

**Women in  
Black  
London**



**Only justice for  
Palestinians can bring  
peace for Israel**

As the people of Gaza are pushed to the limits of endurance with starvation, disease, displacement, fear and constant bombardment, political parties in the UK play politics, unable to reach an agreement to support an unconditional ceasefire. Husam Zomlot, Palestinian delegate to the UK, said of the fiasco that politicians save themselves rather than save the people of Gaza.

Since 7 October, when Hamas killed 1,200 Israelis and took 250 hostages (130 are still unaccounted for), 30,000 Gazans have been killed and 70,000 injured. Some 1.4 million Gazans have been forced to Rafah, an already overcrowded city on the border with Egypt. They await the next 'attack' date set by Israel. The United Nations Works and Refugee Agency (UNWRA) in Gaza, an essential lifeline for humanitarian support, has been defunded by the United States, the UK, Germany and others.

At the same time the UK, USA, Germany, France and others provide military equipment, support and finances to Israel that enable this war and the on-going illegal occupation of Palestine. Women in Black London call for an immediate ceasefire, an end to arms sales to Israel and for strengthened international efforts to encourage dialogue, diplomacy and nonviolent means of securing peace for the people of Palestine and Israel. This is the only way out of the tragic cycle of violence experienced by the Palestinian people and those still held hostage by Hamas.

We offer solidarity to women in Palestine and Israel who work for peace and justice and to Israeli conscientious objectors.

**Women in Black in London stand in solidarity with Palestinian women in the Occupied Territories in their struggle for justice, peace, well-being and a secure, prosperous and nonviolent future for themselves and their children. We stand with Israeli partners too, such as Women in Black Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem, the Coalition of Women for Peace, Machsom Watch and other organizations in which Jewish and Palestinian Israeli women work together for a peace agreement and sustain contact with Palestinian women in the West Bank and Gaza. With them, we call for full equality in Israel for Jewish and non-Jewish citizens alike.**

***Please share this leaflet with others and write to your own MP or elected representative (<https://members.parliament.uk/FindYourMP>) asking that they work to***

- Support an unconditional ceasefire in Gaza when this motion returns to the House of Commons
- Reinstatement of the funding of UNWRA to help facilitate delivery of essential humanitarian aid to the people of Gaza.
- Support the initiative at the International Court of Justice by South Africa against the State of Israel concerning violations by Israel under The Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in Gaza.
- End the arms trade between the UK and Israel. The weapons and military technology that we sell are used against the people of Gaza and enforce the escalating violence and illegal occupation of the West Bank.



**Join us: Women in Black** hold vigils every Wednesday between 6-7 pm at the Edith Cavell Statue, opposite the National Portrait Gallery and beside Page 8 Hotel. St. Martin's Place, London WC2.

Our vigils are silent, women-only and if possible we wear black. We welcome all women who support our call for an end to militarism and war.

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