

U.S. Senate to vote on resolutions to block U.S. arms sales to Israel

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Washington, November 19 (RHC)-- U.S. senators will vote Wednesday on whether the U.S. should halt \$20 billion of arms sales to Israel. Bernie Sanders introduced the Joint Resolutions of Disapproval as the Biden administration has continued to violate U.S. laws that prohibit the transfer of weapons to governments committing human rights violations.

Six senators have publicly backed the resolutions thus far: Jeff Merkley, Brian Schatz, Elizabeth Warren, Peter Welch, Chris Van Hollen, and Bernie Sanders.

Meanwhile, the rights groups Al-Haq and Global Legal Action Network have taken the U.K. government to court for continuing to supply F-35 fighter jet parts and other weapons to Israel, despite saying it would suspend Israeli export licenses over international humanitarian law violations.

The U.K. said it exempted F-35 parts from its arms suspension to avoid “[undermining] U.S. confidence in the U.K.” In related news, activists in Canada have blockaded the entrances to Collins Aerospace in Oakville and Honeywell Aerospace in North Vancouver, both of which supply parts for F-35 jets used by Israel to kill Palestinians.

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