

**Photos**

5 messages

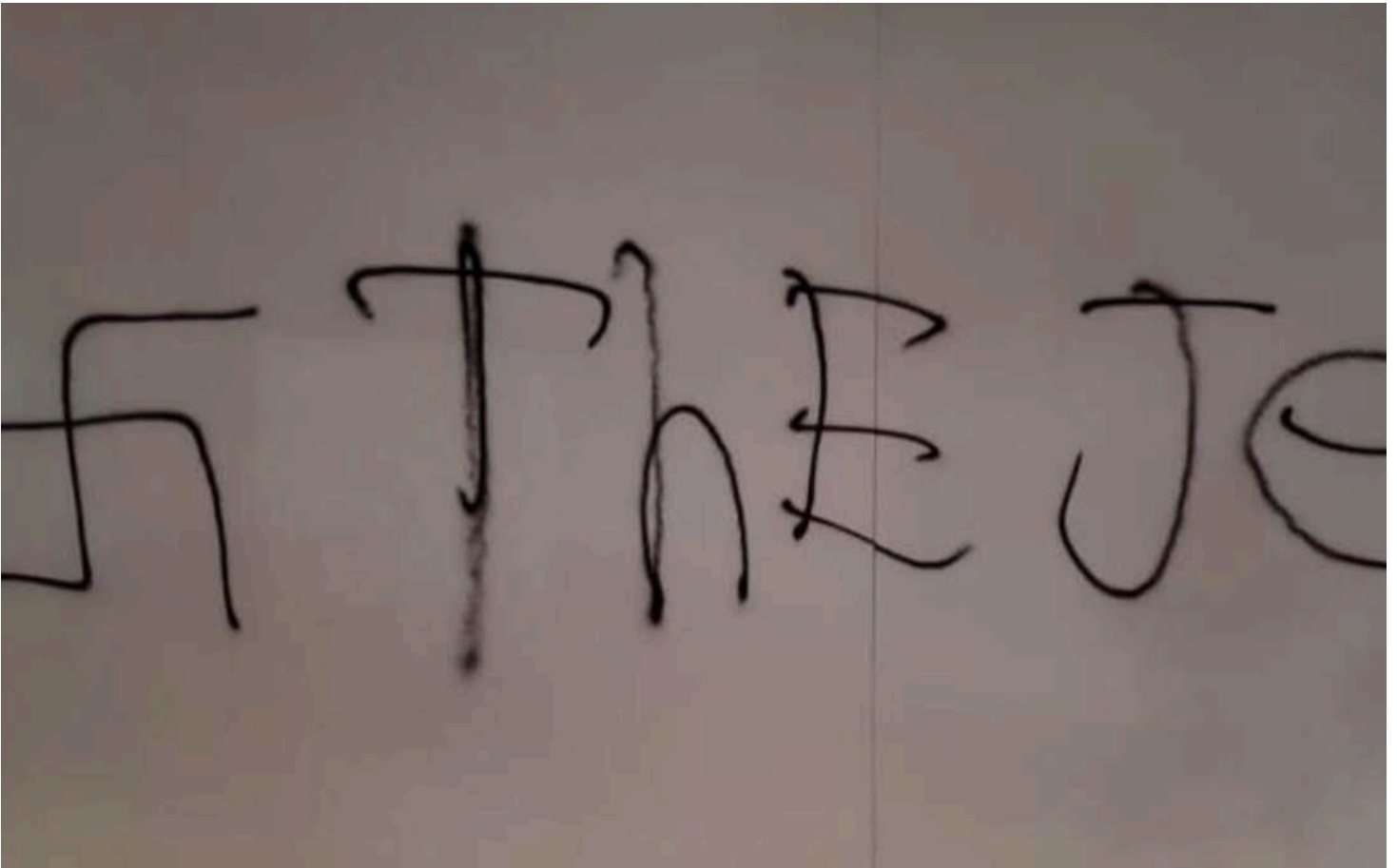
Ana Mari Cauce

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Ana Mari Caucé
Professor of Psychology
President
University of Washington

Sent from my iPhone

To: Ana Mari Caucé

Wed, May 29, 2024 at 8:10 PM

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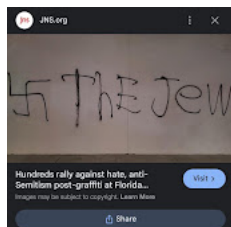
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Whenever you are ready to talk about language for the public redaction and apology, please let me know.

Thanks,

[Quoted text hidden]

2 attachments



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California.jpg
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Ana Mari Cauce

To: [Redacted]

Wed, May 29, 2024 at 8:57 PM

Dear [Redacted]

Thanks so much for this information. I do believe there is another "Kill Jews" that I will look for. But, even if these 2 are not from UW — and it's certainly a relief to know that, as I've said before reasonable people who do not believe that criticism of Israel or its policies is antisemitic, would still believe that the the ones saying F*ck Zionists or Death to Zionists or Kill Colonizers or the Mugging bench for Zionists are anti-Semitic. And they all fit the Department of Education's definition on anti-semitism. I have said on numerous occasions that I do find this targeting of individuals, as opposed to ideologies, acceptable in any way.

