

The Likud Nexus Dossier & Project Phoenix Action Plan

A Comprehensive Intelligence Product Evaluating the Likud-Led Coalition Under
International Law and Executing Key Analytical Recommendations

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Introduction to the Consolidated Dossier

This document is presented in two distinct but interconnected parts, representing a complete intelligence cycle.

Part I: The Likud Nexus - Foundational Intelligence Assessment. This is the original, comprehensive dossier. It provides a multi-faceted assessment of Israel's Likud party and its governing coalition, evaluating their ideology, policies, and rhetoric against the foundational principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) and the specific frameworks of international criminal law. It concludes with a set of four analytical recommendations.

Part II: Project Phoenix - Execution of Recommendations. This part executes the four recommendations outlined in Part I. It transforms the foundational assessment into a series of actionable intelligence products: a detailed OSINT brief, a map of command and policy flow, a draft legal memorandum, and a public-facing white paper.

I The Likud Nexus

Foundational Intelligence Assessment

1 Executive Summary

This intelligence dossier provides a comprehensive assessment of Israel's Likud party and its governing coalition. It evaluates their ideology, policies, rhetoric, and actions against the foundational principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) and the specific frameworks of international criminal law, including the definitions of extremism, terrorism, genocide, war crimes, and crimes against humanity. The analysis is based on open-source intelligence (OSINT), including state records, official statements, and findings from international legal and human rights bodies.

Assessment

- **Terrorist Organization:** The Likud party does not meet the legal definition of a terrorist organization, as it is a state actor operating through official state institutions.
- **Extremist and Racist Organization:** There is substantial evidence to characterize Likud as an extremist and racist organization. This is based on its formal governing alliances with supremacist parties convicted of racial incitement, its implementation of discriminatory policies, and a documented pattern of incendiary rhetoric from its officials.
- **Systematic Contradiction of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights:** The policies enacted and enforced by the Likud-led government stand in systematic and profound contradiction to the core principles of the UDHR. This includes documented violations of the rights to equality, life, liberty, property, freedom of movement, and an adequate standard of living for Palestinians under its effective control.
- **Major International Crimes:** Credible evidence, currently under review by the world's highest courts, suggests that senior members of the Likud-led government have engaged in actions and rhetoric that plausibly constitute major international crimes. This includes **incitement to genocide**, the commission of **war crimes** (settlement expansion, conduct of hostilities), and the implementation of policies that form the basis for investigating the **crime against humanity of apartheid**.

Conclusion

As the central architect of state policy, the Likud party bears ultimate responsibility for a governance system that has been credibly accused by international courts and human rights bodies of perpetrating war crimes and systematically violating universal human rights. Its senior officials face plausible risks of being held individually accountable for some of the most serious crimes under international law.

2 Legal and Policy Criteria

2.1 Terrorist Designations

International and national legal frameworks define terrorism as the use of premeditated, politically motivated violence against non-combatant targets by subnational groups or clandestine agents. This definition is not applicable to a state party acting through its official military and political structures.

2.2 Legal Precedents for Proscribing Political Parties

Democratic states, such as Germany, possess constitutional mechanisms to ban parties that aim to abolish the free democratic order. The threshold is exceptionally high, requiring proof that a party's core mission is actively and aggressively anti-democratic.

2.3 Genocide

The 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide defines genocide as specific acts committed with the "intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnical, racial or religious group." Article III(c) of the Convention also criminalizes "direct and public incitement to commit genocide," a standalone crime that does not require proof that genocide subsequently occurred.

2.4 War Crimes

Defined by the Geneva Conventions and the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC), war crimes are grave breaches of the laws of armed conflict. Key examples include the willful killing of civilians, disproportionate attacks, collective punishment, and the transfer by an occupying power of its own civilian population into the territory it occupies.

2.5 Crimes Against Humanity

Defined by the Rome Statute, these are specific acts (e.g., murder, persecution, deportation) committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against any civilian population. This category includes the crime of **Apartheid**, defined as inhumane acts within an institutionalized regime of systematic oppression and domination by one racial group over another.

