

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNIST MOVEMENT SOLIDARITY STATEMENTS WITH THE PALESTINIAN STRUGGLE



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Condemn Israel, US for genocidal war against Palestinian people

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The Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP) condemns in the strongest terms the genocidal war against the Palestinian people being waged by Israel goaded by the US imperialists.

Israel's relentless missile attacks and aerial bombardment of Gaza have targeted homes, hospitals, media offices and commercial establishments, killing more than 2,300 Palestinians, more than 720 of whom are children. More than 20,000 homes have been destroyed by Israeli bombs, even as it has cut off electricity and water to the city. More than 300,000 people have been forced to flee their homes, as Israel seeks to reoccupy the Palestinian land. The brutality of Israel's attacks are matched only by the racist and xenophobic rhetoric employed by its officials against the Palestinians.

Israel's attacks are grossly disproportionate to the armed offensives staged last October 7 by the armed wing of the Hamas, and are a brazen violation of international humanitarian law and civilized laws of war.

The CPP joins the international community in condemning the US imperialists for extending military support to Israel and abetting its genocidal war and crimes against the Palestinian people. The deployment of two US aircraft carriers in international waters off

the occupied territories of Palestine raises to risk of prolonging the war and causing it to spill over other countries.

The CPP condemns the Marcos regime for declaring the Hamas last week as a “terrorist organization” in a bid to further ingratiate itself to the US imperialists. The Filipino people and their democratic forces stand by the Palestinian people in their struggle for national self-determination and in their right to bear arms and waged armed resistance to liberate their land from brutal Israeli occupation.

Solidarity with the armed resistance of the Palestinian people against Zionist and imperialist occupation and genocide



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The National Democratic Front of the Philippines (NDFP) joins all patriotic and democratic peoples and organizations around the world in extending solidarity with the Palestinian people, specifically the people in Gaza, as they intensify their armed resistance against the imperialist-backed occupation forces of Israel.

For more than a century since the Balfour statement in 1917, the Palestinian people have endured endless waves of ethnic cleansing, blockades, land grabs, the destruction of Palestinian towns, desecration of sacred sites, and daily raids into their homes. The escalating attacks and ruthless occupation of Israeli forces have pushed the Palestinian people to fight back and take up arms. Their armed revolutionary resistance against Israel as well as both US and European aggressors is therefore just and righteous.

The US provides \$3 billion a year in military aid to Israel, making the Zionist state the largest cumulative recipient of US foreign assistance since World War II. The Pentagon has also positioned stockpiles of arms and ammunition throughout Israel in addition to the military backing it receives as a major NATO ally. Despite the inferior weapons of the Palestinian revolutionary forces against the US-imperialist-supplied arms of Israel, the Palestinian people have admirably remained steadfast and determined to end their oppressive and illegal occupation by Israel.

In this context, the intensification of the Palestinian armed resistance therefore becomes an even more powerful act of assertion of their right to self-determination and self-defense against the intolerable and brutal invasion and genocide of Israel. The recent offensives launched by the Hamas is a manifestation of the indomitable longing of the Palestinians for freedom and dignity. They deserve the long-standing solidarity of all democratic and freedom-loving peoples all over the world.

Like the Filipino people's armed resistance against the exploitation and oppression of the US-puppet Marcos fascist regime, the Palestinian people are resisting a Zionist regime abetted and supported by US and European imperialists. US imperialism in particular, is using its puppet state of Israel to maintain hegemony and control of oil in the Arab region. Thus, Israel has operated with impunity as far as its aggression and hostility against the Palestinian people and other Arab nations are concerned. It acts as a mad dog of the US in the Middle East, abetting US imperialist aggression and interventionism in the region.

Israel's genocide of the Palestinian people, occupation of Palestinian lands and terrorist bombings of Palestinian communities must stop. Israel's Nazi-like pogrom in the Gaza and West Bank must stop immediately. The Palestinian people's armed resistance deserves the strongest solidarity from all national liberation movements and all exploited, oppressed and working peoples of the world.

Rally around the Palestinian Armed Resistance

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The Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP) calls on all revolutionary and democratic organizations in the Philippines and around the world to rally around the Palestinian people as they mount armed resistance to drive away the fascist occupying forces of Israel from their land.

Together with the revolutionary fighters of the New People's Army (NPA), the CPP welcome news of the armed offensives launched by the Hamas and the Izz ad-Din al-Qassam Brigades from the besieged city of Gaza. These armed offensives are punctuated by the launching of five thousand missiles against Israeli military target, the use of drones to drop bombs on Israeli tanks, the capture of tanks and other military hardware and other important victories.

