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# Biden gives green light to Gaza massacre

By Stephen Millies

Thousands of more Palestinians have been murdered in Gaza by U.S.-made bombs since Israel broke a ceasefire on Dec. 1. On Dec. 8, the United States vetoed a United Nations Security Council ceasefire resolution that had 97 co-sponsors. Even France and Japan voted for the resolution.

United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres said hundreds of thousands of people in Gaza are “simply starving.” Civilians in Gaza “are being told to move like human pinballs – ricocheting between ever-smaller slivers of the south, without any of the basics for survival,” he said.

The Zionist regime is determined to push

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Los Angeles protest against Genocide Joe Biden, Dec. 8.

SLL Photo: Maggie Vascassenno

## #Cairo4 solidarity activists free Parker launches campaign after Egypt detainment over Gaza aid



Dec. 3 — After 37 hours of detainment by Egyptian authorities, John Parker and the rest of the #Cairo4 were deported and traveled safely home.

The #Cairo4 were an international delegation of activists who traveled to Egypt for the Global Conscience Convoy initiated by the Egyptian Syndicate of Journalists, a grassroots effort to deliver humanitarian aid to Gaza.

The mass movement made it happen. Forces from around the world, already united for Palestine, united against repression and for our right to stand with Palestine.

As of today, John is home safe in Los Angeles. This very same day, he launched his candidacy for California's 37th congressional district. His campaign will stand in unwavering solidarity with Palestine.

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# Palestine solidarity protest disrupts Baltimore City Council

By Lev Koufax

On the evening of Dec. 4, the Baltimore Peoples Power Assembly led a banner drop and disruption at a Baltimore City Council meeting. The demonstration was held to place pressure on the city to pass a resolution that calls for a ceasefire, pledges complete divestment from the Israeli government, and ends all training exchange programs between Baltimore law enforcement and Israeli security forces.

Approximately 45 pro-Palestine protesters entered the city council meeting at approximately 5 p.m. This was after Baltimore Police initially stopped the group from entering for about half an hour after they attempted to enter at 4:30. This is usually when the public is allowed into the meetings. Other individuals waiting to enter the building commented that the delay was strange.

After the group entered, they proceeded to the sixth floor balcony overlook. The sixth floor balcony contains far more seating than the main council chamber, which is located on the fourth floor. The balcony was open at first. However, the police informed the group that the balcony was suddenly closed.

The activists complied and split into two groups: those in a cramped “over-



Protesters demand Baltimore City Council action against genocide in Gaza, Dec. 4.

flow” room and about six to eight who made it into the main chamber. After the opening benediction, four protesters unfurled a banner that read “Free Palestine! Divest from Genocide!” All protesters in the main council chamber chanted “Free, free Palestine!” until they were escorted out of the building by a large number of Baltimore cops.

Even the Baltimore Sun, a notoriously pro-police publication, commented that the police presence at the meeting was far larger than normal. Everywhere those in solidarity with Palestine go in Baltimore, they are met with a disproportionate police presence that only serves to repress the struggle.

Simultaneous with the banner drop, 30 to 40 protesters in the overflow room began chanting pro-Palestine slogans and demands. This continued for several minutes until they too were escorted out of the City Hall building that is paid

for with their tax dollars – much like the tax money going to the militarized Baltimore Police and the Israeli military.

In the wake of the disruption, Zionist hack Yitzy Shleifer proposed a resolution to condemn Hamas and express support for Israel. The resolution was cosponsored by four other council members. Nonetheless, it failed to reach the 12-vote threshold required to pass. Nine voted for the resolution and four abstained.

Schleifer’s resolution is tantamount to genocide denial, as it made no mention of the over 15,000 innocent Palestinians who Israel has slaughtered. Shame on him.

The protesters remained outside City Hall for over an hour after the disruption, where they continued to chant and hold picket signs. Baltimore will not let the political establishment rest until they do the right thing on Palestine.

Ceasefire now! Divest now!  
Free Palestine now! #



Protest continued after Baltimore Police drove activists out of City Hall.

SLL photo: Sharon Black



# National Day of Mourning 2023 'Palestine must be free'

By Mahtowin Munro

*Talk by Mahtowin Munro, co-leader of United American Indians of New England (UAINE), at the National Day of Mourning in Plymouth, Massachusetts, on Nov. 21.*

In addition to warm greetings to our Indigenous relatives from North and South America, we welcome Black and Palestinian people to the National Day of Mourning, as well as members of the 2SLGBTQ community. We welcome all people here from the Four Directions who want to be in solidarity with Indigenous struggles.

As an organization long dedicated to opposing colonialism, we at UAINE understand fully that our liberation is intertwined with that of other colonized and oppressed peoples. We want to express our solidarity with refugees and migrants, many of them Indigenous, who continue to be forced out of their home countries due to U.S. policies, and we continue to insist that the deadly U.S.-Mexican border, with its walls and concertina wire, is not our border.

Looking out over Plymouth Harbor, it is so beautiful. It's hard though not to think about the environmental destruction the Pilgrims and subsequent waves of settlers brought with them.

For example, just down the road from here, there is a now-decommissioned nuclear power plant called Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station.

Holtec — the company that owns the power plant — has been planning for a long time to dump more than a million gallons of radioactive wastewater into Cape Cod Bay, and there has been widespread opposition to that. Meanwhile, Holtec has been releasing some of that radioactive water into the air in the form of gas and they clearly plan to release more in that manner. Yet they are not stopped.

Down the road a little further you'll find the Massachusetts Coastal Pine Barrens — one of only three Pine Barrens left in the world. This incredibly rare and important ecosystem — which formed over



Mahtowin Munro speaks at the 2023 National Day of Mourning.

Photo: Rachel Jones

thousands of years and which houses hundreds of species of animals and birds — is under threat from sand and gravel mining. Water is life, and we humans are part of that web of life, but settlers have largely forgotten this.

## Supporters of Palestinian resistance

I want to turn to speaking about Palestine for a bit. Our organization has supported Palestinian resistance for decades and we pledge to never let our relatives down.

When you see a genocide happening — whether in Congo or Sudan or Armenia or Palestine — you need to try to do something about it. If you are silent, that is in effect supporting the genocide as well. That is a basic principle that many of us have taught to our children, yet too many people are still standing, afraid to speak up because of the repression right now.

We are honored to have a Palestinian speaker on our program today and I will explain why. From our perspective, Palestinian people are Indigenous. What has been happening to Palestinians in Gaza and the West Bank since October

is an increase in what has been an ongoing genocide directed against them by the settler colonial state of Israel. But the violence against Palestinians has never stopped in more than 75 years.

For instance, 60% of the children of Gaza were malnourished before October because of the conditions of the occupation, and Israel controls not only Gaza's water but also 80% of the water in the West Bank. What we are witnessing is a resurgence of the ongoing barbaric violence of settler colonialism there.

Palestinians have been subject to being killed, imprisoned, assaulted and tortured, starved and denied access to water for years. Right now, a second Nakba or Catastrophe has been happening.

If you believe that landback is necessary here, then you need to understand that landback is also necessary for other colonized people of the land.

