**TITLE :** Aramark Catering Provider & Direct Provision

**Student Council Notes:** One current holder of our university catering contracts is Aramark. Aramark has been the subject of numerous complaints of providing inadequate, culturally inappropriate, poorly-prepared and non-nutritious food to refugees, including children; of failing to provide basic hygiene products; and of poor living conditions within the centres.

**Student Council Also Notes:** Aramark hold contracts with U.S for-profit prisons and has been shrouded in similar scandals akin to those at direct provision centres in Ireland.

**Student Council Believes:** We should oppose any company that exploits and profits from human misery, both direct provision and for-profit prisons are racist institutions. Direct provision centres dehumanise and alienate non-white refugees meanwhile for-profit prison goals are to incarcerate as many people as possible to exploit their free labour with non-white communities in America disproportionately targeted.

**Student Council Therefore Mandates:** The Student Union and specifically it’s relevant officers publicly lobby the University not to renew their contract with Aramark when it expires.

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