

Join us!

The Anti-War Committee works against U.S. intervention around the world, including the inhumane use of drones to terrorize civilian populations. Our work to resist political repression began when the FBI raided our office and the homes of many of our members and friends in September 2010. Because Israel is the top recipient of US military aid (funding apartheid, last summer's horrific bombing campaign, and the occupation that Palestinian people have resisted for 67 years), ending that aid is at the top of our agenda.

We meet Thursdays at 7pm in our office at 4200 Cedar Ave S #4, Minneapolis. New members always welcome, join us!

Volunteer with the Anti-War Committee

Thursday, 7/2, 5:30pm - the AWC office, 4200 Cedar Avenue S. #4, Mpls
Help make calls for our upcoming Palestine and feel free to stay for the AWC meeting at 7pm so you can get involved!

Remember #51daysinGaza, Protest and March

Wednesday, 7/8, 4:30pm, March from Loring Park through Uptown, Mpls
Remember the Israeli military's horrific 51 day bombing of Gaza in summer 2014. And join our social media campaign #51daysinGaza, to remember the lives stolen, and demand justice in solidarity with Palestine.

Farmer's Market Summer Outreach with the Anti-War Cmte

Saturdays, 7/11 and 8/29 from 8am - 1pm @ Midtown Farmer's Market, Lake Street & 22nd, Mpls

Come help the Anti-War Committee reach out to shoppers to grow the peace movement. Going to the Farmer's Market? Stop by our table after you buy your produce. Want to help volunteer at our table? Email us at info@antiwarcommittee.org.

Final Community Painting Day @ the 4200 Cedar Mural

Sunday, 7/12 from 1pm to 4pm @ 4200 Cedar Ave, Mpls
Last chance to help out with this amazing, fun project on the wall of our office building! All are welcome to paint a beautiful mural that shows some history of the people's movements here in the Twin Cities.

Anti-war protest: Out of Iraq! No U.S. War! Troops Home Now!

Saturday, 8/8 from 1 to 2pm, Hiawatha & Lake Street, Minneapolis
August 8 marks one year since the Obama Administration launched a bombing campaign and started sending troops to Iraq in the name of fighting the Islamic State. Decades of U.S. war, sanctions, occupation and bombing campaigns have created the crisis in Iraq. More war will not make things better. Join the protest to call for an end to U.S. war. Initiated by Minnesota Peace Action Coalition.



Zine for Peace with Justice – Summer 2015

Anti-War Committee: Organizing Against US Wars Across the World Since 1998

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The Minnesota Anti-War Committee began in December 1998 with 13 people who committed civil disobedience to protest the bombing of Iraq. We organize vigils, rallies, marches, educational forums, street theater, and civil disobedience actions to challenge the injustices of U.S. foreign policy. We believe in peace through justice, and we stand in solidarity with oppressed people here and abroad.

In these pages, you can read about the connections we see between the struggle against U.S. wars abroad, and many struggles for justice here at home.



The LGBTQ community has its own roots in opposing war. When the Gay Liberation Front was founded in 1969 in the aftermath of the Stonewall Riots, it was just as important to fight against the war in Vietnam as it was to fight for gay rights. In what *The Advocate* called "one of the largest concentrations of gay power ever assembled," thousands of queers took part in antiwar protests in Washington, D.C. and San Francisco in April 1971.

It's time for our community to return to our radical roots: Come out against war! The Anti-War Committee is an all-volunteer organization, and we welcome you to join us!



In 2005, Palestinians issued a call for boycotts, divestment and sanctions (BDS) against Israel, because of its violations of international law and attacks on Palestinian rights. BDS is now a worldwide movement against Israeli Apartheid, and the governments, corporations, and other institutions that support it. Coca-Cola supports Israel's crimes against the Palestinian people, and crimes against other people around the world. International pressure – including boycott, sanctions and divestment – helped bring an end to the racist apartheid regime in South Africa. The more people take a stand against Israel's crimes, the sooner another racist apartheid regime will fall. The campaign to target Coca-Cola is an initiative of the US Palestinian Community Network (uspcn.org).

