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GLASGOW UNIVERSITY STUDENTS TAKE A STAND AGAINST RACISM

Glasgow University Students are joining the protest this weekend in opposition to an extremist anti-Muslim group which has organised a major demonstration in the city on Saturday 14th November.

The infamous Scottish Defence League (SDL) are planning to take their protest against Islamic extremism through the city to Glasgow Central Mosque.

Antony Silkoff, SRC Minority Ethnic Officer at the University of Glasgow is attending the counter-protest to take a stand against racism in our city.

He said: "Glasgow University SRC are proud of our diverse student body, made up of many cultures, faiths and traditions. We declare our unreserved opposition to the so-called 'Scottish Defence League', who seek to stir up racial and religious tension in our city."

"We fully support the Scotland United initiative, which brings together faith groups, trade unions, community organisations and politicians to celebrate Scotland's multiculturalism, and counter the anti-Muslim SDL."

"The SRC stand alongside the Muslim community at this time, and we are confident that Scotland will reject the Scottish Defence League's message of hatred and division, in favour of the hope and diversity that make Scotland a welcoming home to so many."

Glasgow University Students' Representative Council represents the interests of students registered at the University of Glasgow to the University and nation. The representative function is augmented by the delivery of services aimed at enhancing the student experience while at Glasgow.

Council comprises up to 37 elected students who meet throughout the year.

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