

AGM DECISIONS IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE - AUGUST 2015

This draft report sets out the progress of AGM decisions implementation. If AIUK members wish to make further enquiries about the implementation of a decision, they should feel free to contact the relevant Board member through the email address provided below.

All other enquiries should be directed to the Supporter Care Team sct@amnesty.org.uk

Decision No	Title	Board member responsible	R A G	Notes
A1S (2015)	To move the provisions of the memorandum into the Articles of Association	Sarah O' Grady Sarah.O'grady@amnesty.org.uk	G	The Memorandum and Articles of Association have been revised and the correct version is available to view in the accountability section of the website's governance pages.
A2S (2015)	To address the use of gendered terminology in the memorandum and articles of association	Sarah O' Grady Sarah.O'grady@amnesty.org.uk	G	See above
A3S (2015)	To update references to legislation	Sarah O' Grady Sarah.O'grady@amnesty.org.uk	G	See above
A4S (2015)	To clarify the decision-making process for removing a Director who fails to attend three consecutive meetings without good cause	Sarah O' Grady Sarah.O'grady@amnesty.org.uk	G	See above
A5S (2015)	To facilitate decisions being taken outside Board meetings	Sarah O' Grady Sarah.O'grady@amnesty.org.uk	G	See above
A6S (2015)	Nomination Committee Co-option	Ruth Breddal Ruth.breddal@amnesty.org.uk	G	See above
A7S (2015)	Terminology	Sarah O' Grady Sarah.O'grady@amnesty.org.uk	G	See above
A8 (2015)	Constitution & Standing Orders	Sarah O' Grady	G	In progress. Membership consultation is about to

	Review	Sarah.O'grady@amnesty.org.uk		commence.
B1 (2015)	AI's Strategic Goals 2016-19	Ruth Breddal Ruth.breddal@amnesty.org.uk	G	In progress. The Strategic Goals were agreed at the 2015 International Council Meeting, whilst work on the theories of change continues. The Board will formally review ICM decisions in the Autumn and a report from AIUK's delegation is in the process of being produced.
B2 (2015)	Strategic Goals 2016-19 (Trade Union rights)	Ruth Breddal Ruth.breddal@amnesty.org.uk	A	The specific wording sought by the AGM decision did not readily translate into the strategic goals resolutions tabled at the International Council Meeting. The Strategic Goals have therefore not changed in line with the resolution. However, AIUK delegates were active on this issue and their contributions are reflected in narrative sections referring to trade union rights in the ICM outcome document. The Board will formally review ICM decisions in the autumn and a report from the delegation is the process of being produced.
B3 (2015)	Amnesty International's Stance on Abortion – Pro-choice	Tbc Please contact the Supporter Care Team (see above)	G	Initial discussions on approach to consultation took place at the ASC, June 2015. Consultation planned via online questionnaire to members in Autumn 2015.
B4 (2015)	Addressing impunity in Guatemala	Tom Hedley tom.hedley@amnesty.org.uk	A	The call for a Commission of Inquiry at the ILO remains in abeyance for tactical reasons in light of the TUC's evaluation of likely resistance in the Governing Body. Opportunities for progress are under permanent review
B5 (2015)	Violation of the rights of Colombian Activists, including trade union leader Huber Ballesteros	Tom Hedley tom.hedley@amnesty.org.uk	A	In June AIUK hosted a meeting between the Colombia Team and UNISON and UCU, at which our team committed to further research regarding Ballesteros. It was noted that restructuring/relocation of the Team was causing near-term capacity constraints in terms of new

				casework.
C1 (2015)	The United Kingdom: Rendition and Torture	Cris Burson-Thomas cris.burson-thomas@amnesty.org.uk	A	The Stop Torture campaign is currently under review and this AGM decision is being actively considered as plans are revised. AIUK staff are engaging with the proposers of this decision and a further update on the campaign review should be available for October's Board meeting.
C2 (2015)	Asylum detention in the UK	Tom Sparks tom.sparks@amnesty.org.uk	G	Initial discussions on immigration detention took place with the Asylum-Seekers Local Action Network, April 2015. This continues to be an area of work that AIUK wishes to undertake in the latter part of this year or in 2016.
C4 (2015)	AIUK will undertake research into the wrongful detention of torture and trafficking victims in British detention	Tom Sparks tom.sparks@amnesty.org.uk	G	See above
B1 (2014)	Human Rights Act	Tom Sparks tom.sparks@amnesty.org.uk	G	Implemented. Human Rights Act campaign developed and given priority status during and after the general election. Campaign and supporting information provided to groups alongside media advertising. The campaign continues as a priority in the 2015 plan.
B2 (2014)	Garment workers in Asian Countries	Jerry Allen Jerry.allen@amnesty.org.uk	A	Identifying a simple campaign objective not requiring extensive research remains the goal. The Country Coordinator was in touch with the Secretariat in August while the TUC has provided guidance on key elements of labour law reform which could provide the basis for action.
B4 (2014)	Guatemala	Tom Sparks/Tom Hedley tom.sparks@amnesty.org.uk tom.hedley@amnesty.org.uk	G	The Guatemala conference hosted by AIUK in 2014 remains the most substantive (and successful) outcome of the resolution. On-going work rests primarily with the Country Coordinator with IS and

				TU Community Organiser support.
C2 (2014)	Nominations Committee Terms of Reference	Ruth Breddal Ruth.breddal@amnesty.org.uk	A	Although this resolution was adopted in 2014 and is effectively self-implementing (by creating new terms of reference), we are continuing to monitor it. The 2015 AGM was the first time that the new process of nominating and electing Nominations Committee members was considered. There was only one candidate for elections. She is continuing to liaise with the Board and other governance bodies.
D2 (2014)	Secretary General's Global Council	Hannah Perry hannah.perry@amnesty.org.uk	A	A draft proposal is in development for discussion at the October Board meeting.
D3 (2014)	Linking members with local groups	Eilidh Douglas eilidh.douglas@amnesty.org.uk	G	In progress
D6 (2014)	Global Transition Programme	Harrison Littler harrison.littler@amnesty.org.uk	A	At every International Council Meeting, the International Board presents a report on the state of the movement. Relevant information from this and other ICM discussions will be forwarded to the relevant membership bodies during the Autumn.
A5 (2013)	Disability and Human Rights	Hugh Whitby hugh.whitby@amnesty.org.uk	R	As stated in previous reports, AIUK has been unable to find the resources – particularly staff time - required to undertake this work, which relates to areas where there are currently gaps in Amnesty's policy, making it difficult to advance beyond the support previously provided to the WOW campaign. Encouragingly, the ICM has adopted a decision stemming from a resolution on austerity measures, tabled by AI Greece. This calls on the International Board to consider human rights issues that are raised by austerity measures. Whilst this is not directly related to the rights of disabled people in the United Kingdom, it could, in time, lead to an expansion of policy in related fields. However, this is

				likely to be a long process.
--	--	--	--	------------------------------