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A thread 🧵 my favourite Amnesty international scandals:

1. In 2010 they fired the head of their Gender Unit, Gita Sahgal after she criticized the NGO's connections to Islamic extremism groups

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Human rights

Gita Sahgal's dispute with Amnesty International puts human rights group in the dock

The champion of women's rights has accused it of losing its moral compass over its association with Moazzam Begg

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Gita Sahgal is a longtime human rights advocate and founder of several women's rights organizations who joined Amnesty International in 2002. In early February, she was suspended from her job as head of Amnesty's Gender Unit after giving an interview to the London Sunday Times in which she raised concerns about Amnesty International's connections with the group called Cageprisoners and its leader, Moazzam Begg. On April 9, Amnesty International formally announced Sahgal's departure, citing "irreconcilable differences of view over policy." Following is a statement by Sahgal.

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I was hired as the head of the Gender Unit as the organization began to develop its Stop Violence Against Women campaign. I leave with great sadness as the campaign is closed. Thousands of activists of Amnesty International enthusiastically joined the campaign. Many hoped that it would induce respect for women’s human rights in every area of social and economic life. Today, there is little ground for optimism.

The senior leadership of Amnesty International has been replaced by a new




2. In 2015 Amnesty hosted a speaker, Dyab Abu Jahja, who has celebrated the 9/11 terrorist attacks, denied the Holocaust and claimed Europe had a “Jew worshipping cult”, and referred to gay people as “AIDS spreading f**gots”

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Amnesty International Sponsors Speaker Who Celebrated 9/11, Denied Holocaust, Vilified Gays and Jews

The sponsorship of activist Dyab About Jahjah is part of an increasingly disturbing pattern for the erstwhile humanitarian organization

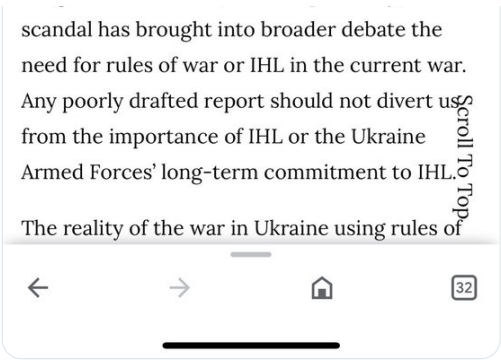
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Dyab About Jahjah is one of four individuals scheduled to speak at the rally. He has called the 9/11 attacks “sweet revenge,” said Europe made “the cult of the Holocaust and Jew-worshipping its alternative religion,” and labeled gays “AIDS-spreading faggots.” He has also questioned the existence of the Nazi gas chambers, and is a former fighter for the anti-Semitic group Hezbollah, an officially designated terrorist group by the U.S. and European Union. For his hateful activism, About Jahjah has been banned in the United Kingdom since 2009.

3. Holding Ukraine, not Russia, responsible for Russia's invasion of Ukraine and indiscriminate attacks on residential areas.





Anyways amnesty has been lost in the sauce for over a decade by now and has become widely condemned by former employees and international law experts



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