

B E T W E E N :

TELEDYNE UK LIMITED

Claimant

-and-

(1) JULIAN ALLEN GAO

(2) – (7) OTHER NAMED DEFENDANTS AS LISTED AT SCHEDULE 1 TO THE CLAIM FORM

(8) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO ARE WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE CLAIMANT ENTERING OR REMAINING ON LAND AND IN OR ON BUILDINGS ON ANY OF THE SITES LISTED IN SCHEDULE 2 TO THE CLAIM FORM, THOSE BEING:

A. THE 'SHIPLEY SITE' (TELEDYNE UK LIMITED, AIREDALE HOUSE, ACORN PARK, SHIPLEY BD17 7SW);

B. THE 'LINCOLN SITE' (TELEDYNE UK LIMITED, 168 SADLER ROAD, LINCOLN LN6 3RS);

C. THE 'WIRRAL SITE' (TELEDYNE UK LIMITED, UNIT A, 6 TEBAY ROAD, BROMBOROUGH, BIRKENHEAD, WIRRAL CH62 3PA);

D. THE 'CHELMSFORD SITE' (TELEDYNE UK LIMITED, 106 WATERHOUSE LANE, CHELMSFORD CM1 2QU);

E. THE 'PRESTEIGNE SITE' (TELEDYNE UK LIMITED, BROADAXE BUSINESS PARK, PRESTEIGNE LD8 2UH); AND

F. THE 'NEWBURY SITE' (TELEDYNE UK LIMITED, REYNOLDS NAVIGATION HOUSE, CANAL VIEW ROAD, NEWBURY RG14 5UR).

(9) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTESTING ARE OBSTRUCTING ANY VEHICLE ACCESSING THE 'SHIPLEY SITE' (TELEDYNE UK LIMITED, AIREDALE HOUSE, ACORN PARK, SHIPLEY BD17 7SW) FROM THE HIGHWAY

(10) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTESTING ARE OBSTRUCTING ANY VEHICLE ACCESSING THE HIGHWAY FROM THE 'SHIPLEY SITE' (TELEDYNE UK LIMITED, AIREDALE HOUSE, ACORN PARK, SHIPLEY BD17 7SW)

**(11) PERSONS UNKNOWN WHO FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTESTING
ARE CAUSING THE BLOCKING, SLOWING DOWN, OBSTRUCTING
OR OTHERWISE INTERFERING WITH THE FREE FLOW OF
TRAFFIC ON TO, OFF OR ALONG THE ROADS LISTED AT
SCHEDULE 3 TO THE CLAIM FORM**

**(12) – (20) OTHER NAMED DEFENDANTS AS LISTED AT SCHEDULE 1
TO THE CLAIM FORM**

Defendants

EXHIBIT NJW-4

This is Exhibit NJW-4 referred to in the Fourth Witness Statement of Nicholas James
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Teledyne UK - attacks and demonstrations 2022 - 2024

Date	Location	Duration	Group	Approx numbers	Police attendance	Tactics seen	Remarks	Subsequent Action
9-Dec-22	Labtech Presteigne	5-6 hours	Palestine Action	4	Yes. Large police response.	Accessed reception. Sledgehammers used to break glass and destroy IT equipment. Ladders used to scale roof. Damage to roof and production area.	Police at heights team and Fire Service removed and arrested protesters from roof.	4 protestors held in prison on remand pending trial. Trial held 9-12 May 2023. [redacted] changed plea to guilty. Sentenced to 23 months imprisonment. [redacted] found guilty. Sentenced to 27 months imprisonment.
28-Sep-23	Te2v Chelmsford	Minutes	Palestine Action	1	No.	Red paint splashed across front wall.	Photographer present.	Police did not respond - led to subsequent calls with an Essex Detective Chief Inspector. Photo of TDY employee on national press website: taken down on request.
23-Nov-23	TDS Shipley	1-2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	10	Yes immediate 4 Officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access. Photographs of site and hostile reconnaissance	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) but verbally aggressive/handing out leaflets	
7-Dec-23	TDS Shipley	1-2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	30	Yes immediate +6 officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access. Photographs of site and hostile reconnaissance	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) but verbally aggressive/handing out leaflets	
19-Dec-23	TDS Shipley	1-2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	120	Yes immediate approx 10 officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access. Photographs of site and hostile reconnaissance	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) but verbally aggressive/handing out leaflets	
26-Dec-23	TDS Shipley	Minutes	Unknown	2	Yes immediate approx 10 officers		Arson attack. No injuries. Minor damage to goods inward area.	Suspect arrested September 2024. Thought to be a local, not part of a group. The CPS decided not to charge: evidence not strong enough.
4-Jan-24	TDS Shipley	1-2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	120	Yes immediate approx 10 officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access. Photographs of site and hostile reconnaissance	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) but verbally aggressive/handing out leaflets	
18-Jan-24	TDS Shipley	1-2 hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	45	Yes immediate approx 10 officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access. Photographs of site and hostile reconnaissance	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) but verbally aggressive/handing out leaflets	
25-Jan-24	TDS Shipley	1-2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	40	Yes immediate approx 10 officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access. Photographs of site and hostile reconnaissance	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) but verbally aggressive/handing out leaflets	
8-Feb-24	TDS Shipley	1-2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	15	Yes immediate approx 10 officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access. Photographs of site and hostile reconnaissance	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) but verbally aggressive/handing out leaflets	
14-Feb-24	TDS Shipley	1-2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	60	Yes immediate approx 10 officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access. Photographs of site and hostile reconnaissance	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) but verbally aggressive/handing out leaflets	
16-Feb-24	CML Bromborough	1-2 hrs	Palestine Action Liverpool	10	Yes - 1 vehicle 2 Officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access trying to hand out leaflets	Not believed to be linked to Palestine Action Group. peaceful banners and posters and handing out leaflets	
29-Feb-24	TDS Shipley	1-2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	20	Yes immediate approx 10 officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee access. Photographs of site and hostile reconnaissance	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) but verbally aggressive/handing out leaflets	

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6-Mar-24	CML Bromborough	1-2hrs	Palestine Action Liverpool	20	Yes immediate 1 vehicle 6 Officers	Blocking entrances trying to hand out leaflets. Possible that as all police/security resource arrives they disperse, thus costing Police and site extra cost.	Peaceful, blocking entrance gates, displaying banners handing out leaflets	
6-Mar-24	Labtech Presteigne	1-2 hrs	Radnor Palestine Links	25	No.	Blocking vehicle gate and handing in a letter	Peaceful. Handing over a letter demanding to speak to management. Subsequent piece in press. Two individuals with known links to PAG and previous protests/damage etc	
15-Mar-24	CML Bromborough	1-2hrs	Palestine Action Liverpool	20	Yes immediate approx 8 officers	Blocking entrances, handing out leaflets	Peaceful, blocking entrance gates, displaying banners handing out leaflets	
18-Mar-24	CML Bromborough	1.5 hrs	Palestine Action Liverpool	20	1 police officer	Blocking entrances but allowing employee entry	As previous. Banners leaflets standing at entrance points	
20-Mar-24	TDS Shipley		Bradford Friends of Palestine	60	5 Police, 2 vehicles in attendance prior to protest	Stood in front of vehicle gates but allowed access	Peaceful displaying banners (pro Palestine/anti Teledyne) 1 protester taking a lot of footage of the site buildings and perimeter. Assessed to be hostile recon. Speaker units and microphone in use (unknown what was said) 2 protesters praying at gate during protests (not seen before). Unite union flags in attendance.	
23-Mar-24	CML Bromborough	45mins	Palestine Action Liverpool	60	1 police vehicle 2 officers	Blocking entrances but allowing employee entry	As previous. Banners leaflets standing at entrance points. No employees required access/exit	
27-Mar-24	Labtech Presteigne	2hrs	Radnor Palestine Links	18	No police	Stood in front of vehicle gates, handed letter to site	Banners, leaflets etc	
2-Apr-24	TDS Shipley	Approx 16hrs	Palestine Action Liverpool	4 on roof + 20 outside	All emergency services in numbers	On roof, smashing roof tiles, brickwork, windows etc	Eventually arrested and removed. Significant damage to building. Costs estimated at c£700k	Daniel Jones & Najam Shah released from custody after 1 week. Ruby Hamill released from custody 2 May. Julian (aka Laila) Gao remained in custody until June. Trial 5-13 Sept 2024. Hung jury. Retrial set for 9 February 2026.
4-Apr-24	Labtech Presteigne	10 mins	Local councillor and ex mayor	1	No police	Handed letter to site	Nothing further	
9-Apr-24	TDS Shipley	2hrs	Bradford friends of Palestine	20-25	6 Officers	Blocking entrances but allowing ingress egress	Banners, leaflets and speakers	
10-Apr-24	CML Bromborough	1hr	Palestine Action Liverpool	approx 8	No police	Stood in front of entrances but allowed access	Banners, leaflets, chanting	
17-Apr-24	CML Bromborough	1hr	Palestine Action Liverpool	10	No Police	Stood in front of gates allowing access	Banners, leaflets, chanting	
21-Apr-24	E2V Tech Lincoln	30mins	Unknown	3	No police	Damage caused to perimeter fence/gate	No entry onto site, damage repaired following day	
23-Apr-24	E2V Tech Lincoln	10mins	Unknown	1	No Police	1 individual seen early hours inspecting repaired fence and gate	Police informed, images captured	
24-Apr-24	TDS Shipley	2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	30	8 officers	Slow march on approach road, standing in front of gates	Banners, chanting, hands covered in red paint	

