

Building a Private 'Trump UN': The Massive Board of Peace Scam.

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Donald Trump is working on establishing his very own international organization, and we should talk about it. Over the weekend, media outlets like Haaretz reported that Trump's "Gaza Board of Peace" aims to rival the United Nations and its Charter. So, what is this, and how should we understand it? Is Trump actually trying to build a rival UN organization? I would argue no—that's not what he's doing. What he's doing is something very Trumpian: he's trying to build an organization for himself, one that he can use as a vehicle even after he's out of office as President of the United States. Let's see how we should understand this.

This message has to do with the charter of the Board of Peace that was sent out over the weekend to fifty or more states. Luckily, we have the text of that Board of Peace—or at least, I should say, it's correct that we don't have it from an official source yet, at least not one I could find. But the Times of Israel claims it has seen and actually published the full text of the charter. Let's suppose this is the actual charter text. It reads to me like something I can believe. So let's go through it, and then I'll try to explain what's currently going on. The charter itself isn't very long, and it's quite something, I promise you, for anyone who's seen these kinds of documents before.

And maybe the good news first: Trump is not building a rival UN. He's not creating an alternative structure, but he definitely is trying to set something up that can be a vehicle for him. The first article in the mission of the charter already states what it's going to be: the Board of Peace is an international organization that seeks to promote stability, restore dependable and lawful governance, and secure enduring peace in areas affected or threatened by conflict. The Board of Peace shall undertake such activities—peace-building functions—in accordance with international law and as may be approved under this charter. And I think the key phrase here is really "peace-building functions."

And maybe we should even take away the "peace," but focus on the "building," because Donald Trump, in this charter, does not include, for instance, an article on the military power of the board. It doesn't include an article on collective self-defense, so this is not a form of alliance. It's all about

setting up an organization as shallow and as hollow as possible, but with him as the kingpin. We'll go through this in a moment, just so you can see how far the powers of the chairman go, because he appoints himself, through this charter, as the chairman of the organization—and the chairman is really, more or less, the king of the organization, who has all the power in his hands.

Let me just back off for a moment and show you that the White House recently made a statement, on January 16th, about Donald Trump welcoming the establishment of the so-called National Committee for the Administration of Gaza, the NCAG. Now, what is the NCAG? It's the structure, or the governance board, envisioned by Trump's peace process at the United Nations. And I should also say here, all of this is a very big insult, actually—a sham to any real peace process that would take into consideration all sides' needs, especially the Palestinian needs.

But for the sake of this video, which is about explaining the structure that Donald Trump is trying to build, I'll leave all moral considerations aside. We're just going to focus on what Trump is trying to do and what kind of organization he's trying to establish. I just want to explain the different parts of this plan as we see it. One part is this National Committee for the Administration of Gaza, which is made up of about 10 to 15 members of Palestinian descent, both inside and outside Gaza. And I'm sorry—I'm relying here on Wikipedia. It's just been the fastest so far at integrating different data points. So, this committee was only formed on the 16th of January. I'm speaking to you today on the 19th—so, three days ago.

And this is the kernel of what is envisioned to be a future administrative body—a technocratic body made up of Palestinians in Gaza to administer Gaza on the Palestinian side. And I must emphasize this: this is going to be on the Palestinian side. We have several members here who will each have some portfolio. Ali Shata will be the chair; Abdul Karim Ashour will be responsible for agriculture. You can see how this board of Palestinians is designed to resemble the kernel of a governance structure for Gaza—post-Hamas and post-slaughter, I suppose, which at the moment is still going on—post-genocide. So this is on the side of the Palestinians. And then what's happening is that Donald Trump, on his side, on his "Board of Peace" side, is building an international structure that will have oversight over this National Committee for the Administration of Gaza.

So the National Committee is anything but sovereign. It's nothing more than the implementation partner on the ground for what the Board of Peace is going to do. Now, the confusing thing is that Donald Trump is currently building several aspects of the Board of Peace, and what he recently sent out—the Charter, actually the Charter of the Board of Peace—doesn't mention Gaza even once. The Charter only talks about the structure of the Board of Peace, which is strange, because the Board of Peace is supposed to be the implementation structure from the side of the international community, justified by a very, in my view, misguided United Nations Security Council resolution.