When we meet I'd love to learn how you checked the images.

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On May 29, 2024, at 8:11 PM, [Redacted] wrote:

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[REDACTED]

On Wed, May 29, 2024 at 7:36 PM Ana Mari Cauce [REDACTED] wrote:

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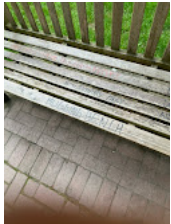


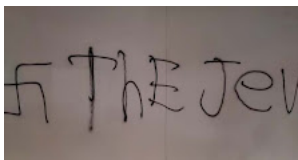
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Thu, May 30, 2024 at 4:35 PM

To: Ana Mari Cauce <[REDACTED]>

President Cauce,

Finding something offensive on a personal level is not the same as something being anti-semitic.

I would like to focus this conversation on the following points:

1. You used the phrase "vile and antisemitic" in your May 15, 2024 email talking about chants and signs in the LZ. The images you have sent to me for review do not provide credible evidence to excuse the use of that phrase in your email. I would like to reiterate my request for a public redaction and an apology for the harms this caused the Pro-Palestinian community at UW. Your email, which is just one in a series of biased statements and emails, has perpetuated legitimate harm to the UW community. In particular, the 2 images that were found to not be from UW (the images from Florida and California) being sent as evidence to "prove" anti-semitism at the LZ without being properly investigated is harmful and shows blatant disrespect to community members, the same community members that have tried for months to show you the urgency of the genocide in Gaza, and how UW is directly complicit to the genocide of the Palestinian people.
2. What this conversation has shown me is that you need to address your own implicit biases. You either acted upon unverified, easily-disprovable accusations of anti-semitism without any moment of skepticism, or this is an example of you and your administration attempting to gaslight us by knowingly sharing and acting upon not credible evidence. Either way, you have caused harm to your UW community, as the lack of investigation by your office in this accusation and the images you based your decision to write that email on is a failure to the safety of your students, faculty, and staff. Anti-semitism at UW must and should be addressed and condemned whenever there are credible threats to individuals, but the lack of response or investigation, and the blind blaming of members of the UW community who have consistently demonstrated themselves as inclusive of Jewish voices, is a gross abuse of power by administration and the office of the President. This is either a glaring example of bias or a choice by you and your office to cause harm to the Pro-Palestinian community at UW.
3. You emphasize student safety constantly in previous conversations and emails, however your lack of investigation into these non applicable images put students at risk. These images should have been treated with the same level of scrutiny that you have applied to Palestinian and Pro-Palestinian members of the UW community. The level of scrutiny unjustly applied to pro-Palestinian and Palestinian students is not applied to the rest of the UW community. You proved that with this series of emails. If you truly cared about student safety, these would have been investigated before being used to perpetuate false and unfounded accusations against the Liberated Zone and its members.

Whenever you are ready to talk about language for the public redaction and apology, please let me know.

Thanks,

Ana Mari Cauce

Thu, May 30, 2024 at 6:34 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED],

I appreciate your response and perspective but when I called the graffiti vile and anti-Semitic it was primarily based on the images we all agree were from the camp — the repeated vile and often violent messages specifically aimed at Zionists and/or colonizers. I stand by what I said and I have also seen no evidence of harm to members of your community that came specifically from my email — the anger I have seen toward from some members of the broader community toward the extremes of the Pro-Palestinian protestors started with the vandalism in the hub and then reached a peak when people arrived on campus May 14th to see graffiti not just in the LZ but all over campus. While I continue to think that this was primarily done by outsiders, the interviews and statements given, both after the HUB and after May 14 which suggested that this vandalism was not only acceptable but a premeditated tactic is what was damaging.

I do apologize for the fact that those images from other places got mixed in and that in trying to be timely in my response I did not verify. That is 100% my fault. I received literally hundreds of emails, letters with images etc throughout this past year from individuals who felt hurt and upset by images they were seeing on our campus (and its quite possible that they might have said on other campuses as well). When you asked me for proof I looked through the images I could find by searching for "Zionist" "colonizer" and "Jew" as well as looking through some folders to get you what you asked for — but this was done AFTER I wrote the May 15 message. That message was written based on the graffiti that was, in fact, seen across various buildings or other surfaces across campus that I continue to believe was vile and antisemitic. I made it clear, long before May 15 that I draw a clear line between criticism of the Israeli government and the specific targeting of "Zionists"

There is no question that the vandalism on campus pales in the harm it creates when compared to the loss of life and suffering in Gaza. But when individuals participate or justify vandalism and the use that sort of vile and violent rhetoric toward others and they, in fact, do damage to their cause. And that is exactly what happened. It was not my email that this did this. Indeed, I can assure you that the people who are most angry about the vandalism are also extremely angry at me because they do not feel I was strong enough in my condemnation and they believe that by not punishing individuals who were in the encampment that I have rewarded that behavior.

I understand that we disagree on this matter, but I do look forward to continuing to work together on the range of issues we've identified in our agreement.

Ana Mari

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