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BY ORDER OF THE PREIDENT OF THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

A Special Presidential Task Force is Created.

THE ENDING ANTISEMITISM ORDER.

“An Executive Order to create a task force with the goal of evaluating Antisemitism on campus in a holistic manner, finding its root causes, and providing methods, recommendations, and strategies to the administration of the George Washington University.”

January 30th, 2023

[EO-23-01]

Whereas, pursuant to his powers enshrined the Charter and Constitution of the Student Association and the statutes and laws approved thereunder¹, it has pleased the President of the Student Association (*hereinafter*, “*the President*”) to make this Executive Order to create a special presidential task force to research, investigate, and respond to the scourge of Antisemitism within the George Washington University, and;

Whereas, by right of the said Charter, Constitution, and laws he is empowered to order the Office of Legislator General (*hereinafter*, “*the OLG*”) with the drafting and framing of said order², and:

Whereas, it is alleged that the George Washington University has failed to properly respond and address rampant Antisemitism in academic, student life, and religious spaces³, and;

Whereas, such allegations deserve the proper inquiry and the Student Association, as representatives of the George Washington Universities 26,000-person student body has the capacity and authority to conduct such an inquiry, and;

Whereas, the elimination of Antisemitism is a necessary component of the battle against hate on campus and in our Student community.

Therefore, it is ordered by the George Washington University Student Association by the authority of the President, that the Legislator General and the OLG immediately form a special task force named “The Presidential Task Force to Combat Antisemitism” to be governed by the rules enumerated below and the governing documents of the Student Association. and;

Therefore, be it known that the President submits [EO-23-01], in bill form, to the Senate for approval by a two thirds majority of Senators Present. (*See. Appendix No. 1*)

¹ S.A. Const. art. XI § 2(4). “*The President shall – issue executive orders as necessary and proper;*”

² S.A. Const. art. XI § 4(6). “*The Legislator General shall – draft all presidential veto messages and executive orders at the request of the President.*”

³ See Caitlin Kitson, *GW failed to act against alleged antisemitism from professor: civil rights complaint*, *GW HATCHET* (Jan. 17, 2023)



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CHARTER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE TO COMBAT ANTISEMITISM

Preamble

“We the Students of the George Washington University through our representative, the Student Association, establish and create this task force to combat Antisemitism which is a scourge to our university community and antithetical to our values. This task force shall speak assertively, collaborate constructively, and remedy conflicts compassionately.”

Article I: The Task Force

Section 1: Composition

- I. The Presidential Task Force to Combat Antisemitism (*hereinafter*, “*the task force*”) shall be comprised of;
 - a. Ten general members, and;
 - b. One Commissioner, and;
 - c. One Deputy Commissioner.
- II. Of the ten general members of the task force, two shall be members of the George Washington University Student Association (*hereinafter*, “*the SA*”).
 - a. Members of the SA shall be defined as;
 - i. Senators, and ;
 - ii. Executive Cabinet members and their staff, and;
 - iii. Senate Staff, and;
 - iv. Senate Committee Staff.
- III. All members of the task force including the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner must be enrolled for academic credit at the George Washington University and not be on any form of academic probation.

Section 2: Appointment

- I. The President shall, appoint the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner.
- II. With the advice of the Commissioner, the President shall appoint all the general members of the task force at his own discretion.

Section 3: Recall

- I. Members of the task force, including the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner will be subject to recall and loss of task force membership status if;
 - a. The President elects to recall said member, and;
 - b. A two thirds majority of Senators vote to recall the said member, and;
 - c. A simple majority of active task force members of the commission vote to recall the said member.



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Article I: Mission and Operation

Section 1: Mission

- I. The mission of the task force will be to use any and all means at their disposal to investigate the nature of Antisemitism on the campus of the George Washington University, research and uncover its root causes and publish a report on its findings no later than May 18th, 2023.
- II. The report shall include;
 - a. A detailed description of research strategies, and;
 - b. A detailed summary of the task force's findings, and;
 - c. Recommendations for actions that should be taken by the George Washington Universities administration.
- III. The task force shall create channels for communication including;
 - a. A social media presence, and;
 - b. An email address for official communication, and;
 - c. Office hours for students at least once every two weeks.
- IV. The Commissioner of the task force shall provide a monthly update to the President, Vice President, and Chairperson of the Diversity and Inclusion Assembly detailing the activity of the task force and their progress.
- V. At least one member of the task force must be in attendance for every meeting of the SA Executive Cabinet.
- VI. At least one member of the task force must be in attendance for every meeting of the Diversity and Inclusion Assembly.
- VII. The task force will meet weekly at a time specified by the Commissioner.

Section 2: Operational Composition

- I. The members of the task force, including the Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner, shall elect by simple majority a;
 - a. Communications Director, and;
 - b. Administration Liasson.

Article III: Funding

Section 1: Executive Branch Operational Budget Funds

- I. Should the task force require SA funding of any sorts it shall, through the Commissioner, notify the President, Vice President, and Chairperson of the Diversity and Inclusion Assembly of this requirement.
- II. Upon notification of a request for funding from the Commissioner, the President shall assemble the Executive Cabinet to vote by simple majority on the disbursement of funds from the Executive Operational Budget.

Article IV: Enactment

Section 1: Dissolution and Length of Operation:



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- I. The task force will have a fixed term of January 30th, 2023 until the termination date May 18th, 2023 and will dissolve itself on said termination date.
- II. The task force may extend its time of operation by Executive Order of the President.
- III. Should the Senate use its powers⁴ to abrogate [EO-23-01] “*The Ending Antisemitism Order*” – this charter shall be considered void and the task force shall dissolve itself immediately.

Section 2: Approval, Effect, and Amendment;

- I. This Charter shall be considered approved by the affixing of the signature of the President to [EO-23-01] “*The Ending Antisemitism Order*”. At that time the Charter will take immediate effect until the dissolution of the Task Force (*see. art. IV §1(I)(II)(III)*).
 - II. This Charter is subject to amendment by Executive Order of the President.
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⁴ S.A.B. §30301(a)(b) – *Providing that Executive Orders issued in the adjournment of the Senate shall carry the force of law upon the President’s signature but shall expire after the adjournment of the third Senate meeting following issuance lest the Senate approve, in bill form, the said Executive Order.*



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AUTHORIZATON

Let it be known that; [EO-23-01] is:

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