

WHO IS PROVIDING ISRAEL WITH NEW WEAPONS TO SUSTAIN ITS BOMBARDMENT OF GAZA?

To sustain its genocidal bombardment of Gaza, Israel has been acquiring a large number of new weapons, particularly from the US and Germany. The UK and other European countries are equally complicit, playing a pivotal role in providing military resources for Israel's assaults in Gaza and throughout Palestine. **It's crucial to expose and oppose this active support for injustice.**

At the same time, Israeli companies are reaping profits. Demand for their products is on the rise as they are actively used against Palestinians. Some of these sales are described in our [Who Arms Israel?](#) guide.

Below we provide data on where Israel has obtained new weapons for its ongoing military attacks. More detailed information is available in our [main](#) guide.

The United States

The US is Israel's main weapons supplier. The US provides regular military aid to Israel – its current agreement runs from 2019 to 2028 and is worth \$3.8 billion per year. Since the start of Israel's current attack on Gaza, the US government approved the provision of an extra \$14.5 billion in military aid to Israel as part of a \$106 billion national security package. US taxpayers are being forced to bear the burden of their government's complicity in genocide.

Meanwhile, the stock value of the top five US weapons manufacturing companies Lockheed Martin, Raytheon, General Dynamics, Boeing and Northrop Grumman – all of which supply the Israeli Occupation Forces to varying degrees – has increased by more than \$24.7 billion since 7 October 2023.

The following is a list of weapons the US is attempting to supply to the Israeli Occupation Forces for the ongoing bombardment. Most of these will be from existing US military stockpiles although they will later be restocked. Information about the following weapons exports was disclosed in a [leaked Department of Defense list](#) and from Pentagon briefings.

New military goods delivered or on their way to Israel to enable ongoing attacks on Palestine:

- 36000 rounds of 30mm cannon ammunition for the Apache helicopter. These are manufactured by General Dynamics at Picatinny Arsenal, New Jersey.
- 1800 M141 "bunker buster" munitions. These are made by Nammo in Mesa, Arizona and Salt Lake City, Utah.
- 3500 night vision devices.

- Two “Iron Dome” batteries from the US Army. As of 14 November, these were in transit to Israel by sealfit.
- At least 1000 GBU-39 Small Diameter Bombs. These are from a pre-existing \$735 million export license for export to Israel and have been used to attack Gaza. The GBU-39 is made by Boeing in St Louis, Missouri.
- 1800 Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM) precision targeting kits. These kits are used to convert bombs into “precision munitions” and are part of an existing \$735 million export agreement to Israel. The JDAMs are made by Boeing in St Charles, Missouri.

Military goods requested by Israel:

- 2000 Hellfire missiles for the AH64 Apache helicopter. These are made by a Lockheed Martin/Boeing joint venture in Orlando, Florida.
- 57000 155mm high explosive artillery shells. These had been sent to the US European Command for use in Ukraine but are now being sent back to Israel.
- 20000 M4A1 rifles
- 5000 PVS-14 night vision devices
- 400 120mm mortars
- 75 Joint Light Tactical Vehicles from the US Army and Marines. These were manufactured by Oshkosh Defence. New vehicles to restock US Army supplies will likely be made by AM General in Indiana.
- 312 Tamir missile interceptors from the US Army stockpile. These are manufactured by Raytheon and Rafael in East Camden, Arkansas.
- 200 Switchblade 600 drones. These are made by AeroVironment inc. AeroVironment’s operations are centred in Simi Valley, California.

Additional weapons sales since 7 October:

- On 30 October, the State Department **notified Congress** of a US plan to transfer \$320 million worth of Spice Family Gliding Bomb Assemblies, made by Rafael USA. The sale had been **approved** months before Congress was notified. On 16 November, Rep. Ilhan Omar and four co-sponsors introduced a joint resolution of **disapproval** in relation to the Spice assemblies sale.
- Via **Direct Commercial Sales** contracts: Small Diameter Bombs, ammunition and JDAM Tail Kits and the redirection of 155mm ammunition stored in Israel to IDF forces.

Germany

Germany has accelerated arms exports to Israel for use in its attacks on Palestinians. Germany finalised 218 export licenses to Israel in 2023. 85% of these were issued and finalised after 7 October.

According to **statements by government officials**, the German government has created a special working group to expedite arms export requests to Israel. Arms exports so far have included:

- Components for air defense systems
- Lethal munitions worth €20 million
- Items for which export licenses are not required such as personal protective armour.

- Two Heron TP combat drones that Germany had leased from Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI) – a company owned by the state of Israel. The drones had been kept in Israel to train German drone pilots, and the German government has agreed for the Israeli military to use them in its attacks on Palestinians. The drones are likely equipped with precision guided missiles.

The UK

While details on UK military supply chains to Israel are secretive, according to flight trackers, since 7 October, more than 30 RAF flights have departed from a UK military base in Cyprus to Israel. The Ministry of Defence confirmed that at least 17 military flights flew to Tel Aviv in this period—flights that weren't taking place before the bombing of Gaza started. These flights include transport aircraft such as the A400M, capable of carrying a Chinook helicopter or a 37-tonne payload.

According to [Haaretz](#), the US has been using the British air force base on Cyprus to deliver military aid to Israel. This has included flights using the C17-A Globemaster, which is capable of moving tanks and helicopters.

Several UK companies also hold open licenses to export components for Israel's F-35 and many others hold licenses to export to Israel directly. See our guide [here](#).

The Netherlands

The Dutch government has recently approved an order from Israel for spare parts for its F-35s. Given that this order was placed after the current bombardment started, it is likely that these spare parts will be used to support the use of F-35s to bombard Gaza.

TAKE ACTION

On October 16, Palestinian trade unions [called for workers and trade unions around the world to take action](#) to stop the flow of arms to Israel in order to restrain the Israeli war machine and halt the genocide against the Palestinian people. †

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