, both technologically and by human sources” (emphasis added)

Hamas appears to have worked diligently to achieve those aims. A December 2022 document⁵ provides an alarming glimpse into surveillance of NGO officials by Hamas’ police state, and the terrorist organization’s intention to further cultivate or coerce “guarantors” as intelligence assets.

The document includes the names and personal details of 55 individuals serving as guarantors across 48 NGOs (see Appendix 4). It emphasizes that these individuals “can be exploited for security purposes in order to infiltrate foreign associations, their foreign senior personnel and their movements.”

In addition, the December 2022 memo emphasizes that orchestrating an “infiltration of the aforementioned names [guarantors]...will be an outstanding security-intelligence accomplishment.” Hamas instructs that these personal details be used “for the purposes of security operations by the Division of Human [Intelligence] Sources.”

In service of these aims, Hamas collected extensive personal information on guarantors, including regarding their relationships, correspondences, professional backgrounds, religious

⁴ “Working paper on international organizations and associations that pose a threat and security dangers, and how to engage with them.” The document was authored by [Ayman] Abu Islam Rouqa the Director of the Division of Foreign Activity on March 4, 2020 and sent to the Director of the Interior Security Mechanism Abdul Basit Al-Masri (nom de guerre Abu Yasser).

⁵ See footnote 3.

observance, political activity and affiliations (including with designated terror groups), and criminal backgrounds. Revealingly, Hamas officials rate the level of cooperation between the NGOs and Hamas government bodies. Some NGOs are listed as “not cooperating,” indicating that they participate in the guarantor system after being pressured and intimidated by Hamas. The following are excerpts from Hamas’ intelligence reports on guarantors:

- “She leaves her house in exposed clothing that transgresses sharia law.”
- “He is morally suspicious due to obtained information against him, from close people, about his immoral relationship with a female employee at the Hassad Al-Khair association.”
- “On August 28, 2017, it became known that while checking [NAME REDACTED] phone, who is an employee at NRC, embarrassing photos of her, which were sent to the aforementioned [NAME REDACTED], were confiscated.”
- “She has a very strong personality and is not susceptible to pressure and extortion.”
- “He is morally corrupt.”
- “She has an internet connection and a Facebook page and also an account, and she does not have hostile activity on Facebook.”
- “He is religiously devoted and prays all the prayers in Al-Yaseen mosque.”
- “He goes running daily on the Al-Sudaniya beach after the Asr [afternoon] prayer.”
- “She wears clothes in line with fashion due to her work.”
- “He hates the Hamas movement.”
- “His religious observance is low.”
- “He is a communist.”

Similarly, MoINS documents detail background checks on other NGO officials and raise concerns about aid organizations that employ Jewish individuals in key administrative positions. For instance, a June 15, 2020 MoINS memo⁶ lists the fact that Oxfam’s “media

⁶ The report, “Report on the Oxfam association,” was authored by the Branch of Foreign Associations, and was submitted to Director of the Division of Foreign Activity Aqid (Hamas rank for Colonel) Ayman Rouqa (nom de guerre “Abu Islam”).

and public relations head is of Jewish descent” as one of the NGO’s “threats and insecurities.”

Hamas’ ability to intimidate NGO and UN officials through these Stasi-like tactics was noted in the August 2024 Colonna Report on abuses at UNRWA.⁷

Guarantors as Intelligence Assets

A June 22, 2021 MoINS’ report⁸ describes a meeting between the director of Mercy Corps operations in Gaza and MoINS personnel. MoINS told the Mercy Corps director that “his latest transgressions and concealing of information have created a serious security aim against him.” The NGO official relayed that he was “ready for any cooperation [necessary],” agreeing to supply MoINS, through his handler, Mohammed Abu Salama, “with any security, administrative or financial observations that arise during his work at Mercy Corps or during his collaboration with active foreign associations.” MoINS emphasized “the need to engage with the Ministry of Interior [and National Security] and security officers and the need to serve the nation’s interest rather than personal interests,” and confirmed it would continue to “exploit the aforementioned [Mercy Corps employee] in [its monitoring of] the foreign [NGO] activities.”

Another document⁹, dated July 28, 2021, addressed to the Director of the Division of Foreign Activity from the Branch of Foreign Associations, reveals that a former ANERA employee, [NAME REDACTED], “used to work as an intelligence source for the brothers at Public Affairs [an organ under MoINS].”

Yet another MoINS document,¹⁰ dated June 6, 2021, emphasized the perceived threat posed by American NGOs attempting to not engage with Hamas authorities, and the “lack of an

⁷ [The Colonna report notes](#) that, prior to the Hamas-orchestrated October 7th massacre, “in Gaza and its field offices, the volatile context and security challenges may prevent reporting of allegations and investigating at the local level,” adding that “Field office investigators in Gaza risk their personal security.

⁸ The document titled, “Meeting of Exploiting Citizen [NAME REDACTED] from Mercy Corps Association,” was authored by the Western Associations Department under the Branch of Foreign Associations and addressed to the Director of the Division of Foreign Activity.

⁹ The July 28, 2021 document was titled “Testimony of [NAME REDACTED].”

¹⁰ The report, titled “Regarding the meeting of the committee of non governmental associations” was authored by the Branch of Security of Associations and submitted to the Director of the Division of Public Activity under ISM.

intelligence grip over American associations,” Hamas expressed concern that “there is no administrative relationship with the government body in the Gaza Strip,” and “the funding is directed to renewing and strengthening associations with views that oppose the ideology of the resistance [euphemism for Hamas].” The report instructed officials to “strengthen the [intelligence] sources and friends (local workers) inside American associations by all parties [in MoINS]” in order to alleviate the problem.

