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Why a wave of anti-Semitism is sweeping across China

The country has so far refused to condemn the Hamas attack, and social media commentators have made it very clear which side they are on

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Sitting in front of a map of the world, Chinese influencer Su Lin has been live-streaming rants in support of Hamas and against Israel since the war broke out. Coming almost every day, they are rife with anti-Semitism.

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Another reason China wants to remain on side with Arab nations is a simple one: “It’s just pure maths,” said **Tuvia Gering, a researcher who specialises in China at Israel’s Institute for National Security Studies.**

“There’s only one tiny Israel, and there’s only one country that supports it, which is the US,” he said. “Well, you have today 57 members of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation, and that’s a lot of votes in the [UN] General Assembly.”

China shares a similar view with many of these countries – that “Israel is a colonialist outpost, put in place by the West to instigate wars and perpetuate its hegemony over the Middle East”, he said.

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