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11-May-24	Cumbernauld	15mins	Unknown	4	No response requested	4 individuals smashing windows and spraying paint. Did not enter building	Red paint, sledgehammers. Not assessed to be PA	
12-May-24	Cumbernauld	20 mins	Unknown	1	Reported to Police	1 person taking photos of damaged windows	Reported to Police, they are investigating. Teledyne security investigation found that the individual was an employee but had failed to notify the control room of their visit out of hours. Employee educated and Police informed	
13-May-24	Cumbernauld	5-10 mins	Unknown	2	Reported to Police and response initiated	2 individuals walking along two aspects of the building	Police responded. No feedback from them due to investigation.	
15-May-24	TDS Shipley	7 hrs	Palestine Action group	4 (3 female, 1 Male)	Large emergency services response	4 individuals gained access to reception roof and smashed roof and windows. Access to site was via a ladder against the fence. CCTV alarms activated and response called.	Police at heights team and fire service removed and arrested protesters from roof. Supporting demonstrators were held by Police at entrance to the industrial estate to prevent support to roof top protesters	Ricky Southall, Amareen Afzal, Serena Fenton released on police bail [redacted] in custody (has also attacked Barclays bank)
7-Jun-24	CML Bromborough	10mins	Unknown	1 male	Nil	1 individual cut through fence and walked through site	Police informed, images captured	
21-Jun-24	CML Bromborough	1.5hrs	Palestine Action Liverpool	15	Large police presence	Stood in front of gates allowing access	Banners, leaflets, chanting	
21-Jun-24	CML Bromborough	10 mins	Unknown	1 male	Nil	Appears to have cut through fence and walked off site	Police informed, images captured	
5-Jul-24	CML Bromborough	4 hrs	Palestine Action Liverpool	3 females	Large Police presence	3 individuals attempted to scale ladder to roof. After failing this, they rammed the vehicle gates with a van and proceeded to spray paint over the building whilst live streaming	Police arrested 3 protesters. All 3 released on bail. We await court dates	
7-Aug-14	TDS Shipley	2 hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	Approx 20	Large Police presence	Standing in front of gates, chanting and singing	Banners, speakers etc	
18-Sep-24	TDS Shipley	2 hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	Approx 30	Large Police presence	Standing in front of gates, chanting and singing	Banners, speakers etc. One individual carried a mask of [redacted]	Mask-wearer arrested, charged with a public order offence and bailed. Plea hearing 18 October 2024.

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23-Sep-24	TDS Shipley	Approx 10 minutes	Individual - Palestine Action links	1 female	Not at the time	Adjoining property Myers building yard report a person driving into their yard and park alongside the shared fence to the TDY site. Myers CCTV review shows the driver arrive at main gate at 16:50 and drive into the yard looking around, they reverse and leave. The car returns at 16:53 and asks Myers staff if they can reverse around. Instead of reversing the car drives forwards and stops facing the TDY site. Individual uses a camera phone to film site. They then film Myers yard and then drive slowly to the far end of the yard. 16:55 The driver stops alongside the Teledyne shared fence and films the TDY site from 10ft away, then drives away at 1656.	Red Fiesta YB63KCC, one female occupant. Reported on 101 as hostile reconnaissance against section 4 National Security Act. Crime ref 13240522712 / WYP-20240924-0741.	We understand from West Yorks police that the individual was arrested with four burner phones, incriminating hostile recon evidence of other locations on her phones and laptop but the phone seen on 23 rd was not located. Individual is a regular at protests at the Shipley site with links to Palestine Action. The Police believe she passed the Teledyne recon phone onto Palestine Action before arrest. She gave no comment interview, then released on bail. Update from 28 th Dec - CID and CPS are still deciding on next steps.
2-Oct-24	CML Bromborough	5hrs	Palestine Action Liverpool	2 males 2 females (1 male, driving the van, left immediately on electric scooter).	Large Police response	Climbed onto roof via ladder sealed in van, smashed roof and damaged production floor and clean room	Police arrested 3 individuals. We await court dates.	3 protestors released on police bail.
30-Oct-24	TDS Shipley	5 hrs approx	Bradford Friends of Palestine	Approx 35	Immediate Police response	Standing in front of gates, chanting and singing	Originally planned for 12pm arrived at 0630hrs, banners, speakers etc	
20-Nov-24	TDS Shipley	2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	Approx 12	Police on scene	Standing in front of gates, chanting, singing and dancing	Police on scene preventing photography	
28-Nov-24	TDS Shipley	3 hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	Approx 20	Police on scene prior	Initially in front of gates, Police eventually moved them across the road to allow employee access	Police on scene throughout, prevented photography	
8-Dec-24	e2v Chelmsford	N/A	Chelmsford Palestine Solidarity Campaign	n/a	Nil	Social media posted for a protest outside 1130-1330hrs 8 Dec 24. A further post was made postponing the event until 22 Dec 24	No protest took place, due to adverse weather	
19-Dec-24	TDS Shipley	3 hrs approx	Bradford Friends of Palestine	Approx 17	Police attended both protest and subsequent lock-on attempt	Poster published on Bradford Friends of Palestine's Instagram account calling for a protest from 12 noon. Initial peaceful protest at top of Acorn Road. Protestors with posters and flags standing on the kerb of the pavement. Subsequent "lock-on" attempt by an individual who drove car in front of main gate.	Police attended site early in the morning in anticipation of an early morning blockade. None materialised. The protestors assembled at 1205 on both sides of the junction onto Acorn Park. Police in attendance. They finished at 1340 and dispersed. The police also departed. At 1437 an individual drove his car onto Teledyne property. He stopped in front of the main gate, unfurled a Palestine flag and shouted pro-Palestine slogans and insults towards Teledyne's staff. He then used a steel chain to lock himself to the steering wheel. Police arrived, removed the individual from the car and arrested him.	The vehicle was searched by the police who seized 2 x zombie-style knives, a brand new sledgehammer, a box of flares, small hammer, red paint and overnight bag of belongings. W York police subsequently informed us that the individual (Luke Carter) has been bailed. He had no previous arrests and no national intelligence recorded. Bail conditions not to approach / enter any Teledyne site across the UK.

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22-Dec-24	e2v Chelmsford		Chelmsford Palestine Solidarity Campaign	25+	Not known	No protest at Teledyne site. Protest instead held on Parkway, some distance from the site.		
28-Jan-25	TDS Shipley	7-8 hours	Palestine Action	3 or 4	Immediate police response	Van rammed into bollards in front of main gate. Driver left. 2 protestors carried out a "lock-on" protest having affixed themselves to the van via a chain running through a pipe concreted into the van.	Police attended site with specialist removal team. 2 protestors freed from the van by 1230 and arrested. Limited site disruption.	
5-Feb-25	TDS Shipley	1hr	Bradford friends of Palestine	Approx 20	approx 10 officers	12pm, roadside protest at top of industrial park, followed by a 10 minute chant opposite side of road to vehicle gates before moving back to top of the park	Flags, banners and chanting.	
18-Feb-25	TDS Shipley	Minutes	Not known	3-Jan	Police called after the event	Time 0144. Person(s) threw red paint against rear wall of building.	No damage apart from paint stains.	No arrests made.
12-Mar-25	TDS Shipley	1hr	Bradford Friends of Palestine		Police on scene, prior, during and after protest 13	approx 0800, protesters at top of estate and then on road opposite main gates before dispersing.	No damage just chanting and placard holding.	
3-Apr-25	TDS Shipley	2hrs	Bradford Friends of Palestine	Approx 12	Police on scene prior, during and after the demonstration	1200 - roadside demonstration at top of the estate. Approx 1310, demonstrators arrived at gates and were held on opposite side of road by police. Demonstrators returned to top of park at approx 1325hrs	No damage, chanting and singing.	No arrests of protestors. However a member of the public (van driver) was arrested for hitting a protester with his van (nudging into him) and then assaulting the demonstrator. This was away from site and the driver was not part of Teledyne.
12-Apr-25	TDS Shipley	2hrs (at site) around 5 hrs in total inc march from town centre	Bradford Friends of Palestine with, we believe, Leeds PSC/Bradford PSC/Dewsbury PSC/YouTube auditors	Approx 300	Police on scene throughout and post event	Protest arrived at site approx 1445. There were a number of speeches, chanting and banner waving but remained peaceful throughout. We understand that reference to the injunction was made by organisers, warning individuals not to breach.	No damage.	No arrests although the police were asked if they would take action under National Security legislation against two Youtube auditors taking photographs. We were told that the photography was not detrimental to national security. Team on site did point out that Palestine Action use such footage for hostile reconnaissance. We understand that two arrests have been made subsequently. Teledyne employees have provided statements to the police.
18-Apr-25	TDS Shipley	1hr 20 mins	Pray for peace	Approx 11	Police on scene throughout	Arrived at 1440hrs and stood adjacent to the vehicle gate. Incident passed peacefully and they left site at 1558hrs	No damage	Peaceful and no police intervention required.







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WITNESS STATEMENT			
(Criminal Procedure Rules R16.2, Criminal Justice Act 1967 S9)			
		URN	05A40039624
Statement of	BEALE, KIERAN		
Age if under 18	Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18')	Occupation	POLICE CONSTABLE
This statement (consisting of 2 page(s)) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.			
Signature	#051610 BEALE, K.	Date	05/07/2024 08:57
Name / Rank / No	Constable 051610 K BEALE		

I am writing this statement in relation to the arrest of Autumn TAYLOR-WARD on the 6th July 2024 at 0530HRS for Aggravated Trespass and Criminal Damage.

