
ASUC External and University Affairs Committee in Solidarity with the Palestinian Community

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BERKELEY, Calif. — At Monday night’s External Affairs Committee meeting, a public commenter explicitly stated an intent to “eliminate all Palestinians from the world”. This statement is a direct call for ethnic cleansing and genocide. These words, and the intent behind them being spoken during public comment to intimidate and terrify Palestinians present, is reprehensible in every way possible. As ASUC senators who sit on the External Affairs Committee and listened to three nights of public comment regarding the proposed senate resolution [SR 19/20-032 Condemning Bears for Palestine for Their Display in Eshleman Hall Glorifying Violent Terrorists](#), we are sick to our stomachs at the direct call for genocide we heard last night. We stand in solidarity with Palestinian students and community members who have sacrificed their time and energy to advocate for their right to exist and exercise freedom of expression in community spaces.

One possible source of support during this time is the campus’s **Center for Support and Intervention**, which functions within the Division of Student Affairs. The Center for Support and Intervention addresses prevention and intervention for harm and violence on campus, and provides support to students experiencing or causing distress in the campus community. Learn more here: <https://sa.berkeley.edu/csi>

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