As Indigenous people, we understand firsthand that to be a colonized person is to exist under constant violence — physical, cultural and psychological. We call what is happening in Palestine genocide

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# National Day of Mourning: 'Palestine must be free'

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because that is what it is. You can't take a pause in genocide, nor is this a war, nor are there two armies.

We see the same features of manifest destiny and white supremacy that we have experienced weaponized against Palestinians. We speak plainly and say that this is also apartheid. Our organization opposed apartheid in South Africa decades ago and we oppose it in Palestine now.

## Puritans and Zionists

The Pilgrims in Plymouth and the Puritans in Boston were obsessed with the idea that they were in a wilderness provided for them by their god, as though the land was empty and waiting for them. This idea is so embedded that even today, I hear from school children and adults alike that the Europeans brought civilization here, that Indigenous peoples were not actually doing anything with the land. The invaders rename the streets and villages and rivers. They actively erase the existence of people who live here and continue to live here.

This certainly sounds familiar to Palestinians. Zionists still speak about Palestine as a land without people for a people without a land — and even if the land was not empty, it was supposedly full of people who had no real connection to the place, didn't know how to develop and exploit the land the way Europeans did, didn't know how to make the desert bloom, and so they lack legitimacy. The propaganda insists that Indigenous people lose legitimacy because they are somehow not sufficiently there, or they are somehow insufficiently civilized.

When I look at Gaza, I see reflections of all of the Indigenous people killed in the waves of massacres here in North America, in Guatemala, in Congo, Haiti, Australia and Ireland, Puerto Rico, the Philippines, Algeria — people around the world whose only crime has been to exist and resist settler colonialism.

And of course the United States, the unapologetic killer of millions of Indig-

enous, Black and other oppressed peoples, supports this.

If we the colonized suffer in silence, we are sometimes considered to be suitable objects of settler pity and charity. But we don't want pity. We want freedom and the restoration of our homelands. We fight back because we must. We fight back by living, having children, loving each other, remembering our true history of who we were and still are.

We fight back for our land because that is part of our bodies too. We fight back in any way we can because the alternative is to become extinct on our own homelands, which is the ultimate goal of settler colonialism. We know what it's like to be considered animals and savages and to endure generations of ongoing genocide.

They try to dehumanize us, but we never lose our humanity. I think of the settlers who have often had no trouble killing even our children because they don't see any of us as fully human, and they continue to tear our families apart so that our children will be separated from the land and the culture.

Colonel Chivington from Colorado, who led the Sand Creek Massacre, said to "Kill em all, women and children, because nits make lice." That is exactly the sentiment that we are hearing now from Netanyahu and many others in Israel as they justify the massacre of thousands of children and their families, as they now openly support the spread of infectious diseases to kill off even more Palestinians.



Photo: Rachel Jones

## Resist dehumanization

As Indigenous peoples, we resist the violence and erasure of settler colonialism and the attempts to dehumanize until we can fully become ourselves through liberation. Like Indigenous people here, Palestinians themselves must decide what they want for their future and how they will resist. It is absolutely not for outsiders to decide that for them.

We also know there is greed underlying what is happening. Greed for the land, greed to control the water, greed for gas and oil and other resources.

We call out Genocide Joe Biden and nearly all politicians in the U.S., in Canada, in Britain and elsewhere who have been supporting genocide and providing billions of dollars in funding and weapons, filling their own pockets and the pockets of the manufacturers. We cannot appeal to the morality of our colonial oppressor. They have none.

But we are in relationship with each other and we are in relationship with the land. As Indigenous people, the land is part of our bodies, our stories, everything we are. The land, the rivers and seas and lakes of Palestine await the return of the Palestinian people.

So today on U.S. Thanksgiving day, we say that we will not be thankful for these crimes against humanity laid bare for the whole world to see. We will not be thankful for the billions of dollars stolen from us, money that could be going to housing and education and food on tables that instead is flowing out in aid to the war criminal state of Israel. We will not be thankful for the ongoing destruction of our beautiful planet.

We feel the struggle of Palestinian people and of all Indigenous peoples in struggle in our hearts and bones.

Today, we are asking you to mourn and to listen. Tomorrow, we ask you to use your heartbreak and rage to fuel your action to make this end.

A ceasefire is not enough. A ceasefire is the bare minimum. The Palestinian people need reparations to rebuild. Occupation and settlements must end. US aid to Israel must end. Palestine must be free! #

# Who killed JFK and why?

## Sixty years since the coup in Dallas

By Stephen Millies

Most people still don't think that Lee Harvey Oswald was the "lone nut" assassin of President John F. Kennedy.

In an October 2023 Gallup poll, 65% of adults in the United States don't believe it. Six years before in a poll commissioned by the FiveThirtyEight website, 76% of Black adults didn't buy it either.

Why should they? Even the commission chaired by U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren couldn't find a motive for Oswald killing JFK on Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas.

Two days later, Dallas police allowed Oswald to be killed in the basement of their own headquarters. The most important witness in U.S. history was silenced forever by the sleazy strip club operator Jack Ruby.

As soon as Oswald was murdered on live TV, it confirmed for many that Kennedy was killed by a conspiracy.

The Warren Commission set up by the new president — Lyndon B. Johnson, aka LBJ — didn't erase their doubts. Its job wasn't to find the truth but to conduct a cover-up.

None of the seven commission members were women and/or persons of color. Nor was the labor movement represented.

The segregationist Georgia Senator Richard Russell — LBJ's pal, who fought civil rights bills and killed anti-lynching legislation — was appointed instead.

Other members, beside Warren, were future President Gerald Ford and John McCloy, former Chair of the Chase Manhattan Bank (now JP Morgan Chase with \$3.9 trillion in assets). Also chosen were Kentucky Senator John Cooper and Louisiana Representative Hale Boggs.

The member who attended the most commission meetings was former CIA Director Allen Dulles. The war criminal oversaw bloody coups that overthrew democratically elected governments in both Guatemala and Iran.

Why was Dulles, who hated Kennedy, even appointed to investigate his death? JFK fired the spymaster following the failed attempted invasion of Cuba at the Bay of Pigs (Playa Girón).

Kennedy was lured to Dallas, which was then a center of the ultra right. JFK's picture was featured on "wanted for treason" posters that were distributed there.

Kennedy also dismissed Dulles' No. 2, CIA Deputy Director Charles Cabell, whose brother Earle Cabell was ever-so-conveniently mayor of Dallas.

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### More than one shooter

The latest assault on the Warren Commission's credibility is the newly released film, "JFK: What The Doctors Saw." It features the physicians who treated the dying president at Parkland Hospital in Dallas.

These doctors said there was an entrance wound in Kennedy's neck. That means there had to be a shooter at the front of JFK's limousine in addition to an assassin firing from behind.

Two shooters mean a conspiracy. Even defenders of the Warren Report can't claim there were two "lone nuts" operating independently of each other.

Dr. Robert McClelland, one of the physicians in the film, said the back of Kennedy's head was blown out by the exiting bullet. This fact was covered up in the autopsy overseen by top military brass at the Bethesda Naval Hospital (now the Walter Reed National Medical Center).

