

Caroline Martin is suggesting an amendment to the motion in support of Palestinian rights and liberation which was passed at a UMUCU members' meeting on Wed 18th October 2023.

The final section of the that motion is

This branch resolves:

1. To oppose the censorship and harassment of those campaigning for Palestinian rights and liberation]
2. **To support campaigns** aimed at ending the current attack on Palestinians, particularly in Gaza, and aimed at the achievement of a lasting peace based on justice.

Recently Caroline Martin suggested that the UMUCU branch might sponsor a coach taking people to the 'Ceasefire Now' march taking place in London on Sat 25th Nov 2023 (coach organised by Greater Manchester Stop the War coalition).

If the branch had sponsored the coach (£2,100), tickets could have been sold at a considerably lower price which could have enabled many more people to attend the march.

However, according to branch rules such a decision could not be made without consulting our members first and so the opportunity was missed.

Caroline Martin proposes that we add an additional point to 'This branch resolves' in order to facilitate faster decision making.

1. **The UMUCU branch exec are authorised to spend up to £10,000 on supporting campaigns as per point 2.**