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An International Comparison Confirms: Israel is a Serial Killer of Children

By Michael Pröbsting, Revolutionary Communist International Tendency (RCIT), 8 November 2023

ince weeks, we have chanted on the streets that Israel is child killer. A new article published by Al Jazeera – the lonely voice of reason among the global mainstream media – fully confirms the accuracy of our slogan. * The author – Sarah Shamim – compares the number of children killed in the latest Gaza War with that in other conflicts of the last decades (Ukraine, Iraq, Syria, Yemen and Afghanistan). For this, she uses the official figures which have been provided by UN organisation respectively the Ukrainian government.

When the death rate for children is calculated per day, the result is as clear as astonishing. As the table below shows, Israel slaughters many more children than any other power has done in modern times. In average, 136 children have been killed per day in Gaza since 7 October while the comparative figures in other conflicts vacillate between 0,6 and 3 children killed per day.

To avoid any misunderstanding: we have no intention to minimise the cruelty of the reactionary wars of oppression which have been waged in other countries by Russian and American imperialism respectively their local allies. This is why the RCIT has sided with the oppressed peoples in Syria, Ukraine, Iraq, Yemen and Afghanistan and called for the defeat of the foreign invaders and local dictators.

Still, one can not but note the extraordinary bloodthirst of the Zionist state which is focused on killing as many Palestinians as possible. It is evident that Israel is a serial killer of children.

Unsurprisingly, the Israeli army claims that it is only targeting Hamas militants. But this is just another blatant lie – like the "beheaded babies" and the "Hamas missile which killed hundreds at the Al Ahli hospital". Hardly anyone outside of Israel believes such bizarre statements anymore. According to the latest figures published today, the Zionists have killed at least 10,569 killed in Gaza, including 4,324 children, 2,823 women, 649 elderly with another 26,475 wounded. In other words, 76% of all dead are women, children and elderly people.

The composition of those killed suggests that Israel has targeted civilian areas with houses where families live. Hence, one can assume that these families were in most cases accompanied by husbands or fathers and, therefore, most men killed will also have been civilians since most Hamas fighters will have been mobilized in these times and will not stay with their families. In short, only a small proportion of those killed have been militants. It is not the civilians which have been "collateral damage" – what a cynical phrase of imperialist killers! – but rather the other way.

All this is not surprising since it has become well-known that Israel wants to enforce a new Nakba, i.e. another expulsion of the Palestinian people from their homeland. To achieve such goal, Israel must terrorize and humiliate the Palestinian people as much as possible so that the flee in panic.

In fact, such a barbarous policy corresponds to the deeply colonialist and racist nature of the Zionist state. This state believes that its people are "Herremenschen" while the Pal-

estinians and, more generally, the Arabs and Muslims are only "*Untermenschen*". Hence, the Zionists consider themselves entitled to exterminate as many Palestinians as possible and to annihilate their national existence.

It is all the more important in such apocalyptic times, that socialists, democrats and righteous people support the Palestinians and its resistance forces by any means necessary. We must build an international solidarity movement which imposes a comprehensive boycott against the Zionist monster. We have already seen solidarity actions of workers in the U.S., Belgium and Italy to stop the transport of arms to Israel. Likewise, we see a wave of boycott actions in many Muslim countries which are directed against corporations of Western countries supporting the Zionist war against Gaza. Such actions are highly welcome and should be extended to a global boycott movement against the Zionist monster.

Governments in countries which claim to support the cause of the Palestinians must be forced to transform words into deeds and to completely rupture diplomatic and economic relations with Israel.

Finally, let us never forget that it is those imperialist governments of Western countries which like to lecture the world about democracy and human rights; that it is these – and nearly only these! – states which unconditionally support Israel and its mass murder of the Palestinians! It is these – and nearly only these! – states which do not support an immediate ceasefire but send them billions of US-Dollars of military and financial aid! In other words, the U.S. and the Western European states are active supporters of Israeli state terrorism.

The Bible says: "They sow the wind and reap the whirlwind." [Hosea 8:7] I have no doubt that Israel and the Western rulers – who still imagine that they are masters of humanity – will soon have first-hand experience of this basic truth! Victory to the Palestinian resistance! Defeat Israel!

*) Sarah Shamim: Is Israel's Gaza war the deadliest conflict for children in modern times? 7 November 2023, https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2023/11/7/is-israels-gaza-warthe-deadliest-conflict-for-children-in-modern-times

We refer readers to a special page on our website where the RCIT documents on the 2023 Gaza War are compiled: https://www.thecommunists.net/worldwide/africa-and-middle-east/compilation-of-articles-on-the-gaza-uprising-2023/.

Table: Children Killed Per Day

Gaza	136
Ukraine	3
Iraq	2
Syria	1,5
Yemen	0,7
Afghanistan	0,6

Israel Does Not Have the Right to Defend Itself against the Occupied Palestinians

By Yossi Schwartz, Internationalist Socialist League (RCIT Section in Israel /Occupied Palestine), 19.11.2023

Israel and the Western imperialists that support the genocide of the Palestinians in Gaza rely on article 51 of UN Charter that reads: "nothing in the charter shall impair the inherent right of individual or collective self-defense if an armed attack occurs against a member of the United Nations." However, many experts for example Francesca Albanese, UN special rapporteur on human rights in the occupied Palestinian territories, said in an address to the Australian Press Club say that this article applies only when one state is attacking another state and it does not apply to attacking occupied lands by Israel and Gaza under Israeli siege is occupied land.

As Marxists we do not rely on the international law that is protecting the imperialists and their exploitation and oppression of the semi colonies, but on the interest of the oppressed to free themselves. Israel is a settler colonialist society based on the ethnic cleansing of the Palestinians in 1947-8 and in 1967. The entire country was stolen by the Zionists that oppress the Palestinians and in the case of Gaza for the last 16 years the Palestinians in Gaza live in a Ghetto, or open sky prison. They have the right to free themselves and to return to the country. Israel does not respect the UN and its resolutions.

June 20 was World Refugee Day. On that day UN Experts said:

"As we observe World Refugee Day and honor the 75th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights this year, it is imperative to recognize the enduring challenges that continue to impact the treatment of forcibly displaced persons. Within this context, it is particularly important to address the role of countries in the Global North, as the shade of racism, supremacism, patriarchy and the historical legacy of colonial endeavors still heavily influence the approach toward situations of forcibly displaced persons. This reality is all too familiar for the Palestinian people, 75 years since the Nakba – the event that shattered Palestinian lives and severed their ancestral connection to their land during the establishment of the State of Israel. Since then, they have endured forced displacement, dispossession, and disenfranchisement, with their rights to self-determination, restitution, and compensation repeatedly denied. For 75 years, their cry for justice, embodied in the demand for the right to return, has resounded with unwavering determination."

For Palestinians, forced displacement has become part of their life for generations, tracing back to 1947-1949 when over 750,000 Palestinians were forced to flee massacres and mass expulsions and forcible transfers during the birth of the State of Israel. The majority, along with their descendants, are still in neighboring Jordan, Lebanon and Syria, while 40 percent of them remain under occupation in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, since 1967. Progressively, Palestinian exile has scattered them across various nations globally.

