

■ **Dec 2013:** Romania bans its citizens from working for Israeli construction companies in occupied Palestinian territories. **American Studies Association** votes by landslide to join academic boycott of Israel

■ **Jan 1, 2014:** European Union money banned from going to Israeli institutions based in settlements in West Bank, Golan Heights and East Jerusalem



■ **Jan 8:** Dutch pension fund giant **PGGM** withdraws all investments from Israel's five largest banks in protest at their financing of Jewish settlements in occupied territories



■ **Jan 29:** Prime Minister **Benjamin Netanyahu** convenes emergency meeting with senior ministers to discuss growing concerns over sanctions

■ **Jan 30:** Norwegian Ministry of Finance excludes **Africa Israel Investments** and **Danya Cebus** from its \$810 billion government pension fund

Sanctions against Israel

Originally considered by Israel as a minor nuisance, the pro-Palestinian campaign for **Boycotts, Divestment and Sanctions** – widely known as **BDS** – is starting to have an impact

Danske Bank

■ **Feb 2:** Denmark's **Danske Bank** stops investment in Israel's **Bank Hapoalim**, **Africa Israel Investments** and **Danya Cebus** – building company involved in West Bank settlement construction

■ **Mar 7:** Argentina announces suspension of \$170m water treatment plant deal with Israeli state water firm **Mekorot** after campaign by local trade unions and human rights groups

■ **Jun 5:** British-based **G4S** – world's biggest security company – announces it will end all Israeli prison contracts within next three years



■ **Jun 20:** **Presbyterian Church (USA)** votes to sell estimated \$21 million of stock in **Caterpillar**, **Hewlett-Packard** and **Motorola Solutions**, whose products Israeli Defence Forces use in occupied territories



■ **Jun:** France, Germany, Netherlands, Spain and United Kingdom advise their citizens against doing any business with Israeli settlements. **EU-Israel bilateral trade stands at €29.5bn (2013)**

Exports to Israel €17bn

Imports from Israel €12.5bn

EU consumers buy annual €230 million worth of products from Israeli settlements

■ **Jul 2-3:** Further 12 members of EU – Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Croatia, Finland, Greece, Ireland, Luxembourg, Malta, Portugal, Slovakia and Slovenia – publish warnings urging their citizens to refrain from engaging in business with settlements

■ **Jul 6:** UK's **John Lewis** department stores stop selling **SodaStream** products, which are manufactured at Israeli settlement in West Bank



■ **Jul 8:** Israel launches **Operation Protective Edge** against Gaza Strip

■ **Jul 9:** Australia's Federal Court strikes out landmark anti-BDS case brought by Israeli legal group **Shurat HaDin** against Sydney University professor **Jake Lynch** for his academic boycott of Israelis

■ **Jul 21:** Chilean government suspends free trade agreement talks with Israel. Chile is home to largest Palestinian population outside Middle East

