

Template for Expressing Disappointment in an Association for Passing a Discriminatory Anti-Israel Resolution

Dear [Recipient Name],

I *[or “We, the undersigned members of the association are”]* am writing to express deep concern regarding the recent passage of a discriminatory anti-Israel resolution by **[Association Name]**. While I respect the right to discuss complex geopolitical issues, I am troubled by the implications of this referendum, which promotes a one-sided narrative and risks alienating Jewish, Israeli and Zionist members.

As an individual dedicated to fostering inclusive and informed discourse, I believe that the referendum undermines the values of **[Association Name]** in several ways:

1. **Promoting Inflammatory Narratives:** The language and intent of the resolution suggests an adoption of a biased narrative that deviates from the mission of [Association Name] to promote balanced and informed discourse. Such actions risk alienating members of the academic community and diminish the association's standing as a reliable source of scholarly dialogue.
2. **Alienating Jewish Members:** With antisemitism on the rise, the resolution contributes to a polarized environment, particularly in academic spaces. ***[Include personal experiences about antisemitism within the association if possible]***. It is crucial that discussions around sensitive topics are grounded in factual evidence and presented in a manner that encourages constructive debate.
3. **Deviating from [Association Name]'s Mission:** The association's mission to advance academic freedom and define professional values is compromised when leadership endorses referendums that frame complex geopolitical issues in a one-sided manner. It is essential for academic institutions to foster environments where diverse perspectives are explored and debated.
4. **Violates Fiduciary Responsibility:** Council members have a legal duty to act in the best interest of the association. This obligation is not limited to financial matters but extends to protecting all dimensions of the association, from its reputation to legal risks and beyond. You must prioritize **[Association Name]** long-term sustainability.

I urge you to consider the broader impact of this resolution and reassess its polarizing stance. We call on **[Association Name]** to reaffirm its commitment to its core values and ensure that it remains a welcoming and intellectually rigorous space for all members.

Sincerely,