Since 1948, both the General Assembly and the Security Council have consistently called upon Israel to facilitate the return of Palestinian refugees and provide reparations. Despite these repeated appeals, Palestinian refugees have been systematically denied their right to return and forced to live in exile under precarious and vulnerable conditions outside the borders of Palestine. The right of return constitutes a fundamental pillar of the Palestinian people's right to self-determination. The fragmentation of the Palestinian people, both geographically and politically, through administrative methods of control based on residency and race, tantamount to apartheid, has obstructed the realization of the right to return and self-determination. These practices serve the settler-colonial project pursued by Israel. [1]

However, Israel backed by Western imperialism and in 1948 backed by Stalinist Russia and its parties ignored resolution 194 (III) calling for the right of return of the Palestinian refugees and any attempt to return is met with Zionist bullets. The resolution is by the General Assembly that says: "refugees wishing to return to their homes and live at peace with their neighbors should be permitted to do so at the earliest practicable date, and that compensation should be paid for the property of those choosing not to return and for loss of or damage to property which, under principles of international law or equity, should be made good by the Governments or authorities responsible" [2]

These refugees including the new one from Gaza that Israel is removing will return with the Arab revolution that will put an end to the Zionist apartheid from the river to the sea.

For Palestine red and free from the river to the sea!

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[1] https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2023/06/right-return-palestinian-refugees-must-be-prioritised-over-political

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The New Nakba Dressed Up as a Humanitarian Gesture

By Yossi Schwartz, Internationalist Socialist League (RCIT Section in Israel /Occupied Palestine), 14.11.2023

anny Denon from the Likud and Ram Ben Barak of the alleged center party Yesh Atid published an article In Wall Street Journal calling on the Western imperialists to accept the refugees from Gaza.

"Last month, the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution calling for an 'immediate, durable, and sustained humanitarian truce' and demanded that all parties allow 'continuous, sufficient, and unhindered' provision of essential supplies and services into the Gaza Strip," the two MKs wrote. "As the war continues, however, UN resolutions are doing nothing tangible to help Gaza's residents." [1]

He says the West should accept Gazan refugees who want to leave:

"Looking at these examples, countries around the world should offer a haven for Gaza residents who seek relocation," they wrote. "Countries can accomplish this by creating well-structured and internationally coordinated relocation programs. Members of the international community can collaborate to provide one-time financial support packages to Gazans interested in moving to help with relocation costs, to ease refugees' acclimation to their new communities."

Not surprised by the intention to create a second Nakba of the native Palestinians no one other than the far right Zionist Smotrich praises the initiative to relocate Gaza refugees outside Gaza.

"I welcome the initiative of willing relocation of Gaza Arabs to countries worldwide," he wrote. "This is the right humanitarian solution for the residents of Gaza and the whole area after 75 years of being poor refugees. The majority of Gaza [residents are] fourth and fifth generations from 1948 refugees who, instead of being rehabilitated long ago like hundreds of millions of refugees around the world, were held hostage in Gaza in poverty and overcrowding and were a symbol of the desire to destroy the State of Israel and of the refugees' return to Jaffa, Haifa, Acre, and Tiberias," Smotrich said his situation has bred hatred for Israel and Jews, "upon which the population in Gaza is raised and educated" and led them to believe that the only solution is the destruction of Israel, he said." [2]

"The small area of the Gaza Strip, which doesn't have any natural resources or independent sources of income, has no chance of independent, economic, and diplomatic existence having such high [population] density long-term," he said."Therefore, the only solution to end the suffering and the pain of Jews and Arabs alike is for countries around the world who truly want what's good for the refugees to accept them along with support and economic aid from the international community, including the State of Israel" [3]

Thus, in an attempt to whitewash the plan for a second Nakba those ugly bastards have exposed the intention of the Zionists toward the Palestinians to spread them around the world to crush their will to be free in their own country stolen by the Zionists. After the Gazans will come the turn of the Palestinian from the West Bank – unless the Zionists will completely be defeated and those who want to live in Palestine will accept a democratic one state solution.

The Zionist apartheid state will not be defeated by the existing Arab Regimes that denounce Israel by words and do nothing to help the Palestinian as they are afraid from their own shadow not to speak of their fear from the masses. The liberation of the Palestinians will be part of the Arab revolution that will throw out these useless figures. As to Hezbollah, if it will not open a full front today it will have to face Israel alone. The liberation of the Palestinians can be achieved only by the strategy of the Permanent Revolution.

In some ways Hamas won this war in the same way that the rebels of Warsaw Ghetto won against the Nazi army or Spartacus won against Rome. In the books of history Hamas's brave war will be remembered after Israel will be thrown to the bins of history and as no one remembers the Roman Marcus Crassus (who defeated Spartacus).

Endnotes:

- [1] https://www.jpost.com/israel-news/article-773163
- [2] Ibid
- [3] ibid

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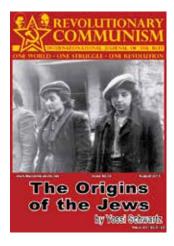
Truce in Gaza War:

A Small but Important Victory for the Palestinian Resistance!

Statement of the Revolutionary Communist International Tendency (RCIT), 23 November 2023 [UTC: 10.00]

- Israel and Hamas have agreed a deal which includes a four-day truce in the war and a substantial increased delivery of humanitarian aid, including medical and fuel supplies, into the besieged Palestinian territory. The deal will see Hamas release 50 women and children held in Gaza, and Israel free 150 Palestinian women and children from its prisons. Fighting will be paused for an additional day for every further 10 captives freed from Gaza. During the period of the truce, Israel will stop military actions in all areas of the Gaza Strip, including the movement of military vehicles. Israeli drones in southern Gaza will stop in these days and they will stop in the north for six hours per day. Israel shall not attack or arrest anyone in all areas of the Gaza Strip during this time. Freedom of movement will be guaranteed along Salah al-Din Road from the north of Gaza to the south. The truce shall start Friday morning.
- 2. The truce comes after Israel waged a genocidal war against Gaza for more than 6 weeks. Relentless bombardment and invasion by the Israeli occupation forces have resulted in at least 13,000 people dead and 6,000 people missing 70% of them are children, women and elderly. Most of the population has been expelled from the north of Gaza. There is no doubt that the Israeli government plans to enforce a new *Nakba*, i.e. to expel the whole Palestinian population from its homeland in Gaza.
- 3. Taking these conditions into account, the *Revolutionary Communist International Tendency* and the *Internationalist Socialist League* (RCIT Section in Israel / Occupied Palestine) consider the truce as a small but important victory for the Palestinian resistance. It represents a political achievement for several reasons. First, it brings, albeit limited, relieve for the traumatised Palestinian population and will allow the resistance fighters to rest and regroup. Second, it was imposed against bitter opposition of the bloodthirsty Zionist regime which rests on the unlimited support of the U.S. the most powerful imperialist state. It is telling that while the Palestinians and its supporters around the world are celebrating the truce, Israel's public opinion is highly critical of the Netanyahu government.
- 4. Third, while the Netanyahu government has announced that it intends to continue the war after the four

