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Welcome to the 250th issue of CAAT News! You can find out more about the magazine's history on page 6, but it would not have been possible without the hard work of activists, supporters and the great team that put it together.

This August over 40 artists removed their work from a national museum in opposition to its arms trade links. You can find out more on P8–9. We have

also included a powerful piece by Ali Mushaima, a Bahraini activist who campaigned outside the Bahraini embassy in London for 63 days, 44 on hunger strike, to oppose the regime's treatment of his father.

We hope you enjoy this issue, but we also hope that we do not have to produce another 250 issues before we end the arms trade. Thank you for your support.

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SAUDI UPDATE

Dates for the continuation of CAAT's legal challenge against arms sales to Saudi Arabia have now been confirmed. Unfortunately, we now have to wait until 2019: the case will be heard in the Court of Appeal on 9-11 April 2019.

The court case aims to stop the sale of weapons to Saudi Arabia that could be used in Yemen and the situation is more urgent than ever.

Yemen can't wait

The four months of war from June–September saw an estimated 164% increase in civilian deaths, with 500 people killed in just one nine-day period in August. The UN's Humanitarian Coordinator, Lise Grande said that although "it is officially estimated that 16,000 people have been killed" in the conflict so far, "the real numbers are probably a lot higher."

The UN is warning that 13 million people in Yemen are facing starvation, and if the war does not end it could be the "worst famine in 100 years"

Most casualties are a result of coalition air-strikes. More than 18,000 strikes have been carried out since the war began in March 2015, a third of which are estimated to have hit non-military targets. In August, these included a school

bus, killing dozens of children as they returned from a picnic. The Saudi military initially argued the bus was a "legitimate military target."

The "worst famine in 100 years"

Yemen now faces further horror. The conflict was already fuelling what had been called the "world's worst humanitarian crisis." Now the UN is warning that 13 million people in Yemen are facing starvation, and if the war does not end it could be the "worst famine in 100 years."

The UN humanitarian coordinator told the BBC, that "We should be ashamed, and we should, every day that we wake up, renew our commitment to do everything possible to help the people that are suffering and in the conflict."

UK complicity

The UK government should certainly be ashamed. Its complicity is undeniable. UK-made combat aircraft, missiles and bombs are being used in the bombing and the government continues to support the attacks. It has licensed almost

£5 billion worth of arms to Saudi forces since the conflict began.

It has also continued to celebrate Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman for his "reform agenda", even as he intensifies his crackdown on dissent and threatens to execute female activists for human rights advocacy. The regime has already executed more than 100 people in 2018.

The UK government continues to prioritise arms sales over the lives of Yemenis and the human rights of the Saudi Arabian people. We must renew our commitment to act, and we must hold them to account.

- Find news of the latest events and protests, and sample letters to send to your MP, evidence and statistics and answers to tricky questions at caat.org.uk.
- A new parliamentary petition calls for an end to the arms sales. Please ask your MP to sign **EDM 1276: Saudi Arabia and violations of International Law**

Turn to P13 to read about *AngloArabia*, a new book on UK relations with the Saudi regime.

ARMS TRADE SHORTS

UK POLLING



A poll undertaken by YouGov for Save the Children and Avaaz has found that 63% of people in the UK oppose arms sales to Saudi Arabia, with only 13%

supporting them. The poll also found that arms sales are opposed by 52% of Conservative voters.

The Independent, 11/09/18

SWITZERLAND

Swiss lawmakers have voted to stop the Government from introducing new arms export legislation that would have allowed it to sell arms to countries

in civil war. This follows revelations that Swiss-made grenades were being used in the ongoing conflict in Syria.

Business Insider, 26/09/18

SPAIN

On 04 September 2018, the Spanish government announced that it would cancel the sale of 400 laser-guided bombs to Saudi Arabia following the intensification of the war in Yemen. However, nine days later, on 13 September, it announced that the deal, worth €9.2 million, would still go ahead.

The Guardian, 13/09/18

FRANCE



The French government has said that in 2019 it will increase military spending by €1.7 billion to €35.9 billion, up 5 percent from the present year.

Defense News, 26/09/18

US AND CHINA

The US government has imposed sanctions on China for buying Russian fighter jets and missiles. It says such purchases contravene US sanctions on Moscow introduced in response to Russian actions in Ukraine and alleged interference in US politics.

