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Early Day Motions tabled on Thursday 25 July 2024

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New EDMs

71 Recognition of the state of Palestine

Tabled: **25/07/24** Signatories: **9**

Shockat Adam

Ayoub Khan

Jeremy Corbyn

Mr Adnan Hussain

Iqbal Mohamed

Carla Denyer

Ellie Chowns

Siân Berry

Adrian Ramsay

That this House notes the UN General Assembly resolution of 9 May 2024 which recommended that the Security Council reconsider the matter of the recognition of the state of Palestine following the use of their veto by the United States on 18 April 2024; recognises the international community's growing consensus, noting that as of May 2024 Ireland, Spain, and Norway joined 145 UN member states in recognising the state of Palestine; condemns the vote of Israel's Knesset on 18 July 2024 to reject the establishment of an independent Palestinian state; and calls on HM Government to immediately recognise the state of Palestine in accordance with the International Court of Justice's advisory opinion of 2024, which recognised that the West Bank, East Jerusalem and the Gaza strip constitute a single territorial unit the integrity of which is to be respected.

Added Names

Below are EDMs tabled in the last two weeks to which names have been added. Only the first 6 names and any new names are included.

7 Consumer water bills

Tabled: **17/07/24** Signatories: **38**

Sarah Olney
Steff Aquarone
Luke Taylor
Liz Jarvis
Alex Brewer
Pippa Heylings

Steve Darling

That this House regrets the large increases that have been proposed to consumer water bills; notes that water companies continue to dump sewage into local waterways; believes, as a point of principle, that it is unfair for water companies to make consumers bear the brunt of the costs for improvements to infrastructure when companies have paid out millions to shareholders in profits and bonuses to directors and executives; and calls on water companies to ensure water bills make clear to customers where their money is being spent.

9 Cumbria coal mine court appeal

Tabled: **17/07/24** Signatories: **32**

Tim Farron
Christine Jardine
John McDonnell
Jim Shannon
Ellie Chowns
Carla Denyer

Steve Darling

That this House welcomes the Government's decision to withdraw support for plans for a new coal mine at Whitehaven in Cumbria; recognises that commissioning the coal mine contradicts the UK's commitment to reduce carbon dioxide emissions; calls for urgent investment to be made in Cumbria for alternative sources of high skilled employment in green industries; and urges the new Secretary of State to reject planning permission if the court rules in favour of the appeal.

11 Peace in Israel and GazaTabled: **17/07/24** Signatories: **65**

Layla Moran [R]
Caroline Voaden
Mr Lee Dillon
Bobby Dean
Freddie van Mierlo
Dr Danny Chambers

Steve Darling

That this House expresses its devastation at the complete humanitarian disaster in Gaza with tens of thousands of innocent Palestinians killed, millions displaced and thousands of homes destroyed; urges Hamas to unconditionally and immediately release the hostages taken following the deplorable attacks on 7 October 2023; notes the unacceptable illegal settler violence in the Occupied Palestinian Territories left unchecked by the Israeli Government; welcomes any sanctions by the Government against extremist Israeli settlers who have committed human rights abuses against Palestinian communities in the West Bank; further urges the Government to sanction all violent settlers and their connected entities; calls on the Government to uphold international law and the judgments of international courts under all circumstances; further notes that the only path to regional security is a two-state solution based on 1967 borders with Hamas not in power; condemns Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu's repeated assertions that there is no future for a Palestinian state; urges the Government to immediately recognise the state of Palestine; and further urges the Government to call for an immediate bilateral ceasefire in Gaza, which will allow an end to the humanitarian devastation, get the hostages out and provide an opportunity for a political process leading to a two-state solution, providing security and dignity for all peoples in Palestine and Israel.

12 200th anniversary of the Royal National Lifeboat InstitutionTabled: **17/07/24** Signatories: **40**

Helena Dollimore
Neil Duncan-Jordan
Ben Lake
Liz Saville Roberts
Llinos Medi
Christine Jardine

Anna Gelderd
Dame Siobhain McDonagh

Jas Athwal

Alex McIntyre

That this House congratulates the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) on its 200th anniversary of saving lives at sea; thanks all crew members who have risked their lives to save over 140,000 lives at sea; and pays tribute to all volunteers past and present who support this vital work.

