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Affiliation to the Coalition of Resistance

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Union Notes:

1) The Coalition of Resistance against Cuts and Privatisation is a broad-based democratic organisation formed to create an effective and united national resistance to the government's austerity programme and all of its consequences.

2) This includes cuts to education and course closures, as demonstrated by the organization's role in working with the University of London Union to organise demonstrations and protests last year.

3) UUEAS has already benefited from this by organising a well-attended „Festival of Resistance“ against cuts in conjunction with the Coalition of Resistance, as well as sending delegates to Coalition of Resistance conferences.

4) The Coalition of Resistance is a broad-based organisation comprising of many diverse affiliate organisations and groups. This includes many local and national trade unions and campaign groups, as well as the Green Party nationally.

5) The union has policy to oppose all cuts.

Union Believes:

1) That any effective resistance to the cuts must be united on a local and national level.

2) That the beliefs and mission aims of the Coalition of Resistance are in line with our own policy and values. 1

3) That to formally affiliate to the Coalition of Resistance would be beneficial to our Stop the Cuts priority campaign, and allow to more effectively campaign on an issue that affects all students.

Union Resolves:

1) To affiliate to the Coalition of Resistance against Cuts and Privatisation, at a cost of £25 per year.

1 The Coalition of Resistance Conference Declaration can be found at <http://www.coalitionofresistance.org.uk/2011/01/coalition-of-resistance-conference-declaration/> 21