2.6 The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR)

The UDHR is the foundational document of international human rights law. Adopted in 1948, its 30 articles provide a baseline standard for the treatment of all individuals. Key articles for this analysis include the rights to equality without discrimination (Art. 2), life and liberty (Art. 3), equality before the law (Art. 7), freedom from arbitrary arrest (Art. 9), freedom of movement (Art. 13), the right to own property (Art. 17), and the right to an adequate standard of living (Art. 25).

3 Likud-Led State Policies and Actions

3.1 Settlement Expansion in Occupied Territory

Successive Likud-led governments have aggressively promoted the expansion of Israeli settlements in the occupied West Bank and East Jerusalem. This involves land confiscation, home demolitions, and the transfer of over 700,000 Israeli citizens into occupied territory, a policy deemed illegal under international law.

3.2 The Blockade and Military Operations in Gaza

Since 2007, the state of Israel has imposed a severe land, air, and sea blockade on the Gaza Strip, controlling the movement of people and goods. This has been punctuated by several large-scale military operations that have resulted in widespread destruction of civilian infrastructure and high civilian casualties.

3.3 Discriminatory Legal and Administrative Systems

In the occupied West Bank, a two-tiered legal system is enforced. Israeli settlers are subject to Israeli civil law, while Palestinians live under Israeli military law, which affords fewer rights and protections. This system has been described by organizations like Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch as a key component of a system of apartheid. This includes the widespread use of administrative detention, where Palestinians are held for months or years without charge or trial.

3.4 Rhetoric of Incitement and Dehumanization

Particularly since October 7, 2023, public statements by senior Likud officials and their coalition partners have been characterized by extreme and dehumanizing language. This includes calls to "erase Gaza" and references to Palestinians as "human animals," language which has been presented as evidence of genocidal intent at the International Court of Justice (ICJ).

4 Analysis of Policies Against the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

The policies implemented under Likud-led governments systematically contravene core articles of the UDHR as they apply to Palestinians under Israeli control.

- **Violation of Equality and Non-Discrimination (Articles 2 & 7):** The dual legal system in the West Bank is a textbook violation of the right to equality before the law, institutionalizing discrimination based on national origin.
- **Violation of the Right to Life, Liberty, and Security (Articles 3 & 9):** The conduct of military operations with high civilian casualty tolls and the routine use of administrative detention directly conflict with the rights to life and liberty and the freedom from arbitrary detention.
- **Violation of Freedom of Movement and Property Rights (Articles 13 & 17):** The Gaza blockade, the West Bank checkpoint system, and the policy of settlement expansion—which relies on land confiscation and home demolitions—are in direct contravention of the right to freedom of movement and the right to own property.
- **Violation of the Right to an Adequate Standard of Living (Article 25):** The blockade of Gaza has crippled its economy and public health system, denying millions their right to adequate food, clean water, housing, and medical care, a situation catastrophically worsened by recent military operations.

5 Analysis Against International Criminal Law

5.1 War Crimes

The policy of settlement expansion is explicitly defined as a war crime under Article 8 of the Rome Statute ("the transfer, directly or indirectly, by the Occupying Power of parts of its own civilian population into the territory it occupies"). Furthermore, the conduct of hostilities in Gaza, including the extensive bombing of civilian areas and the restriction of humanitarian aid, is under active investigation by the ICC for war crimes such as collective punishment and the use of starvation as a method of warfare.

5.2 Crimes Against Humanity

The combination of land confiscation, denial of residency, restrictions on movement, and the discriminatory legal system form the basis of credible reports by major human rights organizations concluding that Israel's policies against Palestinians amount to the crime against humanity of apartheid.

5.3 Incitement to Genocide

The rhetoric of senior officials is a key element of the ICJ case brought by South Africa against Israel. Statements by Likud ministers and coalition partners calling for the destruction of Gaza and invoking biblical commands to exterminate enemies have been presented as direct and public incitement to commit genocide, in violation of the Genocide Convention.

6 Criteria Gap Analysis

Criteria	Likud Party & Coalition – Presents?	Notes
Terrorist Organization	No	Operates as a state actor.
Racist/Extremist Organization	Yes	Based on ideology, alliances, and discriminatory policies.
Systematic Contradiction of the UDHR	Yes (as state policy)	Policies on settlements, blockade, and legal systems violate core UDHR articles.
Incitement to Genocide	Plausible evidence against individuals	Numerous statements by senior officials are being reviewed by the ICJ as evidence of incitement.
War Crimes	Yes (as state policy)	Settlement policy is a war crime per the Rome Statute. Conduct of hostilities is under ICC investigation.
Crimes Against Humanity	Credibly alleged as state policy	Based on policies of systematic oppression and discrimination constituting apartheid.

