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In view of the on-going controversy relating to push backs of asylum-seekers, **aditus foundation** has presented its resignation from the LGBTI Consultative Council, with immediate effect.

Since **aditus foundation** is a human rights organisation believing that all human rights are universal, we refuse to endorse this Government's clear preference of some rights over others, of some groups of persons over others, particularly when motives seem to be exclusively based on increasing national political mileage.

The Minister for Civil Liberties' silence in the face of potential human rights violations of the worst kind further confirms our need to distance ourselves from the Council.

We wish the Council all the best in its work

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aditus believes in the *universality, interdependence & indivisibility* of all human rights & strives to promote their understanding & application. While **aditus**'s focus is Malta, it works towards highlighting the regional & international dimensions of national human rights issues.