



A "flotilla" of three small boats has begun its voyage to the Gaza Strip, expected to arrive around the end of July 2018, having conducted a propaganda tour of several European ports

July 22, 2018

Overview

Three small boats of the flotilla to the Gaza Strip set sail on July 21 and 22, 2018, and are expected to arrive around the end of July. Before they left for the Gaza Strip they conducted a series of propaganda visits to various European ports. **The flotilla's objective** is to help the Palestinian propaganda campaign that accompanies the "return marches" by raising awareness to the demand to lift the "siege" on the Gaza Strip. **That is supposed lead to international solidarity with the Gazans while defaming Israel.**

- ▶ On July 16, 2018, four boats anchored in the port of Palermo, Sicily, and from there three of them set sail together for the Gaza Strip on July 21, 2018. The most prominent figure in organizing the flotilla is **Zaher Birawi, a Palestinian anti-Israeli activist living in Britain**, affiliated with Hamas and the Muslim Brotherhood. Birawi has many years of experience in organizing flotillas and convoys to the Gaza Strip. His official title is "coordinator of the international committee for breaking the siege on the Gaza Strip."¹
- ▶ In a newspaper interview Zaher Birawi said the boats carried **45 passengers from 15 countries**, and a symbolic quantity of medical equipment. Among the passengers he noted Yahya al-Sa'ud, a member of the Jordanian parliament. Birawi said the boats were planning to set sail on **the evening of July 21, 2018**. He said he had faith that this time the boats would reach the Gazan shore despite Israel's past attempts to attack the boats in international waters (Safa news agency, July 21, 2018).
- ▶ The activists aboard the boats come from several countries. **Most of them are European anti-Israeli activists, prominent among them are veterans of previous flotillas.** Among the passengers are **a former member of the Norwegian parliament, a member of the Algerian parliament and a member of the Jordanian parliament.** There are also Palestinian academicians living abroad and **a several Jewish activists and activists who**

¹ The details in this bulletin are relevant to the date before the boats set sail for Gaza. In the meantime, changes occurred. An update will be issued soon.

are former Israelis (the names of the passengers known to the ITIC and basic information about them appear in the Appendix).

► **Passengers also include media personnel**, some of whom provided live coverage of the propaganda events organized by the activists in the ports where the boats anchored, as well as coverage of the condition of the boats and their location. Apparently, so far the reports have not had significant political or media effect. However, as the boats approach the Gaza Strip **the volume of media reports is likely to increase, especially in the pro-Palestinian media around the globe.** In ITIC assessment, the media campaign planned to accompany the flotilla will peak with one of the following scenarios: the Israeli navy will prevent the boats from reaching the Gaza Strip; the passengers aboard the boats will be detained and friction will develop; some or all of the boats will reach the Gaza Strip. Regardless, **for the flotilla's organizers, the size of the media circus created will be the measure of the flotilla's success or failure.**

The boats

► On May 20, 2018, a flotilla of four small boats left Norway. It was organized by two umbrella organizations sending flotillas to the Gaza Strip: the Freedom Flotilla Coalition and the so-called "International committee for lifting the siege on the Gaza Strip." The flotilla consists of four boats and about 45 activists. On July 21, 2018, the first boat (the *al-Awda*) left Palermo, Sicily, for Gaza. Two other boats (the *Falestine* and the *Huriya*) set sail on July 22, 2018. The fourth boat (the *Mairead*) did not set sail.



The four boats (Freedom Flotilla Coalition Facebook page, May 22, 2018).

► En route to the Gaza Strip the boats anchored individually at a number of European ports, where they held propaganda activities to gain support before the flotilla set sail for its final destination. At some of the ports the boats were visited by government representatives or anti-Israeli activists. Some of the boats, especially the two smallest, **experienced several technical difficulties and anchored at various ports for repairs**. In some of the countries the boats received a chilly reception. **So far the flotilla has not won significant political or media coverage, but that may change as the boats approach the Gaza Strip.**

► The four boats of the flotilla are:

- ◆ **The *al-Awda (The Return)***: The largest of the boats, it flies **the Norwegian flag**. There are **about 20 activists** on board. After setting sail from Norway it visited a number of European ports before finally anchoring in Sicily. The ports included Copenhagen, Kiel, Amsterdam, the Isle of Jersey, La Rochelle in southern France, Cagliari in Sardinia and Ajaccio in Corsica.



