



**MEDIA ADVISORY FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24:
INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN AND HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS
CALL FOR A HALT TO ARMS TRANSFERS
TO ISRAEL AND PALESTINIAN ARMED GROUPS**

Montreal, January 23, 2024 - Humanity & Inclusion and other humanitarian and human rights organizations will inform the press of a new joint statement calling for a halt to the arms transfers fuelling the humanitarian crisis in Gaza.

NGO representatives will discuss the impact of military operations on health infrastructures and medical and humanitarian personnel, the use of hunger as a weapon of war and the risk of famine, the impact of hostilities on children, the use of foreign-supplied weapons in mass incidents, the link between arms transfers and civilian casualties, the growing obstacles to humanitarian access and aid delivery caused by ongoing bombings, and the need for an immediate and lasting ceasefire.

The joint declaration, which has been signed by 16 organizations, is UNDER EMBARGO until Wednesday, January 24 at 10 a.m. (Montreal time, EST). Read here: [LINK TO THE DECLARATION](#)

WHEN

January 24, 2024, 10 a.m. (Montreal, EST)

LOCATION

A briefing via Zoom. To access the briefing, please use the link below: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85287048669?pwd=NzIKNm1TTWFIL2xiUDJBQWlCdERFQT09>

WHO

Speakers from Save the Children International, Doctors of the World, Oxfam International, Amnesty International, War Child, Humanity & Inclusion, Center for Civilians in Conflict, Christian Aid, and Norwegian Refugee Council:

- Sandrine Simon, Director of Health and Advocacy, Médecins du Monde/Doctors of the World
- Alex Abu Atta, Advocacy Advisor, War Child



- Martin Butcher, Policy Advisor on Arms and Conflict, Oxfam International
- Federico Dessi, Regional Director, Middle East Program, Humanity & Inclusion
- Alexandra Saieh, Humanitarian and Advocacy Manager, Save the Children International
- John Chappell, Legal and Advocacy Advisor, Center for Civilians in Conflict (CIVIC)
- Samah Hadid, Head of Advocacy, Media and Communications for the Middle East and North Africa, Norwegian Refugee Council
- William Bell, Middle East Advocacy Manager, Christian Aid

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