U.S. casts only NO vote, vetoing UN Security Council resolution calling for humanitarian relief to Gaza



United Nations, October 18 (RHC)-- The United States on Wednesday vetoed a UN Security Council resolution that would have called for "humanitarian pauses" to deliver lifesaving aid to millions in Gaza.

The failure by the Security Council to make its first public intervention on the Israel-Gaza crisis followed the rejection of a Russian-backed draft on Monday evening.

While 12 of the Council's 15 members voted in favor of the Brazilian-led text, one (United States) voted against, and two (Russia, and the United Kingdom) abstained.

A 'no' vote from any one of the five permanent members of the Council stops action on any measure put before it.

The United States effectively called for a continuation of the genocide launched by Israel against the Palestinian people.

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