



## The Time Is Now: Divest From The Israeli Occupation!

*During the shareholder's meeting being held to-day, July 17, 2012, join us in sending a clear message to TIAA-CREF. We don't want our pensions invested in companies that violate human rights.*

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## DEMAND TIAA-CREF CONTINUE DIVESTMENT FROM ISRAELI OCCUPATION



**We are concerned New Yorkers, some with our pensions in TIAA-CREF**, one of the world's largest financial services providers. We are calling on TIAA-CREF to stop investing our pension funds in the illegal Israeli occupation of Palestine.

**TIAA-CREF** manages \$487 billion, including pensions for workers in the educational, medical, cultural, and social services fields. TIAA-CREF claims to provide "financial services for the greater good." Yet it invests in companies that help to prolong the oppression of the Palestinian people.

After years of pressure, TIAA-CREF made an historic decision to divest \$72,943,861 in Caterpillar shares from their Social Choice Funds.

***But this is only the beginning!***

**Caterpillar** supplies Israel with bulldozers that are used to demolish homes, destroy crops and agricultural land, and build illegal, Jewish-only settlements on occupied Palestinian territory. TIAA-CREF divested its Social Choice Funds from Caterpillar. But it continues to have over \$1 billion invested in Caterpillar in its other portfolios.

TIAA-CREF also has investments in **Motorola Solutions**, **Veolia**, and **Hewlett-Packard** totaling over \$98 million in its social choice funds and almost \$1 billion in its general portfolios. These companies are responsible for developing surveillance equipment for settlements and the separation wall as well as building segregated transportation systems, all of which help maintain the illegal Israeli occupation.

TIAA-CREF is also invested in **Elbit** and **Northrop Grumman**. These companies supply the Israeli army with drones, helicopters, and other weapons that kill and injure Palestinians and destroy homes, schools, hospitals, and other civil society infrastructure.

TIAA-CREF is even invested in **Africa-Israel**, a company that has been severely criticized for its construction of settlements in the Occupied Territories, including East Jerusalem.

The **We Divest Campaign**, launched by Jewish Voice for Peace in 2010, is lead by a coalition of human rights organizations. We Divest calls on TIAA-CREF to end its complicity with Israeli violations by withdrawing \$2.2 billion invested in companies operating in the Palestinian Occupied Territories.



*"Palestinian civil society, represented by the BDS [(Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions)] National Committee (BNC)... believes that more pressure will ultimately convince TIAA-CREF to fulfill its basic moral obligation to finally divest from CAT and all other corporations that are complicit in Israel's grave and escalating violations of international law and human rights."*

*—Omar Barghouti (BNC)*