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Long Engagement

Editors: Engage (<http://engageonline.wordpress.com/>) was the rough and ready response to the Association of University Teachers (AUT) decision to support an effectively anti-Semitic academic intifada by boycotting some Israeli universities. It was set up within 48 hours. There was no intention to continue after the AUT boycott position was successfully overturned. However, Engage will now continue because there is so much work to do and so many people wanting to help out.

In January 2006 Engage will post the first issue of its e-journal. This is a significant step towards achieving our aim of becoming a respected resource base and co-ordinating centre for practical campaigning against left-anti-Semitism.

Engage will also carry on blogging. The website betrays our origins: it is a bit messy and the design all a bit hasty. The new site, being developed now, will be easier to navigate and more pleasant to the eye. The officers of Engage are David Hirsh of Goldsmiths College (website and e-journal), Jon Pike of the Open University (Chair), Jane Ashworth (Project Director) and Alexandra Simonon (Managing Editor).

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