

MYTH: Hamas has no choice but to place weapons and fighters in populated areas since the Gaza Strip is so crowded that is all there is.

FACT: There is plenty of open space in Gaza.

Taghreed El-Khodary, the *New York Times* based to defend the use of human shields on CNN in 2009:

"[Hamas has] no other choice. Gaza is the size of Detroit. And 1.5 million live here where there are no places for them to fire from them but from among the population."

This is simply false; take a look to at the map on the right. Hamas intentionally chooses to put their civilians in danger.

