

# WHO'S MAWO?

**Mobilization Against War and Occupation** is a coalition of over 50 endorsing organizations and also individual members, most of which are working class organizations, student groups, grassroots organizations, and ethnic communities. This is including Indigenous activists and groups from the third world as well as women, youth and elder fighters for social justice and against war and occupation. We are the people in struggle because we are people that suffer at the hands of imperialism. We have the energy, drive and will for change because it is in our interest to make this change in order to create a better world for all of humanity!

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Britannia Community Centre

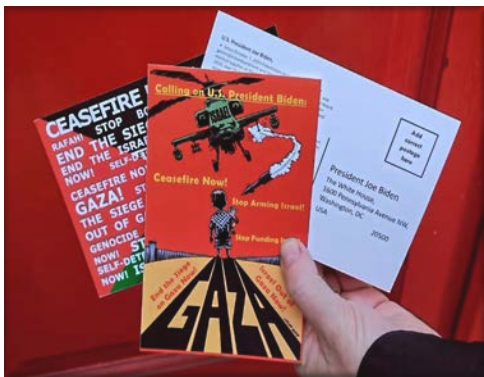
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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIONS FOR PALESTINE & LEBANON!

EVERY SATURDAY!

From Gaza to Lebanon  
End Israel's Genocide!

Weekly Vigil & Rally

Nov 9

Nov 16

Nov 23

Nov 30

Vancouver Art Gallery

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5pm

This protest is against the genocide and bombing of Gaza and Palestinians, and Israel's war against Lebanon. This rally is organized by a few volunteers, independent activists and groups without affiliation. We want to make sure that in this critical moment in history our support continues uninterrupted.

JOIN MAWO'S BI-WEEKLY BANNER DROP FOR PALESTINE & LEBANON!

STOP BOMBING GAZA & LEBANON NOW! • US-ISRAEL END THE GENOCIDE NOW!

CEASEFIRE IN GAZA NOW! • ISRAEL OUT OF GAZA NOW! • END THE SIEGE OF GAZA NOW!

SELF-DETERMINATION FOR PALESTINE & LEBANON! • BOYCOTT ISRAEL NOW!

MAERSK CUT TIES WITH GENOCIDE! • US/CANADA STOP ARMING ISRAEL!

1 YEAR OF GENOCIDE, 1 YEAR OF RESISTANCE!

Next Banner Drop:

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 14 at 4:30pm

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THURSDAY NOVEMBER 28

THURSDAY DECEMBER 12

THURSDAY DECEMBER 26

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BI-WEEKLY PICKET ACTION FOR  
PALESTINE & LEBANON!

MONDAY November 18

5pm

U.S. Consulate  
1075 W. Pender St,  
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1 YEAR OF GENOCIDE  
1 YEAR OF RESISTANCE

Stop Bombing Gaza & Lebanon!

Ceasefire in Gaza Now!

US-Israel End the Genocide Now!

End the Siege of Gaza Now!

US-Israel Hands Off Palestine & Lebanon!

Self-Determination for Palestine & Lebanon!

US/Canada Stop Arming Israel!

Maersk Cut Ties with Genocide!

Boycott Israel Now!

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Monday December 16

Monday December 30

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November 2024

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1 YEAR OF GENOCIDE!  
1 YEAR OF RESISTANCE!

► STOP BOMBING  
GAZA  
& LEBANON!

► 365+ Days of Genocide

- Ceasefire in Gaza Now!
- Israel Out of Gaza Now!
- End Canadian Complicity!
- Stop Bombing Lebanon Now!
- US-Israel Stop Bombing Gaza Now!
- End the Siege on Gaza Now!
- End the Israeli Genocide in Gaza Now!
- Stop Arming Israel Now!
- Boycott Israel Now!
- Self-determination for Palestine!
- Self-determination for Lebanon!

► ISRAEL/US:  
HANDS OFF  
YEMEN &  
IRAN!

