Model Motion 6

Zionism is Racism

This branch recognises:

- Zionism as a racist political ideology which has underpinned the establishment and continuation of an ethnonationalist Israeli state in historic Palestine, and opposes its role in the historic and continuing dispossession, displacement and oppression of the Palestinian people.
- That Zionism is a political ideology, distinct from Judaism and Jewish identity. Not all Jewish people are Zionists, and opposition to Zionism is not antisemitism.
- Antisemitism and all forms of racism must be condemned, while rejecting attempts to conflate legitimate opposition to Zionism with anti-Jewish discrimination.
- The Palestinian people's inalienable right to self-determination, freedom and liberation from occupation, apartheid and colonial domination.
- That only a solution based on equal rights for all irrespective of religion or ethnicity, and the right of return for Palestinian refugees and their descendants will deliver peace.
- As a trade union branch, we have a responsibility to stand in solidarity with Palestinian workers and trade unions and to oppose racism, colonialism and oppression wherever they occur.

This branch resolves to:

1. Declare its opposition to Zionism as a racist political ideology.
2. Campaign for the union nationally to adopt this position, including by writing to the Executive Committee / General Secretary calling upon the union nationally to adopt this position, and sending a motion to the union's national conference
3. Stand in solidarity with Palestinian workers and trade unions in their struggle for freedom, justice and self-determination.
4. Campaign against the occupation, apartheid, forced displacement and violations of Palestinian human rights.
5. Educate members and raise this issue within the wider trade union movement.