I am Police Constable 1610 BEALE at MERSEYSIDE Police, based at WALLASEY police station. On the morning of the 6th of July 2024, I was on uniform patrol, in full uniform, in company with Constable 3596 BELFIELD, in a fully marked police car. At 04:37 we were tasked via our police personal use radios to attend TELEDYNE C M L COMPOSITES, UNIT A, OAK HOUSE, 6 TEBAY ROAD, BROMBOROUGH, CH62 3PA due to reports of protesters at the property who have driven a van through the gates, damaging the gates, spraying paint over the premises, and protesting "FREE PALESTINE".

Upon arrival, officers have located the van which was parked inside the property after driving through the gates to gain access. This has caused damage to the gates. One female was on top of the van holding a red flare shouting "FREE PALESTINE" whilst recording this incident on their phone. She also had a canister of red paint which she was spraying across the floor of the premises. Another female was outside of the property and away from the main building holding a sledgehammer and a red flare whilst shouting "FREE PALESTINE". The final female was located inside of the van in the passenger seat and had locked themselves in.

Colleagues have cautioned and arrested the female holding the sledgehammer and the red flare. Officers have then approached the van and have gained entry to the vehicle by smashing the passenger window and opening the door from the inside. The female was subsequently detained, handcuffed to the rear back-to-back position and searched by colleagues.

At 05:30 TAYLOR-WARD was brought to the rear of the police carrier by colleagues to which I cautioned and arrested her for Aggravated Trespass and Criminal Damage to which she made no reply. The necessity for this arrest was to prevent damage and to allow a prompt and effective investigation. The female was then placed into a caged vehicle and was transported to WIRRAL CUSTODY where her detention was authorised.

I had no further dealings with this matter.

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Statement of	BELFIELD, PHILLIP		
Age if under 18	Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18')	Occupation	POLICE OFFICER 3596
This statement (consisting of 3 page(s)) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.			
Signature	#053596 BELFIELD, P.	Date	05/07/2024 08:55
Name / Rank / No	Constable 053596 P D BELFIELD		

I am Constable Phillip BELFIELD 3596 of Merseyside Police, based at Upton Police Station. On the morning of Friday 5th July 2024 I was on duty, in full uniform, with Constable 1610 BEALE, in a fully marked police car. At 04.45 hours we were tasked via our police personal issue radios to attend Teledyne C M L Composites, Unit A, Oak House, 6, Tebay Road, Bromborough, Wirral, Merseyside, CH62 3PA, due to a report of protesters causing damage at this location. I also heard over my police radio that other police patrols were attending the same incident.

I drove to the location using the police cars emergency warning lights and sirens. Upon arrival I could see Constables 7194 DUCKITT and 2855 BOYD at scene. The location is an industrial unit, surrounded by anti-climb fencing. There was a gate through the fencing which was ajar. This appeared to be an electric gate, but the arms which open the gate were snapped off, causing the gate to remain partly open. There was a white panel van parked a short distance past the gate, as though it been driven through the gate and left there. There was a female sat on top of the roof of this van, whom I now know as Mais ROBINSON (dob. 03/10/1993). Around the van, on the floor and up the building, I could see red paint, as though it had recently been sprayed around from the van. This paint was still wet.

I could see a second female stood just outside the fencing, holding a sledgehammer in her hand. I now know this female as Cheryl LEANAGHAN (dob. 03/06/1984). She was holding the handle of the sledgehammer, with the hammer head down. Whilst holding it, she was varying between slowly spinning around and standing face on to us, as though to offer violence. She then lifted the head of the hammer and struck the anti-crime fence with the head of the hammer. The fence shook, but I did not see any damage caused by the strike. LEANAGHAN then put the sledgehammer down and picked up a flare, setting this off so that red smoke was spraying out of the top of it. I could hear the two females shouting "FREE PALESTINE." Constable BOYD and I walked towards LEANAGHAN and she held the flare up high, with both her arms up and out to the sides, making herself look bigger, making me think she may use the flare to assault us. This stance is classed as a warning sign to the police, as it is often used to intimidate people prior to violence. As we got very close to her, LEANAGHAN threw the flare onto the ground, allowing Constable BOYD and I to quickly grab hold of her, before she was able to pick up any more weapons or take any weapons out of her pockets. I took her left arm and Constable BOYD took her right, pulling LEANAGHAN to the ground, with Constable BOYD arresting her. LEANAGHAN struggled on the floor, making it difficult to get her handcuffs on. After a short struggle we were able to handcuff her to rear. Due to the struggling they were not in the perfect position, but were the best we could manage in the circumstances. She was then rolled onto her side, in a semi- recovery position, to help her to breath better. As this was happening, other officers were arriving on scene, including a female officer who searched LEAGHAN. I was also informed there was a third female in the front passenger seat of the van, whom I now know as Autumn WARD (dob. 11/09/2003). Upon the arrival of a fully marked police van, LEANAGHAN was escorted to this and sat in the prisoner cage at the rear. With LEANAGHAN securely in the police van, I went over to other officers to assist with the other two females. Whilst we were discussing what to do next, I saw WARD pass a black bag out of the van, to ROBINSON, who was still on the roof. I then saw ROBINSON pull a fire extinguisher out of this bag. It was

decided that we would remove WARD first from inside the locked cab of the white panel van. When WARD refused to unlock the van door, Constable BOYD used his baton to smash the front passenger window, reach in and open the door. Whilst this was happening, ROBINSON was using the fire extinguisher to spray paint all around, as it was full of red paint. The paint was going all around the van, including the floor, the building and parked cars nearby. WARD was subsequently pulled out of the van and arrested by Constable BEALE. During the arrest, due to WARD struggling, I assisted Constable BOYD in taking her to the floor into a ground pin position, from where she was handcuffed to the rear. Again, she was struggling, meaning we had to do the best we could to handcuff her, given the circumstances. Upon the arrival of a second van, WARD was sat in the prisoner cage at the rear of this one. Other officers then got onto the roof of the panel van with ladders and arrested ROBINSON. With all three detained, Constable BEALE and I escorted WARD to Wirral Custody Suite, where her detention was authorised by the custody sergeant.

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		URN	05A40039624
Statement of	HICKS, D		
Age if under 18	Over 18 (if over 18 insert 'over 18')	Occupation	POLICE SERGEANT
This statement (consisting of 3 page(s)) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it, anything which I know to be false, or do not believe to be true.			
Signature	#055407 HICKS, D.	Date	05/07/2024 10:17
Name / Rank / No	Constable 055407 D HICKS		

I am Sergeant 5407 David HICKS of Merseyside Police stationed at Wallasey Police Station.

At approximately 04.50 hours on Friday 5th July 2024, I was on mobile patrol using the callsign AS181, when because of a radio message from the control room I attended to a report of possible protesters who had gained entry to a secure site on TEBAY ROAD, BROMBOROUGH. The information that was being received was that the group were shouting "FREE PALASTINE" and that the group had used a van to ram the gates to gain entry to the compound and that the protesters were attempting to get on the roof of the building and were setting off flares.

Upon arriving at the location I began to assess the situation and saw that one female protestor had been arrested for possession of an offensive weapon as she had been in possession of a sledgehammer, and within the compound, through the clearly damaged security gates, caused by the van being used to ram through the gates and there was one female protester who was on the roof of the van and was spraying red paint from what looked like an improvised fire extinguisher. There was also a third female sat in the passenger side of the van, with the registration GN10 HBV.

From looking around the compound there was a large amount of red paint that had been sprayed on the side of the building, as well as on a vehicle belonging to one of the site security guards, the registration of this vehicle being [REDACTED], and this was a Ford Mondeo estate.

I made the assessment that the group of protestors were armed, given that one was already under arrest for being in possession of a sledgehammer, and there was a clear risk to the members of staff who were working nights at the site. Therefore, I made sure I had additional patrols in attendance then began to formulate a plan to arrest the other 2 protestors.

I directed my officers to form a small shield team so that the vehicle could be thoroughly checked, and any additional weapons located. A shield team, along with Taser officers were formed and the officers were directed to approach the near side of the vehicle and try to engage with the female who was sat inside the locked vehicle, the officers were directed to engage with the female, but if this wasn't effective they were to use force to access the vehicle and safely remove the female protestor and arrest her. Utilising the shield team to provide protective cover from the protestor on the roof of the van, who was spraying paint and had other objects with her, officers began engaging with the female in the vehicle, however these negotiations were unsuccessful, and the window was smashed, and the female protestor safely removed away and arrested.

I then began assessing how to safely remove the third female protestor from the roof of the vehicle, with my consideration being her safety as she was at a height, as well as the fact that she was in possession of spray paint, and I couldn't see clearly if she had any additional objects. I reformed the team and directed the officers to carry out a search of the vehicle to check for any potential weapons and to ensure that these were removed. The officers searched the vehicle and removed numerous items, including a DEWALT grinder, crowbar, hammer, as well as additional improvised fire extinguishers for spraying paint. Once the vehicle had been checked and the items removed, I again reformed my team, and I directed the officers as to how we were going to get the female from the roof of the van as safely as possible. I directed

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Constable 7743 Ballinger to begin engaging with the female protestor and try to establish a rapport and work through an appeal process to see if she would safely come down, when this was unsuccessful, I directed officers using a ladder to approach the rear of the van whilst another officer was at the front of the van. The female protestor was then quickly and safely secured, and brought down from the van, and was then arrested.

The three females were then placed in police vehicles and removed from the location.

I now exhibit the following –

DJH01 refers to body worn camera footage using U08186 showing approach to vehicle and arrest of 2 female protestors.