Statement by Mobilization Against War & Occupation (MAWO)

November 8, 2024

STOP BOMBING GAZA AND LEBANON!  
ISRAEL IS A TERRORIST STATE!  
STOP GENOCIDE OF PALESTINIANS!

Since October 7, 2023 the world has witnessed over a year of genocide conducted by Zionist Israel against Palestinians in Gaza. The Israeli regime has been violating international laws, committing crimes against humanity and horrific war crimes since October 8, 2023. Zionist Israel has not acted alone, as the United States government continues to provide full political support, endless supplies of weapons and billions of dollars for genocide. All imperialist countries, including Canada, are complicit in supporting this genocide, as they support Israel politically, financially and militarily.

encampment, an area Israel had designated as "safe" for displaced Palestinians. In the middle of the night, Zionist Israeli forces bombed tents with US-made bombs, killing over 40 people and burying entire families in the sand of 9-meter-deep craters. The Israeli Zionist military also continuously targets Palestinians sheltering in schools. As of October 6, 2024 over 87% of schools are damaged or destroyed, including all of Gaza's universities, as reported by the UN. Gaza's health care system is another target of Israeli Zionist forces, who have killed over 1,047 health and aid workers and destroyed or damaged 89% of hospitals with bombing and raids. The few remaining partially operating hospitals lack crucial medical supplies and even clean water.

Stop Israel genocide

More than any time in history, genocide is being live-streamed to our screens on social media platforms. As world opinion reacts to

Since October 8, 2023, daily airstrikes and bombings by the Israeli Zionist army have

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RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ONGOING  
WAR IN GAZA AND ISRAEL IS MERELY  
AN EXECUTION TOOL."

Sayyed Hasan Nasrallah

targeted schools, hospitals, water, sewage and electrical infrastructure, residential buildings, mosques, and churches. According to the United Nations (UN), as of October 29, 2024, 87% of Gaza's homes are destroyed or severely damaged. 90% of Gaza's population is displaced, and many have moved upwards of 15 times. As of October 26, 2024; the UN reported over 80% of Gaza is under Israeli-imposed evacuation orders, forcing one of the most densely populated places on earth into the crowded shelters of schools and encampments. Israeli Zionist forces are increasingly targeting the shelters of displaced Palestinians. One of the most horrific attacks was on September 10 against Al-Mawasi

the horrific images by increasingly joining the side of Palestinians against genocide, those reporting the reality in Gaza to the world are also targets. Over 183 journalists in Gaza have been killed by Zionist forces as of October 31, 2024.

Every day, the death toll rises in Gaza as Israeli forces continue airstrikes throughout Gaza. As of November 9, 2024, over 43,552 Palestinians have been killed by official numbers, not counting over 11,000 missing under the rubble. However, estimates are much higher – On July 5, 2024, the Lancet medical journal estimated the death toll in Gaza could exceed 186,000 Palestinians

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**President Biden Take Cuba Off the**  
**"State Sponsors of Terrorism" List!**

Vancouver Monthly Car Caravan **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24**  
**@ 12:30pm**  
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due to malnutrition, lack of medication, and unsanitary living conditions. More recent estimates were published in The Guardian, where Professor Devi Sridhar, chair of global public health at the University of Edinburgh, updated the estimates of the previous Lancet statistics to over 335,500 Palestinians killed. These unconscionable figures account for the health crisis across Gaza, as overcrowding and destruction of sewage, water and hygiene facilities have led to widespread preventable diseases, including polio. While Israel restricts humanitarian aid from entering Gaza, attacks aid deliveries and destroys agriculture, Palestinians in Gaza are facing catastrophic levels of food insecurity and dying of Israel-imposed famine.

Israel has also expanded their war crimes and ethnic cleansing to the West Bank, where over 779 Palestinians have been killed as of November 9, 2024 since the genocide in Gaza began. Palestinians from both the West Bank and Gaza make up 10,000 prisoners held in Israeli jails, subjected to torture, sexual violence, lack of medical attention and death.

