

Imperialism is behind the siege against the Palestinians; we are all Palestinian!

Since 1947-8 hundreds of thousands of Palestinians were driven from their homes by the fascist Zionist forces; over 192 Palestinian villages were destroyed. The ongoing genocide against Palestinians (still continuing today) has been one of the longest in human history. The UN legitimized this genocide against and expulsion of Palestinians by creating the artificial state of Israel. The handful of parasites, the monopoly capitalists, some of whom are gathered today in the Fortune gathering at the CTICC, are responsible for this ongoing genocide and for many years keeping Palestinians in open air prisons and concentration camps, stretching from Gaza to the West bank to the concentration camps in Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and elsewhere. Despite idle phrases and 'resolutions' that Palestinian refugees should be allowed to return home, the UN does nothing to enforce this, thus becoming co-complicit in the genocide against the Palestinians. The imperialist representatives on the security council of the UN, the ones who are really in control, not only oppose the return of the Palestinian refugees but do everything to make them give up their right of return; further they allow fascist Israel to continue with massacres against Palestinians, funding and arming them.

Jonathan Oppenheimer, representative of the gangster JP Morgan Chase, is present. De Beers (JP Morgan Chase and co) control the diamond trade and sustain fascist Israel by channelling much of the world's diamonds via it. Diamonds make up over 20% of Israel's imports and 33% of its exports. Not a single diamond is mined in Israel. JP Morgan Chase thus supports a state based on genocide against Palestinians. Jonathan Oppenheimer is a director of Umicore which is known to smuggle cassiterite from the DRC. The Oppenheimers and JP Morgan Chase are thus complicit in blood minerals from the DRC, where over 6 million people have been killed since 1998. Ironically, De Beers and the JP Morgan Chase gangsters are in control of the so-called Kimberley process, supposed to weed out blood diamonds, but in reality helping to maintain their control on the world diamond market. This is like asking Al Capone to head up a task force to wipe out the mafia. Shell is responsible for the dispossession of land of the Ogoni people in the Niger Delta but they dare set foot here, seeking further misfortune for the masses.

Citibank, Deutsche bank and other imperialist representatives are gathered in Cape Town to plan the further plunder of the African masses. These imperialists are responsible for starving the world's masses and for turning Zimbabwe into a slave camp, while they plunder the diamonds, gold, platinum, cotton and tobacco, there. Not surprising is the leading role of the ANC-SACP government in the Fortune conference; they are the lackeys of imperialism, prepared to act with an iron fist against any working class resistance to capitalism imperialism. While the SA government was forced by the pressure of the working class to temporarily recall its ambassador to Israel after the brutal murder of 19 unarmed activists on the Gaza Aid convoy, their true colours emerge when they welcome these capitalist gangsters with open arms on our shores. While the workers of the world are forced to have their

wages and conditions cut, to bail out the capitalists, the Wall Street gangsters cancelled USD 42 billion in loans to fascist Israel.

- We call for the workers of the world to declare any diamond from Israel to be a blood diamond! We call for workers to block any product to and from fascist Israel!
- We call for international worker brigades to be sent to Egypt to start to mobilise for the tearing down of the Palestinian 'Berlin wall', starting with the Rafah border; we call for the tearing down of the wall in and around the West Bank, for the tearing down of the hundreds of checkpoints and artificial barriers against Palestinians!
- We call for the unconditional right of return of all Palestinian refugees!

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