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SOLIDARITY WITH PALESTINE

The University of Ottawa Students' Union condemns the ethnic cleansing, apartheid, land theft, and ongoing violations of basic human rights committed by the government of Israel on the Palestinian people. We further condemn all ideologies and political agendas that are complicit in these ongoing atrocities. In so doing, we affirm our solidarity with the people of Palestine and their right to liberation, safety, and justice.

The University of Ottawa Students' Union calls on the University of Ottawa to condemn the massacre and ethnic cleansing of the people in Gaza and to stand in solidarity with the Palestinian people.

The University of Ottawa Students' Union calls on the University of Ottawa to divest from institutions complicit in the occupation of the Palestinian people.

The University of Ottawa Students' Union condemns anti-Semitism in the strongest form, while affirming that criticism of the policies of the government of Israel are not inherently anti-Semitic.

The University of Ottawa Students' Union recognizes the privilege of its membership to not constantly live-in fear, and to not worry about losing our families, because of bombings, murders, collateral damages or as result of injustices. We recognize that we have the luxury of raising awareness in an area where we feel safe, and to turn a blind eye to the war crimes happening on Palestinian soil, would make us complicit. We further recognize that we have an obligation to stand up for one another, regardless of where we come from. There are no claiming sides in the face of the destruction of human lives. The only antidote is humanity standing together.