- days, it is clear that international pressure on Israel and the U.S. to stop its genocidal war will increase massively. As the vote in the UN General Assembly on an immediate ceasefire with 120 states voting in favour and only Israel, the U.S. and 12 other states against demonstrated, most countries in the world oppose the Zionist massacre in Gaza. Finally, the deal forced Israel and the U.S. (which was strongly involved in the secret negotiations for the deal) to recognise Hamas as a serious force and negotiating partner.
- 5. Why were Israel and the U.S. forced to accept the truce? There are several reasons. First, the Israeli army faced the determined resistance of Hamas, Islamic Jihad, PFLP, DFLP, Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigade, Popular Resistance Committees and other organisations. These fighters heroically defended their people and their homeland with all their strength. Despite sacrificing numerous martyrs and destructions of many tunnels, the resistance in Gaza remains a strong and coherent fighting force.
- Second, Israel's genocidal war has provoked a huge global pro-Palestine solidarity movement - the largest anti-war movement since 2003. They are mobilising millions of people on the streets which puts massive pressure on the U.S., Western Europe, and Australia - the most important supporters of the Zionist terror state. There is hardly any Western country where the majority of the population supports their governments' unlimited support for Israel's war crimes. Likewise, these mobilisations have forced bourgeois governments in the Arab and Muslim states as well as in Latin America and Africa to put pressure on Western powers to stop Israel's war. Countries like Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Honduras, Bahrain, Jordan, Turkey, Chad, South Africa and Belize have already cut - partially or completely - diplomatic relations with Israel. The Western propaganda based on Israel fake reports is weakening the position of U.S. and European imperialism in the Middle East and in the Global South. As a result, Western powers get increasingly isolated as most countries refuse to follow their lead. Hence, Washington and Brussels (rightly) fear that they are losing influence in the Global South while their rivals China and Russia can expand their influence even more. This is even more the case as the BRICS+ states (China, Russia, India, Brazil,



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The Origins of the Jews

By Yossi Schwartz, July 2015

Chapter I: What are the origins of the Jews?

Chapter II: The Rise of Anti-Semitism

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South Africa, Saudi Arabia and UAE, Egypt, Iran, Argentina, Ethiopia,) – an alliance of major emerging economies led by the Chinese and Russian imperialism which seek a greater say in a global order long dominated by the U.S. and its allies – has condemned any kind of forcible transfer and deportation of Palestinians from their own land. It is symbolic that the diplomatic mission of foreign ministers of the Arab League and the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation have first visited Beijing and Moscow before they travelled to Western capitals.

- 7. At the same time, it would be foolish to ignore the limitations of the truce and the remaining huge dangers. The Israeli occupation forces remain in Gaza and the Netanyahu government wants to continue its barbaric war. Hence, a Nakba and the destruction of the resistance factions are still a very acute danger. While the Biden Administration is under massive pressure, it has not decided to force Israel to stop its aggression. Furthermore, even if the Palestinian resistance succeeds in stopping the invasion, the humanitarian disaster requires gigantic efforts. Hundreds of thousands of Palestinian have been made (again) refugees. Large parts of the enclave have been destroyed by Israel and it will take years to rebuild the infrastructure and houses.
- 8. It is impossible to foresee if and when the war will resume. There is a strong possibility that the crisis-ridden Netanyahu government will face a collapse. However, it is also possible that Israel's ruling elite might orchestra a change of government by getting rid of its most famous liar and the extreme right-wing fanatics and replacing it with a more stable "right-wing/centre" government which would continue the war. If the war resumes, it is very likely that the international mass mobilisations and pressure on the U.S. will increase even more. But we can not foresee if such pressure will be enough to stop the Zionist monster before it has finished it murderous job. It is a race against time.

- 9. What can already be said with certainty is that the Western powers have faced a historic political and ideological defeat by exposing themselves in front of the whole world as hypocritical and cynical apologists of a genocide despite their constant reference to "human rights" and "Western values". This disaster will have long-term political repercussions for the of the U.S. and its allies. And what can also be stated is that the war even if Israel would succeed in enforcing a Nakba has resulted in a gigantic politicisation of generations of youth all over the world. This event has produced millions of new fighters for justice and liberation and it has strengthened the cause of anti-Zionism and anti-imperialism more than thousands of books and meetings could ever have done!
- 10. The RCIT and its Section in Israel / Occupied Palestine reiterate their solidarity with the Palestinian people and its heroic resistance struggle. We advocate the military victory of the resistance led by Hamas without lending political support to the program or all tactics of its leadership. We combine such a position with the perspective of smashing the Zionist Apartheid state and the creation of a single Palestinian state from the River to the Sea. Such a state would have a Palestinians majority as it would allow the right of return of all refugees. At the same time, it would guarantee full cultural and religious rights for the Jewish minority. Such a state would have a secular and democratic character and should be a workers and poor peasant republic as part of a socialist federation of the Middle East ("Palestine, red and free from the River to the Sea").

Victory to the Palestinian Resistance! Defeat Israel!

International Bureau of the RCIT Internationalist Socialist League (RCIT Section in Israel / Occupied Palestine)

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Yossi Schwartz: Palestine and Zionism

The History of Oppression of the Palestinian People. A Critical Account of the Myths of Zionism

In *Palestine and Zionism* Yossi Schwartz provides a critical analysis of numerous Zionist myths about the Jews as well as about the Palestinians. He demonstrates that the Zionist claim that Palestine is the historic homeland of the Jews lacks any serious basis. *Palestine and Zionism* shows that the history of Zionism in the 20th century is a history of colonialism in the service of the Great Powers and directed against the native population – the Arabs. In Palestine and Zionism Yossi Schwartz deals with key events – the "Nakba" in 1948, the wars in 1956, 1967 and 1973, more recent events like the Lebanon War, etc. – which were decisive for the expulsion of most Palestinians from their homeland.

Yossi Schwartz also shows that the Palestinian people have heroically resisted against the occupation resulting in two Intifadas as well as the successful defense of Gaza against the Israeli aggression in three wars (2008/09, 2012, 2014). The author also analysis the shameful betrayal by the PLO leadership by signing the Oslo Agreement in 1993.

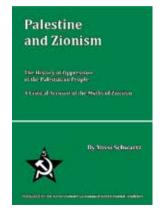
In Palestine and Zionism Yossi Schwartz defends the right of national self-determination for the Palestinian people and outlines

a socialist perspective. He emphasizes that the only solution is the right of millions of Palestinian refugees to return to their homeland and to replace the Zionist entity with one democratic state from the river to the sea – a *Free Red Palestine* with equal civil rights to the Arabs and the Is-

raeli Jews.

The book contains an introduction and 7 chapters (112 pages) and includes 7 Tables and 3 Maps. The author of the book is Yossi Schwartz, a leading member of the Revolutionary Communist International Tendency and its section in Israel / Occupied Palestine..

You can find the contents and download the book for free at https://www.thecommunists.net/theory/palestine-and-zionism/



The Meaning of the UN Vote about a Ceasefire in Gaza

By Michael Pröbsting, RCIT, 28 October 2023

The vote of the United Nations General Assembly about the Gaza War is of extraordinary importance. A number of Arab states introduced a resolution which calls for an "immediate, durable and sustained humanitarian truce" between Israel and Hamas. It also demands "continuous, sufficient and unhindered" provision of lifesaving supplies and services for civilians trapped inside the enclave.

The resolution was adopted by an overwhelming majority with 120 countries voting in favour, 45 abstentions and only 14 states against. An amendment, introduced by Canada and backed by the U.S., that would have condemned Hamas and "the taking of hostages" failed to gain the necessary votes.

As a Marxist revolutionary, I am certainly not inclined to have any illusions about this institution. The UN does not represent the interests of the popular masses but those of the governments of the respective countries. Furthermore, and revealingly, resolutions adopted by the General Assembly – where all countries are represented – are non-binding. It is only decisions adopted by the small 15-members UN Security Council – where five imperialist Great Powers have veto-rights (U.S., China, Russia, France and UK) – which have legally binding consequences.

