



## American Friends Service Committee

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Dear Mr. Leon:

The American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) is a 100-year old Quaker organization and a Nobel Peace Prize laureate which promotes lasting peace with justice worldwide as a practical expression of faith in action.

We applaud HPE's public commitment to human rights and to international standards and mechanisms informing business respect for human rights. As you well know, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, and the newly published U.S. National Action Plan on Responsible Business Conduct all call on businesses to respect human rights law and to carry out human rights due diligence, which includes consultations with all stakeholders, first and foremost the communities most affected by their business activities. HPE's Standards of Business Conduct declare your wish to "avoid complicity in human rights violations," to "take all allegations seriously through prompt investigation," and to "communicate honestly" with the media and other stakeholders. It is in this spirit that we contact you now.

AFSC has worked in Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza since 1949. We work in direct partnership with both Israelis and Palestinians who seek a future free from conflict. In the U.S., we publish the Investigate website ([www.afsc.org/Investigate](http://www.afsc.org/Investigate)), with information about corporate involvement in human rights violations. We have reached out to Hewlett-Packard Company (H-P Co.) in the past regarding our information about its involvement in the Israeli occupation of Palestinian lands. Our publication on H-P Co. contains information about contracts with the Israeli military and Ministry of Interior, the supply of specialized technologies for Israeli prisons and military checkpoints, the company's presence in illegal West Bank settlements, and more. As highlighted in the 2012 Report by the U.N. Special Rapporteur on Human Rights in Occupied Palestinian Territory, these business operations stand in clear violation of human rights law and international humanitarian law.

Following HPE's split from Hewlett-Packard Company (H-P Co.), no information was shared with the public concerning the fate of these highly controversial business activities. We are about to publish a new profile for HPE on our website, and we would greatly appreciate your help in setting the record straight and clarifying the specifics of your present involvement in these activities.

1. H-P Co. has provided the Israeli Ministry of Defense with the Basel System, a biometric access control system installed in Israeli military checkpoints in the

Occupied West Bank and Gaza, and with ongoing maintenance to this system. Is HPE, or any of its subsidiaries, currently involved in any way in the supply chain for this or any other system used in Israeli military checkpoints?

2. H-P Co. has fulfilled a long list of contracts for equipment and services to the Israeli military, security forces, and prison service. Is HPE, or any of its subsidiaries, currently involved in any way in the supply chain for these or similar contracts?
3. H-P Co. was contracted by the Israeli Ministry of Interior to operate the database of Israel's population registry, immigration, and border control. Is HPE, or any of its subsidiaries, currently involved in any way in the supply chain for these contracts?
4. Does HPE, or any of its subsidiaries, currently have any factories, offices, R&D centers, or other facilities in Israeli settlements in the West Bank, East Jerusalem or the Golan Heights? Does HPE, or any of its subsidiaries, currently have any business relationships with Israeli settlements or with settlement entities?
5. Are any of your business activities in Israel going to be transferred to CSC and/or Micro Focus in your upcoming spin offs? If so, which ones?
6. Given the illegality of Israeli settlements in occupied Palestinian territory, including East Jerusalem, as was recently reaffirmed by U.N. Security Council resolution 2334, what is HPE's policy regarding future business interests in the West Bank generally and in Israeli settlements in the West Bank in particular?
7. In your 2016 Living Progress Report, you acknowledge awareness of the public controversy surrounding these business operations. Your report states that "Moving forward, HPE's business operations in Israel are regularly monitored by our Ethics and Compliance Office to ensure that we continue to act in concert with our human rights policies." What standards do you use to monitor these activities and what stakeholders are you consulting? Has HPE considered ideas for remedy and compensation for those most harmed by past corporate practices?

We would be glad to provide you with any information you need about these issues, or help connect you to other concerned stakeholders. As stated before to representatives of Hewlett-Packard Company, we would very much appreciate continuing the conversation with you regarding these issues.

Sincerely,



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6. In your 2015 Sustainability Report, HP Inc. acknowledges its awareness of the public controversy surrounding these business operations. The Report states that the conclusion of Hewlett-Packard Co. investigations was that these actions were "consistent with its policies." Who conducted these investigations and what stakeholders were consulted? Has HP Inc. considered ideas for remedy and compensation for those most harmed by past corporate practices?

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