

5e. New Motion: Defend multiculturalism

Conference Believes

1. David Cameron's statement linking Britain's multicultural society with terrorism had an aim as simple as it is crude – to deflect the anger against his government's cuts onto the Muslim community.
2. Cameron's speech was made on the day the English Defence League (EDL) brought its bigotry and violence to the streets of Luton. Mainstream Islamophobia fuels the growth of fascist organisations and racist violence.
3. Our multicultural society built on respect and solidarity is a cause for pride. We reject any moves to undermine it.

Conference Resolves

1. To add NUS to the signatories of the statement initiated by Unite Against Fascism (UAF) in defence of multiculturalism.
2. To help student unions organise Love Music Hate Racism and Love Music Hate Homophobia gigs and festivals to help foster a culture of anti-racism and solidarity on our campuses.
3. To reaffirm our commitment to mobilising students for counter-demonstrations against the EDL and to organise an anti-fascist speaking tour alongside UAF.