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Week 42: Profiting from Occupation

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PROFITING FROM OCCUPATION

A few of the publicly-traded corporations that profit from the illegal occupation of Palestine...

ABB Group
Bombardier
Caterpillar
Cemex
Doosan Corporation
Ford Motor Company
G1 Secure Solutions
General Electric
General Mills
General Motors
Genie Energy
HeidelbergCement
Hewlett Packard
Hitachi
Hyundai
Land Rover
MAN Group
Mitsubishi
Siemens
Toyota
Volvo Group

Sources: Who Profits

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Dear Kumi Now supporter,

On Tuesday **Yoad Hakeem**, a clinical psychologist with the [Palestinian Counseling Center](#), spoke about the mental health crisis in Palestine. The replay of the session is now available on [YouTube](#) and on [our website](#). The website includes the advocacy instructions and links shared during the gathering, including to [Yoad's presentation](#).

We would love it if you could share the session with your community. You could use language such as:

Last week we learned about the mental health crisis in Palestine. Our guest was Yoad Hakeem, a clinical psychologist with the Palestinian Counseling Center. Learn more in the latest Kumi Now online gathering. <https://youtu.be/aKPduvS6Cug>



On October 21, 2003 the **United Nations General Assembly** [condemned the Israeli Apartheid Wall](#), demanding “that Israel stop and reverse the construction of the wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory.” This came a week after the United States vetoed a resolution that would have had the Security Council declare the construction by Israel of a wall in the occupied territories illegal. You can read the [some of the speeches before the General Assembly](#). The construction of the wall and all of the illegal settlement activity and related industry, have been a boon to Israeli and international companies happy to make money at the expense of Palestinian lives and freedoms.

Next Online Gathering

WEEK 42	PROFITING FROM OCCUPATION	
		KUMI NOW ONLINE
TUESDAY OCTOBER 19 6PM (UTC+3)		featuring Who Profits Research Center

October 19: Week 42 - Profiting from Occupation

[Full information on the gathering is here.](#)

Every week, hundreds of companies and corporations are profiting off the occupation. Sadly, these profits are at the cost of the rights and livelihoods of the Palestinian people. On October 21, 2003 the United Nations condemned the Israeli Apartheid Wall, demanding “that Israel stop and reverse the construction of the wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory.” Building of that wall continues, and it is just one way that outside corporations are directly profiting off the occupation, aiding in its construction and flocking to the industrial zones and settlements it enables.

Our guest will be a representative of **Who Profits**.

Time: Tuesday, October 19, at 6:00pm East Jerusalem, Palestine time (UTC+3) That's...

- Pacific (Seattle/Vancouver): 8am
- Central (Chicago): 10am
- Eastern (New York/Toronto): 11am
- Atlantic: 12pm
- Newfoundland: 12:30pm
- Greenwich (London): 4pm
- Central Europe (Paris/Stockholm): 5pm
- South Africa: 5pm
- Manila: 11pm
- Sydney: 1am (+1 Day)
- Auckland: 3am (+1 Day)

Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/94679502800> (There might be a quick registration form, and please set an alarm for yourself for Tuesday.)

Remember, if you'd like to receive a reminder about the gathering an hour before it begins, please use the [registration form at the bottom of the page](#).

This Week's Kumi Now Entry

Please note: To match the dates in the book, we will now be posting a new entry each Friday, and this newsletter should go out each Friday or Saturday.

Sharing and publicizing: The graphics in this newsletter are designed to be the perfect size and shape to share to Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. So each week you can help the cause simply by sharing these images online. It's one more option you have to help.

Kumi Week #42: Profiting from Occupation

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Please read the essay on this issue and the testimonial from Rev. Dave Grishaw-Jones at Peace United Church of Christ, the first U.S. church to go HP-Free. And here are some facts for you:

Just the facts. International corporations that profit...

ABB Group
Bombardier
Adama
Alstom
Caterpillar
Doosan Corporation
Ford Motor Company
Cemex
G1 Secure Solutions (formerly G4S Israel)
General Electric
General Mills (Pillsbury)
General Motors Company
Genie Energy
HeidelbergCement
Hitachi
Hyundai Heavy Industries
Hewlett Packard Enterprise
Mitsubishi Motors Corporation
Land Rover
Perrigo (Formerly Agis)
RE/MAX Holdings
MAN Group
Terex Corporation
Toyota Motor Corporation
Siemens
Volvo Group (AB Volvo)

Sources: Who Profits

<http://kuminow.com/ProfitingfromOccupation>

Understanding Profiting from Occupation. Some of the international corporations that profit from the illegal occupation of Palestine...

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- Adama
- Alstom
- Bombardier
- Caterpillar
- Cemex
- Doosan Corporation
- Ford Motor Company
- G1 Secure Solutions (formerly G4S Israel)
- General Electric
- General Mills (Pillsbury)
- General Motors Company
- Genie Energy
- HeidelbergCement
- Hewlett Packard Enterprise
- Hitachi
- Hyundai Heavy Industries
- Land Rover
- MAN Group
- Mitsubishi Motors Corporation
- Perrigo (Formerly Agis)

- RE/MAX Holdings
- Siemens
- Terex Corporation
- Toyota Motor Corporation
- Volvo Group (AB Volvo)

Source

This list is just a sampling of the larger publicly-traded international corporations listed in the [Who Profits database](#).

Learning More

- The **Don't Buy Into Occupation (DBIO)** coalition [report](#) was just released, documenting financial flows into illegal Israeli settlements. You can watch a [webinar](#) on the report recently hosted by **Rabet**.
- **Who Profits** hosted the webinar "[Combating a Virus: Militarism and Securitization Under Covid-19](#)" last year, looking at securitization and surveillance under COVID-19 in occupied Palestine and beyond.
- And we suggest you read "[Occupation, Inc.: How Settlement Businesses Contribute to Israel's Violations of Palestinian Rights](#)" from **Human Rights Watch**.

