

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am a tax-paying Los Angeles resident and I STRONGLY oppose using city tax dollars to pay for militias or paramilitaries under the guise of 'security'. These security measures make people LESS safe. It is unbelievable to me that you are considering using city funds to pay former IDF/IOF soldiers to patrol our streets. What is making people less safe is our city leaders allowing real estate sales of illegal settlements. Just a reminder on ICJ's latest ruling regarding the Legal Consequences arising from the Policies and Practices of Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem: - the Court responds to the questions posed by the General Assembly by concluding that: - the Court responds to the questions posed by the General Assembly by concluding that: - the State of Israel's continued presence in the Occupied Palestinian Territory is unlawful; - the State of Israel is under an obligation to bring to an end its unlawful presence in the Occupied Palestinian Territory as rapidly as possible; - the State of Israel is under an obligation to cease immediately all new settlement activities, and to evacuate all settlers from the Occupied Palestinian Territory; - the State of Israel has the obligation to make reparation for the damage caused to all the natural or legal persons concerned in the Occupied Palestinian Territory; - All States are under an obligation not to recognize as legal the situation arising from the unlawful presence of the State of Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory and not to render aid or assistance in maintaining the situation created by the continued presence of the State of Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory; - international organizations, including the United Nations, are under an obligation not to recognize as legal the situation arising from the unlawful presence of the State of Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory; and - the United Nations, and especially the General Assembly, which requested the opinion, and the Security Council, should consider the precise modalities and further action required to bring to an end as rapidly as possible the unlawful presence of the State of Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory. So instead of looking to use LA city tax dollars to pay militias and ideologically-driven paramilitaries to brutalize people speaking out against Israel's ethnic cleansing/genocide of Palestinian people, you should be shutting down the illegal land sales.