

Grand Mufti of Jerusalem Hajj Amin al-Husseini

- [Hajj Amin al-Husseini](#) (~1893 - 1974) - Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, son of the Mufti of Jerusalem, member of an esteemed, aristocratic family. The Husseinis were one of the richest and most powerful of all the rivaling clans in the Ottoman province known as the Judaeen part of Palestine. Thirteen members of the clan had been Mayors of Jerusalem between 1864 and 1920.¹ Joined the Muslim Brotherhood in 1928, the year it was founded, and was a key bridge figure in transplanting the Nazi genocide in Europe into the post-war middle east.²



In 1915, Amin Al Husseini as officer of Ottoman Empire - he was posted in Smyrna where Armenian Christians were mass-murdered by the Ottoman Muslim Army.

- In 1929, after the mufti's said "he who kills a Jew is assured a place in the next world," Arabs went on a rampage throughout Palestine, killing 133 Jews, wounding 339.
- In 1933, Husseini had his first meeting with Nazi general consul Heinrich Wolff in Jerusalem. In 1936, more Husseini's incitement, then rioting against Jews in Jaffa that became a three-year Muslim revolt. In 1937 he met with Adolf Eichmann and Herbert Hagen, one of Eichmann's colleagues in the Gestapo's Department of Jewish Affairs:

"Eichmann wrote glowingly ... that "Nazi flags fly in Palestine, and they adorn their houses with swastikas and portraits of Hitler."³

- During World War II, the Mufti lived in Berlin, where he traveled in [top Nazi circles](#) (he even stayed in Hitler's bunker toward the end of the war). In May 1941, Husseini

¹ [Laurens, Henry \(1999\). *L'invention de la Terre sainte. La Question de Palestine I*, P. 425](#), Paris: Fayard.

² [\(*Nazi Roots of Palestinian Nationalism and Islamic Jihad* David Meir-Levy \(2007\)](#)

³ ([David Patterson *How Anti-Semitism Prevents Peace*](#))

issued a fatwa calling for the Germans to bomb Tel Aviv.⁴ At a meeting in Berlin in November 1941, Hitler assured al-Husseini that his goal was the "destruction of Jewry living in Arabia." Hitler ... provided the Mufti with a monthly budget to foment jihad in Palestine...⁵

1943



In 1943, Amin Al Husseini founded and led the Hanzar Division of Muslim Nazis. He helped recruit as many as 100,000 European Muslims to fight for the Third Reich, primarily in the Balkans but also in Hungary. His two Muslim Waffen- SS divisions are credited with murdering 90 percent of Bosnian Jews.⁶



⁴ [Why "Islamofascism"?](#)

⁵ [World War II: New Research Taints Image of Desert Fox Rommel - SPIEGEL ONLINE](#)

⁶ ["Hitler Put Them in Their Place": Egypt's Muslim Brotherhood's Jihad Against Jews, Judaism, and Israel](#) by Dr. Harold Brackman for The Simon Wiesenthal Center feb 2011

- Hitler gave the Mufti a radio station, where he preached genocide in Arabic:

“According to the Muslim religion, the defense of your life is a duty which can only be fulfilled by annihilating the Jews. This is your best opportunity to get rid of this dirty race, which has usurped your rights and brought misfortune and destruction on your countries. Kill the Jews, burn their property, destroy their stores... Your sole hope of salvation lies in annihilating the Jews before they annihilate you.”⁷

And near the end of the war:

“The Versailles Treaty was a disaster for the Germans as well as the Arabs. But the Germans know how to get rid of the Jews... the Germans have never harmed any Muslim, and they are again fighting our common enemy who persecuted Arabs and Muslims. But most of all, they have definitely solved the Jewish problem. Arabs! Rise as one to protect your scared rights. Kill the Jews wherever you find them... God is with you.”⁸

- For two years, beginning at the age of 16, in around 1945, Yasar Arafat worked for the Mufti, helping to buy and smuggle weapons in the war against Jews.⁹ Many reports say Arafat was Husseini’s nephew or cousin.

- During the Nuremberg Trials in July 1946, Eichmann’s assistant, Dieter Wisliczeny, testified:

“The Grand Mufti has repeatedly suggested to the Nazi authorities – including Hitler, von Ribbentrop and Himmler – the extermination of European Jewry. ... The Mufti was one of the initiators of the systematic extermination of European Jewry and had been a collaborator and adviser of Eichmann and Himmler in the execution of this plan... He was one of Eichmann’s best friends and had constantly incited him to accelerate the extermination measures. I heard him say, accompanied by Eichmann, he had visited incognito the gas chambers of Auschwitz.”

