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Rachel Corrie's death was a tragedy, as have been the deaths of all innocent Israelis and Palestinians. We all hope and pray for a peaceful resolution to the Arab-Israeli conflict. Those interested in this conflict should know that *My Name is Rachel Corrie* is an incomplete and one-sided portrayal of a complex and difficult situation.

Rachel Corrie was recruited by an extremist group, the International Solidarity Movement (ISM), and used as a human shield. ISM leaders have openly supported "armed resistance," a euphemism for terrorism. The ISM exploited Rachel's idealism by intentionally placing her in harm's way, encouraging her to stand in front of bullets and bulldozers.

When Rachel was in Gaza, the Palestinian "Intifada" was in its third year. Over 500 Israeli civilians, men, women and children, had already been murdered in Palestinian terror attacks. Rachel died when Israeli Defense Force bulldozers were searching for one of the more than 90 terrorist tunnels used to smuggle large quantities of explosives and weapons into Gaza. Israel was forced to act in self-defense to protect its citizens by stopping the flow of these weapons, preventing more terrorist attacks and suicide bombings.

Israel left all of Gaza in 2005, giving control to the Palestinians in hopes of achieving peace. In return, over 1,200 rockets have since been fired from Gaza into Israeli residential neighborhoods while almost every week suicide bombers attempt to enter Israel to kill and maim. **Israel is committed to a peaceful resolution of the conflict, including the establishment of an independent Palestinian state.** The Palestinian government, led by Hamas, an internationally recognized terrorist organization, openly and repeatedly calls for Israel's complete destruction, perpetuating and exploiting the misery of its own people.

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