

Resolution by the CDU, CSU, SPD, FDP, Alliance 90 and Green Parliamentary Groups to resist the BDS movement with a determination to fight antisemitism.

The German Bundestag resolves:

1.

That it is unreservedly committed to its promise to condemn and combat anti-Semitism in all its forms and strongly supports the decision taken by the CDU, CSU, SPD, FDP, Alliance 90 and Green Parliamentary Groups to resolutely fight anti-semitism on 17 January 2018.

- According to the working definition of the International Alliance for Holocaust Remembrance, anti-semitism is a certain perception of Jews expressed by those who feel or express hatefulness about Jews. Anti-Semitism may be expressed in word or deed against Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and / or their property or against Jewish community institutions or religious institutions. In addition, the state of Israel can be understood as a Jewish collective that can be the target of such attacks. There is no legitimate justification for anti-Semitic attitudes and no hatred of Jews, regardless of the state to which they belong, is acceptable nor forms part of the German state rationale.
- Anti-Semitism has murderous consequences as evidenced in its most devastating form in the group-based hostility in the history of our country and throughout Europe and is still a threat to people of the Jewish faith today
- It is unacceptable that in our free democratic state that anti-Semitism has increased in recent years and that the Jewish community is increasingly unsettled.
- We will resist any who defame people because of their Jewish identity, question their freedom of movement, want to restrict the right of existence of the Jewish and democratic state of Israel.
- Due to a special historical responsibility Germany is committed to the security of Israel. The security of Israel is part of the *raison d'être* of our country. We are committed to the two-state solution as the United Nations Security Council has stated in numerous resolutions with a Jewish democratic state of Israel and an independent, democratic and viable Palestinian state.
- For years, the "Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions" movement (abbreviated to BDS) has called for Germany and the wider international community to boycott Israeli goods and services, artists, academics, scientists and athletes. This all-embracing call for a boycott, leads to the branding of Israeli state and its citizens of the Jewish faith and is unacceptable and sharply condemned. The arguments and methods of the BDS movement are antisemitic and the calls for a boycott of Israeli artists as well as stickers on Israeli merchandise that deter their purchase also reflect of the most terrible phase of German history.

- The "Do not Buy" stickers on Israeli products of the BDS movement has inevitable associations with the Nazi slogan "Do not buy from Jews!" and associated graffiti on facades and shop windows.
- The German Bundestag condemns all anti-Semitic statements that are formulated as alleged criticisms of the policies of the state of Israel but are, in fact, an expression of hatred for Jewish people and their religion, and we will stand firm against them.

II.

The German Bundestag welcomes the fact that numerous communities have already decided to refuse support to promote, and the allocation of communal spaces to, the BDS movement or groups pursuing the goals of the campaign.

III.

The German Bundestag resolves:

1. To reject every form of anti-Semitism and to resolutely oppose the BDS campaign and the associated call for a boycott of Israeli goods or businesses and of Israeli scientists, artists and athletes;
2. To call on the Federal Government to prohibit the use of premises and facilities under the administration of the Bundestag to be used by any organisations that express anti-Semitic views or question Israel's right to exist. This includes any events of the BDS movement or any groups actively supporting or pursuing their goals;
3. To support the Federal Government and the Commissioner for Youth in Germany in the fight against anti-Semitism and in undertaking preventative actions against all forms of anti-Semitism and extremism;
4. To financially promote organisations that respect Israel's right to exist;
5. To not financially support any projects that call for a boycott of Israel or actively support the BDS movement; and
6. To call countries, cities and municipalities and all public actors to join in this resolution.

Berlin, 15 May 2019

*Ralph Brinkhaus, Alexander Dobrindt and their faction
 Andrea Nahles and her faction
 Christian Lindner and his faction
 Katrin Göring-Eckardt, dr. Anton Hofreiter and their faction*