All of these shocking statistics are the daily reality for Palestinian children, mothers, fathers, and their families and relatives. Despite unimaginable devastation, Palestinians continue to show they have hope and determination to achieve the liberation of Palestine. Families in Gaza erect tents on the rubble of their homes, vowing to rebuild. Children practice the dance of the Palestinian dabke, holding tight to their culture. Makeshift classrooms under tarps try to maintain education for children in the second year without schooling. US-Israeli bombs and missiles cannot break Palestinian's heroic struggle for self-determination, justice and peace. Palestine will never die; Palestine will never be defeated.

**Lebanon and beyond: US-Israel's expanding war and genocide**

After 1 year of genocide in Gaza, Zionist Israel is escalating to a new phase of war, destruction and terrorism. Following the September 17-18 unprecedented terrorist attack by Zionist Israel, where thousands of pagers and later walkie-talkies simultaneously exploded across Lebanon and Syria, Israel unleashed a campaign of indiscriminate bombing across southern Lebanon and the capital Beirut. As of November 9, 2024 over 3,136 people in Lebanon have been killed by Zionist Israeli bombing, which has targeted residential neighbourhoods, villages, hospitals, journalists and UN peacekeepers.

Zionist Israeli forces continue to pound Lebanon with airstrikes and US-made bunker-buster bombs and missiles. The Israeli regime and their US imperialist backers are also attacking Yemen, Syria, Iraq and Iran, trying to provoke a wider regional war. On September 29, 2024, Zionist Israel bombed Yemen in coordination with the US, and on the same day, Zionist Israel bombed Syria's capital, Damascus. The US and Britain have also launched attacks on Yemen, with airstrikes hitting the capital, Sana'a and other cities

in Yemen on October 4 and October 17. On October 25, Zionist Israel launched a missile attack against Iran in an escalating string of attacks on Iran in recent months. Although the attack was repelled successfully by Iran, the message is that Israel and the US are pushing for a wider regional war with Iran, the backbone of the resistance movement, to regain their total hegemony in West Asia. US imperialism and Israeli Zionism are openly threatening the self-determination and sovereignty of countries in West Asia, as the world has seen since 2001 with the war and occupation of Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya, Syria, and Yemen. This continued bloody military adventure of imperialist countries will cause immeasurably more bloodshed and devastation worldwide.

Israel's genocide of Palestinians in Gaza and expanding war and attacks in the region would not be possible with US imperialist support, funding and weapons. On August 26, 2024 the reported 500th consignment of weapons and munitions from the US was air delivered to Israel, in addition to 107 deliveries by sea. This totals 50,000 tons of weapons provided to Israel from the US since October 7, 2023.

Between October 7, 2003 and June 2024, US President Biden had sent 14,000 bunker-buster bombs weighing 2000 pounds each to Israel, along with thousands more bombs, artillery shells, missiles, ammunition and fighter jets. On August 9, the US Department of State announced it was sending an additional \$3.5 billion of military aid to Israel, part of a \$14.5 billion supplemental funding bill approved by US Congress in April. The next day, the US announced another \$20 Billion of military aid, which includes \$60 million worth of munitions manufactured by weapons companies in Canada.

**Stop Israel's war crimes and crimes against humanity**

While Israel and the US commit this genocide against Gaza, the entirety of Palestine, and beyond, peace and justice-loving people around the world are continuing to come out to the streets in protest, expressing their condemnation of the brutal war crimes and crimes against humanity that Israel is committing daily against Palestinians in Gaza, in West Bank and also against Lebanon. More than ever, we need a united effort, a united front against Israel-US war and occupation in West Asia. We must mobilize, educate and organize to build a robust and effective protest movement alongside Palestinian, Lebanese, Yemenis, Syrian, Iranian, and Iraqis to defeat Israel and imperialism once and for all. A better world is not optional but it is a necessity. We can achieve it by building a united front against imperialism, with working and oppressed people worldwide.

