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Niagara Palestine Coalition

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Presentation Topic

Delegation to Motion by Councillor Haley Bateman

Presentation includes slides

Yes

Previously presented topic

No

Presentation Details

Niagara Palestine Coalition Our federal government's call for a "humanitarian pause" in November was disappointing. The pause was merely temporary and since then, more civilian lives have been taken due to Israel's policy of collective punishment. Article 33 of the Geneva Convention states, "No protected person may be punished for an offence he or she has not personally committed. Collective penalties and likewise all measures of intimidation or of terrorism are prohibited." Nonetheless, Canada's vote in favour of "an immediate humanitarian ceasefire" at the United Nations in December was welcomed by the NPC. Unfortunately, this resolution, just like any that is not voted on by the UN Security Council, is non-binding. We as citizens require a stronger stance to halt the ongoing slaughter in Gaza.

Video Consent

Yes

