

U.S. activists blockade Lockheed Martin facility in California

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San Francisco, April 5 (RHC)-- In the U.S. state of California, activists blocked all entrances to Lockheed Martin's research campus in Sunnyvale, laying down in the rain to prevent employees from entering.

Lockheed Martin is the largest arms manufacturer and supplies Israel with F-35s, F-16s, Hellfire missiles and other weapons used against Palestinians.

At one point, a Lockheed Martin employee was filmed driving his car through a line of activists, nearly running them over, before lashing out and yelling: “Somebody’s gonna die,” while waving a knife.

Christina Liu, an activist from the group Bay Area Palestine Solidarity, told reporters: “We must stop arming Israel. There is no business as usual while Gaza is destroyed. Lockheed Martin enables another massacre every day in pursuit of endless military expansion.”

In other news, in New York City, the Columbia University chapter of Students for Justice in Palestine says Columbia suspended six students with no due process, giving them just 24 hours to leave university housing before evicting them. The suspensions are part of an investigation into a Palestine solidarity event and come as part of a wider crackdown on student activism for Palestinian rights.

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