



**Motion**  
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<b>Canadian Federation of Students - BDS Motion</b>	<b>Category</b> Policy
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WHEREAS at the November 2018 Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) National General meeting, Motion 2018/11:N12 was adopted, which affirmed the CFS' support for the Boycotts, Divestments and Sanctions (BDS) campaign, committed the CFS to funding Palestinian Solidarity Organizations supporting the BDS campaign up to a maximum of \$500 per organization, and encouraging member locals to engage in the BDS campaign on their campuses,

WHEREAS UMSU is local 103 of the CFS,

WHEREAS UMSU has great respect for its Jewish, Israeli, Muslim and Palestinian Communities on Campus, recognizes that each group has a diversity opinions on the issue of BDS, and wishes to maintain its impartial and unconditional support for each regardless of their position on the issue of BDS,

WHEREAS the BDS campaign is a matter of international relations that UMSU ought not to intervene in, rather focusing its efforts on issues directly relating to its student membership,

WHEREAS the proliferation of the BDS campaign has the potential for harmful effects on the safety and dignity of many Jewish students on campus,

WHEREAS UMSU's delegation to the NGM voted against Motion 2018/11:N12,

WHEREAS UMSU's opposition to Motion 2018/11:N12 does not denote any form of official support for actions of the Israeli government or the building of settlements in the West Bank,

WHEREAS UMSU's opposition to Motion 2018/11:N12 is not on the basis that it recognizes the BDS campaign as anti-Semitic,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT UMSU condemns the Canadian Federation of Students for the passing of Motion 2019/11:N12, on the basis that it is an unnecessary and ill-considered intervention into International politics for a student federation, and that it could have harmful and divisive ramifications for students on campus,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT UMSU Reject the call to action in Motion 2018/11:N12 asking member locals to participate in the Boycotts, Divestments and Sanctions Campaign,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT UMSU release a statement against Motion 2018/11:N12 that affirms UMSU's unequivocal support for the Jewish community on campus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT UMSU release a statement against Motion 2018/11:N12 that affirms UMSU's unequivocal support for the Palestinian community on campus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT UMSU works with the Muslim Student Association, the University of Manitoba chapter of Hillel, the University of Manitoba Spiritual Care, and any other interested groups, to arrange an event surrounding interfaith dialogue and peace.

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