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*Abdul El-Sayed, radical Democrat candidate for a Michigan U.S. Senate seat, falsely accuses Israel of genocide and opposes arms sales to the Jewish state, plus supports defunding the police, abolishing border enforcement and other socialist causes.*

## Rising Democratic socialists are not just anti-Zionist, they're anti-American

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Dear Friend of Israel, Friend of FLAME:

While recent Democratic socialist primary winners and front-runners have universally adopted the anti-Zionism mantra, when we dig a little deeper, we see that most of these ultra-leftists share radical, anti-American and anti-Western aims as well.

Most see their mission as “resistance” to capitalism, nationalism (such as Americanism and Zionism), democracy, and other values of Western Civilization. Dig deeper still, and we find that these emerging leaders also support [Marxist-style revolution](#).

First, they loudly and proudly flaunt the popular new Democrat trademark of anti-Zionism, accusing Israel of genocide, apartheid and ethnic cleansing, and even legitimizing attacks on Jews. For example, socialist Melat Kiros, who recently won her primary for a Colorado House seat, [refused to condemn](#) the firebombing of American Jews by a pro-Hamas activist.

These new, ultra-left Democratic contenders are adamantly anti-American and anti-Western. Recent primary winner Darializa Avila Chevalier (NY-13) even helped found a movement at Columbia University that called for the [“total eradication of Western civilization.”](#)

A good number of these socialist Democrats want to abolish America’s foundational economic system—capitalism—without which the U.S. could not have become the world’s largest, most successful economy. In fact, the Democratic Socialists of America (DSA), to which many far-left Democrats belong, openly calls for [abolishing capitalism](#).

Many of these socialist Democrats also disdain what they call “nationalism” and demand [abolition of border controls and enforcement](#). Several have vowed, for example, to dismantle Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

Finally, many of these radicals support limiting the rule of law, primarily by reducing funding for police and prisons. For instance, socialist House candidate Claire Valdez, (NY-7) believes resources for law enforcement agencies that “do not make us safer” should be redirected.

In short, these rising socialist stars of the Democratic Party aren’t just bad for Israel and its American supporters. They’re also bad for America. Never was the warning, “First they came for the Jews, then they came for me” more apt. Indeed, this classic realization—attacks that begin against the Jews inevitably spread to other “undesirables”—was formulated to describe the [gradual expansion of oppression](#) under the National Socialists in 1930s Germany.

**Radical Democrats legitimize attacks on Jews and the Jewish state.** Many of them falsely accuse Israel of genocide, ethnic cleansing and apartheid. This includes Jewish candidates such as Scott Weiner (CA-11) and Brad Lander (NY-10), who both accuse Israel of committing genocide in the Gaza Strip. Chevalier has called Israel an apartheid state and refused to condemn the October 7<sup>th</sup> massacre. New York City’s socialist mayor, Zohran Mamdani, who has endorsed many radical Democratic candidates, notoriously refused to condemn a pro-Hamas mob from surrounding a synagogue and intimidating worshippers, instead chastising the synagogue for hosting a pro-Israel event. Unfortunately, the tendency of far-left Democrats to [condone antisemitism](#) is just one thing that makes them anti-American.

**Radical Democrats condemn the U.S. as a force for evil.** Valdez for example, has asserted, “For decades, we have been sold a lie: That the U.S. empire defends freedom, advances democracy, and protects human rights.” Kiros described both 9/11 and October 7 as “inevitable” consequences of U.S. and Israeli policies in the Middle East. Similarly, Adam Hamawy (NJ-12) accused fellow Democrats of aligning with the “imperial project” of the U.S. and Israel. This is clear [anti-American hate](#).

**Radical Democrats want to abolish capitalism.** Several recent Democrat primary winners, including the aforementioned Kiros, Valdez, Chevalier, as well as Chris Rabb (PA-3), plus current primary candidates Oliver Larkin (FL-25) and William Lawrence (MI-7), are members or officially endorsed candidates of the

Democratic Socialists of America (DSA), whose foundational text reads, “We fight for the abolition of capitalism.”