Still, I consider this resolution as very important in its political meaning. Basically, it represents a major diplomatic blow for Israel and its most important backer, the U.S. When the Zionist Apartheid state began its genocidal war against the Palestinian people in Gaza, Washington and all European powers rallied in unconditional support for the barbarians. They visited Israel and expressed unlimited solidarity with Netanyahu and his serial killer partnersin-crime. The U.S. sent two carrier groups to the region, assigned teams of military advisers to Tel Aviv, and began to deliver vast amounts of ammunition for the Zionist war machinery. They ludicrously denounced Hamas as "worse than ISIS" and started an unprecedented wave of repression against pro-Palestinian solidarity activities in North America and Europe.

Consequently, they tried to rally the "international community" behind their support for Israel's terrorist war. Against widespread demands for a stop of the barbaric onslaught, the Western imperialists backed the efforts of the Netanyahu government to kill as many Palestinians as possible and to crush the armed resistance factions.

However, they have completely failed in this. The UN vote reveals that it is not the Palestinian people which are isolated but Israel and its fanatic supporters in the West!

Beside the Zionist state and the U.S., it was only some small European hard-core friends of Israel (e.g. Austria and Hungary) as well as a number of micro-states which are financially totally dependent on Washington (e.g. Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Fiji) which opposed the ceasefire resolution. Even the European powers and India whose governments have been staunch supporters of the Zionist state either abstained or even voted in favour of the resolution!

This shows in a distorted form that the vast majority of humanity totally rejects Israel's terrorist war against the Palestinian people. It is US demonstrating on the streets in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Palestine who represent the will of the vast majority of humanity! It is THEM – the arrogant Western rulers – who are isolated fanatics supporting the Herrenmenschen in Netanyahu's government!

Furthermore, this vote on the currently most important conflict in world politics is a humiliating defeat for U.S. imperialism and reflects its massive decline as a hegemonic power. Despite huge political and military efforts, Washington could not gain global support for Israel's war. Contrary, it rather pushed the Arab and Muslim countries (as well as many others) away.

The UN vote for a ceasefire will certainly increase the political pressure on the Western powers without which support Israel could not wage its barbaric aggression. However, the slaughter on the ground is continuing. It is decisive that the mass protests – particularly in the Arab and Muslim world as well as in Western countries – continue and increase. Pressure must be put on Arab and other Southern government to end to any "normalization" with the abnormal Apartheid state. There must be actions to sabotage all forms of military and economic support for the Israeli state.

Those governments which claim to support the cause of the Palestinian people must transform words to deeds and send the Palestinian people everything they need, including humanitarian aid as well as arms. And Iran and its allies who were so determined to come to Assad's aid when the tyrant has faced a popular uprising of the Syrian people since 2011 – how long do they want to wait with opening a second front? How many Palestinian children have to be killed before they join the struggle against the Zionist barbarians?!

Comrades, brothers and sisters! Do not hesitate! Rally in support of the heroic Palestinian people!

China's Transformation into an Imperialist Power

Three Pamphlets by Michael Pröbsting (International Secretary of the RCIT)

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Austria: Thousands March in Solidarity with Palestine

Report (with Photos and Videos) from the Demonstration in Vienna on 21 October 2023, Austrian Section of the RCIT

Arab and Muslim migrants, marched in the centre of Vienna on 21 October to show their solidarity with Gaza. It was the largest mobilisation so far since the beginning of the war. This demonstration was another encouraging sign that many people are not intimidated and show their support for the Palestinian people, despite a pro-Israeli hate campaign by an unholy alliance of the government, all parliamentary parties and the media.

The Austrian section of the RCIT participated in the march with a very loud and lively contingent of up to 400 people from various national origins (Palestinians, Syrians, Egyptians, Chechens, Bosnians, Tunisians, Bangladeshi, Austrians and others). Reflecting its international composition, our contingent had at its head – in addition to a banner of our organisation saying "We are all Gaza – Workers Solidarity with Palestine" – flags of Palestine, Free Syria as well as Chechnya.

During the march, Medina Gunić (Avdagić) and Michael

Pröbsting – both leading representatives of the RCIT – addressed the demonstrators in short speeches. We emphasised the necessity to unambiguously side with the Palestinian resistance in their struggle against Israel's war of terror. We said that it is crucial to build an international solidarity movement and to unite activists from different communities on the basis of a joint program of struggle. Furthermore, we stated that the Israeli Apartheid state must be abolished and replaced with a single state "from the river to the sea" on a secular and democratic basis and in which the popular masses – the workers and peasants – hold power in their hands. All Palestinian refugees must have the right to return to their homeland.

The demonstration was a strong signal that the solidarity movement with Palestine continues to gain strength!

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Contingent of the Austrian RCIT section at the pro-Palestine Demonstration in Vienna (21.10.2023); Michael Pröbsting speaks (below)

Israel, War Crimes, Lies, Denial of the Holocaust and the Killing of its own Citizens

By Yossi Schwartz, Internationalist Socialist League (RCIT Section in Israel /Occupied Palestine), 29.10.2023

Gaza. During these years the Zionist army was trained to attack Gaza. During these years the Zionist army attacked time and again Gaza while Hamas did not respond but prepared its answer to this aggression of the war criminals.

"The Chief of Staff, Aviv Kochavi, spoke this morning (Sunday) at the research conference of the Gazit Institute and referred to the firing from the Gaza Strip towards Israel that took place last night. "If stability is maintained in the Gaza Strip until May, these will be the quietest two years in the south. Hamas does not respond to our attacks and does not even consider responding – and tonight we attacked a very significant target of theirs," Kochavi said. In response to the rocket fire into Israeli territory: the IDF attacked Hamas targets in the Gaza Strip. This is the result of a strategy whose main component was the use of force. The trilogy of A black belt – guarding walls and the dawn – created a very strong deterrent in the Gaza Strip," Kochavi continued" [1]

On October 7th Hamas executed its pre-emptive strike. Israel was in shock, no doubt thinking "How dared these primitives act against the fourth strong army and the superior people". The fanatic minister of war Galant called the Palestinian freedom fighters "sub-human" and he and Netanyahu stated that in this war the Israeli army will destroy Hamas. However, the war by the Zionist apartheid state has been not against Hamas as much as a war of genocide against the Palestinians aiming at a second Nakaba.

To justify this new genocide the Zionist state spreads lies and gross lies that it is not difficult to see that they are lies.

The Zionist chain of lies

1. Hamas ordered to kill civilians

While Hamas ordered his fighters to kill soldiers, officers and policemen, and capture Israelis and bring them to Gaza, Israel claims that Hamas ordered its fighters to kill civilians. Why should Hamas kill people it needs in order to exchange them with Palestinian prisoners in the hands of Israel? It is difficult to know how many civilians the angry Gazans that lived under siege and suffered loss of thousands of people Israel murdered in the four previous wars on Gaza, how many of the fighters under command not to kill civilians but capture killed, and how many were killed by the Israeli army itself.

2. Killing 40 babies

Israel claims that Hamas murdered 40 babies as in "Ac-cording to NBC "A series of shocking reports have spread horrific

claims of baby beheadings by Hamas militants across social and mainstream media in recent days, adding a particularly incendiary element to an already violent and bitter war. But the reports are still unconfirmed, and in some cases have been retracted. The most high-profile claim came Wednesday night when President Joe Biden said that he had seen photographic evidence of terrorists beheading children. The White House later clarified that Biden was referring to news reports about beheadings, which have not included or referred to photographic evidence" [2]

As a matter of fact, the origin of this horrible lie is i24 reporter a Zionist American settler in the channel controlled by Netanyahu, a known liar. The Zionists including Biden that felt humiliated, were ready to believe and spread this lie.