These offensives initiated by the Hamas are all an expression of the ardent desire of the Palestinian people to put an end to the 75-year US-supported Israeli war of aggression against Palestine, the occupation of Palestinian territories, including the continuing siege of Gaza, and attacks against communities in the West Bank including East Jerusalem (territories recognized as part of the Palestinian state).

The Palestinian people are determined and roused to fight back, incited by the worsening crimes committed by Israel including the killing of Palestinians and their children in the streets, torture of Palestinian prisoners, the tightening siege of Gaza, raids on people's homes, preventing refugees from returning, attacks on mosques and so on.

The armed conflict has been grossly lopsided in favor of Israel. Wars of aggression mounted by Israel against Gaza over the past 15 years have caused more than 6,400 deaths on the Palestinian side, with Israel suffering just above 300.

The armed offensives have been declared as “Operation Al-Aqsa Flood” to underscore their call to mobilize the entire Palestinian people to liberate their country.

The Hamas is one of the leading political organization which advances the struggle of the Palestinian people. The Izz al-Din al-Qassam Brigades is its military organization. Whoever vilifies the armed resistance of the Palestinian people as “terrorism” are in league with the US imperialists and all its cohorts. To establish its hegemony and control of oil in the Middle East, the US imperialists collude with the Zionists in Israel to obscure and downplay the just aspiration of the Palestinian people for freedom and self-determination.

We have read information how various organizations representing broad sections of the Palestinian people are now taking action in line with calls for carrying out a comprehensive war and using all available weapons to fight Israeli occupation. The Palestinian people are drawing inspiration from the blood of their martyrs who have fought through many years of resistance.

The Filipino people and revolutionary movement in the Philippines are in solidarity with the armed resistance of the people of Palestine. Like the Filipino people who are fighting for genuine national freedom from the clutches of US imperialist giant, the Palestinian people are up against the Israeli goliath armed by and in collusion with the US.

The CPP join peoples around the world who have expressed and manifested their solidarity with the Palestinian people. The CPP calls on the Filipino people to manifest their support to the Palestine resistance in the streets and in all possible ways.

In supporting the Palestinian people, the broad masses of the Filipino people must also condemn Israel and its US-supported military industry for the sale of drones, bombs and artillery to the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) that are being used in the campaign of aerial bombing and shelling in the Philippines, especially in the rural areas.

Compared to the massive armory of Israel, the weapons of the Palestinian people are mere slingshots. Even now, emboldened by US support, Israel has mounted heavy counterattacks causing brutal destruction on Palestinian soil, hitting at homes and civilian infrastructure. In doing so, however, Israel is further isolating itself internationally and further rousing the Palestinian masses to fight even more valiantly.

With all out unity and fierce determination to fight, they can drive away the aggressors, end the occupation and finally free their land.



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Türkiye/Kürdistan



Let's Raise the Struggle for the Freedom of the Palestinian People Against Zionist Oppression All Over the World

On October 7, the large-scale "Aqsa Flood led by the political Islamist Hamas and supported by resistance groups such as the PFL.P and DFL.P, marked the beginning of a legitimate defensive response from Gaza, which has been turned into the work's largest grison, to Israels Zionist oppression and aggression against the Palestinian people.

The Netanyahu government, allied with the most reactionary, racist and fascist representatives the Zionist settlers, has turned the historical resistance of the Palestinian people and their organizations into a struggle fro existence. This process was carried out with the support of Western imperialism through the Deal of the Century, initiated by Trump and continued by Biden, and the Abraham Accords, which paved the way for the normalization of Israel's relations with Arab countries.

The Aqsa Flood dealt a heavy blow to Israel, one of the counter-revolutionary centers in the Middle East with the most advanced military technology and supposedly the most effective protective shield. Shocked, the Zionist state is now embarking on unrestrained recklessness, declaring a state of emergency and war to accelerate its massacres of the Palestinian people from Gaza to the West Bank and Lebanon, and its colonial occupation that has been expanding for years.

The partnership and conciliatory attitude of the collaborationist political Islamist Hamas and Islamic Jihad with the reactionary, colonialist, fascist political Islamist regimes in the region such as Iran and Turkey and with the imperialists has been growing for years. Without revolutionary democratic forces coming to the forefront within the forces of the Palestinian national liberation struggle united under the united operations center in the armed struggle and their rise to the leadership of the movement, this glorious struggle for freedom cannot overcome the bourgeois obstacles in front of it, moreover, cooperation with all revolutionary forces in the region and in the world becomes sacrificed for the sale of the interests of the imperialist powers.

The liberation of the Palestinian people, which cannot be realized without the overthrow of the occupying state of Israel and the racist apartheid regime of the bourgeois political forces that link their existence to this colonial state, will only be possible through the united struggle of the peoples among for full equality, voluntary unity and socialism.

