

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

April 2, 2024

Dear

We are writing to you in your capacity as a student leader of a group that was identified as a member of the non-recognized coalition of student organizations, Columbia University Apartheid Divest (“CUAD”) in an article published by CUAD in the Columbia Spectator.¹ On Sunday, March 24, CUAD organized and promoted an unapproved event entitled “Resistance 101.” CUAD’s promotional posts for “Resistance 101” included updates on the event’s location, and a registration page for the event at “<http://bit.ly/cuad-resist.>”

This event was not approved and was held despite both Columbia and Barnard refusing to provide space to hold the event. As you may be aware, the speakers at the “Resistance 101” event engaged in discourse that supported terrorism and violence. The University is investigating this event and has reported it to law enforcement. If you are contacted as part of this safety investigation, you are required to cooperate.

We are also aware that CUAD is currently promoting and advertising a demonstration to take place on Thursday, April 4 on Columbia’s campus ([post available here](#)). Columbia’s Interim Demonstration policy makes clear that two working days’ advance registration is required for any demonstration to ensure the safety of the University community. The University has not received a request to register this event (by an individual or group), and thus your promotion, advertisement, and/or participation in an unregistered event will result in disciplinary action.

Each of us has a role to play in keeping our community safe and secure for all its members, especially in this tense and emotionally charged moment. Even as we support the ability of students to grapple with political and social turmoil, we will not tolerate the promotion or support of violence at any event on our campus or in any University facility, and we reject the promotion of antisemitism and all forms of bigotry. We will pursue discipline against any member of the community who has violated our policies.

Sincerely,



Cas Holloway
Chief Operating Officer

¹ <https://www.columbiaspectator.com/opinion/2023/11/14/columbia-university-apartheid-divest-who-we-are/>

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