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Global Sumud Flotilla Confronts G7 Summit on Lake Geneva, Demanding End to Complicity in Palestinian Genocide

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LAKE GENEVA – Yesterday, the Global Sumud Flotilla, in coordination with the No G7 coalition of civil society organizations, launched a peaceful multi-day action on Lake Geneva to confront the G7 member states and Western governments over their active complicity in the ongoing genocide of the Palestinian people.

The non-violent citizen initiative brought together a fleet of 25 boats displaying Palestinian flags and messages condemning the G7 nations comprising: Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Positioned on the waters of Lake Geneva as world leaders prepare to gather for the summit, the action aims to shatter the diplomatic isolation of the meetings and force international attention onto the continued destruction in Gaza.

Over 100 participants are highlighting the direct role played by Western governments in enabling and sustaining Israeli military actions through ongoing political, diplomatic, economic, and military support.

Susan Abdullah, a member of the Global Sumud Flotilla Steering Committee, stated: "These leaders are elected by the people to represent us, and we refuse to allow our governments to remain complicit in the atrocities, war crimes, and genocide in occupied Palestine. We are here on the water to show that civil society will no longer accept the funding and shielding of these crimes."

The mobilization on Lake Geneva forms part of a broader wave of international civil society resistance surrounding the summit. Organizers emphasized that the systemic double standards of the G7 extend beyond Palestine, calling urgent attention to the bloc's role in ongoing conflicts and escalating humanitarian crises worldwide, including in Lebanon, Sudan, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Ultimatum to G7 Leaders: Demands for Accountability

The Global Sumud Flotilla maintains that G7 governments are bound by international law to cease their illegal enablement of state violence. The movement demands that these governments immediately fulfill their legal obligations and act to:

- End all political, diplomatic, and military support that contributes to the genocide of Palestinians.
- Enforce an immediate, permanent, and binding ceasefire.
- Halt all arms transfers and military cooperation that facilitate attacks on civilian populations.

- Uphold international law and international humanitarian law without exception or double standards.
- Ensure full accountability for war crimes and crimes against humanity.
- Protect the fundamental rights, dignity, and self-determination of the Palestinian people.

About the Global Sumud Flotilla:

The Global Sumud Flotilla is an international, non-violent, and non-partisan citizen initiative dedicated to direct action and international solidarity. This aquatic mobilization is organized in coordination with the broader civil society coalition of the NO G7 movement, pressuring global powers to uphold international law, protect civilian populations, and end policies that contribute to crimes against humanity.

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