

Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies

...working together to promote justice for Palestinians.

Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies 2024 report

The following is a report on the work of the Canadian BDS Coalition during 2023. We are a 20+ member national organization with regional and local groups from Newfoundland to Vancouver Island. In 2024, we became an international organization when groups from abroad including South Africa, Palestine and Tunisia joined.

Canadian organizations came together in 2016 to form the Canadian BDS Coalition in response to the call from Palestinian Civil Society to support a global movement for boycott, divestment and sanctions.

About the Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies

The Canadian BDS Coalition is comprised of groups in Canada which support the global Boycott Israel movement targeting Israel's system of settler-colonialism, occupation, and apartheid towards the Palestinian people. We join with International BDS Allies in our work.

The Canadian BDS Coalition currently has member groups from across the country, as well as a number of national organizations, along with international BDS Allies. Read more about our members near the end of the report. See our <u>Members</u>.

The Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies is composed of pro-Palestine solidarity groups across Canada and internationally. We work independently in support of boycott, divestment and sanctions activities against Israel, within the Canadian context, addressing local challenges and concerns.

Read our **Basis of Unity**.

<u>Coalition Campaigns</u> include Shut Down Elbit/Shame on Scotiabank, boycott apartheid wine, demand for a military embargo, divestment from Canada's public pensions, and many others. Learn more about our campaigns where your efforts can make a personal commitment to a free Palestine! <u>Check out our current campaigns</u>.

Read more about the various accomplishments of the Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies, along with affiliated organizations, as well as BDS as an international solidarity movement in our 2023 report.

What is BDS?

BDS, or boycott, divestment and sanctions, is a strategy that allows people of conscience around the world to play an effective role in the Palestinian struggle for justice.

For many decades, calls for boycott have been part of the Palestinian struggle for liberation.

https://bdscoalition.ca/about-bds/

In July 2005, Palestinian civil society organizations issued a call for a campaign of boycotts, divestment and sanctions (BDS) against Israel until it complies with international law and Palestinian rights. A truly global movement against Israeli Apartheid is rapidly emerging in response to this call.

The Canadian BDS Coalition and Canadian BDS Allies worksto confront the complicity of Canadian and multinational corporations and governments in the ongoing Israeli occupation, apartheid and colonialism inflicted upon the Palestinian people.

The Founding of the Canadian BDS Coalition

The inaugural conference call was held in April 2016, with an awareness of a growing interest in a shared Basis of Unity in support of the Palestinian civil society call for boycott, divestment and sanctions.

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<u>Learn more</u> about the Coalition.

In May 2024, we became the "<u>Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies</u>" when several groups from outside Canada joined to work together with "The Canadian BDS Coalition." One of our inaugural events was to hold an International Week of Action, the first week of October 2024, "<u>Resisting Genocide</u>: Boycott for Palestinian Liberation."



Over the almost nine years there have been 20+ member groups from across Canada as well as now in 2024 international BDS Allies. See the <u>current members</u> of the Canadian BDS Coalition.

Social Media Presence

Check out the Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies at:

Twitter: https://twitter.com/Canadian_BDS @Canadian_BDS Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/cbcaiba/ Web Site: https://bdscoalition.ca/

Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/BDSCoalition.

The Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies has a mailing list of about 30,000 and sends out regular action updates. You can subscribe at: https://bdscoalition.ca/contact/ (scroll down to "sign up for updates") Check out Canadian BDS Victories



A few of our victories over the years.

Feature campaign: check out "Apartheid-Free" organizations and businesses and "Boycott/List of Shame"

Apartheid-Free Zones and the Boycott/Shame List



One of the questions the Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies receives most frequently is: "Which products and businesses should we boycott? Which businesses should we support if we want to support Palestinian rights and liberation?"

Of course, the campaign for boycott, divestment and sanctions isn't just about individual consumer choices — it's about building collective power and challenging Israeli apartheid through cultural boycott, academic boycott, divestment and military embargo. In addition to the economic boycott of Israeli products, we also target corporations profiting from the occupation. However, there are some key companies and products which are the targets of national and global boycott campaigns and highlighted on our "List of Shame." The list also highlights Canadian companies which profit from occupation or donate to, support and market occupation products. The list is a helpful tool which helps consumers make ethical choices about their purchases how — and it enables local Palestine solidarity groups, labour unions, social justice campaigners and others to find intersections around corporate complicity and determine local targets for campaigning.

Of course, we also want to highlight the businesses, organizations, labour unions, social enterprises and others that are committed to having apartheid-free spaces, **Apartheid-Free Zones**. These are businesses or organizations or community spaces that have committed to support the three principles of the BDS

campaign, namely that Israel must meet its obligation to recognize the Palestinian people's inalienable right to self-determination and fully comply with the precepts of international law by:

- 1. Ending its occupation and colonization of all Arab lands and dismantling the Wall
- 2. Recognizing the fundamental rights of the Arab-Palestinian citizens of Israel to full equality; and
- 3. Respecting, protecting and promoting the rights of Palestinian refugees to return to their homes and properties as stipulated in UN resolution 194.

Apartheid-Free Zones are spaces of active solidarity with Palestine, and we invite your business, organization or space to officially become apartheid-free and commit to these principles!

We invite you to let us know about complicit companies and businesses, and to designate your organization or business an apartheid-free zone and list it here! Follow the links below to read the list of Apartheid-Free Zones, the List of Shame, and to nominate Apartheid-Free businesses or to warn about complicit companies.

- Apartheid-Free Businesses and Organizations List (see our updated searchable format)
- BDS Shame and Boycott List
- Boycott List/List of Shame (see our new searchable format)
- Nominate an Apartheid-Free Business or Organization
- Inform us about a Complicit Company for the Boycott List/List of Shame

Check out:

- Shame on Canadian Media
- Retailers selling Israeli products and supporting Israeli military and other pro Israel
 activities
- Corporate pro-Israel sponsor shame list
- Canadian financial institutions supporting apartheid Israel
- Canada Political Shame List
- Apartheid Canadian Importers

During 2024, our website views increased more than three-fold over 2023, with about 600K views during 2024. Many of these were in regard to the shame list.

Unfortunately during the year, due to repression by Meta, the Coalition had two IG accounts cancelled with no explanation or recourse.

2024 Campaign Highlights

Action you can take: <u>Letters you can send</u> (updated December 2024)

BDS Shame and Boycott List (Searchable format) Launched



The Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies has compiled a list of companies, products, and institutions that have been shown to be involved in apartheid, war crimes (occupation), anti Palestinian racism and supporting genocide. The data has been compiled from Who Profits, AFSC Investigate, and the UN database, Tech for Palestine, Don't Buy Into Occupation, the Canadian BDS, and others. Read More »

Featured Campaign: Shame on Scotiabank, Shutdown Elbit

Activists around the world vow to #ShutElbitDown



Activists around the world vow to #ShutElbitDown. This Shame on Scotiabank/Shut Elbit Down campaign of the Canadian BDS Coalition gained momentum with actions across the country throughout the last two years, including at the Scotiabank headquarters, branches throughout the country and at the Giller Prize Ceremony.

Photo/Video highlights of Scotiabank Days of Action

News / December 15, 2024



See original post at Canada Palestine
Vancouver Photo/Video highlights of
Scotiabank Days of Action – Canada
Palestine Association Pickets in
multiple cities and towns happened as
part of the Days of Action to tell
Scotiabank to divest completely from
Israeli arms dealer Elbit Systems. There
were 12 announced locations across
the country. Read More »

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Scotiabank Days of Action (Dec. 13/14)

News / December 8, 2024



Boycott Scotiabank! Shut
Down Elbit Systems! Stand
for Palestine! Days of Action
13 – 14 December 2024
We will not rest until they
divest – Join the campaign to
force Scotiabank to complete
their divestment from Elbit
and stop war profiteering!

Scotiabank's investment in Elbit Systems is an outstanding example of the ties between Canadian banks and imperialism and the Zionist colonisation and occupation of Palestine.

Scotiabank is Canada's 12th largest corporation and, along with the other big banks, a main instrument of the Canadian ruling classes' ownership and control of the Canadian economy. It profits directly from the missiles, bombs, drones and munitions being used to commit genocide in Gaza and war crimes across the region. Read More »

Scotiabank must divest completely from Elbit Systems!

News / October 2, 2024



Any funding of genocide is too much. We will not rest until Scotiabank divests completely from Israeli war crimes. On

June 3, 2023 Vancouver activists held a march and flash action at Scotiabank headquarters, to help launch a national campaign to demand that Scotiabank divest from the Israeli arms maker Elbit Systems. Read More »

ScotiaBank name is an embarrassment

News / September 7, 2024



September 5, 2024 original post Canada Palestine Association Vancouver.

The Giller Prize has dropped Scotiabank from their name, even though they are still their leading sponsor. We are not fooled by these phoney "rebranding" moves. No business as usual

@gillerprize while their sponsor ScotiaBank still funds genocide!

#ShameonScotiabank

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Scotiabank must divest completely from Elbit Systems!

News / August 20, 2024

National Day of Action: June 25, Shame on Scotia, Shut Elbit Down

News / June 20, 2024



Join with people from across Canada and Quebec for a National Day of Action to demand Scotiabank divest from Elbit. The campaign began by the Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies has grown and been adopted by activists across Canada and beyond. Read More »

"Shame on Scotiabank" picket

News / December 1, 2024



Activists in Vancouver came out to shame and expose Scotiabank for their investment in Israeli arms dealer Elbit Systems. Despite unusually cold weather, a large and spirited picket was held at the intersection at Broadway and Commercial during the busy rush hour. Under the big banner of "Israel bombs, Scotiabank pays", the picket

was highly visible and received great support from cars, buses, trucks and pedestrians. (Photos courtesy Michael YC Tseng) Read More »

Mar 15: No Business as Usual for Scotiabank

18 ScotiaBank Branches Adopted so far for March 15 Day of Action to End Genocide Profiteering!

MARCH 15: SHUT DOWN GENOCIDE PROFITEERING! Shut Down Scotiabank

2024 Ramadan: Boycott Israeli dates. Break fast with Palestinian Medjoul

<u>Pledges to not buy apartheid medjoul from across Canada and around the world</u>
For the sixth year the Canadian BDS Coalition provided information to support boycotting apartheid Medjoul and souring Palestinian medjoul

About 700 people across Canada and beyond committed to check their local retailers to inform them that if they are carrying Israeli apartheid medjoul this Ramadan, that is haram.

2024 Ramadan: Boycott Israeli dates. Break fast with Palestinian Medjoul



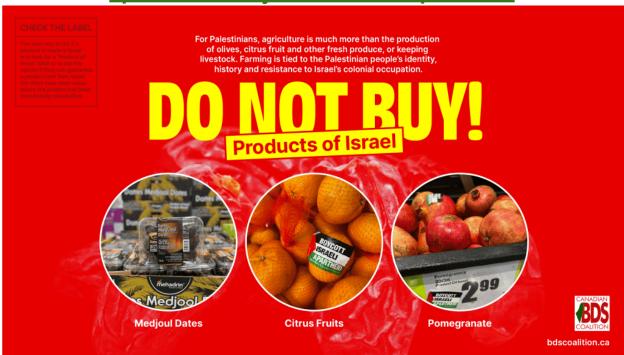
Boycott Israeli dates. Break fast with Palestinian Medjoul.
PLEDGE to Not buy Apartheid Medjoul
Learn more about the campaign and pledge to not buy apartheid medjoul.

Learn more about what to consider when purchasing Medjoul Dates in Canada to ensure they are not from Israeli companies, and to ensure you are purchasing Palestinian products. Read More »

Pledges to not buy apartheid medjoul from across Canada and around the world

Hundreds of people from large cities, to small communities, have taken up the pledge to not buy apartheid medjoul. Even more helpful is to locate retailers selling apartheid medjoul and inform them that they should remove these products from their shelves; they should not be selling produce from stolen illegally-occupied Palestinian land. Pledges from large cities, to small rural communities. Read More »

Do Not Buy Israeli Produce. Shame list of those selling apartheid medjoul and other produce.



Take action! For Palestinians, agriculture is much more than the production of olives, citrus fruit and other fresh produce, or keeping livestock. Farming is tied to the Palestinian people's identity, history and resistance to Israel's colonial occupation.

ACTIONS: Boycott based on information provided, and by looking for Country Code Read More »

Boycott Costco Until its stops selling apartheid Medjoul



News / February 25,
2024 Apartheid
medjoul have been
spotted at Costco's
across the country, as
well as other apartheid
produce. Write letter
to Costco Until
Costco stops selling

apartheid medjoul and other products, the Canadian BDS Coalition calls for a boycott of Costco. Read More »

Solidarité Sherbrooke-Palestine asks Costco to boycott Israeli products News / March 23, 2024

Read coverage by Radio Canada March 10, 2024 when approximately fifteen members of the Solidarité Sherbrooke-Palestine group and allies gathered in front of the Costco store in Sherbrooke to demand a boycott of Israeli products due to the current situation in Gaza. We are asking Costco to remove these products. Read More »

Boycott Farm Boy until apartheid medjoul are off the shelves

News / February 25, 2024



Apartheid medjoul from Hadiklaim under Myjool imported by NBF and Hadiklaim products under their King of Solomon label have been seen at Farm Boy. The Canadian BDS Coalition calls for a boycott of Farm Boy until they take apartheid medjoul dates and products off their shelves, as well as all apartheid produce. **Read More** »

Farm Boy at it Again: Boycott Until Apartheid Stay Off the



Shelves

News / September 10, 2024. During Ramadan 2024, Farm Boy stores in Ottawa, Kingston, Greater Toronto, London and other places pulled their supply of apartheid Hadiklaim medjoul imported by National Best Foods under the King of

Solomon and Myjool labels. After a campaign to boycott Farm Boy, the stores pulled the apartheid medjoul and other Israeli produce, but did not keep them off the shelves. Read More »

<u>Supposed Social Justice Oriented Big Carrot continues</u> <u>to sell Israeli medjoul</u>



News / April 1, 2024
Write a letter to the store
manager, the worker-owners and
board of the Big Carrot, as well as
copy the owner of the Carrot
Commons. The Big Carrot
indicates that "as a
worker-owned system, we value
products that are produced in a
system that fairly compensates
the growers." Read More »

Oppy says not importing from Israel based on their ethical sourcing standards

News / August 6, 2024



In July 20224, Kelsey Van Lissum, Marketing
Communications Manager from Oppy indicated the
following: Thank you so very much for informing our
team of this matter, and our deepest apologies for the
lateness of our reply. We were experiencing issues with
our contact form that has now been resolved. Read
More »

Boycott Apartheid-and Boycott Appropriation of Palestine food



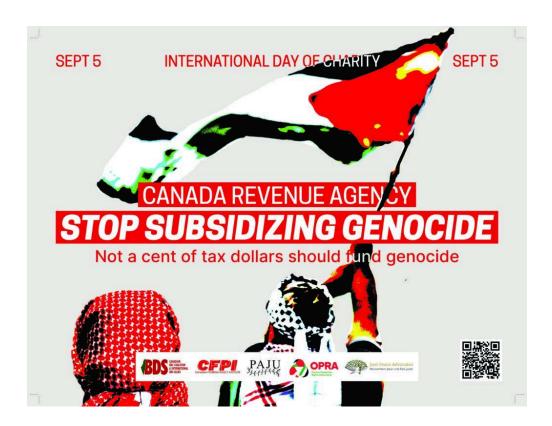
News / February 21, 2024

Falafel, hummus, tabouleh, maftoul, the zaatar, fallahi salad, Nabulsi knafeh, and other Palestinian foods are often appropriated. – or

more accurately stolen – by Israel's Jewish colonists over the decades, a whole slew of justifications have emerged in the western press. Middle Eastern Eye, November 17, 2021 Across Canada, restaurants appropriate Palestinian food, and people are pointing this out! Read More »

International Charity Day Action, Sept. 5: Perhaps Largest Coordinated protest at CRA offices Ever

News / September 8, 2024



On International Day of Charity, September 5, rallies were held held at about 20 Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) offices across the country to challenge the CRA over its lax attitude towards charities assisting Israel's genocide. In what may be the largest ever coordinated protest at CRA offices, activists are simply calling on the revenue agency to follow their own rules.