BBC, 21/09/18

QATAR



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The latest aircraft deal between the Qatari government and BAE Systems has come into effect, with BAE having received its first payment. Qatar is buying 24 Eurofighter Typhoon and nine Hawk jets in a deal that will be worth £5 billion. The deal was strongly supported by the UK government.

Foreign & Commonwealth Office, 18/09/18

The deal with Qatar is underpinned by an “unprecedented” level of support from the UK treasury. Treasury officials, speaking anonymously to the Daily Telegraph, revealed that the underwriting of the deal risked “billions of Exchequer funding.” Some exports of UK arms are effectively “underwritten” by the taxpayer through a mechanism called UK Export Finance.

Daily Telegraph, 03/09/18

SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT

Lawyers acting for Global Justice Now have written to the Department of International Trade to question the legality of sales of surveillance equipment to repressive regimes around the world. The group claims that

between 01 January 2016 and 31 March 2018 export licences were granted “for various items of surveillance equipment and technology to a number of states with a record of internal repression.”

The Observer, 07/09/18



Duterte's regime in the Philippines is among those that have bought surveillance equipment from the UK. **Credit** Denniz Futalan **Source** Pexels

GLOBAL PEACE INDEX

The Global Peace Index assesses various aspects of peace, ranking 163 countries. The “least peaceful” in its “militarisation” category are shown below

-  **Israel** (3.910)
-  **Russia** (3.307)
-  **North Korea** (3.175)
-  **USA** (3.049)
-  **Syria** (2.861)
-  **Oman** (2.823)
-  **France** (2.760)
-  **Saudi Arabia** (2.705)
-  **Iraq** (2.701)
-  **UK** (2.633)
-  **Libya** (2.632)
-  **Pakistan** (2.592)
-  **South Sudan** (2.479)
-  **Afghanistan** (2.465)
-  **Yemen** (2.439)
-  **India** (2.413)
-  **UAE** (2.366)
-  **Guinea-Bissau** (2.324)
-  **Norway** (2.318)
-  **Egypt** (2.297)

Seven indicators are used to assess militarisation:

- Military expenditure as a percentage of GDP
- Number of armed services personnel per 100,000 people
- Arms imports per 100,000 people
- Arms exports per 100,000 people
- Financial contribution to UN peacekeeping missions
- Nuclear and heavy weapons capabilities
- Ease of access to small arms and light weapons

The Global Peace Index can be downloaded from visionofhumanity.org/reports/

250TH ISSUE OF CAAT NEWS

This is the 250th issue of CAAT News. The magazine began as a two-sided black and white newsletter in 1974. The first batch didn't get very far though as the pillar box they were posted in was blown up by the IRA before the magazines could be collected.

The magazine you're reading now began as a two-sided black and white newsletter in 1974

The newsletter got gradually bigger over time, growing to six pages in 1977 and eight pages by 1987. There was no such thing as social media or email at the time, so the newsletter served as the main source for campaign updates.

Issue 125, published in 1994, was the first edition to include colour – just two-tone at first. Later that year we introduced staples, making it into a proper magazine format. The first full colour front page was in 2011, but it wasn't until issue 227, published in 2013, that CAAT News became the full-colour magazine you are reading now.

Another thing that has changed is the regularity. Until June 1990 the newsletter was published roughly once every six weeks.

It then became six issues per year. The growth of email correspondence was one reason why in 2009 decided to put it out quarterly.

One thing we have always been grateful for is the loyal groups of volunteers that have come into CAAT to stuff the magazine into envelopes with us. Due to technology and industry changes, it is now cheaper for us to have the magazine stuffed and sent out from the printing factory. However, there is no way we could never have maintained such a great magazine without the vast number of volunteer-hours previously spent helping us send it out.

We look forward to a day when arms sales have stopped and CAAT News is no longer needed

Over the years we have published hundreds of articles and covered lots of topics. We have always tried to produce the best quality magazine we can. We have always been very grateful for your support and feedback, and look forward to a day when arms sales have stopped and CAAT News is no longer needed.



ARMS COMPANIES IN SCHOOLS

An investigation by CAAT and the Observer exposed the huge resources that arms companies are putting into marketing their brands to school students and young people. Their methods include producing learning materials, sending “ambassadors” around the country, holding national competitions and hosting site visits.