Dr. David Mantik and Dr. Michael Chesser, who studied the X-rays from the autopsy, called them fraudulent.

The Warren Report claimed Oswald fired from the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository, where he worked. Yet many eyewitnesses reported shots fired from the "grassy knoll" instead. Bystanders and police ran up this knoll, west of the book depository, immediately after Kennedy was shot.

The famous home movie taken by Abraham Zapruder clearly shows Kennedy being propelled back and to the left. This is consistent with a shot fired from the front, not from the book depository. So does the testimony of witnesses who



saw a bullet hole in the windshield of Kennedy's limousine.

The Zapruder film gives six seconds for three shots to have been fired. Using the bolt action rifle that was supposedly used, it has been virtually impossible for skilled sharpshooters to repeat the alleged feat.

Television reporter Robert MacNeil and other witnesses heard two shots fired very close together, probably too close to have been fired from the same rifle.

The late Milton Neidenberg described the skepticism of his co-workers immediately after the assassination. Neidenberg, a communist union activist who died in 2018, was employed at Bethlehem Steel's Lackawanna works just outside Buffalo, New York.

None of the steelworkers who were hunters believed that Oswald could have killed Kennedy with the Mannlicher-Carcano rifle that was alleged to be the murder weapon.

### The patsy

And what about President Kennedy's supposed killer, Lee Harvey Oswald? He said, "I didn't kill anybody," and proclaimed himself a "patsy." That's strange behavior for a political assassin.

Police claim that no notes or a tape recording were made from their interrogations of Oswald.

Was it even possible for Oswald to have fired the three shots that the Warren Report claimed he did? A paraffin test applied to Oswald's face after he was arrested came back negative, which ruled him

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# New York City says no to the renewed bombing of Gaza

By Stephen Millies

As the biggest U.S. aircraft carrier — which is what the former Secretary of State Alexander Haig called Israel — resumed its bombing of Gaza Ghetto, protests erupted across New York City.

Hundreds of Palestinians have been killed by the new bombing. Meanwhile soldiers and armed settlers continue to terrorize Palestinians on the West Bank.

Even before the Zionist regime broke the truce, hundreds of people held a vigil on Nov. 29, the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People. They gathered at Manhattan's Columbus Circle.

Columbus was a genocidal murderer of Indigenous people who started his maritime career as an enslaver of Africans. When Columbus set sail for the Americas in 1492, the Spanish monarchy began the expulsion of both its Jewish and Muslim inhabitants.

Hundreds of thousands of Jewish people were given refuge in the Arab world and Türkiye. In contrast, the Zionist regime in 1948 expelled 800,000 Palestinians from their native land.

People gathered at the New York Public Library on Fifth Avenue on Dec. 1 to demand peace and freedom for Palestine. Despite the rain, a thousand people marched through Times Square and then past the New York Times headquarters on Eighth Avenue.

## Biden gives green light to Gaza massacre

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hundreds of thousands of Palestinians into Egypt, with Genocide Joe Biden's approval. This would be an even larger catastrophe than the 1948 Nakba when Palestinians were driven from their homeland.

Thousands of protesters flooded Wall Street as the U.S. vetoed the ceasefire resolution. At the same time, thousands were protesting Biden's visit to Los Angeles. We have to keep fighting to stop the massacre in Gaza. Palestine will win! #



SLL photos: Stephen Millies

Three hundred people came out on Dec. 2 to protest at the office of Congressperson Daniel Goldman in the Park Slope neighborhood in Brooklyn. Goldman makes some liberal noises but he's really a pro-Israel war hawk.

Also on Dec. 2, hundreds of people protested at the American Museum of Natural History to support Palestine. Its board is full of trustees that support genocide in Palestine.

That's not surprising considering one of its former trustees was Madison Grant, author of the super-racist "Passing of the Great Race." Adolf Hitler loved the book and wrote Grant that "this book is my bible."

### Marching through Bay Ridge

Nearly a thousand people rallied on Dec. 2 in the Palestinian community of Bay Ridge in Brooklyn. People listened to speakers and then took to the street chanting "Gaza, Gaza, don't you cry, Palestine will never die!"

They marched to the Muslim American Society Youth Center. Families came out of their homes to greet the marchers.

Many protests have been organized by Shut It Down for Palestine, which includes the Palestinian Youth Movement, Al-Awda NY, the Palestine Right to Return Coalition, National Students for



Justice in Palestine, The Peoples Forum, ANSWER Coalition and the Party for Socialism and Liberation.

Other large protests have been led by Within Our Lifetime. Muslim American Society, Jewish Voice for Peace, Black Alliance for Peace, Anakbayan (Filipino anti-imperialist youth organization), DRUM (Desis Rising Up and Moving), Neturei Karta (Orthodox Jews United Against Zionism), Nodutdol for Korean Community Development, and Struggle-La Lucha are among many other organizations that have organized or taken part in protests in solidarity with the people of Palestine.

Palestine will be free from the river to the sea! #

# In Egypt for Global Conscience Convoy

By Lev Koufax and John Parker

On Wednesday, Nov. 23, two journalists from Struggle-La Lucha had the privilege and honor of spending an afternoon at the Egyptian Journalists' Syndicate in downtown Cairo. The EJS is the central labor union for journalists across Egypt. We received a tour from EJS members who have also played a role in organizing the Global Conscience Convoy to the Rafah border crossing.

The first thing that stands out about the Egyptian Journalists Syndicate headquarters is the massive 50-foot-long Palestinian flag hanging from the building's entrance. Upon approach, one can immediately feel the solidarity emanating from the building and its occupants. The struggle for union journalists in Egypt is a personal one, as the Israeli apartheid government has murdered at least 57 journalists since Oct. 7, many of whom were Egyptian.

Historically, the EJS has not always been this anti-imperialist. While a relatively progressive trade union in the past, the EJS experienced a seachange in March of this year when a socialist bloc won the elections for the union's leadership. This is the first time explicitly left-wing forces have ascended to EJS leadership.

Under the new leadership, the EJS has taken steps to build coalitions with progressive organizations like the Popular Committee in Solidarity with Palestine, the Socialist Popular Alliance Party, the Bread and Freedom Party, and many others. Because of these coalitions, the EJS led the only truly popular demonstrations in support of Palestine in the entire country of Egypt. This has included the first major marches on Tahrir Square in a decade.

At first, the Egyptian government was not only supportive of these demonstrations but even went as far as to participate to some extent. Unfortunately, the Egyptian government changed its tune regarding pro-Palestine protests and even humanitarian convoys in the days and weeks since the Palestinian resis-



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**At the Egyptian Journalists Syndicate headquarters, a fifty-foot-long Palestinian flag hangs from the building's entrance.**

tance commenced Operation Al-Aqsa Flood.

Due to pressure from the U.S. government and corporate media, as well as an insidious EU anti-migration aid package, the Egyptian government has significantly cooled its support for Palestine and the corresponding solidarity movement. The over \$9 billion aid package comes with the express purpose of preventing Arab migration into Europe. To that effect, the package contains millions for border security and naval patrol equipment.