7 Accountability Pathways and Risks

The primary pathways for accountability are through international legal bodies, targeting both the state and individuals.

- **Individual Criminal Responsibility:** The most direct risk is to senior officials, including the Prime Minister and Minister of Defense, who face applications for arrest warrants from the ICC prosecutor for war crimes and crimes against humanity. This could lead to travel restrictions, asset freezes, and potential trial in The Hague.
- **State Responsibility:** The ICJ case holds the state of Israel itself responsible for potential violations of the Genocide Convention. A final adverse ruling would result in profound diplomatic isolation and legal consequences.

The primary pushback involves political and legal campaigns to delegitimize international courts, claiming bias and political motivation.

8 Recommendations for Next Steps

1. **Commission a unified OSINT dossier** tracking the policies, military directives, and public statements of senior Likud and coalition officials. Evidence should be meticulously cross-referenced with the **Universal Declaration of Human Rights**, the **Rome Statute** (War Crimes, Crimes Against Humanity), and the **Genocide Convention**.
2. **Map Command Structure and Policy Flow.** Create a detailed chart showing how extremist policy proposals from coalition partners are approved, funded, and implemented through the official state ministries and military bodies controlled by the Likud-led government.
3. **Prepare a legal memorandum focused on Individual Criminal Responsibility.** This memo should move beyond party designation to assess the specific evidence against key individuals (e.g., Netanyahu, Gallant, etc.) for specific crimes under the Rome Statute, mirroring the structure of an ICC prosecution brief.
4. **Draft a public-facing white paper with a precise conclusion.** The paper should state that the Likud-led government is responsible for policies that not only systematically violate the Universal Declaration of Human Rights but have also led to its key officials being credibly investigated for committing war crimes, crimes against humanity, and incitement to genocide under well-established principles of international law.

II Project Phoenix

Execution of Recommendations

9 OSINT Dossier: Initial Findings (Fulfilling Recommendation 1)

This section fulfills Recommendation 1 from the foundational dossier. It provides a proof-of-concept for the full OSINT dossier by analyzing three specific pieces of evidence against the relevant international legal frameworks.

9.1 Evidence Item 1: Public Statement by Minister of Heritage Amichai Eliyahu (Otzma Yehudit)

- **Statement (November 5, 2023):** When asked in a radio interview if an atomic bomb should be dropped on the Gaza Strip, Minister Eliyahu stated, "This is one of the possibilities."
- **Legal Cross-Reference:**
 - **Genocide Convention (Article IIIc - Incitement):** This statement can be interpreted as a direct and public call for an act of genocide. Dropping an atomic bomb on a densely populated area would inevitably kill a substantial part of a protected group (Palestinians in Gaza) and render the area uninhabitable, fitting the definition of an act intended to destroy the group "in part."
 - **Rome Statute (War Crimes - Art. 8):** Such an act would constitute multiple war crimes, including intentionally directing attacks against a civilian population and intentionally launching an attack with the knowledge that it will cause incidental loss of life that is clearly excessive.
 - **UDHR (Article 3 - Right to Life):** The advocacy for an act that would cause mass death is the most extreme possible violation of the fundamental right to life.

9.2 Evidence Item 2: Policy of Settlement Expansion and Legalization

- **Action (February 2023):** The Likud-led government announced the formal authorization of nine previously illegal settlement outposts and plans for 10,000 new settlement homes, driven by Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich (Religious Zionism), who was granted cabinet-level authority over the Civil Administration.
- **Legal Cross-Reference:**
 - **Rome Statute (War Crimes - Art. 8(2)(b)(viii)):** This policy is a direct and continuing violation of the explicit war crime of "the transfer, directly or indirectly, by the Occupying Power of parts of its own civilian population into the territory it occupies."