- More than half of Palestinian land in the West Bank has been stolen by the Israeli government. Palestinian villages, homes and farmlands are razed, and Jewish only settlements are built in their place.
- Coca-Cola Israel operates in several illegal settlements, and it profits from apartheid. Coca-Cola Israel is among the company's ten largest bottling facilities worldwide. Coke actively encourages other companies to invest in Israel by sponsoring awards to companies that boost the Israeli economy. It also took \$55 million in tax breaks to build a plant on ethnically cleansed land.
- Last summer's 51-day assault on Gaza killed 2,310 Palestinians, mostly civilians. Israeli forces bombed thousands of homes, UN schools, and shelters. They targeted journalists and even fired on children at play.
- Coca-Cola supports Zionist aggression. In 2009, a Coca-Cola sponsored award went to Israel's Lobby AIPAC for its lobbying of the Senate to reject the UN call for "immediate ceasefire" and endorse the continuation of the Israeli military assault on Gaza.

Chelsea Manning Speaks Out Against Torture

– May 9, 2015 in *The Guardian*



“Successful intelligence gathering through interrogation and other forms of human interaction by conventional means can be – and more often than not are – very successful. But, ... torture... of detainees... is, was and shall continue to be unethical and morally wrong. Under US law, torture...of detainees is also very illegal....Yet... the US developed and applied

techniques that sought to inflict severe mental pain and suffering...on detainees in the custody of the CIA and portions of the Department of Defense. ... Torture... has never been a part of the big picture of intelligence collection. ... Smart and conventional methods are sufficient. But regardless of whether these techniques were ineffective and counterproductive... their supposed effectiveness is irrelevant to the fact that torture is wrong. It is important to hold the officers, supervisors and... the politicians involved in creating and executing these programs, accountable. To let their horrific actions go unanswered would send an awful message to the world: it is wrong to torture...people, except when those doing it have the supposed blessing of the law and with the permission of high-ranking supervisors and politicians.”

The AWC says: *Chelsea Manning is a hero for leaking government documents that proved US war crimes in Iraq! She was tried as Bradley Manning, but after sentencing announced, "As I transition into this next phase of my life, I want everyone to know the real me. I am Chelsea Manning."*

Write to Chelsea in prison and tell her what you're doing to stop the next war against Iraq!

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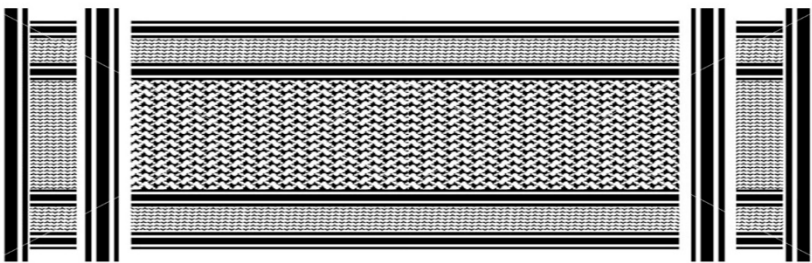
Remember #51daysinGaza

Protest and March Wednesday, July 8 - 4:30pm March through Uptown Minneapolis starting from Loring Park



Join us to commemorate the Palestinian lives stolen by the Israeli military's horrific 51-day bombing of Gaza in July-August 2014. The apartheid state of Israel committed innumerable atrocities for which it still has not been held accountable, not the least of which include 2,200 Palestinians massacred (519 children), United Nations shelters bombed, over 108,000 people left homeless due to the targeting of multistory family homes, the deliberate damaging of Gaza's only power plant, and clear incitements to genocide from top Israeli officials. The US is directly complicit in these war crimes, providing \$3 billion in foreign aid to Israel every year. This past summer we witnessed some of the largest Palestine solidarity protests ever in Minnesota. Join us to continue to build a movement opposing US aid to Israel and to mark the 1-year anniversary of Israel's escalation of the war on Gaza with a march through Uptown Minneapolis. This will also launch our social media campaign #51daysinGaza.

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Spread the word as we remember #51daysinGaza.**



- Israeli apartheid includes Jewish-only towns (settlements), segregated roads, and military checkpoints for Palestinians going to school, work and other places each day. Palestinians are subject to arrest and imprisonment without charge or trial, house searches without warrant, and assassinations.
- Millions of Palestinians remain refugees. Israel disregards their right of return, even though it is a right enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
- Colombian trade unionists already launched their own boycott of "Killer Coke" in 2003 because Coca-Cola supports Colombian paramilitary death squads involved in the kidnapping, torture, and murder of union organizers.