13 Britain's first black police officer, John KentTabled: **17/07/24** Signatories: **9****Ms Julie Minns****Ben Lake****Liz Saville Roberts****Llinos Medi****Ann Davies****Adam Jogee**

Lizzi Collinge

That this House pays tribute to Britain's first black police officer, John Kent who died on 20 July 1886; notes that John Kent was the son of a freed slave, Thomas Kent; further notes that John Kent began his policing career in Maryport, Cumbria in 1835 before transferring to the Carlisle City Police in 1837; commends John Kent for his service, in particular his policing of the Carlisle election riots during which he and other officers were injured; and asks that the Speaker's Advisory Committee on Works of Art consider commissioning a portrait of Britain's first black police officer to mark the 220th anniversary of John Kent's birth which falls in 2025.

14 International Criminal Court, Gaza and the Rule of LawTabled: **17/07/24** Signatories: **40****Richard Burgon****Imran Hussain****Zarah Sultana****Ms Apsana Begum****Bell Ribeiro-Addy****John McDonnell**

Mary Glindon

Abtisam Mohamed

That this House rejects attempts by the previous Government to undermine the International Criminal Court's (ICC) right to seek an arrest warrant against Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu for war crimes, following the decision by the ICC Chief Prosecutor to issue applications for arrest warrants for a number of Israeli and Hamas leaders in May 2024; opposes the decision by the previous Government to challenge the ICC's jurisdiction over Israeli actions in Gaza; notes that the ICC has a well-established jurisdiction over Israeli actions in Palestine; believes that the UK, as an ICC member committed to a rules-based international order, should protect the Court's independence and reject any efforts to impede or interfere with its work, or to intimidate or retaliate against its officials; further believes that attempts to hinder the ICC's work not only risk undermining accountability for war crimes in Gaza but also weaken the wider rule of law and international justice as a whole; calls on the UK Government to do all it can to support the International Criminal Court in its efforts to ensure accountability and justice for the victims of war crimes; and further calls on the UK Government to immediately

drop the challenge made by the previous Government regarding arrest warrants and the ICC's jurisdiction over Israeli actions in Gaza.

20 **Durham Miners' Gala 2024**

Tabled: **17/07/24** Signatories: **12**

Mary Kelly Foy
Kim Johnson
Jeremy Corbyn
Jon Trickett
Andy McDonald
John McDonnell

Ms Apsana Begum

That this House celebrates the Durham Miners' Gala, also known as the Big Meeting; believes that the Durham Miners' Gala is the greatest celebration of working-class solidarity in the world; recognises the contribution mineworkers have made to the working-class movement throughout history; further recognises the contribution of mineworkers in defeating fascism in World War II; recognises the contribution of the National Union of Mineworkers to the labour movement, the Labour Party and trade-unionism; recognises the cultural, historical and political ties between County Durham and the mining industry; notes that the 138th Big Meeting marked the 40th anniversary of the 1984-85 miners' strike; recognises the vital role of women in the miners' strike; further believes that the gala is a beacon of hope for workers' around the country; and encourages everyone to become a Marra.

23 **A39 Atlantic Highway at Camelford**

Tabled: **17/07/24** Signatories: **3**

Ben Maguire
Jim Shannon
Steve Darling

That this House notes that the A39 Atlantic Highway runs through Camelford town centre leading to congestion, delays and issues with air quality; further notes that an unsafe building has led to the temporary closure of the A39 on Fore Street in the town, once again highlighting the need for a long-term alternative to using the narrow carriageway through Camelford town centre for through traffic; and calls on the Department for Transport to continue to work with Cornwall Council, residents and local businesses to develop an A39 Atlantic Highway Camelford Improvement Scheme that balances value for money to the taxpayer with benefits to local people and businesses.

28 Dental provision in the South West of EnglandTabled: **17/07/24** Signatories: **19**

Anna Sabine
Caroline Voaden
Vikki Slade
Wera Hobhouse
Sarah Dyke
Ben Maguire

Steve Darling

That this House notes with concern the lack of NHS dentist provision in South West England; is shocked to learn that parents are often being told to take their children to private dentists in order to get a basic check-up; is concerned that over 100,000 children aged between 6 and 10 years have been admitted to hospital with rotting teeth since 2018; believes that the current situation is leading to children missing out on vital check-ups; supports providing supervised toothbrush training for children in nurseries and schools; further believes that VAT on children's toothbrushes and toothpaste should be scrapped; and calls on the new Government to work with relevant primary care bodies to end the dental deserts in the South West region by bringing dentists back to the NHS from the private sector by fixing the broken NHS dental contract and using flexible commissioning to meet patient needs so that local residents can access NHS dental services when they need it.

34 United Nations Relief and Works AgencyTabled: **18/07/24** Signatories: **23**

Andy McDonald
Debbie Abrahams
Naz Shah
Brendan O'Hara
Mr Alistair Carmichael
Kim Johnson

Apsana Begum

That this House calls on the Government to restore immediately full UK funding to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA), but also to increase funding to address the humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza; notes Israeli attempts to evict UNRWA from Jerusalem; and further calls on the Government to mount a vigorous opposition to all such moves.