Right: The *al-Awda* in Ajaccio (Facebook page of Nabi Habri, July 9, 2018).

Left: The *al-Awda* (the Sardinia-Palestine Friends Association Facebook page, July 8, 2018).

- ◆ **The *Huriya (Freedom)***: The Huriya is a sailboat flying the Swedish flag. En route it anchored at Brighton, Cagliari and Naples. Before reaching Cagliari it was forced to make an unscheduled stop in Algiers because one of the passengers had an attack of appendicitis (Facebook page of Jens Marklund, the ship captain, July 3, 2018).



The *Huriya* (the Sardinia-Palestine Friends Association Facebook page, July 8, 2018).

◆ The two smaller boats are the *Falestine* and the *Mairead* (named for Mairead Maguire, a social activist from North Ireland). There are about eight activists on each boat and both fly the **Swedish flag**. After setting sail they visited Rotterdam (where one of the boat underwent repairs), Lyons and Marseilles, where according to reports, one of the boats was damaged when it bumped into the police vessel guiding it into port, and repairs were necessary.



**The two boats in Marseilles
(Facebook page of Claude Léostic, president of the PFP,
a network of pro-Palestinian French NGOs, July 7, 2018).**



Right: Layla Shaheed (second from right), the Palestinian representative to the EU and French politician Jacques Lang (second from left) try to meet the boats in Paris (Twitter account of French politician Esther Benbassa, June 17, 2018). Left: Flotilla activists meet with the chairman of the Asturias, Spain parliament (parliament website, June 15, 2018).

- During the voyage **the boats were delayed in a number of ports in Spain, France and Portugal and the activists were not permitted to hold their planned political activities.** On occasion the local police and coast guard **searched the vessels.** For example, the German ministry of the interior ordered the coast guard to take control of the *al-Awda* and collected passports and personal information about the passengers. In France as well the authorities caused difficulties for the ship. Dutch security personnel boarded one of the boats three times and checked the names of the passengers (al-Arabi al-Jadeed, May 31, 2018).



A French police skiff prevents the boats from anchoring (Twitter account of French politician Esther Benbassa, June 17, 2018).

Flotilla passengers

- According to the flotilla organizers, the passengers aboard the boats are Palestinians living abroad and European and other international activists (Shehab, May 22, 2018). **Most of them participated in previous flotillas.** Not all will continue with the flotilla to the Gaza Strip and there are many who spent a number of days aboard the boats and were replaced by

other activists. There are also media personnel abroad, who report live about events the activists organized in ports of call, the condition of the boats and their location.

► **The most prominent figure of the flotilla is Zaher Birawi, a Palestinian anti-Israeli activist who lives in Britain and is affiliated with Hamas and the Muslim Brotherhood.** He has a long history of organizing convoys and flotillas, and his official title is is "**coordinator of the international committee for breaking the siege on the Gaza Strip.**" He was also on the committee that prepared the violent "return marches" in Gaza and gave a stage to the activities in the Gaza Strip on the al-Hiwar TV channel, which broadcasts from London and where he is program director (Facebook page of al-Hiwar TV, March 9, 2018). Zaher Birawi met the boats at their stops in Copenhagen and Portugal, but apparently he did not sail on any of them.



Right: Zaher Birawi greets the flotilla passengers (Facebook page of the Malaysian organization MYCARE, May 21, 2018). Left: Zaher Birawi and one of the boats in the port of the Portuguese resort town of Cascais (Facebook page of Zaher Birawi, June 21, 2018).

Appendix

The passengers aboard the boats²

The al-Awda

► There are **30 activists sailing to the Gaza Strip** aboard the *al-Awda* (Facebook page of Jan Petter Hammervold, July 11, 2018). The captain is **Herman Reksten**, who participated in flotillas to the Gaza Strip in 2012 and 2015, and was detained by Israel (website of the Norwegian Bergensavisen, April 27, 2018).



