Nov. 4—In a massive historic march on the White House in Washington, D.C. on Nov. 4, 300,000 protestors demanded that President Joe Biden call an immediate halt to the U.S./Israeli genocidal war on 2.3 million Palestinians in Gaza and end U.S. aid to Israeli. Chants of, “Biden, Biden you can’t hide, we charge you with genocide!” could be heard throughout the day. (tinyurl.com/ycf6bf8s)

Biden’s current request to Congress for $14 billion in additional funding for Israel contains language suggesting it could be used for efforts to remove Palestinians from Gaza and the West Bank, leaving no doubt that he backs Israel’s ethnic cleansing of Palestine.

The turnout—the largest ever for Palestine in the U.S. Capitol—was one of the 300,000 in Washington, D.C. on Nov. 4, 2023, as they marched in solidarity with Palestine. 


Around the globe massive demonstrations took place in many cities over the weekend, including Accra, the capital of Ghana; São Paulo; Berlin; Dublin; London; Paris; Mexico City; Jakarta, Indonesia and the Turkish cities of Ankara and Istanbul. End the siege of Gaza now! End all U.S. funding of Israeli genocide!
In a movement spanning every continent, millions of people are in the streets chanting, “Free, free Palestine!” In Jakarta, Indonesia, for example, 2 million people marched against Israeli attacks. Where there are bans or limits on Palestine solidarity actions, as in Germany and France, the people are defying the laws. The success for Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) against Israel is growing despite attempts by imperialist governments to stifle it.

The struggle has gone beyond protest marches and boycotts, as necessary “tools in the Block the Boat” action in Oakland, California, activists blocked cargo from being loaded onto or unloaded from a ship bound for Israel; the ship eventually left the Port of Oakland unloaded. In Massachusetts young migrants have occupied entrances to Israeli arms manufacturer Elbit and sat down inside the office of pro-Israel Sen. Elizabeth Warren in Belgium have called on their members to refuse to handle military equipment bound for Israel. The armed resistance in occupied Palestine and neighboring countries is growing and winning. Resistance News Network (a Telegram thread with close to 75,000 members) has new reports every hour of the Zionist occupation forces suffering losses, from troop fatalities to destruction of its drones, tanks and other military hardware. And because of the strength of the united armed resistance, there is a growing chorus within Israel for the resignation of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. The Al-Aqsa Flood insurgency against Israeli apartheid, launched Oct. 7, has become a massive global uprising. Palestine is currently the epicenter of the class struggle.

The genocidal slaughter that has taken countless lives, including thousands of children, has horrified and outraged humanity. Yet the prospect of the hated apartheid apparatus crumbling has given hope to working-class and oppressed people worldwide.

Aiding the anti-Zionist resistance—in whatever way possible and, as Malcolm X said, “by any means necessary”—is everyone’s right and every worker’s duty. FREE, FREE PALESTINE!

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Bay area activists block warship for nine hours

By Guest Author
Port of Oakland, California

The emergency text went out early Friday morning [Nov. 3]. A ship had pulled into the Port of Oakland hours before the work day was due to begin. Within an hour, hundreds of demonstrators converged in front of the ship chanting, “Free Free Palestine.” Several demonstrators were able to actually board the side of the ship and conduct a sit-in.

The police eventually stepped up their security and stopped hundreds of protesters from entering the area near the ship. However, a large group armed with several banners had already secured the gates leading to the ship, thereby preventing anyone from leaving or entering the ship.

Demonstrators kept up the loud chanting and drum beating all day until the ship eventually left. It was bound for Tacoma, Washington where weapons were to be loaded onto it. The Tacoma progressive community has promised to meet the ship and block it also.

The Bay Area has a long working-class history of stopping ships bound to Israel. In 2014, a massive protest was organized by a broad coalition of groups, coordinated by the Arab Resource and Organizing Center, turned away the Israeli-owned Zim ship. That ship has never returned to the Port of Oakland. In the 1980s, anti-apartheid protests, with strong participation from International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local 10, prevented the loading of ships with weapons to apartheid South Africa.

Three protesters aboard the warship were arrested at the end of the day, and the ship unmoored and headed out of the Bay. The Bay area once again showed its militant support for the liberation of Palestine and its opposition to U.S. support of Israel’s genocidal war in Gaza.

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Capitalism means war and austerity, racism and repression, attacks on immigrants, misogyny, LGBTQ+ oppression and mistreatment of people with disabilities. It means joblessness, increasing homelessness and impoverishment and loss of hope for the future.

No social problems can be solved under capitalism. The U.S. is the richest country in the world, yet no one has a guaranteed right to shelter, food, water, health care, education or anything else—unless you can pay for it. Wages are lower than ever, and youth are saddled with seemingly insurmountable student debt, if they even make it to college. Black, Brown and Indigenous youth and trans women are gunned down by cops and/bigots on a regular basis.

The ruthless ruling class today seeks to decimate the working class. It will do this to time to point the blame at—and challenge—the capitalist system.

WWF fights for socialism because the working class produces all wealth in society, and this wealth should remain in the hands of those who have been stolen in the form of capitalist profits. The wealth workers create should be socially owned and its distribution planned to satisfy and guarantee the needs of all.

Since 1930, Workers World Party has been out in the streets defending the workers and oppressed here and worldwide. If you’re interested in Marxism, socialism and fighting for a socialist future, please contact a WWF branch near you.

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