BAE Systems, for example, has an entire Roadshow team. In 2017 alone it visited over 400 schools across the UK. Over 213,000 young people have seen these

BAE roadshows since 2005.

BAE has produced dozens of lesson plans and classroom worksheets with unobvious references to militarism. One of those, issued to children as young as seven, encourages them to imagine how special camouflage systems could have “significant advantages on the battlefield.”

Arms companies like BAE do not use these visits to discuss the destruction their weapons cause. Nor do they highlight the list of repressive regimes and dictatorships that they arm and support.

There are always ethical questions to be asked about private companies working in classrooms. Those questions only become more serious when

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the companies in question sell weapons.

Schools are fundamental to our society. They are places for learning, and should never be used as promotional vehicles for arms companies.

Has your local school been targeted by arms deals? Let us know on campaigns@caat.org.uk

2019 PREVIEW

2019 is going to be a big year. We will be taking on the UK government once more when we finally make our appeal to the Court of Appeal in April, and we will take on one of the world's biggest arms fairs when we act to #StopDSEI in September.

CAAT in the Court of Appeal

In April we will be in the Court of Appeal challenging last year's High Court decision to allow the continuation of arms sales to Saudi Arabia. UK fighter jets, missiles and bombs are playing a central role in the destruction of Yemen. If our appeal is successful it will create a major international precedent.



Credit: David Holt. Source: Flickr

#StopDSEI



We have some exciting plans in the works for you, to be confirmed soon! We are busy finalising dates for a big knowledge and skillshare conference in London in February, and for a big launch mobilising meeting in March to get properly stuck into stopping the DSEI arms fair.

In the meantime, we have some London-based training coming up (see Taking Action, p.15). We are hoping to run sessions around the country in creative action, non-violent direct action, knowing your legal rights, and mobilising skills around the country in the run-up to DSEI. If you are in a group that would like a training session, email events@caat.org.uk

Art the Arms Fair

Art the Arms Fair, which held a fantastic exhibition last year during DSEI that raised over £100,000 for CAAT, have opened their call for art work for their 2019 exhibition. If you want to make art critical of the arms trade and any of its many effects, to be exhibited and then sold or auctioned to raise money for CAAT, applications are being accepted until May 2019. Your work could touch on migration, war, environmental destruction, surveillance, police repression, or other human costs and impacts of arms sales. There is no entry fee. Art The Arms Fair are unable to pay artists for their work, but can support artists with bursaries to help you make your art a reality. Check out arthteamsfair.com/submit-art for more information.



Roots of Resistance



One of the many groups we will be working with to shut down DSEI is the Quakers, who have launched a grassroots network committed to creative, vibrant and radical resistance to DSEI. They are aiming to establish a network of organisers around the country who will support others in their local and area meetings to get at least 1000 Quakers to #StopDSEI! To find out more and join their resistance, check out rootsofresistance.org.uk

NOPE TO ARMS

PRESSURE

Turning Nope into Hope at London's Design Museum

In July, the Design Museum became the latest institution to host an arms company.

Leonardo, the world's ninth largest arms company, had hired space for an event held as part of its participation in the Farnborough International arms fair.

Farnborough is where some of the world's largest arms companies meet military delegations from around the world.

The event might have gone unnoticed without one tactical error: holding it at the same time as an evening event for the Museum's flagship exhibition, Hope to Nope, which celebrated protest art from the last decade.

Participants were understandably horrified – as were many of those whose work featured in the exhibition.

Within days an inspiring group of artists and designers wrote to the Museum to tell it, "By being on your walls in the context of the Leonardo event, our work takes on a new meaning: of complicity in the arms trade. This is completely unacceptable to us."

They asked the Museum to develop an ethical fundraising policy or remove their work.

In August, dissatisfied with the Museum's response, more than a third of the show's artists removed their work from the exhibition. The blank walls and awkward explanatory notices that remained left the Museum exhibiting a very different kind of protest, and it had no choice but to drop the £12 entrance fee for the rest of the exhibition's run.

Meanwhile thousands of people supported our petition asking the Museum to drop the arms trade. Thank you if you were one of them!

