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# Stanford senate defeats Israel divestment measure

Associated Students of university fail to pass the BDS resolution by just one vote

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**T**he Stanford University student senate defeated an Israel divestment resolution Tuesday night. The Associated Students of Stanford University had nine votes for the measure and five against, with one abstention.

To pass, the measure required 66 percent of the senators to approve, but it finished with just 64%.

The resolution called on the Palo Alto, California university to divest from corporations that engage in “specific practices that commit human rights abuses and violate international law” in the West Bank.

It was proposed by the Stanford Out of Occupied Palestine campus organization in the wake of last summer’s conflict between Israel and Hamas in Gaza.

In the organization’s call for sanctions, they ask that the university divest its holdings in “corporations complicit in the infrastructure of occupation, collective punishment, state-sponsored repression and unjust incarceration in Palestine.”

Meanwhile, over 1,600 students, faculty and alumni signed a petition sponsored by the Stanford Coalition for Peace, which stands against divestment from Israel. The petition was launched Jan. 21.

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