Amazon Removes Antisemitic Content

In the past month, Amazon has removed 800 links to antisemitic books and Holocaust deniers from websites around the world following joint efforts by Israel’s Ministry of Diaspora Affairs and the World Jewish Congress (WJC).

In recent years, the Ministry of Diaspora Affairs has been working to remove antisemitic content and Holocaust deniers from online sales sites after discovering that these are used to spread antisemitic ideology around the world and to increase the number of antisemitic activities. This is being done by accounting for the Jews of a variety of consequences and by disturbing the memory of the Holocaust to the point of presenting the atrocity as a justified response to the “criminality of the Jews,” or as declared by the Jewish state’s leaders suffering that did not occur in order to encourage peoples and countries. Others blame the Jews for promoting the Holocaust in order to purge the Nazi past and make it legitimate.

With the completion of its research, the Ministry contacted the Amazon legal department which welcomed the information and set an example for similar sales websites throughout the world by removing links to some 30 books, many of which were available in several languages, bringing the total of links removed to 800 links.

Some of the books removed from the site are by infamous Holocaust deniers, including:

- Monti Badalich, a French Holocaust denier, who wrote the book Nos Fous, which was removed in France, published in 2019.
- Paul Rassinier, a well-known French Holocaust denier. After discovering discrepancies between various documents, such as the existence of those mentioned in Auschwitz, Pannier claimed that the Holocaust did not happen at all.
- Roger Garaudy, a French philosopher and Holocaust denier who converted to Islam in 1984, and who in his 1985 book, “No Fous” claimed that the Holocaust did not exist.
- “The Holocaust on Trial,” a pamphlet which has been critical of the gas chambers in Auschwitz.
- “The Holocaust in Disguise,” a book which claims that the gas chambers in Auschwitz never existed.

In response to Amazon’s move, Diaspora Affairs Minister Omer Yankeelevich said:

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