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Title: **AM-87-1 to Res 4.: Defending the Right to Protest**

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Demands

From line 86 to 88:

12. Opposing the use of excessive criminal penalties and the discriminatory application, including through racial profiling, of terrorism-related provisions to punish, deter, or suppress peaceful protests and non-violent direct ~~action;~~action, while making clear that support for, or glorification of, terrorist organisations and terrorist violence is not protected expression;

Explanation / Comment

The paper rejects the "discriminatory application of terrorism-related provisions." In Germany, this issue is closely linked to demonstrations in support of Palestine. The proposal combines two lines of argument from the German Association of Criminal Investigators (BDK): criticism of racial profiling and institutional racism within security agencies on the one hand, and the clear stance that the attack of October 7, 2023, was a terrorist attack and that its glorification is not protected. Without the second part, the demand could easily be interpreted as a license to commit terrorism.