

## **Maritime Union of Australia – Western Australia Branch**

### **Branch Delegates Meeting Resolution regarding the Gaza war**

**27 January 2009**

Western Australia branch delegates' meeting 27/1/09 - resolutions passed regarding the Gaza war:

1. This delegates' meeting of the WA branch of the MUA [hereafter this meeting] calls on the Rudd government to denounce the latest Israeli aggression against Gaza, and to cut all economic, diplomatic, cultural and political ties with the Israeli state until this aggression and the Israeli siege of Gaza ends.
2. This meeting gives full its organisational and financial support to the protest movement in Australia against the Israeli aggression. In particular the WA branch of the MUA will inform its membership of the Friends of Palestine WA rally taking place this Saturday at midday in Forrest Place and provide a speaker, preferably Secretary Chris Cain.
3. We also call on the Australian Council of Trade Unions and Unions WA to give full organisational and financial support to the protest movement in Australia against the Israeli aggression. In particular we call on Unions WA to give full organisational and financial support to the action initiated by Friends of Palestine WA which will be happening at midday in Forrest Place on Saturday January 31st.
4. We will participate fully in the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) campaign when it is initiated and support actions related thereof when they are called by either Friends of Palestine WA or other interested parties (including other trade unions). We call on the ACTU and Unions WA to join us in supporting the BDS campaign and specific actions related thereof
5. In furtherance of resolution 4, this meeting recommends State Conference adopt a position of boycotting all Israeli-registered vessels, and all vessels known to be carrying either goods destined for Israel or goods sourced from Israel.
6. We stand, as we always have, for the long union tradition of campaigning for peace, which has always been a principle of the union movement in Australia.