Read More »

International Day of Charity, Sept. 5, Day of Action at Canada Revenue Agency Offices

BREAKING: Canada Revenue Agency formally revokes the charitable status of the Jewish National Fund (JNF) of Canada and Ne'eman Foundation of Canada.

Don't Fill Your Holiday Stocking with Apartheid or War Crimes: Boycott Spinmaster

News / December 19, 2024



Write a letter to CRA Canada tax payers are subsidizing the Jerusalem Municipality through Ronnen Harary's, the cofounder of Spinmaster, foundations. Registered to Ronnen Harary, the founder of Spin Master Toys and the popular 'Paw Patrol' series, the Ronnen Harary Foundation was incorporated in 2021. Operating in association with Harary's sister foundation, the 1 R32... Read More »

Boycott Spin Master: Canadian taxpayers subsidizing Ronnen Harary's funding of the Jerusalem Municipality and the Israeli military



Ronnen Harary is the co-founder of Spin Master, best-known for the creation of the kids' show "Paw Patrol." From the original creation of Earth Buddy to the acquisition of well-known brands such as Etch-A-Sketch and Rubik's Cube, Spin Master

markets a number of entertainment, toys and digital games, while remaining relatively unknown as a corporate entity. Read More »

Who Is Banking on War Crimes and Genocide

News / December 14, 2024

Who's banking on war crimes and genocide?

Just Peace Advocates is continuing research to expose financial institutions to investments in war crimes.



A submission was made in regard to Canadian Financial Institutions in response to the UN Special Rapporteur Albanese's call on November 30, 2024, regarding businesses complicit with the illegal occupation. Financial Institutions See details of investments in the big five banks and Desjardins

Read More »

BMO investments in war crimes, over \$120B USD

Solidarité Sherbrooke-Palestine: complicité bancaire

RBC investments complicit with war crimes and corporate colonialism

Canada and Quebec Pension Plans need to divest from war crimes and genocide

During recent stakeholder meetings, Canada Pension Plan ignores its



\$16 billion investment in war crimes and potential genocide

News / December 12, 2024

Take a moment to let the
Canada Pension Plan know you
demand they divest from
companies complicit with war

crimes and genocide. Through October and early November, human rights advocates attended the Canada Pension Plan Investment stakeholder meetings in Ottawa, Regina, Winnipeg, Halifax, Charlottetown, Fredericton, St. John's and Vancouver. Read More »

Canada Pension Plan (CPP) cross-Canada stakeholder consultation underway: tell them to stop supporting war crimes & genocide

News / October 6, 2024



CPPIB investment in war crimes & potential genocide increases to \$16 B in 2024



News / May 31, 2024 For five years, the Canada Pension Plan has been told by tens of thousands of its contributors and recipients that investing in war

crimes is not acceptable. Send a letter However, eight months into the current genocide, the Canada Pension Plan has increased its investment in war crimes, and potentially genocide, to over \$16 billion. Read More »

Release: Faced with its complicity in war crimes, the CDPQ is unable to answer the questions of the Quebec Coalition URGENCE Palestine



News / August 11, 2024

immediate Release Faced with its complicity in war crimes, the CDPQ is unable to answer the questions of the Quebec Coalition At a meeting held late on August 7, the Quebec Coalition URGENCE Palestine met with...Read More »

The CDPQ has investments of \$14B in war-crimes-and-genocide-complicit companies even as the International Court of Justice considers Israel's genocide in Gaza

La CDPQ a investi 14 milliards de dollars dans des entreprises complices de crimes de guerre et de génocide, alors même que la Cour internationale de justice se penche sur le génocide israélien à Gaza



The CDPQ December 31, 2023 year-end report includes over \$14 billion of investments in companies complicit with Israeli war crimes and genocide. This represents just over 3 percent of the CDPQ total holdings of \$434 billion. The CDPQ had investments totaling \$1.5 billion in seven companies listed in the United Nations database of companies

engaged in certain Israeli settlement

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<u>Institutions, investment and Palestinian human rights webinar, with focus on CDPQ & WSP, and pensions</u>

Le Fonds de solidarité FTQ a investi plus de 130 millions de dollars



dans les crimes de guerre et potentiellement le génocide

2 novembre 2024

Le Fonds de solidarité FTQ a investi plus de 130 millions de dollars dans les crimes de guerre et potentiellement le génocide Claude Séguin, président du conseil d'administration Janie C. Béïque, présidente et chef de la direction « Le Fonds de solidarité FTQ est.. Read More







<u>Boycott Indigo Books – Dear Indigo, Santa writes to Indigo to inform</u> <u>them they are at the top of his Naughty List</u>

News, Statements / November 30, 2024



PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE
RELEASE Santa's Workshop –
Δ_ΩΔ' _ΩQ_ ^Q-U', (Inuit Nunangat –
North Pole). Beginning
November 29, 2024, Santa Claus
is asking all citizens of
conscience and those who
cherish the lives of children, to
gather at Indigo, Chapters, and
Coles locations across Canada,

to demand that CEO Heather Reisman stop funding HESEG. Read More »

WestJet: Financial Supporters of the Genocidal Israeli Army



News / August 2,
Owned by Onex Corporation,
whose founder, chair and CEO
is Gerald "Gerry" Schwartz.
Onex's board of directors also
includes Heather Reisman,
Indigo's CEO & Schwartz's
spouse. They are both founders
of HESEG Foundation, which

offers scholarships and financial support to non-Israelis who join Israel's occupational and genocidal forces, the IOF, as so-called "lone soldiers." Read More

ROM's Anti-Palestinian History



News / November 29, 2024
One year ago, the Royal Ontario
Museum made headlines in their censorship of Palestinian artists and advisors whose work was featured in the special exhibit

Death: Life's Greatest Mystery that ran from October 2023 to April 2024. However, this was not the first time the ROM has been anti-Palestine and sided with Zionists.

Read More »

MLSE's connections to pro-Israel activities in Canada and in Israel



Analysis, News /
November 15, 2024
Maple Leaf Sports &
Entertainment Ltd.
(MLSE) is a professional
sports and commercial
real estate company
based in Toronto, With

assets that include franchises in four of the six major professional sports leagues in the United States and Canada, it is the largest sports and entertainment company in Canada. Read More »

Shame on Aga Khan Museum, partnering with Scotiabank, major



News / June 5, 2024 Shamefully, Aga Khan Museum has partnered with Scotiabank/Scotia Wealth Management in the 2024 Contact Photography Festival. Beyond this Aga Khan is listed as the first in a list of core venues! Read More »

No Reassurance in Apartheid Insurance

Analysis, News / November 14, 2024



Canada's Top 10 Insurance Companies and Their Role in Supporting Israeli Apartheid and Occupation of Palestine In recent years, growing scrutiny has been placed on the financial and

business activities of corporations which operate in global conflicts, particularly those linked to Israel's occupation of Palestine. Read More »

<u>Tell Cadillac Fairview Malls: Stop profiting from Fox</u> <u>Group Canada</u>

News / February 10, 2024



Join the retail boycott call by the Canadian BDS
Coalition, against Fox
Group Canada. Please sign the petition, to let the
Cadillac Fairview Executive team know that they have failed to perform proper due diligence by renting space to Fox Group

Canada retailers, in their shopping centers across Canada. By renting space Read



Vigil in Solidarity with Palestinian and Lebanese Journalists



News / October 29, 2024
A Report from the Vigil in Solidarity with Palestinian and Lebanese Journalists and Media Workers
Amidst the suffering of the people in Gaza, members of the broader GTA community group came together on Friday October 11th in a touching Vigil to pay homage and remember the fallen press and media workers who have been murdered Read More »

Dollarama apartheid products are no deal

News / October 27, 2024



Dollarama sells Israeli made products like Plástico. Spread the word and boycott the products #boycottisraeliproducts #boycottplastico View this post on Instagram A post shared by Over-Policed Ottawa (@overpoliced.ottawa) For the Canadians here, Dollarama Canada has products made in Israel. Keep an eye out for these!

Read More »

Hallowe'en Treats Not Apartheid Tricks



People have been asking about apartheid products that might find their way into Hallowe'en bags this year...

Do not purchase: some products to avoid. Scroll down for non-apartheid options.

Read More »

Don't sleep on war crimes, apartheid or genocide



Read More »

Make sure you are not purchasing apartheid this summer.



Keter Plastics
manufactures
and markets
plastic furniture,
household and
garden
products. Keter
operates a
factory in the
Zionist
occupation's
settlement
industrial zone

of Barkan in the West Bank. Read more at Who Profits about the so-called industrial zones on stolen land. Keter is shamelessly sold by many retailers including Canadian Tire, Roma, Costco, Home Depot, and others. Read More »

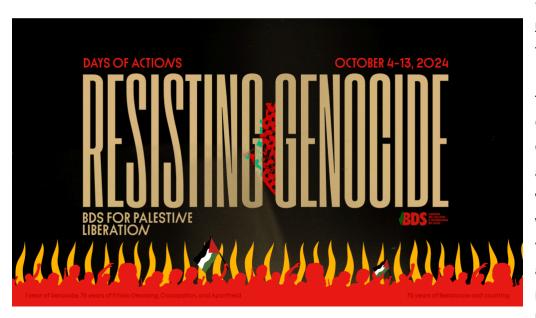


Apartheid Baby Products

You've heard of greenwashing and pinkwashing, but have you heard of babywashing? While Israel continues its brutal genocidal assault against the Palestinian people, which includes the

massacre of over 15,000 children, it continues to promote itself as an "innovative baby-tech powerhouse". For 8 months — and indeed for 76 years — Israel has been committing ethnic cleansing. Read More $^{\rm a}$

INTERNATIONAL WEEK OF ACTION: RESISTING GENOCIDE: BOYCOTT FOR PALESTINIAN LIBERATION



See our wrap
up of the week
that saw over
100 groups
from across
Canada &
Quebec and
around the
world endorse,
with four major
virtual events,
and events in
many
locations.

To commemorate the one year of genocide and one year of resistance since the Al-Aqsa flood, the Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies organized "International Week of Action: Resisting Genocide: Boycott for Palestinian Liberation", from October 4–13, 2024, which was endorsed by over 100 organizations in Canada and around the world (Palestine, South Africa, Lebanon, South Sudan, US, UK, etc.). The International Week of Action called upon all supporters for Palestinian liberation to target zionists and their accomplices by organizing boycott actions at local stores, government buildings and other facilities, mobilize mass marches and demonstrations, hold political education events, take direct action, flyer, sticker, poster and act for the liberation of Palestine from the river to the sea. The events were

During the 10 days there were four key webinars organized around the themes of Palestinian Children, Journalists, Resistance, and Palestinian Refugees and the Right of Return. The webinars featured esteemed guests, which included experts and activists such as John Jeffery (Anti-Aparthied activist and former Deputy Minister of Justice of South Africa), Fathi Nemer (Co-founder of Decolonize Palestine), Zukiswa Wanner (Journalist and Novelist), Ayed Abu Egtaish (Defense for Children International Palestine), Heidar Abu Ghosh (Naksa survivor),

Lubnah Shomali (BADIL Resource Center for Palestinian Residency & Refugee Rights) and many others.

Community gatherings were held across Canada including vigils (at CBC Toronto, Milton Town Hall, Belleville, Israel consulate in Toronto), rallies (at Sherbrooke, York University), film screenings, picket lines, etc. Actions were also held across the world including multiple events in South Africa, Palestine Festival in Romania, UN office picket in Sri Lanka.

The **Canadian BDS Coalition & International BDS Allies** called upon all supporters of Palestinian liberation around the world to join in a week of boycott action from October 4 through 13, 2024, marking one year of genocide. **Over 100 groups from around the world joined in.**

The Call: News / August 27, 2024

INTERNATIONAL WEEK OF ACTION OCTOBER 4-13, 2024

RESISTING GENOCIDE: BOYCOTT FOR PALESTINIAN LIBERATION END THE GENOCIDE NOW!



Virtual Events during the
International Week of Action
Resisting Genocide engaged
people from around the globe

Watch the virtual events from the week of action:

Resistance Until Return: Addressing the Root Causes within a Rights-based Decolonization

Approach

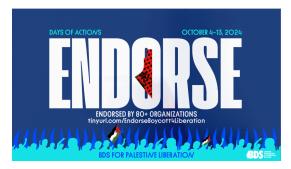
Lost Childhood in Palestine: The Impact of War Crimes Genocide on Children

Global Solidarity Against Genocide Resisting for Palestinian Liberation

Journalism to reveal and Journalism to deceive: Palestine and Journalistic integrity

Statements and information from the International Week

- Resistance Until Return: Addressing the Root Causes within a Rights-based Decolonization Approach
- Webinar: Global Solidarity Against Genocide: Resisting for Palestinian Liberation, Oct 8th, 8 PM Palestine/7 PM South Africa
- Events for the International Week of Resisting Genocide, Boycott for Palestinian Liberation
- Webinar: Sun. Oct. 13, 1 PM ET/8 PM Palestine—Resistance Until Return: Addressing the Root Causes within a Rights-based Decolonization Approach
- Webinar: Saturday, October 12, 1 PM ET/8 PM Palestine: Lost Childhood in Palestine: The Impact of War Crimes and Genocide on Children
- Webinar: Wed. Oct. 9th at 1230 PM ET/730 PM Palestine: Journalism to reveal and Journalism to deceive: Palestine and Journalistic integrity
- Events around the world from endorsing organizations of the "International Week for Resisting Genocide
- 80 groups internationally endorse the International Week of Action–Resisting Genocide: Boycott for Palestinian Liberation (October 4-13, 2024)



Over 100 organizations around the world endorsing International Week of Resisting Genocide (Oct 4 to 13)

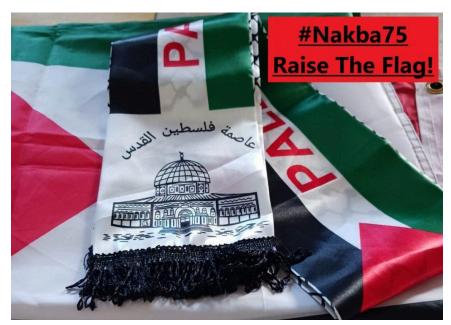
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#Nakba76 Activist Kit: Raise The Flag

News / May 2, 2024

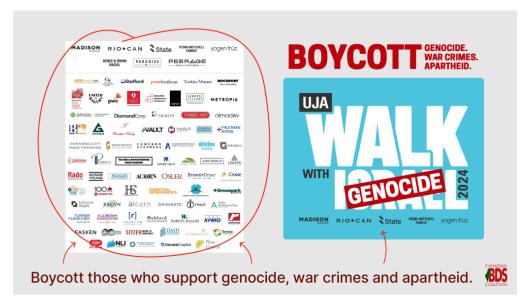
Special Offer: Order one Palestinian flag and a scarf (or two flags) for \$15 (including



shipping) to anywhere in Canada. (Also included will be a bonus sticker, small flag or pin.) Flag is 90 cm x 150 cm, and the scarf has the Palestinian flag/keffiyeh motif plus an image of Al-Aqsa mosque.

