

Transparency Law Update

NGO reports to Israeli Registrar of Non-Profits in 2012

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NGO Monitor is s Jerusalem based research institution, providing information and analysis, promoting transparency, and supporting discussion on the reports and activities of NGOs (non-governmental organizations) claiming to advance human rights and humanitarian agendas.



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(as of October 15, 2013)

This report was originally published based on the information that appeared on the Israeli Registrar of Non-Profits website as of February 11, 2013. Since then, the Registrar's website has been updated with additional information regarding 2012. We have updated our report accordingly, as of October 15, 2013.

All donors, names, grants amounts, and projects are taken directly from the official website of the Israeli Registrar of Non-Profits (Excluding Table A)

Transparency regarding government funding for NGOs transcends partisan ideology, and is essential for ensuring the values of democracy and accountability.

NGOs receive funding via two primary channels: direct funding from bodies controlled by foreign governments; and indirect funding, provided by governments to third-parties (foundations, and humanitarian, development, and religious NGOs), which channel the funds to local NGOs.

The "Law on Disclosure Requirements For [Groups] Supported by a Foreign Governmental Body" (NGO Transparency Law - February 2011) provides an appropriate framework to inform the Israeli public, in a timely fashion, about foreign government involvement in Israeli political issues. As implemented by the Israeli Ministry of Justice, the law is an international model for transparency.

According to the law, a "recipient of support that received a donation from a Foreign Governmental Body will submit to the Registrar, within a week of the end of the quarter in which the donation was received, a report in an online form which the Minister of Justice will formulate." However, since the end of 2012, the list of grants received in 2012 continues to be updated (2012 grants from 15 NGOs have been added since February 2013). This late reporting indicates that there is a need for better compliance with the law by NGOs and stronger enforcement by the Ministry of Justice.

Many other political advocacy NGOs that <u>regularly receive funding from foreign governments</u> did not submit quarterly reports for 2012. It is unknown whether they did not receive foreign government funding during the reporting period, whether they have failed to act in accordance with the law, or whether they did not report due technical issues in the reporting system.



Table A: Israeli NGOs who didn't report in accordance with the law in 2012:

NGO	Donors	Grant	Source
Breaking the Silence	Norway European Union	\$61,591 €166,538	Correspondence with Norwegian Embassy in Israel EU Delegation Website
The Israeli Committee against House Demolitions (ICAHD)	Ireland (Indirect)	Unknown	Donor Website
Machsom Watch	European Union Norway	€139,554 \$52,000	EU Delegation Website Correspondence with Norwegian Delegation to Ramallah
Coalition of Women for Peace	European Union	€247,668	EU Delegation Website
Sabeel	Sweden (Indirect) Netherlands (Indirect)	€44,277 €50,000	NGO Website
Alternative Information Center	Sweden (Indirect) Unknown foreign donors	Unknown	Donor Website
Zochrot	Netherlands (Indirect) Germany (Indirect) France (Indirect) Belgium (Indirect) Switzerland (Indirect)	Unknown	NGO Website
Terrestrial Jerusalem	Norway	\$103,000	Correspondence with Norwegian Delegation to Ramallah



<u>Data</u>

The Israeli Registrar of Non-Profits (*Rasham Amutot*) lists foreign government funding submissions from 47 NGOs in the total amount of **60,083,835** NIS annually for 2012 (see appendix I).

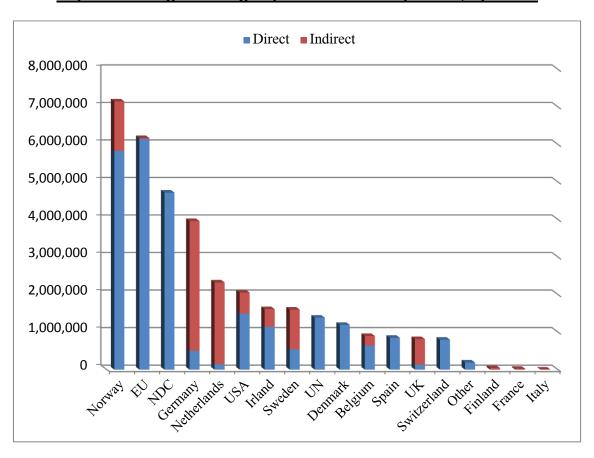
The listed NGOs can be categorized according to the nature of their activities:

- 1. NGOs involved in polarizing activity and political advocacy in the context of the Arab-Israeli conflict.
- 2. NGOs dealing with different dimensions of the Arab-Israeli conflict, with the majority of activity aimed at cooperation and co-existence.
- 3. Other Non-Profits, dealing with various issues in Israeli society.