We need you to STOP buying Coke products (below). Build the boycott. Ask others – friends and family, your school, union, faith community, the local grocer– ask them all to support the boycott too.

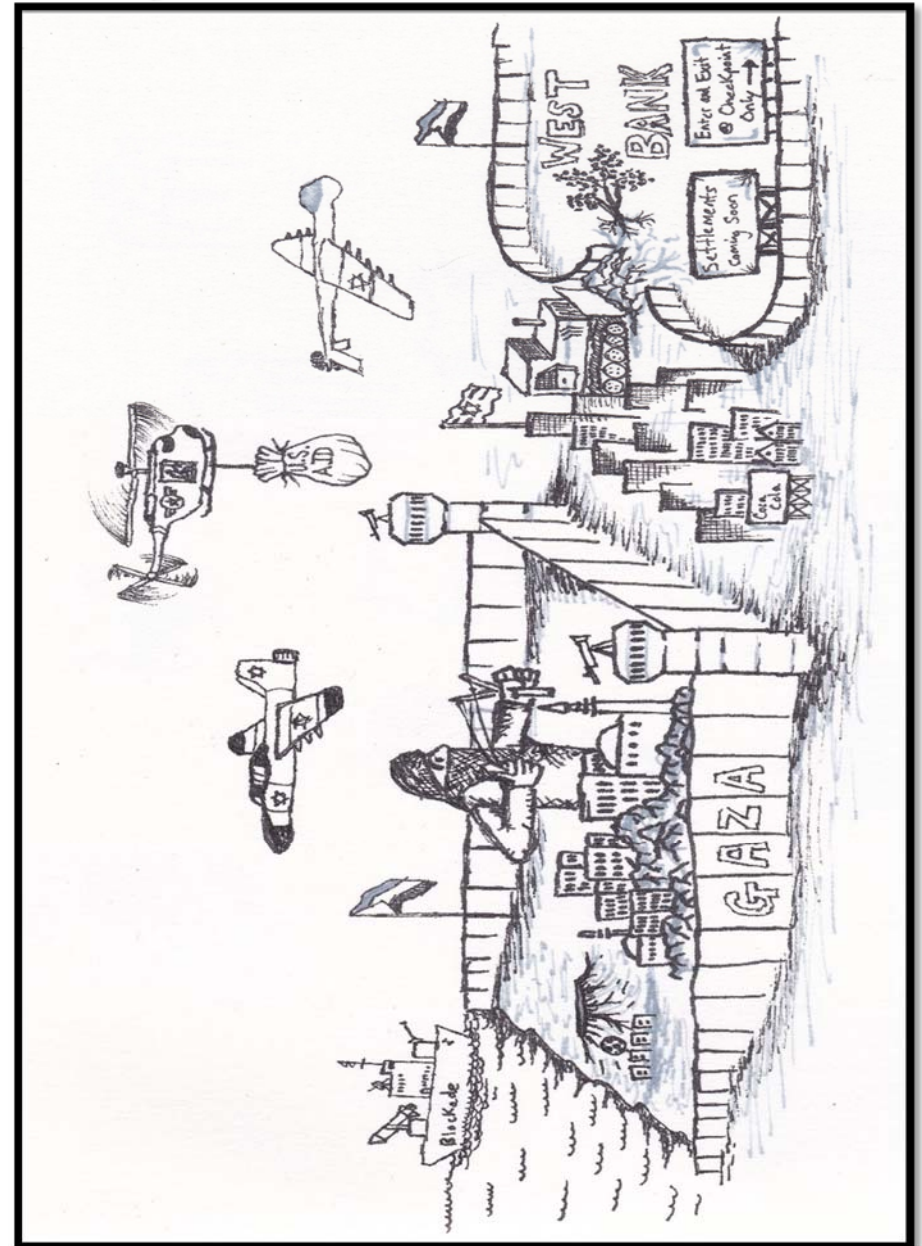
Aquapure	Full Throttle	Mello Yello Zero
Aquarius	FUZE	Mezzo Mix
Bacardi Mixers	Georgia	Minute Maid
Barq's	Glacéau Fruitwater	Monster
Barrilitos	Glacéau Smartwater	Northern Neck
Beverly	Glacéau Vitaminenergy	NOS
Bright And Early	Glacéau Vitaminwater	Odwalla
Coca-Cola	Gold Peak	Peace Tea
Diet Coke	H2OK	Pepe Rico
Cascal	Hi-C	Pibb
Cherry Coke	Honest Ade	POWERADE
Chippewa	Honest Fizz	Red Flash
Citra	Honest Kids	Schweppes
Cumberland Gap	Honest Tea	Simply
DANNON	Illy	Southern Sun
DASANI	Inca Kola	Spring!
Delaware Punch	Java Monster	Sprite
Dr Pepper	Jericho	Sunfill
Evian	Kinley	Surge
Fanta	Krest	TaB
Five Alive	Lift	VAULT
Flavor Rage	Master Chill	Vegibeta
Fresca	Master Pour	Vegitabeta
Fruitopia	Mello Yello	Worx Energy
		Zico



