MIZRAHI ANTI-ZIONIST JEWS

In the UK the Mizrahi / Sephardi pro-Palestine presence is small but very visible — they are usually in the Jewish Bloc on the big London marches. That's the bloc made up of 13 groups including Jews for Justice for Palestinians, Na'amod, Jewish Voice for Labour, Jewdas.

These are the UK-based names people will know who are not European Ashkenazi:

Of course Avi Shlaim - Iraqi-Jewish*

Lives in Oxford. Family from Baghdad. The most prominent Arab-Jew in Britain. Child in Iraq, moved to Israel then UK. Professor at Oxford, calls himself an Arab-Jew, very public on Gaza as genocide.

Rachel Shabi - Iraqi-Jewish*

Guardian journalist, family from Iraq. Wrote We Look Like the Enemy about Arab-Jews. Pro-Palestinian commentator, lives in London, often on the Jewish Bloc stage.

Ella Shohat - Iraqi-Jewish*

Usually US-based but teaches part-time in UK. From Baghdad family, wrote the classic essay "Sephardim in Israel: Zionism from the Standpoint of its Jewish Victims" — says Zionism oppressed Mizrahi Jews and Palestinians with the same logic.

Jackie Walker - Sephardi / Mizrahi mix*

Mother is Black Jamaican Jew of Sephardi descent, father Ashkenazi. London activist, Jewish Voice for Labour, often talks about being a non-European Jew.

Naomi Wimborne-Idrissi - Moroccan / Sephardi heritage on her father's side*

Founder of Jewish Voice for Labour, lives in London, leads Jewish Bloc organising.

Yael Kahn, Dan Hancox, Barnaby Raine's Mizrahi colleagues in Na'amod*

Na'amod has a lot of younger British Jews with Iraqi, Moroccan, Yemeni parents who say: "We are the Jews who never left the Middle East — we lived with Palestinians.

You will see them with banners saying Mizrahi Jews Against Apartheid"* or Arab-Jews for a Free Palestine"

on the London marches.