DJH02 refers to photograph of vehicle [REDACTED]

DJH03 refers to photograph of items removed from [REDACTED]

DJH04 refers to photograph showing paint covered vehicle.

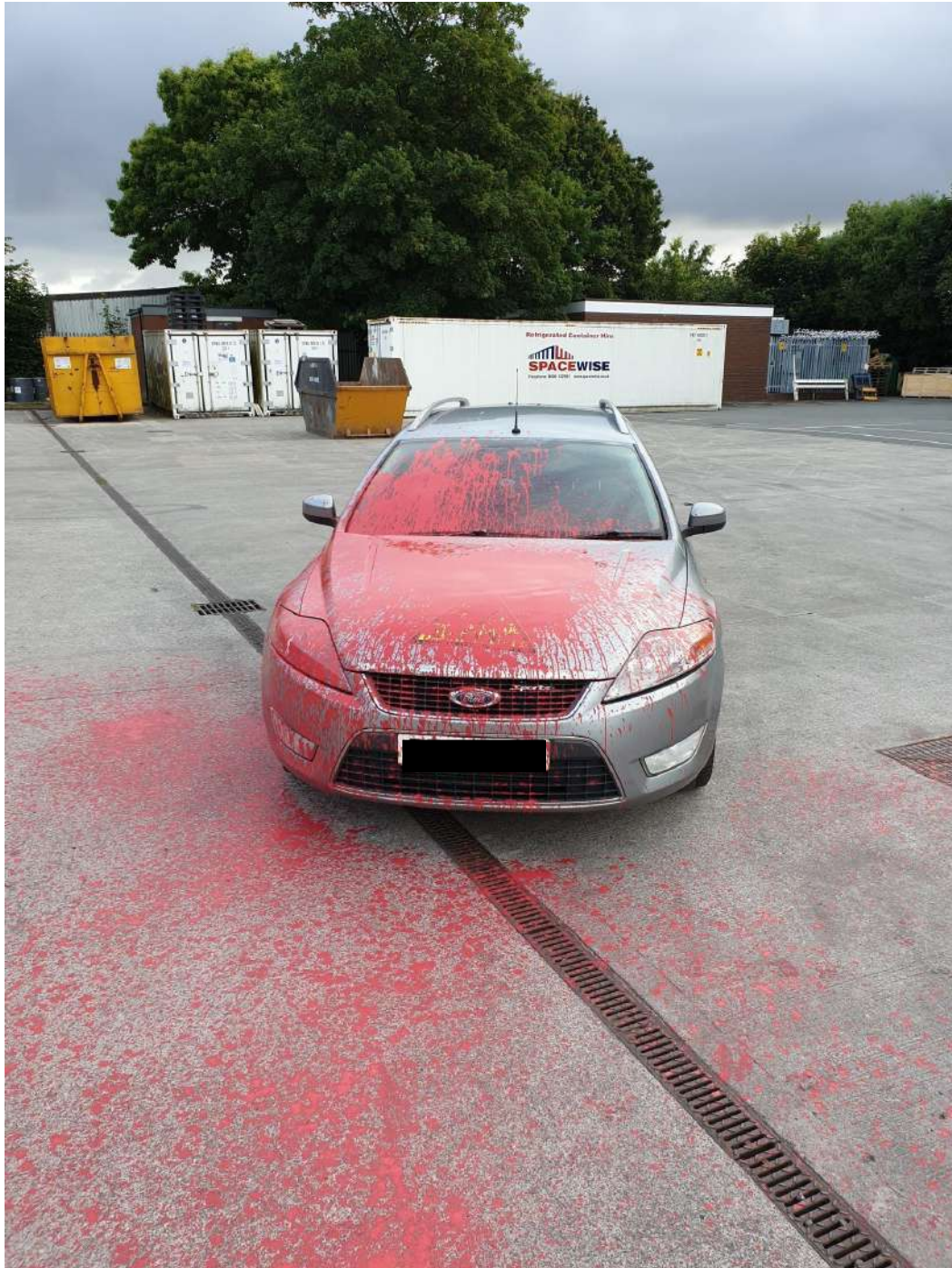
DJH05 refers to photograph showing building with red paint sprayed.

DJH06 refers to photograph showing building with red paint sprayed.

I then remained at the location and preserved the scene and speak with staff from the premises.





































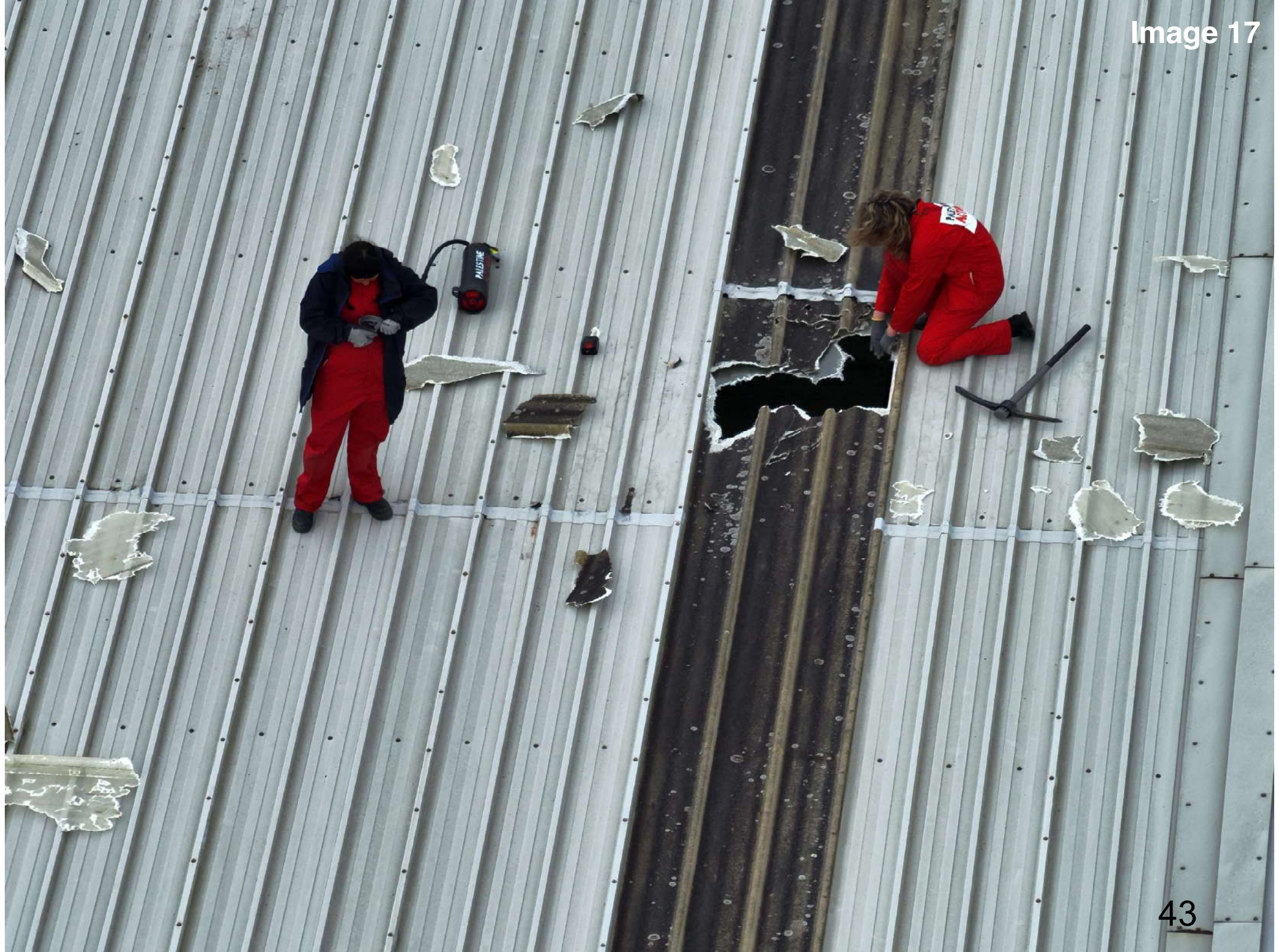












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I am POLICE CONSTABLE 7599 SWANSON of MERSEYSIDE POLICE based at OPERATIONAL COMMAND CENTRE SPEKE with MATRIX DISRUPTION SYNDICATE 3. On WEDNESDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2024, I was on duty in full uniform. At around 0800 hours, I was briefed in relation to an ongoing incident at Teledyne, Tebay Road, Bromborough, Wirral. Teledyne is a company that provides services to the aerospace and defence industry. The briefing stated that persons from a protest group Palestine Action had broken into the Teledyne premises and were causing damage within. Colleagues from Matrix and I were deployed to the incident. I was part of Callsign XU22.

We arrived at the location at around 0915 hours where we were further briefed by officers on scene. They stated that the persons on the premises had broken in through the roof and were within the roof space. From that roof space they had used tools to break through to the factory floor in several locations. Red paint was then sprayed onto machinery and manufacturing parts. Damage had been caused throughout to both machinery and parts with items being thrown at them by the persons. Information was also passed that they had thrown items at attending officers from the roof and were in possession of pickaxes. Due to this information, the decision was made for officers to wear protective public order kit. I entered the building a short time later in company with colleagues and made to the location where the persons were suspected to be.

As I made my way through the building, I could see several damaged areas to the roof and paint below across the factory floor and equipment where it had been sprayed down.

