

Former Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad condemns Abduction by Israel of Cynthia McKinney and Mairead McGuire

Israel versus the Free Gaza Movement

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Editor's Note

The international media has carefully avoided coverage of the abduction by Israel of the Free Gaza ship in international waters in blatant violation of international law. The following statement of Tun Mahathir bin Mohamad, former Prime Minister of Malaysia has not been featured by the mainstream Anglo-American media.

The Global Research team expresses its solidarity with the Gaza Free Movement and the humanitarian mission undertaken by Cynthia McKinney and Mairead McGuire.

Michel Chossudovsky, July 5, 2009

Statement

It was indeed shocking to hear about the detention of vessels carrying humanitarian aids and the abduction and arrest of the volunteers on board the Gaza-bound ships.

The fact that the Israeli Government committed these acts while the ships and volunteers were in international waters reflects the arrogance of the Zionist administration.

That it was committed with such impunity, with total disregard of the international community further emphasizes how dangerous Israel is to the global peace equation.

To add insult, President Barack Obama had very recently said that Israel must allow humanitarian aid to be channeled to the Palestinians in Gaza who are dying due to the stranglehold imposed by Tel Aviv.

We demand that the Israeli Government to immediately release the volunteers and the vessels including the aid on board unconditionally.

Failing which we expect President Obama to walk the talk and take Israel to task and to ensure the immediate release of the volunteers and boats.

We hope President Obama is aware that the volunteers include an upright American former

Congressman Cynthia McKinney as well as Nobel Laureate Mairead Maguire.

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