Message sent to Newt Gingrich through the Contact page of his campaign website:

Sir,

I was disgusted by your remarks about Palestinians over the weekend. Palestinians have been systematically dispossessed by the Israelis with American aid and not surprisingly have at times resorted to violence since every other avenue to seek redress has been denied them. In any case, the Israelis have killed approximately SEVEN TIMES as many Palestinians, so who are the terrorists? You should get a better grasp of the facts and you might start here: http://ifamericansknew.org/.

Further, to say that there is no such thing as a Palestinian people is absurd and misleading. One could make the argument that there is no such thing as an American people since with the exception of Native Americans, everyone or their ancestors has arrived within the last 400 years or so from all over the globe.

The issue is about taking away people's land and destroying their livelihood. How would the people of Georgia feel if they were forced from their homes to make room for Jews who wanted to "settle"? Would you say of them that "they had a chance to go many places"? There are, after all, 49 other American states in which they could settle.

You're right that there is "enough lying about the Middle East" but the biggest lies are from the pro-Israel lobby and those that seek to curry favor with them for cheap political gain. You should be ashamed as it inflames Arab sentiment against the US and increases the risk of us being attacked by real terrorists who believe, not without evidence, that America aims to crush Islam. You provide propaganda for jihadists with such irresponsible comments.

- Peter