

*Council on American-Islamic
Relations insists Biden should
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Washington, February 5 (RHC)-- The main Muslim civil rights group in the United States has called on the Biden administration to end the Israeli regime's genocide in the Gaza Strip instead of waging war across West Asia, citing the latest strikes in Iraq and Syria as proof of "the total failure" of U.S. foreign policy in the region.

The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), the nation's largest Muslim civil rights and advocacy organization, urged U.S. President Joe Biden to end the Israeli regime's genocide and ethnic cleansing in Gaza instead of waging war across West Asia.

The U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) announced that American forces had struck multiple targets in Iraq and Syria on Friday night. Following CENTCOM's announcement, CAIR National Executive Director Nihad Awad said, "President Biden should change course to protect both American soldiers and people of the region from more violence." "Justice and freedom for the Palestinian people – not more bombs – is what can build a more peaceful future for the region," he added.

CAIR welcomes a recent declaration by a federal court in California that the Israeli regime forces months-long attacks against defenseless Palestinians trapped in the besieged Gaza Strip "plausibly" amount to genocide, Awad added.

Awad said the U.S.-based civil rights group had called on Biden to personally condemn the Zionist forces' massacre of Palestinian civilians in Gaza who were waiting for humanitarian aid in Gaza City. He further added that CAIR had condemned a newly-revealed policy of the far-right Israeli regime led by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to further implement ethnic cleansing in Gaza by burning unoccupied Palestinian homes from which residents have been forced to flee.

Earlier this week, CAIR condemned the Biden administration's "morally depraved and glaringly inconsistent" decision to engage in collective punishment against Palestinians by cutting funding to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) in response to unsubstantiated and suspiciously timed allegations made by the Israeli regime.

Last week, CAIR welcomed a preliminary ruling by the ICJ, that declares South Africa's charge of genocide against the Israeli government plausible. The ICJ, last month, ordered the Israeli regime to try and prevent genocidal acts from being committed by the Zionist forces inside Gaza, however, stopped short of ordering a ceasefire.

In December, CAIR called Israel's massacre of at least 70 people in a strike on Gaza's Maghazi refugee camp and murdered several pregnant women. Also in December, the US-based civil rights group called for a United Nations investigation regarding Israeli regime forces in Gaza carrying out summary executions of unarmed Palestinian men in front of their family members.

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