



G4S Israel

It is incorrect to suggest that G4S is the subject of a United Nations boycott. We are proud to support the humanitarian efforts of the UN around the globe, securing facilities in a diverse range of countries. Crucially, we work directly with UN organisations to support refugee centres, remove unexploded ordnance from former war zones and provide support facilities and protection for UN workers operating in complex environments.

G4S has been a proud participant in the UN Global Compact since 2011. We communicate annually on our progress against the Principles of the Compact and are active within the UK Network of the Compact - continuing to participate as a member of the governing Advisory Group.

G4S Israel:

We can confirm that [G4S Israel was sold to FIMI Opportunity Funds in 2017](#). Prior to this, the business provided security personnel, security systems and related services to national and local customers in Israel and a small number of locations in the West Bank. It also supplied security systems such as CCTV, access control and public address systems at prisons throughout Israel and Ofer Prison in the West Bank.

Contrary to claims made by certain pressure groups, G4S employees did not operate the equipment, manage prisons or have any involvement in the prison regime.

G4S Israel also serviced scanning equipment (such as that used at airports around the world) at a small number of crossing points along the barrier. Again, G4S did not operate or have any involvement in the deployment of this equipment.

Independent Reviews:

Before its sale, G4S commissioned a number of independent reviews of its business in Israel. Each has concluded that the company did not breach international humanitarian law and had no causal or contributory role in human rights violations. The findings from these reviews have been made available publicly and can be accessed [here](#).



In 2015, the UK National Contact Point (NCP) for the OECD concluded (after a 17-month investigation into G4S' business in Israel) that it ["did not find any general failure by the company to respect the human rights of the people on whose behalf the complaint is made or any failure to respect human rights in regards of its own operations." Also that "none of the information reviewed by the UK NCP suggested that G4S staff or equipment play a direct part in these \[human rights\] impacts."](#) However, it did conclude that the company's actions were technically inconsistent with the OECD guidelines and made a number of recommendations to address those inconsistencies.

G4S welcomed the findings of the UK National Contact Point and continues to work with customers and business partners to safeguard human rights and ethical standards in line with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and best practices. Our full [response](#) and action to address those inconsistencies were published in our [2015 CSR Report](#).

Sale of G4S Israel:

In December 2016, G4S plc [announced](#) that it had reached an agreement on the sale of G4S Israel to FIMI Opportunity Funds as part of its wide-ranging business portfolio review. Having received all necessary government and regulatory approvals, the sale was completed in [June 2017](#).

G4S retains a presence in Israel through a continued minority financial investment in the national police training centre located in central Israel. Contrary to claims made by certain pressure groups, we have no involvement with the management nor any operational role in this facility.

G4S is neither anti-Palestine nor anti-Israel — as a global security services provider, we are committed to providing apolitical and ethically, and socially responsible services throughout the world. The company treats matters of human rights very seriously and is committed to ensuring that G4S conducts its business in a way that meets internationally recognised human rights laws and standards.