



PALESTINE CAMP

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Towards a mass movement!

200 students and workers joined the first general assembly of our movement. This huge success inspired all of us to fight for this movement and **escalate it into a mass force**. From university bosses to warmongering politicians, the whole establishment is actively supporting and benefiting from the occupation of Palestine. They have blood on their hands. We must build a force powerful enough to drive these bureaucrats and war criminals onto the back foot, impose our demands and strike material blows to the arms industry. Not a penny, not a bullet for the Israeli war machine!

The assembly first broke into smaller groups where everyone was able to contribute countless great ideas and initiatives to the discussion. This energy and creativity can smash any obstacle. The number one task being raised was the need to **spread the movement as much as possible**. If you're willing to fight for a free Palestine, this is your movement and you can help build it. Talk to your friends and flatmates, share the next event in your course or society chat, pick up leaflets from the encampment and hand them out across campus.

We voted to call a **second general assembly Friday 17th at 6pm**. If each of us convinces just one person a day to come along, there will be thousands of us. This is what genuine democracy on campus looks like. Our student union is supposed to represent us and they cannot stay on the sidelines. **We call on the SU** to officially support our movement and demands, and join the call for Friday's general assembly. We



also call on trade unions to join and mobilise for the movement and send representatives to the next assembly.

Divest - Boycott - Accountability. The assembly endorsed these demands. This is our rallying cry and we will not be intimidated by slander and attempts to divide us. We resolve to spread across and beyond campus, and reach out to Hallam, local colleges and workplaces. Armed with a fighting programme, workers and students united have the power to bring society to a standstill and smash the imperialist war machine. Together we can bring down arms companies, war criminals and profiteers. **We fight here for liberation in Palestine and across the world, join us!**

**Anniversary of the Nakba Rally
Wednesday 15th 11am**

**General Assembly
Friday 17th 6pm**

All events outside SU

Hands off Rafah! Stop the Genocide!

Of the 1.4 million Palestinians sheltering in Rafah, 300,000 have already evacuated. The Israeli army has announced evacuation orders in yet more areas of Rafah. This is effectively the occupation of the city. A resident of Rafah said "People receive messages, some start to organise, and some have nowhere to go because everything is either crowded or destroyed". There is no habitable infrastructure left to move people into. Beyond the direct violence of the Israeli invasion thousands

more will die of famine and disease.

Netanyahu has repeated the hollow promise that seizing Rafah will result in "total victory" over Hamas. It will not end the war. Fierce fighting has renewed in the north of Gaza months after Hamas was declared 'dismantled' in the area. The Israeli army has bombarded and attacked Jabalia refugee camp and other areas, sheltering over 100,000 people. Tens of thousands have already been forced

to flee.

The USA and UK have continued to supply Israel with arms despite their meek criticisms. The global solidarity movement with Palestine must organise overwhelming international pressure to stop Israel. Gaza is on the precipice, only an immediate ceasefire can stop the horror. It is our duty to stand in solidarity with Palestinians facing Israel's genocidal assault.

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Global student revolt!



The Sheffield Palestine encampment is an energising and significant action. However, even more exciting is the fact we are part of a national & international wave of the student movement, crashing down onto our institutions and states which are complicit in the ongoing Palestinian genocide. They have covered themselves in so much blood, it is starting to drown them. This movement started in America with the inspiring occupations at Columbia University and quickly has spread across the globe. There are hundreds of encampments in over 30 countries, including twenty universities in the UK.

The importance of this united action cannot be understated. A single university acting alone, an isolated island of energy surrounded by a sea of apathy is

not enough to build pressure. But through all acting together with purpose, discipline and compassion we have become impossible to ignore. Rishi Sunak called all the Vice Chancellors to an emergency meeting in Downing Street on Thursday to discuss our movement. Universities and the state see the threat we pose and are urgently coordinating their response. That is why it is imperative that we also coordinate ourselves and our movement, building power locally and links nationally to keep riding this snowball currently barreling down the hill, gaining purpose and momentum with each new encampment and each passing day. We already have everything we need to win; which is each other.



What you can do:

- Camp overnight! We have spare equipment!
- Donate things on our 'what we need' list!
- Help cook meals for the camp
- Come along to our demonstrations
- Hang out and have food with us!
- Attend our workshops & teach-ins

If you'd like to support our camp, please join the camp solidarity group chat on WhatsApp.



DIVEST - No more war profiteering.
BOYCOTT - Cut ties with genocide.
ACCOUNTABILITY - Kick out the bureaucracy.
CEASEFIRE NOW!
END THE OCCUPATION!

FREE PALESTINE! ALL WELCOME!

Join the fight for a real democracy on campus to end complicity in capitalist war and imperialist genocide. United we win!