### Claim

Claim: "



This image shows the President of FC Barcelona with Israel Embassy Representatives in September 2024 during the ongoing Gaza war."

## **Actions**

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reverse_search(![image 52](media/83.jpg))
web_search("FC Barcelona Israel Embassy Representatives")
web_search("FC Barcelona President Josep Suñol")
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## **Evidence**

### Evidence from web\_search

FC Barcelona's president, Joan Laporta, invited representatives of the Israeli embassy in Spain to a soccer match on February 16, 2023, where he was presented with an Israeli flag (<a href="mage:0">image:0</a>,





). This event occurred after Barcelona's mayor decided to end the city's partnership with Tel Aviv. The city council approved a declaration suspending relations with Israel on November 24, 2023.

Sources: <a href="https://www.jpost.com/international/article-731893">https://www.i24news.tv/en/news/israel/diplomacy/1676623454-barcelona-soccer-team-sends-message-of-support-for-israel</a>, <a href="https://www.aa.com.tr/en/europe/barcelona-suspends-relations-with-israel/3063970">https://www.aa.com.tr/en/europe/barcelona-suspends-relations-with-israel/3063970</a>.

#### Evidence from web\_search

The image shows a group of people holding an Israeli flag. The search results include information about Josep Sunyol, who was the president of FC Barcelona from 1935 to 1936. One source is a Wikipedia article about Josep Sunyol (<a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Josep Sunyol">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Josep Sunyol</a>). Another source is from the official FC Barcelona website (<a href="https://www.fcbarcelona.com/en/card/645396/josep-sunol-1935-1936">https://www.fcbarcelona.com/en/card/645396/josep-sunol-1935-1936</a>) and discusses Josep Suñol. <a href="mailto:image:k">image:k</a>

### **Elaboration**

The image depicts Joan Laporta, the current president of FC Barcelona, with representatives of the Israeli embassy. This event occurred on February 16, 2023, not in September 2024. The claim also mentions the ongoing Gaza war, but the evidence does not specify if the event took place during the war.

The claim is inaccurate regarding the date.

# **Final Judgement**

The image shows Joan Laporta, the president of FC Barcelona, with representatives of the Israeli embassy. This event happened on February 16, 2023, not in September 2024.

false

**Verdict: FALSE** 

#### **Justification**

The image shows FC Barcelona's president, Joan Laporta, with Israeli embassy representatives. This event occurred on February 16, 2023, as reported by the <u>Jerusalem Post</u> and <u>i24news</u>, not in September 2024.