It is clear that this criminal if he was alive at the last part of the 19th century would justify the genocide of the Indian in the Indian wars and if he was alive before the civil war, he would justify the slavery of the Black people. The Black American understand it and side with the Palestinians. Angela Davis, a famous social activist, explained the connection between the most reactionary section of American society and Israel in an interview with Al Jazeera on Saturday.

3. The bombing of Al Ahli hospital

After bombing the hospital and killing at least 500 civilians Israel blamed the Islamic Jihad. According to this lie the Jihad hiding in a cemetery fired at a garage behind the hospital and this Israel claims can be proven by a telephone call between a Jihad and Hamas.

It was proven that there is no cemetery behind the hospital, the bomb hit the courtyard of the hospital and the telephone call between the claimed Hamas and Jihad is made up by Israel.

4. The lie about the Al Shifa hospital.

Israel claims that the headquarters of Hamas is under the hospital. If it was true Hamas would take the Israeli prisoners to the claimed headquarters and inform the whole world about it. The purpose of this lie is to bomb the hospital. You have to be a stupid or politically blind not to understand it.

The Zionist war crimes

In addition to bombing hospitals, schools and health workers, starving the population and killing journalists, killing around 8000 people about half children, Israel has destroyed the mass communication system in Gaza to al-

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Ukraine War and Inter-Imperialist Rivalry

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low this apartheid state to commit more war crimes.

"This communications blackout means that it will be even more difficult to obtain critical information and evidence about human rights violations and war crimes being committed against Palestinian civilians in Gaza, and to hear directly from those experiencing the violations," Erika Guevara Rosas, senior director of research, advocacy, policy and campaigns, said in a statement on Friday. Deborah Brown, the senior technology and human rights researcher at Human Rights Watch, said the blackout risked "providing cover for mass atrocities and contributing to impunity for human rights violations Cindy McCain, executive director of the UN World Food Programme, said on Twitter, now X, that the WFP has "lost contact" with its Gaza teams" [3]

Israel told the people who live in the North of the enclave to move to the south to save their lives. However, the Zionist criminals are bombing in the South as well.

The denial of the Jewish Holocaust

The worst denier of the Jewish genocide of the Jews by the Nazis and their helpers are the Zionist state and its backers the western imperialists.

"You fought the Nazis 80 years ago... Hamas are the new Nazis." Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu tells UK Prime Minister Rishi Sunak that Israel's fight against Hamas is "the battle of the entire civilized world." [4]

According to the Times of Israel: "The first comparisons between the Holocaust and massacres perpetrated by Hamas terrorists on October 7 were made during the attacks themselves, when some Israelis invoked the Shoah as they hid from terrorists on a genocidal rampage." [5]

If these cheap propagandists are right and the fight of the oppressed against the oppressors is what was the Jewish Shoah then the Nazis were fighting the Jewish oppressors. Luckily enough there are American and European Jews demonstrating against the Zionist war criminals who say: "Not in our name".

If the number of dead children is the litmus test for who won, this war then Israel won it. If we judge by aims, then Hamas won. Israel declared that it would destroy Hamas. Hamas has been fighting to put Palestine on the center of the political map.

The killing of the Israeli prisoners in Gaza

It is difficult to know how many Israelis Hamas is holding in Gaza and how many of them were killed by the bombing of the Zionist state. A few days ago, Hamas informed the world that Israel in its bombing killed 50 Israelis. The families of these prisoners begin to understand that the bombing by the Zionist criminals is killing their relatives and demand exchange of all Hamas prisoners for all the Israeli prisoners. They were told by Netanyahu, Galant and Gantz that only a heavy bombing of Gaza will save their relatives. Unfortunately for them they hugged and kissed Netanyahu and his wife instead of calling the Israelis to demonstrate for immediate ceasefire and exchange of prisoners.

The great Israeli plays writer Hanoch Levin in his play the Queen of the Bathtub in which he attacks the Zionist society where parents send their children to death wrote "He who sees the dead has nothing to say, he cuts his losses and walks away".

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Books of the RCIT

Yossi Schwartz: The Zionist Wars

A History of the Zionist Movement and Imperialist Wars

In *The Zionist Wars* Yossi Schwartz gives an overview about the process of Zionist colonialization of Palestine as well as the resistance of the indigenous Arab population. He deals in detail with the popular struggles of the Palestinians against their expulsion by the Zionists. *The Zionist Wars* elaborates in detail the character of Israel's military campaigns in 1948 and the following decades which resulted in the expulsion of large parts of the Palestinian population. These wars were also crucial to implement the imperialist subjugation of the Arab countries.

However, as Yossi Schwartz elaborates, the Zionist state has passed its peak already some time ago which has been demonstrated by its failed military campaigns in Lebanon as well as in Gaza.

In *The Zionist Wars* the author also discusses in much detail the program of the communist movement on the Palestinian question. He shows the adaptation and finally capitulation of Stalinism to the Zionist project – culminating in massive arms shipments for the Israeli forces during the War of 1948.

In this book Yossi Schwartz elaborates the analyses and conclusions of Leon Trotsky and the Fourth International for the libera-

tion of Palestine. He also discusses the strength and weakness of his successors in dealing with the Zionist state and the Arab liberation struggle against it.

In *The Zionist Wars* Yossi Schwartz defends the national liberation struggle of the Palestinian people

and outlines a socialist perspective. The book contains an introduction and 20 chapters (136 pages) and includes 2 Tables and 4 Maps. The author of the book is Yossi Schwartz, a leading member of the Revolutionary Communist International Tendency and its section in Israel / Occupied Palestine..

You can find the contents and download the book for free at https://www.thecommunists.net/theory/the-zionist-wars/



Israel is Losing the War Militarily, Politically, Diplomatically and Economically

By Yossi Schwartz, Internationalist Socialist League (RCIT Section in Israel /Occupied Palestine), 04.11.2023

In the division of work among the imperialists, Israel as Shimon Peres the former PM and President of the Zionist Apartheid state has said, is an important strategic asset of the West: "Hanit in the Hebrew word meaning spearhead. That word explains why Israel is a vital strategic asst not just to Great Britain, but to the West as a whole" [1]

That is why Netanyahu said during the war on Gaza we fight also for the West.

"Israel needs global support in its military campaign to oust Hamas from Gaza to safeguard both Israel and the Western world, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told his government on Monday at its weekly meeting. Israel needs global support in its military campaign to oust Hamas from Gaza to safeguard both Israel and the Western world, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told his government on Monday at its weekly meeting. "We've made it clear that we are not only fighting our war, but also their war; because if Hamas is not defeated, then the axis of evil will win," Netanyahu said.'ve made it clear that we are not only fighting our war, but also their war; because if Hamas is not defeated, then the axis of evil will win," Netanyahu said" [2]

But in this war on Gaza, Israel has turned out to be a very poor and expensive asset. A small Palestinian fighter force that can be combined between 10,000-50,000 freedom fighters has been fighting what was assumed to be the fourth stronger army in the world for a month and Israel has not won any significant victory.

Hamas has destroyed the myth that the Zionist army is unbeatable. The American Imperialists that believed the myth had to send Israel 14.5 billion dollars and experts to direct the Zionist army.

Today the right-wing Zionist daily is proving the above. It says even if the Israeli army won some fights: "But even if they are achieving their daily tactical objectives and even if they say their success is moving faster than they expected, it is extremely unclear how much fundamental progress has been made in toppling Hamas regarding many key parameters".

