

Funding the Future

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This is from the [Financial Times](#):

Boston Consulting Group modelled the costs of “relocating” Palestinians from Gaza and entered into a multimillion-dollar contract to help launch an aid scheme for the shattered enclave, a Financial Times investigation has found.

The consulting firm helped establish the Israel- and US-backed Gaza Humanitarian Foundation and supported a related security company but then disavowed the project, which has been marred by the deaths of hundreds of Palestinians, and fired two partners last month.

BCG’s role was more extensive than it has publicly described, according to people familiar with the project, stretching over seven months, covering more than \$4mn of contracted work and involving internal discussion at senior levels of the firm.

Think about that for a moment.

Here is a major consulting firm planning ethnic cleansing on behalf of a client.

I am aware that BCG has pulled back from this work and claims it has remorse about doing it, or at least about being found out to have done it.

However, the point remains: when you lose sight of ethics, and only the dollar signs remain, this is what happens. You assist in plans for ethnic cleansing in pursuit of your own gain.

And if you want to know why I condemn neoliberal thinking, this is it. It is economics without value. Some might say that the Boston Consulting Group are good at that.