The Armenian people, tens of thousands of whom have been deported once again in Artsakh in recent days, and the Kurdish people, who do not succumb to the colonialist attacks of the fascist chief Erdogan in Northern, Southern, and Western Kurdistan, are in regional fateful unity with the Palestinian people to carry out this honorable struggle for freedom despite all human suffering. We call on the working class and oppressed of the world to unite in the anti-imperialist struggle against the aggression of the Zionist state of Israel, against the bourgeois regimes in the region that prevent the solidarity of the peoples and sow the seeds of enmity, for the freedom of the peoples living in Palestine and for a Middle East where all nations and all faiths can live freely.

From the river to the sea, to the streets for Palestine!

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MLKP International Bureau

Communist Party of Turkey: "The rightful resistance of the Palestinian people will win!"



"No one should act as if they have just discovered the violence in the region", says the [Communist Party of Turkey](#) (TKP) in a statement about the ongoing war in the Middle East between Israel and Hamas.

More specifically, the statement issued by the CC of the TKP reads:

"Following the operation launched against Israel from Gaza yesterday, there is no shortage of propaganda in favor of the Israeli government in the bourgeois media and anti-violence messages of hypocritical imperialist centers and statements of solidarity with Israel are coming one after another.

Stop pretending that this point came suddenly. No one should act as if they have just discovered the violence in the region.

The systematic cruelty and oppression suffered by Palestinians, whose lands are occupied by the Israeli army and Israeli settlers, has continued for decades. Throughout these decades, the Palestinian people have repeatedly faced forced displacement; Those who resisted this were subjected to all kinds of severe violence fueled by racism; Attempts were made to suffocate and destroy a people with land attacks and air attacks.

They failed.

However, throughout this process, imperialist actors who supported the massacres and massacre attempts against the Palestinian people by saying "Israel's right to defend" remembered "peace" when the Palestinian people increased their resistance.

Yes, this region deserves real peace. And yes, peace is necessary for this situation to end completely, regardless of the losses of the people. The sincerity of the communists on this issue should not be questioned by relying on the hypocrisy of the imperialists, who close their perception of the value of human life when it comes to Palestinians and act with false sensitivity when the opposite happens. Israeli communists teach an important lesson in this respect, boldly stating that the occupation policy of the Israeli state is responsible for all that happened.

The Palestinian people are struggling for existence, and until this struggle results in the establishment of an independent and sovereign Palestinian state, the actions of the Palestinian people will remain legitimate. The outcome of this struggle in a permanent peace is only possible by expanding a consistent struggle against imperialism. It is obvious that Hamas, which only opposes Israel without touching imperialism and imperialism's regional policies as a whole, and whose role in its founding dynamics is even discussed, and which has the opportunity to link the resistance of the Palestinian people to a progressive social project due to its neither class nor political character, cannot shoulder this struggle. For this very reason, the endless resistance of the Palestinian people calls on left forces with an anti-imperialist and secular character to stand up for a permanent peace in the region.

Imperialism and the invaders will definitely lose.
The rightful resistance of the Palestinian people will win!

Central Committee of the Communist Party of Turkey".

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IRAQI COMMUNIST PARTY

The brutal Israeli aggression against Gaza is escalating in a hysterical reaction to the bold operation carried out this morning by the Palestinian resistance against the Zionist occupation forces. The toll of this aggression, at the time of preparing this statement, reached 198 martyrs and hundreds of wounded.

The escalation of Palestinian popular resistance came as a legitimate response to the heinous crimes that Netanyahu's fascist government, the occupation forces and settler gangs continued to commit against the Palestinian people in the West Bank and Jerusalem. These included repeated raids on Al-Aqsa Mosque and attacks on Christian and Islamic sanctities, in which dozens of innocent civilians were killed, including women and children.

Today's developments confirm once again the established fact that there can be no security and stability in the Middle East region except by ending the hateful Israeli occupation, and the Palestinian people obtaining their full legitimate rights to self-determination, freedom, return and independence, and establishing their independent national state with Jerusalem as its capital.

These developments also reaffirm the blatant bias of the United States and its allies towards Israel, their unlimited support for it, and their obstruction of the implementation of UN resolutions, allowing it to continue its occupation and crimes against the Palestinian people. They expose the falsity of the shameful positions of the Arab regimes involved in the humiliating process of "normalization" with Israel, and constitute a strong blow to them.

The Iraqi Communist Party raises its voice in solidarity with the

Palestinian people and their valiant popular resistance to the Zionist occupation. It calls on all Iraqi patriotic forces to express their solidarity with this heroic Palestinian struggle, and to provide further support for it. The Party also calls on the Iraqi government to take urgent action at the Arab and international levels, to stand in solidarity with the Palestinian people, protect them, stop the massacre that the Israeli occupation forces continue to commit against Gaza, and deter it from carrying out more crimes in the occupied Palestinian territories.