In September, the artists put on their own exhibition in South London. "From Nope to Hope: Art vs. Arms, Oil and Injustice" continued the protest and was a true celebration of activism. It added even more work to that removed from the Museum,

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making links across movements, and telling the story of the varied and creative actions tackling unethical corporate sponsorship of the arts. Located in the heart of Brixton it was free to enter, and in the curator's words "a rallying cry to anyone who's ever wanted to stand up to injustice, speak truth to power and make their world a kinder, safer, more beautiful place."

And what of the Design Museum? On the one hand, it has claimed that hosting events does not imply any endorsement

and that it is "a place of debate that, by definition, welcomes a plurality of voices and commercial entities." On the other, it has agreed to review its policies and, in the meantime, "not to have any private event hires from defence, fossil fuels and tobacco companies while we undertake our policy review." This review is due to be considered at a Trustees' meeting this Autumn. We eagerly await the results.

Read more at caat.org.uk/design-museum

A sector in denial?

We know why arms companies want to hire Museum spaces and sponsor exhibitions.

Associations with much-loved national institutions, beautiful rooms of treasures in which to court clients or political elites, and logos plastered across emblems of culture: it's a very cheap way to acquire the appearance of public legitimacy. And when your business is based on war, repression and fear, such associations are even more valuable.

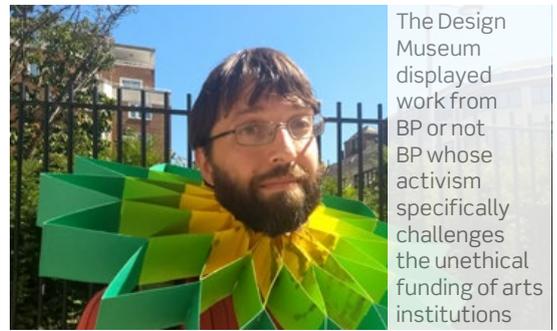
It's not just arms companies. In October, the Natural History Museum came under huge public pressure for hosting an event for the Saudi Embassy, in the week that journalist Jamal Khashoggi disappeared and in the context of Saudi Arabia's ongoing human rights abuses and attacks on Yemen.

The Museum again insisted that holding an event "is not an endorsement," a claim quickly challenged by journalist

Owen Jones in the Guardian: "Really? So the museum has absolutely no moral standards about whom it receives money from in exchange for letting out what its contemptibly amoral statement describes as 'our iconic spaces'?"

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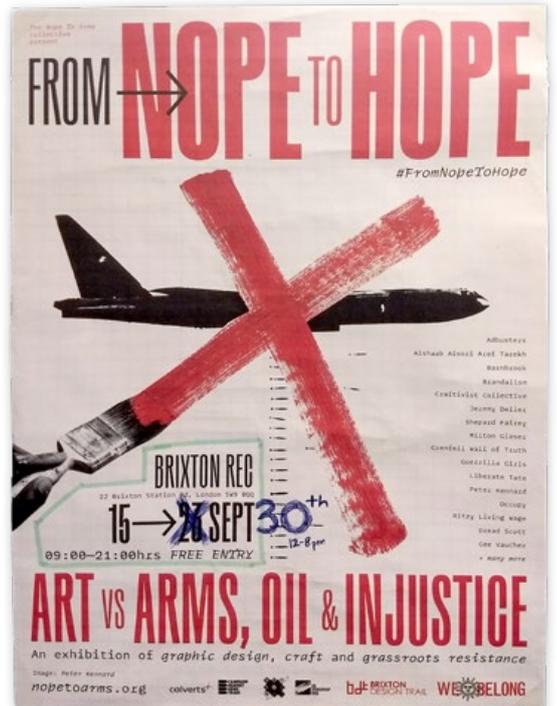
Some of our cultural institutions still seem to be in denial, claiming that their choices don't matter. But Museums know they are selling their cultural capital. By accepting these bookings they are already making political and ethical decisions. The public demand is that they make better ones.



The Design Museum displayed work from BP or not BP whose activism specifically challenges the unethical funding of arts institutions



Hope to Nope included artwork from from Hong Kong's 2014 Umbrella Movement pro-democracy protests in protests - protests repressed using teargas made in the UK by Farnborough exhibitor Chemring.



Nope to Hope also featured work from Art the Arms Fair (see page x) and profiled the successful campaign against BAE Systems' sponsorship of the Great Exhibition of the North earlier this year (see CN248).