To go deeper, we will be developing an extensive list of [Additional Resources](#) at the bottom of this week's entry as well as a [YouTube playlist](#) on the subject.

Once you understand the situation you'll want to get involved. Here's the Kumi Action for this week:

Kumi Action



HP means something different for Palestinians living under occupation. Use #HP and play with the letters 'H' and 'P' to send a creative message, illustrating one of HP's many possible meanings. For example, #HP – How Pathetic, Help Palestine, Hear Please the cry of Palestinians, How have People wronged the Palestinians, or How is Peace possible with companies profiting from the occupation. Use one of these messages or get creative and make your own meaning for HP!

Of course, as you can see from the 'Just the Facts' section above, Hewlett Packard is hardly the only corporation profiting from the occupation of Palestine. Feel free to adapt this action to whichever company is closest to home for you.

Include a link to [this page](#) of the Kumi Now website along with the hashtags #HPFree, #KumiNow and #Kumi42.

You Should Know

One or two people, companies, or organizations generally related to the issue of the

week you should know, and how you can follow them online.



Who Profits from the Occupation

Who Profits from the Occupation is an independent research center dedicated to exposing the commercial involvement of Israeli and international corporations in the ongoing Israeli occupation of Palestinian and Syrian lands.

Who Profits was founded in 2007 as a project of the Coalition of Women for Peace, and became an independent Research Center in 2013. Our work addresses the economy of the Israeli occupation through three areas of activity: we maintain an online database of complicit corporations; we operate a free online information center; and we publish regular reports and updates on the corporate aspect of the occupation. Through these, we shed light on the role of the private sector in the Israeli settlement enterprise, in economic exploitation of Palestinian and Syrian land, labor and resources, and in the apparatus of control over the occupied population.

The verified and reliable information presented by Who Profits helps grassroots activists, civil society organizations and policymakers to stimulate a candid public conversation regarding the occupation economy and the global and local economic interests that play a critical role in sustaining Israeli control over occupied Palestinian and Syrian land.

If you want to learn more about specific aspects of the occupation and who profits, we suggest looking at their [in-depth reports](#) and [searching the database](#). And if you think a company should be added to their database, there is a [form you can fill out](#).

You can find Who Profits on their [website](#) and follow them on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [YouTube](#).

Upcoming Weeks

And here's what we have coming up in October so you can plan ahead and decide how you want to be a part of Kumi Now:

KUMI NOW ONLINE: OCTOBER, 2021

Week 40



October 5
*Nonviolence in
Palestine*

Week 41



October 12
Mental Health

Week 42



October 19
*Profiting from
Occupation*

Week 43



October 26
*Women in
Conflict*

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Each week below will have an online gathering with a guest or guests speaking on the topic. The time and Zoom link are the same each week.

The weekly newsletter will always contain reminders of the upcoming online gatherings and the Zoom link. But if you're like me and need a reminder right before the sessions begin, you can [register to receive a reminder email one hour prior to each online gathering](#). And no more digging through your inbox looking for the Zoom link! Just [use the registration form at the bottom of the page](#).



October 26: Week 43 - Women in Conflict

[Read the full entry online.](#)

There is a twisted irony at the intersection of war and gender: war is almost always declared and fought by men. But it is women and children that suffer much of the violence. The end of war is no different: men negotiate treaties, while the voices, needs, and expertise of women are ignored. In reality, however, women, and by extension children, bear unbelievable levels of violence and harm, especially in refugee camps, military occupations, and the ongoing crisis in Gaza.

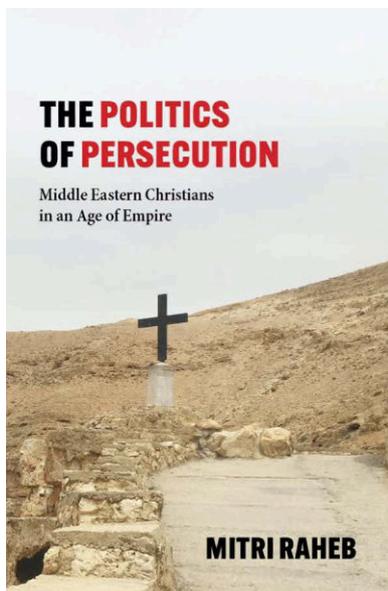
For our Kumi Action we will hold our own vigils or contact women's organizations to see how they can help the struggle of Palestinian women.

You Should Watch or Read...

One (or maybe two) recent or not-so-recent film, book, video, article, or other piece of art that you should consider reading or watching this week. Have a recommendation? Let us know.

The Politics of Persecution: Middle Eastern Christians in an Age of Empire

The Politics of Persecution: Middle Eastern Christians in an Age of Empire by our friend Mitri



Raheb has just been released, and looks at the resilience of Middle Eastern Christians. More about the book:

“*The Politics of Persecution*, written by a well-known Palestinian Christian theologian, provides an insider perspective on this contested region. Middle Eastern Christians survived successive empires by developing great elasticity in adjusting to changing contexts; they learned how to survive atrocities and how to resist creatively while maintaining a dynamic identity. In this light, Raheb casts the history of Middle Eastern Christians not so much as one of persecution but as one of resilience.”

You can find more info on the book on the [publisher's website](#) and [read a review](#) in *This Week in Palestine*.

What's Next

We hope to see you in the online gathering on Tuesday, after which you'll receive another newsletter next Friday/Saturday, focused on our next topic, [Women in Conflict](#). As always, there is more to come!

Sincerely,

The Kumi Now Team

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