- **UDHR (Article 17 - Right to Property):** Settlement expansion is predicated on the expropriation of Palestinian land, directly violating the right to own and not be arbitrarily deprived of property.
- **UDHR (Article 2 & 7 - Equality):** The policy entrenches a two-tiered system where Israeli citizens are illegally transferred into occupied territory and granted superior legal rights, while the occupied population is dispossessed and controlled by military law.

9.3 Evidence Item 3: Public Statement by Defense Minister Yoav Gallant (Likud)

- **Statement (October 9, 2023):** In announcing a "complete siege" of Gaza, Minister Gallant stated: "There will be no electricity, no food, no fuel, everything is closed... We are fighting human animals and we are acting accordingly."
- **Legal Cross-Reference:**
 - **Rome Statute (War Crimes - Art. 8(2)(b)(xxv)):** The statement is a direct declaration of intent to commit the war crime of "Intentionally using starvation of civilians as a method of warfare." This statement was cited in the ICC Prosecutor's application for an arrest warrant against him.
 - **Genocide Convention (Article IIc & IIIc - Incitement):** The term "human animals" is classic dehumanizing rhetoric, which is a common precursor to and indicator of genocidal intent.
 - **UDHR (Article 25 - Right to an Adequate Standard of Living):** The declared policy is a direct and intentional violation of the right of every person to a standard of living adequate for health and well-being.

10 Map of Command and Policy Flow (Fulfilling Recommendation 2)

This section fulfills Recommendation 2. This conceptual map is based on OSINT and reflects the formal command structure as altered by the 2022 coalition agreements, demonstrating how extremist policy is implemented.

Level 1: The Security Cabinet (Ultimate Authority)

- **Chair:** Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu (Likud)
- **Function:** Holds ultimate authority on matters of war, peace, and national security.

Level 2: Key Ministerial Nodes of Power

Minister/Party	Ministry/Role	Policy Levers and Influence Flow
Benjamin Netanyahu (Likud)	Prime Minister	- Directs the IDF and security services. - Sets the overall strategic agenda. - Final arbiter in coalition disputes.
Yoav Gallant (Likud)	Minister of Defense	- Direct command over the IDF. - Oversees COGAT, responsible for civilian affairs in the territories. - Flow: Executes Security Cabinet directives for military operations.
Bezael Smotrich (Religious Zionism)	Minister of Finance & Minister within MoD	- Dual Role: As Finance Minister, he controls funding for settlements. As a minister in the MoD, he was granted authority over the Civil Administration. - Flow: An extremist policy can be proposed, approved, and funded by the same individual, bypassing traditional checks.
Itamar Ben-Gvir (Otzma Yehudit)	Minister of National Security	- Direct command over Israeli Police and Border Police, including units in the West Bank. - Flow: An extremist policy is implemented directly through police forces under his command.

Policy Flow Example (Settlement Legalization)

1. **Proposal:** Smotrich, as an ideological leader, proposes legalizing a settler outpost.

2. **Approval:** Smotrich, as minister controlling the Civil Administration, directs the bureaucracy to approve it.
3. **Funding:** Smotrich, as Finance Minister, allocates state funds for its infrastructure.
4. **Enforcement:** Ben-Gvir directs Border Police to protect the settlement.
5. **Ratification:** The policy is given final cover by the Security Cabinet, chaired by Netanyahu, who relies on Smotrich's and Ben-Gvir's parties to maintain his parliamentary majority.

11 Legal Memorandum: Individual Criminal Responsibility (Fulfilling Recommendation 3)

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DATE: August 21, 2025
SUBJECT: Preliminary Assessment of Individual Criminal Responsibility of Benjamin Netanyahu under the Rome Statute

I. Question Presented

Does publicly available evidence provide a reasonable basis to believe that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, as a senior civilian leader, bears individual criminal responsibility for war crimes and crimes against humanity committed in the Gaza Strip since October 7, 2023?

II. Applicable Law

The Rome Statute establishes individual criminal responsibility for persons who commit, order, or solicit a crime (Art. 25). Under the doctrine of command responsibility (Art. 28), a civilian superior is responsible if they knew, or should have known, that subordinates were committing crimes and failed to take reasonable measures to prevent them. Key crimes include the **War Crime of Using Starvation of Civilians (Art. 8)** and the **Crime Against Humanity of Persecution (Art. 7)**.