Hamas Review of NGO Financial Data

As part of its intelligence penetration of NGOs, MoINS insists on reviewing their finances.

In one representative example, according to a November 20, 2019 intelligence report¹¹ on the activities of Save the Children, the NGO “does not yield to the administrative and financial inspection carried out by the Public Affairs under the Ministry of Interior due to its lack of cooperation with the Ministry of Interior.”

Therefore, the report orders Hamas officials to “impose restrictions on the association and its programs and projects until attaining cooperation with the Ministry of Interior,” and to “force the association to yield to the administrative and financial inspection carried out by the Public Affairs [Unit] under the Ministry of Interior.”

Similarly, the aforementioned July 28, 2021 report¹² claims that “ANERA is among the American associations that does not cooperate with the Ministry of Interior [and National Security], and has refused for a long time to carry out financial and administrative inspection. Following some persistence by the Ministry of Interior, a financial and administrative inspection was carried out. During the inspection, many financial violations were detected with the association.”

In another report,¹³ dated June 28, 2020, MoINS reports that it shut down the offices of International Medical Corps (IMC) “for a week because it refused to submit financial and administrative reports, and it reopened it [the NGO] after it did so.”

¹¹ The report was authored by the Branch of Foreign Associations and submitted to Director of the Division of Foreign Activity Aqid (Hamas rank for Colonel) Ayman Rouqa (nom de guerre) “Abu Islam”.

¹² See footnote 8.

¹³ The report, titled “The most dangerous foreign associations working in the Gaza Strip” was authored by the Branch of Foreign Associations and submitted to the Director of the Division of Foreign Activity Aqid (Hamas rank for Colonel) Ayman Rouqa (nom de guerre “Abu Islam”).

Hamas' Exploitation of NGO Projects to Secure Military Positions

A June 16, 2021 document¹⁴ suggests that Oxfam worked with a Hamas-linked local group on an infrastructure project that appears to have contributed to Hamas military preparations.¹⁵

The file details an Oxfam water project slated to take place in **“a border area and is security sensitive, since it is a place of interest for both the occupation and the resistance alike.”** MoINS officials added, **“The project concerns irrigation of fruit trees...[which] are known to be a cover for resistance activities in border areas”** – referring to Hamas military activity (emphases added).¹⁶ MoINS officials mentioned Oxfam’s local implementing partner Rai-Consult – touting that “the founders and the people in charge of the company, and many of the employees in it have an Islamist view and **its director is affiliated with the Hamas movement**” (emphasis added). The document names Rai-Consult employees associated with the project, categorizing all of their “moral” and “security” statuses as “excellent.”

In other words, through a Hamas-linked company, Hamas ensured this Oxfam project was implemented in a manner consistent with maintaining and concealing tactically advantageous positions for its forces.

Hamas Interference in NGO Programming

MoINS documents reveal Hamas restrictions on NGO activity, in order to safeguard the location of Hamas military installations, the identity of its members, and more.

For instance, in relation to the above-mentioned Oxfam project, MoINS notes that “after the recent campaign” – referring to the May 2021 Gaza conflict – “the territory is very sensitive.

¹⁴ The report, titled “The Rai-Consult company carrying out a field survey in Al Fukhari area,” was submitted by the Deputy Director General of [the Sector of] Intelligence Affairs to the Director General of the ISM.

¹⁵ A 2020-2024 Oxfam Novib project – [funded by the EU](#) – fits the timeframe, description, and location of the project described by MoINS.

¹⁶ Criticising Israel for damaging trees and agricultural land has been a staple of NGO reporting on Gaza, both before and after the October 7th massacre. This includes reports from groups such as EuroMed Rights, Forensic Architecture, and Gisha, and also features in NGO accusations of “starvation.”

Because of this, moving about in order to collect information and data requires inspection and monitoring.” As such, MoINS ordered the redaction of 13 Oxfam survey questions, as “the respondent could possibly mention matters that concern the resistance’s activity” or “does not serve the purpose of the study and the respondent’s political and ideological orientation could be observed.” Likewise, on July 27, 2020, MoINS reviewed a [UN-funded Mercy Corps cash-assistance project](#),¹⁷ noting that NGOs create questionnaires “in order to reach the groups that are in the gravest need.” Hamas, though, worked “to erase questions that do not have any relation to the questionnaire’s goal or that have security aspects, in order to minimize and diminish any security threat.” For the specific Mercy Corps project – where over half of the beneficiaries were provided by the Hamas-controlled ministries of Social Development (MoSD) and Agriculture (MoA) – MoINS ordered Mercy Corps to delete certain questions citing “concerns that the goal [of the question] is to identify resistance members” or because it “related to the Return March wounded,” and “concerns that the data...will be exploited by hostile parties.” (This reflects Hamas’ deliberate manipulation of casualty data from periods of armed conflict.) Moreover, MoINS conditioned final approval for the project on receiving the names of Mercy Corps field researchers “in order to investigate them.”

Similarly, an April 2022 MoINS report¹⁸ focusing on an ANERA infrastructure project in Gaza City seeks to mitigate operational security concerns regarding the location of the intended project in an area “that contains resistance activities.” In addition to interrogating and performing background checks on an ANERA employee, MoINS instructed that “authorization [be obtained] from the brothers in [Hamas’ military] intelligence...regarding the digging maps and areas field sites,” presumably to prevent the exposure of Hamas military infrastructure. Furthermore, the report mentions that the project was funded by Islamic Relief US; in 2014, [Israel designated Islamic Relief Worldwide](#), accusing it of funding Hamas.