One of the consequences of this Western coercion has been an indefinite de-

lay in multiple aid convoys headed to Gaza, including the Global Conscience Convoy organized by the EJS and many other organizations. However, that has not stopped the progressive organizers on the ground from struggling for humanitarian and political intervention to stop the genocide in Gaza.

Directly after our tour and several productive conversations with Egyptian socialists and unionists, individuals from across the globe participated in a picket line in solidarity with the Palestinian people. Our main demands: End the genocide in Gaza and allow the Global Conscience Convoy to proceed! #

# A Meeting with Popular Socialist Alliance Party

By Lev Koufax and John Parker

Even as the Egyptian government's obstruction of the Global Conscience Convoy continued, we continued meeting with local pro-Palestine groups. On Nov. 24, we visited the headquarters of the Popular Socialist Alliance Party (SPAP) in Cairo.

SPAP is one of many organizations working in conjunction with the Egyptian Journalists Syndicate to organize the Global Conscience Convoy to the Rafah crossing. It was founded in the wake of the Egyptian Revolution of 2011, after the merger of several socialist organizations that faced repression under U.S.-backed dictator Hosni Mubarak.

SPAP leaders were kind enough to welcome us for an afternoon of Turkish coffee and discussion. We spoke about a variety of topics, including the genocide in Palestine and the class struggle in Egypt. Over the last decade, the El-Sisi military junta has escalated anti-worker policies in the form of crackdowns on labor unions.

Since Egypt's independence struggle in the mid-1950s, trade unions have played an important role in Egyptian society. Many trade unions were actually integrated into the state structure during President Gamal Abdel Nasser's Arab socialist administration.

In 2011, trade unions played a massive role in the political revolution that deposed President Hosni Mubarak. This is precisely why the current U.S.-backed military regime has declared open season on Egyptian unions. Ever since Abdel Fattah El-Sisi and the military launched their coup in 2013, the status of trade unions in Egypt has significantly worsened.

## Global Conscience Convoy in Cairo



Poster in Cairo displays the symbol of Egypt's Popular Socialist Alliance Party (SPAP).

### Workers under attack

Egyptian trade unions face repression from both the capitalist bosses, many of whom are contractors for Western conglomerates, and a government that is entirely chained to big business and U.S. imperialism. In 2018, the government decertified over 1,000 independent unions. Only 122 of those unions were able to regain state recognition.

El-Sisi's administration has also made it nearly impossible for Egyptian workers to strike. For workers to go on strike, their union must provide management and the government with a full list of workers who intend to strike, how long they will be on strike, and where they intend to picket. This notice must

be provided three months prior to any planned strike.

El-Sisi keeps the working class weak and the western capitalists well fed with investment opportunities, development deals, and military aid requests – requests that the U.S. government happily obliges.

This is the reality that the SPAP and other parties must contend with every day in Egypt. And all the while, they must also continue the struggle for Palestinian solidarity, a struggle that has been met with growing hostility from the El-Sisi military regime.

### Solidarity with Palestine

We witnessed people flowing in and out of the SPAP office to donate money and supplies to the Palestinian aid effort. This included a family with two small children, both under the age of 10.

One child's name was Nadim. He goes to one of the best elementary schools in Cairo. He speaks fluent Arabic, English, and Italian.

While we finished our meeting, we asked Nadim how the death of children in Gaza made him feel. He told us it made him angry, and it made him want to fight Israel.

He told us that if he could, he would hack Israel's "Iron Dome" missile system and turn it back on Israeli neighborhoods so they could feel the terror that Palestinians feel every second of the day.

This child is angry, and justifiably so. He is tired of watching fellow Arab children be butchered for the profits of a few. #

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# Gaza solidarity activists confront heartless U.S. Embassy officials

By John Parker

Cairo, Nov. 29 — On Monday, U.S. participants who are part of the Global Conscience Convoy went to a scheduled meeting with the U.S. Embassy in Cairo, Egypt, to encourage the embassy to do its part in allowing the convoy to help break the siege of Gaza, and to help stop the complicity and support of Israeli genocide that the entire U.S. government is guilty of and profits from.

The Global Conscience Convoy, launched by the Egyptian Journalists Syndicate – the union of Egyptian journalists – made it clear that the U.S. is one of those countries complicit in genocide:

“For too long, the Occupation has been emboldened by the unconditional support of major world powers, who disregard its atrocities and shield it from accountability. Their complicity in the face of injustice is a stain on the world’s conscience.”

After getting through Egyptian security, then U.S. security, we began a conversation with two representatives of the embassy’s political office, who offered us nothing but manufactured empathy, giving the impression that their hands were tied in the “awful situation” after Oct 7.

It was curious that the attack by Hamas on Oct. 7, which was preceded by 75 years of Israeli attacks and occupation, was characterized as “heinous,” with no mention of who was actually responsible for the “awful situation” in Gaza.

When asked whether the massacres in Gaza could be considered heinous, given the over 14,000 Palestinians killed with nearly 50% being children, and hospitals and schools included in the civilian targets, the response from the embassy was “awful situation.”

We asked, if the transfer of humanitarian and medical attention to Gaza was only possible during the ceasefire, why wouldn’t the U.S. use its influence with Egypt’s government to get them to allow the convoy to bring aid?

The embassy representatives said



U.S. delegates of the Convoy outside the U.S. Embassy in Cairo, Egypt, Nov. 27.

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they do not control what Egypt does and there are so many security hurdles to go through in making decisions.

## A damning admission

This writer mentioned the culpability of the U.S. in arming Israel with weapons of mass destruction against a civilian population, and how this aid gives the U.S. great influence in Israel’s government – and how that also applies to the Egyptian government’s foreign policy, since it too receives significant U.S. funding.

One of the embassy representatives admitted that giving weapons to Egypt and Israel allows the U.S. to have leverage in their decisions. But they had previously said they had no influence with Egypt to allow the convoy through!

We asked them why they couldn’t just stop giving aid and stop arming Israel with weapons that are killing civilians and children? Admitting that weapons are key to leverage, the U.S. Embassy was admitting its culpability in genocide by refusing to use that leverage.

When asked if the over \$500 billion worth of natural gas and oil on the coast of Gaza and the West Bank could be a motive for U.S. complicity with Israel – there was not a peep from the representatives.

The fuel that is vital for electricity, food production and keeping babies alive in incubators could be produced off the shores of occupied Palestine – but the Israeli occupation will not allow it. The cost of occupation includes the lives of many, many children.

Bianca Estrada told the embassy staff that as a mother with two children she had to come to join the convoy. Her tears in explaining her empathy with Palestinian parents losing their children in such horror committed by Israel added to her genuine message of solidarity, and frustration with Israel and the U.S.

When the embassy used the excuse of supporting Israel’s right to “self defense,” one of our delegates, who was born in the West Bank, questioned how it could be called self-defense when the

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out from firing a rifle.

One of the shots missed Kennedy completely and hit a curb, causing a small cut on James Tague's cheek from concrete fragments. Another shot supposedly struck Kennedy's head.

That left a single bullet that allegedly hit President Kennedy and then zigzaggedly struck Texas Gov. John Connally's chest, wrist, and thigh.

