

**CUSU Council Michaelmas 4.
7:15pm, Monday 1st December 2014
Small Examinations Hall**



1. Objections to the order of items on the agenda
2. Corrections to the minutes of the last Council Meeting
3. Matters arising from the minutes of the last Council Meeting
4. Date, time and venue of upcoming Council Meetings:
19th January 2015, 7:15pm, small exams hall (provisionally)
5. Announcements by Committees, Campaign Teams and the Executive
6. Questions to Committees, Campaign Teams and the Executive
7. Announcements by the Council
8. Ordinary Motions (*=motion requires two thirds majority):
 - a. Motion to remove recommendations in the motion to boycott Ede & Ravenscroft, that was passed last Council, from CUSU policy
 - b. Solidarity with Ayotzinapa
9. Emergency Motions
10. Elections
 - a. Elections Committee
11. Any other business

8.a. Motion to remove recommendations in the motion to boycott Ede & Ravenscroft, that was passed last Council, from CUSU policy

CUSU Notes:

1. That since the motion to boycott Ede & Ravenscroft over their sale of fur was passed, it has come to light that the motion contained information that might be construed as misleading
2. That the initial motion implied that Ede & Ravenscroft imported farmed fur from abroad
3. That Ede & Ravenscroft have since repeatedly denied this
4. That once the legitimacy of the information concerned had become apparent, student media that had reported on the initial motion were contacted and asked to correct any pieces that reported the information concerned
5. That CUSU policy should be guided by clear facts wherever possible, and this potentially misleading information in the initial motion is likely to have influenced the decision made by Council

CUSU Believes:

1. That the issue raised by the inclusion of potentially misleading information in the motion should be highlighted to Council
2. That the decision to pass the motion at the previous Council meeting should no longer stand
3. That all recommendations passed by the motion in question should be removed from CUSU policy

CUSU Resolves:

1. To remove all 'Resolves' from the motion passed at the previous Council from CUSU policy
2. To continue to monitor student media and where necessary ask for any misleading information published based upon the motion in question to be corrected

3. To work with the initial proposer to manage any potential ramifications of this issue, and to offer support and advice in future campaigning

Proposed by Rob Richardson (CUSU Education Officer); Seconded by Toby Crisford

8.b. Solidarity with Ayotzinapa

CUSU Notes:

1. That 43 students from the Ayotzinapa Teaching College were disappeared on 26th September, 2014, in the town of Iguala, Guerrero in Mexico
2. That the Mexican state has failed to properly investigate the students' disappearance or respond to popular demand for justice
3. That the Mexican state has criminalised student protest in response to the disappearance of the 43 Mexican students, resulting in 11 arrests on 23rd November, 2014
4. That Mexico is undergoing a wider humanitarian crisis that has seen 25,000 people disappeared in Mexico since 2006
5. That the Mexican state has failed to implement the rule of law during this crisis

CUSU Believes:

1. That people globally have an inalienable right to education, democracy, and to live without fear of intimidation and repression of their political beliefs
2. That the failures of the Mexican state to protect their citizenry deserves widespread condemnation
3. That the Mexican government and authorities should take all possible action to locate the missing students and bring to justice those responsible for their disappearance
4. That the students of the University of Cambridge must stand in solidarity with the many groups suffering state repression, with Ayotzinapa Teaching College, with the Mexican universities on strike, with the families of the disappeared students, and with all those fighting for implementation of rule of law in Mexico

CUSU Resolves:

1. To release a public statement that heavily condemns the disappearance of the 43 students by the Mexican state
2. To unite with other Student Unions who have passed motions in solidarity with Ayotzinapa, including King's College London and University of Manchester among others
3. To urge the NUS, NEC and local trade union branches (UCU, Unite and Unison) operating in universities to seek out the practicalities of affiliation and forging links with the IPN (Instituto Politécnico Nacional), UNAM (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México), and the Democratic Teachers' Union in Mexico

Proposed by Rebecca Jarman; Seconded by Cheryl Elston