**Ceasefire Now!**  
**Stop Genocide, Stop Bombing Now!**  
**End the Siege of Gaza Now!**

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**WE CALL ON MAERSK TO CUT TIES WITH GENOCIDE!**  
**Without Maersk, one of the world's largest shipping and logistics companies, Israel would not have the weapons to commit its genocide of Palestinians in Gaza. We are joining the Palestinian Youth Movement's campaign to Cut Ties with Genocide a fight against Maersk and how it facilitates the weapons trade.**  
**SIGN THE PETITION! ► ► ► ► ►**



**STOP BOMBING GAZA & LEBANON!**

October 7 marked 1 year of the US-Israel genocide against Palestinians in Gaza. The Israeli Zionist regime has committed genocide with US political support, weapons and billions of dollars. October 7 also marked 1 year of resistance to Zionist occupation and genocide. Palestinians in Gaza continue to show their steadfast determination to remain on their land despite widespread destruction. Around the world, humanity is standing with Palestine, continuing to come out to the streets to demand a ceasefire in Gaza, an end to the genocide, and for the US, Canada and other imperialists to stop arming Israel! After over 1 year of genocide in Gaza, Zionist Israel is expanding the war to a new phase of destruction, war and terrorism against Lebanon. Zionist Israel is attacking 5 countries with US weapons and support:

- **Zionist Israeli forces continue to pound Lebanon with airstrikes and US-made bunker buster bombs**
- **The genocide against Gaza, especially northern Gaza, is escalating, with Israeli Zionist forces targeting displaced Palestinians sheltering in schools, hospitals and tents**
- **On October 25, Zionist Israel launched a missile attack against Iran, in an escalating string of attacks on Iran in recent months**
- **The Israeli regime is attacking Syria more frequently, with airstrikes on October 24 and reported again on October 31**
- **On September 29 Zionist Israel bombed Yemen, in coordination with the US. The US has also been bombing Yemen, most recently on October 17**

**US and Israel, Hands Off the West Bank!**

For 13 months, Israel has been committing a genocide against Palestinians in Gaza. The Zionist regime is hand-in-hand with the United States government which provides full political support, endless supplies of weapons and billions of dollars for genocide. On August 28 Israel widened their attack against Palestine, launching an ongoing assault against Palestinians in the West Bank. This is the largest Israeli operation against the West Bank in over 22 years.

The Zionist Israeli regime has focused their attack on the northern West Bank cities and refugee camps of Tulkarm and Jenin, while also attacking cities and refugee camps throughout the West Bank including Tubas City, al-Far'a refugee camp and Nur Shams refugee camp. Thousands of soldiers with the Zionist Israeli army have flooded into the West Bank, raiding and destroying homes and mosques with gunfire and grenades. Israeli Zionist forces are also launching airstrikes, drone strikes and firing

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Weekly picket at the U.S. Consulate in Vancouver for Palestine on July 22, 2024





53,552

people killed or missing in 400 days of Israeli genocide

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SAYYED HASSAN NASRALLAH  
QUOTATIONS FROM SPEECHES ON APRIL 5, AND  
AUGUST 1, 2024

- ✓ There are those who are unable to accept that 'Israel' is being defeated in the region and they are unable to comprehend this.
- ✓ The people of the Axis of Resistance can win against the zionist enemy, but the negligent ones do not see that because of their ignorance.
- ✓ The one who should be ashamed is the one who normalizes with 'Israel' and justifies and rationalizes its crimes.
- ✓ The one who should be ashamed is the one who should know that America is behind the crimes in all countries of the region."
- ✓ You [Israelis] will shed tears because you do not realize which red line you have crossed.
- ✓ We are facing a major battle in which matters have gone beyond the issue of support fronts.
- ✓ We have entered a new phase on all support fronts, and its escalation will depend on the evemy's reaction.

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upon Palestinians, killing and wounding Palestinians throughout the West Bank. Hundreds of Palestinians have also been arrested. This massive attack has also targeted Palestinian children according to many reports.