"To date, about a week into the invasion and despite its many successes, the IDF is far from having killed or arrested the vast majority of Hamas's forces. It also has not succeeded in even slowing, let alone eliminating, its rocket fire on either the Gaza border communities or the Tel Aviv area. In addition, the IDF—and the country—suffered a reeling blow this week when dozens of soldiers were killed in Gaza." [3]

Thus, instead of showing to the Western imperialists that Israel is guarding their control of the region and save them money by using Israeli soldiers Netanyahu had to beg: "Israel needs global support in its military campaign to oust Hamas from Gaza to safeguard both Israel and the Western world, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu told his government on Monday at its weekly meeting" [4]

Against 120 states that have called for immediate ceasefire while only 14 states opposed it (Western imperialists mainly), Biden in his last statement said that Israel has at

Argentina: Massive Mobilisation in Support of the Palestinian People

By Convergencia Socialista (Argentine section of the CCRI), 02.11.2023

n November 2, a massive rally took place in Argentina in solidarity with the Palestinian people. Thousands of protesters from human rights organizations, leftwing parties and unions demonstrated in front of the Argentine parliament building, calling for an end to the bombings and killings perpetuated by Zionism in Gaza.

Convergencia Socialista, the Argentine section of the CCRI, participated together with a group of organizations, with which we have initiated a campaign to break relations with the colonialist State of Israel.



Joint Contingent of the Argentinean section of the RCIT and other organisation which call for the boycott of Israel at a pro-Palestine demonstration (Buenos Aires, 25.10.2023)

most two weeks before humanitarian pause. The same message was delivered by the American secretary of state: US Secretary of State Antony Blinken pushed for a mechanism to allow for a series of humanitarian "pauses" to the Gaza War while in Israel on Friday, as Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu insisted that any such step must be accompanied by the release of hostages. We need to do more to protect Palestinian civilians," Blinken told reporters in Tel Aviv on Friday, in what he said was his fourth visit since the start of the Gaza War on October 7" [5] [6]

But it may be too late for the U.S. By now all the masses in the Arab and Muslim countries and in Latin America and Asia are aware that it is possible to win a war against the imperialists and the process of boycott of Israel by the 120 states that called for the immediate ceasefire has begun.

This is the biggest defeat that Israel has suffered. If the

number of Zionist soldiers dead in the war with the resistance will pass the 1000 the Israelis will be desperate and clinically depressed. If the number reaches tens of thousands, they will begin to run away. Already 7000 Russian Israelis escaped Israel.

Israel has spent probably 2 billion dollars so far and 760,000 workers have lost their work due to the war so soon Israel will beg for more money.

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Argentina: Mass March in Support of Palestine

Report by Convergencia Socialista (RCIT Section in Argentina), 26.10.2023

his 25 October, a massive march was held in Argentina in support of the Palestinian people, with the slogans: "stop the Zionist genocide", "enough of occupation, right of return", "for the release of Palestinian prisoners", "imperialism out Middle Eastern." Called by human rights organizations and all left-wing parties, the mobilization went from the headquarters of the Argentine parliament to the embassy of the Zionist State of Israel.

The police mounted an exaggerated security operation around the Embassy, so that the demonstrators could not get closer than two blocks to the embassy.

Convergencia Socialista (the Argentinean section of the CCRI) organized a joint contingent with other organizations, MTR, TORRE, People's Assemblies and PSTU, behind a common flag that demanded that the Argentine state break relations with Israel.



Joint Contingent of the Argentinean section of the RCIT and other organisation which call for the boycott of Israel at a pro-Palestine demonstration (Buenos Aires, 25.10.2023)

Break the diplomatic relations with the Zionist Apartheid

By Yossi Schwartz, Internationalist Socialist League (RCIT Section in Israel /Occupied Palestine), 02.11.2023

When the informed that Bolivia cut its relations with Israel and Chile and Colombia returned their ambassadors. This is likely the beginning of a new stage in the war of national liberation of the Palestinians leading to total embargo on Israel. This is what happened to South Africa apartheid and this is likely to happen to the Zionist monster in spite of the current support of the Western imperialists. The ruling classes in the imperialist states supported South African apartheid almost until the end but they also for their own interests supported the boycott on South Africa.

It is necessary to put pressure on all the two hundred

states that voted for ceasefire now to act and cut their relations with Israel. This is the time to put pressure on the Arab states to end the Abraham accord and to throw out the Western imperialists and first of all the U.S from the Middle East.

These imperialist states support the war crimes of Israel that killed close to 9000 people in Gaza and more than 100 people in the West Bank in the last three weeks.

Netanyahu is a paranoid narcissist who wants a long war. As long the war continues, he stays in power. The Israelis are prisoners of their own Zionist racist consciousness and Netanyahu play with them as Niro the Roman Caesar

Brazil: Lula Government must Break Relations with Israel!

By Corrente Comunista Revolucionária (Brazilian section of RCIT), 12 November 2023

Several hundred people, including progressive parties, demonstrated in the city of São Paulo, on November 12, to show their support for the Palestinian people in Gaza. The demonstration was organized by Fepal-Brazilian Palestine Arab Federation.

The Brazilian section of CCRI/RCIT participated in the demonstration. We call for an immediately end to the genocide that is currently taking place in Gaza, for the defence of the resistance of the Palestinian people, that the Lula government immediately break Brazil's diplomatic relations with the Zionist Apartheid State of Israel For a free and democratic Palestine from the River to the Sea!



Demonstrators at the pro-Palestine march in Sao Paolo (12.11.2023)

London: Third Palestinian March against Genocide in Gaza

By Laurence Humphries, RCIT Britain, 28 October 2023

bout half a million people marched from the Embankment in London to Downing Street. The majority composition of the march were Arab, Palestinian and Muslim migrants.

Many were chanting "Free Palestine" and "From the River to the Sea - Palestine Will Be Free" and denounced Israel as an Apartheid state. Participants were calling for a ceasefire and an end to hostilities between Israel and Palestine. Many carried banners or draped themselves in the Palestinian flag.

There were over 1,000 police present with two police helicopters overhead photographing participants There were also tactically armed Police.

Militants of the RCIT handed out many leaflets – in English and Arab language – calling for a stop of a new Nabka and support for the heroic Palestinian resistance. It was noticeable that there were no trade union banners on the march. The march ended at Downing Street where they were addressed by Labour MP's mostly of Muslim origin.



Demonstrators at the pro-Palestine march in London (28.10.2023)

played on the plebeian masses. Only breaking with Zionism will help the Israeli Jews and this will be the result of the Arab revolution possibly combined with total defeat and isolation of Israel.

In time of genocide by the Zionist apartheid state and the beginning of breaking relation with Israel, the right centrist Israeli "Socialist struggle" the section of the ISA is equating the genocide by Israel to the national liberation struggle by Hamas and is calling for the right of self-determination for the Zionist Israelis.

"Solidarity with those who lost their loved ones and with ordinary women from all communities, on both sides of the fence, who face the horrors of war and massacres. The heart of the failure: the arrogance of the "conflict management" policy and the normalization of the occupation and the siege led to war. A struggle is needed to stop the deterioration and end the siege, the occupation and poverty, as part of a struggle for a root solution to the rounds of conflict within the framework of socialist change, on the basis of guaranteeing equal rights to existence, self-determination and living in dignity and well-being" [1]

Hadash (The Stalinist front) like a true liberal is calling for a cease fire for humanitarian reasons without supporting Hamas militarily, nor the struggle for national liberation and the establishment of a Palestinian state from the river to the sea as a worker state and part of a socialist federation in the region. Like "Socialist Struggle" it is for two states based on the rotten Oslo agreement aimed at ending

the Intifada. It is the mantra of the imperialists that support Israel, and unlike "Socialist Struggle" it is calling for a mini-Palestinian state alongside the Zionist apartheid imperialist state on 80% of Palestine. Like "socialist Struggle" it does not even mention the right of the Palestinian refugees to return to the homeland [2]

The solution is a Palestinian state from the river to the sea rule by the working class supported by the fellahin. A state to which the Palestinian refugees will return and the Jewish minority will have civil rights.

