



## **Fox News Journalist DEBUNKS IDF Lie**

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**Glenn Greenwald (GG):** Here, just about Yemen, we talked about this some, but Trump posted this video. He was very proud of it. There are, as you can see on the screen, I think, you can see there on the scene, this is Yemen, I would estimate 60, maybe 70 Yemenis sitting around, standing up out in the open. None of them are carrying guns. And even if they were, like you're allowed to carry guns. Doesn't make you a bad person. I think we hear that all the time from the American right. I agree with that. Like you have a gun, doesn't make you a bad person, doesn't mean you're gonna go kill somebody, doesn't mean it'll make you terrorist. They're just standing there in a circle. It's a very common formation for Yemeni tribes. This is how tribes meet. Trump claimed that these were people plotting to go and bomb American ships. He said: We're not going to let the Houthis blow up our ships again. The Houthi never blew up an American ship. They once claimed they attacked a ship, the Defence Department said that it was totally false. Israel bombed an American ship, the USS Liberty in 1967 killed a lot of people, a lot of Americans, all forgotten. But, here is Trump very proudly saying: "These people were plotting a terrorist attack on an American ship", even though Houthi said before the bombing of Yemen began, we're only attacking Israeli ships. Like, knowing that there's American drones all over the place that the U.S. is bombing constantly all throughout the country, why would they meet just outdoors and stand in like a perfect visible formation if they were actually terrorists or whatever, plotting a military operation? That's not what they would do. But here's what the United States did and Donald Trump was very proud of it.

Trump said, Oh, look, they were plotting to attack a ship. They're a big bomb. They're all dead. Woo. Look, there's no one left. Totally destroyed every living person that was there despite having no idea who they were. And you had a lot of conservatives who just rejuvenated their act from the war on terror, like: Hey, we don't want any more Middle East wars. Oh, those are terrorists. Yeah, blow up those terrorists. Just bomb, keep killing the terrorists. Hell yeah. Like getting that pulsating sensation of strength.

Meanwhile, just one last point about Israel. They murdered 15 Palestinian medics, ambulance drivers, people who saved the lives of others. At first, they said, when these people went missing, they just disappeared from the face of the Earth, nobody knew where they were, they

just didn't come home, their ambulances were nowhere to be found, the Israelis said: We don't have anything to do with it. And then when it became apparent that they were killed, the IDF said: No, actually what happened was, we did kill them. And the reason we killed them is because they were ambulances, but they didn't have their emergency lights on, or sirens on, and they were approaching our vehicles in very suspicious ways. That's always what the IDF says whenever they are caught killing people, including innocent people like these medics. They say: Oh yeah, they were terrorists. They didn't have their emergency lights on. They were attacking our troops, they were putting our troops in danger. That's what they said, and everybody printed it: Oh, Israel says that it killed them because they were terrorists, whatever, and that's usually the end of it. And then the question was, when the Palestinians found them, they were buried in the dirt, along with their ambulances. So the Israelis didn't just murder these people, then they buried them. And they said: Well, if these were terrorists, why did you bury them? Seemingly hide the evidence. And the IDF said: We wanted to respect their bodies. Because what happens is, if you leave corpses out in Gaza, the animals come and eat them, because animals have no food like the humans. Because the Israelis are so, so concerned about the dignity of Palestinians. They care so deeply about it. But then they also buried the ambulance. Like, why would you bury the ambulance as well? Would the animals eat the ambulance?

Unfortunately for Israel there was one of the medics, who ended up being murdered, who was videoing the scene prior to him being killed. You can hear him saying kind of his last words, so many apologies to his mother, saying his last prayers. He knew he was going to die. And it was on his cell phone, and the Israelis just neglected to take it. And so when they dug it up, they found the cell phone. And you could see very clearly on the cell phone that everything the IDF said was an absolute lie. These were ambulances with their lights on, their sirens on, the workers, the medics were wearing the orange neon identifiable vest as rescue workers and they were rescuing a truck that the Israelis had just shot up and killed people in. They didn't approach the IDF in any way. Everything that Israel said was a lie, which happens all the time, except when there's a video that emerges, and then it's just like: Oh, yeah, we lied. And we're going to walk it back, like what happened with the American journalist. And it never makes anyone wonder, like, hey, the next time the IDF kills a bunch of people and claims that it's because they're terrorists, like, maybe we should be sceptical of that, because every time there's a video that emerges, it shows that what they were saying was a lie.

Here from CBS News on April 6th: *Israel walks back its account of Gaza medic killings after video surfaces of attack*. "The Israeli military initially said it opened fire because the vehicles were, quote, 'advancing suspiciously' on nearby troops without headlights or emergency signals. An Israeli military official speaking late Sunday on condition of anonymity in line with regulations said that account was, whoops, 'mistaken'". Yeah, we shot all these people, we said they were terrorists, we lied that they didn't have their lights on, that they were approaching us, and nope, we were mistaken. Just everyone makes mistakes. Everyone kills 15 aid workers, all at once, and buries them underground in the lies about what they did. "Eight Red Crescent personnel, six Civil Defence workers, and a U.N. staffer were killed in the shooting before dawn on March 23 by Israeli troops, conducting operations in Tal

al-Sultan, a district of the southern Gaza city of Rafah. Troops then bulldozed over the bodies with their mangled vehicles, burying them in a mass grave. U.N. and rescue workers were only able to reach the site a week later to dig out the bodies".

