

Student who led pro-Palestinian protests at Cornell University leaves U.S.



New York, April 1 (RHC)-- Momodou Taal, who has sued the Trump administration to block deportations of pro-Palestinian student protesters, has said he is leaving the U.S. because his visa has been revoked, and he no longer has faith that he can “walk the streets without being abducted.”

In a statement on X, the Cornell University student said the Trump administration had also sent immigration agents to his home and that the court had denied his first petition to prevent his detention.

Taal, a British-Gambian national, said his lawyers were due to file a second motion, but he has now “lost faith that a favourable ruling from the courts could guarantee my personal safety and ability to express my beliefs.”

Weighing up these options, “I took the decision to leave on my own terms”, he wrote.

“The repression of Palestinian solidarity is now being used to wage a wholesale attack on any form of expression that challenges oppressive and exploitative relations in the U.S.,” Taal said.

“For every person that has remained silent, just know that you are not safe either. Is the imprisonment of those who speak out against a genocide a reflection of your values?” he added.

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