CAAT UNIVERSITIES

lbtehal is the new universities coordinator. She is looking forward to supporting students and university communities to dismantle connections with the arms trade as well as other oppressive structures associated with universities.

Universities often promote themselves as progressive spaces, but that can't be the case when they are investing in and accepting funding from arms companies like BAE systems, Lockheed Martin and Rolls Royce. At the same time, university departments are making connections with repressive regimes.

Some have even invited war criminals on campus, upheld statues of colonisers and mass murderers and built connections to institutions built on occupied land. That's not to mention the universities that are giving arms companies and the armed forces huge spaces at careers, recruitment and freshers fairs. Universities are becoming sites where militarism, war and the arms trade are peddled, celebrated and normalised.

It's crucial to recognise that militarisation is an interconnected issue that not only embodies various oppressions, but is a crucial element in perpetuating various oppressions. One college at Cambridge University has an investment fund of over £560 million with shares in arms companies, oil companies, the Dakota Access Pipeline and Arconic - the company responsible

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for the cladding at Grenfell. This is just one example among many. Only one of Cambridge's colleges is accredited with the Living Wage despite the millions of pounds it has access to.

The fact is that universities are critical in the murder of communities, albeit in different ways; and understanding the racist structure that manifests in such oppression is crucial.

Not only is the university responsible and playing an active role in the murder of communities, but also failing at being a university. If corporations are funding engineering departments, for example, to dedicate their limited capacity to advance technologies of war, students who then become graduates can only contribute to this sector, leaving us with no actual space for academic freedom, creativity or competition to do good for society. The university has failed at being a university.

Demilitarisation demands a re-imagination and re-creation

of the university. It demands a look at *all* the ways in which the arms trade is connected to spaces that are supposed to represent us, whilst also working collectively in dismantling the arms trade and the oppressive structures it and other oppressions are part of. It demands a call for transparency, democracy and accountability.

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Communities at universities across the UK are collectively resisting the continuous militarisation of the university, through various creative and powerful means as an attempt at imagining and creating a different university.

To read more about these actions, or to set up your own group, get in touch – email [lbtehal](mailto:lbtehal@universities@caat.org.uk) at universities@caat.org.uk.



LABOUR CONFERENCE

The arms trade featured at this year's Labour Party Conference in Liverpool.



Credit: Garry Knight - Source: Flickr

Both Labour leader Jeremy Corbyn and shadow Foreign Secretary Emily Thornberry used their platform speeches to call for an end to arms exports to Saudi Arabia as it conducts its bloody war in Yemen. In a motion debated on the floor, delegates called for a freeze on arms sales to Israel.

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CAAT shared a stall at the Conference with Labour Action for Peace. Parliamentary Co-ordinator Ann Feltham spoke on arms conversion at a packed meeting organised by CND. This took place as part of The World Transformed, the parallel event that Momentum backs. Other speakers included the shadow Peace and Disarmament Minister Fabian Hamilton MP and the Deputy General Secretary of the TUC Paul Nowak.

CAAT speakers available

Whatever your political party, CAAT has speakers willing to talk to your branch meeting. Talks can be on the arms trade generally, or specific issues (maybe Saudi Arabia or arms conversion) within it. Do contact outreach@caat.org.uk to arrange a speaker.

ALI MUSHAIMA

On 1st August, Ali Mushaima, a Bahraini activist, began a hunger strike outside the Bahraini embassy in London. He was protesting against the regime's treatment of his father Hassan Mushaima. This is an extract from the speech he gave upon ending his protest.

Today is the 63rd day of my protest. For 46 days I was on hunger strike. I have been here to demand the right to medical care, visitation rights and books for my father, who has been tortured and sentenced to life in prison for speaking out against the dictatorship.

The first time I was arrested and tortured I was 15 years old. This regime does not care about my protest, but the bad publicity and attention has put pressure on them to improve my father's conditions.

It has also exposed the complicity of the UK government, which has armed

and supported the regime every step of the way. In the months ahead I will work on alternative actions, and with parliamentarians who have said they will join me in demanding basic rights for my father.

I came here because I fear for his life, and I will continue my fight. I thank everyone for their support. I am looking forward to being home, to playing with my daughter and watching her fall asleep in my arms. Sadly, for many political prisoners in Bahrain, who have spent many years in prison, that is something they can only dream of.