Long live the struggle of the Palestinian people and victory to their courageous popular resistance.

The Political Bureau

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Workers Party of Ireland

The Workers Party of Ireland notes the serious escalation of violence between Hamas and the state of Israel. While the US and the EU have been quick to condemn Hamas they have failed to condemn the long-standing criminal attacks by the Zionist state against the Palestinian people. In response to the current situation Israeli warplanes have launched attacks and fired multiple missiles at residential buildings in Gaza, killing and injuring civilians and destroying civilian infrastructure and medical personnel assisting wounded Palestinians have been assaulted by the Israeli forces.

On 15 May 1948, the newly established state of Israel engaged in the mass killings and displacement of hundreds of thousands of Palestinians from their land. The Nakba is not only an historic event, it remains an ongoing reality for the people of Palestine. Israel's militarised occupation and settlement building in the Occupied Palestinian Territory are part of a 75-year history of dispossession and denial of the Palestinian people's right to self-determination.

During that time Israel has engaged in a strategy to steal more Palestinian land and to displace more Palestinians. These actions are carried out with the full support of US imperialism which unconditionally supports Israel. Palestine is being annexed piece by piece and the Palestinians confined to ever decreasing pockets of land in which Palestinians are isolated, imprisoned and contained.

More recently, the positions of the far-right government and violent settler attacks on Palestinians and their property in the Occupied Territories has escalated tensions. Although Israeli settlements in the Occupied Territories are illegal, Israeli state forces stand aside while these attacks take place or actively assist them.

In the past Israel has engaged in murderously disproportionate responses against Gaza, an enclave under constant siege and attack. Israel's systematic colonisation and usurpation of Palestinian land, the eviction of Palestinians, the destruction of their homes and properties and the attempt to erase the name, history and culture of Palestine and the daily killing of Palestinians, including children, continues to this day. Palestinians are subjected to daily provocations and attacks.

The US support for Israeli policies, its strategic co-operation, the massive economic and military assistance, the promotion of Israel and the collusion in Israel's expansionism, aggression and crimes against humanity, the persistent attempts to block and prevent any criticism of Israeli terrorism and grotesque violations of human rights, has been and remains a major impediment to peace and progress in the Middle East. The EU has adopted the hypocritical

policy of so-called “equal distance” from the aggressors and the victims. The approach by Israel and the imperialist powers which support them is designed to remove the question of Palestinian national rights from the agenda and to attempt to legitimise illegal acts of colonisation and expansionism.

As long as these actions, and the continued disregard for UN resolutions on Palestine continue, violent confrontation is inevitable. There can be no lasting peace until the just demands of the Palestinians are met.

The Palestinian people have the right to defend their rights and to resist Israeli occupation. The Workers Party of Ireland rejects racism and xenophobia whether directed against Palestinians or Israelis and salutes the peace-loving forces inside Israel who struggle side by side with the Palestinians for their just cause.

The Workers Party of Ireland stands in solidarity with the Palestinian people in their struggle for their legitimate rights, including the right of Palestinian refugees to return to their homeland, the immediate release of Palestinian political prisoners from Israeli jails, the right to self-determination and the establishment of a free, independent, united and sovereign state of Palestine.

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Israel is on fire. What's going on?

In Israel and Gaza, the morning of October 7 did not start with coffee. Apparently, our (Ukrainian) propagandists are already preparing manuals according to which we should all certainly support Israel in this conflict, because the latter has become a victim of aggression on the part of Hamas in the same way that Ukraine has become a victim of aggression on the part of the Russian Federation. But is it that simple and is it possible to lay all the blame on a single person or even a group of persons, especially given Israel's occupation of the Palestinian territories? Let's look into it.

Here we will not give you a broad exposition on the formation of the Israel state and its conflict with the Arabs, same as we will not give you a detailed background on Palestine and on the Doomsday War, since for the current confrontation all of the above are certainly bears some importance, although that is not the key part in our opinion and there is something more important that startled the current events. **The apartheid regime in Israel**, the inhuman treatment of the Palestinians and the blockade of Gaza, which has

caused thousands of casualties, **are what is driving the workers of Palestine to follow their national bourgeoisie in its game.**

This is compounded by religious chauvinism, under the banner of which the workers of Palestine have been completely removed from the leadership of the national liberation movement, as a result this movement has become a caricature of its former self. Despite all this, the key point of paramount importance is the **conflict between the US and China**, or rather between their monopolies. Yes, yes, you heard it right, our organization is sure that the **roots of the current massacre between Israel and Palestine are similar to those in the conflict between Ukraine and Russia.** But before we address this issue, we would like to outline our position on the matter.

