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As Hamas fans parade around, Canadians sit in silence

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For roughly fourteen months — since Hamas carried out their horrific terrorist attacks in Israel on October 7 — adoring fans of the group have said and done things across Canada which should have the entire country up in arms.

From planning a vigil for slain Palestinian terrorist Yahya Sinwar in Mississauga (who the Mayor of Mississauga likened to Nelson Mandela) to calling for Jews to "go back to Europe" to physically assaulting Jews, burning Jewish effigies and calling for the death of Zionists (extremist and progressive code for Jews), Canada's nationwide Hamas fan club has been intoxicated by Jewish trauma and the idea that they, too, can play a role in punishing Jews for daring to exist.

Yet, despite the fact people know these terrible things are happening, few outside the Jewish community seem concerned.

My sense is that this isn't because people don't care or because they support these jihadi Neanderthals. It's because Canadians — and most other people throughout the West — have been taught how they ought to view themselves and others — and sadly — this has left most Canadians muzzled — afraid to speak up on issues that matter most.

For at least the last decade, Canadians have been taught several things — directly and indirectly — which are slowly stripping us of the ability to think clearly.

The first, and perhaps most supreme, new social and ideological law of the land appears to be that as an Anglo-Saxon nation, we're inherently racist settlers, undeserving of our country. We're urged not to take pride in our great nation — but to apologize for the misgivings of previous generations and our illegitimate occupation of this land. As Adam Kirsch notes in his new book, "On Settler Colonialism: Ideology, Violence, and Justice," the only way Americans, and by extension, Canadians, can now affirm our virtue is by confirming our guilt. Objecting to dangerous and perverse trends afflicting our country is sacrilege. Who are we, as a people who don't belong in the country we were born in (akin to Israelis), to dare and speak up about preserving something we are not entitled to in the first place?

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