Silence and Complicity from the NGO Sector

In some instances, NGOs adopted a policy of silence in response to the humanitarian risks and challenges caused by Hamas’ control of Gaza. A March 29, 2022 report¹⁹, authored by

¹⁷ The project review was authored by the Branch of Security of Associations and sent to the Director of the Division of Public Activity under ISM. The title of the original document was “Response on the project ‘urgent aid for vulnerable families in the Gaza Strip’.”

¹⁸ See footnote 2.

¹⁹ The March 29, 2022 report was titled “Testimony of [NAME REDACTED] Director of NRC [Gaza].”

the Department of Western Associations and submitted to the Director of the Branch of Foreign Activities, illustrates this dynamic. Specifically, according to Hamas, and as described below, when Norwegian Refugee Council employees were confronted with complaints from civilians regarding terror infrastructure in residential areas, they did not follow up.

The report recounts testimony from the head of NRC's Gaza office following a Hamas authorities-led investigation. As part of an NRC program, [funded by the UK and EU](#), to provide cash assistance to families selected by Hamas-controlled Ministry of Social Development (MoSD), an NRC delegation, including the Gaza head and five other employees, visited a beneficiary's apartment. The resident was chosen because of "his medical condition," "since he is elderly, weak sighted and his partner has a broken pelvis," and the "poor shape of his apartment's floor and one of the walls was about to collapse."

During the visit, the beneficiary asked whether "the reason that the floor collapsed was that there was a tunnel" beneath his home. According to the NRC senior official, **"neither the foreign delegation nor the association's employees asked whether there was a tunnel under the civilian's...apartment which caused the floor to collapse**, rather it was the apartment's owner who asked the researchers...**nevertheless the researchers did not reply to him"** (emphases added).

Conclusion

NGOs operating in Gaza are fully aware of the realities of working under Hamas rule. Instead of disclosing the coercive conditions under which they operate, NGOs consistently omit or downplay Hamas' violations, refusing to expose how deeply the terror group has infiltrated, distorted, and exploited the humanitarian space.

Worse still, many of these organizations are quick to level public condemnations of Israel, while failing to acknowledge Hamas' systematic abuse of humanitarian mechanisms. This one-sided narrative enables Hamas to operate with impunity, shielding its criminal behavior from scrutiny and distorting the international understanding of the humanitarian situation in Gaza.

By choosing to stay quiet and cooperate with the regime, NGOs not only provide cover for Hamas' abuses, they begin to internalize and adopt Hamas's own agenda and propaganda. The result is an aid sector that, in many cases, no longer acts independently or impartially,

but instead functions within a terror-controlled system and becomes an integral part of misinformation and disinformation campaigns.

Appendix I:

Funding to NGOs Mentioned in the Report

Catholic Relief Services: [Funded](#) by [Ireland](#), United States, and United Nations.

CESVI: [Donors](#) include European Union, Germany, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States, United Nations

CIVITAS: CIVITAS does not include any financial data, donor information, or sources of funding on its website, reflecting a complete lack of transparency and accountability.

El-Amal Rehabilitation Society: [Funded](#) by the United States.

El Baraka Association For Charitable and Humanitarian Work: El Baraka Association For Charitable and Humanitarian Work does not include any financial data, donor information, or sources of funding on its website, reflecting a complete lack of transparency and accountability.

Handicap International: [Donors](#) include France, Australia, Canada, Switzerland, European Union, United Kingdom, Belgium, Germany, Norway, Sweden, United States, United Nations.

Human Appeal: Human Appeal does not include any financial data, donor information, or sources of funding on its website, reflecting a complete lack of transparency and accountability.

International Medical Corps (IMC): [Donors](#) include European Union, France, Germany, Italy, Canada, United Kingdom, United States, United Nations

Medical Aid for Palestinians: Donors in [2023-2025](#) have included UNICEF, UN OCHA, World Health Organization, Trocaire, and Islamic Relief.

Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC): [Donors](#) include United States, United Kingdom, Europe Union, Norway, Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, France, Belgium, United Nations

Rahma Worldwide: Donors include [two Kuwaiti organizations](#) – Al Najat Charitable Society, and Namaa Charity.

Appendix 2

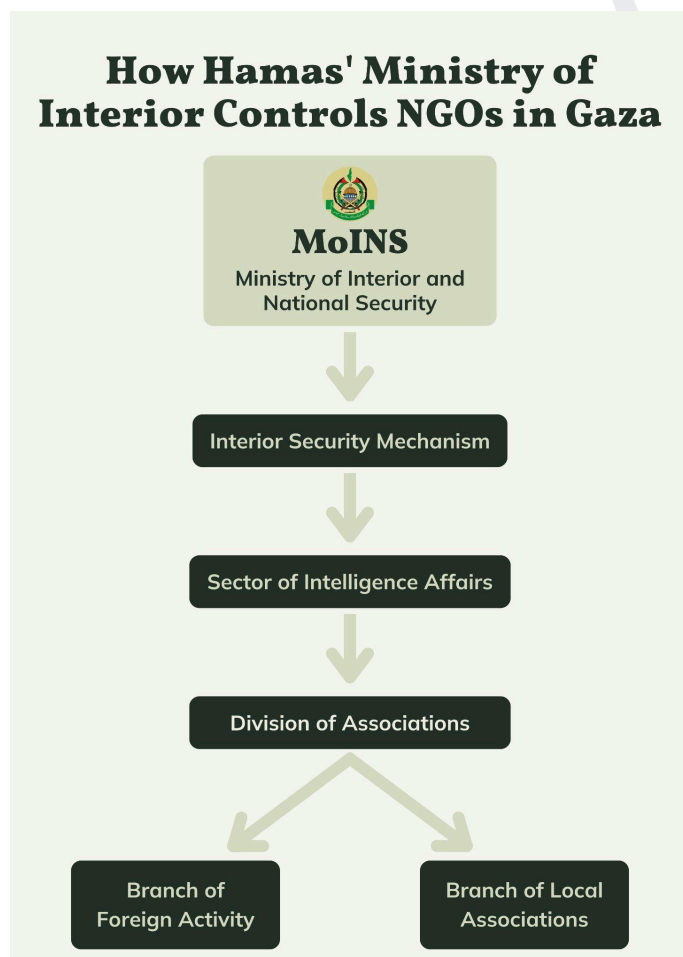
List of documents by order of appearance.