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MEXICO SOLIDARITY

CAAT joined Mexican activists for a protest outside the Mexican embassy in London. In this article, a spokesperson for London Mexico Solidarity explains why they were protesting.

Four years have passed since 43 students from the rural teacher-training school of Ayotzinapa disappeared. The students were attacked and detained by different police forces under the gaze of members of the army, and then handed over to drug traffickers.

The official investigation said the students were burned down to ashes and dumped into a river in plastic bags. However, the investigations by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the United Nations Committee on Enforced Disappearances discredited this version, which they say was based on manipulation of evidence and torture to extract “confessions”.

The parents of the 43 and their fellow students continue their relentless struggle for memory, truth and justice. We join that demand. We demand justice for the 43 students forcibly disappeared and for the other 6 people killed on that night.



Despite the disappearances and abuses taking place, the arms sales have continued.

More than 40,000 people have disappeared and more than 200,000 have been killed in Mexico the last twelve years of the so-called “war on drugs” that has fragmented and dispersed communities.

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and abuses taking place, the arms sales have continued. In the last three years the UK has licensed £165 million worth of military equipment to Mexico.

London Mexico Solidarity is a London-based group committed to supporting social and environmental struggles, justice and democracy in Mexico.

ARMS TRADE NOT WELCOMED IN FARNBOROUGH



The Farnborough arms fair comes to the small Hampshire town every two years. A major event in the arms trade calendar, it's where deals to sell missiles and bombers are signed with some of the world's worst regimes. As well as the thunderous noise of war planes and helicopters overhead, cars and coaches filled with arms dealers are an unwelcome addition to the local traffic, which grinds to a halt around the fair.

So a group of local people decided to “welcome” the arms dealers being bussed out of Farnborough Station. They found a place that every arriving arms dealer would need to pass, dressed to impress, and unfurled their banner. The slow traffic ensured that the arms dealers had a chance to examine the banner carefully!

The message to the arms dealers was clear: you are not welcome in Farnborough, or anywhere else.

UK AND SAUDI ARABIA

Former CAAT Steering Committee member [David Wearing](#) has just written an acclaimed new book on UK relations with the Gulf. It is published by Polity Books and available from politybooks.com.

My new book, *AngloArabia: Why Gulf Wealth Matters To Britain*, follows several years of research, with many weeks of that having been spent in the CAAT offices going through their archive of press cuttings relating to the arms trade.

Hopefully my book can act as a resource for activists and the wider public, helping people to understand these crucial relationships and empowering them to better hold our Government to account

The book focuses on the relationship between the UK and the Gulf Arab monarchies: Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Oman. My aim was to get to the heart of London's ties to these regimes and find out what's really at stake.

Arms sales are one important part of a wider picture. Major exports to the Saudis and others are profitable for the likes of BAE Systems, but more importantly, they help to sustain the UK's military industry, which in turn helps London to cling to its status as a military power.

Gulf Investment plays a major role in financing the UK's trade deficit with the rest of the world, a deficit which is reduced somewhat by a trade surplus with the Gulf economies. It was Gulf capital that bailed out Barclays Bank during the financial crisis, and Gulf oil and gas remain an important prize for two of the UK's largest firms, BP and Shell.



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The Gulf regimes need their alliances with the US above all, but also with the UK and to some extent France, to maintain their particular brand of authoritarian rule. In contrast, London could get over its imperial hangover, give up its military industry, invest in other export industries, rebalance the economy away from finance,

and get along just fine without the Saudis, their neighbours, and their oil and gas riches.

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LONDON CAAT

London CAAT were proud to host David Wearing at Platform in Islington, where he gave a fascinating and insightful talk on UK-Middle East relations, to coincide with the launch of his book.

He discussed the long history of relations between the UK and the six nations of the Gulf Cooperation Council (Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman and the United Arab Emirates). A key focus was the weapons and military assistance the UK provides to these countries, and the awful results – such as the war in Yemen, which has killed more than 16,000 people.

The talk was really well attended, with some great questions from the audience.

