

## Statement from the University Committee May 3, 2024

The members of the University Committee, the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, urge the student leaders representing those protesting on Library Mall and members of the administration to continue their discussions through the weekend. We fully acknowledge the complexity of the issues in Israel and Gaza, which is at the heart of the demonstrations, and the suffering that the violence there has caused. Still, we believe that the best resolution to intractable circumstances is not violence or intransigence but deliberation in good faith. The parties must continue their discussions with the aim of peacefully coming to a speedy resolution acceptable to all those involved, as difficult as that might be.

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