As the uprising in Ferguson, MO, over the murder of Black youth Michael Brown erupted in August 2015, protesters were met with a militarized crackdown from police and the National Guard. Palestinians in the Gaza Strip recognized familiar repression and responded over Twitter with practical tips on dealing with tear gas and messages of support. Such connections have history. Black activists and scholars from Malcolm X to Alice Walker have spoken out, tying the Black liberation movement in the US to the struggle in Palestine. This international solidarity has strengthened with movement building under the banner #BlackLivesMatter. In October 2014, hundreds from the Palestinian diaspora turned out to support Ferguson’s “Festival of Resistance.” In January 2015, US Black and Brown artists and activists joined a Dream Defenders delegation to Palestine. These interactions highlight a shared commitment to end racism and colonialism, and an understanding of the material connections between the US and Israel as oppressors.

The history of US policing is rooted in anti-Black racism, emerging out of slave patrols in the US South, continuing with the brutal repression of the Civil Rights, Black Power, and War on Drugs eras. After 9/11, US police departments received funding from the Department of Homeland Security to purchase military equipment and gained access to excess military hardware used previously in Iraq and Afghanistan through the Pentagon’s 1033 Program. Matt Apuzzo of the New York Times reported that under Obama, police departments have received tens of thousands of machine guns, hundreds of silencers, armored cars and aircraft. In Minnesota, over 5,200 pieces of military equipment are now in police

Art by Chris G (our friend from SDS-UMN):





Natural Allies: the Peace and Environmental Movements

Anyone who cares about the environment needs to be concerned about U.S. foreign policy and warmongering. Here are but a few examples to illustrate why.

One of every 10 Americans lives within 10 miles of a military site listed as a Superfund priority cleanup site.

U.S. wars contribute to climate change by massive burning of fossil fuels and destruction of ecosystems. These wars are waged mostly in order to get access to more fossil fuels, which is ironic because the U.S. Department of Defense is the largest institutional oil consumer in the world.

In Vietnam the U.S. used tens of millions of gallons of “Agent Orange” which killed millions of people and decimated rainforests. Over five million acres were contaminated!

In Iraq the U.S. used bombs filled with depleted uranium that poisoned the topsoil and continue to cause eye infections, chronic lung and chest pains, and other illnesses in Iraqis today. Most of Iraq is now radioactive from the 4 million pounds of low-level radioactive dust from these spent munitions made with depleted uranium.

In Colombia U.S. military aid has funded aerial fumigation over rain forests including forests that are known as the “lungs of the world”. Campesinos lose their crops and then must cut down more rainforest in order to grow food because their land was poisoned. Additionally being dosed by Round-Up causes significant health problems to campesinos including respiratory, gastrointestinal and dermatological problems, as well as miscarriages.

It is critical that we build bridges between the peace and environmental movements and take action together:

- Demand an end to the overinflated U.S. military budget.
- Demand the U.S. government take real actions to fight climate change.
- Protest wars and pipelines.
- Use less gas by carpooling, biking, and/or walking.

hands, including 7 grenade launchers. Also, since 2002 at least 300 high-ranking sheriffs and police have been sent to Israel for “counter-terrorism” training in the apartheid state’s booming security industry. On such delegations, the US-funded Israeli military shares tactics and strategies they use to oppress Palestinians with US police.



Such links between the oppressors bring home the need for solidarity among struggles. Palestinians and Black and Brown people in the US still have to assert that their lives have value in the face of state-sanctioned violence and occupation. We demand an end to militarized policing that’s stolen too many lives, just as we demand an end to the occupation of Palestine by the apartheid state of Israel.



