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Ask Barbara Lee to Speak Truth to the Power of Israel and its Lobby!

- **Stop voting to spend billions of US taxpayer dollars in military aid to Israel - use the money here to house the homeless, care for the sick, and educate the children.**
- **Demand an end to Israeli evictions, home demolitions, land annexations, and settlement expansion and endorse Rep. Betty McCollum's HR 2590.**
- **Speak out against Israel's brutal, illegal and immoral 14-year siege and military assaults on Gaza.**

Supporting Israel means supporting US imperialism. Being “progressive except Palestine” is not being a true progressive!

Call Rep. Lee's offices in DC at (202) 225-2661 and in Oakland at (510) 763-0370 or go to <https://lee.house.gov/contact> and tell her this is not the kind of progressive leadership her constituents expect. Ask her to
**Stand up for Justice for Palestinians and
Stop Funding Israel's crimes!**

*For more information about Palestine/Israel, see: IfAmericansKnew.org Mondoweiss.net
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Do you know where Barbara Lee stands on Israel and Palestine?

Rep. Barbara Lee boasts that she speaks truth to power. She even titled her autobiography *Renegade for Peace and Justice*. On many issues she has lived up to this image: We honor her opposition to US military adventures abroad and her support for Black Lives Matter, police reform, healthcare, affordable housing, and other important domestic causes.

But when it comes to Israel and Palestine, she loses sight of her values and refuses to hold Israel accountable or join human-rights advocates around the world in calling Israel what it is: a racist, settler-colonial apartheid state engaged in systematic ethnic cleansing.

Worse yet, Rep. Lee uses her political clout to assist Israel in its crimes. Did you know that:

- Lee was the sole sponsor of a 2022 appropriations bill just passed by the House that gives Israel \$3.3 *billion* in military aid in 2022 – nearly \$10 million a day – plus a slew of other pro-Israel programs, plus billions more in military funding for its allies Egypt and Jordan? That she was the first legislator thanked by AIPAC, the ultra-Zionist lobby group, for her leadership on the bill?
- She has refused to endorse Rep. Betty McCollum’s HR 2590 bill, which aims simply to prevent Israel from using US taxpayer funds for military detention of Palestinian children, forced displacement, or further annexation of Palestinian land? Most progressive House members, including the “Squad,” have signed on as co-sponsors – but not Barbara Lee.
- In 2016 she voted against an amendment drafted by Sen. Bernie Sanders that would have added a call to “end occupation and illegal settlements” in the West Bank and “an international effort to rebuild Gaza” to the Democrats’ election platform?