Connally, who survived, always denied he was hit by the same bullet. Former Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, coroner Cyril Wecht calls it the "magic bullet" that couldn't have done the damage to both Kennedy and Connally.

Oswald was also accused of killing Dallas police officer J.D. Tippit. Two witnesses, Acquilla Clemons and Frank Wright, saw two shooters.

Oswald was very likely an informant for either the FBI, CIA, or both. "Everywhere you look with him, there are fingerprints of intelligence," said former U.S. Sen. Richard Schweiker.

Oswald's earlier "defection" to the Soviet Union was phony. His attempt to set up a "Fair Play for Cuba Committee" in New Orleans was like that of a provocateur. These actions were meant to "sheep dip" Oswald, in order to make him look like a leftist and possible Soviet agent.

Instead of trying to escape, Oswald was arrested at a movie theater, a common daytime rendezvous for agents. In his wallet — one of several that allegedly

belonged to Oswald — was a dollar bill cut in half. That's commonly used in spy-craft to find a contact who will produce the other half.

Oswald was the fall guy — or as he put it, "the patsy" — that had to be eliminated.

## Who's coup?

The key to assassinating President Kennedy was stripping away his protection. French President Charles de Gaulle knew that.

He himself had been the target of attempted assassinations. One of the first books to allege a conspiracy — "Farewell America" by "James Hepburn," a pseudonym — was published by French intelligence.

Half of the Dallas cops belonged to the Ku Klux Klan. Retired detective James Leavelle told Joseph McBride that he regarded JFK's assassination as "no different than a south Dallas [n-word] killing." ("Into the Nightmare: My Search for the Killers of President John F. Kennedy and Officer J. D. Tippit" by Joseph McBride.) Leavelle had been handcuffed to the about-to-be-shot Oswald.

There wasn't even a Secret Service agent riding on the back of Kennedy's limousine when the president was shot. Half of Kennedy's cabinet were halfway across the Pacific Ocean. JFK's autopsy was a cover-up.

Only the U.S. military's Joint Chiefs of Staff had the power to do this, with the assistance of the Dallas power structure.

The clean-up work of eliminating witnesses, like Oswald, could be contracted out to organized crime and counter-revolutionary Cuban exiles.

Thirteen months before Kennedy was shot down, the Cuban missile crisis terrified the world. The Joint Chiefs wanted to invade Cuba.

A nuclear war with the Soviet Union could have been the result. Kennedy didn't want to take a gamble and agreed to end the crisis instead.

Dallas gave generals like Air Force Chief of Staff Curtis LeMay another chance. LeMay despised Kennedy. He later ran as the fascist George Wallace's running mate in the 1968 presidential election.

The Soviet Union was then facing a U.S. arsenal of 3,400 nuclear bombs and 185 nuclear missiles. The Pentagon wanted to use them to "wipe out communism" forever.

But this second half of the coup didn't gel. Much of the ruling class didn't trust their fallout shelters. Oswald's survival for 48 hours also dampened things.

LBJ's consolation prize for the Pentagon was a big escalation of the U.S. war against Vietnam, which had already been going on under both Eisenhower and Kennedy. Within two years after JFK's murder, U.S. forces in Vietnam increased 11 times to reach 184,000 GIs.

Johnson also invaded the Dominican Republic in April 1965. This bloody crime was considered by the military-industrial complex a "successful" Bay of Pigs.

Only the people can force the truth to be told about JFK's assassination. #

## We need your help

Five years ago, on Dec. 7, 2018, we began publishing Struggle-La Lucha. It's news and analysis for socialist revolution. That's why you are here reading this.

Throughout, we have given frontline coverage of the many struggles taking place across the U.S. and around the world. From Black Lives Matter to the National March to Protect Trans Youth, from the U.S./NATO proxy war on Russia to the Pentagon's menacing buildup in Asia, including a surge of armaments to Taiwan. Most significantly, right now, is the courageous Palestinian resistance in Gaza.

Recently we had two journalists — John Parker and Lev Koufax — in Cairo, Egypt, working with the Egyptian Journalists' Syndicate for the Global Conscience Convoy to deliver aid to Gaza.

We need your help, and there are a few ways you can do that.

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**The staff at Struggle-La Lucha**



# Activists confront U.S. Embassy officials

Continued from page 8 people of Palestine are living under an illegal occupation.

Struggle-La Lucha's Lev Koufak mentioned that his Jewish history has taught him what a concentration camp looks like, and that the genocide by Israel must be considered a holocaust.

## Culplicity in genocide

Much information was relayed about the genocidal nightmare that Israel unleashed after Oct. 7, killing hundreds every day until the temporary ceasefire. But the U.S. regime, now led by Biden and the Democratic Party, and aided by the Republicans in Congress, refused to call for a ceasefire.

Biden and the U.S. Embassy know very well that the aid they said is going through will stop after the ceasefire and another 14,000 Palestinians could be killed in the next few weeks.

When we left the meeting, we let them know that we knew their plans to support Israel and refuse to help the convoy were set. In their own words, "our priority is the American people" – meaning the U.S. capitalist rulers.

It might be taking a leap, but it does seem curious that CBS News reported the day after our visit to the U.S. Embassy in Cairo: "A U.S. military plane carrying 54,000 pounds of food and medical supplies bound for civilians in Gaza landed in Egypt on Tuesday, the first of three such flights aimed at easing the humanitarian crisis in the enclave during a lull in fighting between Israel and Hamas."

Why was this the first flight to "ease the humanitarian crisis"? Why didn't it begin when the ceasefire began?

But as the article states, the aid will not make a dent in the need. Hoping a last minute public relations stunt smooths the way for the continuation of genocide is nothing but evil.

"From the president on down, we understand that what is getting in is nowhere near enough for normal life in Gaza," one official said on a call with reporters. #

**A Call for the "Global Conscience Convoy"**  
<http://globalconscienceconvoy.org>

**This is a call to the people of the world to join the "Global Conscience Convoy" to the Rafah Crossing, to:**

- 1- End the war.
- 2- Peacefully demand opening the Rafah Crossing, for all humanitarian aid (food, water, medication, and fuel) to enter sustainably, and for an unconditional exit for the critically wounded.
- 3- Demand that medical, relief, humanitarian and press crews enter Gaza.
- 4- Support the Palestinian people in standing against the Israeli expulsion plans.

**At this historical moment, we must all unite for humanity and for the Palestinian people's rights in freedom and self-determination.**

**The gathering and launch will take place from 17 to 24 November.**

**We shall not stand and watch. May the world move NOW.**

To join the convoy please fill the form:  
<https://globalconscienceconvoy.org/form>

## New book to be released on the 100th Anniversary of Lenin's death

Vladimir Lenin, the revolutionary leader of the Soviet Union and a key contributor to Marxist theory, wrote "**Imperialism, the Highest Stage of Capitalism**" in 1916, more than a century ago. It is still one of the most influential critiques of imperialism.

After the first imperialist world war broke out, Lenin's main interest was promoting a socialist revolution to end the war. To this end, he exposed the war's economic roots and explained why the popular Social Democratic anti-war movement had crumbled. Lenin identified imperialism's key features: monopoly capitalism, finance capital, the export of capital, and colonialism, leading to the competitive division of the world among the imperialist powers.

