# Report: U.S. Prepares to Arm Israel **With Thousands More Bombs**

WASHINGTON (Dispatches) -The United States has reportedly approved a new shipment of thousands of powerful munitions to the Israeli regime, further reinforcing its military arsenal as Tel Aviv is said to be readying for "vigorous expansion" of its genocidal war on the Gaza Strip.

Citing unnamed Zionist regime officials, Hebrew-language outlet Ynetnews reported that the regime's air force was set to receive more than 3,000 bombs from the U.S. in the coming weeks.

According to the report, the munitions are to be delivered to "boost readiness" for a major offensive being planned by the Israeli army's Southern Command.

Over 10,000 additional bombs are also expected to arrive in the near future, replenishing Tel Aviv's stockpiles as it pushes forward with its regional military adventurism that has seen it escalate its deadly attacks on Lebanon and Syria, besides the war on Gaza.

The shipment is part of a broader arms package that includes MK-84 bombs, powerful 2,000-pound munitions that have already been

DAMASCUS (Dispatches) - Anger

has mounted in Tel Aviv as the United

States informed the Zionist regime of

its decision to begin a gradual with-

drawal from Syria in the coming pe-

riod, according to Israeli media reports.

The Israeli newspaper Yedioth Ah-

ronoth reported that American se-

curity officials notified the Zionist

regime's occupation army that the

withdrawal is set to commence within

Zionist regime officials quoted by

the paper said that Tel Aviv is still



Pro-Palestine activists demonstrate outside the Capitol Building in Washington on April 20, 2024.

Zionist Regime Angry as U.S. Says 'Withdrawing' From Syria

linked to mass civilian casualties

initially halted by the previous U.S. administration, was unfrozen earlier this year under Donald Trump's second tenure as president, enabling the Zionist regime to resume large-scale deployment of the destructive weapons.

The regime's war minister Israel Katz has announced that Tel Aviv was now preparing to "vigorously" broaden its assault on besieged

As part of the escalation, Zionist troops have recently captured the so-called "Morag Corridor," a strategic route connecting the southern Gaza cities of Rafah and Khan Younis.

Israeli military officials had declared on 12 April that Rafah, the last refuge for over a million displaced Palestinians, was now completely surrounded.

The Israeli army's 36th Division, including the 188th Armored Brigade and Golani Infantry Brigade, reportedly advanced from both northwest and southeast axes to-

Additionally, the army's "Gaza Division" is operating along the Philadelphi Corridor, adjacent to the Gaza-Egypt border, amid the regime's continued allegations that the stretch of land is used to transfer arms to Gaza's Hamas resistance movement.

The intensified genocidal campaign has come at a staggering human cost. Since March 18, at least 1,630 Palestinians have been killed and more than 4,300 wounded across the Palestinian territory due to relentless Israeli bombardments and ground incur-

Entire neighborhoods in Rafah and other southern areas have been flattened, with displaced civilians again forced to flee, this time with nowhere left to go.

Across the entire territory, essential infrastructure has been decimated, exacerbating the already dire conditions for over two million Palestinians trapped under blockade.

A similar transfer, which was

pressing Washington to delay the

pullout, fearing that "Turkey will take

over more strategic assets in the new

The report clarified that the decision

by President Donald Trump to with-

draw American forces from Syria does

not come as a surprise. Trump had an-

nounced his intention to pull troops out

The paper noted that the Zionist re-

gime is concerned about heightened

tensions with Turkey, which it argues

has been working to expand its influ-

Syria" once U.S. troops leave.

of the region on January 20.

ence in the region following the fall of

Bashar Al-Assad's government. It added that "Israel believes the withdrawal of American forces could embolden Turkey to take control of additional strategic military assets on the ground."

Since the ouster of Al-Assad in late 2024, the Israeli occupation's military has launched hundreds of strikes in Syria, under the pretext of targeting military installations, naval bases and air bases to prevent the new rulers from seizing the former army's arse-

Zionist troops have also infiltrated the buffer zone in the Golan Heights and expanded their occupation of Syr-

Last week Trump told Zionist prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu that he has "great relations" with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, adding that "Any problem that you have with Turkey, I think I can solve. I mean, as long as you're reasonable, you have to be reasonable. We have to be reasonable."

#### Lebanon Says Two Dead in Latest Israeli Strikes

(Dispatches) Lebanon reported two dead in separate strikes by the Zionist regime on the country's south Wednesday, as the regime's military said it had killed a Hezbollah fighter, despite a ceasefire between the two sides.

