

Law Students in Chile Support Boycott Movement Against Israel



Santiago de Chile, May 7 (RHC)-- The University of Chile's Law Faculty Student Union overwhelmingly approved boycott, divestment and sanctions resolution against Israeli academic institutions.

Sixty-four percent of the students agreed that the University of Chile should not maintain any "institutional connections with those Israeli universities that contribute directly to the violation of the human rights of the Palestinian people."

On another ballot, 56 percent agreed to ban "activities that involve the participation of functionaries of the State of Israel or with funding from the Israeli embassy in the law school."

The law school had a strong debate last year when many students objected to the university's invitation to the Israeli ambassador to speak at an event about Israel's presence in the U.N.

BDS UChile, part of the global movement for Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions, known as BDS, against Israel, said this was an accomplishment that set a strong precedent.

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