***Al-Awda* captain Herman Reksten**
(website of the Norwegian Bergensavisen, April 27, 2018).

◆ **Charlie Andreasson: a Swedish activist who is the boat's first officer.** He also sailed with the Swedish boat *Estelle* which attempted to reach the Gaza Strip in 2012. Between 2012 and 2014 he participated in the Gaza Ark project. He was also aboard the Swedish boat *Marianne* during the flotilla to the Gaza Strip in 2015 (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, May 24, 2018).

² An incomplete list with partial information.



First officer Charlie Andreasson (from his Twitter account).

◆ **Nabi Habri: a member of the Algerian parliament.** He is a member of the Movement for Society of Peace party, a moderate Islamic party **affiliated with the Muslim Brotherhood**. It works to promote Islamic values in Algerian society (Facebook page of the International committee for breaking the siege on the Gaza Strip, July 4, 2018). Nabi Habri is also a representative of the Algerian al-Baraka association for charity and humanitarian activities. (Facebook page of Nabi Habri, July 5, 2018). He joined the al-Awda while it was anchored in Sardinia Facebook page of the International committee for breaking the siege on the Gaza Strip, July 4, 2018).



Right: Algerian parliament member Nabi Habri poses in front of the al-Awda in Ajaccio (Facebook page of Nabi Habri, July 9, 2018). Left: Nabi Habri, from his Facebook page (July 9, 2018).

- ◆ **Nasser al-Suheili, an Arab journalist** living in Denmark.
- ◆ **Awni Farahat: a Palestinian** from the Jabalia refugee camp in the Gaza Strip. Today he lives in Holland. In the past was a coordinator for the Gaza Ark project (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, May 24, 2018). Awni Farahat also sailed aboard the *Mairead* and the *Falestine*.



Awni Farahat (left) with Swedish activist Charlie Andreasson (Facebook page of Awni Farahat, June 2018).

- ◆ **Mikkei Grüner: a Norwegian politician** of Danish origin (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, May 18, 2018).



Mikkei Grüner (from his Facebook page, April 30, 2018).

- ◆ **Jan Petter Hammervold: head of the Lillehammer branch of the Norwegian "Ship to Gaza" campaign.** Is the boat's cook. In the past sailed on the Swedish ship *Estelle*, which attempted to reach the Gaza Strip in 2012 (Ship to Gaza Norway website, May 6, 2018; al-Arabi al-Jadeed, June 10, 2018).



Jan Petter Hammervold
(al-Arabi al-Jadeed, June 10, 2018).

- ◆ **Zohar Chamberlain Regev: an Israeli living in Spain, and the Freedom Flotilla Coalition coordinator.** Activist in the Spanish Rumbo a Gaza organization. Was one of the leaders of the Women's Flotilla to Gaza and sailed aboard the *Zeituna* in 2016 (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, May 13, 2018).



Zohar Chamberlain Regev
(truthout.org, June 2, 2018).

- ◆ **Lola Blasco: Spanish playwright**
- ◆ **Majed Kraishi: Canadian-Palestinian doctor**



Activists on the deck of the *al-Awda*. Left to right: former Gaza Ark project coordinator Awni Farahat; Canadian-Palestinian MD Majed Kraishi; Spanish playwright Lola Blasco; the Israeli Zohar Chamberlain Regev, coordinator for the Freedom Fleet (Facebook page of Dimitri Lascaris, June 22, 2018).

- ◆ **Ron Badger Rousseau: union activist** from the Yukon, Canada (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, May 24, 2018).



Ron Badger Rousseau
(Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, June 24, 2018).

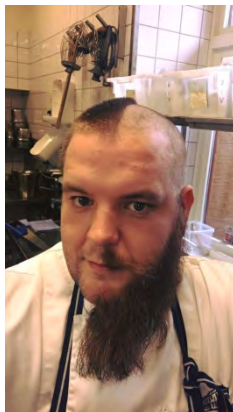
- ◆ **Daniel Ross: British, Jewish, lives in Spain** (hotindienews.net, July 8, 2018).



Daniel Ross

(from a video Divina Levrini posted to the Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, June 25, 2018).

