



Decolonizing Palestine and the Middle East



Date

December 9th, 2024

Time

12:00 PM

**New Haven (Ives) Free Public Library
133 Elm Street
Community Program Room**

Free Event
Register below



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Come to this event on Monday (tomorrow!) to learn more about the struggle for human rights in Palestine.

A word from the New Haven Sunday Vigil for Peace and Justice

The estimated death toll in Gaza since October 2023 now approaches 45,000, but it is likely much higher due to the uncounted dead buried under

rubble. This is not merely a “horrific war in Gaza” as it is sometimes referred to- it is an ongoing act of collective punishment and ethnic cleansing to enable the displacement and destruction of an entire civilian population. This is NOT “self-defense,” and it never was. And it has done nothing to save the lives of the 101 Israelis still held hostage.

The U.S. is fully complicit in this. Our government has funded it and fueled it since Day One, with no let up, and Congress has just approved another multi-billion-dollar package to provide Israel with offensive weapons to continue this slaughter.

The following 19 senators, including Connecticut’s Chris Murphy, recently voted for the Joint Resolutions of Disapproval (JRDs) to try to block this package: Senators Durbin (D-IL), Heinrich (D-NM), Helmy (D-NJ), Hirono (D-HI), Kaine (D-VA), King (I-ME), Lujan (D-NM), Markey (D-MA), Merkley (D-OR), Murphy (D-CT), Ossoff (D-GA), Sanders (I-VT), Schatz (D-HI), Shaheen (D-NH), Smith (D-MN), Van Hollen (D-MD), Warnock (D-GA), Warren (D-MA), and Welch (D-VT).

These senators deserve our thanks for standing up against the powerful lobbies of the weapons manufacturers whose profits increase exponentially from each of these sales and of powerful interest groups like the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC). Both groups generously underwrite the campaigns of these senators’ opponents and pay for media smear tactics against them.

Please contact these senators personally to congratulate them on their stand and tell them they must continue to do everything they can to end U.S. aid to the Israeli government.

On November 20, the rest of the Senate voted against the JRDs, thus allowing the \$20 billion to go through. Please contact your senators who voted against the JRDs (including Connecticut’s Sen. Richard Blumenthal) and hold them accountable for their ongoing support of the slaughter in Gaza. Let them know that their complicity is unacceptable.

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Sunday, December 8, 2024