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Disaffiliation means that Pro-Life Auckland will have to pay more for rooms and resources controlled by AUSA, because we have expressed views AUSA disagrees with."

Pro-Life Auckland's flyers and posters were quickly trashed and removed as soon as they appeared around the campus. Those of abortion-rights supporters were untouched.

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