

U.S. lawmakers join White House hunger strikers to call for Gaza ceasefire

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Washington, November 30 (RHC)-- Several U.S. congressional members -- Rashida Tlaib, Cori Bush and Jamaal Bowman -- joined a group of activists, politicians and celebrities who were on day three of their hunger strike to demand a permanent ceasefire in Gaza.

Congressmember Tlaib, speaking at their nightly White House vigil, said: "When this pause in the violence expires, all I keep thinking about is asking my colleagues, 'How many more lives? How many more lives will be enough? How many more children need to be killed? How many more families have to be traumatized and torn apart?' There is nothing humanitarian, my friends, about giving innocent civilians a few days of rest before they are bombed again."

Earlier in the day, House of Representatives members voted nearly unanimously to pass a resolution equating anti-Zionism with antisemitism, a framing which has driven the backlash against anyone who is critical of the Israeli government. Only Congressman Thomas Massie voted against the measure. Congressman Tlaib voted "present."

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