

Dear Edinburgh University Justice for Palestine Society,

I refer to my previous letter from [29 August](#).

In that email I asked for care and caution in relation to social media postings and respect for the community of the University.

Your latest social media posting makes explicit reference to the events of October 7th. We view these comments as grossly offensive, not just to the Jewish community at large, but to the wider public. The abhorrence of the violence in Gaza does not mean that those in our community and beyond cannot feel abhorrence of the events which took place in Israel on that day.

While we respect your lens on events, we have been clear that protests including social media postings which negate in any way the feelings of the wider community are unacceptable. In this instance, the wording goes further, and portrays a terrorist act in a manner that is offensive.

We ask that you remove this posting (see [here](#)).

I support your right to freedom of expression, but this right is not without responsibility. I again ask for you to reflect on that, and ask always where and how your actions will intimidate or offend. In not doing so, we view you, as students of our University, to be potentially in breach of our code of conduct and subject to appropriate disciplinary considerations.

Yours sincerely,

Colm