To their great credit, it was the New York Times that obtained the video that was taken by one of the slaughtered medics. And you can hear him saying his last words, but you can also see, very clearly, the ambulances with their lights on, with their alarms on, their blinkers on, and the rescue workers dressed exactly how they should be, not even remotely approaching Israeli troops, and they just opened fire on them and killed them all. And here you can see it. This is the medic in the car who is filming, and you can see the ambulance in front of him, exactly with the light's on. There's another one with the lights on. That's a fire truck, and then there's an ambulance. He's in an ambulance as well, filming. And they're driving along exactly like rescue workers should. There's another ambulance with its siren on. Here people are going to rescue people, to help people when they're injured, to take them to the hospital, to administer life-saving treatment and aid to them. This is some of the noblest work that you can do. And here you see them stopping at this side of the road where that car is with the people who were shot and killed. They were going to see if any of them were alive, to see whether they needed medical assistance, if there were any survivors to be taken to the hospital, exactly what ambulances should do. You see here they stopped on this side of the road.

**GG:** Not approaching the Israeli military at all, they're getting out of their car to go to that van. And then there's the Israeli shooting. Huge numbers of bullets.

**GG:** Remember, the Israelis said: Oh, they approached our vehicles. None of this happened. Trey Yingst is an excellent war correspondent for Fox News. He reports from Israel. He often reports on missile attacks on Israel. But he has also spoken up in defence of Palestinian journalists, saying: Why are we not defending Palestinian journalists being killed by Israel constantly, when, we are journalists, are supposed to stand up for journalists? And he's reported, very honestly, about a lot of the things that Israel is doing in Gaza in a way that almost no one else in corporate media is. Listen to this report that he produced for Fox News about this incident.

**Trey Yingst (TY):** Paramedics from the Palestine Red Crescent dig through the earth of southern Gaza. They're recovering the bodies of their colleagues killed by Israeli forces. On March 23, first responders were dispatched to this area of Rafah; when they arrived, Israeli soldiers opened fire.

**UN worker:** Health workers should never be a target, and yet we're here today digging up a mass grave of first responders and paramedics.

**TY:** On March 31st, the IDF provided a statement to Fox News, saying, quote, "...several vehicles were identified advancing suspiciously toward IDF troops without headlights, or emergency signals". Video released five days later by the Palestine Red Crescent directly contradicts that statement. The IDF also claimed in the initial findings that nine out of the 15

medics were operatives in Hamas and Islamic Jihad. Asked multiple times for evidence to support that claim, none was provided.

**GG:** I mean, that is very straightforward. The IDF told Fox News repeatedly that this happened. This video that was obtained and filmed by one of the workers who was murdered, and then he was buried underground with a cell phone that was then discovered, contradicts everything Israel said. They then switched to: Oh, don't worry, nine of them out of the 15 were Hamas operatives and Fox News, well, meaning Trey Yingst, said: Well, show us the evidence. Which is what a journalist does in the face of a claim by the government. And the Israelis just refused to provide any. Every time there's evidence of what happened, as opposed to an IDF claim, they get caught lying. Here's the rest of this.

**TY:** For evidence to support that claim, none was provided. Funerals were held late last week for those killed by Israeli bullets. Families mourning the dead, mothers trying to make sense of the senseless.

**TY:** He went to save the martyrs and injured, and we've been waiting for him for a week. We were told that he was either martyred or injured, but I realised that they had killed them from the very first moment. They had killed and buried them underground. As bodies of these medics rest inside white plastic bags with a photo attached, the face of Rifat Radwan stands out, the man who recorded his final moments with a final message: "Forgive me, Mother. This is the path I chose. To help people", he said.

**GG:** Massive credit to Trey Yingst and whoever else produced that news report for Fox, that takes a great amount of courage. It takes courage to say that about Israel on any network, to say it on Fox News takes even more for obvious reasons, and out of all this horror and suffering, which by the way the U.S. has paid for, the U.S. paid for that murder and that massacre of aid workers, the U.S. taxpayer pays it all, all our weapons being sent there to use. Out of all the horrors of what's going on, these multiple Mid-East wars again, the ratcheting up of the defence budget by a president who repeatedly vowed to do none of this, at least there is some nobility. There's courage in a lot of the Palestinians, people working as aid workers and journalists, knowing that their targets. Israel just targeted a tenth of Israeli journalists. And you have young journalists, including a couple who have been on our show, 19, 20, 24, who continue to report knowing it puts them in danger. You have aid workers continuing to do that, knowing it put some in danger, and it's actually quite refreshing to see a reporter who works for Fox News being willing to just report truthfully with no agenda without caring who's alienated by it. That's what journalism is missing more than anything, and we need so much more of that.

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