

MEDIA ADVISORY
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Rally in Solidarity with the People of Gaza

What: A rally will be held to protest Israel's military campaign against the people of the Gaza Strip.

When: Saturday, December 2, 2006 at 1PM

Where: Outside the Israeli Consulate, 180 Bloor St. West

Who: The rally has been called by the Canadian Arab Federation (CAF), Palestine House, and the Coalition Against Israeli Apartheid (CAIA) and endorsed by the Toronto Coalition to Stop the War, the Canadian Peace Alliance, and Not In Our Name: Jews Against Israel's Wars.

Why: The Israeli military has killed over 300 Palestinian civilians, including 89 children and 25 women, in Gaza since it began major military operations there during the summer. These military campaigns further endanger a population in the midst of a humanitarian crisis, the direct consequence of Israel's policy of closure, in which entry and exit to Gaza are prevented by electric fences and the Israeli army. Instead of sanctioning the occupying power responsible for this crisis, Canada, like the US and the countries of Europe, have enforced a blockade against the people of Gaza and are contributing to their starvation.

The rally will be held to demand an immediate end to Israel's military campaign, to its apartheid policies in the region, and to Canadian support for Israel.

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