

This AJ+ video (<https://www.facebook.com/ajplusenglish/videos/722447754563401/>) cannot in any way be considered news reporting. It's one-sided anti-Israel propaganda at best. At worst, it's an invitation to incitement.

Deceptively packaged as a news report and shared through social media portals, AJ+ disguises an anti-Israel agenda behind a news veneer.

Because this piece is distributed through social media, it is shared over and over without any critical eye. Distortions and omissions are rampant in this piece.

What accounts for the critical omission that the girl, though only 12, tried to stab an Israeli security guard? She even noted publicly that she dreamed she "was going to be martyred." And she also publicly said she modeled her effort on the wave of knife attacks launched last year by Palestinian youth.

But the AJ+ piece never mentions any of this.

Instead, in the AJ+ telling, she's just a 12 year-old girl the Israelis arrested.

Such contaminated "reporting" contributes to the delegitimization of Israel, while at the same time inhibits peace, rather than advancing it.

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