

# OPINION and ANALYSIS

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A selection of some of the more challenging and thought-provoking  
local and international writings on the Middle East

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## SAZF DATES TO DIARISE

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| <b>July 2010</b><br><i>Elray Street</i>       | THE STORY OF ISRAEL: <i>Photographic Exhibition, Beyachad,</i>        |
| <b>26/31 July 2010</b>                        | OUR SOLDIERS SPEAK: <i>Benjamin Anthony</i>                           |
| <b>22 August 2010</b>                         | ISRAEL QUIZ: <i>Finals</i>                                            |
| <b>August 2010</b>                            | HEBREW ULPAN: <i>Second semester</i>                                  |
| <b>2/3 October 2010</b><br><i>StandWithUs</i> | YOUNG ADULT ADVOCACY WEEKEND: <i>Michelle Rojas,</i>                  |
| <b>21 October 2010</b>                        | CAROLINE GLICK: <i>Deputy Editor of the Jerusalem Post</i>            |
| <b>November 2010</b>                          | YOM RABIN: <i>Guest Speaker</i>                                       |
| <b>26/27 March 2011</b>                       | 47 <sup>th</sup> SAZF CONFERENCE: <i>International guest speakers</i> |

### 1. **Richard Cohen**                      **Hamas is a threat to the Palestinian cause**

Gaza is a mean and brutal place with a totalitarian government steeped in a cult of violence and death, but this hardly means that the government does not have a measure of popular support.

### 2. **Noa Tishby**                      **Deporting the “Son of Hamas”: A betrayal of American values**

To live under Hamas as a Palestinian in Gaza is to suffer oppression and privation in equal measure. To send back to Gaza a young man who has denounced his Hamas affiliation is sentencing him to death.

### 3. **Britain decriminalizes vigilantism against Israel**

In a mind-blowing verdict, a British jury acquitted people who admitted that they purposefully caused damage to an arms factory - because, they said, the arms were being used by Israel.

**4.        *Kyle-Anne Shiver*                      Shouldn't we all be Israelis now?**

Why are the Israelis having to spend precious time and energy trying to convince the rest of the world of the justness of their cause? A cause that is simply about surviving in peace while surrounded by historical throwbacks to the 7<sup>th</sup> century?

**6.        *Bits and Pieces*                      Clips from various media in the Middle East and elsewhere**

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