

Claim

Claim: "American writer James Baldwin once said: 'The state of Israel was not created for the salvation of the Jews; it was created for the salvation of the Western interests.'"

Actions

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web_search("James Baldwin quote Israel Western interests")
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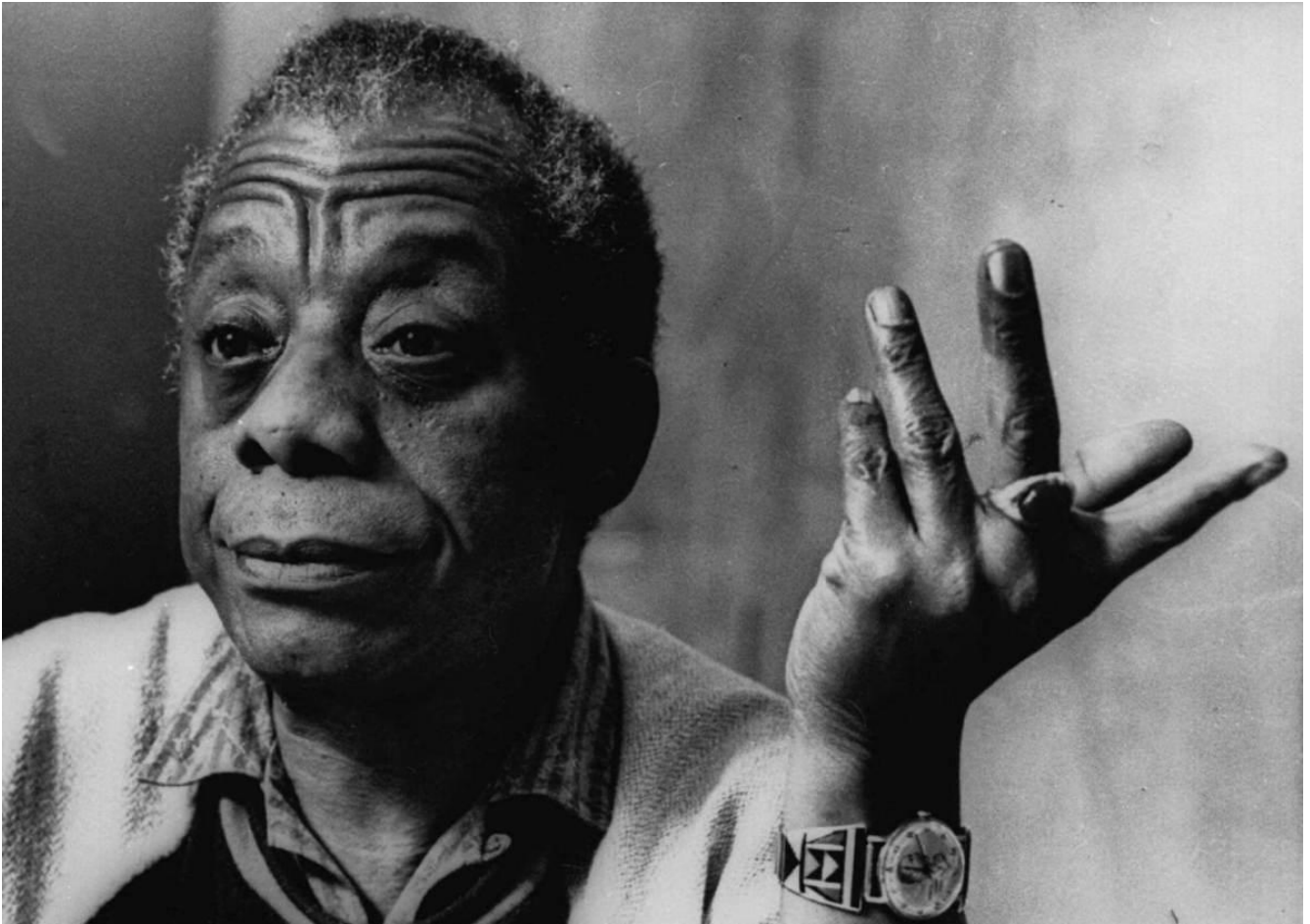
Evidence

Evidence from `web_search`

NPR's Code Switch published on August 28, 2024, discusses James Baldwin's views on Israel and includes the quote: "It was created for the salvation of the Western interests." (



) Colorlines.com published an article on July 24, 2014, discussing what James Baldwin wrote about Israel and Palestine in 1979, referencing an article that originally appeared in the September 29, 1979 issue of The Nation, which includes the quote: "But the state of Israel was not created for the salvation of the Jews; it was created for the salvation of the Western interests." An article from stevesalaita.com also includes the quote: "But the state of Israel was not created for the salvation of the Jews; it was created for the salvation of the Western interests." (



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The sources are: <https://www.npr.org/transcripts/1197958398>, <https://colorlines.com/article/what-james-baldwin-wrote-about-israel-and-palestine-1979/>, and <https://stevesalaita.com/james-baldwin-and-the-jewish-state/>.

Elaboration

The evidence confirms the claim. Multiple sources, including NPR and articles from Colorlines.com and stevesalaita.com, attribute the quote "But the state of Israel was not created for the salvation of the Jews; it was created for the salvation of the Western interests" to James Baldwin. The quote appears in an article from The Nation, originally published in 1979.

Final Judgement

The claim is supported by multiple reliable sources, including NPR and articles from Colorlines.com and stevesalaita.com, which attribute the quote to James Baldwin. The quote is also found in an article from The Nation.

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Verdict: TRUE

Justification

The claim is supported by multiple sources. NPR's Code Switch, Colorlines.com, and stevesalaita.com all attribute the quote to James Baldwin, with the quote appearing in an article from The Nation.