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Shame on Companies "Walking with Israel" during a genocide



May 1, 2024. See who is supporting this pro-Israel annual "parade." Before you go to the grocery store, the bank, the hardware store, the sporting goods store,

the fabric shop, choose a real estate agent, an accountant, ice cream shop or brand, clothes store, or other goods and services.. Read More »

The Trudeau Government Breaches the Constitution in Placing the Samidoun Prisoners Network on the Terrorist List. Dominic Leblanc Must Resign.



News, Statements / November 19, 2024

Canadian BDS Coalition and International Allies Statement:
On Tuesday, October 15, 2024, the Canadian government placed the Samidoun Palestinian Prisoner

Solidarity Network on Canada's terrorist entities list. As stated clearly by the International Civil Liberties Monitoring Group (ICLMG):

"For over a year, the Canadian government has not taken any serious actions against the Israeli TERRORISM, war crimes and genocide being carried out against the Palestinian and Lebanese people. But instead of criminalizing those forces who are actually burning people alive in Gaza, this government chose to put yet another Palestinian group on its "terrorist list". And this time, they are setting a dangerous precedent by banning an independent Palestinian political advocacy group with no organizational affiliations to any Palestinian resistance groups. In 2002, the Liberal government of the day listed several <u>Islamic Liberation</u>

Organizations on Canada's so-called "Terrorist list" and then in 2003, they also added most <u>Palestinian resistance groups</u> to the same list. The Israeli government and its array of lobby groups have clearly been <u>behind</u> these listings; their main objective is to suppress any solidarity work for Palestinian liberation and suppress <u>criticism</u> of the Zionist settler colonialist project (Israel)." Read More »

Additional Actions and Statements During 2024

- Condemn Liberals for boycotting Capital Pride
- Congratulations OPSEU on your BDS Statement!
- PAJU joins in the call: Quebec must close its office in Tel Aviv
- An international petition in solidarity with Yemen confronting aggression and siege
- Open Letter in Support of Charlotte Kates and the Right to Free Expression
- US, Zionist regime and imperialist powers are full partners in the horrific
 Rafah Massacre

The Canadian BDS Coalition & International BDS Allies News / May 26, 2024

We are pleased to announce that we now are "The Canadian BDS Coalition & International BDS Allies." The change in name reflects the new groups from outside Canada which have joined.

- Two-Way Arms Embargo Now
- Statement on the International Criminal Court, the Resistance, and justice for Palestine
- BDS discussion in Kingston Ontario
- Statement issued by Palestinian institutions and associations in the homeland and the diaspora
- Joint Statement Condemning Police Brutality at the University of Calgary & the University of Alberta
- Stop Harassing anti-Genocide Advocates for Palestine!
- The Canadian BDS Coalition stands in solidarity with student call for divestment
- Shame: the 10 MPs Most Lobbied By CIJA
- How Canadian MPs in the Canada-Israel Inter-Parliamentary group are at the table of apartheid
- On cartoon noses, antisemitism and the slaughter in Gaza
- \$24 Billion of our public pensions invested in Israeli war crimes
- UNAC Conference : Decolonization and the fight against Imperialism

- Jagmeet Singh smears anti-genocide protestersTrudeau govt envoy must apologize for supporting fired Minister after anti-Palestinian outburst
- Statement Calling on Canada to Support Gaza Genocide Case at the ICJ

• Enabling Genocide: Trudeau, Joly and Poilievre





President of the Canadian Police
 Association Stamatakis needs to resign



 Ottawa Jazz Festival accepts tainted sponsorship from the Israeli apartheid state
 News / January 4, 2024

In 2018, the Ottawa Jazz
Festival (OJF) accepted
programming sponsorship
from the apartheid state of
Israel embassy in Ottawa.

Read more

Campaigns that continue from previous years:

Tell International Cellars to Stop Profiting off Israeli War Crimes



The long standing don't drink with Apartheid campaign continued, with action related to telling International Cellars to stop profiting against war crimes

Apartheid is not Stylish

RETAIL BOYCOTT CALLOUT



Fox Group Canada is an Israeli retialer, managing four brands in 33 locations across Canada; NIKE Canada, MANGO Canada, FOX Home Canada and LALINE Canada. Fox Group is planning to open multiple new stores across Canada over the next ten years. FOX GROUP ISRAEL operates Nike Israel, Mango Israel, Foot Locker Israel, American Eagle, Aerie, Shilav, Billabong, Quicksilver, Yanga, SACK's, The Children's Place, Flying Tiger-Copenhagen Israel, Dream Sport, Disney Licensee, Jumbo Greece, Minene, Sunglass Hut, Ruby Bay, and Boardriders, in Israeli colonies/settlements, occupied East Jerusalem and aparheid Israel.



ALDO GROUP (CALL IT SPRING & GLOBO SHOES)

MANGO

There are about 20 store locations across apartheid Israel, and Ramot in occupied East Jerusalem

LULULEMON

Now operates in apartheid Israel and plans to expand.

sunglass hut









Naot Shoes operates in the illegal Gush Etzion settlement and across apartheid Israel. There are six retail locations in Canada. As well, many other shoe stores, as Naot Footwear, Walking on a Cloud, Ovation Shoes, SoftMoc, and Call it Spring.

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Apartheid Israel opens up business in Canada Fox Group Nike Canada, Laline Canada, Mango Canada or Fox Home. These brands are now managed by Fox Group, an Israeli based retailer. Fox retails four brands in Canada. Read more: **Apartheid is not Stylish**

BOYCOTT LALINE

LALINE IS AN ISRAELI BEAUTY BRAND COMPANY, THAT SUPPORTS ISRAEL'S PRO-APARTHEID ACTIVITIES. THEY USE ARGAN OIL AND DEAD SEA PRODUCTS WHICH ARE OFTEN EXTRACTED ILLEGALLY FROM PALESTINIAN LANDS. THESE PRODUCTS ARE LINKED TO THE COMMERCIAL VIABILITY OF ISRAEL'S COLONIES (A.K.A. "SETTLEMENTS"), TARGETED AS PART OF THE BOYCOTT OF APARTHEID ISRAEL.





1680 Richmond St U033A, London, ON
1800 Sheppard Ave E, North York, ON
2960 Kingsway Dr, Kitchener, ON
3401 Dufferin St, North York, ON
300 Borough Dr, Scarbroough, ON
25 The West Mall, Etobicoke, ON
5000 Hwy 7, Markham, ON
220 Yonge St, Toronto, ON
419 King St, Oshawa - ON

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Boycott Laline. Nothing beautiful about apartheid. Locations in Canada.

Read More »

Boycott Puma until they are apartheid-free!



PUMA announced it will end its sponsorship of Israel's national soccer league (the IFA) in 2024. PUMA's announcement comes in the midst of Israel's genocidal violence in Gaza and it follows years of international pressure against PUMA for its sponsorship of the IFA.

The <u>Canadian BDS Coalition</u> has pointed out that PUMA signed a multi-year partnership in August 2021 with <u>Maccabi</u> worth millions of dollars. The Maccabi Playtika Tel Aviv play with Puma uniforms and <u>exact copies</u> of the uniforms are available for purchase in the club's stores. The Canadian BDS Coalition has indicated that their support for boycotting Puma would continue as long as this and any other apartheid agreements are in place. <u>Read more</u>



Puma Toronto Women's Run Series: Apartheid is not stylish

Boycott Tempo and its many associated brands



"Tempo Beverages and its subsidiaries are the exclusive distributors to the Occupied West Bank, benefiting from access to a captive Palestinian market. **Read More** »



Aroma supports Israeli military and settlements: complicity with war crimes does not taste good A private Israeli chain of coffee shops. The company operates branches in Canada and other places. The company operates a branch in the settlement of Maale Adumim in the occupied West Bank, and buys milk from settler dairy farms.

"Our brands stem from the same heart" Apartheid, not a "playful style"







Take Action: Tell Aldo that Apartheid is not a "playful style"

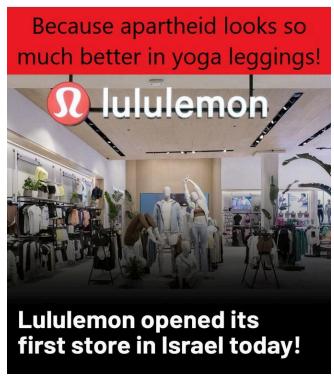
Aldo is complicit with Israeli war crimes and apartheid is a crime. Aldo has been identified by the Israeli research organization, Who Profits, as a company operating in the colonial settlement neighborhood of Ramot in occupied East Jerusalem. **Read More** »

Boycotting Indigo & No subsidies for war crimes

News / December 17, 2023

#BoycottIndigo The Canadian BDS Coalition endorsed the following Take action: Write a letter to Canada Revenue Agency: No subsidies for war crimes—investigate HESEG Foundation. Learn more about the Indigo and HESEG connection: Solidarity with the Peace 11. **Boycotting Indigo & No subsidies for war crimes**

Lululemon: Dressing up Apartheid!



News / June 8, 2023

Recently, Lululemon opened its first store in Israel and apparently has plans to open seven more. Zionists seem to be excited, and even the Israeli consulate general in Toronto posted about the opening. It would seem nothing dresses up apartheid like yoga leggings! The Coalition joins in a campaign calling for a boycott of lululemon.

Lululemon: Dressing up Apartheid! Read More »

<u>Take Action: Lululemon Dressing up</u> <u>Apartheid!</u>



Lululemon recently opened its first store in Israel and has plans to open seven more. Israeli officials were quick to promote the inaugural opening. Even the Israeli consulate general in Toronto tweeted about it, expressing how "excited" they were. It would seem nothing dresses up apartheid like yoga leggings! Take Action: write to lululemon CEO Calvin McDonald, **Read More**.»



#BoycottZara ramps up: the chair for the Israeli franchise is a Canadian-Israeli who hosted MK Ben-Gvir in 2022

In October 2022, the Canadian BDS Coalition joined the Palestine call to #BoycottZara after Canadian-Israeli Joey Schwebel, the chair of the Israeli franchisee for Zara, hosted right-wing MK Itamar Ben-Gvir for a political gathering leading to calls from Palestinians in historic Palestine (1948) to call for #BoycottZara.

Shame: Montreal company as the authorized supplier for the

Israel Ministry of Defense: water bottles & coffee mugs for the Israeli military



Asobu is a
Montreal-based,
authorized supplier for the
Israel Ministry of
Defense-providing bottles
and mugs to the Israeli
military! Watch for
products on Amazon, in
stores and from their own
site. Even as genocide
and war crimes continue,
Asobu shows its pro
Israel support. But why

wouldn't they-they are an official supplier of the Israel Ministry of Defense. Read More »



This is my last HP Pledge

<u>Boycott apartheid Halva</u> BBCF in Victoria, a member of the Canadian BDS Coalition, has called for a boycott of apartheid Halva. Check out the details, and download the handout. Boycott Sadaf. Look for alternatives for Halva that are NOT apartheid.

Highlights over the last almost 8 years

2016-2017

Air Canada terminates their main contract with Israel Aerospace Industries

<u>Air Canada ends Complicity with Israel</u> This campaign launched in June 2017, built on several years of campaign by the Canada Palestine Association. The Coalition campaign was international and included strong labour support in Canada. On November 5, 2017, the Canadian BDS Coalition announced that Air Canada had informed them that Air Canada had canceled its contract with Israel Aerospace Industries midterm.

The Canadian BDS Coalition announced this as a partial victory as Air Canada continued with a small maintenance contract with Israel Aerospace Industries and still sell Sabra products on board. See the release here.

Read our full Canadian BDS Coalition report from 2016-2017

2018

Don't Dance on the Ruins of Palestinian Childhood

Over 10,000 signatures on the campaign when BC Ballet and two other organizations danced under sponsorship of the Government of Canada, and the cities of Vancouver and Montreal, at the Israeli CanaDanse Festival. The campaign was initiated by the <u>Canada Palestine Association</u> in Vancouver.

Not silenced! <u>The Canadian Court ruled</u> that Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions activists were denied free speech and campaigning rights when the City of Montreal tore down their posters highlighting an Israeli atrocity during an election campaign in Canada. This action was brought forward by <u>BDS Quebec</u>, a <u>member</u> of the Canadian BDS Coalition.

In 2018, the Israeli government declared the Canadian BDS Coalition the only Canadian organization on the apartheid state's strategic affairs ministry BDS 'Map of Hate.'

Read our full Canadian BDS Coalition report from 2018

2019



Raptors Don't Go declared victory

The Canadian BDS Coalition in October 2019 announced that the #RaptorsDontGo campaign has been successful. Our campaign was launched in June 2019, immediately following the Raptors victory in the NBA championship; and after team co-owner Larry Tanenbaum received extensive coverage in the Israeli media stating he would bring the team to visit Israel if they won the

championship. The Israeli Embassy in Ottawa highlighted the issue, and <u>tweeted</u> the Raptors promising: "We'll call you...to help with the arrangements". Read the full release.

The Current is Cut Between Hydro-Québec and Israel Electric.

On August 27, the Coalition BDS Québec, a member of the Canadian BDS Coalition, published a <u>press</u> <u>release</u>. Hydro Quebec immediately sent a <u>letter</u>, signed by its chief – Public Affairs and Media, stating that the decision not to renew the HQ-IEC agreement had no political impact, which we strongly doubt. <u>Read more</u> including about the campaign across the country.

Also, in 2019 check out:

Partial Victory: **Bombardier pulls out** of Israeli settler railway

#IVotePalestine campaign

50+ Artists say Show Courage Céline

Read our full Canadian BDS Coalition 2019 report

2020

#BoycottPuma Canadian BDS Coalition endorses letter calling on Puma to end its sponsorship of the Israel Football Association

<u>100K+ letters sent to Canadian Members of Parliament & Diplomats in support of Palestine Human Rights Defender and the Coordinator of the BNC Mahmoud Nawajaa</u>

After Canadian BDS Coalition campaign where 50+ artists, with strong support publically from Roger Waters, tells Celine Dion to cancel her apartheid concerts; she instead cancels her Lebanon concert, seems #BDS was getting her nervous perhaps?

Ramadan 2020: Know where your dates are from!