I met with other colleagues in 'F35 – CLEAN ROOM 2.' I could hear noises and loud banging from above where the persons were using tools to break through the ceiling. At several points they smashed through the ceiling, throwing items down onto manufactured parts and knocking down air vents in the process. This carried on for a time until colleagues spotted the persons within the roof space above. Officers challenged the persons, who I could now see were dressed in full height red boiler suits. Two of the persons agreed to come down from the roof space via a ladder.

I dealt with the second person to come down the ladder to officer, who did not identify themselves at this point but were later identified as GABRIELLE MIDDLETON. I took a hold of MIDDLETON and placed them into handcuffs in the front stack position to prevent any escape. At this point at 1015 HOURS, I informed MIDDLETON they were under arrest on suspicion of Burglary and Criminal Damage. I cautioned MIDDLETON to which they made no reply. I informed them the arrest was necessary for a prompt and effective investigation, and to prevent and further loss or damage to property. MIDDLETON at this point did not identify themselves. MIDDLETON was further informed that their arrest was necessary to ascertain their name and address. MIDDLETON stated that they preferred to be searched by a female officer. MIDDLETON was searched by CONSTABLE 1659 THOMPSON. During the search a mobile phone and USB memory stick was located. I seized and exhibit these as follows:

-LS01 – 1 X BLACK APPLE IPHONE

-LS02 – 1 X USB MEMORY STICK

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I activated my bodyworn video during arrest which I exhibit as LS03.

Following MIDDELTONS arrest, I took them outside, handing them over to a colleague to convey them to custody.

This is my first written account of this matter and I have nothing further to add at this time.

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Name / Rank / No	Constable 051659 S THOMPSON		

I am Police Constable 1659 THOMPSON of Merseyside Police currently based at the Operational Command Centre, Speke, L24 as part of Matrix Disruption.

On Wednesday 2nd OCTOBER 2024 I was on full uniformed duties and was briefed as part of a team by Police Sergeant 2182 WILDMAN in relation to protestors from 'PALESTINE ACTION' gaining entry to a manufacturing plant.

I was informed that there were three protestors and they had gained entry via the roof space to TELEDYNE COMPOSITES, 6 TEBAY ROAD, UNIT A, BROMBROUGH, CH62 3PA.

As part of an entry and arrest team I headed over to the location in company with Police Constable 4135 MCGHEE.

We arrived around 09:15 hours and were briefed by Police Sergeant 6738 MAY who then led a team of us into the premises.

I was dressed in full public order attire including a helmet due to the mention that the protestors were throwing objects and paint around the premises.

In one of the main manufacturing rooms, I could see substantial damage being caused to roof space. The roof tiles were being smashed and red paint had been thrown over a lot of the machinery by the protestors.

I was informed by colleagues that one of the protestors in the roof space was using a large pickaxe to cause the damage. The females were dressed in red boiler type suits.

Colleagues began to try and engage with the protestors and explain that they needed to stop causing damage and needed to come down from the roof space.

The first protestor to climb down a ladder and exit the roof space I now know to be Lara DOWNES (12/03/82).

At 10:15 hours I cautioned and arrested DOWNES on suspicion of burglary. To which they replied, "I UNDERSTAND".

DOWNES' arrest being necessary to prevent any further damage to property and injury to any persons.

I searched DOWNS and seized several items from them which I exhibited as:

ST/01- RED BOILER SUIT

ST/02- PAIR OF PROTECTIVE GLOVES

ST/03- GO PRO

ST/04- USB

I could see DOWNES appeared to be agitated and looking around the premises. There were hazards present and to prevent her escape or any injuries I placed DOWNES in handcuffs in a front stack position. I checked the cuffs for fit before double locking them.

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At 10:37 hours I reminded DOWNES that they were still under caution and further arrested them on suspicion of criminal damage. To which they made no reply.

DOWNES was then transported to custody by other officers.

I assisted colleagues in searching two other protestors who I now know to be Gabrielle MIDDLETON (22/02/00) and Annabelle BARRINGER (09/10/98).

During the arrest and search of DOWNES and search of MIDDLETON I utilised my body worn camera. The footage I exhibit as ST/05 which has been marked evidential.

The search of BARRINGTON I exhibit on my body worn camera as ST/06, marked as evidential.

Once the protestors had been removed from the premises the building was searched and no other persons were located within.

All exhibits were booked into the Merseyside Police property system and left in the secure store at The Operational Command Centre.

I obtained images of the items seized from DOWNES I exhibit the images as:

ST/01A- IMAGE OF ST/01- RED BOILER SUIT

ST/02A- IMAGE OF ST/02- PAIR OF PROTECTIVE GLOVES

ST/03A- IMAGE OF ST/03- GO PRO

ST/04A- IMAGE OF ST/04- USB

I played no further part.

I MAKE THIS STATEMENT AS MY ORIGINAL NOTE.



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Protesters climb the outside of Queen Elizabeth House

By Phyllis Stephen - March 6, 2024 2:40 pm

On Wednesday morning protesters from the This is Rigged group scaled the UK Government building on Sibbald Walk known as Queen Elizabeth House and daubed it with red paint.

Catriona Roberts, 21, sprayed the glass front of the building with a fire extinguisher full of red paint. Fred Spoliar, 31, Ruby Hamill, 19, and Daniel Knorr, 22, climbed the exterior of the building. Spoliar threw water balloons full of red paint towards the UK Government's crest on the building's facade, and Hamill threw the UK flag from the top of the building, replacing it with a Palestinian one.

The protesters say that today's action was targeted due to the fact that the UK Government continues to endorse the genocide in Gaza. They have pointed out that even though a majority of the UK public supports a ceasefire, also backed by The Scottish Government, the UK Government has continued to support Israel. The group also said that the UK Prime Minister, Rishi Sunak has announced a new crackdown on pro-Palestinian protests with extreme policing measures to be put in place.

By 2pm police officers using climbing gear had ascended to the roof and abseiled down the front of the building to release the Free Palestine banner and the crowds dispersed.



This is Rigged protesters scaled the UK Government building on Sibbald Walk in Edinburgh and daubed it with red paint.



This is Rigged protesters scaled the UK Government building on Sibbald Walk in Edinburgh and doused it with red paint.





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This is Rigged protesters scaled the UK Government building on Sibbald Walk in Edinburgh and doused it with red paint sparking a huge police presence





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Man and woman in court over damage to Trump Turnberry golf resort in Scotland

Red spray paint was used to deface the Trump Turnberry clubhouse, while damage was also caused to its greens.



Jenness Mitchell

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A man and a woman have appeared in court accused of maliciously damaging a Scottish golf course owned by US President Donald Trump.

Police were called to the Trump Turnberry course in South Ayrshire at around 4.40am on Saturday 8 March.

Officers found red spray paint had been used to deface the 800-acre resort's clubhouse, while its greens were also damaged.


Suspects Ricky Southall, 33, and Uzma Bashir, 55, were arrested and charged on Friday in connection with the damage.


Southall was arrested in Wakefield, while Bashir was arrested in Leeds, both West Yorkshire.


The pair appeared before Ayr Sheriff Court on Monday where they made no plea to the single charge of malicious mischief.

Both were granted bail pending a further court appearance

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A Scottish government publication from October 2023 defines the common law offence of malicious mischief as the "wilful, wanton and malicious destruction of, or damage to, the property of another".

It notes the charge should only be recorded "where widespread damage is caused, where the value of the damage is considerable, or where there is disruption of power supply, flooding or similar".

The publication says there is no specific monetary value at which a potential crime should be recorded as malicious mischief rather than vandalism, but multiple thousands of pounds of alleged damage would be required.

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Co-accused Kieran Robson, 33, was arrested and charged last month in connection with the case.

He also made no plea to the charge of malicious mischief when he **appeared in the same court on 31 March**.

A 75-year-old man and a 66-year-old woman were also arrested last month as part of the investigation following enquiries in Oban, Argyll and Bute.

Both were later released pending further inquiries.

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PALESTINE ACTION WRECK TRUMP'S GOLF COURSE: "GAZA IS NOT FOR SALE"

Mar 8, 2025



Pictures and videos from the action are available [here](#)

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Palestine Action have struck overnight to wreck the 'Trump Turnberry' golf course, in response to the American administration's plans and threats to destroy, ethnically cleanse, and 'take over' the Palestinian Gaza Strip.

After entering the 800-acre resort, activists painted in 3-metre-high letters, "GAZA IS NOT FOR SALE" across the lawn of the South Ayrshire course. Making the popular opposition to Trump's intentions clear, activists spray painted the club house and dug up the greens including the course's most prestigious holes – used in numerous Open Championships.

Last night's action comes as a direct response to the US administration's stated intent to ethnically cleanse Gaza. Having laid out his plans to "*clean out the whole thing*" and forcibly displace its population [1], the US President last week published an AI video advertising his plans for the Strip, which included himself and the génocidaire Netanyahu, shirtless, drinking at the 'Trump Gaza' resort [2].

The proposed ethnic cleansing of Gaza and the forcible transfer of the Palestinian population would constitute war crimes and crimes against humanity. And while Trump threatens to kill all of Gaza's 2m population – "*To the People of Gaza: A beautiful Future awaits, but not if you hold Hostages. If you do, you are DEAD*" [3] – his administration is, simultaneously, preparing its plans for Israeli annexation of the Palestinian West Bank [4].

A spokesperson from Palestine Action has stated:

"Palestine Action rejects Donald Trump's treatment of Gaza as though it were his property to dispose of as he likes. To make that clear, we have shown him that his own property is not safe from acts of resistance. We will continue to take action against US-Israeli colonialism in the Palestinian homeland."