As of October 15, 2013, 16 political advocacy NGOs reported grants from foreign government bodies in 2012, totaling **35,757,447 NIS** for the year (60% of total amount):

- These groups are <u>B'Tselem</u>, <u>Physicians for Human Rights-Israel</u> (PHR-I), <u>Public Committee Against Torture in Israel</u> (PCATI), <u>Yesh Din</u>, <u>Bimkom</u>, <u>Ir Amim</u>, Keshev, <u>Association for Civil Rights in Israel</u> (ACRI), <u>Hamoked</u>, Social TV, Geneva Initiative (H.L Education), Rabbis for Human Rights (RHR), and <u>Gisha</u>.
- Donations to <u>Adalah</u> and <u>Parents Circle</u> were not listed on the Registrar of Non-Profits website until after NGO Monitor's first report was published (February 3, 2013).
- The added transparency in 2012 reveals major funding by Norway (7,145,867 NIS) and via the European Union (6,169,496 NIS), which comprise 20% and 17.3% of reported grants respectively. (see appendix II)
- Some of the donors (conduits for indirect government support), such as <u>Christian Aid</u>, <u>Diakonia</u>, <u>Oxfam Novib</u> and the <u>Norwegian Refugee</u>
 <u>Council</u>, are also involved in highly biased delegitimization campaigns against Israel.
- A number of reported donors do not appear to be "Foreign Governmental Bodies". They are categorized in this report as "others".

Reported foreign funding to political advocacy NGOs, by donor

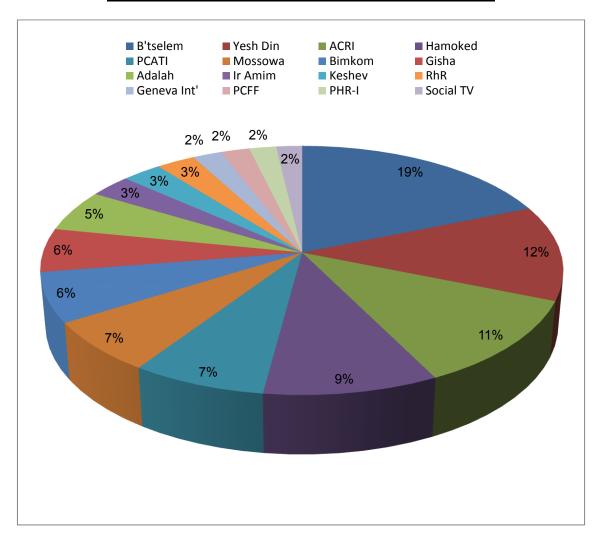


Country	Direct	Indirect	Total (NIS)	Percentage
Norway	5,831,772	1,314,095	7,145,867	20.0%
European Union	6,144,766	24,730	6,169,496	17.3%
NDC ¹	4,715,886	-	4,715,886	13.2%
Germany	500,191	3,458,279	3,958,470	11.1%
Netherlands	145,026	2,177,856	2,322,882	6.5%
USA	1,492,983	560,492	2,053,475	5.7%
Ireland	1,138,490	473,317	1,611,807	4.5%
Sweden	542,328	1,056,907	1,599,235	4.5%
United Nations	1,384,239	-	1,384,239	3.9%
Denmark	1,192,331	-	1,192,331	3.3%
Belgium	638,062	258,343	896,405	2.5%
Spain	846,893		846,893	2.4%
UK	133,225	679,825	813,050	2.3%
Switzerland	796,926	-	796,926	2.2%
Other	188,665	-	188,665	0.5%
Finland	-	40,046	40,046	0.1%
France	-	19,736	19,736	0.1%
Italy	-	2,038	2,038	0.006%
Total	35,757,497			

¹ In 2008, Denmark, the Netherlands, Sweden, and Switzerland established the <u>Human Rights and Good Governance Secretariat</u> (HR/GG Secretariat) run by the NGO Development Center (NDC) in Ramallah. This framework is a major source of NGO funding in Israel and the Palestinian Authority.