39 Ending Outsourcing in Government departments and agenciesTabled: **19/07/24** Signatories: **11****John McDonnell****Kim Johnson****Carla Denyer****Mary Kelly Foy****Andy McDonald****Jon Trickett**

Apsana Begum

That this House condemns the impact of outsourcing on the pay, terms and conditions of workers in government agencies and departments; notes with regret that outsourcing has created a two-tier workforce owing to inequalities created between those centrally-employed and those working for private contractors; further notes that many outsourced facilities management roles including security, cleaning and catering are more likely to be undertaken by women and BAME workers; is concerned that the Government Property Agency has yet to engage constructively with the PCS union on developing proposals for an in-house alternative to the retendering of the facilities management contract in the department of Department for Energy Security & Net Zero (DESNZ) currently held by ISS, due to expire in April 2025; supports the industrial action by outsourced security guards working for G4S in Department of Work and Pensions (DWP); and calls on the Government to urgently implement its promise to bring about the biggest wave of insourcing of public services in a generation.

41 10th anniversary of the Yazidi genocideTabled: **22/07/24** Signatories: **10****Brendan O'Hara****Ellie Chowns****Jim Shannon****Ben Lake****Liz Saville Roberts****Ann Davies**

Chris Law

That this House recalls that on 3 August 2014, Da'esh attacked Sinjar, unleashing atrocities against the Yazidis, an ethno-religious minority group in Iraq, amounting to the legal definition of genocide; notes that the House of Commons voted 278 to 0 in favour of declaring the crimes of Da'esh as genocide on 20 April 2016; further notes that the UK Government formally recognised the atrocities as genocide in August 2023; is concerned that the UN mechanism to collect the evidence of the atrocities, the Investigative Team to Promote Accountability for Crimes Committed by Da'esh/ISIL (UNITAD), is closing with no assurances of what will happen to the evidence collected so far; is also concerned that camps for internally displaced people are being closed and that Yazidis are being pressured to return to Sinjar without any adequate assistance, infrastructure and security assurances; is further concerned that only 32 British

Da'esh members who returned to the UK have been convicted, and for terror-related offences only; and calls on the UK Government to review its responses to Da'esh and identify initiatives to assist the Yazidi community.

42 **Treatment of women and girls in Afghanistan**

Tabled: **22/07/24** Signatories: **8**

Brendan O'Hara

Ellie Chowns

Jim Shannon

Ben Lake

Liz Saville Roberts

Ann Davies

Chris Law

That this House recalls that in August 2021 the Taliban took over Afghanistan and reversed over 20 years of progress on human rights in the country; is concerned particularly about the situation of women and girls who are subjected to a litany of atrocities which amount to gender apartheid, namely, inhumane acts committed in the context of an institutionalised regime of systematic oppression and domination by one gender group over any other gender group or groups and committed with the intention of maintaining that regime; is also concerned that, despite the ever-deteriorating situation of women and girls in Afghanistan, the international community is not doing enough to support the women and girls and take steps to normalise the relationship with the Taliban; and calls on the UK Government to recognise the treatment of women and girls in Afghanistan as gender apartheid and to work with the international community to identify an action plan to help women and girls in that country.

44 **Fire Brigades Union**

Tabled: **22/07/24** Signatories: **12**

Stephen Gethins

Mary Kelly Foy

Jim Shannon

Jon Trickett

Ben Lake

Liz Saville Roberts

Apsana Begum

That this House recognises the hard work of the Fire Brigades Union and Jim Malone, a constituent of the hon. Member for Arbroath and Broughty Ferry, who, with the support of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Scottish Trades Union Congress and Scottish Government, have been able to facilitate the training of over 100 Palestinian firefighters in Scotland; notes that the Fire Brigades Union has successfully delivered essential equipment to Palestine, such as fire appliances and firefighting kits; further notes that the Fire Brigades Union is

currently delivering another fire appliance to the Nablus Municipality Fire Department and that appliance, packed with kit and equipment, is sailing to the Israeli port of Ashdod; calls for the safe passage of the lifesaving equipment and hopes that the local organisations will safely collect this humanitarian donation; and commends the important and life-saving work that these organisations are providing.

