

## Help to end British complicity with Israel's Genocide



**No sane person could have expected this!** Following the International Court of Justice declaring it plausible that Israel was carrying out genocide in Gaza, the US and British governments' response was swift. **BUT** it was not to halt their weapon supplies to the Israeli military by which they helped to kill nearly 30,000 and maim over 60,000, mostly women and children, also destroying Gaza's hospitals, schools and housing. **INSTEAD** the UK and USA acted to cut off funding to the sole UN agency that provides some – though only a fraction - of the food and medication desperately needed by a population sheltering in makeshift tents, in imminent danger of famine – among these are 17,000 children who are thought to have no living relative left.

On the basis of Israel's unproven allegation that 12 of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency's 13,000 staff members in Gaza, (i.e. 0.093%) were implicated in the 7<sup>th</sup> October killing of its citizens, the US and British governments decided to inflict collective punishment on the Palestinian people and suspend their funds to UNRWA.

Yet, they have taken no steps whatsoever against Israel for ignoring the International Court's ruling that it should take **"immediate and effective**

**measures to enable the provision of urgently need basic services and humanitarian assistance..."**. Since this ruling, Israel has continued its intense bombardment, killing hundreds more civilians.

Even governments allied with the Western bloc, such as Ireland, Spain and Norway, have rejected US-British efforts to cut funding to UNRWA and further collude with Israel's genocidal war. British support for Israel must be reversed. The Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions (BDS) movement works to end support for Israel's oppression of Palestinians and pressure Israel to comply with international law.

Israel's war against the Palestinians did not begin on October 7<sup>th</sup>. It's a continuation of over 75 years of settler colonial oppression and ethnic cleansing which Amnesty International and several other organisations have characterised as a **"cruel system of apartheid"** – a far cry from the democracy that Israel proclaims itself to be and which is used to justify the West's unconditional support.

**Help us end this injustice. Join the Sheffield Palestine Coalition Against Israeli Apartheid to:**

- make Sheffield an Israeli Apartheid-Free Zone by campaigning for businesses, local government and educational institutions to renounce all ties with Israel
- oppose the arms trade and all military collaboration with Israel
- oppose measures aimed at shutting down public criticism of Israel's treatment of the Palestinian people



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