The action comes shortly after the Trump administration signed off on the shipment of 40,000 bombs to Israel [5], including thousands of the bunker-buster bombs of the type which have been used to “vaporise” dozens of Palestinians in single attacks [6].

Trump’s previous term saw him draw ever-closer links with Elbit Systems, Israel’s largest weapons company and Palestine Action’s primary target, relying on them heavily for maintaining his militarised US-Mexico border wall [7]. As a final favour to his partners, one of the last acts of his first term was ensuring that Elbit Systems of America was able to complete a legally-dubious takeover of a naval technology firm [8].

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Palestine Action is a direct-action network of groups and individuals operating to end complicity in occupation, apartheid, and genocide in Palestine. The principle target of Palestine Action’s campaign is Elbit Systems, Israel’s largest weapons company, which has been forced to close numerous arms factories due to relentless efforts.

For media inquiries contact media@palestineaction.org

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Serena Fenton did not enter a plea during Monday's hearing

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A woman has appeared in court accused of putting up antisemitic posters in Leeds.

Serena Fenton, of Foxcroft Green in Headingley, allegedly displayed the posters in Alwoodley on 16 December, Leeds Crown Court was told earlier.

The 57-year-old has been charged with racially intentional harassment and using threatening or insulting words to cause harassment.

She did not enter a plea at Monday's hearing. A pre-trial and preparation hearing was listed at the same court for 17 February, with Ms Fenton granted conditional bail.

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DATE: May 12, 2025
TIME: 9:30 am - 1:30 pm
VENUE: Stafford Crown Court
LOCATION: The Combined Court Centre, Victoria Square, Stafford ST10 2UQ.



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VENUE: Canterbury Crown Court
LOCATION: The Law Courts, Chaucer Rd, Canterbury CT1 1ZA, United Kingdom



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DATE: May 19
TIME: 9:30 am - 4:30 pm
VENUE: Hargate Magistrates
LOCATION: Cecil Square, Hargate CT9 1RL.



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As part of the fight for Palestinian liberation, it's important to recognise how close to home the Israeli war industry is and how we can impact it. Britain is home to several Israeli weapons firms, including Israel's largest weapons firm, Elbit Systems. Elbit manufacture tanks, bullets, drones and munitions for the Israeli military and market their weaponry as 'battle-tested' – tested on Palestinian men, women and children.

The British government has been complicit in the colonisation of Palestine for over 100 years – protests and lobbying efforts has failed to change that. This refusal for the powers that be to end their participation in Israeli war crimes, and the presence of Israeli weapons factories on our doorstep, demands a more effective and direct approach – direct action.

In the words of the late David Graeber: "Protest is like begging the powers that be to dig a well. Direct action is digging the well yourself and daring them to stop you"

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Palestine Action is a direct action movement committed to ending global participation in Israel's genocidal and apartheid regime. Using disruptive tactics, Palestine Action targets corporate enablers of the Israeli military-industrial complex and seeks to make it impossible for these companies to profit from the oppression of Palestinians.



OUR TARGET

Palestine Action's main target is **Elbit Systems**, Israel's biggest weapons producer. For different local contexts, Palestine Action also primarily target weapons companies such as Leonardo, Thales and Teledyne. In addition to shutting down weapons manufacturers, our campaign also targets companies and institutions linked to them.

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OUR STRATEGY

Palestine Action takes a strategic, sustained and focused **direct action** against key targets, in order to maximise disruption against key pillars of Israel's military-industrial complex. We do not appeal to politicians or anyone else to create the necessary changes, as we understand the depth of complicity within most global institutions. Rather than begging those who are complicit to gain a moral compass, we go straight to the source and shut down the production of Israeli weapons.

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OUR VICTORIES

By taking direct action against focused targets, we have achieved a number of victories. Palestine Action has forced Israeli weapons factories to permanently close down, companies to cut ties with Elbit and lost Elbit lucrative contracts worth \$billions.

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PALESTINE ACTION TARGET ELBIT'S ACCOUNTANTS AND INVESTORS

May 14, 2025



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In the early hours of Wednesday 14th May, activists from Palestine Action targeted Edwards Accountants in Birmingham and JP Morgan at Victoria Embankment in London. Both firms were covered in red paint, and the front glass doors of JP Morgan were completely shattered.

Both firms directly enable the operations of Israel's biggest weapons producer, Elbit Systems. Edwards Accountants are the listed accountants for Elbit Systems UK and its subsidiaries, whilst JP Morgan hold Elbit shares worth over **\$22million** in the Israeli weapons maker. On 12th May, financial reports showed JP Morgan had reduced their investment in Elbit Systems by over 53%. However, they still remain a major investor in the company which is a major supplier of weapons for the Israeli military, which is committing genocide in Gaza.

Elbit supplies over 85% of Israel's military drone fleet and land based equipment, as well as missiles, bullets, targeting gear, digital warfare and surveillance technology. The Israeli weapons maker also market their weaponry as "battle-tested" on Palestinians, as they are first developed during attacks on Gaza.

Commenting on both actions, a Palestine Action spokesperson said:

"Palestine Action is committed to the liberation of the Palestinian people. As part of our commitment, it is crucial to disable the operations of Elbit Systems, which involves targeting all those who profit from and enable the Israeli weapons maker. Our actions will cease against JP Morgan and Edwards Accountants once they end their ties to Elbit Systems."

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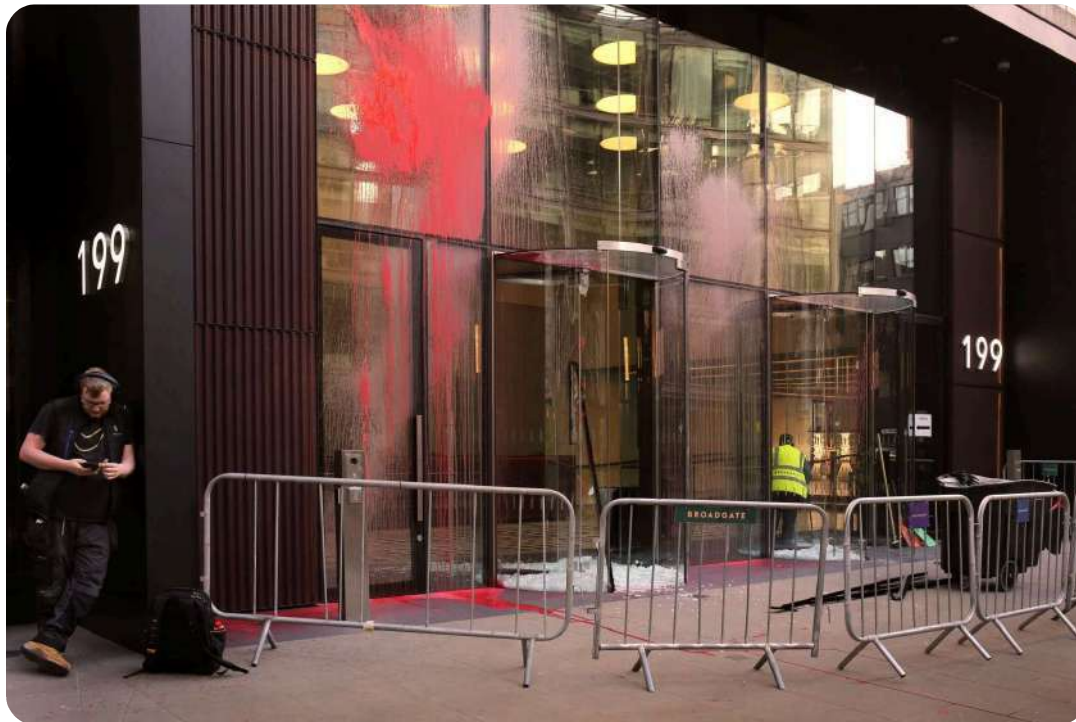
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FIVE ALLIANZ BRANCHES STRUCK NATIONWIDE: DROP ELBIT SYSTEMS!

Apr 18, 2025



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Overnight, activists have struck at five branches of insurance giant Allianz, using disruptive acts of direct action seeking to bring an end to their business relationship with Elbit Systems, Israel's largest arms firm. In Glasgow, Croydon, Chelmsford, Datchet and Bishopsgate, Allianz premises have had their windows smashed, been coated in blood-red paint, and daubed in the message 'Drop Elbit'.

As their clients' weapons are currently being used for genocide in Gaza [1], where thousands have been killed over the past month and hundreds of thousands are being starved, 'Allianz Insurance Products Trust' continues to provide Employers Liability Insurance to 'Elbit Systems UK'. Without this insurance, Elbit could not operate in Britain, and could not manufacture the litany of weapons products which they export for military end use by Israel [2]. Allianz meanwhile remains a major institutional investor in Elbit [3], doubly profiting from their business of mass-slaughter in Palestine.

The campaign against Allianz was launched in October 2024, when 10 Allianz branches in Britain were hit [4], followed up with a co-ordinated wave of actions in January 2025 at 15 sites across Europe [5]. In the past week alone, actions at Allianz have struck at their branches in Rotterdam [6] and Berlin [7], and activists have occupied their offices in Bristol [8] and, last month, in London [9] to force them closed.

A Palestine Action spokesperson has stated:

"Allianz continues to provide services to Elbit, continues to hold Elbit shares is clear, because the genocide in Gaza remains profitable. Today's actions and the campaign against Elbit is correcting from the externalities of Elbit's business of slaughter. Actions will continue until Allianz drops Elbit as a client"

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PALESTINE ACTION OCCUPY ELBIT'S MILITARY ELECTRONICS SUPPLIER

Apr 16, 2025



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In the early hours of this morning, 15th April 2025, two activists from Palestine Action successfully evaded security, to occupy the roof of '[GRiD Defence Systems](#)' at Holtspur Lane, High Wycombe. The military hardware firm is a key supplier to [Elbit Systems](#), Israel's biggest weapons maker, manufacturing a range of military computers and processors, as well as other military electronics.

