

Do we really want to keep giving over \$8 million per day of our money to a tiny, rich, apartheid regime??

Politicians give more of our tax money to Israel than to all the starving countries of the world put together -- even though Israel is at least the 29th richest country in the world, smaller than almost all American states, and is using our money to enforce a discriminatory system, regularly using state violence against some of the poorest people in today's world.

And Israel receives this uniquely massive amount of US money at the very beginning of the fiscal year -- which means we borrow the money, deposit in the Israeli account at the New York Federal Reserve Bank, and then we pay interest on this money long after it is gone -- while Israel makes interest on it.

As many experts have noted, Israel is guilty of practicing apartheid in the occupied Palestinian Territories, and within Israel itself



Palestinians are third-class citizens -- their schools are substandard, they receive only a tiny fraction of state resources even though they pay taxes, and have only token representation in the so-called "only democracy in the Middle East."

When former ANC members who fought against South African apartheid visited the Palestinian Territories, they said:

"The daily indignity to which the Palestinian population is subjected far

outstrips the South African apartheid regime" and noted that Israeli apartheid was "more terrifying" even than South Africa's had been.

Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.

- Martin Luther King Jr

Anti-apartheid leader Bishop Desmond Tutu wrote:

"I have been to the Occupied Palestinian Territory, and I have witnessed the racially segregated roads and housing that reminded me so much of the conditions we experienced in South Africa under the racist system of Apartheid. I have witnessed the humiliation of Palestinian men, women, and children... and this humiliation is familiar to me and the many black South Africans who were corralled and regularly insulted by the security forces of the Apartheid government."

Palestinian nonviolence leaders inspired by Dr. Martin Luther King are killed, injured, and thrown into prison without trial -- and our money is enabling this.

Today's' version of Freedom Riders -- people going to Palestine to join Palestinian villagers and Israeli peace activists in nonviolent marches and demonstrations, are being attacked ruthlessly by the Israeli military.



Numerous Palestinians, Americans and others have been maimed and killed, including 22-year-old Tom Hurndall, who was shot in the head by an Israeli sniper while Tom was trying to help small Palestinian girls to safety; this month is the anniversary of his death.

In the past 10 years alone, American taxpayers have given Israel approximately \$25,000 per Israeli family of five in direct aid (and the total cost to Americans has been many times greater). Tell Congress it is time to end US funding of this new apartheid.

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