- April 5, 2022. "Regarding the implementation of the urgent project for water and sewage by the East Gaza Society." Authored by the Director of the Division of Public Activity. Submitted to the Deputy Director General of [the Sector of] Intelligence Affairs.
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Appendix 3

MoINS' hierarchical chart of bodies assigned to monitor and control NGO and humanitarian activity (from analysis of documents, as of mid 2022)



Appendix 4

MoINS December 2022 document, “Report on the employees in foreign associations that have the right to submit a request for a foreign visitor,” translated by NGO Monitor. Names and personal information have been redacted.

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Aqid (Hamass rank for Colonel)/Director of the Division of
Associations may Allah protect him
May peace and Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you

Wednesday
14/12/2022

Subject / Report on the employees in foreign associations that have the right to
submit a request for a foreign visitor

Firstly, we ask Allah almighty to assist and guide you, and always grant you
success.

Regarding the aforementioned subject, **a detailed list has been produced, including notable employees who have the right to submit a request for a foreign visitor** (emphasis original). This, as part of continuing to update the lists of foreign associations, and their administrative staffs and board of directors bodies, and as part of shedding light on the employees who have the authority to submit a request for a foreign visitor via the system of the Ministry of Interior - Public Affairs, who are considered the first security element for the crossing of foreigners into the Gaza Strip and are considered guarantors for foreigners arriving to the Gaza Strip via their associations and staff positions. These [guarantors] can be exploited for security purposes, in order to infiltrate foreign associations, their foreign senior staff and their movements on the field inside the Gaza Strip. **The results are as follows:** (emphasis original)

Names of Guarantors and notable comments:

Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	CESVI
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	▪ She is a member of a representative body in the association.				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is affiliated with Hamas. She works as a lecturer at the University of Palestine. Her financial status is excellent. She is active in foreign associations. She gives lectures and courses at associations. She is married to [REDACTED], who is a Raqib (Hamas rank for sergeant) in the Daawa (the preaching and guidance body under the Ministry of Awqaf and Religious Affairs). She is a practicing religious woman. Influential in the family. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	CESVI
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. He used to live in Italy and came to the Gaza Strip 6 years ago. He has many connections with multiple foreigners and especially Italians. His religious commitment is good and he can be seen in most prayers in Al-Sabireen mosque. His social ties are very weak and he does not associate with anyone. His financial status is remarkably good. His family members are practicing religious people and their religious commitment is good. He did not receive any Hawala money transfers. He travels abroad. He is a university graduate from Yugoslavia. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	DVV international - Germany



Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the administrative director of the association. She traveled abroad four times and came back. Three times via the Rafah Crossing and once via the Beit Hanoun Crossing [Erez Crossing]. Has four Hawala money transfers via [the method of] registered small package. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Doctors Without Borders - Spain
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the administrative director of the association. Does not have any stated [security] indications against her. She traveled abroad once and came back via the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Doctors Without Borders - Spain
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the deputy head of the representative body of the association. She did not face any security meetings with the occupation or harassments by the occupation. She travels abroad and comes back many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She received a single Hawala money transfer in August 2021 in the sum of 119 dollars. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Doctors without Borders - Belgium
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the administrative director of the association. Does not have any stated [security] indications against her. She traveled abroad twice via the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Doctors without Borders - Belgium
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the director of the association. Does not have any stated [security] indications against her. She traveled abroad five times and came back via the Rafah Crossing. She received a single Hawala money transfer in 2018 in the sum of 1,088 dollars from her spouse [REDACTED] 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	CARE international
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the administrative director of the association. Her spouse works as a teacher in the Gaza government, in the field of the English language. The household's status is not religiously devoted. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She has many social ties in the area and outside of it because of her work in international associations. She has an internet connection and a Facebook page and also an account, and she does not have hostile activity on Facebook. There are no security or moral observations on her. She has a very strong personality and is not susceptible to pressure and extortion. She travels abroad and comes back many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor		ID no.		Association	International Medical Corps - IMC
Address		Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. His religious and moral commitment are good, and he comes to pray in Al-Sabireen mosque. He heads the security and communications portfolio in IMC. There are no security or moral observations on him. He is not present in the area and does not have social ties. Always traveling to the occupied interior [i.e. Israel] and the West Bank. Was committed for a long time in the area [for Hamas operations], and was one of the supporters of Hamas. He is currently a Naqib (Hamas rank for captain) in the Daawa in the Sabarin mosque. His wife works at the same international association and is a graduate of a Jordanian university. His wife was the one who arranged his employment in the association. His social circle is limited. He is the only male child of his parents. He receives noteworthy Hawala money transfers from abroad. The last one was on 6/7/2022. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He travels via the Beit Hanoun and Rafah Crossings. The last time was on 24/3/2022. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Mercy Corps
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. Lives in Deir al Balah, next to Dawar Al-Habash. His financial status is excellent. He owns a vehicle for transportation - Daewoo brand. He travels abroad many times owing to his work in the association. He graduated with a bachelor's in computer engineering. He does not affiliate with any political organization. His social ties are good. He has no offenses or problematic issues registered against him. He received Hawala money transfers on April 1, 2021, in the sum of 490 NIS. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Medical Aid for Palestinians - UK
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. He is affiliated with the Hamas movement and has allegiance [to its rule]. He works in the positive (a known term for Hamas' Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades). He is employed in the Islamic University. His circle of friends is from the Hamas movement. He is [religiously] committed and is present at the prayer in Al-Emaan mosque. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He traveled abroad and returned once via the Rafah Crossing. He received five Hawala money transfers. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Campaign for the Children of Palestine (CCP - Japan)
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. He is the head of security at CCP - Japan. He previously worked in a Gazan office as a car driver in a black Skoda, and later he started working with the Japanese association. He used to go with them to the association's activities in the field and receive a monthly salary. Then, he started to work in security at the association. He has a B.A. in business administration. He is affiliated with Fatah but does not have any political activity. He is religiously devoted and prays all the prayers in Al-Yaseen mosque. He meets with Japanese foreigners who come to the association [offices] via the Erez Crossings. His financial and social status are good. He has no mentionable problematic issues. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He received numerous Hawala money transfers from a man called [REDACTED]. The last one was on June 27, 2022. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Médecins du Monde - France
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He received two Hawala money transfers on March 6, 2021 from [REDACTED] (1,000 dollars) and [REDACTED] (500 dollars). Traveled to Jordan for school in 2000 until 2006. He traveled to the United Arab Emirates in 2004 for tourism. He traveled to Egypt: for tourism. He traveled to France in 2014 as part of his work, in order to participate in a training course by Doctors Without Borders. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Action Against Hunger
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. He works as a driver in the health care association (possibly meaning Primary Health Care Corporation). He is a partner with [REDACTED] at a phone shop. There are no security or moral observations on him. He received a single Hawala money transfer in 2021 in the sum of 200 dollars. He is moderately religiously observant. His financial status is average He does not have any [social] ties in the area. He spends most of his time outside the area. All of his [social] ties are outside the area. He does not travel abroad. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	DanChurchAid



