# Pro-Palestine protesters enter BBC and RTÉ buildings in Belfast and Dublin



Pro-Palestine protesters entered prominent media buildings in both Belfast and Dublin on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, leading to police and security interventions at each site.

In Belfast city centre, a group of demonstrators carrying Palestinian flags and chanting slogans gained access to the BBC building on Great Victoria Street at approximately 11am. Their presence inside the building prompted a brief lockdown while police officers from the Police Service of Northern Ireland (PSNI) were dispatched to the scene. According to a PSNI spokesperson, once officers engaged with the protesters, the group exited the premises and continued their protest outside. The spokesperson added, “No damage was caused and the protesters have since moved on from this area.” The BBC also confirmed the incident with a statement emphasising the importance of staff and building security, noting, “Unauthorised access is wrong and can create risks for everyone involved.”

Shortly after midday in Dublin, a smaller group of pro-Palestine protesters entered the RTÉ reception area on the broadcaster’s Donnybrook campus. Gardaí were called to the location and swiftly managed to remove the crowd. A spokesman for An Garda Síochána commented, “Gardaí attended at a public gathering at a premises in Donnybrook, Dublin 4 this afternoon, Tuesday April 22 2025. This gathering has now dispersed. No offences disclosed.” RTÉ declined to comment on security-related matters.

Both groups of protesters were voicing their dissatisfaction with media coverage of the ongoing conflict in Gaza, drawing attention to their concerns by choosing to enter major broadcasters’ premises in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.

Source: [Noah Wire Services](https://www.noahwire.com)

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