That's this one here—Resolution 2803. This resolution was adopted last year, on the 17th of November, by the Security Council. In favor of it were the three big powers: the United States, the UK, and France. Russia and China abstained from voting, which is why it passed. It was a surprise; I

thought they would torpedo it, but in the end, Russia and China let it go through. In the Security Council resolution, what we read—and again, this has been passed, so it's now a binding resolution of the United Nations—it says that it welcomes the establishment of the Board of Peace as a transitional administration with international legal personality. And this is key to understanding what Trump is doing.

He's trying to build his own little kingdom, his own little international organization of which he is king, with international personality. This is very different from just having a corporation—you know, an LLC or a stock company in the United States, or one in Switzerland, or one in Japan—because this is envisioned to have the same legal international personality as the United Nations or other international organizations that operate on an intergovernmental basis. Take the Bank for International Settlements, take the IMF. Those organizations are created by treaty and then hover on top of the nation-states, and actually between the nation-states.

And Donald Trump is trying to build his very own organization. It's important to understand this because the entire legal construction now hinges on Resolution 2803—it's the blessing from the Security Council that this Board of Peace shall be established. The stupid thing, in my view, that the Security Council did was give its blessing before that thing actually existed. To talk about this, I made a little PowerPoint explanation. I hope this makes sense, because it's quite confusing what he's doing at the moment, but it all has a very clear structure. So, on the one hand, you have Donald Trump himself, who is appointed as the chairman of that organization.

And we'll look at that. The charter mentions Donald Trump by name. It's not the president of the United States being crowned chairman—it's Donald Trump himself, by the charter. I've never seen a charter of an international organization that works like this, because usually you appoint people who have some function in the state, not private individuals. But it just shows how much this is shaped to be a league of Trump, or whatever we want to call it. So, under the chairman, what's happening right now is that an executive board is being formed. And Mr. Trump actually tells us about this in his little statement here: the founding executive board has been formed.

And this founding executive board includes Secretary Marco Rubio, Steve Witkoff, Jared Kushner—Donald Trump's son-in-law—Tony Blair, and a couple of others, all appointed by Donald Trump. The chairman appoints everybody; he can appoint whoever he wants. This is going to be the founding executive board that will then launch all these activities. Let's go back to this little scheme here. At the same time, the Board of Peace and Donald Trump are establishing other organs—what we call them in international law—of this organization. One is the Gaza Executive Board, and the other is the International Stabilization Force. Now, this is where it gets confusing.

So the Board of Peace has an Executive Board and a Gaza Executive Board. Again, this is all inside the White House briefing. The White House wants to have someone to work with the National Committee that was formed on Gaza, but Trump doesn't want it to be the Executive Board itself. So he creates a second board that deals with Gaza. In support of the Office of the High Representative

of the NCAG, a Gaza Executive Board is being established. The board will help support effective governance and the delivery of best-in-class services that advance peace, stability, and prosperity for the people in Gaza. The appointed members are Steve Witkoff, Jared Kushner, Minister Hakan Fidan, and Ali Al-Tawadi.

Hakan Fidan, as far as I understand, is the foreign minister of Turkey, and there are a couple of others, including Tony Blair. But you see, these people now sit on both boards, right? They're on the Executive Board and they're on the Gaza Board. So Donald Trump actually separates these things to already divide the functions here. And lastly, we have an International Stabilization Force. This is, of course, the military arm of this peace plan, which is supposed to make sure that the IDF will eventually withdraw from Gaza—although I think that's highly illusory. But this International Stabilization Force is being put in place now by the power of the Security Council. Actually, the Security Council authorizes the BOP, the Plan of Action, and also authorizes member states to work with the BOP to create this International Stabilization Force.

So the ISF is created with the blessing of the Security Council. And, of course, the implementation is done through the Board of Peace, which is why this is such a big deal, right? The board then has authority even over this International Stabilization Force. But I should emphasize that the ISF is not part of how Trump is currently setting up the Board of Peace itself. So the ISF remains separate. As I see it, what we'll have is basically the ISF and the Gaza Executive Board working together to implement Donald Trump's will in Gaza. Now, what happened over the weekend is that Trump sent out the Board of Peace charter, and he's now trying to put another board between the Executive Board and the Gaza Board.

