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We, Nobel Laureates, deplore the shameful decision by the University and College Union to boycott contact and exchanges with Israeli educators and academic institutions. We also deplore a similar move by Unison and its 1.3 million public service employees, as well as the boycott of Israeli goods by Britain's National Union of Journalists. Not only do such boycotts pander to hardliners. They also glorify prejudice and bigotry. The cherished principle of academic freedom must not be undermined.

Sidney Altman
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1989)

Paul J. Crutzen
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1995)

Donald A. Glaser
Nobel Prize, Physics (1960)

Kenneth J. Arrow
Nobel Prize, Economics (1972)

Robert F. Curl Jr.
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1996)

Sheldon Glashow
Nobel Prize, Physics (1979)

Baruj Benacerraf
Nobel Prize, Medicine (1980)

The Dalai Lama
Nobel Prize, Peace (1989)

Joseph L. Goldstein
Nobel Prize, Medicine (1985)

Paul Berg
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1980)

Frederik W. de Klerk
Nobel Prize, Peace (1993)

Mikhail Gorbachev
Nobel Prize, Peace (1990)

Gunter Blobel
Nobel Prize, Medicine (1999)

Edmond H. Fischer
Nobel Prize, Medicine (1992)

Clive W.J. Granger
Nobel Prize, Economics (2003)

Michael S. Brown
Nobel Prize, Medicine (1985)

Jerome I. Friedman
Nobel Prize, Physics (1990)

John L. Hall
Nobel Prize, Physics (2005)

Georges Charpak
Nobel Prize, Physics (1992)

Riccardo Giacconi
Nobel Prize, Physics (2002)

James J. Heckman
Nobel Prize, Economics (2000)

Aaron Ciechanover
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (2004)

Ivar Giaever
Nobel Prize, Physics (1973)

Alan J. Heeger
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (2000)

Claude Cohen-Tannoudji
Nobel Prize, Physics (1997)

Vitaly Ginzburg
Nobel Prize, Physics 2003

Dudley R. Herschbach
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1986)

Avram Hershko
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (2004)

Roald Hoffman
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1981)

Tim R. Hunt
Nobel Prize, Medicine (2001)

Daniel Kahneman
Nobel Prize, Economics (2002)

Aaron Klug
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1982)

Walter Kohn
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1998)

Arthur Kornberg
Nobel Prize, Medicine (1959)

Roger D. Kornberg
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (2006)

Edwin G. Krebs
Nobel Prize, Medicine (1992)

Leon M. Lederman
Nobel Prize, Physics (1988)

Jean-Marie Lehn
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1987)

Rudolph A. Marcus
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1992)

Mario J. Molina
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1995)

Robert A. Mundell
Nobel Prize, Economics (1999)

Marshall W. Nirenberg
Nobel Prize, Medicine (1968)

Douglass C. North
Nobel Prize, Economics (1993)

George A. Olah
Nobel Prize, Chemistry (1994)

Douglas D. Osheroff
Nobel Prize, Physics (1996)

Norman F. Ramsey
Nobel Prize, Physics (1989)

Richard J. Roberts
Nobel Prize, Medicine (1993)

Wole Soyinka
Nobel Prize, Literature (1986)

Joseph H. Taylor Jr.
Nobel Prize, Physics (1993)

Elie Wiesel
Nobel Prize, Peace (1986)

Betty Williams
Nobel Prize, Peace (1976)