LOGISTICS

UNIONS FOR CEASEFIRE PRESS CONFERENCE

Event Date and Time: December 14, 2023 at 11:00 - 11:45am ET
Arrival Time: 10:55am ET
Location: House Triangle, U.S. Capitol, Washington D.C.
Staff: Marina (Press / Event Management), Karla (Livestream / Photos), X (Timer), X (Speaker Escorts)

Press RSVPs:

RUN OF SHOW:

11:00	START
11:01 - :02	**Congresswoman Cori Bush** (MO-01) Delivers Opening Remarks
11:02 - :03	**Congresswoman Rashida Tlaib** (MI-12)
11:03 - :05	**Shawn Fain,** UAW President
11:05 - :06	**Congresswoman Ilhan Omar** (MN-05)
11:07 - :09	**Brandon Mancilla,** UAW Regional Director,
11:09 -: 10	**Congressman Ro Khanna** (CA-17
11:10 - :12	**Janvi Madhoni**, United Electrical Workers
11:12 - :13	**Congresswoman Nydia Velázquez** (NY-07)
11:13 - :15	**Judy Beard**, Legislative Director, American Postal Workers Union
11:15 - :16	**Congressman André Carson** (IN-07)
11:16 - :18	**Gene Bruskin**, National Coordinator, National Labor Network for a Ceasefire
11:18 - :20	**Chelsea Bland**, Coalition of Labor Union Women (CLUW), DC President
11:20 - :30	Open to Q&A *(1-2 questions) (Moderated by Rep. Bush & Rep. Tlaib)*
11:30	END

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Good morning, everyone. I would like to start by thanking my colleagues here today – Representatives Tlaib, Omar, Velázquez, Khanna, Carson [any others]. I would also like to thank all the union members and leaders who made it out today. A special shout-out to UAW President Shawn Fain for coming all the way from Michigan to be here.

As an activist, organizer, and the proud daughter of a former union meat cutter, I know that the foundational message of every union is to stand with people.

The union members and leaders here today are part of a growing coalition of national and local unions standing up and calling for an immediate and lasting ceasefire, because they know that their advocacy for the rights of workers and people are without limitations, without boundaries, and without borders.

They have come from all across the country to Washington D.C. to share their stories and experiences as workers in order to help persuade lawmakers to collectively act to stop the killing, starvation, and displacement of Palestinian men, women, and children. To mourn the loss of homes, neighborhoods, businesses, and families in the past 68 days of devastating killing. To urge the Biden administration to put an end to the war crimes happening in Gaza right in front of our eyes.

I thank every union represented today for their solidarity and their courage to stand up for the betterment of humanity. We cannot be silent. We cannot go one more day without a lasting ceasefire now.