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## Florida Attorney General's Office News Release

### Attorney General Moody Urges Congress to Defund UN Agency that Employed Terrorists



TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Attorney General Ashley Moody is calling on Congress to defund the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for ties to terrorism. The call comes after troubling details emerged around UNRWA employees with ties to designated terrorist organizations and antisemitic activity.

**Attorney General Ashley Moody** said, “UNRWA has long been sympathetic to Islamic Jihad and other designated terrorist groups. We know more than a dozen UNRWA employees took part in the Oct. 7, 2023, terrorist attacks in Israel. The United States has given more than \$1 billion to UNRWA since the start of the Biden administration. That must stop NOW.”

On Jan. 26, UNRWA announced it fired more than a dozen employees for participating in the Hamas terrorist massacre against Israel on Oct. 7, 2023. But UNRWA’s ties to terrorism are nothing new. UNRWA employed one school principal who moonlit as an Islamic Jihad bomber and another being a Hamas commandant. One UNRWA school teacher is accused of detaining a terror-attack hostage for nearly two months. Also, a shocking report revealed that every UNRWA school the Israeli Defense Forces searched contained hidden weapons.

In 2018, President Trump recognized UNRWA's alarming ties with terrorism and stopped all federal funding to UNRWA. Despite glaring legal and security concerns, President Biden reinstated funding for UNRWA on his first day in office.

A coalition of 26 states sent a letter urging Congress to cut all funding to UNRWA. After the barbaric terror attacks, there is no excuse to pay UNRWA a single cent, much less billions of dollars.

Attorney General Moody is joined by the attorneys general of the following states in sending the letter: Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia and Wyoming.

Read the full letter [here](#).

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