

'Complicit in Genocide'

Canada Protesters Stage Sit-In at Factory Selling Weapons to Israel

ONTARIO (Dispatches) — Canadian protesters have staged a sit-in outside the Collins Aerospace factory in Canada, demanding the company stop selling weapons components for military aircraft bound for the Zionist regime.

The protesters blocked morning shift staff from entering the company in Oakville, Ontario, according to a statement released by activists.

The demonstrators called on the Canadian government to impose a full arms embargo on the Israeli regime, while demanding that Collins Aerospace stop selling weapons components for fighter jets and attack helicopters bound for the occupied territories.

Rabbi David Mivasair, a member of Independent Jewish Voices Canada who was present at the event, pointed out that, "The weapons being manufactured here at Collins Aerospace are directly used in the mass killing of Palestinians, violating the very values of humanity and dignity our tradition upholds."



Canadian activists hold pro-Palestine protests at factory selling weapons bound for the Israeli-occupied territories in Oakville, Ontario, on November 19, 2024.

"By profiting from this violence, Canada betrays its moral and legal obligations," he added.

Dalia F, a Palestinian resident of Oakville in Ontario, who participated in the protest also said, "While my family members in Gaza have been killed and continue to be terrorized by Israel's nonstop bombing attacks, I am sickened to know that parts of these same bomber planes are being made right here at Collins

Aerospace's factory in Oakville, where I live."

The protest was organized by the organizations Oakville for Palestine, Labour For Palestine, Palestinian Youth Movement Toronto, and World BEYOND War.

Israel launched its brutal war on Gaza on October 7 last year after Palestinian resistance groups carried out a historic operation against the usurping regime in retaliation for its intensified atrocities

against the Palestinian people.

Since the start of the aggression, the Israeli regime has been committing war crimes in Gaza, killing at least 43,972 Palestinians, mostly women and children, and injuring some 104,000 others.

Certain Western states continue to be the main suppliers of lethal weapons to Israel in defiance of calls to end their complicity in the regime's genocidal war on the Gaza Strip.

Back in March, a group of Canadian and Palestinian human rights lawyers filed a lawsuit against the Canadian government for "contributing" to the bombardment of the Gaza Strip through sending arms to Israel.

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau also stands accused of misleading the public over weapons sales to the Zionist regime.

Trudeau has repeatedly been urged to end arms exports to the Israeli regime. But his government has so far tried to downplay the country's role in helping Israel build its arsenal.

U.S. Doctor: 'Severe' Conditions for Health Workers in Gaza

NEW YORK (Dispatches) — An American doctor who volunteered in the Gaza Strip described the dire conditions, significant dangers and "severe" risks facing health care workers because of the Zionist regime's onslaught against the territory.

Talal Ali Khan, who treated patients in the war-torn enclave from July 16 to Aug. 7, recounted to Anadolu his experiences and observations while in Gaza, highlighting the perils for doctors and the overwhelming destruction in the region.

Khan said he traveled to Gaza under UN protection, but he and health workers remained vul-

nerable to attacks.

The nephrologist, who is a clinical associate professor of internal medicine at the University of Oklahoma, visited three hospitals, including Gaza's largest, al-Shifa Hospital, which was heavily damaged. He documented the destruction of the dialysis unit at the al-Shifa, which had served nearly 450 patients and had 60 machines, before the war. "Now, this is all ruins," he said.

Despite assurances of safety under UN protection, Khan said he felt "constantly at risk" throughout his mission.

"Gaza to me, it means resil-

ience, determination," he said, "These are special people."

Khan said his perspective of life changed after returning from Gaza.

"Things happen, stresses happen in your life, anxiety happens in your life. You get pre-occupied with those difficulties or anxieties but after seeing the people of Gaza, what they are going through, you feel that everything is so small in front of what disaster they are going through," said Khan.

One patient moved him deeply. The man, displaced and with little to his name, insisted on sharing a cup of tea with Khan.

"These people, in spite of having so little, their hearts are so big."

He believes places like schools, mosques and libraries as key targets for Israeli attacks.

"In my opinion, what I have seen, schools are the deadliest places in Gaza right now," he said, adding that schools were targeted 16 times in August.

The destruction is "beyond comprehension," with entire neighborhoods flattened. "I have not seen even a single mosque that was intact," he said.

Despite the widespread destruction, Khan said Gazans remain resilient.

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patients daily who could have survived if resources were available," he told Reuters in a text message.

"Unfortunately, food and water are not allowed to enter, and not even a single ambulance is permitted access to the north."