The Workers Front of Ukraine opposes the Israeli occupation and terrorist policies towards Arabs, both in Israel and Palestine. Which, however, does not make us sympathetic to the Hamas organization. There is no doubt that Hamas has strong support among the people of Gaza. That support is primarily driven by the Israeli government's policy of terror against the Arab population. But equally unquestionable is the fact that through its actions Hamas serves the interests of Iran and China. Moreover, Hamas is not proposing a real resolution of the national and religious issues in the Levant, since the only thing that they can offer is the replacement of Jewish chauvinism with its Arab counterpart. **Our position on the current conflict is categorically opposed to the positions of the ruling class both in Israel and Gaza.**

Let us assume that you are already familiar with China's **"Belt and Road" initiative** to expand the economic influence of its capital on the countries of Europe and Africa. So, the US is also well aware of it, and in order to prevent the realization of this initiative, they recently agreed to work out an alternative trade route from Europe to India. The US trade route was supposed to **go through Israel and Saudi Arabia.** At the same time, Israel was trying to normalize the relationship between the neighboring nations in the region in general and with Saudi Arabia itself in particular. This was extremely unfavorable to Iran, and since both

Iran and Saudi Arabia are already considered as members of BRICS (formally they will become his members only in 2024), it was extremely unfavorable to China in the end. Therefore, it is safe to say that **Israel is striving to advance the trade route according to the US plan, while Iran is in favor of China's interests.** Judging by the latest statement of the Saudi Arabia Foreign Ministry and the words of the authorities of such Islamic countries as Syria, Qatar, Afghanistan and Pakistan, **the entire responsibility for what is happening is placed on Israel and its government,** despite the general call for de-escalation of the ongoing situation. Based on this, it can be argued that Iran has succeeded in sowing a seed of discord, or rather reopening access to the sun for it, which was Israel's relations with its Arab neighbors. However, Ukraine, EU and the US have come out in support of Israel, but so far with no clear public plans for the implementation and nature of that support, other than the provision of intelligence to Israel by the US. On the other hand, the pro-Iranian **organization Hezbollah has already launched several strikes against Israel** and said in an address to Hamas: "Our history, our weapons and our rockets are always with you. We are all with you." So it can already be said that this war, since the transition to it was already approved by Israel's political-military cabinet, will have 2 fronts.

Now let us dwell on Iran in detail. It is worth pointing out that **Iran is not just a puppet of China,** it pursues far greater goals than the simple sustain of the established relationship between him and China. **The most ambitious interest of Iran's capital lies in the idea of religious identification of the masses,** the achievement of which is possible under Islamic fundamentalism ideology. This facilitates Iran's actions in the Middle East, by helping to weaken the national bourgeoisie of the countries that oppose it with ethno-confessional conflicts, and it is for this purpose that Iran needs the defeat or at least the weakening of Israel. Note that the Iranian president congratulated the Hamas leader on the start of the war, wished him success and expressed his full moral support: "You have pleased the Islamic nation." The

phrase about the Islamic nation, no matter how hard the casuistic statements of theologians are trying to hide its essence, is a deeply reactionary idea in the hands of oligarchs from Tehran, an idea very dangerous for all workers in the region. As a result, we have another proxy war in the Middle East between the US-EU and Iran-China.

So what place do ordinary people and ordinary workers like us have in this conflict? Is the Palestinian struggle a national liberation struggle? Who should a true communist support? One thing is certain: the war we are witnessing now has already become a bloody meat grinder that has taken the lives of thousands of civilians, and it may become one of the largest wars of the region in the last 50 years. The scale of the consequences will depend directly on the number of participants. **Israeli prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu**, amid the approval of the ground operation in Gaza, made the following comment: "**All the places in which Hamas is based, in this city of evil, all the places Hamas is hiding in, acting from – we'll turn them into rubble. I'm telling the people of Gaza: get out of there now, because we're about to act everywhere with all our force.**" With power outages and a military-zone-style cordon around Gaza, as long as the IDF leadership has complete freedom of action within the framework of the declared war, a small piece of land measuring 40x12 kilometers with a population of 2-3 million people is turning into the most dangerous and deadly place on the planet. And this is even before the actual start of the promised ground operation at the time of this writing. Even further than Netanyahu went **Israel's permanent representative to the UN, Gilad Erdan** with his statement: "**The era of reasoning with these savages is over. Now is the time to obliterate Hamas terror infrastructure, to completely erase it, so that such horrors are never committed again.**" And it seems that this statement isn't just an empty promise, instead it quite reflects the plans of Israel's leadership, which takes advantage of Hamas's actions to realize its predatory plans. There is no need to explain how much blood, grief, and broken lives such "plans" will create. The real tragedy of this massacre is yet to come.

