



Statement on Palestine

The Student Council has recently received engagements from Swinburne students in relation to adopting a position in relation to ongoing conflict in the Middle East.

The Student Council has passed a resolution providing for a position statement on the matters in Palestine.

We condemn senseless violence of all kinds. We condemn any deliberate restrictions on access to supplies, including food, water and critical medical support. We strongly condemn antisemitism and Islamophobia in all its forms.

We call upon both sides of the conflict to agree to an immediate ceasefire to put an end to the suffering of the people of Gaza and in the West Bank.

We also note the following:

1. We support the recognition of a free Palestine state as part of a two-state solution.
2. We call for a ceasefire and to end the violence.
3. We call on lifting of sanctions to allow for life saving support and critical resources.
4. We commit to work with Swinburne to provide access to mental health support for affected staff and students.

The Student Council firmly believes that individuals have the power to make change. Let's work together to end this catastrophe.

The Swinburne Student Union