Address		Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the administrative director of the association. She is not affiliated with any political group. She works in the field of journalism and media. She gives training courses in journalism. Her financial status is very good. She wears clothes in line with fashion due to her work. Her spouse works for the Ramallah [Palestinian] Authority. She has plenty of social ties. Most of her nuclear family works in the Ramallah Authority. The religious status of her household is good. She travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing She received three Hawala money transfers. 				
Guarantor		ID no.		Association	DanChurchAid
Address		Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He graduated with a bachelor's in engineering from the Islamic University, and is studying for a master's in economics. He worked as a civil engineer until 2005 at the Osama Al-Kohdari company. He was registered at UNRWA under an unemployment article for 9 months. He worked as projects coordinator for Save the Children from 2009-2013. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				



Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	SOS Children's Villages
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the administrative director of the association. She graduated with a bachelor's in English literature. She travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	SOS Children's Villages
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the associations. He graduated with a bachelor's in Civil Engineering. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He received one Hawala money transfer via [the method of] registered small package. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	EDUCAID Italy
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The administrative director of the association. He owns a car from the same company. He works with [REDACTED], the director of a foreign association, who frequently travels abroad. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is not devoted to praying, except for the Friday prayer in Hasan Odeh mosque. His financial status is good. He does not have social ties in the area, except with his director at work, [REDACTED] He currently lives in [REDACTED]. He formerly worked at Al-Karama hospital, five years ago as a hospital clerk, and currently he works at a foreign association. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing He receives many Hawala money transfers. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Terre des hommes Switzerland
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. Without affiliation. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing He receives many Hawala money transfers via [the method of] registered small package. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. He is employed by the government of Gaza and has the rank of Naqib (Hamas rank for captain). 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He traveled to the UK about 8 years ago in order to graduate with a master's in Human Science. He supports the Hamas movement but is not affiliated with the movement. His financial status is good. He does not have any moral or security observations on his account. He is devoted to praying in Al-Shahidain mosque. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing. He received a Hawala money transfer in the amount of 936 dollars in 2018 from his brother [REDACTED]. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Norwegian Refugee Council
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He does not have [social] ties in the area. His father is a professor at the Islamic University. He is not religiously observant. Most of his [social] ties are outside the area. He goes out in the morning and returns in the evening every day. He lives in the family's home on the fourth floor. He owns a white Nissan car. He has activity and ties via his personal account [on social media]. He traveled four times abroad and returned via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He received five Hawala money transfers via [the method of] registered small package. On August 28, 2017, it became known that while checking [REDACTED]'s phone, who is an employee at NRC, embarrassing photos of her, which were sent to the aforementioned [REDACTED], were confiscated. 				



Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	A M Qattan
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the financial director of the association. He traveled six times abroad and returned via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	A M Qattan
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The director of the association. She is a member of the Arab Thought Forum association. She travels abroad and returns via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. She received 5 Hawala money transfers from her brother [REDACTED] 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the financial director of the association. He is affiliated with the Fatah movement. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is Christian. He is affiliated with the Fatah movement and participates in public activities of the movement. His financial status is excellent. He graduated from his academic studies in Commerce (studied in English). His mother works at Al-Ahli Baptist Hospital. He has a good reputation in the area. He continuously goes to the Orthodox charity. He does not have any observations on his account. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He receives Hawala money transfers from [REDACTED]. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED] [REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED] [REDACTED]	Association	Agency for Technical Cooperation and Development (Acted)
Address	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He is affiliated with the Fatah movement and belongs to the Dahlan faction. He is active in youth activities. He graduated with a bachelor in Physical Therapy. His personality is weak. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He received 8 Hawala money transfers. He met Zionist intelligence parties in order to receive an entry permit to Hebron and Jerusalem to visit the headquarters of the association that he works at in Jerusalem. He spends most of his time at work. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He has a brother who is a commander in [Izz ad-Din] Al-Qassam [Brigades]. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	El Baraka Association For Charitable and Humanitarian Work
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He affiliated himself with the Hamas movement in the past and is currently without any affiliation. He graduated with a bachelor's in accounting. He lives in an apartment he owns which he bought 7 years ago, next to Al-Mahata mosque. He is good security-wise and there are no observations [on his account] in this respect. He previously worked at Al-Aqsa TV as an accountant and was fired due to circumstances which are unknown to us. He previously worked at Hassad Al-Khair association as an accountant, treasurer and a member of the board of directors. He is morally suspicious due to obtained information against him, from close people, about his immoral relationship with a female employee at the Hassad Al-Khair association - [REDACTED] The General Security [body] opened an investigation due to information against him regarding moral and administrative corruption. He traveled abroad and returned once via the Rafah Crossing. He receives and sends many Hawala money transfers. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	WeWorld-GVC



Address		Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He has no affiliation. His financial status is good. He graduated with a bachelor's in environmental engineering. He has a chalet on the beach of Jabalia. He does not have many ties in the area. He regularly goes to the Erez Crossing to meet foreign delegations. He has brothers who are affiliated with the Hamas movement. All of his brothers are educated, and engineers and physicians. His father, [REDACTED], is an engineer who is well-known in the north [of Gaza]. He traveled abroad and returned twice, once via the Rafah Crossing and the other via the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Islamic Relief - London (UK)
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He received a single Hawala money transfer in the sum of 6,110 dollars from [REDACTED], on 08/09/2021. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	ANERA



Address		Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He hates the Hamas movement. There are no security or moral suspicions on his account. He goes running daily on the Al-Sudaniya beach after the Asr [afternoon] prayer. He is devoted [to praying] in Muadh ibn Jabal mosque. He owns a black Hyundai car. He is from a very religiously devoted family. He was born in Iraq. He has not received any Hawala money transfers. He has a brother who is a Raqib (Hamas rank for sergeant) in the Hamas movement, called [REDACTED], and he works as a director in traffic control. His [social] ties in the area are good. Most of his ties are with Fatah movement members. All of his sons recite the Quran in Muadh ibn Jabal mosque. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Rahma Worldwide
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He earned a salary from the Salafi movement since he worked with them in Al-Albani mosque. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He was formerly affiliated with the Salafi movement, and is now affiliated with the Hamas movement. He is committed in Al-Amin Mohammed mosque. He receives Hawala money transfers from abroad and does not know their source. They are irregular and it was said that they are from Saudi Arabia. He opened a bakery on Trence Junction. His religious observance is low. There are no mentionable observations on his account. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor		ID no.		Association	Save the Children
Address		Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He has no affiliation. His financial status is very good. He works in the field of general electricity. He is a member of the board of directors of the Istanbul building. He travels abroad and returns via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. His [social] ties with the neighbors are good. He is from a religiously observant and committed family. There are no security or moral observations on his account. His circle of friends is very limited. 				
Guarantor		ID no.		Association	Médecins du Monde - Spain



Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He has multiple Hawala money transfers, both sending and receiving. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	St John of Eye Hospital
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He previously worked as director of foreign relations in the Ramallah authority's [meaning the PA] Ministry of Health. He previously worked at the Ministry of Health as a nurse and currently ceased his position. He graduated with a Master's in administration. His financial status is excellent. He has no organizational relations with the Fatah movement, and he is only a supporter. Currently he spends most of his time in St. John center. There are no comments on his account. He prays in Abu Bakr mosque, close to his apartment, and he has good [social] ties with the neighbors. He traveled abroad and returned six times, once via the Beit Hanoun Crossing and five times via the Rafah Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Palestine Children's Relief Fund (PCRF) - US



Address		Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He has no affiliation. He has strong ties with the Red Cross. His financial status is excellent. He lives in a good environment. His religious observance is good. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. It became apparent that he had five Hawala money transfers, two of which he received and three he sent. 				
Guarantor		ID no.		Association	Oxfam Netherlands
Address		Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He graduated from his master's in political science from Al-Azhar University in 2017. The aforementioned previously worked in Terre des Hommes Switzerland between 2011 and 2013. The aforementioned previously worked in NRC between 2008 and 2010. The aforementioned previously worked in the Norwegian embassy between 1996 and 2004. He advanced in positions in work until he was appointed to head of the offices in Gaza, until the embassy was closed for political reasons. He travels abroad and returns via the Rafah Crossing. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He had 9 Hawala money transfers, one of which he received and 8 he sent. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Norwegian People's Aid (NPA)
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the director of the association. Her partner is an employee in Al-Azhar University. She studied commerce in Al-Azhar University. Her financial status is good. There are no security or moral observations on her account in the area where she lives. Her partner supports the Fatah movement. She leaves her house in sharia-compliant clothing. She lives in an area that has good religious observance. She traveled abroad and returned twice, once via the Rafah Crossing and the other via the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	War Child Holland - the Netherlands
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the director of the association. She travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and via the Beit Hanoun Crossing. She had five Hawala money transfers, four of which she received and one of which she sent. 				



Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Première Urgence Internationale (PUI)
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He has no affiliation. He graduated from his master's in development projects. There are no problematic issues or any suspicions on his account. He has a brother who is a surgeon. His name is [REDACTED]. He lives in his brother's apartment, who is living in Saudi Arabia. The apartment is behind the Public Prosecution Office on Al-Shifa street. His legs were amputated and he installed artificial limbs in Germany. His legs were amputated due to a car accident outside the Gaza Strip. His partner works at Doctors Without Borders and she was his colleague at work. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Doctors Without Borders - France
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He is affiliated with the Fatah movement but does not participate in any visible activity in the area. He is religiously observant. His financial status is excellent. He works at Doctors Without Borders France. He is not seen much in the area. His [social] ties are all outside the area. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He received a single Hawala money transfer on 18/07/2021 from [REDACTED] in the sum of 697 dollars. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Human Appeal Australia
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He is affiliated with the Hamas movement. His religious and moral commitment is very good. He is the head of the community of the Marj Al-Zohoor mosque and a member of the board of directors in the area. He was previously the director general of the Islamic Society. He is an employer partner in Human Appeal Australia. He held several positions and management posts in the [Hamas] movement. He is a partner in the Tabaria resort tourist business. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing. He receives many Hawala money transfers. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Handicap
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He is affiliated with the Hamas movement. He graduated with a bachelor's in the English language. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Beit Hanoun Crossing. His financial status is good. He is a materialistic person and has debts. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He does participate in any activity. He is close to his clan. His family is considered [supportive of] Hamas. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Baptist association
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. The aforementioned is Christian. He travels abroad and returns via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. He received a single Hawala money transfer on 27/12/2018 from [REDACTED] in the sum of 50 dollars. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Italy cooperation south - south
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the director of the association. She does not have an affiliation. She graduated with a bachelor's in accounting. She travels abroad and returns many times, mostly via the Beit Hanoun Crossing. She received three Hawala money transfers via [the method of] registered small package. She has no connection to any of the factions or to politics. There are no security or moral observations on her account. She is active on Facebook and posts about the work of associations and organizations. Her religious observance is ordinary. 				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She travels abroad many times via the Beit Hanoun Crossing due to her work in the Italian association. She is from a very open minded family. She leaves her house in exposed clothing that transgresses sharia law. The aforementioned's mother receives many Hawala money transfers. Her mother is a director at UNDP. Their financial status is extremely excellent and her father owns many real estate and lands. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Catholic Relief Services
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the director of the association. He is affiliated with the Popular Front [for the Liberation of Palestine]. He does not have any organizational activity. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing He is not religiously observant. There are no mentionable problems on his account. He is a communist. He frequently travels to the occupied interior [i.e. Israel] and the West Bank. His social ties are very limited in the area where he lives. He is frequently present nearby Akela [gas] station in Abu Hassira supermarket. He works at collecting aid from abroad and he assists his relatives and neighbors in the area. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Society of Women Graduates



Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Cooperating– Local association
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the administrative director of the association. She traveled abroad and returned twice, once via the Rafah Crossing and the other via the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Gaza Community Mental Health Programme (GCMHP)
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating – Local association
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the administrative director of the association. He does not have any mentionable factional affiliation or any political activity. He used to live in Tel al-Islam and moved outside the area several years ago. He goes to his family's house in Tel al-Islam every now and then. There are no mentionable observations on his account. He was not seen in mosques during the time he lived in the area. He works as a translator with foreigners. He was not seen in an area where there are resistance activities. He traveled abroad and returned once, via the Rafah Crossing. He has not received any Hawala money transfers. His circle of [social] ties is made up of foreigners. The aforementioned's father is employed by UNRWA. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Aisha association for women and child protection
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association	Cooperating– Local association



		Category		Cooperation	
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the executive director of the association. She has no affiliation She travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. The aforementioned's partner is employed by the PA and works in intelligence. He previously worked at the Branch of Wireless Communication and he is religiously committed in Al-Gharbi mosque. There are no security or moral observations surrounding the aforementioned. She is active in the field of associations and organizations. She does not partake in any hostile activities. Her financial status is good. 				
Guarantor		ID no.		Association	Institute for the Study of Civil Society (Civitas)
Address		Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Neutral - Local association
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> He is the executive director of the association. He graduated with a bachelor's in chemistry. He is affiliated with the Hamas movement. He pledged his commitment during the First Intifada in Al-Kabeer mosque and he was organized with the Da'wa groups of the [Hamas] movement, and he pledged his allegiance to the movement. He previously worked at Bureij Cultural Forum. The association is located near Al-Amin mosque. He is especially clever and is capable of engaging in a sensible conversation. He is known for being critical of everyone, and for his obscene language. In addition, he is known for listening to music. He travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing. 				



Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	El-Amal Rehabilitation Society
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Cooperating- Local association
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the executive director of the association. She graduated with a bachelor's in social development. She works as a civilian employee (teacher) in the Government of Gaza. She travels abroad many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Palteam
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Cooperating- Local association
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the chair of the board of directors of the association. She is affiliated with the Fatah movement - the women's faction. She is a civilian employee in the Ramallah [meaning the PA] government. She is an architecture graduate. She is married to a man called [REDACTED] who is affiliated with the Fatah movement and works as a civilian employee in the Ramallah Authority. She is a founding member of the Palestinian Forum to Strengthen Social Development and Democratic Empowerment (PALFD). She is secretary [of the board] of the charity association of livestock and agriculture. Regarding security and morality she is good and there are no suspicions. She traveled abroad and returned twice via the Rafah Crossing. She receives Hawala money transfers. 				



Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Culture and Free Thought Society
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Cooperating– Local association
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the chair of the board of directors of the association. She is affiliated with the Arab Liberation Front (ALF). She is employed by the Ramallah Authority in political and moral guidance, and she is fully dedicated to the ALF. She is in contact with the Al-Ataa' charitable society that is under the ALF. She provides financial aid and [aid] coupons [for groceries] for several people. She often travels abroad to collect aid for the association, and she visits her married daughter in Jordan. She is head of women's activity at the ALF, and she is very active in women's activity. Previously, she was a kindergarten principal in Beit Hanoun in 1990. The aforementioned's partner is considered part of the elite and rich, and he owns much property. She travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. She has many Hawala money transfers, all of which are sent by her, excluding just one Hawala money transfer that she has received. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	Palestine association for education and environment protection
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	Good	Association Cooperation	Cooperating– Local association



Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ He is chair of the board of directors of the association.▪ He has a PhD.▪ He is morally corrupted.▪ He is a senior member of Fatah and an influential figure in the [PA president Mahmoud] Abbas faction. He works in the field of associations and organizations.▪ The aforementioned's uncle assists with medical referrals via the associations that are run by the aforementioned.▪ He travels abroad and returns via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing.▪ He had eight Hawala money transfers, seven of which were sent by him, and one which was received.▪ He was brought in for questioning by us [i.e. MoINS] due to embezzlement of associations' funds.▪ Employed by the intelligence mechanism (Ramallah Authority).				
Guarantor	<div></div>	ID no.	<div></div>	Association	NORWAC
Address	<div></div>	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Not cooperating
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ She is the chair of the board of directors of the association.▪ She has no affiliation.▪ She graduated from his bachelor's in commerce (studied in english).▪ Her spouse has US citizenship.▪ There is information indicating that her spouse is from the US Marine Corps (this information was provided during a questioning of the aforementioned in 2020. A questioning and an inspection was carried out against the aforementioned's spouse in the [security] guide [program], and there was no mention of this information or of any information on his account).▪ Their security status is unclear since they have not been continuously present in Gaza.				



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Her spouse's brother is [REDACTED] (Affiliated with Al-Nasser [Salah al-Deen] Brigades [a local Gazan terror group]), who, according to information accrued in 2015, is in contact with people from the perverted view (a defamatory term for Salafi Jihadist groups, such as ISIS). Her partner receives Hawala money transfers from abroad. She traveled abroad and returned once via the Rafah Crossing. 				
Guarantor	[REDACTED]	ID no.	[REDACTED]	Association	"Right to Life Association" for Impaired Children
Address	[REDACTED]	Security Category	None	Association Cooperation	Cooperating- Local association
Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> She is the chair of the board of directors of the association. She received a teacher certification with a bachelor's in history from Ain Shams University in Cairo in 1972. She is a civilian employee in the Ramallah government - general director. She worked in education at Mustafa Hafez High School in Gaza, Al-Wahda street for 4 years. On 16/11/ 2022 she had a meeting with the American embassy in Jerusalem in order to allow her to visit her siblings in the US. She met with Zionist intelligence in 2018. The goal of the meeting was to question her about a tunnel belonging to Al-Quds Brigades (the PIJ's military arm) that came out of the Right to Life Association. Her testimony in the matter was taken at the time. Her daughter [REDACTED] lives in Ramallah. She travels abroad and returns many times via the Rafah Crossing and the Beit Hanoun Crossing. She receives Hawala money transfers. 				

Notable information and figures:



- (48) foreign associations from (103) that are active in inviting foreign visitors.
- (55) employees in foreign associations that are allowed by the [MoINS] mechanism to fill a request for inviting a foreign visitor.
- All guarantors hold administrative positions in their respective associations.
- The administrative positions that are allowed by the mechanism to submit a request for a foreign visitor:
 - The administrative director of the foreign association.
 - The chair of the representative body of the foreign association.
 - The director of the foreign association.
 - The deputy chair of the representative body of the association.
- Every employee in the association has his own account in the system of the Ministry of Interior - Public Affairs.
- An employee who is not named above can use the account of an employee [named in the list] in order to fill a request for an incoming foreigner.
- Following monitoring the information found on the [security] guide [program] and information that we acquired , it appears that all guarantors named above do not have any security comments against them.

Evaluation:

- In the past, a request for a foreign visitor was submitted by low level management, and that had a negative impact on monitoring and real-time updating of information.
- The names found in the list above are considered the first element of the crossing of foreigners into the Gaza Strip, and the linking element between the association and the Ministry of Interior - Public Affairs.
- All foreigners' data, CV and information with a security aspect can be retrieved via the guarantors when the [submitted] request goes through the [interior] security offices in order to acquire a permit to enter Gaza.
- Accomplishing a security infiltration of the aforementioned names in the list via the Committee of Foreigners (Internal Security Mechanism) or the Committee of Associations (Public Affairs) will be considered an outstanding security-intelligence accomplishment.



- Hamas movement's International Relations [body] and its important role in the foreigners' portfolio, specifically relating to inviting visiting foreigners should be made use of, in such a way that many associations will seek [Hamas] International Relations in order to facilitate their missions.
- The content of the data which the guarantor enters via the electronic system should be developed and windows containing information with security aspects should be added.

Recommendations:

- There needs to be a discussion with the [heads of the Gaza] districts in order to carry out a full investigation relating to the abovementioned names.
- The aforementioned data needs to be employed for the benefit of security operations through the Division of Human [Intelligence] Sources.
- The aforementioned names need to be listed on the [list of counter] security threats measures of foreign associations.

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