III. Statement of Facts (OSINT-Derived)

1. On October 9, 2023, Defense Minister Yoav Gallant, a direct subordinate of PM Netanyahu, announced a "complete siege" of Gaza.
2. The Security Cabinet, chaired by PM Netanyahu, had ultimate authority over the siege policy.
3. For months following, numerous credible humanitarian organizations publicly reported on the catastrophic humanitarian situation, the onset of famine, and the systematic obstruction of aid.
4. PM Netanyahu, as head of government, made numerous public statements defending the military's actions and did not publicly countermand or punish the policy of severe aid restriction.

IV. Analysis

A prosecutor could construct a case for PM Netanyahu's individual criminal responsibility based on two primary theories:

- **Direct Responsibility (Ordering/Soliciting):** As the head of the Security Cabinet that approved and oversaw the campaign, there is a reasonable basis to believe that PM Netanyahu was part of the decision-making process that implemented the "complete siege" policy.

- **Command Responsibility (Art. 28):** Even if he did not directly order the policy, PM Netanyahu meets the criteria: (1) He was the direct civilian superior of the Minister of Defense. (2) It is implausible that he "did not know" of the policy and its effects. (3) He failed to take necessary measures to prevent the crime or punish those responsible.

V. Preliminary Conclusion

Yes, there is a reasonable basis, grounded in publicly available information, to believe that PM Netanyahu bears individual criminal responsibility for the war crime of using starvation and the crime against humanity of persecution. This is consistent with the ICC Prosecutor's application for an arrest warrant.

12 Public-Facing White Paper (Fulfilling Recommendation 4)

The Governance of Extremism: How Israel's Ruling Coalition Placed Itself on a Collision Course with International Law

Executive Summary

The current Israeli government, led by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's Likud party, is the product of a historic pact with far-right extremist parties. While Likud is a long-standing political entity, its current governing coalition has systematically integrated individuals and ideologies into the state apparatus that are fundamentally at odds with international human rights and humanitarian law. This is not a matter of policy disagreement, but of a governance model that has resulted in credible accusations against its senior leaders of committing the most serious crimes in the world. An analysis of the government's policies and the rhetoric of its ministers reveals a systematic disregard for the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and has led to formal investigations by the International Criminal Court (ICC) for war crimes and the International Court of Justice (ICJ) for violations of the Genocide Convention.

From Political Bargain to State Policy

To secure a parliamentary majority, the Likud party granted unprecedented power to extremist leaders. Itamar Ben-Gvir, a follower of the racist ideologue Meir Kahane, was made Minister of National Security. Bezalel Smotrich, who has advocated for annexing the West Bank, was given authority over its civil administration. This coalition agreement effectively handed the keys to state policy over to individuals who openly reject the legal and moral framework of international law. Their ideology is now state policy, with three clear consequences:

1. **The West Bank: The War Crime of Settlements is Official Policy.** The government has aggressively and openly pursued the expansion of illegal settlements, a policy defined as a war crime under the Rome Statute. This is no longer a fringe demand, but a budgeted, planned, and executed function of the state.
2. **Gaza: The Weaponization of Aid.** The conduct of the war in Gaza has been characterized by a policy of "complete siege." Senior ministers have publicly declared their intent to deprive 2.2 million civilians of food, water, and fuel. This has led directly to famine, prompting the ICC Prosecutor to seek arrest warrants for the Prime Minister and Defense Minister for the war crime of using starvation as a method of warfare.
3. **The Rhetoric of Incitement.** The world's highest court, the ICJ, is currently adjudicating whether Israel has violated the Genocide Convention. A key pillar of the case is the public, dehumanizing rhetoric of Israeli government ministers who have referred to Palestinians as "human animals" and called for Gaza to be "erased." This is the language of incitement, and under Likud's leadership, it has become normalized.

Conclusion: A Government at War with the Law

The Likud party does not meet the legal definition of a terrorist organization. The issue is more profound. It leads a government whose key officials are credibly accused of—and are being formally investigated for—committing war crimes, crimes against humanity, and incitement to genocide under well-established principles of international law. The governance model adopted by Likud, which relies on the empowerment of extremists, has created a direct and foreseeable collision between the State of Israel and the international legal order established after World War II.

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