A "drone strike launched by the Israeli enemy on a vehicle in Wadi Al-Hujair killed one person," Lebanon's health ministry said in a statement referring to an area

around 12 kilometers from the bor-

It later said a separate Israeli strike in Hanin, elsewhere in the south near the border, "killed one person and wounded another."

The Israeli military said its air force struck a member of Hezbollah's elite Radwan Force in the Qantara area, near Wadi Al-Hujair.

The Zionist regime has continued to strike Lebanon since the Novem-

ber 27 ceasefire that largely halted more than a year of aggression on Lebanon, including two months of all-out war.

The health ministry also said a 17-year-old wounded in an Israeli strike on south Lebanon's Aitaroun on Tuesday had died, bringing the toll in that raid to two dead.

The United Nations Human Rights Office said on Tuesday that "at least 71 civilians" had been

killed by Zionist troops in Lebanon since the ceasefire.

Hezbollah lawmaker Hassan Fadlallah said last week that 186 people had been killed since the truce.

The truce accord was based on a UN Security Council resolution that says Lebanese troops and United Nations peacekeepers should be the only forces in south Lebanon, and calls for the disarmament of all non-state groups.

### Sacked Microsoft Engineer: Worker Resistance Growing Over Gaza

HAMILTON (Dispatches) - Dozens looked on at Microsoft's headquarters in Redmond, Washington, as software engineer Vaniya Agrawal disrupted the company's high-profile 50th anniversary celebration by confronting its top leadership.

Agrawal interrupted a keynote panel featuring CEO Satya Nadella and former CEOs Bill Gates and Steve Ballmer, accusing the tech giant of complicity in Israel's ongoing assault on Gaza. She was swiftly escorted out after publicly calling the executives "hypocrites" and demanding Microsoft "cut ties with Is-

"Shame on all of you for celebrating in their blood," she yelled, referring to the company's alleged provision of advanced cloud and artificial intelligence technologies to the Israeli

Since the Zionist regime's aggression on Gaza began in October 2023, multiple reports have pointed to U.S. tech companies — including Microsoft — as enablers of the Israeli army's expanding digital infrastructure during a bombardment campaign that has devastated much of the enclave and killed more

than 50,000 Palestinians.

But according to Agrawal, who was fired shortly after the protest, Microsoft's involvement goes much further back.

"Even before Oct. 7, Microsoft has played a role in the continuation of apartheid and genocide in Gaza," Agrawal said. The company, she asserted, is "powering genocide."

"Over the past year and a half, we've started to learn more and more about how exactly those ties manifest and how Microsoft and its services have enabled and accelerated the genocide in Gaza."

She said that internal attempts to raise alarms about the company's collaboration with Israel were systematically suppressed. "They've declined to comment on the investigations. They evade questions internally. They deleted comments from workers asking for explanations."

Despite what she described as an attempt to silence dissent, Agrawal said employees across Microsoft's global offices took quiet action in solidarity. Some joined a strike responding to a Gaza call to action, while others changed their status messages or set outof-office replies in a show of dissent.

Agrawal emphasized the importance of collective action.

"We have power in our numbers, and resistance isn't a solitary endeavor. It only survives in the arms of the collective," she said. She noted that following the protests, Mi-

crosoft executives began turning off comments on celebratory social media posts evidence, she claimed, that the company was feeling the pressure.

"It's very clear their image has been tarnished, and the world sees now that they're hypocrites," she repeated. "They can't hide behind their philanthropy or their prestige any longer."

Agrawal said her decision to disrupt the anniversary event was born out of frustration after repeated internal efforts to push Microsoft to address its business with the Israeli government went nowhere.

She and other campaigners from the group "No Azure for Apartheid" had tried other channels — emails, meetings, and appeals to leadership — but said they were ignored, dismissed, and targeted.

Iran...

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Araghchi condemned the "contradictory and conflicting positions" coming out of the administration ahead of the next round of talks.

"We will find out the true opinions of the Americans during the negotiation

Iran's top diplomat said he hoped to start negotiations on the framework of a possible agreement but stressed that this required "constructive positions" from the United States.

"If we continue to [hear] contradictory and conflicting positions, we are going to have problems," he warned.

On Tuesday, Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei cautioned that while the talks have proceeded well in their early stages, they could still prove fruitless. Saturday's talks were "well carried out in the first steps," Ayatollah Khame-

nei said. "Of course, we are very pessimistic about the other side, but we are optimistic about our own capabilities."

"The negotiations may or may not yield results," the Leader said.

Araghchi also confirmed that he will be heading to Russia and will deliver a message from Ayatollah Khamenei to Russian President Vladimir Putin.

