**The Church and BDS**

*An Op-Ed piece in the Jerusalem Post:*

[http://www.jpost.com/Opinion/BDS-in-American-churches-408166](http://www.jpost.com/Opinion/BDS-in-American-churches-408166" \t "_blank)

*A news story from the Episcopal News Service:*

<http://episcopaldigitalnetwork.com/ens/2015/07/02/bishops-overwhelmingly-oppose-divestment-in-israel-palestine/>

*Dennis Ross, long-time US Middle East envoy, quoted in Haaretz, 18 February 2015:*

[Dennis] Ross described the BDS (boycott, disinvestment and sanctions) movement as “a new kind of anti-Semitism,” but acknowledged that it had gained significant momentum in Europe and on U.S. university campuses.

“I think it can be defused, but to do that, you need to take away the settlement issue,” he said. The movement, he added, is divided between those who genuinely accept Israel but think settlements are wrong and those who want to delegitimize Israel.