

The following three motions were adopted unanimously, with no abstentions, by the Executive Committee of the Nathanson Centre on Transnational Human Rights, Crime and Security on June 12, 2009. All members of the Committee were present (Craig Scott, François Tanguay-Renaud, Margaret Beare, and *ex officio* Jinyan Li).

Motion 1

In view of the potential as of June 12, 2009, that the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) may decide, in the face of inappropriate political interventions, to cancel or reduce the funding to the conference “Israel/Palestine: Mapping Models of Statehood and Paths to Peace” and in further view of the fact that the Nathanson Centre has been from the outset a sponsor and funder of this conference along with SSHRC, York, Osgoode and Queen’s University, the Executive Committee of the Nathanson Centre on Transnational Human Rights, Crime and Security (a) *determines that* its budgetary situation for 2009-2010 is such that further financial support for the conference is fully sustainable as well as being desirable should other funding be cancelled or reduced, and (b) *decides that* the Director or Acting Director of the Nathanson Centre should, if the need arises, authorize further financial support up to the potential SSHRC shortfall subject to the Director or Acting Director being satisfied of best efforts by the conference organizers to secure complementary sources of shortfall funding apart from the Nathanson Centre.

Motion 2

The Executive Committee of the Nathanson Centre on Transnational Human Rights, Crime and Security *resolves* to continue, through the efforts of its Director, Craig Scott, both to defend academic freedom in relation to efforts to undermine the conference “Israel/Palestine: Mapping Models of Statehood and Paths to Peace” and to defend the conference itself as being fully within the Nathanson Centre’s mandate to co-fund as well as being a valuable initiative in the tradition and spirit of good faith and responsible critical inquiry.

Motion 3

In view of the general importance of the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) in defending academic freedom and other fundamental principles relevant to the professoriate of Osgoode Hall Law School and in further view of the invaluable assistance provided to date by CAUT to colleagues organizing the conference “Israel/Palestine: Mapping Models of Statehood and Paths to Peace”, the Executive Committee of the Nathanson Centre on Transnational Human Rights, Crime and Security *recommends* to the Osgoode Hall Faculty Association (OHFA) that OHFA should, as soon as possible, join CAUT.