This operation is an escalation of attacks against the West Bank and opening a new front of the US-Israeli war against Palestine. However, the West Bank was already facing increased attacks from Zionist forces and

Israeli settlers. Even before October 7, the year 2023 was already the deadliest year for Palestinians in the West Bank since the United Nations began recording in 2005. After October 7, Israeli settler attacks against Palestinians in the West Bank surged, along with raids and widespread arrests by Israeli military forces. The Palestinian Health Ministry has reported that the overall death toll of Palestinians killed in the West Bank since October 7, 2023 by Zionist Israeli forces and settlers has reached 673, with over 5,400 injured. Also, since October 7, 2023, Israeli Zionist forces have detained more than 10,300 Palestinians from the West Bank, including children. Reports of torture, sexual abuse, starvation and lack of medical attention for Palestinian prisoners are rampant.

Long before Al-Aqsa Flood, the Israeli Zionist goal of forced expulsion and ethnic cleansing has been an ongoing and continuous process. One only needs to look at a map from 1948 until today to see how the West Bank has been eaten away by Israeli settlements. Home demolitions in the West Bank have continued for decades unabated despite repeated United Nations resolutions demanding Israel stop inhuman home demolitions and settler expansion.

For 76 years Israel has existed with the US government propping it up with weapons and funding. Israel has also relied on the myth of safety and security, a myth built on state and government suppression and oppression of the Palestinian people. Al-Aqsa Flood proved that Israel cannot remain unchallenged. Today, the myth is debunked and there is no way for the Israeli Zionist regime and their US imperialist backers to turn the clock back to before October 7, 2023 – even with their latest brutal operation against the West Bank.

End the US-Israel Genocide in Gaza Now!

Meanwhile in Gaza, daily injustices and massacres against Palestinians continue to be committed by the Zionist Israeli regime and by US imperialism. As of September 1, over 40,738 Palestinians have been killed in Gaza, not including over 10,000 presumed dead under the rubble. Over 16,500 are children, meaning 2.6 percent of all children in Gaza have been killed.

As the death toll continues to rise, Israeli Zionist forces continue one of their most heinous war crimes - the targeting of schools, which are used to shelter displaced Palestinians. On September 1 Israel bombed the Safad school in Gaza City, killing 11 people and wounding dozens. One of the largest single massacres in nearly 11 months of genocide was also at a school, at al-Tabin School in Gaza City, which was bombed by Israeli Zionist forces on August 10. This horrific massacre killed over 100 people, with many more injured. This was the 4th bombing of a school in just one week. As of September 1, at least 489 schools have been damaged or destroyed, and all of Gaza's universities have been completely destroyed.

While we join the voices of those around the world outraged by this blatant war crime that Israeli Zionist forces are guilty of committing, we also point the blame to US

imperialists responsible for the bloodshed. US President Biden has sent 14,000 bunker buster bombs weighing 2000 pounds to Israel since October 7, 2023, along with thousands more bombs, artillery shells, missiles, ammunition and fighter jets. On August 9 the US Department of State announced they are sending an additional \$3.5 Billion of military aid to Israel, part of a \$14.5 billion supplemental funding bill approved by US Congress in April. The next day the US announced another \$20 Billion of military aid, which includes \$60 million worth of munitions manufactured by weapons companies in Canada. On Monday August 26 the reported 500th consignment of weapons and munitions from the US was air delivered to Israel, in addition to 107 deliveries by sea. This totals 50,000 tons of weaponry provided to Israel from the US since October 7, 2023.

US-Israel war mongering in West Asia

The Israeli Zionist regime appears to be trying to provoke a regional war, with attacks on Lebanon, Iran and Iraq. On July 31, Israel assassinated of Ismail Haniyeh, a central political leader of Hamas, which was not only the assassination of a political leader but also of the chief negotiator of ceasefire negotiations. Furthermore, this was a direct attack on the sovereignty of Iran, as Haniyeh was killed while he was in Iran's capital of Tehran. This assassination was within 24 hours of an Israeli attack on another state's capital and another assassination, when on July 30 Israel launched airstrikes on Beirut, Lebanon, and assassinated top Hezbollah commander Fuad Shukr in an airstrike. What more clear demonstration of Israel's unwillingness to engage in ceasefire negotiations is there than killing the chief negotiator?

