

# Cornell University Student Assembly

## S.A. Resolution #35 Calling on Cornell to End All Ties with ICE

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4 ABSTRACT: This resolution is calling on Cornell to absolve all ties with U.S. Immigration  
5 and Customs Enforcement (ICE), including but not limited to recruitment, education,  
6 training, research, and technological equipment and software.  
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12 **Whereas,** Cornell has historically invited ICE to participate in on-campus recruitment.  
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14 **Whereas,** Cornell has invited ICE-affiliated companies such as Palantir and Anduril to on-  
15 campus recruitment events.  
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17 **Whereas,** Palantir and Anduril, as well as other ICE-affiliated companies assist ICE in  
18 tracking, detaining, and deporting migrants, refugees, and asylum seekers.  
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20 **Whereas,** Cornell has multiple contracts with ICE-affiliated companies for education and  
21 training services and technological equipment.  
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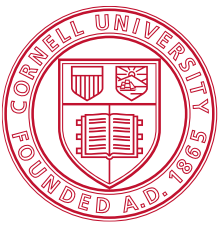
23 **Whereas,** Cornell Tech has been suspected of providing facial recognition software to ICE  
24 and ICE-affiliated companies, including a recent collaboration with Palantir and Anduril to  
25 build fully-automated “detect-and-shoot” towers at the border.  
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27 **Whereas,** ICE has a long and well-documented history of brutality, including raids,  
28 deportations, and family separations at the border, as well as the destruction of families who  
29 have lived in our country and communities for decades.  
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31 **Whereas,** ICE has consistently posed a threat to individuals’ civil liberties, including but  
32 not limited to: “the Fourth Amendment’s protection against unreasonable searches and  
33 seizures, the constitutional guarantee of due process, and the constitutional guarantee of  
34 equal protection and freedom from discrimination based on race, ethnicity, and national  
35 origin.”  
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37 **Whereas,** in 2020, a report conducted by the ACLU, Human Rights Watch, and National  
38 Immigrant Justice Center exposed a wide range of human rights abuses occurring in ICE  
39 detention centers, including but not limited to: unsanitary living conditions, inadequate or  
40 nonexistent medical care, indefinite detainment, and general cruel treatment.  
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42 **Whereas,** in September 2020, a whistleblower revealed that ICE had been performing  
43 forced and coerced sterilization procedures on immigrants in detention centers.  
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45 **Whereas**, Cornell is home to a community of undocumented students as well students  
46 from mixed-status families.

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48 **Whereas**, the President of Johns Hopkins University stated, “But if our school is to live up  
49 to its stated values of free intellectual inquiry, human rights, human flourishing, and  
50 'knowledge for the world,' it cannot do so while assisting ICE agents.”

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52 **Whereas**, Cornell similarly cannot live up to these principles or its motto, “Any Person,  
53 Any Study,” while aiding and abetting the U.S. government agencies that oppress, persecute,  
54 and deport undocumented community members.

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56 **Whereas**, the Cornell University Chapter of the American Association of University  
57 Professors has expressed support for efforts to cut ties with ICE.

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59 **Be it therefore resolved**, we call on Cornell administration and students to boycott and  
60 ban recruitment attempts on the part of companies that do business with ICE and ICE-  
61 affiliated companies.

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63 **Be it therefore resolved**, we call on Cornell students and faculty to refuse to participate  
64 in research funded by ICE or DHS and other elements of the military-prison-industrial-  
65 financial-security complex.

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67 **Be it finally resolved**, we call on Cornell to abolish all professional, academic, and  
68 financial ties with ICE and its affiliates.

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70 **Respectfully Submitted,**

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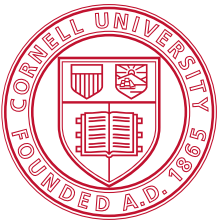
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102	<b>La Asociación Latina</b>
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104	<b>International Student Union</b>
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106	<b>Native American and Indigenous Students at Cornell</b>
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108	<b>Cornell American Civil Liberties Union</b>
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114	<b>Cornell Roosevelt Institute</b>
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116	<b>First Generation Student Union</b>
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118	<b>CUSLAR: Committee on U.S.-Latin American Relations</b>
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122	<b>Do Better Cornell</b>
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124	<i>(Reviewed by: Diversity &amp; Inclusion Committee, 3/24/2021)</i>