Letters

By printing this letter, we want to thank the comrades of the New Communist Party of Britain for their hard work to increase circulation of «Democratic Palestine» in their country.

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To the staff of *Democratic Palestine*
Dear Comrades,

Thank you very much for your letter which we received today and for the copies of *Democratic Palestine*... There is considerable interest among our members in the sample copies we have distributed. We believe that we could easily place 100 copies of each edition and we would be grateful if you could let us have this many. Certainly we have had a number of definite requests for subscriptions from branches, and one or two comrades have said that they could probably sell as many as we could let them have. So if 100 copies disappear as quickly as the 50 you have sent us up to now, perhaps we may ask for more increases in the future.

Yours fraternally,

New Communist Party of Britain

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Some of you will remember a study entitled «The Israeli Role in United States' Global Strategy» written by Steve Goldfield. We printed it in serial form in *Democratic Palestine* nos. 3,4,5 and 6. At the time we received many positive responses from our readers to this series. We are therefore eager to inform you that Steve Goldfield has updated and reworked his study into a book entitled *Garrison State*, published by *Palestine Focus* Publications. Even for those who have the study from *Democratic Palestine*'s pages, this book will be useful. (We were forced by space considerations to omit some sections and footnotes.) In addition to containing all the material together, *Garrison State* has appendices containing interviews with ANC, Nicaraguan and FDR/FMLN officials on what Israeli involvement means for the struggle in southern Africa and Central America.

Garrison State provides a wealth of concrete data on the Israeli military industry and exports. These facts and figures are analyzed in terms of the Israeli role as proxy for US imperialism around the globe. Goldfield also draws significant conclusions for the movement against US intervention:

«Inescapably, work to stop US aid to dictatorships in Central America and ties to South Africa will have little effect if Israeli arms sales are not cut off. The American people have only one lever to use against Israel: cutting off US aid. Consider that the Israelis actually oppose full-scale resumption of US shipments of arms to Central America since this directly competes with Israeli sales. If the goal is to actually deny weapons to Alvarez and his counterparts in Honduras and El Salvador, and to genuinely cut South Africa off from the United States and not merely to wipe the blood from the hands of the United States, Israel will have to become a prime target of the Central America solidarity movement and of the growing movement against apartheid.»

This invaluable handbook for solidarity activists costs US $ 5 and can be obtained from:
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