

# UNHRC Special Rapporteur Declares Israeli Settlements 'A War Crime.' Here's Why He's Wrong.

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It's not enough that Israel is perennially in the dock at the UN Human Rights Council, according to its permanent Agenda item #7, "Human rights situation in Palestine and other occupied Arab territories." Israel is the whipping boy of the UNHRC. It has had more resolutions against it adopted by the UNHRC than have all the other 192 members of the UN put together. Not China, not Russia, not Iran, not North Korea, but tiny Israel is the state most condemned as a supposed "violinator" of human rights. Now the Special Rapporteur on human rights in the Palestinian territories for the UNHRC, Michael Lynk, has called for Israeli settlements to be declared a "war crime." More on Lynk's outrageous – but for

the UNHRC perfectly acceptable – claim is here: “UNHRC investigator: Back ICC by halting Israeli settlements war crimes.” by Tovah Lazaroff, [Jihad Watch](#).