This fact becomes more apparent with the July 18 vote of the Israeli Knesset overwhelmingly in favour of rejecting the creation of a Palestinian state. This vote was a final nail in the coffin of the so-called peace agreements between Palestine and Israel, including the Oslo accords, which first began in 1993. The Oslo accords became negotiations on top of negotiations, with no outcome except to buy time for Israel to annex the West Bank. For Israel, the "two-state" solution is off the table once and for all. For Palestine, this means that there will be no going back to the occupation as it was before October 7. There is only one option, complete liberation for Palestine.

Even before Israel assassinated the key Hamas leader and ceasefire negotiator Ismail Haniyeh, Israel has shown time and time again that they are not serious about ceasefire negotiations and are only stalling for time to carry out their genocide against Palestinians. In mid-July while negotiations were being conducted, Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu released a list of non-negotiable demands that upended ceasefire negotiations and were criticized by Israeli officials as being a block towards a ceasefire. This comes after the May 31 so-called "Israeli" ceasefire proposal announced by US President Biden which proved to be a complete farce — not only did Israel's regime fail to agree to it, but Netanyahu responded by launching a more destructive and deadly campaign of bombing and terror throughout Gaza after Biden's ceasefire announcement. Israeli officials spoke directly against the proposal. Senior Israeli UN diplomat Reut Shapir Ben-Naftaly spoke during the June 10 UN Security Council session which endorsed the ceasefire proposal, and Ben-Naftaly stated that "Israel will not engage in meaningless and endless negotiations" and that the war "will continue ... until Hamas military and governing capabilities are dismantled". How much clearer can it be that Israel is not agreeing to a ceasefire proposal when their UN representatives say this directly during a



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UN Security Council vote?

The US and Israel are buying time to conduct more massacres in Gaza, with the aim to ethnically cleanse Gaza of Palestinians and to make Gaza unlivable for Palestinians. Already according to a United Nations April 15 report, it would take 80 years to rebuild the destroyed homes of Gaza, if the rate of construction was the same as following Israel’s previous wars against Gaza.

Zionist Israel conducts a Palestinian Holocaust

In Gaza, as we close in on 11 months of genocide, Israeli Zionist forces continue their genocidal bombing targeting schools, hospitals and internationally recognized humanitarian zones. Israel has also inflicted starvation and widespread disease on Palestinians in Gaza. According to a study published on July 5, 2024, by the Lancet medical journal the death toll in Gaza could exceed 186,000 Palestinians due to malnutrition, lack of medication, and unsanitary living conditions, even if the Israeli bombardment, siege and genocide ended today. The World Health Organization has called for a ceasefire and raised the alarm that polio is set to break out in Gaza, while widespread cases of hepatitis A are putting the lives of children at further risk. Both diseases, and many others ravaging Gaza, are due to Israel destroying water, sewage and sanitation facilities, and are entirely preventable with a ceasefire and the return of humanitarian aid. As of September 1, a polio vaccination campaign of 640,000 children is being conducted during 9 hour “pauses” of Israeli bombardment over 3 days, yet what use is a vaccination while facing daily bombing, starvation and a collapsed health system?

For Palestinians fleeing Israeli Zionist airstrikes and tanks, there is nowhere to go as the Israeli regime has issued evacuation orders for 86% of Gaza, and humanitarian so-called “safe zones” are regularly bombed by Israeli Zionist forces. 90% of Gaza’s 2.1 million population — nine out of 10 people — are internally displaced, many up to 10 times.

The world stands with Palestine!

After nearly 13 months of Israel’s genocide against Palestinians, recent weeks have been marked by Israel’s increased brutality and horrific massacres throughout Gaza. Israel’s rash and increasingly destructive actions are a mark of desperation in response to Israel’s increasing isolation on the world stage, and the fracturing of support for this genocide within Israel.

