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CMPAC Advocacy Updates: Key Developments & Actions

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Dear CMPAC Community,

We are pleased to share the latest updates from our advocacy efforts, as we continue to work toward advancing justice, human rights, and accountability. Below are some critical developments and ongoing campaigns where your voice is urgently needed.



BREAKING NEWS: Arrest Warrants Issued for Netanyahu and Gallant

November 21 - The International Criminal Court (ICC) has issued arrest warrants for Benjamin Netanyahu and Yoav Gallant for their roles in the Gaza genocide. CMPAC calls on the Canadian government, including Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Minister Melanie Joly, to respect international law and immediately announce Canada's intention to enforce these warrants. Failure to act would make Canada complicit in shielding war criminals.

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CMPAC Calls for Action on Canada's TRV Program for Gazans

November 19 - CMPAC, alongside other civil society groups, hosted a press conference to address Canada's failed Temporary Resident Visa (TRV) Program, which is meant to offer refuge to

[Here](#)

CMPAC Denounces Anti-Palestinian Remarks by Dr. David Carr

November 15 - CMPAC is demanding that Mackenzie Health address the troubling anti-Palestinian comments made by Dr. David Carr, which threaten patient safety and trust. We call for a full investigation into his remarks, disciplinary action for any discriminatory behaviour, and a review of the hospital's professional conduct policies to ensure accountability.

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Gazans. This day of action included a sit-in vigil and in the next week, will include a nationwide "Visit Your MP" campaign. Join CMPAC in our call to speak with your Members of Parliament to urge them to fix the program's significant shortcomings. Stay tuned for more details!

[Download the TRV Toolkit](#)



Support for Mississauga Mayor Carolyn Parrish

November 14 - CMPAC stands in support of Mississauga Mayor Carolyn Parrish for her principled stance against divisive politics and her unwavering commitment to human rights, including her past support for Palestinians. We condemn the bullying and intimidation tactics used against her.

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CMPAC Joins Civil Society Groups in Welcoming Bill C-20 for

CBSA Oversight, Calls for Further Improvements

November 14 - While we welcome the passage of Bill C-20 to establish an independent review body for the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), CMPAC highlights key gaps in the legislation. We urge the government to address these flaws to ensure stronger oversight and accountability in law enforcement.



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CMPAC Demands Justice for Hayfa Abdelkhaleq

November 7 - CMPAC strongly condemns the withdrawal of charges against Lorna Bernbaum, who attacked Hayfa Abdelkhaleq, a Muslim woman, in Ottawa. We are calling for justice and accountability, urging the Attorney General to take action and address this troubling decision.

[Read Our Full Open Letter](#)



CMPAC Rejects IHRA Handbook

November 2 - CMPAC, alongside ACLA, CJPME and IJV, held a press conference to address their collective concerns over the Canadian government's recent release of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) Handbook on Antisemitism. CMPAC rejects the government's endorsement of the IHRA Handbook, arguing that it conflates antisemitism with legitimate criticism of Israel. CMPAC demands the government retract the handbook and explore alternative methods to combat antisemitism that protect free expression.

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