Boycott TEVA – Apartheid is BAD Medicine

Read our full Canadian BDS Coalition report 2020 report

2021

Don't make us complicit in war crimes! BC Government: Stop Profiting from Israeli War Crimes

Royal Bank of Canada Colonialism from Turtle Island to Palestine

Thousands of Canadians say: CPPIB stop investing our public pension in war crimes: The third call, this one post-election

#NoIsraeliArms4Canada

The Canadian BDS Coalition supports the Statement of the International Community to Support and Protect Palestinian Civil Society

#IVotePalestine in September 20 Election

NDP and Green Candidates speak out for justice for Palestine

BDS Coalition initiates for 120 organizations globally calling for two-way arms embargo on Israel

<u>Palestine Solidarity and the Boycott Movement: An Intergenerational Dialogue</u>

Boycott Israeli dates. Break fast with Palestinian Medjoul

Statement of Solidarity with Samidoun

The Canadian BDS Coalition joins 550+ organizations in call to the UNHRC for Sanctions to hold Israel accountable

The Canadian BDS Coalition is pleased to join the campaign: Urge: Stevie Wonder in saying no to Israeli apartheid!

<u>Canadian BDS Coalition member group, Vegans for BDS, calls for PlantX to respect the demands of Palestinian civil society</u>

Read our full Canadian BDS Coalition 2021 report

2022

Initiated the Apartheid Free & Shame list campaign: Apartheid-Free Zones and the Boycott/Shame List

End Two Way Military Trade Between Canada and Israel

Don't Drink Apartheid: campaign by the Canada Palestine Association

Tell the BC Government to pull Israeli Apartheid Wines Now!

Vancouver, Victoria hold new actions to highlight #BoycottlsraeliWines

International Day of Solidarity/Boycott Israeli Wines Picket in Vancouver

Boycott Israel, Boycott TEVA, Free Palestine! Solidarity with Olivia Zémor!

Dozens of fellow artists & civil society organizations ask Justin Bieber to say NO to Apartheid

Canadians continue to call on Puma (Canadian office) to end its complicity with Israeli Apartheid

<u>Tell Harbourfront art-washing of apartheid is not acceptable. Cancel Israel's L-E-V troupe performance.</u>

Boycott Apartheid, Boycott WIX

2022 Ramadan: Boycott Israeli dates. Break fast with Palestinian Medjoul

What is the CPPIB really up to?

CPPIB Invests our public pension in Israeli war crimes

Les investissements de la CDPQ dans les crimes de guerre israéliens approchent les 5 % de son portefeuille

CDPQ investment in Israeli War Crimes is approaching 5% of the portfolio

#IVotePalestine Ontario provincial election

Stop the smear campaigns against Palestinian Advocacy!

The Canadian BDS Coalition is part of initiating #KickOutApartheid

<u>Stop the Race – Don't Collaborate with Israeli Apartheid</u>

Metrobus Ads Denounce Apartheid practices of Israeli Government

<u>The Coalition joins 105 Organizations Submission on Montreal Based WSP's Illegal Settlement Enterprise</u> to UN Database

Canadian BDS Coalition tabled at Roger Waters concerts

The Coalition is pleased to Co-present "Boycott" with "Blacklisted" at the 2022 Toronto Palestinian Film Festival

Coalition member, Justice for Palestinians-Calgary launches #CAFOutofCalgary

Join in Palestine initiated #BoycottZara following Canadian-Israeli Joey Schwebel, the chair of the Israeli franchisee for Zara, hosting MK Itamar Ben-Gvir

Canada Revenue Agency: end subsidies to Israeli settler colonial organization, Regavim

Read the full 2022 Report

2023

Apartheid-Free Zones and the Boycott/Shame List

We invite you to let us know about complicit companies and businesses, and to designate your organization or business an apartheid-free zone and list it here! Follow the links below to read the list of Apartheid-Free Zones, the List of Shame, and to nominate Apartheid-Free businesses or to warn about complicit companies.

- Apartheid-Free Businesses and Organizations List
- Boycott List/List of Shame

- Nominate an Apartheid-Free Business or Organization
- Inform us about a Complicit Company for the Boycott List/List of Shame

Check out:

- Shame on Canadian Media
- Retailers selling Israeli products and supporting Israeli military and other pro Israel activities
- Corporate pro-Israel sponsor shame list
- Canadian financial institutions supporting apartheid Israel
- Canada Political Shame List

During the last several months of 2023, the website views increased to about 15K views a week, with many of these being the shame list.

Action you can take: Letters you can send (updated December 2023)

Feature Campaigns

- Activists around the world vow to #ShutElbitDown
- 2023 Ramadan: Boycott Israeli dates. Break fast with Palestinian Medjoul This Ramadan pledge to not buy Apartheid Medjoul

Take Action:

Letter Campaign to Tell International Cellars to Stop Profiting off Israeli War Crimes

Other campaigns and statements

- Apartheid is not Stylish
- Boycott Laline. Nothing beautiful about apartheid. Locations in Canada.
- Boycott Tempo and its many associated brands
- Boycott Puma until they are apartheid-free!
- Aroma supports Israeli military and settlements, complicity with war crimes does not taste good
- Take Action: Tell Aldo that Apartheid is not a "playful style"
- Support the Call from Palestinian Christian Churches
- Boycotting Indigo & No subsidies for war crimes
- Lululemon: Dressing up Apartheid!
- #BoycottZara ramps up, the chair for the Israeli franchise is a Canadian-Israeli who hosted MK Ben-Gvir in 2022
- <u>Shame: Montreal company as the authorized supplier for the Israel Ministry of Defense: water bottles & coffee mugs for the Israeli military</u>
- This is my last HP Stickers and Pledge
- On the streets across Canada and Quebec–Stay in the Streets!

- RBC Prevailed in holding unethical investment in Palantir despite stocks plummeting 70%
- #Nakba75 Activist Kit: Raise The Flag
- Nakba75 Actions from St. John's to Vancouver, from Saint John to Saskatoon, a few pictures from across Canada
- Take Action: Tell Canada Pension Plan to drop \$10+B investments complicit with Israeli war crimes
- Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec sheds Israeli police training but still invests \$12.5 Billion of Quebec pensioners money in Israeli war crimes
- La CDPQ a au moins 14 milliards de dollars de cotisants et de bénéficiaires de pensions du Québec investis dans les crimes de guerre israéliens, 20 mai 2023CDPQ has at least \$14B of Quebec pension contributors and recipients public pension money invested in Israeli war crimes, May 20, 2023
- Canada: Stop Arming Israel
- 200 Workers block access to Toronto weapons-maker, L3Harris, amidst blockades at three other weapons plants arming Israel in Ontario and Quebec.
- Armed Drones Killing in Palestine! Armed drones purchase underway in Canada!
- Boycott apartheid Halva
- Palestinian Solidarity Committee Saint John Podcast with Hanna Kawas
- Take Action: Mount Allison should not be conferring an honorary degree for Deborah Lyons
- No Israeli Military Visits in Canada
- Why did the Canadian Anti Hate Network Chair promote
- anti-Palestinian hate?
- The Racist, Apartheid State Of Israel Is Offended!
- CRA asked to investigate charities supporting Israeli military
- Five Canadian MPs gone to Israel to show their solidarity with the extreme-right government, PAJU, November 27, 2023
- Israel's Bombardment of Al-Ahli Hospital, October 26, 2023
- UN Database update dropped several companies but does not impact the complicity of Canada and Quebec pension plans in war crimes, July 21, 2023
- Jenin invasion underlines the need for BDS in Canada: Isolate the occupier! July 6, 2023The Coalition joins the call to Free Walid Daggah! July 6, 2023
- Ontario NDP to apologize to Sarah Jama and stand in solidarity with detained Palestinians, May
 5. 2023
- The Harmful Impact of Raising the Israeli Flag on Palestinian Residents in Saint John, May 4,
- 2023

Read the full 2023 report

2024 Reports from Our Member Organizations

British Columbia

BDS Vancouver/Coast Salish Territories

BDS Vancouver/Coast Salish Territories was formed in 2012 in solidarity with the global Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions movement against Israel's ongoing apartheid system and denial of fundamental freedoms in Palestine. We organize actions, campaigns and events to boycott Israeli products and complicit corporations, and to demand accountability from the BC and Canadian governments for their involvement in perpetuating crimes against the Palestinian people.

BDS Vancouver/Coast Salish Territories 2024 Annual Report



Throughout 2024 BDS Vancouver/Coast Salish Territories and allies within the Palestine solidarity movement, experienced growing rage and grief over the ongoing genocide in Gaza. The global cry for Boycott Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) rang out once again, as people the world over took to the streets to protest the genocidal policies of Israel and, here in Canada, to denounce our ongoing complicity in Israeli war crimes.

Protests, rallies, marches, vigils, car rallies, banner drops, pickets, pop up bazaars. Every week there was an action which we endorsed

and or supported. A few of the highlights were:

January 6 - Rally and March for Palestine

February 24 - End all Arm Sales Shut it Down for Palestine

March 30-Commemorating Land Day

April 20- Pop-up bazaar

April 29 – Support our students! Mass community rally to Support our Student encampments

May 15- Vancouver-wide protest Nakba Day commemoration /Resistance Until Return

June 22-National Die-In for Gaza

July 13th March and vigil for martyrs, bike rally

July 24- All Out for Palestine. Rally & March to US Consulate: protest Netanyahu's speech to US Congress

August 16- Evening Rally and March. End the Genocide in Gaza

August 17th Banner Drop

September 7th- Silent March against Genocide

September 28th- Banner Drops-Hands off the West Bank/Hands off Gaza

September 29-Emergency protest: From Palestine to Lebanon: Resistance until Liberationgenocide in Gaza, murderous assaults on Lebanon and West Bank

October – Marking One Year of Genocide with a Week of Action-protesting intensified Zionist

October 2nd – One year of Genocide- Shut Down Scotiabank action, October 5- RESISTING GENOCIDE: BOYCOTT FOR PALESTINIAN LIBERATION Vancouver Mass Rally for Palestine, bike and car rally, October 6-Teach-In: Al-Aqsa Flood Vancouver for Palestine & Lebanon, Abbotsford vigil, October 7-Exhibition/Education/Art and Rally, October 8- Pack the court! Protest criminalization of dissent- defend our comrade Charlotte from unjust charges

November 9- 400 days of Genocide Vancouver Rally & March

December 13th, 14th –Days of Action against Scotiabank (see details below)

ShutDown Scotia Bank actions in 2024:

Throughout 2024 we kept up the pressure on Scotiabank to divest from the Israeli Arms dealer Elbit Systems which produces the drones, weapons systems and munitions used to carry out genocide in Gaza and the illegal occupation of Palestine. Shame on Scotiabank! Profiting from war crimes! Although their recent holdings in Elbit saw a reduction from \$500 million to about \$130 million, we will not rest until they completely divest!

The campaign picked up steam on March 15th as 38 organizations across Canada endorsed the day of action "No Business as Usual for Scotiabank". Protests and pickets took place at 28 branch locations across the country!

On October 2nd, leading the international week of action: "Resisting Genocide: Boycott for Palestinian Liberation" we answered the call from the Canadian BDS Coalition & International Allies marking one year of genocide endorsed by over 100 organizations from around the globe. Activists across the lower mainland once again targeted Scotiabank's investment in genocide, insisting that until the bank's global asset fund divested from the Israeli weapons company, they would not let up!

To mark the International Day of Solidarity with Palestinian People on November 29^{th,} BDS Vancouver and allies once again targeted Scotiabank. Although 2024 shares in Elbit had been reduced, as of the end of November, Scotiabank still owns \$130 million (US). Until Scotiabank completely divests from war crimes, our campaign "Shame on Scotiabank" continues.

Just a few weeks later (December 13/14^{th)}) we were back at several branches across the country to mark "Scotiabank: Days of Action". Once again, we joined our allies to confirm our resolve that until Scotiabank completely divests from war crimes, they will continue to be a target of the BDS movement. Accompanying the "Days of Action" was a letter-writing campaign to Scotiabank executives regarding their continued investment in Elbit Systems and shameful profiteering from Israeli war crimes.

https://www.justpeaceadvocates.ca/tell-scotiabank-to-divest-completely-from-elbit-systems/

Throughout 2024, a significant challenge facing the local BDS movement and Palestine solidarity activists has been an unprecedented level of intimidation and harassment of our comrades by government officials, the RCMP and the Vancouver Police Department.

We end the year in solidarity and support of the recent Canada Palestine Association statement: Say No to Continuing Police Repression Against Palestinians and Their Supporters: "CPA is appalled with the anti-Palestinian racism that permeates every level of government, from the municipal to provincial to the federal. And we will not forget nor forgive all those who are complicit in Israeli genocide against the Palestinian and Arab people." The statement quotes local activists regarding recent aggressive and intimidating arrests and raids by the VPD in which ultimately no charges are laid: "If we remain silent in the face of the state terror directed at our comrades, they will only continue to push the boundaries of our legal system until we cannot even say "Free Palestine" or carry a Palestinian flag in public without being arrested under the guise of "hate speech".

https://cpavancouver.org/2024/12/say-no-to-continuing-police-repression-against-palestinians-and-their-supporters/

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Canada Palestine Association



Canada Palestine Association, Vancouver has been carrying on solidarity work for the Palestinian people since 1980. CPA supports the Palestinian people's struggle to realize their human and national rights including the right to self-determination and the right to return. It opposes Zionism because of its exclusionist, aggressive and racist nature and also opposes anti-Jewish and anti-Arab racism (for more details see our Basis of Unity). CPA also endorses the general boycott against Israel and against all those who enable Israeli ethnic cleansing, war crimes and Apartheid.

Website:

cpavancouver.org

Follow us on Twitter and Instagram:

BDS Vancouver/Canada Palestine Association (3529 Followers)

Instagram – cpavancouver (5518 followers)

Canada Palestine Association 2024 Annual Report

2024 was another eventful year for Canada Palestine Association (CPA) as we focused on challenging the Israeli genocide and fighting against the increasing police repression in Canada. CPA also held a special meeting that commemorated its 44 years of solidarity activism in November.

Report of CPA events, statements and other items for 2024:

Events and Campaigns:

- 1. <u>Jan. 6 Rally and March for Palestine</u> Jan. 6, 2024
- 2. Car Rally 4 Palestine Jan. 12

Jan. 12, 2024

3. Liberation Conference

Jan. 20, 2024

4. Jan. 27 Rally4Palestine, Vancouver Art Gallery

Jan. 27, 2024

- 5. <u>Vancouver, Langley and other BC communities out for Palestine!</u> Jan. 30, 2024
- 6. BC Cabinet Minister Must Go!