And what about the Communists, how did they react to the conflict? We can distinguish 3 main positions. Let us analyze them in order, using examples.

The first position is to fully support the Palestinian people in their war of national liberation, even if the political leadership of this struggle is the Islamist Hamas. The slogan of organizations and parties with this position can be reduced to a simple one: for the de-occupation of Palestine, for a legitimate **Islamist, semi-feudal** (semi – because the ruling class will remain the bourgeoisie, but the superstructure will be dominated by feudal vestiges) **state** within the pre-1967 borders, with East Jerusalem as its capital. And such Marxists turn a blind eye to the **guaranteed discrimination of the remaining non-Arab and non-Muslim population** in the event of Hamas' success. In particular, this is the [position](#) taken by the Communist Party of Venezuela.

The above position on the part of the communists looks particularly tragic against the background of an official statement by Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, who at the same time serves as the leader of the Palestinian National Liberation Movement (Fatah). **President Abbas condemned Israel's actions towards Palestine and its people and called on the Israeli government to refrain from escalating hostilities against the Palestinian people.** However, **Fatah itself is not responsible for the actions of Hamas and, moreover, it opposes its government in Gaza.** We are well aware that Fatah has long ceased to be the progressive force it was at the time of the first intifada, however it is still the strongest secular and bourgeois-democratic Palestinian organization to this day. In other words, many Palestinians are ready to fight for their freedom without solidarizing with religious chauvinists, under the reactionary anti-democratic elements, which are also serving the interests of foreign monopolies.

The alternative to the first position is a call for ceasefire in order to save the civilian lives of both ethnicities and religions, with support to a movement for the de-occupation of the Palestinian territories and the **establishment of two nation-states for representatives of**

both nations. By the original UN design that was established back in 1947. This position, for example, is held by the Communist Party of Israel and the public "people's" Hadash front, which is under their leadership. It is worth saying separately that this position seems weak to us, as it fetishizes such a form of solving the issue as "two nations — two states" and ignores the class struggle within each of the nations. Also Maki (the Communist Party of Israel) is throwing around statements about the fascist character of Netanyahu's regime. Undoubtedly, Netanyahu is our worst class enemy, acting in the interests of Israeli finance capital and indulging Israeli religious fascists, but it has clearly not yet come to fascism itself (which is a reaction to the united workers movement in their political struggle), although war may hasten the process. Another mistake of our comrades is that they place full responsibility for the conflict on the Israeli government, without noticing the inter-imperialist contradictions in the conflict. Yet we are glad that they did not follow the tradition of supporting all Palestinian resistance indiscriminately and did not support the actions of Hamas and its masters.

Israel's Communists are doing a particularly courageous thing in this regard, being a perfectly legal party (3 seats in the Knesset, 4 if you count the Hadash ally), making really necessary statements that give the working masses an alternative to the beastly hatred that is coming towards Arabs from their government. Moreover, they do so under martial law, when for every such statement, there may be a response in the form of not just arrest, but extrajudicial execution. **Fact of the Israeli communist opposition to its government and to Hamas makes the realization of the falsehood of our other comrades who pledged their support with Hamas even harder for us.**

Above, we have already expressed our position on the current conflict, which is based on the refusal to support both Hamas and Israel's ruling class. It is time to elaborate on it. Any national **LIBERATION** war is just. However, this conflict does not imply any doubt that the character of this conflict is not about liberation at all, **regardless of the ideals** (let us be frank — not ideals, but

idols in the guise of ideals) **of its individual participants.** Imperialist wars are not started by soldiers, **but it is in their power to end them.** Can the soldiers of Palestine **or** Israel do this? — **Not on the basis of the current state of affairs.** Their maximum is to achieve a truce, but not peace. Which, however, will not satisfy the workers of Palestine (Gaza in particular) who have actually lived for many years in a state of war, which was officially called "peace". It's because of this state of affairs that many Palestinians have taken the current conflict as a chance to break the unjust condemned to them by the Israeli government, while in fact they have been **deceived by the false idols of the Hamas reactionaries.** Moreover, their brethren in faith who reside within Israel are now working shoulder to shoulder with Jewish workers in the hope of keeping their home intact before it is scattered by the whirlwinds of a new Middle East conflict...

But what is left in such a case?