- ◆ **Jørgen Pedersen: a chef from Oslo.** The cook aboard the *al-Awda* on the last lap of its voyage (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, July 18, 2018).



Jørgen Pedersen
(from his Facebook page, October 7, 2016).

- ◆ **David Smith: the ship's mechanic** (Facebook page of Ann Wright, Freedom Flotilla Coalition activist in the United States, July 11, 2018).



David Smith, who joined the *al-Awda* in Naples
(Facebook page of Ann Wright, July 11, 2018).

- ◆ **Professor Gerd von der Lippe: sociologist specializing in sports.** Carried out joint research with colleagues from Gaza and also visited the Gaza Strip. Senior activist in Ship to Gaza Norway. Represents the organization in the flotilla (Facebook page of Jan Petter Hammervold, July 11, 2018; Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, May 5, 2018). Was supposed to participate in the Women's Flotilla to Gaza in 2016 aboard the *Amal*. The boat had technical difficulties and did not sail (palestinechronicle.com, October 4, 2016).



Gerd von der Lippe
(truthout.org, June 2, 2018).

◆ **Dr. Ang Swee Chai: supposed to be the ship's doctor** for the last stage of the voyage (Facebook page of the Malaysian organization MYCARE, July 18, 2018). She is an orthopedic surgeon working at The Royal Hospital of St. Bartholomew and The Royal London Hospital. She was born in Malaysia, raised and educated in Singapore, and arrived in Britain as a refugee. Worked as a volunteer surgeon in the Palestinian hospital in the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps in Beirut in 1982, and later worked for the UN in Gaza and for the WHO in the Palestinian Authority. Following her experiences in the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps she cofounded the British NGO Medical Aid for Palestinians (MAP) to provide medical services in the Palestinian refugee camps (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, July 15, 2018; Barts Centre for Trauma Sciences, the MAP website).



Dr. Ang Swee Chai
(Barts Centre for Trauma Sciences website).

◆ **Mike Treen: human rights activist and labor union leader in New Zealand.** Replaces Youssef Sammour, who sailed from Amsterdam to Palermo, as New Zealand representative on the flotilla (New Zealand scoop website, July 11, 2018; Kia Ora Gaza, the New Zealand organization to lift the siege on the Gaza Strip, June 13, 2018).



Mike Treen
(from his Facebook page, July 7, 2018).

- ◆ **Professor Mohd Afandi Salleh:** supposed to represent Malaysia on the last stage of the flotilla (Facebook page of the Malaysian organization MYCARE, July 18, 2018).



Professor Mohd Afandi Salleh
(Facebook page of the Malaysian organization MYCARE, July 18, 2018)

- ◆ **Chris Graham:** edits the **New Matilda**, an independent Australian website. Supposed to send reports about the flotilla during part of its voyage to the Gaza Strip (Freedom Flotilla Coalition Twitter account, July 15, 2018; newmatilda.com, July 14, 2018).



Chris Graham (newmatilda.com, July 14, 2018).

- ◆ **Joe Meadors:** represents the American branch of the Freedom Flotilla Coalition. Attempted to reach the Gaza Strip in a previous flotilla. He was one of the survivors of

the *USS Liberty*,³ attacked by the IDF during the Six Day War. He was on board the Greek *Sfedoni* in the 2010 flotilla and on board Greek boats in 2011 and 2015 which were not permitted to sail to the Gaza Strip (commondreams.org, July 12, 2018).



Joe Meadors
(commondreams.org, July 12, 2018).