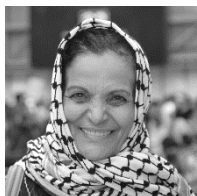
Anti-War Committee members joined thousands at the Black Lives Matter protest at the Mall of America in December 2014.



Resistance Growing Against FBI Repression

Reports of FBI surveillance flights over the Twin Cities have emphasized that police agencies are being used against the citizens of the U.S., rather than to ensure our safety. While these surveillance flights are the latest examples of police repression, and appear to target everyone, the anti-war and Muslim communities have been very specific targets for over 10 years.

Prior to the 2008 Republican National Convention, the FBI infiltrated the Anti-War Committee (AWC) and our allies specifically to chill dissent. As Misty Rowan, of the AWC put it, “It is the kind of infiltration.....where any sort of assembly is defined as a disturbance and a threat.” This FBI attack led to raids, and a witch-hunt against those opposing U.S. imperialism.



Rasma Odeh is being singled out for prosecution because she is an organizer in the Chicago Palestinian-American community and because of her association with subpoenaed anti-war activists. The Department of Homeland Security is, as Rasma’s lawyer, Michael Deutsch stated, “targeting Arabs, Muslims and Palestinians for selective prosecution.”

In September 2014, the U.S. “Justice” Department, initiated the Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) program in LA, Boston and the Twin Cities. The CVE program combines overt attempts to co-opt Minnesota Muslim and Somali organizations with undercover infiltration meant to entrap them. The CVE program is the latest in a long string of attacks initiated by federal authorities intended to repress the Muslim and Somali communities.

Despite growing attacks by the FBI, local organizations are responding with organized resistance. The activists of the AWC refused to testify against each other at a bogus grand jury, and continue their important work, despite government intimidation. An international campaign supporting Rasma is fighting the racist system trying to put her behind bars. The negative response to the CVE program by 50 community organizations, including organizations

Solidarity with Palestinians:

STOP PinkWashing

ISRAEL!



For 67 years, the Israeli occupation and apartheid system has denied Palestinians basic human rights. Palestinians live under brutal military occupation – surrounded by illegal Israeli settlements, countless checkpoints behind a system of walls and barriers, and roads accessible exclusively to Israeli settlers. 1.7 million Palestinians in the Gaza Strip live under siege in an open air prison described by international experts as “slow genocide.” Palestinians in the Diaspora are denied the UN-sanctioned right to return to their lands. Israeli oppression, racism, and discrimination do not distinguish between queer and straight Palestinians.

In response to growing criticism, the Israeli government has a massive PR campaign called ‘Brand Israel.’ The campaign spends millions of dollars to portray Israel as a progressive, inclusive democracy that is gay-friendly. This tactic of “pinkwashing” falsely touts Israel as a gay haven in the Middle East, while pandering to anti-Arab, Islamophobic biases by painting Palestinian society as homophobic. The Israeli government treats all Palestinians as second-class citizens, while Israeli security forces use homophobia as a weapon against Palestinians, whether or not they are gay.

Last year, when sixteen year old Muhammad AbuKhdeir was kidnapped on his way to morning prayer in Jerusalem, Israeli officials planted rumors that he had been attacked by his own family for being gay. Homophobia had nothing to do with it. Video footage proved he was taken by racist Israeli settlers, and later, his body was found in a field after he was tortured and burned alive.

