

## CROSS-PARTY GROUPS IN THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT ANNUAL RETURN FORM

<b>1. GROUP NAME <i>Code of Conduct 6.2.4</i></b>	
Groups that have been accorded recognition will be permitted to use the title <i>Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament</i> .	
Cross-Party Group in the Scottish Parliament on Palestine	
<b>2. DATE GROUP APPROVED</b>	<b>3. DATE ANNUAL REPORT</b>
13 <sup>th</sup> September 2011	22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2012
<b>4. GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES</b>	
For each group meeting or other activity please provide the date, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and attendance figures (MSP and non-MSP).	
<p>29th June 2011 AGM attendance 7 MSP, 38 non-MSP subjects discussed - election of office bearers, revised aims, Gaza Freedom Flotilla, Boycott and Disinvestment, future plans</p> <p>21st September 2011 attendance 5 MSP, 33 non-MSP subjects discussed - Palestine as a UN member state</p> <p>18<sup>th</sup> January 2012 attendance 5 MSP, 32 non-MSP subjects discussed – FBU fire engines to Nablus project, Paul Donnachie case, Mordechai Vanunu, Invitation to Palestinian parliamentarians, MAP reception</p> <p>21<sup>st</sup> March 2012 Medical Aid for Palestine reception – attendance well over 100</p> <p>18<sup>th</sup> April 2012 attendance 2 MSP, 31 non-MSP subjects discussed – Jim Hume MSP visit to Gaza, plans for future activities, A Democratic Future for Gaza, Possible EDA reception for Palestinian paralympic athletes</p> <p>Planned meeting in September was cancelled due to parliamentary business timetable changes.</p>	
<b>5. GROUP MEMBERS <i>Code of Conduct 6.4, Rules 2, 3, 5, 6 &amp; 8</i></b>	
When listing members, who are MSPs, only the MSPs name need be given. For members from outwith the Parliament, the name of the member and any employer they represent must be given.	
<b>MSPs</b>	<b>Non-MSPs Individuals</b>

Neil Findlay  
Elaine Smith  
Sandra White  
Drew Smith  
Jim Hume  
John Finnie  
Claudia Beamish  
Joe Fitzpatrick  
Hugh Henry  
Jean Urquart  
Neil Findlay  
Chic Brodie  
Christine Grahame

Abdel Karim Gasmi  
Allan Gordon  
Adnan Miyasar  
Andy Lythgoe  
Anita Shanley  
anna sardesai  
anne alden  
Bill Mair  
Runa Mackay  
Colin Cooper  
Gordon Davie  
Denis Rutovitz  
Frank Thomas  
Graham Watt  
Hala George  
Rev Harold A M Steven  
Ishaq Abu-Arafeh  
janet powney  
Mustafa Mustafa  
Jon Pullman  
Kate Aspinwall  
Kathleen Gibb  
Dr Khalid El-Awaisi  
Liz Elkind  
Liz Sim  
Mariann Cortes  
Maureen Jack  
Michael Marten  
Mike Whitehead  
Carole Morton  
Margaret Mungavin  
Nada Shawa  
Nick Dekker  
Pat Bryden  
Philip Chetwynd  
Alison Phillips  
Roger Spooner  
Ruth Forbes  
Tommy Kane  
Tony Grahame  
Susan Cameron  
Jane Grahame

	<b>Organisations</b>
	Fife Arab Society (FAS). MAP Edinburgh Direct Aid United Nations Association, Edinburgh Branch Friend of Nablus and Surrounding Area (FONSA) Palcrafts / Hadeel Women in Black Scottish Palestinian forum Al Khair Foundation, Glasgow Scottish Jews for a Just Peace Friends of Al Aqsa The Antonine Friendship Link Free Gaza-Scotland Dundee Nablus Twinning Association Church of Scotland Scottish Friends of Palestine Christian Peacemaker Teams

**6. GROUP OFFICERS *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 4***

Please amend titles as necessary e.g. to indicate joint office holders, or preferred titles.

<b>Co-Convener</b>	Sandra White MSP
<b>Co-Convener</b>	Jim Hume MSP
<b>Vice-Convener</b>	Drew Smith MSP
<b>Secretary</b>	Tony Grahame
<b>Treasurer</b>	Nick Dekker

**7. FINANCIAL OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED *Code of Conduct 6.3.1 & 6.3.6, 6.4 Rule 10***

The group must register any financial or other material benefit received by the group from whatever source, where the value of the financial sum or benefit from any single source exceeds £500 in any one calendar year. This includes donations, sponsorship, subscriptions, hospitality, gifts, visits, provision of services or accommodation or staff assistance. The value of use of Parliamentary facilities need not be registered.

The details requiring to be registered include a brief description of the benefit, the approximate monetary value, the date on which it was received and the source from which it came. Where a consultancy organisation provides benefits, the client on whose behalf these are provided should be named.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Description</b>

**8. GROUP SUBSCRIPTION *Code of Conduct 6.4, Rule 9***

Where a group charges or proposes to charge a subscription, this must be reasonable and the same for all members. The amount of the subscription should be registered and the purposes for which it is intended to use the subscription.

<b>Amount per group member per year</b>	£1
<b>Date subscription applied</b>	From each AGM – 29 June 2011

**9. GROUP STAFF AS PARLIAMENTARY PASS HOLDERS**

If a group makes use of staff issued with a Parliamentary pass, any paid activity undertaken by those staff where the employer benefits from the pass holder's access to the Parliament must be registered. There is no need to state the amount of remuneration. The requirement relates both to staff employed directly by the group and to staff employed by an outside organisation to provide assistance to the group.

<b>Staff name</b>	
<b>Title of post</b>	
<b>Name and address of employer organisation</b>	
<b>Type of employer organisation</b>	

**10. GROUP CONTACT *Code of Conduct 6.3.4, 6.3.5 and 6.5.1 – 6.5.4***

Please give the full details of an elected official of the group who is an MSP who will be the contact for registration matters for the group. Initially this must be the Member who signs the declaration on compliance with the rules on behalf of the group. If a group subsequently changes the designated contact, the office of the Standards Clerk must be informed within 7 days of the change.

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