51 **Radiotherapy**

Tabled: **22/07/24** Signatories: **14**

Grahame Morris

Ellie Chowns

Mary Kelly Foy

Jim Shannon

Jeremy Corbyn

Jon Trickett

Tessa Munt

Mr Jonathan Brash

That this House recognises the value of radiotherapy as a key and lifesaving cancer treatment, necessary for around half of all cancer cures and as a highly effective, non-invasive treatment for patients; celebrates the invaluable contribution of the approximately 6,400-strong radiotherapy workforce who treat over 100,000 cancer patients in the UK each year; welcomes the technological advancements in radiotherapy that can deliver more effective treatments, reduce side effects, and increase treatment capacity to reduce waiting lists; and further welcomes the work of radiotherapy cancer charities, such as Radiotherapy UK, in supporting cancer patients and advocating for a world-leading national radiotherapy and cancer service.

54 **Post Office services in Wellington, Somerset**

Tabled: **23/07/24** Signatories: **9**

Mr Gideon Amos

Jim Shannon

Anna Sabine

Calum Miller

Charlie Maynard

Christine Jardine

Freddie van Mierlo

Rachel Gilmour

That this House is concerned about the lack of any Post Office in Wellington, Somerset with a population of 16,000 people many of whom lack access to a car and who rely on the town centre to meet their needs; urges the Government to expand its Cash Access UK Banking Hubs to also provide Post Office services in areas without them; expresses concern about the confusion resulting from the Post Office opening and operating Banking Hubs, often with the Post Office logo above the door, which do not provide Post Office services; notes the considerable economies that could be derived from Hub staff being resourced and trained to

provide Post Office alongside banking services; and supports all the efforts of Wellington Town Council to encourage and support the restoration of a Post Office to the town.

58 **UK arms exports to Israel**

Tabled: **23/07/24** Signatories: **34**

Layla Moran

Tom Morrison

Sarah Dyke

Clive Jones

Dr Danny Chambers

Anna Sabine

Vikki Slade

Steve Darling

Ian Sollom

Claire Hanna

Tom Gordon

That this House notes with deep concern possible breaches of International Humanitarian Law by Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territories; expresses its concern that UK arms supplied to Israel may have been used to commit breaches of International Humanitarian Law; resolves to improve parliamentary scrutiny of the UK's control of arms exports; urges the UK Government to introduce a presumption of denial for arms exports to governments listed as human rights priorities in the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's annual human rights report; therefore calls on the UK Government to cease the export of UK arms to Israel; recognises that the Palestinian Authority and Hamas are listed within the Occupied Palestinian Territories section of the 2022 FCDO human rights report; further calls on the UK Government to use all political and diplomatic powers to halt arms supplied to Hamas from Iran and other actors that are hostile to Israel; further urges the UK Government to take steps to secure an immediate bilateral ceasefire in Israel and Gaza to put an end to the humanitarian devastation in Gaza, get the hostages home and create space to secure a two-state solution; and believes that only two-states and a lasting peace can delivery the security and dignity that Israelis and Palestinians need and deserve.

61 **Southern Water, Havant Thicket Reservoir**

Tabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **4**

Jess Brown-Fuller

Alex Brewer

Dr Danny Chambers

John Milne

That this House notes with concern that Southern Water proposes to introduce recycled waste water into the spring-fed drinking water supply at the Havant Thicket Reservoir; further notes that this method of reverse osmosis will be the first of its kind in the United Kingdom and is a system used primarily in countries with an insecure water supply; expresses concerned that this project does not fit within the articles of association for water companies to put the

environment and customers at the heart of their objectives; asks why a capital investment of £1.2bn can be financed but no such investment is forthcoming in wastewater management; and requests that all proposed customers of this drinking water supply are consulted before this national infrastructure project creates a blueprint for all water companies to do the same.

62 Contribution of lidos

Tabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **9**

Max Wilkinson

Zöe Franklin

Alex Brewer

Mr Lee Dillon

Martin Wrigley

Freddie van Mierlo

James MacCleary

Wendy Chamberlain

Tom Gordon

That this House celebrates the contribution to our country's health, wellbeing and heritage made by lidos; notes with concern the significant financial challenges being faced by the sector, principally due to energy costs but also as a result of ongoing maintenance to heritage assets and required capital investment; notes that environmental sustainability for lidos can be achieved while lowering energy costs; recognises that lidos are run by a variety of organisations including local government and the third sector; and calls on the Government to explore options to secure the long-term financial and environmental sustainability of lidos.

63 Zero carbon homes

Tabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **5**

Tim Farron

Max Wilkinson

Vikki Slade

Wendy Chamberlain

Tom Gordon

That this House believes that all new homes should be built to a zero carbon standard; urges the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to grant local councils and National Park authorities the powers to enforce the Future Home Standard for all new homes; calls for all new houses to be built to a minimum standard of producing 75-80% lower CO2 emissions than homes currently being built; further calls for all new homes to be built with solar panels; and recognises the need to cut energy bills and cut carbon emissions as a matter of great urgency.