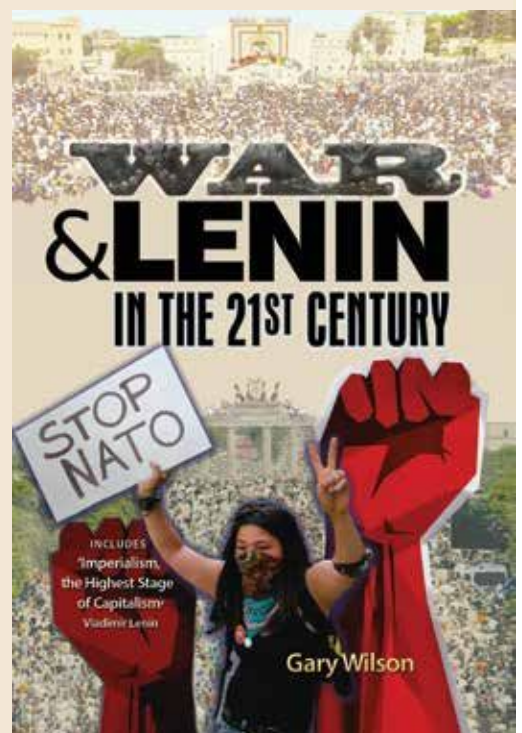
### Does Lenin's analysis of imperialism hold up today?

The United States emerged from WWII as the world's most powerful imperialist country, gaining control of European and Japanese empires in Asia and Africa. It established the U.S. dollar as the international currency and engaged in endless wars to maintain what the Cubans call '**The Empire.**'

Unlike in 1914, the U.S. military-industrial complex dominates the imperialist world.

Pentagon contracts are gutting the U.S. and NATO allies' economies. The U.S. government's budget is dominated by military spending, now almost a **\$1 trillion a year.** Military contracts drain the budgets of every NATO member. To pay for this war budget, services are cut, and austerity imposed; the working class is being impoverished.

As in Lenin's time, the conclusion is that socialist revolution will end imperialist war, enabling workers to meet their own needs.



# Houthi Resistance takes on Zionist regime in the Red Sea

By James Costello

On Nov. 19, an Israeli-linked ship, the *Galaxy Leader*, was seized in the Red Sea and redirected to the Port of Hodeidah in Yemen by the Houthi-led Yemeni Armed Forces.

The cargo ship was targeted because the vessel is owned, in part, by shipping magnate Abraham “Rami” Ungar, who is in the Haaretz list of 30 richest people in Israel.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has tried to downplay the ship’s ties to the Zionist regime. The ship is owned by Ray Car Carriers, a motor vehicle import company that is one of the largest of its type in Israel.

Ungar, the owner of Ray Car Carriers, is also known for financing far-right politicians in Israel. He has been implicated in numerous high-profile scandals, including a bribery case involving arrangements to bribe a political aide of then-Prime Minister Ehud Olmert. The Prime Minister and Ungar attempted to pay the aide, Shula Zaken, to not testify against Olmert and take the fall in the corruption case that was being mounted against him and his administration.

Ungar is also a close friend of the current Israeli Minister of Defense, Yoav Gallant, of the far-right Likud party.

The takeover of the *Galaxy Leader* ship was a well-targeted, righteous act of solidarity with the people of Palestine. Yahya Sare’e, the spokesperson for the Yemeni Armed Forces, made a statement in which he proclaimed, “The Yemeni Armed Forces will continue to carry out their military operations until the Israeli aggression against the Palestinian people in Gaza and the West Bank stops.”

Statements from the YAF have also confirmed that they have fired a salvo of winged missiles targeting Zionist occupying forces in the Eilat region (occupied Umm Al-Rashrash, Palestine) and will continue to strategically target the Zionist regime until they end their aggression towards the people of Palestine.



The *Galaxy Leader* was seized in the Red Sea and redirected to the Port of Hodeidah in Yemen by the Houthi-led Yemeni Armed Forces.

## Iran unveils new hypersonic missile

The Supreme Leader of Iran, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, made a visit on Nov. 19 to the Ashura University of Aerospace Science and Technology for the unveiling of a new hypersonic missile that can be used in self-defense against U.S.-Israeli aggression.

The missile goes by the name *Fattah-II*, an upgraded version of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps’ first domestically produced hypersonic missile bearing the same name unveiled earlier this year in June.

Iranian state media have described *Fattah-II* as a hypersonic glide vehicle, a projectile that can maneuver and glide at hypersonic speed to its target and is capable of posing a serious challenge to low, medium, and high altitude defense systems.

The exhibition also showcased missile defense systems, including their *Mehran* and *9-Dey* defense systems, as well as an Iranian-made drone named “*Gaza*” in solidarity with the people of Palestine’s resistance. Also, during this visit, Khamenei condemned the evils of racism that take root in Zionism and in the imperialist ideologues that support the settler-colonial state of Israel.

Khamenei noted: “The Zionists consider themselves as a superior race, and they consider the rest of the human race to be inferior. That is why they have killed several thousand children without any remorse.”

He went on to condemn Western imperialist leaders for their support of Zionism and racial discrimination by

adding, “When the President of the United States, the Chancellor of Germany, the President of France and the Prime Minister of England support and help such a racist regime with all the things that they claim, it means that these men support racism, which is one of the most despised issues in the world.”

Khamenei continued: “If they were against it, their opposition would have shown itself in them taking action regarding the issue of Gaza and Palestine.”

He talked about how Israel’s bombardment of hospitals, women, and children in Gaza is also evidence of the Zionist regime’s frustration at their inability to defeat Hamas and suppress the resistance of the people of Palestine. Also, during the address, Khamenei called on Islamic and Arab nations to stand in solidarity with the people of Palestine and cut political ties with Israel.

## From Iraq to Lebanon, Pan-Arab solidarity

This week, the U.S. military violated the sovereignty of Iraq by mounting an attack on the Islamic Resistance of Iraq-aligned group *Kataeb Hezbollah* (*Hezbollah Brigades*).

In response, the armed forces of the Islamic Resistance of Iraq retaliated on Nov. 23 by hitting two bases of the U.S. occupation forces in western and northern Iraq with four drones. Also, on Nov. 23, a day after an Israeli airstrike killed five *Hezbollah* fighters, there are reports that more than 50 missiles were fired at Zionist military targets in northern occupied Palestine from *Hezbollah* forces located in southern Lebanon.

This makes it one of the largest bombardments targeting the Zionist regime since the start of the *Al-Aqsa Flood* Operation in October.

From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free! #

# Capitalist climate crisis

# Fossil fuel industries seizes helm of COP28

By Scott Scheffer

Delegates from around the world are gathered in Dubai preparing for the opening of the 28th annual Conference Of the Parties (COP28), to be held from Nov. 30 to Dec. 12. The leadership is in the hands of Sultan Ahmed Al-Jaber, the head of United Arab Emirates' state-owned oil company, Adnoc.