So there are a lot of boards going on—the Board of Peace and the members of the Board of Peace. It's really confusing. But the Executive Board is going to be like, you know, the Secretariat of the United Nations. It's going to look a bit like the Secretary-General and his office at the UN, the ones running the day-to-day business. Whereas the Board of Peace itself—the board—is made up of either presidents or prime ministers of different countries. We'll come to that in a second. But this would then be the political level, kind of like the UN General Assembly, if you want, though it will never actually resemble that. But if we stay within the parallels, it's established upon the vision of the charter, right? And the charter is what has been sent out.

The charter is what we're now seeing for the first time here, through The Times of Israel. And the charter really is like the constitution of a country, right? A charter for an international organization is like the constitution of a country—it's the basic law, the fundamental rules according to which the organization is established. And this charter, again, doesn't mention Gaza at all. It only mentions the functioning of the organization. The scary thing is that it's already set up in a way that Mr. Trump maintains all power over it. He's responsible for deciding who gets invited to join the board and who doesn't.

So the membership of the board is not universal. Unless Mr. Trump says, "I want to invite this state," no invitation will go out. And then those states can decide whether they want to have one representative on the board or not. So, no coincidence—probably—that Iran will not sit on this board until and unless there's a regime change. Just in terms of the structure, let's finish this. The entire international law rationale for why this is legal, why this organization works, and where it gets its authority from is United Nations Security Council Resolution 2803. That's where all its legitimacy emanates from.

This is one of those cases where Donald Trump actually seems to care about international law, and where he's trying to model his creations after structures that are quite well-defined. And then beneath this, of course, we have Gaza, which is the whole reason the UN gave its consent to the Board of Peace. But above Gaza is this National Committee that we just saw. In the end, right now, it's the Board of Peace, the Executive Board, and the Gaza Executive Board that are going to deal with the NCAG and the International Stabilization Force that's going to India and will be the military force patrolling what's happening directly in Gaza. So that's the structure for now.

What I'm telling you is that Mr. Trump is already preparing to shift things around as follows: to make sure the whole Gaza issue becomes just one arm, one branch of what's happening. You'll have the Gaza Executive Board responsible for Gaza and the International Stabilization Force, and that remains on one side. Then, on the other side, you're going to have a kind of international organization—the Board of Peace—which can deal with anything it wants because it has legal personality and can do so without being bound by the concrete laws of any one nation. This, of course, is where the value of such an organization lies.

Again, let's go back to this slide. Because once this international organization exists and member states participate, it acquires an international legal personality, and it gets immunity—immunity from national laws, from all kinds of policing mechanisms, right? And basically, it's not sovereign, but it stands outside the legal frameworks of any particular state, just like the United Nations. The United Nations has one seat in New York and another in Geneva. And although Geneva is in Switzerland, and Switzerland has quite well-established labor laws, those labor laws do not apply to the United Nations.

The UN doesn't have to follow them at all. And the UN doesn't follow them. The UN is actually notorious for being a pretty bad employer in Switzerland because they really leech off their little and part-time employees, whereas they pay very good salaries to the full-timers. But the little ones and part-timers get almost nothing. That wouldn't be allowed under Swiss law, but because the UN isn't responsible—doesn't have to answer to Swiss law—they can do what they want. And this, that's what Donald Trump is building. And again, I think what he's doing is creating a very large, unconstrained, basically investment fund for doing business internationally and building stuff.

I think the “building” in peacebuilding is really the main thing. He wants a large investment fund. Let’s just look at how this is set up. The charter says, under Chapter 2, “Membership,” that members in the Board of Peace are limited to states invited to participate by the chairman. Again, if we go back, what I’m telling you here is that the board itself—the board members—what he’s currently establishing is the political arm, and the political arm doesn’t exist yet. Only the executive arm exists. And in the political arm, what he’s now doing is saying, “Okay, anyone I invite can join.” Again, why I’m not hugely worried that he’s trying to do something very malicious is that he’s not trying to build an alliance.

Actually, Article 2.2(b) says that nothing in this charter shall be construed to give the Board of Peace jurisdiction within the territory of member states, or to require member states to participate in particular peacebuilding missions without their consent. So this has nothing to do with trying to create a military intervention force or anything like that. It’s all about giving legitimacy to Donald Trump’s organization. Paragraph C, 22(c): each member state shall serve a term of no more than three years from the charter’s entry into force, subject to renewal by the German government. Any member state can participate for three years, but then it’s out. But get this—the three-year membership term shall not apply to member states that contribute more than one billion dollars in cash funds to the Board of Peace within the first year of the charter’s entry into force.