64 Flooding In the River Severn catchment areaTabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **6****Cameron Thomas [R]****Max Wilkinson****Mr Gideon Amos****Sarah Dyke****Wendy Chamberlain****Ian Roome**

That this House recognises the economic, environmental, logistical and humanitarian impact upon businesses and residents of, and commuters through Tewkesbury constituency, owing to consistent flooding from the River Severn; notes that the population centre of Tewkesbury and several rural communities all lie within the River Severn catchment area; and expresses concern that Tewkesbury is particularly vulnerable to flooding following periods of heavy rainfall.

65 Tax on private jetsTabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **3****Neil Duncan-Jordan****Jon Trickett****Mary Kelly Foy**

That this House is concerned that private jets release 10 times more carbon per passenger than commercial flights, pay no VAT or fuel duty and most passengers pay the same low rate of air passenger duty as ordinary commercial flyers; recognises that the UK has more private flights and more pollution from private jets than any other country in Europe; and calls on the Government to tackle this issue by levying VAT, tax fuel and increase air passenger duty on private jets which would raise £700m a year.

66 Dalmeny and Queensferry Parish ChurchTabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **3****Christine Jardine****Wendy Chamberlain****Ian Roome**

That this House congratulates the Dalmeny and Queensferry Parish Church on their award of £20,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands that this will fund a two-year project to hold events for the community focusing on tackling loneliness, isolation and the cost-of-living crisis; notes the wider community work that the church and congregation undertake every week, including their regular church cafés; commends their approach to bringing together different groups in the community to tackle the issues caused by loneliness and social isolation; and wishes the church success with the new initiative.

67 Drylaw Telford Community AssociationTabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **3**

Christine Jardine
Wendy Chamberlain
Ian Roome

That this House congratulates the Drylaw Telford Community Association on their award of £20,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands the funding will be used to support the work of their 50 years+ Link Worker; notes that this is designed to connect people over the age of 50 across northern and western Edinburgh to tackle persistent loneliness; commends their focus on those at high risk of being socially isolated, which disproportionately affects older people; and wishes the Community Association success with their new initiative.

68 Gyle Recreation Grounds AssociationTabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **3**

Christine Jardine
Wendy Chamberlain
Ian Roome

That this House congratulates the Gyle Recreation Grounds Association on their award of £19,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All Scotland; understands the funding will be used to support the refurbishment of the Gyle Community Centre; commends the work of dedicated volunteers in their commitment to improving a vital community space; and wishes the association success in bringing new life to the centre.

69 Oxfordshire rowers and the Paris OlympicsTabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **4**

Freddie van Mierlo
Layla Moran
Calum Miller
Wendy Chamberlain

That this House wishes Olympic rowers from Oxfordshire, Sholto Carnegie, Annie Campbell-Orde, Eve Stewart, Graeme Thomas, Harry Brightmore, Hattie Taylor, Heidi Long, Imogen Grant, James Rudkin, Lauren Irwin, Lola Anderson, Matt Aldridge, Morgan Bolding, Oli Wilkes, Rebecca Edwards and Rebecca Wilde, the best of luck in Paris; further wishes the whole of Team GB luck at the Olympics; regrets that these athletes have had to train on the River Thames which had sewage dumped into it for 196,414 hours last year by Thames Water; calls on the Government to end sewage dumping by introducing a sewage tax on water company profits; notes that Team GB athletes are remarkable role models who show incredible dedication, self-discipline and passion in order to represent the nation at the games; and acknowledges the Olympic games as

a fantastic opportunity for the whole nation to come together to support British athletes as they go for gold.

70 **Kirkintilloch Community Sports Complex**

Tabled: **24/07/24** Signatories: **3**

Susan Murray

Jamie Stone

Wendy Chamberlain

That this House celebrates the opening of Kirkintilloch Community Sports Complex on Saturday 27 July 2024 following the granting of a 25 year lease by East Dunbartonshire Council to the Kirkintilloch Community Sports Club charity; thanks the charity and its volunteers for their sustained commitment to providing sports facilities in Kirkintilloch; acknowledges that this charity will improve health and wellbeing in East Dunbartonshire by providing junior football facilities; appreciates that this will bring a variety of activities for the community to take part in; welcomes the much loved Kirkintilloch Rob Roy Football Club coming home, an important part of the local heritage; and offers best wishes for their future plans so future generations can benefit.