

# JDL USA: A New Chapter - Turn the Page

Education is needed....

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After a long and thoughtful process of discussion among our leadership, JDL USA is announcing a major shift in direction. We are no longer operating as an active street defense or activism organization in the United States. Instead, JDL USA will now function primarily as an online educational hub, centered around our growing Telegram archive: <https://t.me/jdlusalibrary>.

This archive will serve as a comprehensive resource for Jewish history, self-defense philosophy, ideological clarity, tactical knowledge, safety information, health resources, and unfiltered documentation of the threats facing our people today. Our Substack will continue as the public-facing platform where we post updates, reviews of new documents added to the library, and commentary on the materials we are making available.

There are currently 133 files to read in the archive. Please go and read as much as possible.

## ***Why This Change?***

This decision reflects the current reality on the ground. Most of our existing members wish to distance themselves from the JDL label in the United States following the JDL 613 Brotherhood terrorism debacle. Potential new supporters have expressed alignment with our core ideas but have been unwilling to formally affiliate under the name.

We also encountered persistent opposition from within the broader Jewish community. Despite our efforts to restore the JDL to the proud, activist spirit of its early days—before rogue elements tarnished its reputation—too many Jews, particularly those who are assimilated and fearful, refused any association with anything carrying the JDL name. We faced attacks not only from outsiders but from fellow Jews, both publicly online and in direct messages to us, including harsh and uninformed criticism of Rav Kahane himself.

Financial realities further shaped this transition. Donations over the past year have been minimal. The resources required for meaningful on-the-ground work far exceed what has been contributed. Going forward, any continued donations will be used exclusively for purchasing and printing educational literature. All other programs are canceled, with the exception of our CCL program, which remains available only to local Chicago residents.

### ***The Misunderstanding of Rav Kahane and the JDL***

A significant portion of the Jewish people in the USA remain confused about what Rabbi Meir Kahane actually stood for. Many continue to accept anti-Jewish narratives over primary sources. They insist on viewing him as a racist, even when shown video footage in which he clearly states that *anyone can become a Jew*. They label the JDL as racist despite our multiracial composition and the presence of committed anti-racist activists in leadership roles—individuals who have *directly* confronted and spilled blood against neo-Nazis and actual racists. They portray a rabbi murdered by an Islamic extremist as the real threat, even though he never murdered anyone.

These factors combined have made traditional street activism under the JDL banner unsustainable in the current American context.

### ***Our Path Forward: Defeating the Left to Protect Jews and America***

The most effective way to counter the pro-Palestine movement is to cut off its primary energy source: the radical Left in the West. Intersectional leftists and their allies promote ideologies that are hostile to both Jews and core American values. When someone chants "Death to America," they also hate Jews.

The Jewish Defense League has historically been the most active anti-communist organization in United States history. We intend to honor that legacy. We will support individuals and causes that stand firmly with Israel and oppose the communists and socialists who are indoctrinating the youth against Jews and against the West.

### ***Join the Educational Mission***

Our Telegram archive already contains a wealth of essential reading: books and documents that reveal what is truly happening in the world, deep Jewish wisdom, and practical knowledge for safety and resilience. We will keep adding to it and use this Substack to highlight new additions, provide context, and review key materials.

This is not an end, but a strategic evolution. The fight continues—through education, ideological clarity, and unapologetic truth-telling.

***THE JDL IS DEAD.***

***LONG LIVE THE JDL.***

Stay tuned for regular updates on new documents and resources. Subscribe to the Substack and join the Telegram archive to arm yourself with knowledge.

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