He’s—he’s—this is a money grab. It’s a money grab. Donald Trump is setting up an international wallet—his own personal international wallet—and he’s going to try to fill it with as much money as he can. And that money, in the end, is going to be under his supervision, together with a couple of dignitaries from around the world who, however, sit there at his request. Anything the board does needs the chairman’s consent. So it’s a large international kind of money-grab scheme that will keep going even beyond the end of his term in 2028, I believe, right? That’s when he’ll have to leave office as President of the United States. So he’s already preparing his next steps. I mean, it’s a business move that a businessman, obviously, is working on.

So here we go. Under the governance of the board, it again shows how far-reaching the powers of the chairman are. The Board of Peace consists of its member states, and the agenda of the meetings shall be set by the executive board, subject to notice and comment by member states and approval of the chairman. Without the chairman’s approval, no agenda will ever be set for the meetings. Each member state shall have one vote on the board. Decisions shall be made by a majority of member states present and voting, subject to the approval of the chairman. So the chairman always has a veto in this structure, meaning that, first, nothing can actually be discussed without the chairman saying OK to it, and secondly, nothing can be passed without the chairman agreeing to it. I mean, this is really, you know, Trump Inc.

International, right, at this point. And here, the chairman—I just have to emphasize again—the charter says the chairman is Donald J. Trump. He shall serve as the inaugural chairman of the Board of Peace and shall separately serve as the inaugural representative of the United States of America.

The chairman shall have exclusive authority to create, modify, or dissolve subsidiary entities as necessary or appropriate to fulfill the board's peace mission. So Trump will set up the entire structure the way he wants—like this Gaza board? Why can he just make that up? Because he can. Because he wrote the charter that says he can. Anything up to his free will, right? This is, of course, a little bit precarious because Mr. Trump is already 79, turning 80 this year.

So there's a replacement provision saying that the chairman shall at all times designate a successor for the role of chairman. Replacement of the chairman may occur only following voluntary resignation or as a result of incapacity, as determined by a unanimous vote of the executive board. So even if Donald Trump dies before resigning, the board would have to reach a unanimous decision. And if there's no unanimous decision, there won't be a replacement. So Mr. Trump made very sure that he'll be in charge as long as he wants, and he'll hand over the reins of this structure to whoever he wants, and only when he wants to do it, right? So there's nothing preventing the organization from going into the hands, let's say, of his son-in-law, Jared Kushner, or one of his other offspring.

This could basically become a hereditary international organization if they choose to make it that way. It's because it's all in the hands of the chairman, right? It can go to any successor at any time, to be determined by Mr. Trump. And, you know, it's also very anachronistic—I mean, we don't do this anymore in international law or treaties. Usually, we designate someone as a chairperson or just "chair" to keep it gender-neutral. But this is so clearly tailored to be Mr. Trump's organization that somewhere in the text he even uses the word "he" to refer to the chairman. So there's no thought at all that this could ever be a female. It's quite astonishing, which is why, again, I don't think Mr. Trump is building any kind of rival structure to the UN. He's really just building his own next corporation—an international corporation.

The executive board shall be selected, of course, by the chairman. He appoints everybody—like Jared Kushner and so on. Everything is done by the chairman. They, of course, have financial provisions; they can establish accounts, they can establish bank accounts and maintain them. The legal status of the Board of Peace and its subsidiary entities is that they possess international legal personality. Again, that's what I told you before—they're not answerable to the laws of the United States. Actually, at some point, they'll have to negotiate a host country agreement, where the United States will sign that the Board of Peace will reside, let's say, in New York, just like the UN resides in New York, but that U.S. police and military cannot enter the premises of this organization.

It's going to be very much like the IMF—like the International Bank for Settlements—but probably with a building and investment focus. But again, not under the laws of any country. The Board of Peace shall ensure the provision of such privileges and immunities. Donald Trump, as chair, will have diplomatic immunity forever. The chair of this board will have diplomatic immunity forever; you won't be able to prosecute them because they'll be the sitting chairs of this international organization. And the U.S.—Donald Trump, I'm pretty sure—will make sure that he, as president of the United States, signs an agreement with the board confirming that, and he'll have it ratified in the U.S.

Senate. And so, you know, this is a very clever plan to have your own little international investment vehicle through which you can do whatever you want.

