

WORLDWIDE BDS ACTIVITY



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USA



- The Israel Anti-Boycott Act is a federal piece of proposed legislation with bipartisan support that would penalize companies participating in the boycott against Israel. The ACLU has taken issue with the Act stating that free speech would be infringed upon if it's passed. Several U.S. Senators have declared their intentions to reconsider the bill.
- 98% of the delegates from the Mennonite Church voted in favor of BDS resolution at their biannual convention.



IRELAND

- Michael Higgins, the President of the Republic of Ireland, welcomed Omar Barghouti, the founder of the BDS movement at a trade conference in Belfast where Barghouti was being honored.

UNITED KINGDOM



- Roger Waters, an English musician and co-founder of Pink Floyd has compared the State of Israel to Nazi Germany.



GERMANY

- In order to raise funds for the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) a designated terrorist group, the Democratic Committee of Palestine hosted an event in Berlin. The event was held in the same building that houses the offices to a socialist newspaper.



ANTI- BDS SUCCESSSES

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UNITED KINGDOM



- BDS activists called for the English band Radiohead to cancel their show in Tel Aviv. The band rejected their demands and played their longest show in 11 years.



FRANCE

- French President, Emmanuel Macron, has stated that anti-Zionism is a new, reinvented form of anti-Semitism. The statement was made at a ceremony in Paris commemorating the 13,000 Jews that were sent to their deaths from the place where the ceremony was held.

CANADA



- After being denied participation in the University of Ontario Institute of Technology's Social Justice Week, Hasbara, a pro-Israel organization, took legal action. The Student Association issued an apology, an invitation to participate in the future, as well as the payment of a settlement for an undisclosed amount.