The move of international institutions and governments to speak out against Israel comes from the massive groundswell of world public opinion against Israel, against the genocide in Gaza and in support of

Palestinian self-determination. Millions of people from all sectors of society, especially working and oppressed people worldwide, are joining consistent and ongoing demonstrations, actions and boycott campaigns to demand a ceasefire in Gaza and in support of Palestine. The student movement across the US has taken a decisive step forward with hundreds of encampments at university and college campuses across the US, as well as at many campuses in countries around the world.

Freeing captives or another failure?

Looking closer at the Israeli Zionist regime’s massacre in Nuseirat on June 8, one can see that Israel’s justification of rescuing Israeli captives was nothing more than an attempt to save face after over 8 months of failures. Despite the destruction of Gaza and a genocide against the Palestinian people, Israel has failed to achieve any military objectives, and instead face growing opposition within the Israeli ruling class and society. Israel has had repeated opportunities to negotiate with Hamas for a ceasefire to exchange Israeli captives with Palestinian political prisoners, who number over 10,000 held in Israeli jails. However, the Israeli regime chose a rescue operation that not only resulted in the massacre of over 275 Palestinian people but also killed 3 Israeli captives in the process. How can Israel claim any victory in this “rescue operation” of only 4 Israeli captives when it comes after 8 months of genocide, the killing over 43,000 Palestinians, and the killing of 3 more Israeli captives in Nuseirat in addition to other captives killed over the last 8 months by Israel’s own bombing and direct gunfire?

Cracks widen in Israeli ruling class and society

On June 9, Israeli minister Benny Gantz resigned from Israel’s war cabinet, which was convened after October 7, citing Prime Minister Netanyahu’s lack of plan for the war on Gaza. Alongside this departure, observer member Gadi Eisenkot also left the war cabinet, and on the same day Brigadier General Avi Rosenfeld, senior commander in charge of the Israeli forces Gaza division, also resigned. A week later on June 17, Netanyahu dissolved the war cabinet entirely, referring decisions to his security cabinet. While political maneuvering continues and criticisms from Israeli military officials and politicians become louder, one thing is clear — Israel’s ruling class is fractured and divided from every side of the political spectrum. The Israeli entity is in a crisis, due to a number of factors putting pressure on this fragile state that has enjoyed its bubble of supposed invincibility that was burst on October 7.

The most central factor shaking Israel’s ruling class and society is the resistance of Palestinian people. In part this is the armed resistance, which shocked Israel on October

7 with their ability to successfully attack 8 Israeli military bases at once and penetrate into Israel, dispelling the myth that there can be security of a state based on occupation and oppression. This continues today with Israeli forces continuing to face casualties within Gaza, not only continuing but increasing even after over 8 months of Gaza being carpet bombed and severely blockaded. This leads to the Zionist Israeli regime’s inability to achieve any of its stated goals when the genocide on Gaza began. On October 7 the Israeli Zionist regime announced that their objectives in Gaza were to eliminate Hamas, to return the Israeli captives and to bring “safety and security” back to Israel. This is despite the fact that safety and security for Israel has never really existed and cannot be secured on the occupation of Palestine and the oppression, apartheid and genocide of Palestinians. Now into 9 months of genocide and war, the Israeli regime has found these are unachievable objectives.

The other force exerting heavy pressure on Israel is that of sustained, growing international protest and the condemnation of Israeli war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide and ethnic cleansing by international organizations. As detailed earlier in this statement, the view of Israel on the world stage has dropped while support for the Palestinian struggle has increased. According to a Gallup poll in the US, approval of Israeli military actions in Gaza among Americans dropped from 50% in November 2023 to 36% in March 2024. The voice of public pressure has not only been internationally, but within Israeli society itself. On June 3, the first antiwar student encampment was established at Israel’s Bezalel University in Jerusalem. Tens of thousands of Israelis are protesting the Netanyahu government, and on June 17 protests in front of Netanyahu’s home kicked off an announced week of antigovernment protests, with a key demand being a ceasefire deal. Across Israel, there is a growing sentiment not only for a ceasefire to return Israeli captives, but also to end the genocide against Palestinians. All of these factors have widened differences within Israel’s ruling class and society at large and contributes to the decline and deterioration of a state that has survived until now dependent on the military, financial and political support of the US imperialism.