#### Role...

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Meanwhile, Qatar has quietly boosted its military coordination with Tel Aviv. Doha continues to source spare parts for tanks, armored vehicles, and aerial tankers from Israeli suppliers, and its military has participated in joint drills involving Israel and other Persian Gulf states - including exercises in Greece held just over a week ago. Beyond military and economic ties, Persian Gulf states have facilitated the

flow of weapons to Israel through logistical support channels. As the U.S ramped up its "unprecedented airlift" of tens of thousands of missiles, munitions, and Iron Dome components, the Persian Gulf's airspace and bases

U.S. arms shipments passed through Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Jordan, and especially Qatar, where the Al-Udeid Air Base - home to U.S. Central Command - served as a hub for at least 18 documented transfers. Several were routed through Cyprus to avoid direct flight tracking. In the UAE, Dubai International Airport became a waypoint for Israeli

reservists flying in from Asia. Coordinated through the Israeli consulate in Dubai, these flights funneled soldiers into the war in Gaza. Emirati authori ties also arranged leisure retreats for Israeli troops between deployments and allowed Jewish organizations in Dubai to send care packages to the Earlier this month, as Trump prepared to visit Saudi Arabia seeking in-

vestment in U.S. infrastructure, Israeli energy minister Eli Cohen unveiled plans for a regional oil pipeline stretching from Ashkelon to Saudi Arabia

The project falls under the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC), a U.S.-backed alternative to China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) with links running through the UAE, Jordan, and occupied Palestinian lands

In a related move, Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa - son of the Bahraini king and chair of Bapco Energy - announced the sale of a pipeline stake to BlackRock, the U.S. investment giant notorious for its financial ties to Israeli settlements. This deal cannot be separated from the broader normal-

In one of the clearest signs of deepening security cooperation, Axios revealed a secret 2024 meeting in Bahrain between Israeli army chief Herzi Halevi and senior military officials from Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, the UAE Jordan, and Egypt.

Overseen by U.S. Central Command, the summit focused on countering Iranian retaliation and disrupting weapons flows to Gaza from resistance forces in Iraq and Yemen - operations that often transit through Persian Gulf-controlled airspace.

Bahrain's role was particularly overt: Nasser bin Hamad openly declared his country's commitment to disrupting Iranian response operations in coordination with the U.S. Fifth Fleet stationed in Manama. Analysts now speculate that Tel Aviv could be granted permanent naval access to strategic

This growing security convergence has also opened the door for Israeli tech to penetrate Persian Gulf infrastructure. Bahrain now relies on Israeli firms for anti-drone systems, satellite surveillance, and cybersecurity. One notable collaboration involves Bahraini company Crescent Technologies and Israeli cyber defense powerhouse CyberArk.

The UAE is pushing the envelope even further. Emirati firms have signed deals with XM Cyber - co-founded by a former Mossad chief - to secure national energy infrastructure. XM Cyber works in tandem with Rafael and other elite Israeli military firms as part of a consortium targeting sensitive Persian Gulf markets, including oil, energy, and data. Meanwhile, Orpak Systems, another Israeli company, has quietly entered Arab oil sectors under

nondescript branding to avoid detection. Despite their public posturing and periodic statements of support for Palestine, the Persian Gulf states have quietly entrenched themselves in Tel Aviv's war effort. Through investment flows, arms deals, intelligence cooperation, and energy infrastructure, they have become vital enablers of the

This alliance – crafted in backrooms and sealed with economic interests has allowed Israel to prosecute its war on Gaza with Persian Gulf assistance at every logistical and financial juncture.

Far from being passive actors, these states are now active partners in a conflict that has devastated an entire people.

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He emphasized that the decision by the AMIA case prosecutor to level accusations against senior officials of the Islamic Republic of Iran "constitutes yet another deviation in the protracted judicial proceedings related to a suspicious incident dating back to 1994."

The decision to blame Iran "only serves to deepen the numerous unanswered questions and ambiguities surrounding the case—ambiguities that have persisted due to the continuous interference and influence of individuals affiliated with the Zionist regime, which has turned the case into a political instrument for advancing that regime's anti-Iranian agenda," he added.

Kameli, according to the statement, further emphasized that the Argentine prosecutor's conduct is in stark contradiction to the fundamental principles and norms of the international law, particularly regarding respect for sovereign equality and the political independence of states, and set a wrongful precedent in international relations.

He also warned of the legal and political repercussions arising from the prosecutor's actions, underscoring that Iran reserves its inherent right, under the international law, to take all necessary and proportionate measures to safeguard its rights and interests.

Under President Javier Milei - an outspoken supporter of the Israeli regime - Argentina has strengthened its ties with the occupying entity, even backing its actions in the besieged Gaza Strip, unlike most Latin American leaders who have distanced themselves or recalled their envoys.