Feb. 3, 2024

- 7. <u>BC Cabinet Minister steps down after calling Palestine a "crappy piece of land"</u> Feb. 5, 2024
- 8. Next Mass Rally in Surrey, Feb. 10

Feb. 10, 2024

9. All Out for Palestine Feb. 12, Shut It Down 4 Palestine

Feb. 12, 2024

10. Feb. 17, March for Rafah

Feb. 17, 2024

11. Feb. 24 Next Rally and March

Feb. 24, 2024

12. March 2 Rally, Vancouver Art Gallery

March 2, 2024

- 13. Endorsers for March 15: End Genocide Profiteering, Shame on Scotiabank March 4, 2024
- 14. March 9 Rally, Vancouver Art Gallery

March 9, 2024

15. <u>18+ ScotiaBank Branches Adopted so far for March 15 Day of Action to End Genocide Profiteering!</u>

March 9, 2024

16. MARCH 15: SHUT DOWN GENOCIDE PROFITEERING! Shut Down Scotiabank Scotiabank Mass Rally, Vancouver

Join us on March 15 to Shut Down Genocide Profiteering at Scotiabank Branches Mar 15: No Business as Usual for Scotiabank

March 15, 2024

17. March 23: Vancouver March/Rally

March 23, 2024

18. Commemorating Land Day

March 30, 2024

19. April 6 Land Back

April 6, 2026

20. All out 4 Palestine April 20! (March & Bazaar)

April 20, 2024

21. Next event April 26, Hands Off Rafah

April 26, 2026

22. Support Our Students!

April 29, 2024

23. #Nakba76 Activist Kit: Raise The Flag

May 1, 2024

24. May 11 Galiano Island Meeting

May 11, 2024

25. Nakba76 Events and Photo Highlights

May 14, 15 & 18, 2024

26. Vancouver shows up for Rafah and Palestine!

May 29, 2024

27. All out for Palestine, June 8

June 8, 2024

28. Stand with Palestine, June 22

June 22, 2024

29. June 29 #NoPrideInGenocide Rally and March in Vancouver

June 29, 2024

30. July 5 All Out for Palestine!

July 5, 2024

31. July 13 Actions4Palestine

July 13, 2024

32. Stand with Dania! Shame on our Political Leaders!

July 15, 2024

33. Upcoming Event July 24

July 24, 2024

34. #StopTheJNF...We will not Stop, We will not Rest!

July 29, 2024

35. July 31 Emergency Vigil, Vancouver

July 31, 2024

36. 300 Days of Protesting Genocide

August 2, 2024

37. Support the students at Vancouver Island University!

August 11,2024

38. Sept. 28 Banner Drops

September 28, 2024

39. Who crafted Canada's bogus "terrorist list"?

September 28, 2024

40. Solidarity with Palestinian Advocacy and Liberation!

<u>Tell the Canadian Government to Stop Criminalizing Palestinian Advocacy – Action</u> Network

Nov. 4. 2024

41. <u>VPD hears complaints by pro-Palestine advocates, then appoints former Deputy</u>
Chief to investigate

Nov. 4, 2024

42. <u>Vancouver Action Nov. 9 Day 400 – The Genocide Continues!</u> Nov. 8, 2024

43. CPA Legacy over 4 Decades

Nov. 9, 2024

44. <u>#ShameonScotiabank Picket, Nov 29 International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinians</u>

Photo gallery from Nov. 29 Shame on Scotiabank Picket

Nov. 29, 2024

45. Scotiabank Days of Action Dec. 13/14

Join the Scotiabank Days of Action

Photo/Video highlights of Scotiabank Days of Action

Dec 13, 14, 2024

CPA Statements:

- We Refuse to be Intimidated, We will Continue to Defend Palestine Jan. 21, 2024
- Stop Harassing anti-Genocide Advocates for Palestine!
 Open Letter in Support of Charlotte Kates and the Right to Free Expression
 May 1, 2024
- Don't lecture Palestinians about "violence"!

May 30, 2024

- We won't be intimidated, We will Stand Together! June 3, 2024
- Zionism and its lobby groups are bankrupt!
 July 18. 2024
- Scotiabank must divest completely from Elbit Systems! August 15, 2024
- Aug. 16/17 Actions4Palestine

August 16, 17, 2024

• ScotiaBank name is an embarrassment

September 5, 2024

• Sept. 7 Silent March against Genocide

September 7, 2024

• Upcoming Events in Vancouver area

Oct. 5, 6 & 7, 2024

• #ShutDownScotiabank

Oct. 2, 2024

Vancouver marks one year of Israeli genocide!

Oct. 7, 2024

• Webinar: Resistance until Return

Oct. 13, 2024

• CPA Condemns the Banning of Samidoun

Oct. 16, 2024

- Outraged by Excessive VPD Raid against pro-Palestine Advocate Nov. 15. 2024
- Say NO to continuing police repression against Palestinians and their supporters Dec. 16, 2024

CPA Articles:

 Canada Palestine Assoc.: Repressive practices surge amid Gaza genocide | Al Mayadeen English

Jan. 22, 2024

- The RCMP Sent Its Pipeline Protest Unit to Pro-Palestinian Rallies | The Tyee Feb. 2, 2024
- Canada BC minister resigns after anti-Palestine remarks
 AlMayadeen English Feb. 6, 2024
- The End of Settler Colonialism

March 10, 2024

- Canada's repression against Palestinians, supporters, growing: CPA May 2, 2024
- We will never stop advocating for Palestine!!

June 20, 2024

Published in Al Mayadeen English: We will never stop advocating for Palestine! | Al Mayadeen English

June 18, 2024

- From France: En Amérique du Nord, des campagnes contre les complices du génocide à Gaza engrangent des victoires | Palestine Vaincra August 19, 2024
- Divesting from Genocide! | Al Mayadeen English

August 20, 2024

Why I Hate Zionism and its Backers More than Ever!

<u>September 12, 2024</u>

Also published in Al Mayadeen English

September 15, 2024

Videos & Interviews:

- Interview by Hanna Kawas, Chair of CPA, with Gurpreet Singh of Spice Radio regarding Selina Robinson's resignation
- May 8 Right to Resist Meeting, Vancouver May 8, 2024
- Resistance Until Return: Addressing the Root Causes within a Rights-based Decolonization Approach

Oct. 13, 2024

- Solidarity with Palestine fundraiser by the Chilean community in Vancouver October 26, 2024
- Video highlights of CPA's solidarity work for Palestine.
 Nov. 9, 2024
- Gurpreet Singh interviews Hanna Kawas on Spice Radio about the Nov. 14 violent raid on the home of Charlotte Kates

Nov. 20 & 24, 2024

Social Media:

CPA Facebook pages:

(all likes are generated organically; on principle, we refuse to pay for ads or for posts promotions)

• Canada Palestine Association (10,376 Facebook followers)

- BDS Vancouver Coast Salish Territories (1.6K Facebook followers)
- Boycott Israeli Wines Don't Drink with Apartheid (12K Facebook followers)
- Stop G4S in Canada Boycott and Divest from G4S (7.1K Facebook followers)
- Boycott TEVA Apartheid is BAD Medicine (3.1K Facebook followers)

CPA Facebook groups:

- Canada Palestine Association (5.4K members)
- Voice of Palestine 2.4) صوت فلسطين (K members)
- Air Canada: We are not On-Board with Human Rights Violations (757 members)

Website: https://cpavancouver.org

Follow us on Twitter and Instagram:

BDS Vancouver/Canada Palestine Association (3529 Followers)

Instagram – cpavancouver (5518 followers)

2 Rivers for Palestine

Here for Humanity on the ancestral unceded territory of Lheidli T'enneh.

Facebook Instagram.

Contact: 2rivers4palestine@gmail.com

Comox Valley for Palestine

We are a grassroots collective of folks from diverse backgrounds living on the territory of the K'omoks people. We come together to join the global solidarity movement for Palestinian liberation.

Comox Valley for Palestine 2024 Annual Report

This year, Comox Valley for Palestine (CV4P) expanded its efforts to stand in solidarity with the Palestinian people through a series of impactful community events, advocacy campaigns, and educational initiatives.

Highlights of 2024:

- Community Events: Organized gatherings such as a Father's Day kite flying event, children's storytime library, a Vancouver Island Book Tour, and the Festival for Falastin in Cumberland.
- Activist Support: Empowered first-time activists to participate in direct actions.

- Advocacy: Challenged anti-Palestinian racism at City Hall and the Vancouver Island Regional Library.
- Fundraising: Raised over \$15,000 to support individuals affected by the ongoing genocide in Palestine.
- Educational Outreach: Delivered teach-ins on topics such as Palestine 101, antisemitism, and the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) Movement.

Looking forward, CV4P aims to deepen its focus on anti-Palestinian racism, security culture, and collective care practices while fostering resilience and mutual support.

Media Coverage:

- Protesters stage die-in at Courtenay Coles bookstore
- Comox Valley residents fly kites for Palestinian fathers

Website Facebook: Instagram:

Coalition Against Israeli Apartheid (CAIA) Victoria

CAIA Victoria formed in 2006 as a response to the growing threat to peace in the Middle East created by the Israeli government. We are a network of concerned individuals and organizations working to end this apartheid system. We believe that justice will not be achieved without equal rights for everyone in the region, regardless of religion, ethnicity or nationality.

We understand Israeli apartheid as one element of a system of global apartheid. To this end, we stand in solidarity with all oppressed groups around the world, in particular, the indigenous people of North America.

We oppose all forms of racism, Islamophobia and anti-Semitism. website | facebook

Barnard-Boecker Centre Foundation (BBCF)

The Barnard-Boecker Centre Foundation was incorporated as a registered non-profit society in 1996 in British Columbia. The director is Theresa Wolfwood of Victoria. The aims of BBCF are:

- To create, to develop, and to encourage programs that promote social justice, peace, sustainability, diversity and community, through research, writing, film and art: and
- 2. To organize public events that will contribute, globally and locally, to knowledge and awareness.

Website

Alberta:

Calgary

Justice for Palestinians

Justice for Palestinians is a non-profit community-based group formed in 2009 to raise awareness of the ongoing human rights violations against the Palestinian people. We believe that justice for the Palestinian people will not be achieved without equal rights for everyone in the region, regardless of religion, ethnicity, or nationality. We work to end all Canadian complicity in Israeli apartheid and stand in opposition to all forms of racism and discrimination including anti-Muslim, anti-Arab racism, anti-Semitism, homophobia, transphobia, sexism, and ableism. We act in solidarity with all oppressed groups around the world, particularly the Indigenous peoples of Turtle Island.

Justice for Palestinians works to support the 2005 appeal, issued by over 170 Palestinian organizations for a global campaign of Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) against the state of Israel. This appeal demands that Israel recognize the Palestinian people's inalienable right to self-determination and that Israel fully comply with the precepts of international law by:

- Ending its occupation and colonization of all Arab lands and the dismantling of the apartheid Wall. (International law recognizes the West Bank including East Jerusalem, Gaza, and the Golan Heights as occupied by Israel.)
- Recognizing the fundamental rights of the Arab-Palestinian citizens of Israel to full equality.
 - Respecting, protecting and promoting the rights of Palestinian refugees to return to their homes and properties as stipulated in UN Resolution 194.

JAF activities, events and outreach include:

- CAF Out of Calgary campaigns
- BDS educational and informational sessions
- Film screenings and discussions
- Vigils, public displays, and silent vigils
- Rallies and protests

For more information:

Email: calgary.justiceforpalestinians@gmail.com

<u>Link Tree</u>: https://linktr.ee/jfp_yyc

JFP Social Media

Instagram: @jfpcalgary www.instagram.com/jfpcalgary

Twitter X: @JFP_YYC www.twitter.com/JfP_YYC

YouTube: @JFP_YYC www.youtube.com/@JFP_YYC

Saskatchewan:

Regina Peace Council

The Regina Peace Council was formed in 1949. It focuses on issues of peace, disarmament, development, and international solidarity. It is a member of the <u>Canadian Peace Congress</u> which in turn is affiliated with the <u>World Peace Council</u>. We publish *Saskatchewan Peace News* four times a year, which is available free in hard or email copy to anyone interested in checking it out by emailing Ed Lehman at edrae1133@gmail.com.

The Regina Peace Council believes that justice for the Palestinian people is a key requirement for having peace in the Middle East and in the world.

Throughout 2024 the Regina Peace Council participated in actions to support justice for Palestine. These actions included rallies, demonstrations, and meetings - usually organized by Palestine Solidarity Regina. At these actions members and supporters of the RPC spoke, carried placards, and worked to make them more effective. These actions were both small and big - in some cases involving hundreds of people. RPC hopes these activities will reach a broader network of participants in 2025.

Human Rights for All (HR4A)

"Human Rights for All started as a local Saskatoon group after the May 2021 bombing of Gaza. HR4A opposes all forms of racism and discrimination.

Our present focus is to create awareness of the Israeli system of apartheid, and the ways Canada supports it, by engaging with local peace and justice groups, the general public, and members of parliament and the legislative assembly. We recognize BDS as a valuable tool in dismantling apartheid."

HR4A's approach in 2024 was characterized by increased collaboration with other community groups working for Indigenous justice on Turtle Island and in Palestine. HR4A and CJPME Saskatoon organize the weekly rally and march along the busiest street in Saskatoon which is well attended even on the coldest days, and positive reactions from passing traffic increase every week. Together with student organizations, Faculty 4 Palestine, various faith groups,Indigenous groups and a lot of individual young people rotating on taking the lead on different advocacy events, we have helped to screen numerous films followed by discussions, and engaged in weekly protests at Starbucks and two demonstrations each at Indigo and

ScotiaBank. In collaboration with diverse groups we have co-hosted two Palestine Cultural events, an in-person seminar with Mohannad Ayyashon campus,a Run for Palestine and a vigil among other events. We created a variety of showy postcards to send to representatives on a different topic every few weeks. HR4A s supported the encampment at U of S in person and financially.

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Renee Nunan-Rappard
nunantr@gmail.com

Ontario:

Anti-Imperialist Alliance – Ottawa (AIA Ottawa)

AIA Ottawa is a group of people opposed to Canadian and US imperialism, both within Turtle Island and abroad. We aim to raise consciousness and take action against the destructive policies of Canadian and US governments and businesses, which seek to subordinate the people of the world and profit off of their oppression. Our goal is a world in which all nations and peoples have the freedom to develop as equals.

AIA Ottawa is currently focused on the struggle against settler colonialism, resource extraction and towards Palestinian liberation.

Facebook

Contact: aiaottawa1968@gmail.com

GT4BDS (Greater Toronto 4 BDS)

Toronto based group that organizes campaigns, actions & DS work. Contact: bdscoalition@gmail.com

Al-Quds Committee- Toronto

Al-Quds or Jerusalem Day is an annual, international, muslim-sponsored event the Friday before Eid, in the holy month of Ramadan. The goal is to both educate and encourage people of conscience to work for just peace for the people of Palestine. Al-Quds days in Toronto bring together people of various faiths and beliefs: Muslims, Christians, Jews, and atheists. Al-Quds is an expression of support for the Palestinian right to self-determination and opposition to the annexation of Jerusalem, with East Jerusalem encompassing the third holiest site in Islam, the Al-Aqsa Mosque.

The Ontario Palestinian Rights Association (OPRA)



The Ontario Palestinian Rights Association started in 2016 as the Oakville Palestinian Rights Association. In 2024, it became the Ontario Palestinian Rights Organization.

As its name implies OPRA has focused on advocating for the rights of Palestinians whether they are in the Westbank, Gaza, East Jerusalem, 1948 Israel, in refugee camps in neighboring countries or in the diaspora around the world. We believe a lasting, productive peace between Israelis and Palestinians

can only be achieved when these internationally recognized rights are accepted and acted upon. OPRA has sponsored a number of public events drawing attention to Israeli and international disregard of these rights and the oppressive consequences for the Palestinian people. OPRA's primary focus is the No Way To Treat a Child campaign. It is attempting to gain the willingness of Canadian parliamentarians and the Canadian public to condemn this Israeli policy and practice of arresting, isolating, hurting, intimidating, manipulating and imprisoning children, some as young as six or seven, for insulting or throwing stones at riot-gear dressed soldiers with powerful weapons.