And according to the Arab Higher Committee:

“In virtually identical letters, the Mufti, in the summer of 1944, approached Germany, Romania, Bulgaria, and Hungary to speed the extermination of the Jews by sending them to Poland where the Nazi death chambers were located.”¹⁰

⁷ [*The Mufti of Jerusalem: Architect of the Holocaust* - Geller](#)

⁸ [*“Hitler Put Them in Their Place”*: Egypt’s Muslim Brotherhood’s Jihad Against Jews, Judaism, and Israel](#) by Dr. Harold Brackman for The Simon Wiesenthal Center feb 2011

⁹ [Carl Savich](#)

¹⁰ [*The Mufti of Jerusalem: Architect of the Holocaust* - Geller](#)

- The Mufti escaped Germany the day after it surrendered, fleeing to France where he was held under “house arrest” as a war criminal in a luxury villa.¹¹ Soon after the War, the New York Times featured a fawning interview with the Grand Mufti.¹² A primary reason for his escaping prosecution was the campaign organized by the Muslim Brotherhood, whose membership grew to an estimated 500,000 during the war. When the Mufti conveniently “escaped” from France and arrived in Cairo, the Brotherhood’s newspaper said:

“The Mufti is here, oh Palestine! Do not worry. The lion is safe among his brethren and he will draw plans of Al Jihad and struggle for you. We, here, shall be his soldiers and we shall not stop fighting for you until you rid yourself of Zionism. . . . Germany and Hitler are gone, but al-Husseini will continue the struggle . . . Should one hair of the Mufti be touched, every Jew in the world would be killed without mercy.”

- Nazi war criminals who fled to Latin America found it wise to keep a low profile for several years. It was only in the Arab world that its most notorious war criminal received a hero’s welcome, and remained prominent in politics.¹³

¹¹ (see History Channel film, [The Nazi mufti of Jerusalem](#))

¹² Dalin and Rothmann, *Icon of Evil*, pp. 65, 79; Laurel Leff, *Buried by the Times: The Holocaust and America’s Most Important Newspaper* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005), p. 326

¹³ [“Hitler Put Them in Their Place”: Egypt’s Muslim Brotherhood’s Jihad Against Jews, Judaism, and Israel](#) by Dr. Harold Brackman

POST World War II

Pictured in 1946 as president and founder of World Islamic Council, with Brotherhood founder Hassan al-Banna and world Muslim political leaders:



Seen at the dinner given by the Motamar's President to Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah in Cairo 1946 are: (Sitting from Left) H.M. Assayed Idris Ansanusi (late) King of Libya; Mohummed Amin Al-Husseini Grand Mufti of Palestine and President of the Motamar Al-Alam Al-Islami (World Muslim Congress); Quaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah Founder of Pakistan; His Eminence Sheikh Al-Azhar, Mustaga Abdul Razzaq; H.E. Abdul Rahman Azzam, Secretary General of the Arab League; H.E. Makram U'baid, Secretary General of the Wafd Party in Egypt and Finance Minister in Egypt. (Standing from Left) His Eminence Shaikh Hasan Al-Banna, the Leader of the Ikhwan Al-Muslimeen Movement; H.E. Fawzi Al-Mulqi, the Ambassador of Jordan in Egypt; Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, (the First Prime Minister of Pakistan); H.E. Abdul Majeed Ibrahim Saleh, Minister of Communications in Egypt; H.E. Ebrahim Abdul Hadee, Prime Minister of Egypt; H.E. Shaikh Yusuf Yaseen, Adviser to His Majesty King Abdul Aziz of Saudi Arabia; Haji Mohammed Salem, a famous industrialist of Egypt and H.E. Jamal Al-Husseini, Adviser to His Majesty King of Saudi Arabia.

1951 Pakistan



Al-Haj Syed Aminul Husseini, Begum Raana Liaquat Ali Khan and H.E. Khwaja Nazimuddin, Governor General of Pakistan at the garden party held by the later in honour of Motamar delegates on February 14, 1951.



Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Prime Minister of Pakistan inaugurating the Third World Conference of the Motamar in Karachi in February 1951. President of the Motamar Al-Haj Mohammed Aminul Husseini is seen presiding.

1966 Pakistan



A view of the Motamar's Executive Council meeting in Karachi in 1966.

~1969



~1969 photo w/Malaysian PM Tunku Abdul Rahman (1st Secretary General of the OIC)



A memorable picture of President of Motamar Al-Haj Syed Aminul Husseini and Secretary General Dr. Inaullah Khan in Karachi in 70s.



1974 - Yasir Arafat at his funeral

[More photos of the al-Husseini](#)

Lebanese Hezbollah shows the Nazi influence Husseini imported to Middle East:



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- Hussein's relationship with Nazi Muslim convert Von Leers, who emigrated to Egypt. [Hitler and Jihad, Andrew Bostom](#)
- More on what happened with al-Husseini after WWII. [Amin Al Hussein: Father of Jihad, Al Qaeda, Arafat, Saddam Hussein and the Muslim Brotherhood](#)