

Anti-Semitism

Anti-Semitism has been rising over the last few years with anti-semitic hate crimes rising up 57 percent in 2017 from 2016, the largest single year jump on record according to the Anti-Defamation League (ADL). The ADL has identified 1,986 anti-semitic incidents in the 2017 audit of antisemitic incidents. Up from 1,267 in 2016. Though the incidents that the ADL tracks are not a single act of anti-semitism but rather different occasions. For example there were over 170 tombstones overturned in a Missouri cemetery in all of February 2017 and that this act was counted as one incident from the ADL. Incidents that ADL has been recording have been significantly increased in public areas such as parks and streets in previous audits. For example in 2017, K-12 schools surpassed public areas as the locations with the highest number of anti-semitic incidents. Not to mention for the first time in nearly a decade there was an incident occurring in every US state with New York, California, and New Jersey being the states with highest incidents. The ADL is having a hard time getting political traction in advocating policies and recommendations towards business. Most business, such as Starbucks, have called out the ADL for its pro Israel stance. The ADL repealing its support for the state of Israel is the most probably way for the organization to garner political and societal traction to decrease anti-semitism.

Topic: The Anti Defamation League should repeal its support for the state of Israel

Possible Advantages

- The affirmative can run an advantage on how the ADL can increase pressure on the state of Israel improving its legitimacy. An increase of legitimacy for the ADL means they can advocate policies that politicians and legislation that can be supported to better prevent anti-semitism in the united states

Possible Disadvantages

- The negative can run a disadvantage on how the lack of support for Israel leaves the destruction of Israel by other nations.
- The negative can run a disadvantage on how the the ADL is bad because of all of their anti minority rhetoric. As well as for supporting Israel and their efforts in the displacement in Palestine and the unfair treatment of disenfranchised people.
- Masking disadvantage because changing the policy of a single organization does not stop the atrocities that Israel is committing in the middle east.

Possible Affirmative Kritique's

- anti-semitism because the ADL is hurting the anti-semitism movement in the United States. Can also be run for the increase in anti-semitism across the US as a whole.
- Marx because affiliation is based off the capitalist idea of acquiring connection and wealth.
- Anti Blackness because of the ADL oppression and remarks towards people of color.

Possible Negative Kritique's

- Neoliberalism because you can affect the macro political structure of one organization just not change what israel does.
- Imperialism because of Israel's imperialistic approach and targeting on Palestine

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