The ISL is calling for a ceasefire in support of the Palestinian fighters and the people of Gaza. We also call for prisoners swept for the same reason.

Break the diplomatic relation with the Zionist Apartheid! For exchange of all prisoners!

For cease fire now!

For Palestine red and free from the river to the sea!

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Austria: Rally in Support of Gaza

Report (with Photos and Videos) from a Rally in Vienna on 28 October 2023, Austrian Section of the RCIT

bout 1,000 people demonstrated in the centre of Vienna on 28 October to show their solidarity with the Palestinian people in Gaza. This is remarkable because the protestors, the vast majority of them Arab and Muslim migrants, assembled despite the fact that the police had banned several rallies in the days before. Furthermore, this rally was organised by a single person with no organisation behind her.

As Amila, the organiser, explained in her speech, the rally was only allowed by the police under the condition that the slogan "From the River to the Sea, Palestine will be free" must not be chanted. This anti-democratic censor reflects the massive pressure by the political elite in Austria (and the whole of Europe) which totally supports Israel's war

of terror against the Palestinian people.

Michael Pröbsting, International Secretary of the RCIT, was the first speaker at the rally. He explained that the vote of the UN General Assembly in favour of an immediate ceasefire reflects the global condemnation of Israel's barbarous attack and the isolation of the fanatic supporters of the Zionist state. However, given the impotent nature of the UN, it is crucial to continue mass mobilisations on the streets until we can stop the slaughter. He also sent greetings to the people of Gaza and the heroic resistance forces defending their land.

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Rally in Solidarity with Palestine (Vienna, 28 October 2023); Michael Pröbsting speaks (below)

Another Extraordinary Pro-Palestine Demonstration in Mexico City

By Jorge Arboleda, CCRI México, October 30, 2023

ast Saturday, October 28, a second march in solidarity with Palestine was held in Mexico City that far surpassed the historic demonstration that took place on Sunday the 22nd. This time approximately 15 thousand people filled the streets between the Angel of Independence and the Zócalo calling for an end to the Israeli attacks on the Gaza Strip, as well as the West Bank.

The slogans "It is not a war, it is genocide" and "From the river to the sea, Palestine will win" were heard. The march was called by more than 50 organizations and culminated in a rally in front of the city cathedral and the National Palace. An altar was also made in commemoration of the more than 8,000 Palestinians murdered since October 7 and from the rally a new day of struggle was called for next weekend including a new march on next Sunday at 4 p.m. on the same route.

From our balance as RCIT Mexico we consider it a great advance in solidarity actions that the march has been so crowded, despite the fact that in Mexico a phenomenon of great magnitude has just occurred that occupies the solidarity of the people nationally, such as the impact of Hurricane Otis in Guerrero. This is a sign of the solidarity that the entire world is giving with the Palestinian people and

the anger caused by the war of extermination carried out by Zionist imperialism.

These actions must continue so that the oppressed of the world keep pressing for a ceasefire and justice for the Palestinian people. From Mexico we still have to demand that the government break diplomatic and military relations with Israel, remembering that: 1) Tomás Zerón, one of the architects of the "historical truth" that the government created when our 43 fellow students from Ayotzinapa were disappeared by the state, is a fugitive there, and whom the Israeli government refuses to extradite; 2) that Israel sells the Mexican army spy technology that they have used to intimidate journalists and activists; and 3) that the Mexican company Cemex builds surveillance stations and the walls with which Israel segregates and maintains control over the Palestinian population in the West Bank. Faced with these demands, the Mexican government has avoided making any type of statement.

We join the next day of struggle hoping that solidarity will continue to overflow in Mexico and throughout the world for the good of the Palestinian people and for the good of their liberation struggle.





Demonstrators at the pro-Palestine march in Mexico City (28.10.2023)

Gaza War 2023: Interview with Michael Pröbsting on Arab Television Channel of TRT

Report by the RCIT, 18 October 2023

ichael Pröbsting, the RCIT's International Secretary, was interviewed by the Arab television channel of TRT (Turkish Radio and Television Corporation). This is the national public broadcaster of Türkiye.

He was asked about his assessment of the consequences of the horrible Israeli strike of the Al-Ahli hospital in Gaza City as well as about his view of the role of European governments in this war.

Michael Pröbsting spoke in English language and his answers were translated in Arab language. The interview lasted for 9 minutes.



Syria: Rally against the Atrocities of the Assad Regime

Report (with Photos and Videos) from a Rally in Vienna on 7 and 8 October 2023, Austrian Section of the RCIT

The "Free Syrian Community Austria" organised a rally in the centre of Vienna which was combined with a photo exhibition about the atrocities of the Assad dictatorship. Numerous pictures demonstrated the true nature of the tyrannic regime and its devastating impact for the Syrian people.

The rally was addressed by Abdulhkeem Alshater, the leader of the association "Free Syrian Community Austria". He pointed to the cynical policy of the so-called "international community" which stood back in all the years when the Syrian people have fought for their freedom.

Medina Avdagić, spokesperson of the RCIT, held a speech in which she denounced the barbaric Assad regime and called people to support the liberation struggle of the Syrian people. Comrade Michael Pröbsting, International Secretary of the RCIT, also spoke at the rally. He condemned the Assad tyranny and reiterated our support for the ongoing Syrian Revolution which started in March 2011. Michael also pointed to the new wave of mass protests in the south of Syria since August this year.

Furthermore, the rally was also addressed by Hannah, a Bosnian solidarity activist, as well as a Ukrainian representative.

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Rally in Solidarity with the Syrian people (Vienna, 7 October 2023); Michael Pröbsting speaks (right)

On the 10th Anniversary of the Rabaa Massacre in Egypt: Interview with Michael Pröbsting on Arab Satellite TV Channels

Report by the RCIT's Media Team, 21 August 2023

ichael Pröbsting, the RCIT's International Secretary, gave an interview which was aired by two Arab-language satellite channel – WATAN TV and AL-SHOUB TV. This interview, which lasted just under four minutes, was part of a TV show in which a number of prominent scholars and activists spoke about the 10th Anniversary of the Rabaa Massacre in Egypt. On 14 August 2013, the military dictatorship of General Sisi carried out a horrendous bloodbath which resulted in the death of up to 2,600 demonstrators on a single day. Michael also spoke about the prospects of the regime in Egypt and the need to bring it down by a popular uprising. WATAN TV and AL-SHOUB TV are prominent satellite TV channels which air their shows in many countries.

The interview with Michael Pröbsting is in English with sub-titles in Arab language.

The interview can be watched below or on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZcSUOfX6RMg

On Twitter: https://twitter.com/AlshoubTv/status/1690338739577389056

On Facebook: https://fb.watch/myHieCdKO8/

A brief summary of the whole TV Show can be viewed below or on Facebook: https://fb.watch/mwgveenFIX/



Interview with Michael Pröbsting on WATAN TV and AL-SHOUB TV

Balance Sheet of the Elections in Argentina

Report by Convergencia Socialista (RCIT Section in Argentina), 27.10.2023

Tith some surprise, Sergio Massa, the official candidate of Peronism, who is also minister of economy, won the first round of general election for president of the nation. However, as most polls predicted, he will have to go to a second round, a runoff, against the right-wing populist candidate, Javier Milei, since Massa did not obtain the ten-point difference, necessary to retain the presidency in the first electoral round.

