



# PEACE NOW UK

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*Peace Now UK* works in the UK to campaign for a comprehensive peace between Israel and its Arab neighbours and a solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict based on mutual recognition, self-determination and peaceful co-existence.

*Peace Now UK* supports the right of Israelis and Palestinians to live in peace and security and calls for the creation of a Palestinian state alongside the State of Israel based on the pre-June 1967 borders, subject to equitable, agreed modifications and mutual security arrangements.

## mission statement

### Our Vision:

Peace Now between Israel and Palestine through Two States For Two Nations (2 For 2).

### Our Mission:

Peace Now exists to Lobby for peace negotiations between the Israeli government and the Palestinian Authority, and to foster dialogue at every level.

We carry out our mission on the following levels:

*International* – To lobby and activate politicians and media in Britain, Europe, Israel and Palestine to advocate 2 For 2.

*National* – To run publicity campaigns and to stimulate widespread media coverage that promote 2 For 2.

*Community* – To create grassroots community support for 2 For 2 through cultural events, lectures and discussions, and to co-operate with like-minded peace movements.



# what we do

PNUK is made up of an elected executive committee and four honorary officers. The committee meets on a monthly basis to develop both policy and programming. The committee works on a variety of projects that include:

- **Educational lectures** open to the general public – in the past these have included eminent speakers such as Avram Burg and David Grossman
- **Educational projects** on university campuses that include dialogue initiatives
- **Arts and cultural projects** that focus on promoting joint Israeli-Palestinian Initiatives such as art exhibitions and comedy events
- **Political lobbying** – promoting the objectives of PNUK and its name within the political arena

Peace Now UK also works with sister organisations such as La Paix Maintenant in France and Americans for Peace Now.

## British Friends of Peace Now

**British Friends of Peace Now (BFPN)** is a registered educational charity (charity no. 297295). Its objectives are to undertake educational programmes in support of the right of both the peoples of Israel and of Palestine to live in peace and security. BFPN pursues these objectives through a variety of means, including the promotion of appropriate lectures, seminars and public debates, and by making available pertinent written material. An example of BFPN's work is the lecture series 'Two Sides of the Coin' started in 2004 and now an annual event that invites both Israeli and Palestinian academics and politicians to speak on a variety of subjects related to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. BFPN is a separate organisation from Peace Now-UK.



*A Shalom Achshav demonstration in Tel Aviv*

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## history

Shalom Achshav (Peace Now Israel) is the largest extra-parliamentary movement in Israel, the country's oldest peace movement and the only peace group to have a broad public base and Peace Now in the UK is proud to be associated with Shalom Achshav.

The movement was founded in 1978 during the Israeli-Egyptian peace talks. At a moment when these talks appeared to be collapsing, a group of 348 reserve officers and soldiers from the Israeli army published an open letter to the Prime Minister of Israel calling upon the government to make sure this opportunity for peace would not be lost. Tens of thousands of Israelis sent in support for the letter, and the movement was born.

The basic principles of the movement from the outset were the right of Israel to live within secure borders and the right of our neighbours to the same. In time the movement became convinced that the creation of a Palestinian state in the territories occupied in the 1967 war alongside Israel is the only viable solution to the conflict. Once the PLO, in 1988, accepted UNSC resolution 242 and the principle of the two-state solution, Peace Now led a massive 100,000 person demonstration calling upon the government to negotiate with the PLO. Fully supporting the break-through represented by the 1993 Oslo Accords, Peace Now has consistently supported any and all steps promising to promote resolution of the conflict, in addition to pressing all parties in power in the country to initiate steps to bring about the end of the occupation and negotiations for peace.

A particularly important ongoing project of Peace Now is its Settlement Watch, which monitors and protests the building of settlements in the West Bank and East Jerusalem including housing tenders, expropriation of lands, budget allocations along with studies of settlers attitudes regarding possible evacuation.

Known for their credibility and reliability, the data and maps produced in the framework of this project have raised public awareness of the terrible price Israel is paying for these obstacles to peace. Indeed one of the objectives of Peace Now is to convey the sense of the harm incurred to Israel not only by the economic and political aspects of continued occupation, but also the moral damage done to the values and fabric of Israeli society — in addition to the hardship incurred on the Palestinians.



*Paul Usiskin, Chair of PNUK with Galia Golan, a leading member of Shalom Achshav in Israel*

While Peace Now is an Israeli movement, it has also been engaged over the years in dialogue and joint activities with Palestinians in the occupied territories. The largest such joint activity was a massive Hands Around Jerusalem in which some 15,000 Israelis and 15,000 Palestinians called for peace.

British Friends of Peace Now was set up in 1978 and, in 2005, Peace Now UK was set up as a political campaigning organisation in its own right. Peace Now is also active in the USA, France, Belgium, Argentina, Brazil and Canada.

**Visit our new website [www.peacenowuk.org](http://www.peacenowuk.org) for news, events, articles and much more.**

# join us

Peace Now UK relies on the support of individuals to ensure that we can continue with our activities. By joining Peace Now you will receive regular updates on our work and will be entitled to discounts at all our events. Any additional donation you may be able to contribute is appreciated.

Yes, I want to become a member/renew my membership for one year.  
My subscription is enclosed

**Membership Fee** (please circle)

Individual £20

Concessions £15

**Additional Donation**

PNUK £ \_\_\_\_\_

BFPN £ \_\_\_\_\_

Total £ \_\_\_\_\_

I enclose cash/cheque payable to **Peace Now - UK**

Please note that the funds of both organisations are completely separate. 75% of your subscription will go to PNUK and 25% to BFPN. PNUK will without delay pay over to BFPN subscriptions and donations allocated to BFPN.

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I wish the Gift Aid Scheme to apply to the money paid to British Friends of Peace Now and declare that my income and/or Capital Gains Tax payable for the current year will exceed such sum YES / NO

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Please return the completed form to **Peace Now - UK, PO Box 35583, London NW4 4QY**

Notes:

1. British Friends of Peace Now ("BFPN") is an exclusively charitable organisation working to educate the public generally with a view to achieving peace in the Middle East, registered under charity no. 297295. Peace Now - UK ("PNUK") is a separate political campaigning organisation with the same objective.
2. The Gift Aid Declaration can by law relate only to the part of your subscription allocated to BFPN, and any additional donation to BFPN.
3. If you wish you may opt out of membership of either organisation by completing the sentence below. This will not affect the amount of your subscription which will then be exclusively allocated to the organisation of which you wish to remain a member.

- I do not wish to become a member of PNUK / BFPN (please delete as appropriate).

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