

– Why we are demonstrating today –

## Support Israel - and its Right to Self-defense

„Behind the call for peace the murderers are entrenching“ (Paul Spiegel, 2002)

Those who want Israel to survive have to stand by her in the current war without reservation. More than 1.000 missiles have poured down over Northern Israel, Tel Aviv is about to be hit, and we are being told about „inappropriate responses“ committed by the Israel Defense Forces, while hunting down Hezbollah terrorists. While IDF soldiers are abducted and annihilation of all Israelis is in preparation, EU-officials (especially Social-Democrat politicians) want to make us believe that international law has been broken and massacres have been committed by – yes, you guessed it correctly: Israel. These tirades obscure the fact that the forces against which Israel is taking action have broken international law countless times before, without being sanctioned by the international bodies and national governments who keep insisting on this law so frantically. Thus the actual threat against Israel only proves again and again that international law does not really exist.

There is no such a thing as the rule of law in the Gaza strip and southern Lebanon. Under the rule of Hezbollah there is no equality before the law and no civil freedom. There are merely violent islamic mobs that persecute and mutilate or kill all dissenters. These are lawless areas under the

murderous (and longtime EU-pampered) Hamas and Hezbollah, UN-protected training camps to carry out total theocracy. Israel can defend itself against suicide bombers by strictly supervising its borders. But in order to neutralize the terrorist missiles and their personnel which moves freely within the local population like chairman Mao's famous „fish in the water“, a military incursion into Lebanon is inevitable.

Those who currently criticize the operations undertaken by prime minister Olmert and his government and call for an immediate ceasefire are producing beautiful and soothing phrases to deplore the „innocent victims on both sides“. But this peace-rhetoric is hypocritical: in this war it is Israel who does everything to spare civilians, while on the opposing side her enemies systematically prevent any separation of the militias from the civilian population. And furthermore they single out every Jew – armed or not – as their target.

A ceasefire without disarming and dismantling Hezbollah, without a return of the abducted soldiers would be a failure and an invitation for what could be rightly called the *Internationale of antisemitism* to commit further and even more violent acts of cruelty. There is no third way between civilization and violent totalitarianism.

**We, several Jewish and non-Jewish, communist and non-communist groups, call all those,  
– for whom Israel's right to exist is not Sunday's saying and Monday's treachery,  
– who continue to stand with Israel when its armed forces fight a world of enemies,  
– who know that any meaningful critique of antisemitism has to prove itself in times of war,  
at Israel's side against its deadly enemies,  
to march with us today July 28<sup>th</sup> to express their support for and solidarity with Israel.**

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