Al-Jaber's rise to leadership is a handover of power to the fossil fuel industry in the global effort to fight climate change. Now, leaked documents reveal that Al-Jaber's team planned to use COP28 to obtain oil and gas deals in meetings with at least 27 countries.

Al-Jaber's reputation had to be transformed in order to gain support to take over the presidency. The process was carried out by the largest public relations firms in the world – all of them PR mercenaries with a boatload of resources at their disposal. And they are all U.S. corporations.

According to a June 2023 article in *Politico*, "During the past decade, the UAE has spent more than \$1 million on direct climate-focused advocacy and paid millions more to advisory firms and think tanks helping to polish its green credentials..."

Activists called Al-Jaber's presidency of COP28 "asking arms dealers to lead peace talks." However, initially, the White House seemed okay with the choice.

Last January John Kerry, Biden's Presidential Envoy for Climate, signaled that the U.S. was comfortable with an oil company executive being pushed for the job when he said, "I think that Dr. Sultan Al-Jaber is a terrific choice because he is the head of the company." That is not likely the level of comfort now, but it isn't just this new scandal that may cause the U.S. to sour on Al-Jaber.

A careful look at the agenda that Al-Jaber will push reveals intentions for a crafty strategic shift in favor of energy profits. Until now, the push at the series

Ahead of COP28, the Women's March for Climate took place in Dakar, Senegal, on Nov. 25. The protesters aimed to amplify the voices of African women, especially from rural areas, who are heavily impacted by the effects of climate change.



of international conferences has been to "phase out" fossil fuels. Part of his plan is to shift that language to "limit emissions from the production of fossil fuels" during the transition to renewables. This doesn't include emissions from the use of fossil fuels – only the production at refineries.

Limiting emissions means using carbon capture technology. Energy companies favor carbon capture not only because it will be profitable, but also because they can make the claim that fossil fuels can be exploited with lower emissions during the transition to other forms of energy. Scientists and engineers know that to scale it up enough to be effective is impossible.

## Fossil fuel subsidies

Al-Jaber's role is full of contradictions. He plays up the idea that he and his team (he has appointed dozens of staff from the oil company to positions in the leadership of COP28) are in the vanguard of clean energy. He pledges to raise \$20 billion for renewable energy for the Global South. But the UAE also plans to spend \$100 billion to boost its oil production from 4 billion to 7.5 billion barrels per year.

There is also no intention to enter any opposition to fossil fuel subsidies as there have been in all previous COP gatherings. The U.S. hands over up to \$50 billion per year to oil companies. Globally, energy giants raked in \$4 trillion in 2022.

Presumably all of this would be okay with the energy companies and the banks that finance fossil fuel extraction and with the White House as well. But another part of Al-Jaber's agenda is more likely to run afoul of powerful U.S. interests.

U.S. delegates have fought against proposals to fund the Global South to help with adapting to the extreme weather. Those countries that have been robbed of their resources during the colonial era and during the stage of imperialism are underdeveloped industrially. As a consequence, they've added little to global CO2 emissions. It was the U.S. and Britain that emitted the lion's share of carbon in the atmosphere today.

The idea of a fund to help the Global South adapt to and recover from extreme weather disasters has gained ground throughout the history of these international conferences. In previous COP conferences, an agreement was struck that the U.S. and Europe would pay \$100 billion per year into a fund for adaptation. The payments never happened.

At COP27 in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt, the anger of Global South delegates finally forced a formal agreement to set up the Loss and Damage Fund. But the U.S. is reportedly refusing to concede on how the fund will be structured. They want it to be run through the World Bank, and that would give the donors the opportunity to claim that aid packages that were already pledged could be considered

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# Why Cuba leads the world in confronting climate crisis

By Scott Scheffer

COP28, the next annual international conference where countries plan and set goals to limit the emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs), will take place in Dubai from Nov. 30 through Dec. 12. Increasingly, the conferences have come under the control of major capitalist powers – particularly the U.S.

Global South countries have barely contributed to the warming of the atmosphere, but are most vulnerable. COP27 in Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt, was something of a battleground between the representatives from Africa, Asia and Latin America, and the imperialist powers of Europe, Japan and especially the United States.

The details of what transpires in Dubai will be analyzed in the weeks that follow, but this is a great time for serious climate change activists to take a good look at the stellar performance of socialist Cuba in the struggle to save the planet.

It is an absolute crime that the mainstream media has ignored what can be accomplished in the global effort to mitigate the crisis of global warming without the influence of giant energy corporations and banks.

Cuba's planned economy has enabled the island – even as the U.S. blockade hinders its ability to trade – to keep sustainability as a major priority for years. This is based on Fidel Castro's keen understanding of the harm of capitalist industry's emissions and the vulnerability of the underdeveloped countries of the world – the Global South. But the revolutionary leader and thinker was aware of the conundrum facing the former colonies in dealing with the destruction of the environment.

In a speech at the 1992 Earth Summit, the Cuban president said: "They have poisoned the seas and rivers, polluted the air, weakened and punctured the ozone layer, saturated the atmosphere with gases which are changing weather conditions with a catastrophic effect we are already beginning to experience.



Urban farmers harvest carrots in Havana. Making cities more self-sufficient in food production has cut down on dangerous emissions.

"The forests are disappearing. The deserts are expanding. Every year billions of tons of fertile soil end up in the sea. Numerous species are becoming extinct.

"It is not possible to blame the Third World countries for this. Yesterday, they were colonies; today, they are nations exploited and pillaged by an unjust international economic order. The solution cannot be to prevent the development of those who need it most."

The Global South needs energy. Because of the poverty from imperialist plunder, much of the world relies on burning wood for heat and for cooking, and access to fossil fuel would be a step in the right direction for development. But even with very limited access to fossil fuel due to the blockade, Cuba has lowered its emissions and at the same time provided electricity to millions more Cubans.

## Workers' government

An Aug. 24 article in the pro-capitalist Forbes magazine confirms this: "Projects from the University of Leeds, the World Wildlife Fund, the Global Footprint Network, and the Sustainable Development Index show that Cuba is among the lead-

ers in closing the gap between human development and sustainability."

Renewable forms of energy still only account for 4.5% of Cuba's power generation. This amazing achievement happened because there aren't giant energy corporations influencing the workers' government of Cuba.

In 2006 the Cuban government replaced every incandescent light bulb in the country with more efficient fluorescent bulbs. It subsidized modern, more efficient appliances, including 2 million refrigerators, more than 1 million fans, nearly 200,000 air conditioners and a quarter million water pumps. A campaign to replace old water heaters with new models that are run with solar energy is underway now.

During this period, electricity use increased by 142%, but emissions dropped by 14%. The efficiency that accomplished this wouldn't have been possible outside of a workers' run government.

Cuba's transition to urban farming, greatly reducing the need for transportation of food, is even successful in the capital city. The Forbes article quotes economist Sinan Koont, who said, "More

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than 35,000 hectares of land are being used in urban agriculture in Havana.” Cuba’s urban farming has become a model for small farmers throughout the Global South.

Cuba is also a world leader in reforestation. At the time of the revolution, only about 14% of the island was forested. That figure is now up to 30.6%.

