

Disappearing Palestine





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The crisis in the Middle East has reached a new level of horror. Already there have been thousands of victims, Israeli and Palestinian. The Gaza Strip is under blockade, as it has been since 2007. It is starved of food, water and electricity and being brutally bombarded. Israeli forces are massing on its borders, apparently preparing to invade the territory. As well as bringing terror to the people of Gaza, such an action risks sparking a wider war.

The conflict can only be understood in the context of decades of oppression of the Palestinian people. Since the Nakba in 1948 when hundreds of thousands of Palestinians were driven off their land, the Israelis have forced the Palestinian people into smaller and smaller, heavily policed enclaves, regularly attacked by settlers and the Israeli military.

There can be no solution to the conflict without freedom and justice for the Palestinians. The British government is one of the world's strongest backers of Israel. Stop the War continues to campaign in solidarity with the Palestinian people and against our government's military and political support for the increasingly aggressive Israeli state.

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