

Fair Play for Palestine -- Say NO to Israeli teams in UEFA

**“Racism, discrimination and intolerance have no place in football” –Alexander Ceferin
President UEFA**



U.S. sports writer Dave Zirin reports: "Death, injury or imprisonment has been a reality for several members of the Palestinian national team over the last five years. Just imagine if members of Spain's top-flight World Cup team had been jailed, shot or killed by another country and imagine the international media outrage that would ensure."

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Sport and politics don't exist separately. Boycotting South African sport helped end apartheid there. Afghanistan was banned from the 2000 Olympics for its treatment of women.

1. Two young Palestinian footballers returning from training were shot in the feet at a checkpoint by Israeli forces, in Jan 2014. Four children were shot dead while playing football on the beach in Gaza in July 2014. The National Palestinian Stadium was bombed in 2012.
2. Israel must be held to account for its brutal occupation of Palestine. To build its illegal settlements Israel has a policy of house demolitions. This year alone Israel has demolished 871 Palestinian homes, displacing 1351 people. Israel has an apartheid road system with Israeli-only roads.
3. There are 6 Israeli teams situated within the occupied West Bank on land whose settlement is considered illegal by the UN. These clubs expect to play in Europe but Israel doesn't allow the Palestinians the same privilege.
4. Palestinian sports people are routinely refused visas or permits to travel by Israel. This summer, 6 players and a coach were refused permission to travel to the Palestinian cup-final. Israel controls all movement in the illegally occupied West Bank. It holds Gaza under a cruel siege.

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