In addition to supplying Elbit, GRiD provide key components to other arms manufacturers who have been up to their necks in the Gaza Genocide, including [Lockheed Martin](#), manufacturers of F-35 'fighter' jets, [Leonardo](#), who produce Apache attack helicopters, and [Instro Precision](#) who make weapons sights, target acquisition systems, and electronic optics systems for the Israeli military.

Palestine Action last visited GRiD in [June 2024](#), with 4 activists barricading themselves inside the plant, and destroying military hardware found there. At the time, a Palestine Action spokesperson warned: "GRiD is just one of the companies we know to be supplying Elbit. From intel gleaned from actions, to information passed on by whistleblowers – we know who you are, and any firm doing business which enables genocide should not be surprised when they too are shut down."

The aim of Palestine Action, in stopping production at GRiD, is to intervene in the genocidal supply chain, which allows British companies to manufacture weapons, in whole or in part, which are then used to devastating effect against the civilian population of Gaza.

A spokesperson for Palestine Action said: "Since our previous occupation of the GRiD Defence Systems site, Gaza has been reduced to rubble, its entire infrastructure laid waste, and the population systematically massacred. Israel threatens the very existence of the Palestinian people, in Palestine, and

while they commit war-crime after war-crime, Keir Starmer, and his corrupt and morally-bankrupt front bench, say nothing.

In marked contrast, there are still people in this country willing to put their liberty on the line to take direct action against Israel's military supply chain and uphold international law. We are on the right side of history."

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IN LEICESTER & BRISTOL: PALESTINE ACTION STRIKE ELBIT & ITS FACILITATORS

Apr 14, 2025



In a co-ordinated pair of actions striking at the operations in Britain of Israel's largest weapons company, Palestine Action have shut down operations at Elbit Systems' Leicester drone factory [1] and are occupying Elbit's Bristol insurers [2].

Returning to the Leicester site once again after years of occupations, blockades, and disruption [3, 4, 5, 6], activists have today delivered a truckload of manure to the factory gates. The pile of excrement is serving to blockade the site, halting operations as all access is prevented. The 'UAV Tactical Systems' (U-TacS) plant, which is a major exporter of military drones to Israel [7], has thus been forced shut. The use of manure comes weeks after a similar stunt forced the closure of Elbit's Bristol headquarters [8].

Two activists have secured and locked themselves inside the vehicle, to elongate the blockade and force the closure of the Israeli drone maker.

In Bristol, three activists are currently occupying the headquarters of Allianz – the insurance and financial giant which is responsible for 'Employers Liability Insurance' for Elbit Systems UK. Without this insurance, Elbit's factories – which export arms en-masse to Israel [9] – could not operate. The campaign so far has seen dozens of Allianz' branches struck with disruptive direct action [10], which seeks to raise the costs of their complicity and make it unprofitable to deal with war criminals.

Elsewhere in Britain, Palestine Action claim responsibility for overnight damage to Aviva's corporate offices at the Observatory building in Manchester. And, in Rotterdam, the Netherlands chapter of the Palestine Action movement damaged and defaced the headquarters of Allianz.

Elbit Systems, Israel's largest weapons manufacturer, produces 85% of Israel's killer drone fleet. Such drones are routinely marketed as "battle-tested" or "combat proven" as they are first tested on the

Palestinian people [11]. Despite previous denials, both export licenses and cargo shipments prove UAV Tactical Systems directly exports it's weaponry to Israel during the current Gaza genocide [12].

A spokesperson for Palestine Action has stated:

"Israel's genocide in Gaza is continuing at full steam – and the acts of resistance in the West with demonstrated success are those which strike at the manufacture of Israel's weapons.

By taking on Elbit, and by taking on those facilitating its criminal enterprise, we continue to stand with the Palestinians and to undo our complicity in their killing."

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MULTIPLE OFFICES OF SCOTTISH ENTERPRISE TARGETED BY PALESTINE ACTION

Apr 7, 2025



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Today, 7th April, Palestine Action Scotland and Palestine Action targeted 5 offices of Scottish Enterprise, in Dundee, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Glenrothes, and London.

A spokesperson for the activists said:

‘Despite the Scottish Government’s “talk” about an arms embargo, they have been using our tax money to fund arms companies profiting from the wholesale bombing of Palestine. Since the Scottish Government’s actions boost this genocidal industry, we have decided that all Scottish Enterprise offices will be targeted until they stop giving grants to the weapons manufacturers, Thales and Leonardo. We will take back via property damage every penny Scottish Enterprise uses to fund Palestinian genocide, making them think twice about writing another stimulus cheque to these companies. We will make sure this is not a friendly place for genocidal business growth. Free Palestine.’

Why Scottish Enterprise?

Scottish Enterprise (SE) is a business-granting body of the devolved Scottish Government, funded by Scottish tax revenues. Freedom of Information requests by Amnesty International have revealed that SE has provided £159,125 in grants to Leonardo UK since October 2023 [1], and £9,247,974 to Leonardo UK and Thales UK collectively from 2015 to 2023 [2,3,4,5,6]. SE has yet to have any meaningful discussions about changing its policy on giving grants to defense companies linked to the Israeli genocide. [7]

The Scottish government have claimed that no grants have been given to the manufacture of arms in Scotland, and that the funding awarded by Scottish Enterprise ‘supported research, training and apprenticeships’ [9]. However, Amnesty’s 2022 Freedom of Information request to SE details a grant

awarded to Thales for 'support to develop two new and distinct products with application and interest to defence' (our emphasis)[3].

Amnesty have revealed that Scottish Enterprise's so-called 'human rights checks' on arms companies do not meaningfully take account of where the products are used [9]. In May 2024, Campaign Against Arms Trade stated: 'each arms company that has received funding from the Scottish government [via SE] are also profiting from, and exporting arms to, countries on the FCO's Human Rights Priority list.' [10]

According to Amnesty: 'Money from Scottish Enterprise could directly or indirectly find its way into the supply chain sending weapons for use in the conflict in Gaza [...] the supply chain of arms is complex, with some companies selling component parts to one country – such as the US – for them to be assembled into planes and sold on to others.' [8]

Scottish Enterprise hide their complicity behind the complexity of arms industry supply chains, and the vague and imprecise technical jargon of their grants remits, to deflect legitimate criticism as misinformed, and launder their funding of the arms industry as innocent.

Why Leonardo?

Leonardo UK makes laser targeting systems for F-35 jets, which have been used extensively in Gaza by Israel [11]. Leonardo have stated: "Our Edinburgh site is home to our world-leading laser capability, with our engineers meeting around 80% of the global demand for high-energy military lasers. The targeting laser on the new F-35 stealth fighter is one of the applications developed by our UK engineering team.' [12]

Leonardo also supplies Israel with Aermacchi M-346 aircrafts [11, 13]. As of January 2023, Leonardo acquired Israeli defence company RADA Electronic Industries, manufacturer of tactical radar equipment [14].

Why Thales?

Thales UK is closely linked to Israel's biggest weapons maker Elbit Systems, with whom they produce the Watchkeeper drone [15], modelled on Elbit's infamous Hermes 450 drone, advertised as 'battle-tested on Palestinians' [16]. Thales also partners with Elbit under their joint venture 'UAV Tactical Systems' which operates in a factory the companies co-own in Leicester. This site is used for the export of equipment for military drones to Israel [23].

Why Now?

The Scottish Government pretends to differentiate itself from Westminster asking them to cease supplying arms to Israel whilst implying that its own hands are tied [22]. This is a disingenuous way to deflect from their multimillion pound funding of the Zionist genocide, and to divert protest activity away from their own doorstep, where it can be effective, towards a more distant, more nebulous target.

Palestine Action Scotland intend to starve the logistical, financial and political ecosystem that supports Leonardo and Thales in Scotland in order to force them to shut their sites. The direct action of property damage to Scottish Enterprise's sites is a strategy to make the so-called 'economic gains' of expanding in Scotland not worth the costs.

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PALESTINE ACTION OCCUPY ROOFTOP OF ELBIT SUPPLIER, DEAN GROUP IN MANCHESTER

Mar 31, 2025



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Manchester, Britain – 31st March 2025 – In a bold act of direct action, activists from Palestine Action are occupying the rooftop of the Dean Group facility in Irlam, Manchester, this morning. They've already smashed windows, solar panels and covered the premises in blood-red paint, symbolising the company's involvement in spilling Palestinian blood.

The action follows one on the 22nd July 2024 in which activists entered the same Dean Group premises, dismantling machinery [1] to prevent its collaboration with Israel's war machine. Dean Group remains a critical partner to the production of sniper sights at Elbit Systems' Instro Precision facility in Kent.

Elbit Systems, Israel's largest weapons firm, relies upon Dean Group for its "investment casted" metals components, including for the Kent 'Instro Precision' factory which is the major exporter of weapons sights and targeting equipment arms to Israel from Britain [2]. Dean Group materials have been identified during previous Palestine Action occupations of Instro Precision [3] – occupations undertaken, like this one, to break the supply chains of murderous arms from Britain to Israel. The brutalisation of Gaza, and the occupation of Palestine, are made possible through Elbit's array of military technologies [4].