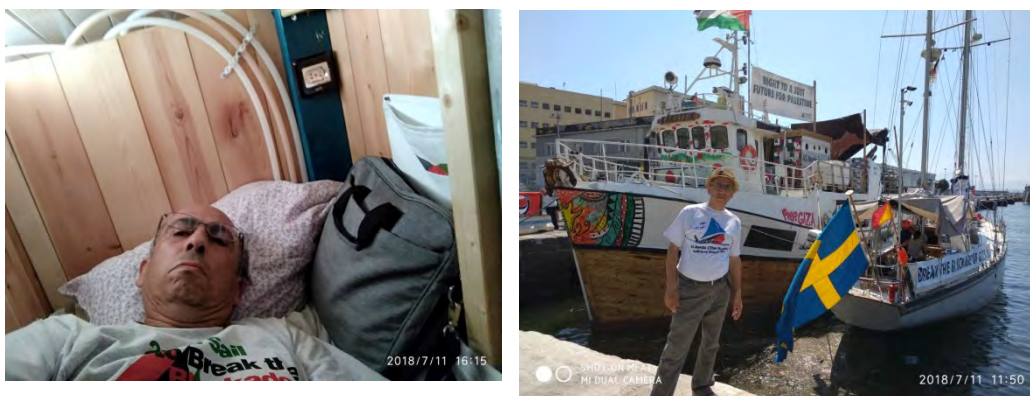
- ◆ **Lucia Mazarrasa Alvear:** representative of Rumbo a Gaza during the last stage of the flotilla (rumboagaza.org, June 21, 2018).



Lucia Mazarrasa Alvear, second from the right, bottom row (rumboagaza.org, June 21, 2018).

- ◆ **Professor Mazen Qamsia:** from Bethlehem. Teaches and researches biology at Bethlehem University. Founder and director of the Palestine Museum of Natural History in Bethlehem University. In the past taught at Yale and Duke. Wrote a book about the "popular resistance in Palestine" (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, July 13, 2018).

³ The *USS Liberty* was an American spy ship attacked by Israel on June 8, 1967 (the fourth day of the Six Day War) after it was mistakenly identified as an Egyptian destroyer. Thirty-four Americans were killed and 17 wounded.



Professor Mazen Qamsia in Naples (from his Facebook page, July 11, 2018).

◆ **Yonatan Shapira:** former Israeli Air Force helicopter pilot and initiator of the "Pilots' Letter" of 2003. In September 2010 was aboard the *Irene* in the "Jewish flotilla" which sailed from northern Cyprus to the Gaza and was halted by the Israeli navy (MAKO, October 22, 2014). According to Professor Mazen Qamsia, Shapira is expected to participate in the flotilla to the Gaza Strip (CODEPINK: Women for Peace website, July 17, 2018).



Yonatan Shapira (left) interviewed in Naples by journalist Dimitri Lascaris (therealnews.com, July 17, 2018).

◆ **Lisa Fithian:** From Austin, Texas. **American political activist and protest organizer.** Visited Judea and Samaria in 2002 as part of the anti-Israeli International Solidarity Movement (ISM). Was a member of the organizing committee of the US Boat to Gaza in 2011. Taught **non-violent resistance** to participants in the Women's Flotilla to Gaza in 2016 and **to participants in the current flotilla** (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, July 13, 2018; Wikipedia).



Right: Lisa Fithian (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, July 13, 2018).
Left: Instructing flotilla participants in non-violent resistance in Palermo
(Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, July 17, 2018).

- ◆ **Sarah Katz: a member of the UJFP (Union juive française pour la paix), the French Jewish Union for Peace.** Supposed to join the flotilla in Sicily (assopalestine13.org, July 7, 2018).



Sarah Katz speaking at a reception in Marseilles
(assopalestine13.org, July 7, 2018).

The *Huriya* (Freedom)

- ◆ **Jens Marklund: from Sweden, was captain of the boat.** During the last stage of the voyage, from Palermo to the Gaza Strip, the captain is John Turnbull, from Canada (Facebook page of Jens Marklund, July 17, 2018).



Jens Marklund (right) (Facebook page of Ship to Gaza-Sweden, July 14, 2018).

- ◆ **John Turnbull:** Canadian activist. Was part of the auxiliary crew of the Canadian Boat to Gaza's *al-Tahrir*, and who tried to organize a flotilla to the Gaza Strip in 20-11 (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, June 24, 2018). **Captain of the ship from Palermo to the Gaza Strip** (Facebook page of Jens Marklund, captain until Palermo, July 17, 2018).



John Turnbull (Right, from his Medium blog, left, aboard the Huriya, from his Facebook page. May 30, 2018).

