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Last updated: 28 May 2026 — confirmed still detained. No release news found in latest search.
Status: REPORTEDLY STILL DETAINED BY ISRAEL — only flotilla activist not released

Bio

Detail	Info
Full name	Zohar Chamberlain Regev
Age	54
Born	Israel, 1971 or 1972
Background	Jewish, born in Israel. Converted to Islam later in life.
Home	Lived near Nazareth (Kfar H— settlement / village area)
Current status	Still in Israeli detention as of 25 May 2026 — reportedly the only Sumud Flotilla activist Israel has refused to release

Who She Is

Zohar Chamberlain Regev is an **Israeli-born Jewish woman who converted to Islam** — the only activist from the Global Sumud Flotilla that Israel has refused to release as of 25 May 2026.

Her reported quote, from Nitter sources:

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"As a human being, but also as an Israeli of Jewish origin, I am horrified by what Israel is doing in Palestine in general and in Gaza in particular. We were always told: 'How could the world remain silent during the Holocaust?'"

This quote suggests she joined the flotilla driven by her Jewish identity and the moral lessons of the Holocaust — a powerful framing.

Why She's Still Detained

Israel's refusal to release her while deporting all other foreign activists suggests:

1. **Her Israeli citizenship** (by birth) gives Israel legal jurisdiction to hold her
2. **Her conversion to Islam** may be seen as an aggravating factor by Israeli authorities
3. **"Treason" framing** — an Israeli-born Jew participating in an anti-blockade flotilla is treated more harshly than foreign nationals
4. She may face **criminal charges** under Israeli law, unlike foreign activists who were simply deported

Media Coverage

- **r/LateStageCapitalism** (10pts) — "The interesting and inspiring story of Zohar Chamberlain Regev, an Israeli-born Jew who later converted to Islam and was part of the illegally intercepted flotilla."
- **Turkish media** (MASAOMORITR, umradil, HilfullFudul) — significant Turkish-language coverage amplifying her story
- **Spanish-language media** — @MTombesi3 posted "La única activista de la Flotilla Sumud que sigue presa es una mujer judía convertida al Islam"

Twitter/X Discussion

“ Source: Nitter search, 25 May 2026

- **@umradil** (Turkish) — "The only activist Israel refuses to release is Zohar Regev Chamberlain.... Zohar, born 54 years ago in Israel to a Jewish family. Near Nazareth, Kfar H—"

- **@MASAOMORITR** (Turkish) — Quoted her: "As a human being, but also as an Israeli of Jewish origin, I am horrified..." (published in German/Turkish)
 - **@HilfullFudul** (Turkish) — "The only 'Resistance Flotilla' activist Israel refuses to release: Zohar Regev Chamberlain"
 - **@MTombesi3** (Spanish) — "The only Sumud Flotilla activist still imprisoned is a Jewish woman who converted to Islam"
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What It Means

Zohar's case is the most symbolically charged of all the flotilla activists:

1. **Jewish activist detained by Israel** — undermines Israel's claim to represent all Jews
 2. **Convert to Islam** — touches on Israel's anxieties about Jewish emigration and conversion
 3. **Held longer than any other activist** — suggests punitive treatment beyond standard deportation
 4. **Holocaust framing** ("How could the world remain silent?") — powerful moral comparison
 5. **diplomatic leverage** — her continued detention could become a rallying cause for Jewish diaspora groups critical of Israel
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Sources

- Nitter search via localhost:8080
 - Reddit: r/LateStageCapitalism, r/Marxism
 - Turkish media (@umradil, @MASAOMORITR)
 - Spanish media (@MTombesi3)
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