Reported foreign funding for the year 2012 by NGO



NGO	Total (NIS)
1. B'Tselem	6,714,025
2. Yesh Din	4,424,234
3. The Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI)	4,100,876
4. Hamoked	3,382,893
5. Public Committee against Torture – Israel (PCATI)	2,607,574
6. Mossawa	2,388,183
7. Bimkom	2,305,596
8. Gisha	2,029,591
9. Adalah	1,948,459
10. Ir Amim	1,055,806
11. Keshev	1,008,612
12. Rabbis for Human Rights (RHR)	982,049
13. H.L Education (Geneva Initiative)	741,047
14. Parents Circle	728,660
15. Physicians for Human Rights – Israel (PHR-I)	682,667
16. Social TV	657,175



Appendix 1 - List of All NGOs and Total Received

NGO	Annual Amount (NIS)
B'tselem	6,714,025
Yesh Din	4,424,234
Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI)	4,100,876
Hamoked	3,382,893
Public Committee against Torture – Israel (PCATI)	2,607,574
Rabbeinu Chaim Huri Yeshiva	2,480,000
Peres Center for Peace	2,460,175
Mossawa	2,388,183
Bimkom	2,305,596
Abraham Fund Initiative	2,036,739
Gisha	2,029,591
Adalah	1,948,459
The Arab Education Counseling Center	1,935,256
Israel Festival, Jerusalem	1,557,262
Sikkuy	1,417,077
Ha'maayan in the Negev	1,330,000
Mifalot	1,270,661
Ir Amim	1,055,806
Merchavim	1,036,368
Keshev	1,008,612
Kav Laoved	992,294
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Rabbis for Human Rights (RHR) Assaf	982,049
	927,107
Mifgash	816,291
H.L Education (Geneva Initiative)	741,047
Parents Circle	728,660
Economic Cooperation Foundation	721,721
Physicians for Human Rights – Israel (PHR-I)	682,667
Moked Siua	682,486
Israeli Center to International Immigration	675,192
Social TV	657,175
Macro Center	617,575
B'Zchut	570,001
MPHS	444,295
Or Menchem	418,752
Adar – Youth Movement	386,541
Sunduk Al-Asara L'lagetya Wa'Lltanmia	364,500
Keren Rashi	313,216
Beitynu Olami	248,271
Yecholot	170,952
Copro- Documentary Marketing Foundation	143,749
The Navy Amutah	92,496
Tel Aviv Museum of Arts	60,011
The educational sport initiative	57,975
Beiy Al-Musaica Shfaram	44,925
Ashalim	40,500
Agenda	14,000
Total	60,083,835



Appendix 2 – Detailed List of Grants and Projects to Political Israeli NGOs



Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
	Ir Amim	513,478	Monitoring and Advocacy	
	H.L Education	390,662	Educational Activities aimed to promote the chances to reach an Israeli-Palestinian agreement	
Norway (Direct or	ACRI	1,026,958	Promoting Human Rights for East Jerusalem residents	5,831,772
via Embassy)	B'tselem	1,040,312	General Support	, ,
	Hamoked	962,773	Legal assistance for Palestinian human rights in the occupied territories	
	Gisha	674,763	Promoting the organization's objectives	
	Yesh Din	1,222,826	Law enforcement + Lands project 2013	
		90,840	Lands project	
	Yesh Din	192,280	Lands project	
		79,927	Law enforcement- Lands	
		310,628	Palestinians freedom of movement in the West Bank	
Norwegian Refugee Council		284,925	Palestinians freedom of movement in the West Bank	1,314,095
	Hamoked	151,200	Legal assistance for Palestinian human rights in the occupied territories, focus on freedom of movement in the West Bank	1,514,075
	Bimkom	204,295	Need's Survey to the Bedouin Population in Area C	





Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
	PHR-I	228,408	Promoting health and social rights for residents with no status due to the Citizenship Law	
	RHR	248,914	Legal work in south Hebron hills	
		210,020	Human Rights defenders project	
	ACRI	308,260	Educating against racism	
		550,991	Promoting essential democracy project	
		71,163	Human Rights defenders project	
	B'Tselem	497,610	Human Rights defenders project	
		7,177	Torture Project	
	PCATI	339,520	Training experts in documenting tortures	
European Union or The European	Bimkom	351,340	Promoting master plans for Arab towns according to their needs	6,144,766
Commission	Yesh Din	374,035	Security forces investigation project	
		113,000	Lands project	
		100,800	Security forces investigation project	
		325,865	Lands project	
		391,605	MPCID project 2013- 2014	
	Mossawa	455,677	Struggle racism and strengthening democratic values without discrimination on national, gender, religious and etc' base. Joint project for number of NGOs	
		1,570,381	Powering the Arab society in the socio-economic subject. Joint to number of NGOs	
EMHRF	Social TV	24,730	Ongoing support in Social TV's productions	24,730





NGO Development Center (NDC)

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
		75,729	General Support	
	Adalah	107,290	General Support	
		23,735	General Support	
		151,816	Promoting Human Rights	
	ACRI	241,347	in the occupied territories Promoting Human Rights in the occupied territories	
	Hamoked	419,524	Legal assistance for Palestinian human rights in the occupied territories, focus on freedom of movement in the West Bank	
		564,039	Human rights of Palestinian's hurt by the Israeli occupation	
NDC (Denmark,	B'Tselem	95,153	General Support	
Netherlands,		483,597	General Support	4,715,886
Sweden,		358,165	General Support	
Switzerland)		74,706	General Support	
		321,847	Planning rights in Area C	
	Bimkom	373,860	Promoting the planning rights of Palestinians villages in Area C	
		61,579	Planning Rights in Area C	
		43,727	Overall organization activity	
	PCATI	420,760	Overall organization activity	
		526,852	Overall organization activity	
	Gisha	159,377	Promoting the organization's objectives	
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Germany

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
Direct - Institute for		250,000	Lands project	
Foreign Cultural Relations	Yesh Din	250,191	Lands project	500,191
	B'Tselem	742,718	General Support	
	D I SeleIII	449,891	General Support	
EED	ACRI	203,893	Educational and legal activity for the rights of the Arab public in Israel	3,458,279



		251,410	Educational and legal activity for the rights of
		,	the Arab public in Israel
		346,918	Educational and legal activity for the rights of the Arab public in Israel
	PHR-I	296,459	Promoting the right to health for West Bank residents
	Adalah	121,865	Legal activities for equality
	Adalali	238,588	Legal activities for equality
	Mossawa	362,125	The Project aim in order to anchor the legal rights of the arab citizens in Israel
Misereor	Hamoked	444,412	Legal assistance for Palestinian human rights in the occupied territories



Netherlands

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
Netherlands	ACRI	24,726	Personal and Family status in front of Ministry of internal affairs	145,026
Embassy (Direct)	Yesh Din	120,300	Lands project + Law enforcement	
	Social TV	222,115	Support for the production of Social TV's weekly news magazine	
Cordaid		129,265	Support grant to the Social TV	
	PCATI	197,220	Not disclosed	
		298,140	Overall organization activity	
ICCO	B'Tselem	245,290	General Support	0.477.050
Kierk in Actie	ACRI	202,596	Activity regarding rights in Jewish/Arab towns	2,177,856
Oxfam Novib	Adalah	507,330	Covering administrative expenses and fund raising	
	Bimkom	300,900	Administrative Expenses and Fundraising	
	Yesh Din	75,000	Lands project + MPCID+ Gender Assimilation Process	





Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
	H.L Education	23,189	Promoting public support for Israel-PA agreement	
		26,733	Periodic Activity Grant	
		26,374	Periodic Activity Grant	
		26,396	Periodic Activity Grant	
	Keshev	26,724	Periodic Activity Grant	
USAID (Direct)		386,225	Educational Projects advancing analytical media analysis	1,492,983
, ,		291,685	Media monitoring project	, ,
	Parents Circle	243,118	Project "where parallels line meets" to know and recognize the other's narrative	
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		86,554	Video project	
Catholic Relief	B'Tselem	133,750	Support for the video project	
Services (USA, UN)	B (Selem)	61,433	Support for the video project	
		224,105	Video project	560,492
The Foundation for Middle East Peace	Social TV	15,747	Support for the production of news articles	
American Friends Service Committee	Social TV	38,903	News production	



Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
	Gisha	419,893	Promoting the organization's objective	
Ireland (Direct)	Yesh Din	400,000	MPCID project 2013	1,138,490
,	Bimkom	318,597	Activities in area C and East Jerusalem	
Trócaire	Gisha	50,018	Promoting respect of international law among the Israeli authorities	473,317
	B'tselem	224,938	General Support	,
Christian Aid Ireland	B'tselem	198,361	General Support	





Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
The Swedish Global Conflict Prevention pool	Ir Amim	542,328	General Support	542,328
	B'Tselem	149,147	international Humanitarian law	
	D 15elelli	138,174	international Humanitarian law project	1,056,907
Diakonia		295,309 ACRI	Educational activity about international Humanitarian law	
ACKI	114,564	Educational activity about international Humanitarian law		
Kvinna till Kvinna	PCATI	60,071	Legal Activity	
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Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
UN Habitat	Bimkom	373,178	Promoting master plans for Palestinian neighborhoods in East Jerusalem	
United Nations	PCATI	269,396	Legal Activity	
UNHCR	PHR-I	157,800	Medicine for refugees and operating the open medical clinic for refugees and asylum seekers	1,384,239
	PCATI	91,165	Promoting the right of freedom of movement in the Palestinian territories	
UNDP	TOATI	112,200	Legal Activity in order to prevent torture and abuse	
	B'tselem	151,120	Not Disclosed	
	Adalah	229,380	Legal publications and conferences	



Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
		294,340	General Support	
DanChurch Aid	B'Tselem	891,859	General Support	1,192,331
		6,132	General Support	





Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
	V 1 5:	149,670	Security forces investigation project	
	Yesh Din	243,000	Security forces investigation project	
Belgium (Direct)	Hamoked	245,392	Legal assistance for Palestinian's human rights in the occupied territories, focus on East Jerusalem inhabitants	642,934
Province de Hainaut	Gisha	4,872	Promoting the organization's objective	
	Adalah 88,826 44,028 Gisha 120,617	88,826	Legal aspects – planning and real estate	
Broederlijk Delen		44,028	Legal aspects – planning and real estate	253,471
		Promoting compliance of legal duties		



Spain

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
Direct (via AECID)	RHR	733,135	Legal work in south Hebron hills	846,893
Direct (via ACSUR)	Adalah	113,758	Promoting Human Rights	,



United Kingdom

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
LUK (Dinast)	Yesh Din	44,895	Lands project	400.005
UK (Direct)	B'Tselem	88,330	Support the video project	133,225
Christian Aid	B'Tselem	198,361	General Support	
Christian Aid	ACRI	172,068	General Grant	
The British shalom salaam trust	Social TV	18,014	Support for the production of news articles	679,825
Oxfam GB	Cicho	232,197	Promoting economic rights	
	Gisha 63,906	Promoting economic rights		





Switzerland

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
Direct or via The Embassy	H.L Initiative	325,158	Rising awareness and educating for peace in the Israel-Palestinian conflict	
	Adalah	172,646	General Support	796,926
		31,644	General Support	
	Parents Circle	267,478	"Reconciliation Document" writing project	



Finland

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
KIOS	PCATI	40,046	Legal Activity	40,046



France

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
CCFD	Social TV	19,736	Support grant for the Social TV	19,736



<u>Italy</u>

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
CIPMO	H.L Initiative	2,038	Not Disclosed	2,038

Other

Donor	NGO	Grant (NIS)	Grant Purpose	Total
Sigrid-Rausing- Trust	Social TV	188,665	Ongoing support for organization activities for 2012	188,665