It would be extremely foolish of us to demand **here and now** the transformation of an imperialist war into a civil war, both in the Middle East and in our country. But nevertheless, this should be the **ultimate goal of every representative of the working class.** Whether in the Middle East or in Ukraine, the **conflict will not dissolve and will spark again and again until we, with our own hand, break this tangle of contradictions of the big monopolies.** War is that moment in time when the ruling class increases the pressure on the working masses many times over. Therefore, with the utmost urgency, the Palestinians must oppose the Islamist barbarians in their government, and the inhabitants of Israel must oppose the Zionist oppressors who **cannot even guarantee the bourgeois rights recognized by the international community on their territory.** But most importantly, Jews and Arabs must do this **together.** In other words, only the workers of Palestine **and** Israel themselves can finally put an end to the bloodshed between their nations. Their goal must be the formation of an equal socialist state (or states, depending on the particular circumstances), which will be possible only if **religious and nationalist prejudices are eliminated.** As for the tactics of the communists to achieve this

ideal, in the first stages it may consist in the creation of a united people's front that should be established in order to oppose the most reactionary elements.

To summarize: **we are strictly against the support of the Islamists of Hamas and the Zionist state of Israel.** The real solution — is to **unite the socialist forces both inside Palestine and in Israel on the basis of genuine internationalism, in the struggle against religious chauvinism and against its national bourgeoisie as well as its foreign partners.**

If the reader who supports the current struggle of the Palestinian people under the leadership of Hamas is still not convinced by our arguments about the falsehood of such a position, we propose to turn their attention to the historical experience of our country — Ukraine. In the 20th century, Western Ukraine and Western Belarus were occupied by Poland until 1939 as a result of the Polish-Soviet War. Despite the agreements of the peace Treaty of Riga, according to which Ukrainians and Belarusians on the territory of Poland were supposed to be subject to all national rights, the Polish government pursued a policy of polonization, that is very similar to the modern policy of Israel. The main parts of polonization were: fierce struggle against Ukrainian and Belarusian culture, polish settlers in the occupied territory with special privileges and concentration camps like Bereza-Kartuska. This resulted in the mass flourish of Ukrainian nationalists movement on the territory of Western Ukraine. The representatives of this movement at first focused on killing individual poles, but in the end during the Second World War they organized the Volyn massacre — which was centered around the brutal murders of poles with the destruction of entire polish settlements. Was there any benefit to the Ukrainian working class from these actions? — No, the Ukrainian nationalists only harmed the Ukrainian working class, no less than the polish one. The question arises for those Marxists who now support Hamas, even if "critically": would you have supported the Ukrainian nationalists if you had been in Lviv in the thirties of the XX century?

We realize that the **method of citing historical analogies cannot act as a universal method.** However, in the present situation, historical one-sidedness has been taken in its concrete quality, namely to express the fact that **not every formally national liberation struggle is progressive, in other words national liberation in its essence; it is always necessary to look for the interests of one or another class, for only the class struggle is ultimately just. National liberation is progressive only insofar as it resolves the national contradictions and opens the way for the free development of class contradictions. Islamism and antisemitism, which Hamas proposes, not only do not resolve the national question in the Levant, but worsen it. Jewish chauvinism is terrible, but is Arab chauvinism a better one?**

Many of the above-mentioned theses are also applicable to a greater or lesser extent to the conflict between Ukraine and Russia. **Only by strengthening international solidarity,** workers of all countries and nations will be able to overcome this difficult period in the history of civilization. And although we cannot do everything at once, it is already now within the power of every concerned individual to study – first of all, **to learn: how to think and how to organize.** The first is necessary to understand not only what is happening in the world, but also to understand how to change the world. The latter is a prerequisite for making this change a reality.

As for the future fate of the conflict between Hamas and Israel, it is clear that everything is uncertain. We should not believe only in the best and discard the option of unfolding events according to the scenario in which this region will become another battlefield of the internal Arab conflict, or, more precisely, **the conflict between different groups of national capitals.** We have already seen this in the example of the civil war in Yemen, in which the interests of Saudi Arabia and Iran are clearly expressed. Formally, it is a civil war that has lasted for 9 years and in the process of which, according to various estimates, up to 100,000 people have died, where 10-15% of them were civilians. The war in Yemen only once again emphasizes that the current Palestinian-Israeli conflict is

provoked not by the nature of Arabs or Jews, but by the very specific interests of capital in a dangerous game that can reach a global scale.

Before concluding, we would like to draw the attention of the Ukrainian government's patriots about their concerns regarding the military and humanitarian support for Israel from the United States and the EU. In the long term, if the conflict drags on, **Ukraine may indeed be forced into a peace agreement on terms that are unfavorable to our political leadership.** Such a situation would bring Ukraine to a state of political crisis. So, potential prolongation of the conflict may indeed play into the hands of the political leadership of the Russian Federation. However, once again we would like to note that **imperialist wars are not started by peoples and not for the idea of national liberation or national domination.** Moreover, wars are not started on a whim by individuals or groups of individuals, they are always waged for the interests of a certain class, in our time – for the interests of different factions of monopolistic capital. As in the case of the Russian-Ukrainian conflict, so in the case of the conflict between Israel and Hamas, the **real war is waged between Israel-Ukraine-EU-US and Iran-Russia-China.** And if you call for the genocide of the Arab, Jewish or Russian, Ukrainian population in order to end the war as soon as possible for **your own good**, then please do not be surprised when the next time you get a knock on your door, there will be young men in helmets with two lightning bolts on them. To each his own, as it was written on the gates of Buchenwald.

