

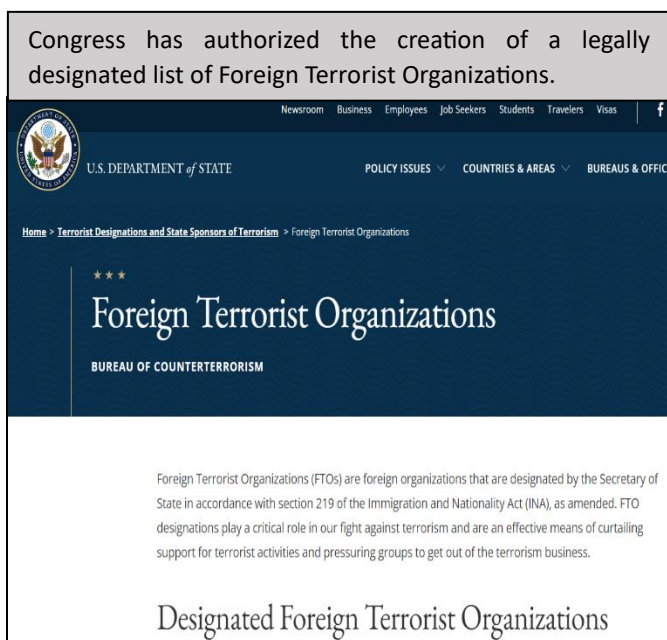
CONCERN 36: SPLC SILENCE CONCERNING LEGALLY DESIGNATED TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.

HAMAS is a **legally designated** Foreign Terrorist Organization.

SPLC prolonged silence⁴⁶⁻⁴⁷ concerning HAMAS FTO legal designation and HAMAS horrendous murder of human beings, on October 7, 2023, raises disturbing questions about SPLC's political agenda:

1. Is SPLC engaged in a conspiracy to circumvent U.S. rule of law by actuating its own non-legal private definitions through its own domestic labeling, listing, and training?
2. Is SPLC colluding with supportive Federal, State, and Local bureaucrats to circumvent U.S. rule of law by conflating legal definitions with bureaucrat lexicons and SPLC labeling, listing, and training?
3. Is SPLC's motive to encourage Federal, State, and Local governments to eventually create **LEGALLY DESIGNATED** Domestic Terrorist Organization and Individual lists?

Congress has authorized the creation of a legally designated list of Foreign Terrorist Organizations.



Foreign Terrorist Organizations (FTOs) are foreign organizations that are designated by the Secretary of State in accordance with section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as amended. FTO designations play a critical role in our fight against terrorism and are an effective means of curtailing support for terrorist activities and pressuring groups to get out of the terrorism business.

Designated Foreign Terrorist Organizations

October 8, 1997	HAMAS
October 8, 1997	Harakat ul-Mujahidin (HUM) — Ansar ul-Ummah Amendment (August 8, 2014)
October 8, 1997	Hizballah
October 8, 1997	Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK)
October 8, 1997	Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE)
October 8, 1997	National Liberation Army (ELN)
October 8, 1997	Palestine Liberation Front (PLF)
October 8, 1997	Palestine Islamic Jihad (PIJ)
October 8, 1997	Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP)
October 8, 1997	PFLP-General Command (PFLP-GC)

Congress has not authorized the creation of a Domestic Terrorist Organization or Individual list.

May 19, 2023

Murray, Cantwell Reintroduce Domestic Terrorism Prevention Act

According to the GAO, the FBI's open domestic terrorism cases increased by 357% between 2013 and 2021

Act would establish federal offices dedicated to combating threat of domestic terrorism

WASHINGTON D.C. – This week, U.S. Senators Patty Murray (D-WA) and Maria Cantwell (D-WA) joined nine Senate colleagues in reintroducing *S.1591, the Domestic Terrorism Prevention Act of 2023*. The bill would enhance the federal government's efforts to prevent domestic terrorism by establishing offices dedicated to combating this threat; requiring federal law enforcement agencies to regularly assess domestic terrorism; and providing training and resources to assist state, local, and tribal law enforcement in addressing it.

In May 2022, Senate Republicans *filibustered* the House-passed *Domestic Terrorism Prevention Act*.

Senators Murray and Cantwell joined Sens. Durbin (D-IL), Baldwin (D-WI), Menendez (D-NJ), Cardin (D-MD), Gillibrand (D-NY), Whitehouse (D-RI), Murphy (D-CT), Schatz (D-HI), and Cortez Masto (D-NV) in reintroducing the legislation.

The *Domestic Terrorism Prevention Act* is endorsed by the Leadership Conference for Civil and Human Rights; the Center for the Study of Hate & Extremism; the Southern Poverty Law Center Action Fund; Human Rights Campaign; Bend the Arc; Jewish Action; and the Sikh Coalition.

⁴⁶ Schoffstall, J. (October 11, 2023) *SPLC silent on whether BLM, Dem Socialists' pro-Hamas activism raises 'hate' concerns*. Fox News. <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/splc-silent-whether-blm-dem-socialists-pro-hamas-activism-hate-concerns>

⁴⁷ Huang, M. (October 28, 2023). *SPLC condemns all acts of hate and violence, urges hope and respect for human rights*. SPLC. <https://www.splcenter.org/news/2023/10/28/splc-condemns-hate-violence-every-form>