## Internationalism

Given that Global South countries contribute only a tiny fraction of the world’s GHG emissions, and their weakened ability to recover from climate catastrophes, the concern for countries saddled with the debt traps of imperialism has rightfully been adaptation – protecting their own populations and recovering from weather related catastrophes.

Mitigation of the global crisis is the responsibility of the biggest polluters. Yet Cuba’s internationalist outlook has led this commendable effort to contribute to the effort to save the planet over and above what should be its responsibilities.

Cuban socialism has guided the struggle to adapt to the island’s vulnerability to extreme weather and even to mitigate CO2 emissions. These earnest efforts and concern for all humanity puts the U.S. – the world’s per capita worst emitter of GHGs – to shame.

Imagine what could be done if Cuba were free of the blockade. It is that example that the imperialist countries fear from Cuba.

Breaking the blockade won’t happen without the intervention of the people’s movement throughout the world. That is far from out of the question. At the United Nations General Assembly, 187 countries voted to end the blockade. Only two, the U.S. and its client apartheid state of Israel, voted to keep the Trump/Biden warfare against Cuba in place.

More than 100 entities, including city councils in NYC, Chicago, Baltimore, Detroit and others, and scores of union locals and labor councils, have passed resolutions calling on Joe Biden to take Cuba off the list of State Sponsors of Terrorism and end the blockade.

The United Nations has no power of enforcement. Only a powerful people’s movement can and will make it happen. #



# GAZA

**Destruction in Gaza after resumption of Israeli attacks on Dec. 1.**

## PFLP: Biden responsible for renewed Israeli aggression

Dec. 1 — The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) holds the American administration and the war criminal, U.S. President Joe Biden, fully responsible for the renewed Zionist aggression on the Gaza Strip this morning, due to the ongoing green light given to the occupation to continue the genocide and commit dozens of massacres against our people.

The Front confirmed that our people have no choice but resistance and steadfastness, and that the treacherous enemy will fail again in achieving any of its goals, no matter how much it bombs, destroys, and commits massacres, and will return defeated, dragging the tails of disappointment and defeat, thanks to the solid resistance

and the strong will of our people. Certainly, the resistance will write the end of the political future of the war criminal Netanyahu and his gang.

The Front concluded its statement by calling on the masses of our people, the sons and daughters of our Arab nation, and the free people of the world to gather in the squares and besiege the embassies of the aggressors in the world to pressure for the cessation of aggression and the ongoing Zionist genocide against civilians, especially children and women.

**Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine**

**Central Media Department**

*Source: Resistance News Network*

## Fossil fuel industries seizes COP28

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part of the Loss and Damage Fund.

On Al-Jaber’s agenda is a way to exploit this divide between the interests of the rich capitalist countries and those of the Global South. Many countries don’t have enough fuel of any kind to heat homes adequately or can barely run factories. In other words, in order to develop, they need energy of some kind, and transitioning to renewables is out of reach for them. While the U.S. is throwing up obstacles to the Loss and Damage Fund, Al-Jaber is talking up paying for fuel to

aid in their development and in some cases offering to aid their transition to a renewables-based power grid. This is a way for him to try to get past opposition to the fossil fuel industry’s power grab.

Delegates have to approve the new president of the conference each year at its opening. Until now it’s been a formality. That could change. So much is uncertain as this conference is set to begin. It’s entirely possible that Al-Jaber won’t survive the leaked documents scandal. The only certainty is that the climate change movement has to stay in the streets. #

# Puerto Rico: Organizaciones de base defienden al pueblo

Por Berta Joubert-Ceci

En Puerto Rico se podría decir que sobrevivimos a pesar de un gobierno local que en nada le interesa el bienestar del pueblo. Un gobierno que no solo es un fiel alumno y defensor de Estados Unidos, el país que nos mantiene colonizados, sino que ha abrazado las más perjudiciales políticas neoliberales que priorizan el bienestar del lucro de compañías foráneas, en detrimento del pueblo boricua, incluyendo a los pequeños negocios locales.

Sobrevivimos solo gracias al trabajo constante y dedicado de las diversas organizaciones defensoras de los derechos del pueblo como son las de defensa de la mujer, de la comunidad LGBTQ, del ambiente, en contra del terrible desplazamiento de comunidades de bajos ingresos, en fin, los grupos adversarios del gobierno de turno a quienes les acompañan los pocos senadores y representantes progresistas en la Legislatura. Solo gracias a la labor consistente de sus miembros es que logramos victorias en diferentes escenarios.



Organizaciones comunitarias y ambientales protesta 27 de noviembre contra el alza en el costo de la luz propuesta por el gobierno, para rescatar económicamente a la empresa carbonera AES Puerto Rico.

Y cada semana, somos testigos de barbaridades que en cualquier otro país estarían prohibidas, pero que aquí están protegidas por agencias gubernamentales. Un reciente ejemplo esta semana, fueron unas vistas supuestamente públicas, anunciadas con muy poco tiempo, donde se presentaban unas propuestas de enmendar un contrato leonino de la compañía AES, compañía de generación de electricidad a base de carbón, para incluir entre otras cosas, un aumento en la factura de la luz. Esta AES que por años ha depositado cenizas tóxicas resultado de la quema del carbón que ha perjudicado la salud de las comunidades circundantes mientras el gobierno se hace de la vista larga.

Pero a pesar del poco tiempo de anuncio, miembros de organizaciones ambientalistas lograron asistir y confrontar a la AES que había sometido como prueba, decenas de documentos inservibles porque habían tachado las partes que les inculpaba.

Gracias a estas compañeras y compañeros, el país pudo presenciar por los medios informativos, otro ejemplo de la gran mentira que es el gobierno local. #

Desde Puerto Rico, para Radio Clarín de Colombia, les habló Berta Joubert-Ceci.



## Saludo a los periodistas de Al Mayadeen

Todas y todos los integrantes del periódico La Lucha por el Socialismo-Struggle for Socialism basado en los Estados Unidos, nos unimos hoy al mundo que conmemora la vida de los mártires Farah Omar, Rabi Al-Maamari y Hussein Aquil.

Gracias a su noble y sacrificado trabajo en los medios de Al Mayadeen pudimos abrir los ojos a la espantosa realidad de un genocidio perpetrado por no tan solo la entidad sionista, sino con la criminal autorización y estrecha colaboración del gobierno estadounidense y sus aliados europeos. Realidad que los medios comerciales en el occidente han tratado de ocultar de la forma más miserable que ser humano haya sido testigo.

Su trabajo informativo quedará como prueba testimonial para lo que más temprano que tarde, será un juicio a nivel planetario donde los pueblos, que se han identificado honrosamente con la causa Palestina, juzgaremos y condenaremos a los culpables en cada foro y en cada tribunal de conciencia.

Farah Omar,  
Rabi Al-Maamari  
y Hussein Aquil,  
¡Presentes!  
¡Viva Al Mayadeen!  
¡Viva Palestina Libre! #



Foto: Radio Habana Cuba

La Dra. Aleida Guevara, internacionalista cubana e hija del Che, visitó el Líbano el 27 de noviembre para honrar a los periodistas asesinados de Al Mayadeen.

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