

**CANADIAN UNITARIAN COUNCIL
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OTTAWA, ON
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NAME OF RESOLUTION: **CUC Policy on Environmental and Socially Responsible Investing**

SUBMITTED BY: Lakehead Unitarian Fellowship, Thunder Bay, ON

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BACKGROUND

- A. In 1997, delegates at the CUC AGM approved a policy for Socially Responsible Investing (appended), and;
- B. In 2006, delegates approved a resolution directing the formation of a Study Group to propose and develop Socially Responsible Investment practices (appended), and;
- C. Our fifth principle states we believe in “The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large.”
- D. In 2010, a resolution to create a standing Socially Responsible Investment Committee was defeated (appended).

RESOLVED that the CUC Board directly approach Suncor in which it is a longstanding shareholder and recipient of dividends, and other companies in which the CUC is invested, and report its findings to its members including a conclusion on holding Suncor or other stock in the light of the CUC policy, regarding the following:

- (1) To commend Suncor for withdrawing from Syria; and
- (2) To enquire as to the future plans of Suncor concerning its currently curtailed operations in Syria; and
- (3) To determine what measures the company is taking or contemplating for the protection of the human rights of its local employees and citizens in Syria and other countries of concern; and
- (4) To determine what measures other companies in which the CUC is invested are taking for the protection of the human rights of their local employees and citizens; and
- (5) To issue a report to members on the appropriateness of holding Suncor and other investments in light of the 1998 CUC policy.