

Judge to rule on UK diplomat for anti-Israel tirade

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This story is being ignored by the liberal media. You won't read this on the BBC, the Guardian, the Independent or any other left-leaning news outlets. Yet it concerns a very high-ranking diplomat who works for the British government. [Rowan Laxton](#) headed up the South Asia department of the Foreign Office, that is until he was suspended in February of this year following a foul-mouthed tirade against Israel and the Jews in a London gymnasium. Laxton was watching a report of the conflict in Gaza on television when he suddenly launched into an obscene rant against Israel and the Jews. When confronted by a fellow gym-mate over his racist remarks, Laxton replied,

*It's not racist. If I had my way, the international community would be sent in and if the Israelis got in the way, they would be blown off the face of the f***ing Earth"*

. His tone was somewhat more reserved when he appeared in court today, after having been formally charged with racial harassment.

Quote: *"Speaking in a quiet voice, Mr Laxton, who is charged with racially aggravated harassment, said: "I am embarrassed, to be honest with you. I offended somebody, I embarrassed the Foreign Office, I've caused anxiety to a number of friends and family and in particular I regret using foul language and I regret using imprecise language. "I regret very much the way in which this case came out in the media and the suggestion that I am anti-Semitic or racist in any way. I am not." "I fully accept that my comments suggested I felt that everybody in Israel was somehow responsible for that action."*

If that isn't racism, I don't know what is. How this man is still managing to hold down his job at the British Foreign Office is beyond me. Unfortunately Mr Laxton isn't the only British politician who has espoused anti-Semitic sentiments. Former London Mayor Ken Livingston previously justified the use of [suicide bombings](#) against Israel, just days after the terror attacks on the London underground claimed the lives of over 150 people. And even the former British Prime Minister's wife, Cherie Blair, once gave a chilling justification of Palestinian suicide bombings when she said,

"as long as young people feel they have got no hope but to blow themselves up you are never going to make progress"

. She made the unfortunate remarks just hours after 19 Israelis lost their lives in a massive suicide attack. In reality it is not the hopelessness and desperation of young Arabs that drives them to become 'shahids' and die for the sake of their cause. It is the Islamic culture of death that breeds this sort of macabre violence. And as long as

[Hamas](#)

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continue to indoctrinate their children into believing that death is good, and that to die in the process of killing a Jew merits special favour from Allah, there will be no peace in the Middle East. You can't negotiate with someone who desires your complete annihilation. Unfortunately this aspect of the conflict is largely ignored by the Western media. And it is this

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against Israel in the media that is largely responsible for the anti-Semitic undercurrent that is now sweeping across Britain.

There is hope. The Gospel, which is the power of God unto salvation, is able to change people's lives. As we have seen, the son of a Hamas minister, who was formerly involved in setting up terrorist attacks against the Jews, has become a [born again Christian](#). He now has a God-given love for Israel, and although he lives in exile in the United States, he hopes to be able to return to his homeland someday. And I heard recently how a prominent terrorist-turned-politician in my own country has received Christ as his personal Saviour. His story is not unique. The Bible tells of how Paul, who formerly made havoc of the Church and persecuted this way unto death, became one of the greatest evangelists this world has ever known. So don't be consumed by hatred for the Muslims. But be a witness to them of the love of God and the saving power of Jesus Christ. You never know what might come of it.

1st Timothy 1:15

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

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