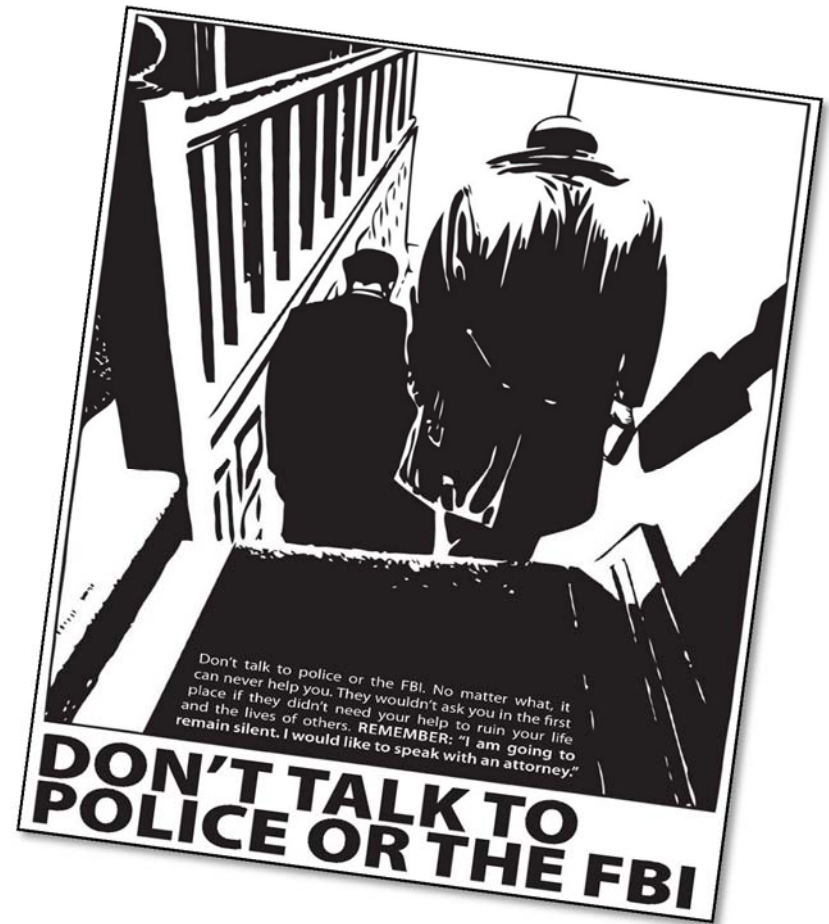
There is a vibrant, organized community of Palestinian queers working to create a just, democratic Palestinian society that respects the dignity of every person – groups like AlQaws. *Civil rights for LGBT people in one place does not excuse oppression or war crimes in another.* We join with the queer Palestinians who are working hard for their own liberation, and the many Jews who oppose the Israeli government narrative, and stand up and shout: **Not in our name!**

DOWN continued

- 12 Colony insect kingdom?
- 17 Tolkien's sapient trees
- 19 Actual reason for much US aggression in the Middle East
- 20 Athletic
- 21 Activist and survivor of unjust imprisonment in US and Israel*
- 22 Became a pastor
- 24 Caffeinated root beer*
- 26 Daddy's husband, perhaps
- 29 Suffered by internal refugees in Colombia, Palestine and elsewhere*
- 30 Repress
- 35 Discriminatory towards elders
- 36 An extreme understatement of the treatment given to people of color by police and the justice system
- 38 Nature lover and war tax resistor
- 39 Before earth or city in computer games
- 40 The Wikipedia Foundation and Doctors Without Borders, for ex.
- 43 Country Code for the largest recipient of US aid
- 44 Fly a _____, not a drone.
- 45 Fox TV station headquarters in NY, possessive
- 47 US Dept. responsible for managing No Child Left Behind
- 49 Mo. in 2010 FBI raided AWC offices*
- 50 The way an agile car turns
- 51 Qrts. equivalent in Europe
- 52 Boycotted water*
- 54 Formerly part of the same country with 23 Across
- 55 Institute for Medical Quality, initials
- 56 Lost traction
- 57 Lethally unavailable to many despite its great quantity in the world
- 59 Capitol seat of the Ho Chi Minh
- 61 Coca-cola's crime here mostly involves water
- 65 Aleutian island
- 67 Electrical resistance unit
- 68 Eg
- 69 Med. heart readout
- 72 C.E. previously
- 74 Ph.D.'s honorific
- 75 Teacher's notation by a mis-spelled word