I just want to point out there's an article on dispute resolution, which isn't really about dispute resolution at all. Usually, that should explain how to deal with disputes and who the higher authority is—like an arbitration court, a national court, or the International Court of Justice, for instance. But no, the Board of Peace is the fiefdom of Donald Trump, which is why the ultimate arbiter in any dispute is always going to be the chairman, the final authority. It's a joke. It's a joke. But it's a joke that actually has a very good chance now to go through and become an international organization. An interesting thing, though, is that obviously Mr. Trump doesn't trust this board very much. It shows he's not sure whether this thing will be useful or not. So he's already built in a kill switch. That's also very interesting.

The conditions for dissolution—I just want to read this to you. "The Board of Peace shall dissolve at such time as the chairman considers necessary or appropriate, or at the end of every odd-numbered calendar year unless renewed by the chairman no later than November 21st of such odd-numbered calendar year." So, of course, the chairman can dissolve it at any time. And if he doesn't renew it every other year, then it will also die by itself. So it has, well, again, a kill switch. This means, of course, in conjunction with the provisions for the next chairman, that if we end up in a situation where the chairman dies or becomes incapacitated, and the board cannot decide on a successor—because you need unanimity, all of the board members have to say yes to a successor—then, if they can't decide on one and another odd year comes around, the whole organization will die.

So there's a situation imaginable where, because they're not able to make a decision, the organization itself will die. And I don't know of a single international organization that has a kill switch like this. It's quite extraordinary. I guess the reason they talk about every odd year is because, in the resolution—United Nations Security Council Resolution 2803—there's actually a provision that says this resolution is valid until the end of 2027. Here it is: the BOP and the international civil and security presence in Gaza are authorized by this resolution and shall remain authorized until December 31st, 2027. So the resolution actually needs to be reaffirmed to maintain its validity. And it seems that Trump is kind of modeling the Board of Peace after this 2027 resolution—like an expiry date. Plus, again, I think he doesn't trust his own creation very much yet, so he wants it to be dissolvable in case something goes wrong.

But as we can see, this organization is already built in a way that it's, you know, Trump's little fiefdom. And yeah, so this is my interpretation of what's going on. I suppose he'll use this, if it comes to fly, as a way to first bring in billions of dollars of donor money that he can then use at his own discretion—and have something to do even after stepping down as President of the United States—while also being legally shielded against any and all claims. He'll probably use it as a large investment fund for, I suppose, building purposes and acquiring land, because in theory this organization can, of course, buy land or receive land from member states. That land then becomes like an international, legally exempt premise. Basically, this organization could declare plots of land

that it buys and develops as something very similar to the way embassies are run—right, extraterritorial. So you could build, around the world, extraterritorial—I don't know—Trump Plazas, where you can do gambling or whatever, because you can give them extraterritorial status. You're an international organization that's built and founded upon an international treaty—the Security Council resolution and the charter that Mr. Trump is building now, the BOP charter.

If it's ratified by three member states, it comes into force, and then, under international law, it will have the force of being a treaty. And as such, the treaty body can, in theory, go very, very far with what it can do and how it can interact with member states—without those member states binding the organization by their laws. It's bizarre. It's a very, very bizarre thing that's going on. And it certainly has nothing to do anymore with Gaza as its prime objective. The fact that Gaza isn't mentioned even once in this charter tells us a lot. On the other hand, it's not a rival organization to the UN. It has a similar character under international law, but it's never going to be.

It's not set up to be a counter-UN, but his own little international investment fund, and I've never seen anything like it. He just takes advantage of any option given—call it opportunistic, call it genius, whatever you want. But it seems to me that this is where we're headed. I'll certainly keep reporting on this once we know more. Right now, we're at the stage where the Board of Peace itself has to be established, and the treaty—the charter—needs to be accepted and then ratified by three states in order to come into formal legal existence and have force under international law. We're not there yet.

We'll see where this goes. But, you know, you can be sure the United States is going to be part of it, Israel is going to be part of it, and it won't be very difficult to find a third member to join and ratify it—which then gives it international force. Whether the organization is actually involved in getting all these billions and billions of dollars from member states is another question. But once it has that international status, Donald Trump will be able to use it and wield it. And again, for the time being, it's still connected to the Gaza question, but that question is very much a sideshow. Thank you very much for your attention.