There were 85 injured people, including children and women, at the hospital, six in the ICU. Seventeen children had arrived with signs of malnutrition as a result of food shortages. One man died of dehydration a day ago, Abu Safiya added.

Israeli atrocities in Gaza have focused for weeks on the northern edge of the territory, where the military has laid siege to three major towns and ordered residents to flee.

Residents in the three towns - Jabalia, Beit Lahiya, and Beit Hanoun - said forces had blown up dozens of houses. Palestinians say the occupying regime appears determined to permanently depopulate the area to create a buffer zone along the northern edge of Gaza.

Israel's 13-month genocide in Gaza has martyred nearly 44,000 people and displaced nearly all the enclave's population at least once.

Months of attempts to negotiate a ceasefire have yielded scant progress and negotiations are now on ice, with mediator Qatar having suspended its efforts until the sides are prepared to make concessions.

Although Israel's assaults have been focused on the towns on the northern edge since last month, its strikes have continued across the territory.

In the Sabra suburb of Gaza City, the Palestinian civil emergency service said an Israeli airstrike targeted one of its teams during a rescue operation, killing one staff member and wounding three others. In the nearby Zeitoun neighbourhood an Israeli strike on a house killed two people, medics said.

The death in Sabra raised the number of civil emergency service members killed since Oct 7, 2023 to 87, the service said.

In Rafah, in the south, medics said three men were killed and others wounded in two separate Israeli airstrikes.

Hezbollah...

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achieve on the battlefield, which is impossible."

Qassem stated that Hezbollah seeks a "complete and comprehensive end to aggression" and "the preservation of Lebanon's sovereignty... The Israeli enemy cannot enter (Lebanese territory) whenever it wants."

He said Hezbollah has reviewed and provided feedback on a U.S.-drafted ceasefire proposal to end Israel's hostilities in Lebanon.

"We have received the paper and we have made some remarks."

Qassem noted that these comments—along with those from Lebanese parliament speaker Nabih Berri—have been communicated to the American envoy.

The Hezbollah chief indicated that a ceasefire depends on the "Israeli response."

"Do we expect these negotiations to lead to a ceasefire and cessation of aggression quickly? No one can guarantee this because it is linked to Israel's response and [Benjamin] Netanyahu's seriousness."

Sheikh Qassem's speech came hours after U.S. envoy Amos Hochstein concluded a two-day visit to Beirut seeking to broker a ceasefire deal.

Hochstein said he saw "a real opportunity" to end the fighting and mentioned he was heading to the Israeli-occupied territories "to try to bring this to a close if we can."

In Beirut, he met twice with Berri, a Hezbollah ally who has led mediation efforts on behalf of Lebanon.

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"The Islamic Republic of Iran stands by its words, honors its agreements, and remains committed to them."

Pezeshkian also highlighted his vi-

sion of unity in the Islamic world.

"Our heartfelt desire is to have sincere relations with our Muslim brothers and to show the world that Muslim countries can live together in peace and harmony, respecting one another, while exchanging experiences and collaborating side by side," he said.

Pezeshkian invited Qatar's Emir Sheikh Tamim Al Thani to visit Iran.

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"I was in touch with him (Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi) even last night. So I see an intense disposition for dialogue with us, along with some important decisions or steps being taken."

The IAEA chief said Iran agreed to cap its stockpile of 60%-enriched uranium and to accept new inspectors the agency needs to have in Iran.

"I attach importance to the fact that for the first time since Iran distanced itself from its past obligations, they are taking a different direction."

However, Grossi noted that he could "not exclude" the possibility that Iran's commitment might falter "as a result of further developments."

"Again, I say this in the context of a host of issues that need to be addressed in their entirety."

Grossi traveled to Tehran for talks with President Masoud Pezeshkian, Foreign Minister Araghchi, and other top officials as well as to visit the nuclear sites of Fordow and Natanz.

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according to an 1883 catalogue, subtly translates the effect of such metal inlay into woven silk. Alluding to Islamic Spain, the furnishing fabric "Granada" (1884) — so complex it was never commercially produced — combined inspirations from Italian and Ottoman velvets in its pomegranates and almond-shaped buds.

Morris's "biggest influences came from Turkish art," says co-curator Qaisra M Khan, who believes such connections were more apparent in his lifetime, but faded from view from the 1910s. But he viewed Persian art as a pinnacle. "To us pattern designers, Persia has become a holy land [where] our art was perfected," spreading "east and west", Morris wrote for an 1879 lecture.

