

As a Barclays worker or contractor, you may be aware that the Palestinian-led Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement has asked consumers to boycott Barclays. This is part of a targeted campaign demanding withdrawal of investments from international companies that sustain Israeli apartheid. The BDS campaign will continue until Israel complies with universal human rights principles and International law.

In response to the call, Scottish Palestine Solidarity Campaign is pushing for Barclays to stop dealing in Israeli government bonds and to end its financial support for companies supplying weapons to Israel.

We are reaching out to foster mutual understanding and support in the knowledge that many of you are disgusted at your employer's complicity.

We know that you are not responsible for investment choices.

Things are starting to change, workers are stepping up and helping apply pressure. In August 2025 Barclays workers in Scotland held their first demonstration for Palestine and heard powerful testimony from co-workers.

"I come to work every day so that I can take care of my family. I do not come to work to destroy other families"







You may ask - "But what can I, as a worker do?" Yet you are in a key position to make change.

It is understandable if you are afraid to speak out, but there are many of you, and the stance of your union empowers you to act.

In July 2025 the Unite policy conference committed the union to supporting worker-led campaigns to boycott the workplace handling of Israeli goods and services. And to defend members victimised at work for supporting Palestine.

- If not already a member, join Unite and demand divestment from Israeli stock and firms linked to Israeli war crimes
- Talk to co-workers about Barclays' ties to arms companies
- Know your rights union activism is protected
- Speak to us

As a Unite member you are part of a 1.2M strong body of workers, use this protection and the union's support for Palestine, to take concrete action.

"Every colleague I have spoken to about this opposes the genocide in Gaza. I have not come across anyone in my day to day workings who supports Barclays' funding of it. It is hard to not feel powerless, but workers can play their part in stopping Barclays' financial support of the genocide - by joining Unite the union and demanding action from within."

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