- ◆ **Youssef Sammour: naval engineer from New Zealand.** Son of a family of Palestinian refugees, born in the UAE. One of two New Zealanders participating in the flotilla (Kia Ora Gaza, the New Zealand organization to lift the siege on the Gaza Strip participating in the flotilla, June 13, 2018).



Youssef Sammour
(Bon Voyage – Sailing from Amsterdam to Sicily, May 28, 2018).

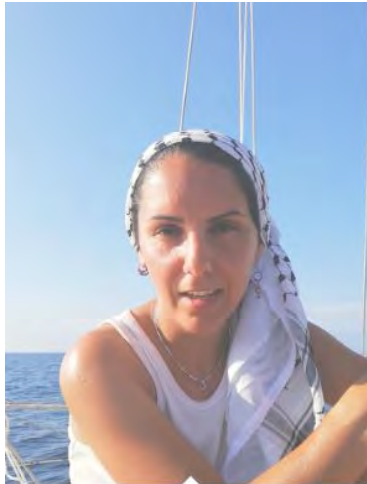
- ◆ **Mike Treen: human rights activist and labor union leader in New Zealand.** Replaces Youssef Sammour, who sailed from Amsterdam to Palermo, as New Zealand representative on the flotilla (Kia Ora Gaza, the New Zealand organization to lift the siege on the Gaza Strip participating in the flotilla, June 13, 2018).
- ◆ **Anna Dressler: Social activist** born in Germany and living in Sweden. Sailed aboard the *Huriya* until Cadiz and is expected to return to the boat in Palermo and to sail with it to the Gaza Strip (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, June 27, 2018; Anna Dressler's Facebook page, June 27 and July 14, 2018).



**Anna Dressler (right, from the Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, June 27, 2018.
Left, aboard the *Huriya*, from her Facebook page. June 27, 2018).**

- ◆ **Dimitri Lascaris: Pro-Palestinian Canadian human rights activist and journalist** (Facebook page of Dimitri Lascaris, July 3, 2018). Sailed aboard the *Huriya* from Cadiz to Cagliari. The boat made a forced stop in Algiers because he had an attack of appendicitis and left the ship (Facebook page of Jens Marklund, captain of the *Huriya*, July 3, 2018).

- ◆ **Oldoz Javidi: Swedish actress with Iranian origins.** Feminist party candidate in the upcoming general elections in Sweden (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, June 30, 2018; Facebook page of Real News Network correspondent Dimitri Lascaris, July 3, 2018).



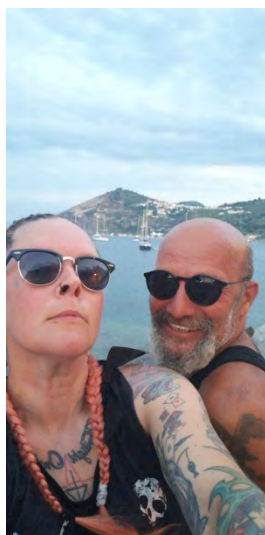
Oldoz Javidi (from her blog, June 26, 2018).

- ◆ **Karen Devito: Canadian activist.** In the past sailed with the *al-Tahrir* as part of the Canadian Boat to Gaza project, 2011 (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, June 24, 2018).



**Karen Devito
(Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, June 24, 2018).**

- ◆ **Ferry Sarpooshan:** Pro-Palestinian Swedish activist. His Facebook page name is Sedaue Shahri and he represents himself as originally Iranian.



Right: Ferry Sarpooshan in a video posted by Divina Levrini to the Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, June 14, 2018. Left: Ferry Sarpooshan with Divina Levrini (from her Facebook page, July 9, 2018).



Ferry Sarpooshan during a hunger strike in Gothenburg, Sweden, in solidarity with the hunger strike of the security prisoners in Israel (goteborgsfria.se, May 30, 2017).

Next to him is Benjamin Ladraa, a pro-Palestinian Swedish activist of Jewish origin, who walked from Gothenburg to Jerusalem to raise awareness for the Palestinian cause. Israel did not permit him to enter Israeli territory (from his Facebook page, July 6, 2018).

- ◆ **Divina Levrini:** Swedish singer and human rights activist (Freedom Flotilla Coalition website, June 8, 2018).



