

Gaza: Ceasefire now! Lift the siege!



31 October: Israeli strike in Jabalia refugee camp, northern Gaza. photo: Reuters

Israel unleashed the massive bomb in Jabalia refugee camp which killed over 50 Palestinians in northern Gaza on Tuesday, with two more deadly attacks by Thursday. Many wounded fled to Al Shifa hospital in Gaza City. “Young children arrived at the hospital with deep wounds and severe burns. They came without their families, screaming and asking for their parents” said nurse Mohammed Hawajreh of Médecins Sans Frontiers.

Standing behind Israel are • PM Rishi Sunak and Labour leader Keir Starmer, refusing to call for a ceasefire despite public opinion and the UN General Assembly • arms firms supplying Israel with bunker-buster bombs, missiles, jets, drones and components. Israel depends on a green light from the West.

Nowhere is safe. Israel tells civilians to move south to escape the ground war. But hospitals can't move newborn babies or patients in critical care, let alone the thousands of civilians sheltering inside. Four refugee camps in central Gaza have been hit. Khan Younis, the main southern city, is bombed repeatedly. Over 3,500 Palestinian children have been killed in this genocidal massacre.

Merseyside is part of this horror. Raytheon Technologies (RTX) is the world's 2nd largest arms firm. It sells Israel bunker-buster bombs – the type used on Jabalia – along with missiles and components. Local government pensions on Merseyside invest over £800,000 in RTX. University of Liverpool computer research and post-graduate training is partnered with Raytheon.

Ceasefire now! Lift the siege! Break links with Israeli apartheid!