India — another huge influence — is not in this show, but in an 1877 speech, "An Unjust War", Morris, as treasurer of the Eastern Question Association, argued against being dragged into Turkey's war against Russia simply to protect British interests. "He saw India as compromised by industrialization," Bain says, and was opposed to imperialism, though, "as a wealthy businessman, he profited from the import of raw materials, such as cotton and dyes." Despite scrutiny now of "cultural appropriation", Morris's genuine appreciation of Islamic arts in an era that relegated not just decorative arts, but whole cultures, as inferior, anticipated today's attitudes.

So are Morris's designs still original? He urged close study, not imitation. For him, the meaning behind patterns was crucial, and those perfect designers "meant to tell us how the flowers grew in the gardens of Damascus... or how the tulips shone among the grass in the Mid-Persian valley". Learning from, and adapting, west Asian genius in repeating form and color enabled him to capture England's cottage gardens and hedgerows, imbuing his unique designs with their own palette, sensibility and meaning.

If anything, this intriguing show bears out the view of Edward Said, author of Orientalism (1978), on how inextricably connected the world is. "There are no insulated cultures or civilisations," Said wrote. "The more insistent we are on separation, the more inaccurate we are about ourselves and others."

Would Morris, who made no attempt to hide his sources, have favored openness about the borrowings behind his prolific legacy? The choice of a tulip-motif, 16th-century Ottoman velvet as his funeral pall — never exhibited until now — might offer a clue.

Zionist Settlers Attack West Bank Town, Vandalize Properties

RAMALLAH (Dispatches) — Illegal Zionist settlers attacked a Palestinian town in the occupied West Bank and vandalized properties, witnesses said on Wednesday.

"A group of settlers from Horsha settlement raided the town of al-Mazra'a al-Gharbiya northwest of Ramallah and set fire to three vehicles," an eyewitness told Anadolu.

Video footage shared on social media showed several vehicles in flames after the settler attack on the town.

The same town came under pre-

vious settler attacks that saw a water plant sabotaged and properties vandalized.

On Nov. 5, illegal Zionist settlers set fire to some 20 Palestinian vehicles in al-Bireh city in the central West Bank.

The Palestinian official news agency Wafa also reported another settler attack in Minya village near Bethlehem.

According to the broadcaster, settlers attempted to steal livestock in the village, but villagers confronted them.

According to Palestinian sour-

ces, Zionist settlers staged nearly 1,500 attacks over the past year against Palestinians, their land, and properties across the occupied West Bank, including East Al-Quds.

Data from Peace Now, an Israeli anti-settlement organization, indicates that over half a million settlers reside illegally in 147 settlements and 224 outposts in the West Bank.

Tension has been running high in the West Bank due to the Zionist regime's brutal war on the Gaza Strip, which has killed nearly

44,000 people, mostly women and children, following a Hamas attack last year.

Nearly 785 Palestinians have since been killed and over 6,400 others injured by Israeli army fire in the occupied territory, according to the Health Ministry.

In July, the International Court of Justice issued a landmark advisory opinion that declared the regime's decades-long occupation of Palestinian land "illegal" and demanded the evacuation of all existing settlements in the West Bank and East Jerusalem.

Baghdad Slams Israeli Letter to UN as Pretext to Justify Attack Against Iraq

BAGHDAD (Dispatches) — Iraqi Prime Minister Mohammed Shia' al-Sudani condemned a letter by the Zionist regime to the United Nations Security Council demanding immediate action against resistance groups launching retaliatory strikes on key targets across the occupied territories, as a "pretext to justify aggression" against the West Asian country.

"The message sent by the Zionist entity to the UN Security Council represents a pretext for assault against Iraq and aligns with its ongoing efforts to expand the war in the region," Sudani said in a statement.

He emphasized the Baghdad government's rejection of threats against his country, adding, "Decisions of war and peace are solely within the authority of the Iraqi state, and no party is allowed to infringe upon this right."

The Zionist regime has already warned the Iraqi government that unless it reins in the attacks by the resistance groups, it faces Israeli raids on its territory, according to reports.

The Iraqi prime minister also reaffirmed his country's position of staying out of conflict, while maintaining its principled stance of seeking an end to the Gaza Strip and Lebanon crises, and providing humanitarian aid to

Palestinian and Lebanese peoples.

On Monday, the Zionist regime's foreign minister Gideon Sa'ar sent a letter to the UN Security Council, asking the body to pressure the Iraqi government to end attacks by resistance fighters in the Arab country against the Tel Aviv regime's interests.

The Islamic Resistance in Iraq, an umbrella group of anti-terror fighters, has been conducting numerous military operations against sensitive targets lying across the Israeli-occupied territories since October 2023, when the regime began waging a bloody onslaught against the besieged enclave.