

## **UBU NO2ID – Stop the Big Brother State Motion**

### ***This Union Notes***

1. That the current government is planning to spend £3 billion on a national identity database and ID cards, on top of which, the public will be expected to pay £40 each towards the cards, including students already facing hardship due to fees and top-up fees.
2. That this will involve another major government IT project. Previous such initiatives have either over-run their budgets, been very unreliable or simply failed to deliver.
3. That under the Universal Declaration of Human Rights everyone is guaranteed privacy, in particular by section 12.
4. That each of the Madrid Train Bombing suspects carried a valid National ID Card at the time of the attacks.

### ***This Union Believes that Identity Cards will***

1. Be very expensive for both the country and this union's membership and have little real impact on terrorism.
2. Have very little – if any – effect on illegal immigration and working, but instead will have serious and negative effects for ethnic minorities and international students.
3. Provide a new target for, and most likely increase, identity fraud which is growing rapidly in Britain, and is more devastating to students than many other groups in society.

### ***This Union Resolves***

1. To join the NO2ID campaign if this is practical.
2. To make the leaflet NO2ID – Stop ID Cards and the Database State (or a suitable Union-produced alternative) available to students.
3. To encourage students to make their concerns known, through the national petition, letter writing or attending protests and other events.

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