OPRA also strongly supports the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions of all Israeli companies, organizations and institutions that haHEve not condemned the Israeli denial of Palestinian rights. OPRA meets approximately once a month.

Contact | Linktree | Facebook | Instagram

Hamilton Coalition to Stop the War

The mission of the Hamilton Coalition to Stop the War is to press harder for peace by challenging every political leader to stand with the people in pursuing peace over war.

Website Facebook Contact

Niagara Movement for Justice in Palestine-Israel (NMJPI)

NMJPI is currently an informal movement to rally persons in Niagara and elsewhere to commit passionately to ACTIONS that will bring about permanent peace and fuller well-being for all in Palestine-Israel, founded on justice for both Palestinians and Israelis. We believe that, given the prevailing circumstances in the region, the most effective vehicle to accomplish this goal is the global **Boycott**, **Divest and Sanctions (BDS)** movement targeting the Government and businesses of Israel and the illegal settlements encroaching on Palestinian land.

Contact::(www.nmjpi.org

Prelude: The web page for NMJPI (www.nmjpi.org) was established in 2020 but we, as a movement, have been functioning since several years before that. In our efforts to promote action, we have mainly resorted to email and social media methods, providing relevant information and encouraging recipients to engage in personal contact with officials in government as well as in companies and organizations that do business with the apartheid regime of Israel. Beginning in 2022, we have held and continue to hold demonstrations at the office of the MP for St. Catharines, Mr. Chris Bittle (we also attempted to meet with MP Vance Badawey in 2023, but were stood up at the last moment after an appointment had been scheduled).

These demos were intended to call attention to the need for URGENT action if a "Third Intifada" was to be averted. They were called "HIGH NOON" Demos because they started at Noon but, more importantly, because the term "High Noon" suggests the imminence of "an event or confrontation which is likely to decide the final outcome of a situation" (Google "High Noon"). Unfortunately, the call of these "High Noon" demos went unheeded by officials and our worst nightmares were realized and unfolded, beginning on 7 October 2023 and continue..

Niagara Movement for Justice in Palestine-Israel 2024 Annual Report

January 2024 saw an unprecedented occurrence in Niagara, featuring members of NMJPI, NPC (Niagara Palestine Coalition), other residents of Niagara (representing hundreds, perhaps even thousands, of others) and a motion brought to the Niagara Regional Council(NRC). The process of this motion started with NMJPI seeking the support of the NRC to represent to the Federal Government the deep concerns of Niagara residents regarding the genocidal crisis in Gaza, Palestine. The champion of this effort on our behalf was a member of the NRC, Councillor Haley Bateman, who introduced a motion at the 25 January, 2024, meeting of the NRC. The following links will provide an insight into how it all went down:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HzfJ6f2PAhQ&list=PLT3GGuhZmHJ1mNyYi3yFam-yNdHGz5klm&index=14

Please note: the link above leads to others, showing several relevant segments which follow on the first. The radio interview with Haley Bateman, included, is very instructive. And so the link for it is also here offered separately:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wSGFLw9lxB4&list=PLT3GGuhZmHJ1mNyYi3yFam-yNdHGz5klm&index=15

The Pointer link, here below, summarizes the entire fiasco in text form:

https://thepointer.com/article/2024-02-03/calls-of-racism-shame-and-disgust-directed-at-niagara-councillors-immediate-action-needed-to-salvage-trust

In the opinion of this report, as the links above show, the **Niagara Regional Council (NRC) is reeking of Anti-Palestinian Racism**.

Other ACTIONS of the NMJPI in 2024 included (but were not limited to):

- 1. 19 November, 2024: In conjunction with Brock University's "President's Action Committee on Human Rights, Equity and Decolonization" (PACHRED), Independent Jewish Voices (IJV), Hamilton, Silver Spire United Church, St. Catharines, and other organizations, NMJPI sponsored the full-house (242 seats) public screening of the award-winning documentary, ISRAELISM. We intend to follow up on this event with critical meetings that will address the question "ISRAELISM! NOW WHAT?", with a view to engaging the public in political action.
- 2. 3 December, 2024: Two members of NMJPI, Rick McCallion and Desmond Sequeira, were able to join close to 150 persons in a peaceful, even prayerful, Jewish-led "Sit-in" of the Lobby of the Confederation Building of Parliament in Ottawa. The following links will provide some sense of this ACTION: DEMOCRACY NOW: https://www.democracynow.org/2024/12/3/canada_parliament_protest_jews_say_no Canada Talks Israel Palestine: https://canadatalksisraelpalestine.ca/2024/12/04/will-anybody-try-to-claim-this-is-antisemitic/
- 3. As often in previous years, Ineke Medcalf, a key member of NMJPI recently visited the West Bank for almost three weeks. As before, her visit served as a tangible sign of our solidarity with the People of Palestine and was greatly appreciated.
- 4. Looking to 2025, NMJPI is in the process of forging a "Coalition for Common Concerns", attempting to bring together marginalized groups with the Federal Elections, potentially catastrophic for Palestine, LOOMING.

Further information about NMJPI:

Web: www.nmjpi.org

More Info: info@nmjpi.org

Windsor BDS

We formed to support the call for BDS. Our focus is on actions related to BDS as well as, outreach activities in order to inform and educate the local community about BDS and its importance.

Contact: bdscoalition@gmail.com

Jewish Anti-Zionist Collective Toronto

The Jewish Anti-Zionist Collective Toronto (JAZCto) is an organization of revolutionary anti-zionist Jews founded to champion the Palestinian and anti-imperialist struggle for liberation by any means necessary. Through education, direct action, mass work, and mobilization, JAZCto upholds a pro-Resistance political line emphasizing that the entirety of zionism, from its ideological origin in Europe's white supremacist "Jewish question"; to the settler-colonial entity known as "israel" is genocidal and must be defeated. Our mission is to go beyond simply differentiating between anti-zionism and anti-semitism; it is to dismantle imperialism, the highest stage of capitalism, in all arenas and by all means and methods, including the BDS Movement. We escalate, organize, and institutionalize our militant solidarity with all struggles against imperialism and settler-colonialism from Turtle Island to Palestine. Centering the demands of the steadfast Palestinian Resistance, we fight for the Palestinian rights to resistance, self-determination, and return to one Palestinian state from the river to the sea.

Telegram: t.me/jazcto Contact: jazcto@proton.me

JAZCto was founded following the revolutionary Operation Al-Aqsa Flood to challenge the genocidal zionist project in its entirety and champion militant resistance as the only path to Palestinian liberation. From the stories of Purim and Hanukah, to the Jewish uprisings of the Warsaw Ghetto and Sobibor, Treblinka, and Auschwitz concentration camps, to the South African anti-apartheid struggle, to Land Defense here on Turtle Island—we recognize that the Palestinian Resistance and Axis of Resistance are waging a just and righteous liberation battle that we in the settler-colony of so-called Canada have a responsibility to vocally and unapologetically support.

Jewish Anti-Zionist Collective Toronto 2024 Annual Report

In 2024, JAZCto organized to challenge zionism, imperialism, and settler-colonialism alongside our comrades from the Canadian BDS Coalition & International Allies, Students & Workers for the Liberation of Palestine (SWLP), Anakbayan, Writers Against the War on Gaza (WAWOG), Students for Queer Liberation (SQL), Canada-Philippines Solidarity Organization (CPSO), BAYAN, and University of Guelph's People's Plaza for Palestine. Our work this year included protest against IOF fundraising, education about anti-imperialist solidarity in the imperial core as part of the International League of People's Struggle's Right to Resist series, a Land Day vigil,

teach-ins and reading circles at Palestine solidarity encampments, and a banner drop and rally to commemorate one year of Al-Aqsa Flood Battle.

We are grateful for the support and solidarity of our comrades. We look forward to building upon the work we've done together to further support the struggle for liberation from zionism, imperialism, and colonialism by any means necessary! Long live Palestine, and long live the Resistance!

Quebec:

Palestinian and Jewish Unity (PAJU)

PAJU was created in November 2000 in response to the Second Palestinian uprising (Intifada) against the occupation of Palestinian land by Israel. PAJU has worked to build support in Quebec for the struggle of the Palestinian people. Its members work to promote justice and peace in Palestine and to end Israel's occupation and colonization of Palestinian land. We actively promote the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign against Israel, distribute information and organize cultural and political activities in support of the Palestinian cause.



Palestine and Jewish Unity 2024 Annual Report

As has been the case for PAJU since February of 2001 (<u>PAJU was founded in November of 2000</u>), Palestinian and Jewish Unity has held weekly vigils all throughthe year 2024, distributing

its pamphlet denouncing the Israeli genocide to passers-by. This year, PAJU's weekly vigils have been expanded from one per week to two per week. During the spring and summer, we hold our vigils in front of colleges (CEGPS) and universities, in front of metro stations and during street fairs. In the late fall and winter we move inside metro stations which we alternate on a rotating basis. In 2024 PAJU averaged distributing some 1,000 pamphlets per week. This is evidence of the solidarity of Montreal citizens with Palestinians as opposed to the complicity of much of the political class. (https://paiu.org/events/)

PAJU also sends out a weekly news bulletin, with articles taken from various sources, which is published on the PAJU website in both English and French. The weekly bulletin is also sent out to an international list of some 2,000 emails. (https://paju.org/news/)

Over the summer, PAJU ramped up its campaign against Quebec Pension Plan investments (CDPQ) in Israel as a member-group of the Canadian BDS Coalition. The CDPQ campaign is on-going. PAJU has also joined an ad hoc Quebec coalition (Coalition Québec Urgence Palestine) which is also campaigning against the CDPQ complicity with Israel and its genocide in Gaza. (https://paju.org/category/activities/cdpg/)

PAJU was front and center in its support for the student encampments in Montreal, both at McGill University and Université du Québec à Montréal. PAJU, along with the McGill student union, professors of the McGill Faculty of Law and Independent Jewish Voices Montreal successfully contested the McGill administration's attempt at an injunction against the student encampment in Quebec Superior Court.

(https://paju.org/paju-intervenes-in-mcgill-injunction-against-student-encampment/); (https://paju.org/encampment-at-mcgill-against-the-genocide-in-palestine-request-for-injunction-rejected/);

(https://paju.org/abusive-arrest-of-the-spokesperson-for-the-al-soumoud-popular-camp/)

PAJU issued a number of press releases in 2024, some of which offered denunciations of Canadian politicians who are complicit in whitewashing Israeli crimes. (https://paju.org/news/?filter=true&category=press-release)

PAJU was also involved as part of the NATO Counter-Summit at which PAJU co-president Bruce Katz <u>spoke</u> (November 22, 2024), denouncing the role that NATO plays in the subjugation of Palestinians and the crimes committed against them by Israel.

website | facebook

Eastern Townships Solidarity Group with Palestine

Eastern Townships Solidarity Group with Palestine. Our group is dedicated to mobilizing citizens of Quebec's Eastern Townships to support the plight of the Palestinians.



A few of our activities:

Solidarité Sherbrooke-Palestine: complicité bancaire News / April 27, 2024

Solidarité Sherbrooke-Palestine asks Costco to boycott Israeli products
News / March 23, 2024

Facebook

New Brunswick:

The Palestine Solidarity Committee Saint John (PSCSJ)

The Palestine Solidarity Committee Saint John (PSCSJ) is a group of Canadians, Arabs, and Palestinians living in Saint John. We formed in 2018 to raise awareness about the struggles of Palestinians and the human rights violations committed by the Israeli government against them.

Twitter: @pscsjnb

Facebook: <u>facebook.com/PSCSJNB</u>

Email: pscsjnb@gmail.com

Palestine Solidarity Committee of Saint John 2024 Annual Report

2024 was a powerful and transformative year for the Palestine Solidarity Committee of Saint John (PSCSJ). We stood boldly against the Israeli genocide in Palestine and tirelessly exposed and called out anti-Palestinian racism in our city.

Through relentless daily rallies, we reminded the world of the ongoing genocide, while weekly Palestine solidarity rallies kept the spirit of resistance alive. Our educational initiatives, including film screenings, brought the truth to light, and community events like 'Free Palestine' watermelon, soup, and pizza giveaways united people in action.

We launched impactful letter and petition campaigns, confronted local politicians who supported the genocide, and exposed their anti-Palestinian racism to the community. We held bold actions like the International Charity Day rally outside the CRA, challenged institutions like Scotiabank for funding genocide, and campaigned for an arms embargo against Israel to end Canada's complicity in these atrocities.

On March 18th, we put immense pressure on our local MP to vote in favor of the NDP motion, demanding accountability and justice. And on November 29th, we marked a historic moment with a symbolic community flag raising at City Hall to commemorate the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People.

We want to take this moment to express our deepest gratitude to all of our supporters and followers, who have shown unwavering dedication not only in 2024 but since the beginning of the Zionist Israeli genocide in Gaza in October 2023. Your commitment and solidarity have been invaluable.

We will keep going. We will continue our struggle together until Palestine is free, and justice is served for Palestinians. We will not give up, we will not give in, and we will not stop or rest until Palestine is free and every single individual complicit in this genocide is held accountable.

So let us keep our support strong and hold on to our faith that we are on the right side of history. The truth will prevail, and together, we will see justice for Palestine.

Newfoundland and Labrador:

Solidarity With Palestine

We are a loose coalition of individuals who work in St. John's toward justice in Israel/Palestine. Facebook

National:

Just Peace Advocates/Mouvement pour une Paix Juste



<u>Just Peace Advocates/Mouvement</u> <u>pour une Paix Juste</u>

A Canadian-based independent human rights organization promoting **Just Peace/Paix Juste** through the rule of law and respect for human rights in Canada and around the world. Our particular focus is Palestine

and those who stand in solidarity for the human rights of the Palestinian people.

Our vision is to provide the voice of civil society on governmental, institutional and society's accountability to the rule of law, and to maintain standards of international human rights and humanitarian law for the Palestinian people.

The work of Just Peace Advocates is accomplished through research, monitoring, education, communications, advocacy, programs and services.

LIKE our Facebook Page

FOLLOW us on X(formerly Twitter)

Follow us on INSTAGRAM

Subscribe to our YOUTUBE channel

www.justpeaceadvocates.ca

Just Peace Advocates 2024 Annual Report

Sixteen months into the genocide in Gaza, and repression escalating from Palestine to Kashmir to Turtle Island, Just Peace Advocates has focused on research, exposure, action, partnerships and collaboration, particularly on the Canadian context. Encouraged by the ICJ Advisory Opinion, and by the engagement by civil society, Just Peace Advocates has appreciated approximately 50 volunteers who have joined in solidarity work during 2024 - along with the tens of thousands who follow and engage in the work of Just Peace Advocates.