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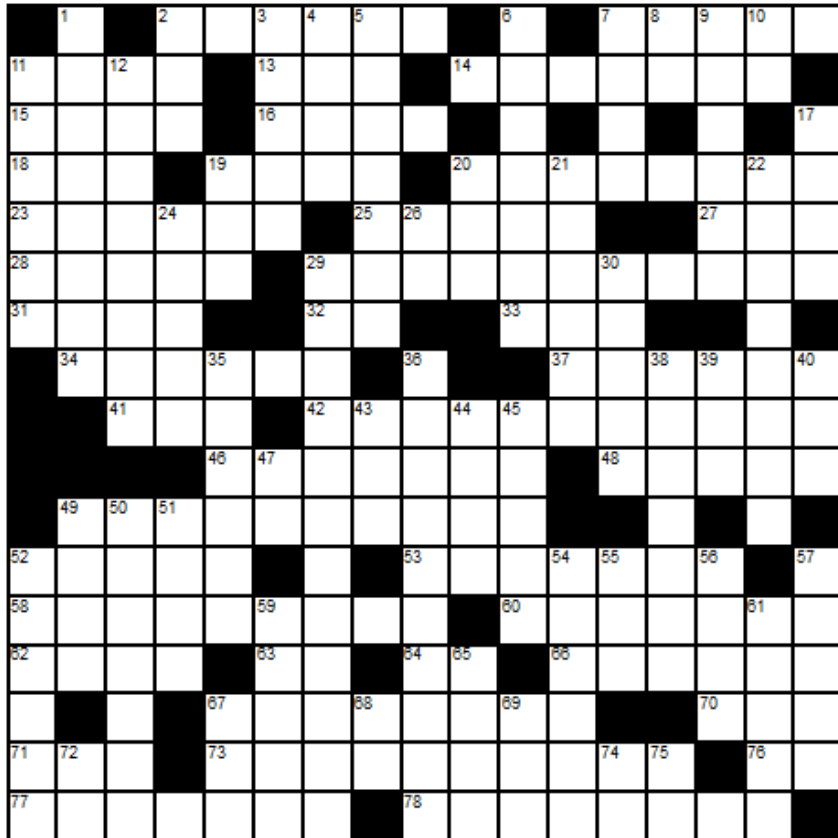
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such as CAIR-MN (Council on American-Islamic Relations), is the latest demonstration that people in the Twin Cities increasingly understand that we must stand together to oppose attacks by the FBI and repressive government policies.

Rasmea Odeh is a survivor of brutal torture at the hands of the Israeli military. She has been in the United States for 20 years, but now the government is trying to take away her citizenship, imprison her and ultimately deport her. Learn more and join the fight for her freedom at justice4rasmea.org.

Crossword Puzzle!



* The answers to clues marked with asterisks can be found in the zine!

ACROSS

- 2 Site of Mexican teacher's protests through 2006
- 7 Trilateral agreement leading to Zapatista uprisings
- 11 Bicycle part
- 13 Hexachlorocyclohexane, chemically
- 14 Illegal, immoral treatment of detainees by US officials*
- 15 Rights to this are a concern for indigenous peoples everywhere
- 16 Boycotted sandwich cookie
- 18 Comes after think, one hopes
- 19 Island off Estonia
- 20 Catalyst for Black Lives Matter movement*
- 23 This country was formed in 2006 after the 1998 NATO bombing and the Yugoslav Wars
- 25 Virgo's brightest star

ACROSS continued

- 27 Critical Race Theory, for short
- 28 Take, as in land or lives*
- 29 On Colombian Coca-Cola's payroll*
- 31 A turn around the sun
- 32 First Midwestern state to legalize gay marriage
- 33 Ostrich's cousin
- 34 Palestinian GLBT group*
- 37 Doesn't dine out
- 41 Headache-inducing flavor enhancer
- 42 Propaganda campaign painting designed to gain the support of LGBTQ and allies for Israel*
- 46 "Leather" not actually made from its namesake, but rather from hagfish
- 48 Prefix with -pathy or -static
- 49 As recently between Palestinians and Black Lives Matter movement, for example*
- 52 Metal depressions
- 53 Not the oldtimers
- 58 Practiced by Israeli Government, successfully opposed in South Africa*
- 60 Young men from this country being targeted by FBI in Minneapolis*
- 62 Unsafe sex risks
- 63 Morning
- 64 Poe's initials
- 66 React to bright light
- 67 Ten percent
- 70 President who said "Every gun that is made...signifies...a theft from those who hunger and ...those who are cold..." , Initials
- 71 Slang for site of terrible US war in SE Asia
- 73 "dishonest" children's drink owned by Coca-cola
- 76 The other end from UV
- 77 _____ my duty to report the truth.
- 78 Snow or snap pod

DOWN

- 1 Misnamed Coke drink actually funds war in Palestine*
- 2 Military weapons, abbr.
- 3 Nelson Mandela's native language
- 4 Land unit
- 5 Former military whistleblower*
- 6 Lack felt by poor babies in Colombia?
- 7 National Tropical Botanical Garden, for short
- 8 Measures dist. to a star
- 9 BDS proscribed citrus soda*
- 10 Periodically tellurium
- 11 Smooth and shiny