**Title:** *Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions*

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**This Union Notes:**

1. Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions (BDS) is a movement that works to pressure Israel to comply with International Law.
2. This is a tactic inspired from the South African anti apartheid movement A United Nations human rights investigator has likened Israeli’s occupation of Palestinian terrorise to apartheid South Africa and says should be "serious consideration" over bringing the occupation to the international court of justice.
3. BDS is now a vibrant global movement made of unions, academics, associations, churches and grassroots movements from across the world. Eleven years since its launch, BDS is having a major impact and affectingly challenging international support for Israel

4. BDS is aimed at the Israeli state as a political entity and is responding to a call from Palestinian civil society, Palestinian citizens of Israel and the diaspora. It is a short term strategy to encourage Israel to respond to international calls and comply with international law.

**This Union Believes:**

1. Just like the boycotting of South Africa during apartheid, it is about applying non-violent, popular pressure to effect change and challenge impunity.
2. There should be an open dialogue amount students and staff surrounding these issues.

**This Union Resolves:**

1. That City Students’ Union will raise awareness, and educate students about Palestinian issues.
2. That City Students’ Union will raise awareness and educate students about BDS.

**ADDITIONAL SUPPORT**

The following registered students of City University London support this motion going to the SU AGM/GM:

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\*NB: Students will be validated as registered City Students prior to your proposal being debated at a GM/AGM.