As Dean Group say on their website, "So much from a military standpoint requires investment casting, including weapons, missiles, radar, and communications equipment" [5].

Palestine Action spokesperson said:

"Today, we are once again taking direct action against the Dean Group. Their role in supplying critical components to the Israeli military means they are directly involved in the oppression and killing of Palestinians. As long as these companies enable the production of weapons which are "tested" on

Palestinians, we will continue to take action to disrupt their operations. The Dean Group is a key link in Israel's military supply chain, and actions will continue until their collaboration ceases."

This occupation forms part of a growing wave of direct action targeting companies and institutions that enable Israel's military-industrial complex. Palestine Action's campaign aims to create an economic blockade on Israel's military suppliers, ensuring that their profits are disrupted and their facilities face continuous resistance.

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PALESTINE ACTION TARGET KEYSIGHT IN EDINBURGH AND ALLIANZ IN GLASGOW

Mar 21, 2025



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Following on from Palestine Action's successful action against Edinburgh's Leonardo weapons plant [yesterday](#), there were 2 more actions in Scotland early today.

Overnight, Palestine Action made a [return visit](#) to [Keysight Technologies](#) at Lochside Place, Edinburgh, breaking windows, and covering the premises in symbolic blood-red paint. The Glasgow offices of Allianz Insurance, on Waterloo Street, were also redecorated with blood-red paint, with the words, "AZ drop Elbit, it's genocide" painted on the building.

Keysight Technologies, whose sites across England and Scotland, have previously been targeted by Palestine Action, provide electronic components to [UAV Tactical Systems](#) for use in the killer drones they manufacture at their Leicestershire plant. Keysight also export military electronics direct to Israel. UAV Tactical is owned by [Elbit](#), Israel's biggest weapons maker, who [produce](#) more than 85% of Israel's [killer drone](#) fleet, with engines for the Hermes 450 and Harop and Harpy attack drones being manufactured at UAV's Shenstone factory.

[Allianz](#) provide the insurance without which Elbit could no longer manufacture Israeli weapons in Britain. They have been targeted again and again by Palestine Action, with [15 sites](#) being hit across Europe, on the same night, in January, and dozens of actions before and since then.

A spokesperson for Palestine Action said:

"With Israel having abandoned all pretence to maintain the rules of the agreed 'ceasefire', and respect for international law, returning to its relentless bombing of the Palestinian population of Gaza, it is more important than ever to stop the manufacture and supply of the weapons being used to murder Palestinians. Britain is complicit in the slaughter, with Keir Starmer's government, aiding and abetting

the Israeli military, and covering for the war criminals in power there, politically. So long as Israeli weapons are manufactured in Britain, we will continue to target the companies producing them, and every firm who assists them in doing so.”

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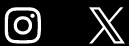
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PALESTINE ACTION USE CHERRY PICKER TO DAMAGE ELBIT SYSTEMS HQ IN BRISTOL

Mar 15, 2025



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This morning, Palestine Action returned to shut down Elbit Systems' Bristol headquarters for the 17th time, using a modified cherry picker to damage the operational hub of Israel's largest arms firm.

To halt operations, stopping the Aztec West site's contributions to genocide in Palestine, an activist has locked-on inside the vehicle of the cherry picker, whilst others from inside the bucket have begun dismantling the factory. They have sprayed red paint across the building and from their high vantage point, they're swinging a sledgehammer on rope to smash the windows of the weapons site.

The Bristol site is Elbit's main operational hub in Britain, overseeing the activities and exporting of all 'Elbit Systems UK' subsidiaries. Recently published arms export license data show that 'Elbit Systems UK' received one quarter of all the arms export licenses for Israel granted by Starmer's government [2]. Since the commencement of the Gaza genocide in October 2023, it has in total been granted at least 24 licenses for exports to Israel, and has made dozens of military cargo shipments [3]

According to Israeli media, Elbit provides up to 80% of the Israeli military's land based equipment [3] and 85% of its killer drones [4], supplying huge numbers of munitions and missiles including the 'Iron Sting', which was first deployed in the Gaza Genocide [5]. Elbit famously advertises its weapons as having been "battle-tested" - against Palestinians.

Palestine Action first shut down Aztec West site on the 13th April 2021 with a rooftop occupation. Since then it has been relentlessly targetted in high-profile actions [6, 7] with the clear aim of ending the British manufacture of weapons used in the genocide and occupation of Palestine. In the past week, Palestine Action has struck numerous times at Elbit's insurers Allianz [8, 9] and Aviva [10], and have rejected calls for ethnic cleansing by Donald Trump by wrecking his Ayrshire golf resort: 'GAZA IS NOT FOR SALE' [11]

A spokesperson for Palestine Action said:

“While Elbit weaponry is used for massacres in Gaza and the West Bank, twenty Palestine Action members, including the Filton18, are imprisoned without trial. Elbit, Starmer, and those facilitating war crimes are the criminals – not those taking action to stop the slaughter in Palestine.

Activists are shutting down Elbit Bristol, making clear that we will not back down against a company whose sole purpose is to profit from the destruction of Palestinian life.”

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If you would like any further information on Palestine action, please contact media@palestineaction.org

Palestine Action is a direct-action network of groups and individuals formed with the mandate of taking action against the sites of Elbit Systems and other companies complicit in Israeli apartheid, calling for all such sites to be shut down.

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The Israeli military has begun calling up tens of thousands of reservists to "intensify and expand" its operations in Gaza.

The Israel Defense Forces (IDF) said it was "increasing the pressure" with the aim of returning hostages held in Gaza and defeating Hamas militants.

Critics say the recent military offensive, after a ceasefire broke down, has failed to guarantee the release of captives, and question Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's objectives in the conflict.

Under the plan, the military said it would operate in new areas and "destroy all infrastructure" above and below ground.

Israeli media report that the Israeli security cabinet has approved the renewed military expansion in Gaza.

But reports suggest it will not happen until after President Donald Trump's trip to the region next week.

International negotiations have failed to reach a new deal for a ceasefire and the release of the remaining 59 hostages being held by Hamas - 24 of whom are believed to be alive.

No Israeli hostages have been released since Israel resumed its offensive on 18 March after the collapse of a two-month ceasefire with Hamas.

Since then, Israel has seized large areas of Gaza, displacing hundreds of thousands of Gazans again.

Israel has said its aim was to put pressure on Hamas, a strategy that has included a blockade on humanitarian aid that has been in place for more than two months.

Aid agencies, who have reported acute shortages of food, water and medicines, have said this was a policy of starvation that could amount to a war crime, an allegation Israel rejects.

An expanded offensive will put more pressure on exhausted reservists, some of whom have been drafted five or six times since the war started, and renew concerns of the families of hostages, who have urged the government to reach a deal with Hamas, saying this is the only way to save those who are still alive.

The measure will also raise new questions about Netanyahu's real intentions in Gaza.

He has been frequently accused by the hostages' families and opponents of sabotaging negotiations for a deal, and of prolonging the war for political purposes, allegations he denies.

And almost 19 months into the war, he has not presented a day-after plan.

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The military presented Netanyahu with its planned staged offensive in Gaza on Friday, according to local media.

In recent weeks, thousands of reservists have signed letters demanding Netanyahu's government stop the fighting and concentrate on reaching a deal to bring back the hostages.

On Saturday evening, there were fresh protests across Israel calling for an end to the conflict.

In Tel Aviv, the mother of a hostage who remains in captivity called it a "needless war".

The Israeli military said on Sunday that two more Israeli soldiers had been killed in Gaza.

Earlier on Sunday, a missile fired from Yemen by Iran-backed Houthi fighters **landed near the main terminal of Israel's Ben Gurion airport**. Netanyahu has vowed to retaliate.

The Houthis later responded to Israel's new plans for Gaza, saying they would impose an "aerial blockade" on Israel by repeatedly targeting its airports.

In Gaza, the Hamas-run health ministry said as of 11:05 local time (09:05 BST) on Sunday, 40 people had been killed in the previous 24 hours, and a further 125 injured.

The Israeli military launched a campaign to destroy Hamas in response to an unprecedented cross-border attack on 7 October 2023, in which about 1,200 people were killed and 251 others were taken hostage.

At least 52,535 Palestinians have been killed in Gaza during the ensuing war, according to the territory's Hamas-run health ministry.

Of those, 2,436 have been killed since 18 March, when Israel restarted its offensive in the Gaza Strip, the ministry said.

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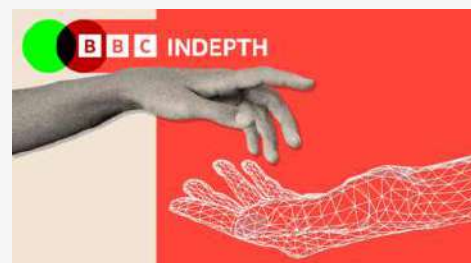
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Amareen Afzal is organising this fundraiser.

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My name is Amareen, I am an activist with Palestine Action, based in Leeds, and I'm raising funds to cover legal costs for taking direct action against Teledyne Defence and Space, a US-owned company manufacturing arms which have been deployed by Israel against Gaza.

On Nakba Day this year, myself and three other activists occupied the Teledyne factory, dismantled the roof, and shut down their operations to disrupt their role in the ongoing genocide in Gaza, and the continued ethnic cleansing of Palestine. As a result, we are now facing trial in September next year.

I need your support to cover the legal fees for this case. Any support is really welcome and appreciated!

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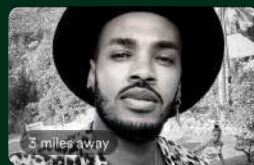
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