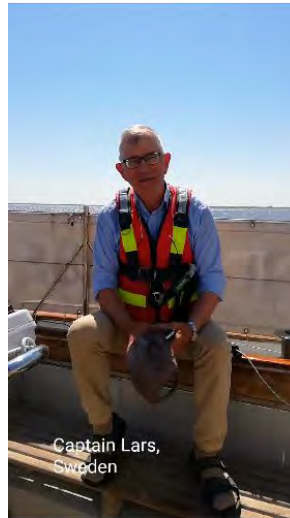
Divina Levrini
(from her Twitter account, June 28, 2018).

- ◆ **Kristian Svenberg:** Swedish activist. Was also aboard the Swedish boat *Estelle* which tried to reach the Gaza Strip in 2012 (from a video posted by Divina Levrini to the Facebook page of Ship to Gaza – Sweden, July 10, 2018). Is the ship's doctor (Dimitri Lascaris' blog, July 12, 2018).



Kristian Svenberg (from a video posted by Divina Levrini to the Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page , July 10, 2018).

- ◆ **Lars Drake:** Swedish activist (from a video posted to the Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, June 24, 2018; Facebook page of Lars Drake, June 4, 2018).



Lars Drake (from a video posted to the Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, June 24, 2018).

- ◆ **OLLE:** From Gothenburg (from a video posted to the Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, June 24, 2018).



OLLE (from a video posted to the Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, June 24, 2018).

- ◆ **Virginia:** Swedish activist (from a video posted to the Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, June 15, 2018). She is apparently Virginia Cavallini, from Gothenburg (Ship to Gaza – Sweden website).



Right: From the video. Left: From the website.

- ◆ **Victor Ba:** Swedish activist (post from Youssef Sammour to the Bon Voyage – Sailing from Amsterdam to Sicily Facebook page group, June 24, 2018).



Victor Ba (from his Facebook page, June 15, 2018).

- ◆ **Jeannette Escanilla: President of Ship to Gaza – Sweden.** Participated in the Women's Flotilla to Gaza aboard the Zeituna in 2016 (Facebook page of correspondent Sören Sommelius, July 18, 2018).



Jeannette Escanilla (from her Facebook page, July 15, 2018).

- ◆ **Francisco Canales:** Member of the Alajar, Spain city council (kaosenlared.net, July 17, 2018).

The *Falestine* and the *Mairead*

► The *Falestine* and the *Mairead* are two smaller boats, each with eight passengers. During the voyage they had many technical difficulties.

- ◆ **Kalle Ohlsson: Captain of the *Falestine*** (Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, July 13, 2018). Swedish. Participated in the flotilla to the Gaza Strip in 2015 aboard the Swedish ship *Marianne* (Ship to Gaza – Sweden website).



Kalle Ohlsson (from her Facebook page, June 7, 2015).

- ◆ **Jan Strömdahl: Former member of the Swedish parliament** (al-Anadolu News, June 5, 2018).



Jan Strömdahl (aftonbladet.se, May 15, 2018).

- ◆ **Andreas Gustafsson or Andréas Gustavfsson:** In a report from Marseilles he was represented as the captain of the *Falestine* (assopalestine13, organization, July 7, 2018). In a later report he was represented as the captain of the *Mairead* (skaftoposten.se, July 30, 2018).



Andreas Gustafsson (center)
(skaftoposten.se, July 30, 2018).

Other passengers

- In addition to the list of names above, other names were mentioned **but it is unclear which ship they are aboard:**

- ◆ **Larry Commodore:** anti-Israeli Canadian social activist (Canada Boat to Gaza website, July 16, 2018).



Larry Commodore (from his Twitter account)

- ◆ **Yahya Muhammad al-Sa'ud: Member of the Jordanian parliament and chairman of its Palestine Committee** (Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, July 18, 2018: Facebook page of Yahya al-Sa'ud). He is a lawyer. In the past he was in the news for confronting Israeli Knesset member Oren Hazan at the Allenby Crossing.



**Jordanian member of parliament Yahya al-Sa'ud
(Ship to Gaza – Sweden Facebook page, July 18, 2018).**