Self-Determination for Palestine!

For over 100 years, both while under British colonial rule and since 1948 under Israeli occupation, Palestinians have tried every avenue to assert their right to self-determination, including legal and diplomatic measures. 78 resolutions in the United Nations demanding that Israel respect various aspects of Palestinian human rights have been repeatedly violated. All so-called solutions imposed by imperialists and Israel on Palestinians since 1948, especially the Oslo Accord in 1993, have not brought peace. Instead, as planned they have prolonged and expanded the racist Zionist Israeli occupation and war against Palestine. This imperialist support for Israel isn’t because their governments really care about the Israeli people — since the Balfour Declaration by the British government in 1917, to the formation of Israel on Palestinian land, Israel has always been an imperialist project, first for Britain and today for the United States. Israel is the United States’ forward base into West Asia, a foothold in the region from which to launch surveillance, military attacks, wars, and occupations, and to expand their plunder of resources and markets.

The New Era of War & Occupation

The US imperialist new era of war and occupation has accelerated their drive for hegemony in the region, which we have seen since the war and occupation of Afghanistan in 2001, and continued with the war on Iraq, Syria, Libya, and Yemen. This is why Israel as a Zionist racist and apartheid regime has never been a truly functional legitimate state. Without the economic, financial, and military support of the US and their imperialist allies, including Canada, Israel cannot survive more than a few weeks. Even before October 7, 2023, the US had been supplying more than \$4 billion a year in military aid to Israel. Canada also provides military exports to Israel, and Canadian bank Scotiabank is the largest foreign investor in Elbit Systems, a major Israeli weapons manufacturer, who sells “battle tested” drones — battle tested against Palestinian people.

Since October 7, 2023, the defensive military operation of Palestinian resistance fighters from Gaza into Israel effectively ended all deceitful plans by Israel and their imperialist backers in the past, present and future. Today the tide is turning as Palestinians won’t accept any false promises and are fighting for their self-determination and right to exist as a nation and to form a nation-state.

Palestine Will be Free!

We have been lied to for years that the Israel-Palestine conflict is “complicated,” and peace is distant. Before the Zionist project with the support of Britain and other imperialists imposed the state of Israel on Palestinian land, Palestinians of Muslim, Jewish and Christian faith lived in harmony side by side for centuries. Despite the claims that Israel needed to be created as a “safe” homeland for Jewish people, there can be no safety when that state is imposed by a genocidal occupation, as has been done on Palestinian land. This was just a convenient solution for racism in Europe and North America, where historically and today Jewish people face antisemitism, where Jewish people should have the right to live without discrimination. In fact, the safest place historically and today for Jewish people has been in West Asian countries, side by side with their Muslim neighbours! The solution that we are told is complicated is in fact simple. Palestinian’s legitimate demand for the right to self-determination must be met, preferably a single democratic state with the fundamental right of one person, one vote, where Palestinian and Jewish people can live in together in peace and harmony.

Organize, Mobilize and Fight Back!

Now more than ever the international solidarity movement must keep up our support for Palestine. We must keep showing up in the streets, keep up a united front in defense of Palestine, and keep organizing, fighting back and mobilizing for an immediate ceasefire, and for the self-determination and liberation of Palestine!

- Ceasefire Now!
- Stop Bombing Gaza!
- Hands Off West Bank!
- Israel Out of West Bank!
- End the US-Israel Genocide in Gaza Now!
- End the Siege of Gaza Now!
- Israel Out of Gaza Now!
- Self-determination for Palestine!
- US/Canada Stop Arming Israel!
- Boycott Israel Now!
- Hands Off Iran!
- Hands Off Yemen!

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