During 2024, Just Peace Advocates

- assisted with 50+ requests for help related to legal concerns, finding lawyers who could provide advice
- undertook 50+ <u>letter writing campaigns</u>, with almost 500K actions reaching over 5 million inboxes
- sent <u>25+ media releases</u> on topics not covered by the mainstream media. Our list of 2500 media contacts is Canada-based but includes media from around the world
- operated a mailing list that grew to over 60,000 subscribers early in the year, and is now approaching 65,000
- sent out 70+ e-blasts to our followers, reaching more than four million inboxes. We
 maintained over a 40 percent average open rate, and a 70 percent click to action
 metric.
- were present on **X** (formerly Twitter), Facebook, IG and YouTube. We have opened channels for 2025 on Bluesky and Telegram.
- provided our <u>Legal Resources and Tactical Guide for Palestine Human Rights</u>
 <u>Advocacy & Activism</u>, a <u>comprehensive Canadian legal resources and tactical guide</u>
 for Palestine human rights advocacy and activism, and other related <u>resources</u> to a
 dozen Canadian student groups and many others especially as people are being
 silenced these last several months
- maintained a legal network of 100+ lawyers who received about a dozen e-news during the year
- worked to bolster the Palestine solidarity movement across the country by challenging efforts to threaten, harass and bully activists into silence and inaction in Canada; providing advocacy support to students, grassroots activists and affected communities who stand for justice in Palestine
- monitored incidents of suppression to expose tactics to silence Palestine activism
- wrote more than a dozen op-eds and articles, and many other mentions in publications such as Mondoweiss, Rabble, TRT World, The Toronto Star, CBC, Palestine Chronicle, Radio Canada, Middle East Monitor, Electronic Intifada, Al Jazeera and others; including interviews and other media coverage of our work
- reached about 10K viewers live through approximately eighteen virtual events including pressers, all coordinated in collaboration with other organizations, and several hundreds of thousands viewing the recording. Several of these saw over 1K attending the live zoom, and several were broadcast on CPAC as part of pressers.
- A <u>parliamentary petition</u> which called for the Canadian government to take action related to Canadian charities funding Israeli settlements and the Israeli military was signed by over 12K. However, Niki Ashton, who sponsored the petition, failed to present it in parliament.
- prepared more than 140 statements and posts which were shared during the year from our <u>website</u>
- Over 100 volunteers joined with Just Peace Advocates to assist with submissions to the United Nations, to assist with legal work, research, graphics and media, and other work.

Campaign Highlights 2024

The <u>"Canada-Israel Charity Pipeline"</u> was a key Just Peace Advocates' campaign throughout the year. In 2024, the work continued with a call that <u>"not one cent of Canadian tax-dollars should be funding genocide"</u> and continued submissions, analysis, op-eds and articles, reports,

press conference, press releases and campaigns calling for the end of the "Israel-Canada charity pipeline" which supports war crimes and apartheid.

During 2024, we held the first ever <u>International Charity Day Action</u>, <u>Sept. 5</u>: <u>Perhaps Largest Coordinated protest at CRA offices</u>. On International Day of Charity, September 5, rallies were held at about twenty <u>Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) offices</u> across the country to challenge the CRA over its lax attitude towards charities assisting Israel's genocide. In what may be the largest ever coordinated protest at CRA offices; activists had a simple request: that the revenue agency uphold its own rules regarding registered charities financing illegal West Bank colonies, racist organizations and foreign militaries.

Dr. Miles Howe wrote The Big Gifters to the Revoked Canadian Charities. This article provides a look at pro-Israel organizations that lost charitable status in Canada, and the mega-donors who funded his article provides a look at pro-Israel organizations that lost charitable status in Canada, and the mega-donors who funded them. This and other work by Just Peace Advocates with Miles Howe provided a further look into the <u>"Canada Israel Charity Pipeline."</u>

Submissions made to CRA from Dec. 2022 onwards include, among others, Jewish Heritage Foundation of Canada. Jerusalem Municipality erasure of Palestinians supported by Canadian tax-payers via Ronnen Harary charities, HonestReporting Canada (on which Writers Against the War on Gaza Toronto worked with Just Peace Advocates), Magen Heut, the United Israel Appeal (UIA), HESEG Foundation & its patron foundation and others. You can read more about who supports (the donors), who receives the funds, and other analysis as well as actions you can take.

On February 1, Just Pece Advocates co-hosted an **online rally against Canada's complicity in genocide.** Gabor Maté, Roger Waters, Vijay Prashad, Ronnie Kasrils and and about forty others joined in calling on our governments to <u>"Defund genocide NOT aid to the genocided.</u> The global rally was a response to Canada and other colonial projects and genocide ongoing

A roundtable in February addressed the legal frameworks providing parallels and distinctions between settler colonial projects in Palestine, Kashmir, and Turtle Island. View the recording.

On January 31, 2024, over 1K registered and **500 people joined to watch the virtual event,** <u>Palestine & International Law for activists & organizations</u>.

Just Peace Advocates was pleased to be invited to join the Faculty for Palestine at University of Victoria for this critical and timely session. **A Turning Point or More of the Same? The ICJ Advisory Opinion on Palestine and Its Global Impact**. Watch the recording.

In June 2024, Just Peace Advocates with the help of about thirty volunteers, submitted more than 800 applications to the United Nations call to update the <u>Database of Business Enterprises</u> <u>Pursuant to Human Rights Council Resolutions 31/36 and 53/25</u>. This included submissions to include charities in the database.

In November 2024, Just Peace Advocates made a dozen submissions, and was involved with several others, in regard to <u>call of the Special Rapporteur</u> on the occupied Palestinian territory to the Human Rights Council 58th session.

During the June 2024 call by the UN/OHCHR for submissions to update the database, Al Haq and Just Peace Advocates provided additional information to OHCHR in regard to <a href="https://www.wsc.edu/w

During 2024, Just Peace Advocates continued with its analysis and campaigns related to the **Canada and Quebec legislated state pensions, CPP Investment and CDPQ**, but also undertook analysis on additional public and private sector pensions where disclosure could be obtained. This showed <u>billions of our public pensions invested in Israeli war crimes</u>. This information was provided to the United Nations as part of their call.

- Specifically, this was the fifth year that Just Peace Advocates has conducted research related to businesses complicit with war crimes. Analysis of the Canada Pension Plan Investment, with the CPPIB investment in war crimes and potentially genocide increasing to over \$16 B in 2024. As in 2022, Just Peace Advocates in 2024 called for questions to be asked during the bi-annual stakeholder meetings. In the fall of 2024, there were advocates asking questions at all the meetings held by CPP across the country. During these stakeholder meetings, the Canada Pension Plan ignored its \$16 billion investment in war crimes and potential genocide.
- This was the third year that Just Peace Advocates has analyzed the CDPQ (the Quebec public pension). This showed the CDPQ has investments of \$14B in war-crimes-and-genocide-complicit companies even as the International Court of Justice considers Israel's genocide in Gaza. In 2024, the Quebec divest coalition made this campaign come alive using the JPA efforts, taking the action to the street (including an encampment), to the boardroom and the media. However, faced with its complicity in war crimes, the CDPQ is unable to answer the questions of the Quebec Coalition URGENCE Palestine.
- See the analysis of other pensions by Just Peace Advocates during 2024:

Alberta Investment Management Corp. (AIMC): Investments (Sept. 30, 2024) in companies complicit with international law violations

OTPP Investments in companies that are complicit with international law violations

IMCO: Investments in companies deemed to be violating international law

HOOPP: Investments in companies in complicity with international law violations

OMERS: Investments in companies that have complicity with international law violations

Fonds de solidarité FTQ a investi plus de 169.8 millions de dollars dans les crimes de guerre et potentiellement le génocide

<u>University Pension (Ontario): Investments in companies complicit with international law violations</u>

Federal PSP: Investments in companies complicit with war crimes and genocide

BCI: Investments in companies complicit with international law violations

<u>Liuna Staff and Affiliates Pension Fund: almost \$16 million USD invested in war crimes</u>

In 2024, Just Peace Advocates undertook a review of Canadian **financial institution complicity with war crimes and genocide**. This showed that the big five Canadian banks along with Desjardins were heavily invested in companies listed as complicit with war crimes by the United Nations, AFSC Investigate and other sources. This information was **submitted to the United Nations** November 30th call related to businesses complicit with war crimes. The following provide details of the analysis.

\$1 billion USD invested by Desjardins in war crimes & genocide!

\$2.1 Billion USD invested in war crimes and genocide by CIBC

RBC Investing \$37B in war crimes and genocide

BMO investments in war crimes, over \$120B USD

TD Bank has more than \$6.6 billion USD (over \$9B Canadian) invested in war crimes & genocide

Scotiabank is invested in over \$15 Billion Canadian (\$11 billion USD) in war crimes & potentially genocide (also: Tell ScotiaBank to Divest Completely from Elbit Systems!)

Near the end of 2024, Just Peace Advocates consulting with members of the Hassan Diab Support Committee made a call in that <u>Canada must protect Hassan Diab from hate crimes and death threats, and declare Diab's innocence and refuse a second extradition</u>

During 2024, Just Peace Advocates spoke out about **police violence and silencing of those advocating for stopping the genocide on Palestine.** One example was in regard to <u>condemn the Toronto police violence against Palestinian protesters</u>.

In solidarity with the **students at McGill and elsewhere**, Just Peace Advocates along with the Canadian Foreign Policy Institute, continued the solidarity campaign started in 2022 by Roger

Waters with McGill students, with letter writing, op-eds and an online rally, <u>Students over</u> <u>Donor Money: The Suppression of Palestinian Solidarity at McGill University and Beyond.</u>

See our full report at: 2024 highlights

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For Socialist Action / Ligue pour l'Action socialiste, 2024 was year in which our top priorities included a variety of actions, across the country and year-round, in solidarity with the Palestinian people and against the Zionist genocide and occupation.

We invite folks who would like to know more to kindly visit: http://www.socialistaction.ca and see the article "When Years Happen in a Few Days", along with other reports on the site and the SA YouTube channel.

Website

International:

#Africa4Palestine



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The Good Shepherd Collective was formed in Palestine in 2017 in response to the restrictive NGO system and its inability to meet the needs of the moment. GSC understands oppression as rooted in the systems and laws guiding civil formation and order. As such, we are an anti-zionist, anti-colonial, and, by definition, anti-capitalist organization. We advocate for justice through a process of decolonization that ushers in a future where the material resources and political process are decoupled from capitalist systems of control and returned to the indigenous peoples.

The Good Shepherd Collective focuses on resisting injustice and dismantling settler-colonialism through grassroots struggle in Palestine, working to reclaim material and political resources for self-governance. Their approach is rooted in anti-zionist decolonial thought, utilizing community mobilization and high-impact campaigns that challenge settler-colonialism and neoliberal identity politics.

Their advocacy operates through political resistance, liberatory education, and grassroots organizing, creating unified fronts against settler colonialism. This past year, the GSC developed a brand new website, which is a key initiative in data democratization, making critical information accessible to activists, researchers, and journalists in multiple formats (.csv, .xlsx, and .json), while ensuring data remains centralized and updated. The website has served as an essential hub for updates, raw data, as well as space to uplift fundraising campaigns in Gaza.

The Collective's decolonial analysis emphasizes keeping Palestinians on their land, politicizing donor contributions, and defining liberation through dismantling capitalist and colonial structures. They spread awareness through webinars, podcasts, guest lectures, and op-eds, sharing lived experiences of resisting settler colonialism and lessons from other liberation movements.

Their internship program offers hands-on experience working with Palestinian organizations, providing expert guidance and comprehensive education on the Palestinian struggle. Interns gain exposure to various forms of activism while building lasting relationships with local communities and joining a global network of advocates and often become GSC members.

Remaining on the land is central to their mission, preserving Palestinian culture, economy, and identity. The Collective maintains a physical presence during crucial moments like olive harvests and threats of demolition while documenting settler activities. They offer support through volunteer opportunities, the Defund Racism campaign, and other initiatives.

Their approach emphasizes the importance of lived experience in understanding colonial violence, building relationships with Palestinian organizers, and recognizing the urgency of the situation. They highlight how the deliberate design of colonial systems, including the geography of settlements and Oslo Accord divisions, advances capitalist interests through indigenous erasure. This understanding reveals the interconnected nature of colonialism and capitalism in Palestine.

With the restriction of on-the-ground organizing in Palestine, Good Shepherd Collective members focused more on producing content, joining podcasts, participating in conferences and seminars, and writing for movement outlets, such as Ebb Magazine and Mondoweiss.

The publication of "Anti-Zionism as Decolonisation" (https://www.ebb-magazine.com/essays/anti-zionism-as-decolonisation) by Leila Shomali and Lara Kilani of the Good Shepherd Collective in Ebb Magazine served as a critical reminder that anti-zionism isn't a marketing mechanism to be used by NGOs and celebrity activists but is rather a decolonial praxis.

The Good Shepherd Collective has appeared on several notable podcasts discussing Palestine and resistance. On Guerrilla History (October 4, 2024), Bana Abu Zuluf and Lara Kilani discussed the West Bank, the nature of resistance, and the one-year mark of genocide in Gaza (https://open.spotify.com/episode/0iNpd6t2rOlQxFkatfZ6gz). Earlier, on Millennials Are Killing Capitalism (July 22, 2024), Ameed Faleh explored Palestinian liberation and symbolic statehood (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gTSeMHMUzHs).

The International Manifesto Group hosted Bana Abu Zuluf and Lara Kilani (January 28, 2024) for a panel discussion on the genocide in Gaza and Palestinian liberation (https://www.youtube.com/live/7nRU5opNj2I). They returned to Millennials Are Killing Capitalism (September 4, 2024) to examine forms of anti-Zionism that genuinely support Palestinian solidarity (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TQ2Jlvbp02g).

In an earlier appearance on Just Peace Advocates, Bana Abu Zuluf discussed how registered Canadian charities raise over a quarter billion dollars annually for projects in Israel (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VR0gnQxXEE0). Most recently, on The Minyan podcast (December 17, 2024), Lara and Bana explored the shared history and struggle of those in Palestine and Ireland (https://open.spotify.com/episode/0eaaZPXcz8lfTQIWbYP3fk).

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Canadian BDS Coalition Member Organizations

The Canadian BDS Coalition and International BDS Allies currently includes member groups from across the country, a number of national organizations, and recently-joined international allies. These groups support the BDS call and have endorsed the Coalition's Basis of Unity.

You can browse the groups, or select your province (below) to find a group near you.

THE CANADIAN BDS COALITION IS THE MEMBER REP FOR PALESTINIAN SOLIDARITY GROUPS IN THE CANADA PALESTINE NETWORK

BC | Alberta | Saskatchewan | Manitoba | Ontario | Quebec | Nova Scotia | Newfoundland and Labrador | National

British Columbia

BDS Vancouver - Coast Salish

BDS Vancouver was formed to help solidify our contribution in Vancouver to the global Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions movement against Israel. We organize actions, campaigns and events to boycott Israeli products and complicit corporations, and to demand accountability from the BC and Canadian governments for their involvement in perpetuating crimes against the Palestinian people.

facebook

Canada Palestine Association

Canada Palestine Association, Vancouver has been carrying on solidarity work for the Palestinian people since 1980. CPA supports the Palestinian people's struggle to realize their human and national rights including the right to self-determination and the right to return. It opposes Zionism because of its exclusionist, aggressive and racist nature and also opposes anti-Jewish and anti-Arab racism (for more details see our Basis of Unity). CPA also endorses the general boycott against Israel and against all those who enable Israeli ethnic cleansing, war crimes and Apartheid.

website

Coalition Against Israeli Apartheid (CAIA) Victoria

CAIA Victoria formed in 2006 as a response to the growing threat to peace in the Middle East created by the Israeli government. We are a network of concerned individuals and organizations working to end this apartheid system. We believe that justice will not be achieved without equal rights for everyone in the region, regardless of religion, ethnicity or nationality.