The desire for peace, life and freedom is inherent in all peoples, but not everyone can distinguish their essence from the empty promises and slogans of the parties of capital, whose words conceal only the interest in maximizing profits at minimum cost. It is for this purpose that imperialist wars, including world wars, have broken out all over the world for more than a hundred years. We have no doubt that humanity will yet witness a third imperialist world war. The only question is whether it will be able to survive it and still remain *humanity*. Everything depends on the strength and

courage of the international workers' movement, therefore **do not remain indifferent** to the problems abroad.

The coming Apocalypse will not be locked in the promised land.



Communist Party of Israel and Hadash: "Netanyahu's fascist government bears full responsibility for the dangerous escalation"



In a statement concerning today's rapid escalation of military confrontation between Hamas and Israeli forces, the [Communist Party of Israel](#) (MAKI) and [Hadash](#) blame the criminal occupation policy of the far-right Netanyahu government, underlining the grave dangers that it poses for the peace in the region.

"The fascist right-wing government's crimes to perpetuate the occupation are leading to a regional war that must be stopped. Even in difficult days like this - we repeat and voice an unequivocal condemnation of any harm to innocent civilians, and call for their removal from the bloodshed. We send our condolences to all the families of the victims of the occupation, Arabs and Jews alike", the statement reads.

MKI and Hadash put the full responsibility on the fascist right-wing government for the sharp and dangerous escalation of the last few hours, that costed the lives of many innocent citizens.

"At the end of a shocking week in which the settlers ran amok throughout the occupied territories under the auspices of their government, desecrated the Al-Aqsa Mosque and carried out another pogrom in Huara, we woke up this morning to a very serious escalation, which endangers the entire region in a regional and dangerous war - which the right-wing government has been fueling since its first day.

Today's events show in what dangerous direction the Netanyahu government and the Hilltop youth are leading the entire region, and emphasize once again that there is no way to manage the conflict or resolve it militarily - there is only one solution: strive to end the occupation and recognize the legitimate demands and rights of the Palestinian people. The end of the occupation and the establishment of a just peace are a distinct and common interest of the two peoples in this country".

MKI and Hadash express "deep concern about the use of recent developments by the Netanyahu government to carry out a vengeful attack on the Gaza Strip and call on the international community and the countries of the region to intervene immediately to silence the drums of war and initiate moves that will lead to the promotion of a political solution."

MKI and Hadash warn of revenge activities against the Arab citizens of Israel, and especially the residents of the mixed cities and the unknown villages in the Negev - who have already paid a high price due to the neglect of their lives by the state and the lack of infrastructure in the settlements. In this reality, it is the duty of the sane forces in Israel, Arabs and Jews alike , to raise a sharp and clear voice against any attempt to incite against entire populations or to take the law into one's own hands, and to promote joint activity, which signifies the aspiration for a normative life without occupation, discrimination and supremacy - a life of peace, equality and true democracy for all.

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KKE: "The Palestinian people have the right to defend their rights, need greater support and solidarity"



"The Palestinian people have the right to defend their rights and needs greater popular support", stresses out a statement issued by the Press Office of the Central Committee of the [Communist Party of Greece](#) (KKE), on the occasion of the recent military confrontation between the Israeli Armed Forces and Hamas. The full statement, [published in 902 portal](#), is the following:

"The KKE condemns the long-term occupation of the Israeli state and the crimes it systematically commits against the Palestinian people – with the support of the US, the EU and their allies – that has cost thousands of dead Palestinians, thousands of wounded and imprisoned, ruined cities and villages, settlements in Palestinian territories.

Today's events do not consist a “bolt from the blue” and those who seek for their causes should face the truth, which reveals that the attacks of the Israel army are escalating every day leading to dozens of dead Palestinians, even elderly ones and small children. These are crimes that have recently intensified

and have been repeatedly denounced by the KKE. Eventually, the aggression of the state of Israel is directed against the Israeli people themselves.

The ND government and SYRIZA, which support the occupying forces with their unacceptable statements, are doubly exposed, because since 2015 they look the other way, refusing to recognize the Palestinian state, accordingly to the relevant, unanimous decision of the Greek Parliament.

The Palestinian people have the right to defend their rights and need greater popular support and solidarity, to continue their struggle for the end of the Israeli occupation, for an independent state on the 1967 borders, with East Jerusalem as its capital city”.