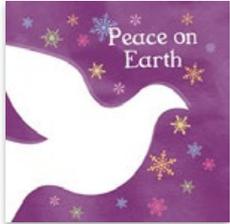
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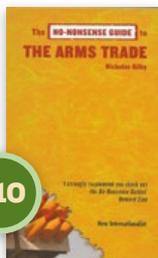


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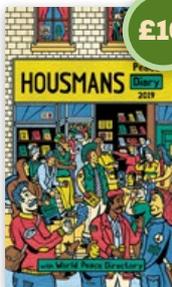
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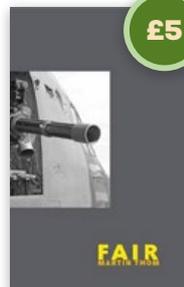
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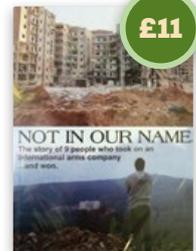
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If you're considering changing your phone we'd urge you to look at what the The Phone Co-op can offer. They are the UK's only telecoms co-operative and will give a share of all your bills to CAAT if you sign up using this link thephone.coop/caat

Tariq Shabeer is our new Trusts Fundraising Manager

Previously he was at the charity Transport for All which supports and campaigns for the rights of disabled and older people to travel on public transport. He has also worked for the National Literacy Trust, St John Ambulance and a business support agency called Prevista. He has served for 16 years in Bradford, Hounslow and Croydon Councils securing funding for not-for-profits and social enterprises. He has a background as an Oceanographer and has a PhD in Climate Change. He is really excited about joining CAAT and is looking forward to securing more donations, trust funding and legacies to promote our cause.



TAKING ACTION

Shadow World

Want to book a Shadow World screening in your community? Email outreach@caat.org.uk.

Stop Arming Saudi, Stop Arming Israel

Want to hold a Stop Arming Saudi or Stop Arming Israel talk or workshop? Email outreach@caat.org.uk

Join our Speaker Network

Want to train up to speak to groups and inspire them to take action against the arms trade? We will be running training in the coming months for people who want to join our Speaker Network! Email outreach@caat.org.uk for more details.

Arming the World

Want to get the excellent Arming the World performance on your university campus? Email universities@caat.org.uk

#StopDSEI

17th November Non-Violent Direct Action Training, London

1st December Legal Observer Training, London

15th December, 1.30–5.30

Stop the Arms Fair meeting, London

Are you based somewhere other than London? Email events@caat.org.uk to request training in your town or city: we are hoping to run sessions in creative action, non-violent direct action, knowing your legal rights and mobilising skills in the run-up to DSEI.

#StopDSEI in the new year

We are busy finalising the dates for the following:

February It Starts Here, a big knowledge and skillshares conference about stopping the arms fair

March Stop the Arms Fair big organising meeting

Art the Arms Fair

Do you want to make some art about the arms trade? Our friends at Art the Arms Fair have announced their call for works for their 2019 exhibition. Go to artthearmsfair.com/submit-art for more information.

THEY SAID IT

“Our equipment is so much better than anybody else’s equipment. When you look at our companies, Lockheed and Boeing and Grumman, what – the material – the equipment that we make is so far superior, everybody wants to buy our equipment”

Donald Trump, Bloomberg, 12 July 2018

“I love Raytheon, and thanks for sponsoring us”

Gavin Williamson, Defence Minister, praises one of the world’s biggest arms companies at a fringe event at Conservative Conference. Quoted in Private Eye, 05 October 2018

“With this kind of weapon you don’t get the bombings that you get with less sophisticated weapons that are dropped rather randomly and which cause the kind of tragedy that we’ve all condemned”

Josep Borrell, the Foreign Minister of Spain, on why Spain u-turned on decision to stop arming Saudi Arabia. The Guardian, 13 September 2018

Sam joins our research team

Sam Perlo-Freeman joins us from the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, where he worked on their projects on military expenditure, the arms industry, and the arms trade. Sam has been involved in CAAT campaigning for over 20 years, having volunteered in the office in 1997 and having sat on our Steering Committee prior to moving to Sweden in 1997. Sam will be working for CAAT for four days a week, and for one day a week with the World Peace Foundation. Sam is delighted to return to London (where he was born), and to CAAT, an organisation he has been committed to for a long time!





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Freepost RSYR-UCBS-GHEE, CAAT, Unit 4, 5-7 Wells Terrace, London, N4 3JU

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Banks/building societies may not accept Direct Debit instructions from some kind of accounts.

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