Masa won the election despite inflation exceeding 140% year-on-year and a series of corruption scandals by leading government officials.

This was fundamentally due to the fact that Massa, directly or indirectly, helped Milei grow in popularity. There is also evidence that he provided him with people to complete his lists, with the aim of subtracting votes from the other faction of the bosses' opposition, the front led by Mauricio Macri, since the candidate of "Freedom Advances" (Milei) contests the same electoral space.

For us, this change in the electoral result is not a setback or a change in the main tendencies in the mass movement, because both electoral results have a common element, the vote against the adjustment.

In the primary elections in August this year, a part of the masses, including a fraction of the workers, used the candidate Milei as a tool to punish the government, responsible for the current hardships, inflation and growing poverty.

In the last elections, a large part of the people voted, contradictorily, for Sergio Massa, to stop the threat of a major adjustment, embodied in the figure of Milei, with the threat of privatization of public services, including education, which in Argentina is free.

With a high degree of absenteeism in the elections, blank votes, a percentage of votes to the left and the main candidates with less than 40% of the votes, the next government, which will probably be Peronist, will have very little legitimacy. Hence, it will be a weak government, in the midst of an economic crisis that has no short-term solution.

Faced with this situation and a second election that will be contested only by bourgeois parties, from *Convergencia Socialista* we call to blank vote, that is, not to give support to any candidate of the bourgeoisie.

That is why we also call on the rest of the left in Argentina, mainly the FITu, to promote a unitary campaign for the blank vote.

In this way, the left will gain authority to lead future conflicts and mobilizations against the government that takes office, since either of the two will comply with the payment of the external debt and the IMF adjustment plan.

Books of the RCIT

Michael Pröbsting: Anti-Imperialism in the Age of Great Power Rivalry

The Factors behind the Accelerating Rivalry between the U.S., China, Russia, EU and Japan. A Critique of the Left's Analysis and an Outline of the Marxist Perspective

In *Anti-Imperialism in the Age of Great Power Rivalry* Michael Pröbsting analyses the accelerating rivalry between the imperialist Great Powers – the U.S., China, EU, Russia, and Japan. He shows that the diplomatic rows, sanctions, trade wars, and military tensions between these Great Powers are not accidental or caused by a mad man in the White House. They are rather rooted in the fundamental contradictions of the capitalist system. This rivalry is a key feature of the current historic period and could, ultimately, result in major wars between these Great Powers.

Anti-Imperialism in the Age of Great Power Rivalry demonstrates the validity of the Marxist analysis of modern imperialism. Using comprehensive material (including 61 Tables and Figures), Michael Pröbsting elaborates that a correct understanding of the rise of China and Russia as new Great Powers is crucial for assessing the character of the current inter-imperialist rivalry.

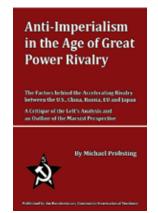
In Anti-Imperialism in the Age of Great Power Rivalry Michael Pröbsting critically discusses the analysis of modern imperialism by a number of left-wing parties (left social democrats, Stalinists, Trotskyists and others). He demon-

strates that most of these organizations fail to understand the nature of the Great Power rivalry and, consequently, are not able to take an internationalist and revolutionary stance.

The author elaborates the approach of leading Marxist figures like Lenin, Trotsky and Luxemburg to the prob-

lems of Great Power rivalry and imperialist aggression against oppressed peoples. He outlines a Marxist program for the current period which is essential for anyone who wants to change the world and bring about a socialist future.

The book contains an introduction and 29 chapters plus an appendix (412 pages) and includes 61 figures and tables. The author of the book is Michael Pröbsting who serves as the International Secretary of the RCIT.



Argentina: Elections and Prospects for the Working Class

By Damián Quevedo, Convergencia Socialista (RCIT Section in Argentina), 21.11.2023

n November 19, the second electoral round was held in Argentina and the result was a resounding defeat for Peronism, the party that is in government today.

With the participation of 76% of the voters, the La Libertad Avanza candidate was elected president today for the period 2023-2027. He obtained 55.69% of the votes in the second round of the elections (14,476,462 votes) against the 44.30% obtained by the candidate of Unión por la Patria, Sergio Massa (11,516,142 votes).

The elected president – the liberal and far-right Javier Milei – takes power in a more than complex situation, with inflation of more than 150% annually, without a majority in parliament and without his own governors in the provinces.

Milei did not only significantly moderate his much more incendiary speech during the first stage of the campaign, but was forced to ally with former president Mauricio Macri, whose party imploded after the first election.

It will, ultimately, be a shared government between Milei, the elected president, and Macri, the former president who will provide a large part of his officials for ministerial positions.

The new government that will take office in December will be extremely weak. This is mainly because it can barely rest on 30% of their own votes, since in the second election the masses voted against the current government, but not in support of Milei's political program. Furthermore, the economic crisis persists and it has neither a majority in parliament nor authority over the union bureaucrats.

The working class of Argentina, even the faction that voted for Milei to punish Peronism, will soon come out to fight against the adjustment and the permanent lower salary that inflation means.

The left must put itself at the forefront of these next struggles. But to do so it must definitively break with Peronism and show itself to the workers as a true alternative to the crisis and misery that capitalism produces.

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Michael Pröbsting: The Great Robbery of the South

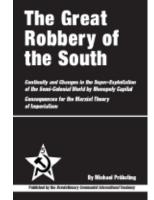
Continuity and Changes in the Super-Exploitation of the Semi-Colonial World by Monopoly Capital. Consequences for the Marxist Theory of Imperialism

The RCIT is proud to announce the publication of a book called *THE GREAT ROBBERY OF THE SOUTH*. The book's subtitle is: *Continuity and Changes in the Super-Exploitation of the Semi-Colonial World by Monopoly Capital*. Consequences for the Marxist Theory of Imperialism. The book is in Englishlanguage. It has 15 chapters, 448 pages and includes 139 Tables and Figures. The author of the book is *Michael Pröbsting* who is the International Secretary of the RCIT.

In *The Great Robbery of the South* Michael Pröbsting analyses the super-exploitation and oppression of the semi-colonial world (often referred to as the "Third World") by the imperialist powers and monopolies. He shows that the relationship between the small minority of rich capitalist countries and the huge majority of mankind living in the semi-colonial world forms one of the most important elements of the imperialist world system we are living in. The Great Robbery of the South shows that the past decades have been a complete confirmation of the validity of Lenin's theory of imperialism and its programmatic conclusions. *The Great Robbery of the South* demonstrates the important changes in the relationship between the imperialist and the semi-colonial countries. Using comprehensive material (including 139 Tables and Figures), Michael Pröbsting elaborates that never before

has such a big share of the world capitalist value been produced in the South. Never before have the imperialist monopolies been so dependent on the super-exploitation of the semi-colonial world. Never before has migrant labor from the semi-colonial world played such a significant role for the capitalist value production in the imperialist countries. Never before has the huge majority of the world working class lived in the South – outside of the old imperialist metropolises.

In *The Great Robbery of the South* Michael Pröbsting argues that a



correct understanding of the nature of imperialism as well as of the program of permanent revolution which includes the tactics of consistent anti-imperialism is essential for anyone who wants to change the world and bring about a socialist future.

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