We understand Israeli apartheid as one element of a system of global apartheid. To this end, we stand in solidarity with all oppressed groups around the world, in particular, the indigenous people of North America.

We oppose all forms of racism, Islamophobia and anti-Semitism.

website | facebook

2 Rivers for Palestine

Here for Humanity on the ancestral unceded territory of Lheidli T'enneh.

Facebook Instagram.

contact: 2rivers4palestine@gmail.com

Comox Valley for Palestine

We are a grassroots collective of folks from diverse backgrounds living on the territory of the K'omoks people. We come together to join the global solidarity movement for Palestinian liberation.

Website | Facebook | Instagram

Barnard-Boecker Centre Foundation (BBCF)

The Barnard-Boecker Centre Foundation was incorporated as a registered non-profit society in 1996 in British Columbia. The director is Theresa Wolfwood of Victoria. The aims of BBCF are:

 To create, to develop, and to encourage programs that promote social justice, peace, sustainability, diversity and community, through research, writing, film and art; and 2. To organize public events that will contribute, globally and locally, to knowledge and awareness.

Website

Alberta

Justice for Palestinians- Calgary

Justice for Palestinians is a non-profit community-based group formed in 2009 to raise awareness of the ongoing human rights violations against the Palestinian people. We believe that justice for the Palestinian people will not be achieved without equal rights for everyone in the region, regardless of religion, ethnicity, or nationality. We work to end all Canadian complicity in Israeli apartheid and stand in opposition to all forms of racism and discrimination including anti-Muslim, anti-Arab racism, anti-Semitism, homophobia, transphobia, sexism, and ableism. We act in solidarity with all oppressed groups around the world, particularly the Indigenous peoples of Turtle Island.

Contact: calgary.justiceforpalestinians@gmail.com

<u>Link Tree | Instagram | Twitter X | YouTube</u>

Saskatchewan

Regina Peace Council

The Regina Peace Council was formed in 1949. It focuses on issues of peace, disarmament, development, and international solidarity. It is a member of the <u>Canadian Peace Congress</u> which in turn is affiliated with the <u>World Peace Council</u>. We publish *Saskatchewan Peace News* four times a year, which is available free in hard or email copy to anyone interested in checking it out by emailing Ed Lehman at edrae1133@gmail.com.

The Regina Peace Council believes that justice for the Palestinian people is a key requirement for having peace in the Middle East and in the world.

Human Rights for All (HR4A)

"Human Rights for All started as a local Saskatoon group after the May 2021 bombing of Gaza. HR4A opposes all forms of racism and discrimination.

Our present focus is to create awareness of the Israeli system of apartheid, and the ways Canada supports it, by engaging with local peace and justice groups, the general public, and members of parliament and the legislative assembly. We recognize BDS as a valuable tool in dismantling apartheid."

Contact: bdscoalition@gmail.com

Ontario

Anti-Imperialist Alliance – Ottawa (AIA Ottawa)

AIA Ottawa is a group of people opposed to Canadian and US imperialism, both within Turtle Island and abroad. We aim to raise consciousness and take action against the destructive policies of Canadian and US governments and businesses, which seek to subordinate the people of the world and profit off of their oppression. Our goal is a world in which all nations and peoples have the freedom to develop as equals.

AIA Ottawa is currently focused on the struggle against settler colonialism, resource extraction and towards Palestinian liberation."

<u>Facebook</u>

Contact: aiaottawa1968@gmail.com

GT4BDS (Greater Toronto 4 BDS)

Toronto based group that organizes campaigns, actions & supports BDS work.

Contact: bdscoalition@gmail.com

Facebook Twitter

Al Quds Committee - Toronto

Al Quds or Jerusalem Day is an annual, international Muslim-sponsored event that happens in the holy month of Ramadan the Friday just before Eid and is designated to both educate and encourage people of conscience to work for just peace for the people of Palestine. Al Quds days in Toronto bring together people of various faiths and non-faiths, that include Muslims, Christians, Jews and atheists. Al-Quds is an expression of support for the Palestinian right to self-determination, and against the annexation of Jerusalem, with East Jerusalem encompassing the third-holiest site in Islam, the Al Asqa Mosque.

w<u>ebsite</u>

Ontario Palestinian Rights Association (OPRA)

The Ontario Palestinian Rights Association (OPRA) is a community organization that creates awareness and provides opportunities for collective action towards the rights and freedoms of Palestinian people around the world. OPRA has no religious or political affiliation and welcomes anyone who is committed to promoting the rights of the Palestinian people according to accepted and established international law.

Our mission includes:

- Economic action through BDS awareness and campaign support
- Political accountability against illegal occupations, detainment of prisoners (including children) and the Canadian government's complicity with Israel
- Creating educational resources about Palestine to be shared within organizations such as school boards, governments & businesses to advocate for accurate knowledge of the situation, and inclusive language in all diversity policies.

Contact | Linktree | Facebook | Instagram

Hamilton Coalition to Stop the War

The mission of the Hamilton Coalition to Stop the War is to press harder for peace challenging every political leader to stand with the people in pursuing peace over war.

Website Facebook Contact

Niagara Movement for Justice in Palestine-Israel (NMJPI)

NMJPI is currently an informal movement to rally persons in Niagara and elsewhere to commit passionately to ACTIONS that will bring about permanent peace and fuller well-being for all in Palestine-Israel, founded on justice for both Palestinians and Israelis. We believe that, given the prevailing circumstances in the region, the most effective vehicle to accomplish this goal is the global **Boycott**, **Divest and Sanctions (BDS)** movement targeting the Government and businesses of Israel and the illegal settlements encroaching on Palestinian land.

Website Contact

Windsor BDS

We formed to support the call for BDS. Our focus is on actions related to BDS as well as, outreach activities in order to inform and educate the local community about BDS and its importance.

Contact: bdscoalition@gmail.com

Jewish Anti-Zionist Collective Toronto

The Jewish Anti-Zionist Collective Toronto (JAZCto) is an organization of revolutionary anti-zionist Jews founded to champion the Palestinian and anti-imperialist struggle for liberation by any means necessary. Through education, direct action, mass work, and mobilization, JAZCto upholds a pro-Resistance political line emphasizing that the entirety of zionism, from its ideological origin in Europe's white supremacist "Jewish question" to the settler-colonial entity known as "israel," is genocidal and must be defeated. Our mission is to go beyond simply differentiating between anti-zionism and anti-semitism; it is to dismantle imperialism, the highest stage of capitalism, in all arenas and by all means and methods, including the BDS Movement. We escalate, organize, and institutionalize our militant solidarity with all struggles against imperialism and settler-colonialism from Turtle Island to Palestine. Centering the demands of the steadfast Palestinian Resistance, we fight for the Palestinian rights to resistance, self-determination, and return to one Palestinian state from the river to the sea.

Telegram: t.me/jazcto

Contact: jazcto@proton.me!

Quebec

Palestinian and Jewish Unity (PAJU)

PAJU was created in November 2000 in response to the Second Palestinian uprising (Intifada) against the occupation of Palestinian land by Israel. PAJU has worked to build support in Quebec for the struggle of the Palestinian people. Its members work to promote justice and peace in Palestine and to end Israel's occupation and colonization of Palestinian land.

We actively promote the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign against Israel, distribute information and organize cultural and political activities in support of the Palestinian cause.

website | facebook

Eastern Townships Solidarity Group with Palestine

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facebook

New Brunswick

The Palestine Solidarity Committee Saint John (PSCSJ)

The Palestine Solidarity Committee Saint John (PSCSJ) is a group made up of Canadians, Arabs, and Palestinians living in Saint John. We formed in 2018 to raise awareness about the struggles of Palestinians and the human rights violations committed by the Israeli government against them.

Twitter: @pscsjnb

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Email: pscsjnb@gmail.com

Newfoundland and Labrador

Solidarity With Palestine St. John's

We are a loose coalition of individuals who work in St. John's toward justice in Israel/Palestine.

facebook

National

Just Peace Advocates/Mouvement pour une Paix Juste

A Canadian based independent human rights organization promoting **Just Peace/Paix Juste** through the rule of law and respect for human rights in Canada and around the world for the

Palestinian people and those that stand in solidarity for the human rights of the Palestinian people.

Our vision is to provide a civil society voice focused on government, institutional and society's accountability to the rule of law, and the standards of international human rights and humanitarian law for the rights of the Palestinian people.

The work of Just Peace Advocates is accomplished through research, monitoring, education, communications, advocacy, programs and services.

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The Canadian BDS Coalition Guide for Canada of Economic Boycott



What can I do? Economic Boycott.

Speaking with your economic buying power – an age old tactic

Check it out.

Over the years: 25+ Student Led BDS Victories on Canadian University Campuses

Read more:

https://bdscoalition.ca/2018/07/13/20-victories-for-boycott-divestment-and-sanctions-on-canadian-university-campuses/

Canadian Labour Has Been Supporting Boycott, Divestment for almost two decades

Read more:

https://bdscoalition.ca/2018/07/13/canadian-labour-has-been-supporting-boycott-divestment-for-a-doz en-years/

About the Coalition

The Canadian BDS Coalition is comprised of groups in Canada that support the global Boycott Israel movement targeting Israel's system of settler-colonialism, occupation, and apartheid towards the Palestinian people.

The BDS movement is founded on the call made by more than 170 Palestinian civil society organizations on July 9, 2005, inviting people across the world who support freedom, justice and equality for the people of Palestine to boycott, divest from, and press for sanctions against the State of Israel until it meets its obligations under international law by:

- 1. Ending its occupation and colonization of all Arab lands and dismantling the Wall;
- 2. Recognizing the fundamental rights of the Arab-Palestinian citizens of Israel to full equality; and
- 3. Respecting, protecting and promoting the rights of Palestinian refugees to return to their homes and properties as stipulated in UN Resolution 194.

The aims of the Coalition are to:

- promote, support and help coordinate boycott, divestment, and sanctions activities in Canada;
- provide Canadians with resources to help them understand and take action in support of the Palestinian call for BDS;
- promote and defend the right of Canadians to freedom of expression in support of BDS.

<u>Coalition members</u> share a common commitment to pursuing a just peace through the realization of freedom, justice, and equality for Palestinians, without which a lasting peace is impossible. Any Canadian group or organization which supports the <u>BDS call</u> and <u>endorses the Coalition's Basis of Unity</u> is invited to join.

Coalition members engage in BDS actions most relevant to their own communities. The Coalition's actions and positions reflect the choice of member groups to

participate in specific initiatives and are not necessarily the position of all member groups.

The Coalition also works with many organizations across Canada, in Palestine and internationally who work towards a just peace in the region.

Canada needs more BDS, not less!

The BDS National Committee (BNC) has publicly noted on their website that they asked our coalition to "remove BDS from its name". After serious discussion, we informed them that we respectfully declined this request, and even amended our Basis of Unity to state that our "Coalition is not affiliated with the BDS National Committee..". However, as the BNC felt it was imperative to make this contradiction public, we feel obliged to respond and explain our reasoning.

The BNC has been aware of our Coalition since its inception and even included our victory in the #AirCanadaComplicity campaign in their annual report "Top BDS Moments of 2017". We have always been steadfast in our support of Boycott Israel campaigns and will continue to be so. This new unfortunate contradiction with the BNC will not diminish our commitment to the Palestinian people's struggle nor our belief in the importance of boycott actions.

Our founding minutes detailing our basis of unity from April 2016 highlighted why the name Canadian BDS Coalition was chosen – "New Name: Canadian BDS Coalition. (Good unequivocal answer to the Parliamentary condemnation)"

This was in response to the February 2016 condemnation of BDS in the Canadian House of Commons and the logic of it still stands today. Recently, PM Trudeau again went out of his way to discredit BDS during his <u>salute</u> to Israel's "Independence Day".

For 9 months, in 2021 we dedicated significant time and resources to try and resolve this contradiction with the BNC. They first brought up issues regarding our internal processes and decision-making, but in the end the main criticism focused on the public defense (by some of our member and friend groups) of the right of the Palestinian people to engage in armed resistance against occupation. They said

this went against their policy of non-violence and endangered the BNC's security. The Coalition decided we could not in good conscience sanction groups who made vital contributions to the solidarity work based solely on such an argument.

Furthermore, we have always felt that the strength of the global boycott movement lies in its de-centralization, with local groups and committees determining what tactics best fit their context. As one of the few Canada-wide organizations that proudly carries BDS in its proper name, it would be both harmful and counter-productive to change our name now. Canada needs more BDS, not less!!

During 2022, the BNC asked Twitter to remove the Canadian BDS Coalition Twitter as "impersonating" BDS. Twitter suspended the Canadian BDS Coalition account, but subsequently reinstated <u>the Canadian BDS Coalition twitter</u> account.

Basis of Unity

The following is the Basis of Unity for the Canadian BDS Coalition.

The Canadian BDS Coalition is composed of pro-Palestine solidarity groups across Canada and works independently in support of boycott, divestment and sanctions activities against Israel, within the Canadian context, addressing local challenges and concerns. The Coalition is not affiliated with the BDS National Committee (BNC).

The Coalition:

A. Endorses the <u>Palestinian Civil Society Call for Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions</u> (BDS).

These non-violent punitive measures should be maintained until Israel meets its obligation to recognize the Palestinian people's inalienable right to self-determination and fully complies with the precepts of international law by:

1. Ending its occupation and colonization of all Arab lands and dismantling the Wall;

- 2. Recognizing the fundamental rights of the Arab-Palestinian citizens of Israel to full equality; and
- 3. Respecting, protecting and promoting the rights of Palestinian refugees to return to their homes and properties as stipulated in UN resolution 194.
- B. Regardless of its national and/or geographic location, any company, organization or institution that is empowering Israeli settler colonization, war crimes, ethnic cleansing, apartheid is complicit in them, and accordingly is subject to the economic, academic, and cultural boycott call.
- C. Due to the direct US involvement in Israeli genocide against the Palestinian people by sending <u>troops</u>, <u>military equipment</u> and also <u>shielding</u> Israel from accountability for its war crimes, we call for a general economic boycott against the US, where attainable and possible. We also call for a similar boycott against countries that are complicit in this genocide, especially <u>Britain</u>, <u>Germany</u> and Canada.
- D. We believe in the universality of human rights, and that the injustices that befell the Palestinian people should be rectified.
- E. We recognize that Zionism is a supremacist ideology which has created a settler colonial state in historic Palestine. We support the establishment of a secular democratic State of Palestine in the historic land of Palestine with equality before the law for all citizens regardless of religion, ethnicity or gender.



Your donations are important to ensure the required work associated with research, campaigns and outreach here in Canada in order to support freedom, justice and equality for the people of Palestine. Your donations are welcomed by e-transfer to: bdscoalition@gmail.com.