True to their core Marxist values, a good number of these socialist Democrats favor seizing private property, such as apartment buildings. Indeed, Mamdani, referring to “luxury condos” of “oligarchs,” demanded that the government, “Seize these properties,” and recently ordered rent freezes on thousands of apartments—a step toward seizing the properties themselves. How long before radicals like Mamdani move to expropriate private property from millions of ordinary Americans?

**Radical Democrats want to end America’s sovereignty.** Polls show that Americans want strongly enforced borders, but ultraleft Democrats want to eliminate American sovereignty by abolishing border enforcement, and even getting rid of the borders themselves.

Several far-left Democrats have called to abolish ICE, including Democratic Michigan Senate candidate Abdul El-Sayed, who said, “We must abolish ICE, no amount of retraining or reforming will address this rot...The agency is corrupted at its soul.”

Chevalier even argues that America’s borders themselves should be eliminated, saying, “A world without borders—just like a world without prisons or police—is possible, necessary, and the only moral way forward.” Just imagine if millions, including criminals and terrorists, were allowed to enter the U.S. unimpeded.

**Radical Democrats want to abolish police and prisons.** Just 15% of Americans say they want to get rid of police, but far-left Democrats want to defund and abolish law enforcement mechanisms. Current Democratic primary candidate for Wisconsin governor Francesca Hong, for example, has repeatedly called to defund and abolish police, posting comments on X such as “police exist to uphold white supremacy. Defund then abolish.”

Many cities that significantly reduced police budgets have experienced spikes in violence. It would seem that extremist Democrats care more about protecting criminals than protecting victims—e.g., law-abiding Americans.

**Radical Democrats threaten 250 years of American freedom.** The immense success of radical Democrats in recent primaries and other elections demonstrates that their anti-Israel, anti-American, far-left brand is no longer fringe. It means that America, whose 250 years we just celebrated, is under threat. Upstart socialists are unabashed in telling us they will undermine our liberties, values, and prosperity. What’s worse is that mainstream or moderate Democrat leaders are doing nothing to combat this trend—simply twiddling thumbs as their party is stolen.

Please make the point when speaking with family, friends, colleagues—or in letters to the editor—that we need to turn the tide against extreme Democratic socialists who want to destroy the America (and Israel) we love. It’s vital that all who want the U.S. to remain free and democratic vote on November’s election day for candidates committed to preserving American values and security.

If you agree we need to spread this truth, please use your email browser to forward this Hotline issue to fellow lovers of Israel—and encourage them to join us by subscribing to the Hotline at no charge.

Best regards,

Jason Shvili, Contributing Editor

Facts and Logic About the Middle East (FLAME)

P.S. As you know, we at FLAME are constantly fighting to defeat our enemies' slanders against Israel. But I hope you agree that it's *just as important* for us lovers of Israel to spread the word about the amazing triumphs of Zionism. I believe that in addition to defending Israel from media and politicians' lies, we need also to help the world understand Israel's righteous cause and its power for good—we need as well to trumpet Israel's miraculous achievements. God knows, Americans will never learn about Israel's good deeds in mainstream media, like the *New York Times*, CNN or NPR! I believe we need to stand tall because of who the Jewish people are . . . be proud of what Israel does for the world. For this reason, I hope you'll approve of FLAME's new *hasbarah*—our explanatory message called "**How Zionism's Miracle Benefits Us All.**" With your agreement and support, FLAME will soon begin running this message as a paid editorial ad in major mainstream newspapers nationwide. This ad tells the truth about Zionism's unmatched power to create economic prosperity, global security, world health and democratic freedoms. It also explains why the enemies of Zionism are not just foes of Israel, they are also the enemies of human progress. Please review this convincing, fact-based editorial, which FLAME is about to publish to millions—in leading social media, as well as in the *Washington Post*, *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Post*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Orlando Sentinel*, *Houston Chronicle*, *Denver Post* and *Los Angeles Times*. This piece will also be sent to all members of Congress, the President and Vice President. If you agree that this kind of public relations effort on Israel's behalf is critical, I urge you to **support us** with a donation.

