Urge the U.S. Government to stop arming Israel

Message Recipients: Barack Obama - President of the United States, Ron Dermer - Israeli Ambassador to the United States, and U.S. Representatives and Senators

The undersigned urge the US government to immediately end its ongoing deliveries of large quantities of arms to Israel, which are providing the tools to commit further serious violations of international law in Gaza.

Amnesty International is calling for a UN-imposed comprehensive arms embargo on all parties to the conflict: Israel, Hamas and other armed Palestinian groups. The U.S. government needs to do its part and stop arming the Israeli military.

Many of the military tactics used by all parties to the conflict violate international humanitarian and human rights law. U.S. policy prohibits the provision of weapons where there is a credible expectation that they may be used in grave human rights violations.

Consequently, the U.S. should suspend all arms transfers to Israel until Israel stops violating human rights across the Occupied Palestinian Territories. Israel must put in place effective mechanisms to ensure that these transfers will not be used to commit or facilitate violations of international humanitarian and human rights law. Israel must also put in place credible accountability processes for past violations. The goal is to prevent further serious violations of international humanitarian law and human rights by all parties to the conflict.

The U.S. must act in accordance with its own laws and policies concerning weapons transfers. Stop arming Israel.

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