



Rabbis Urge Prime
Negotiators to Seal the
to the Jewish

Minister Netanyahu and
Hostage Deal and Restore Hope
Community

It has been more than 10 months since Hamas attacked Israel in the most inhumane way. As leaders of the Jewish community, we are profoundly concerned for the hostages who have been held in Gaza for more than 300 days, including 8 Americans. We urgently call upon the Israeli Prime Minister and all relevant parties to finalize the deal on the table —outlined by President Biden and endorsed by Qatar, Egypt, and the UN Security Council— and to bring much-needed relief to those suffering.

The road ahead is undoubtedly complex, but we must find a way to end these unimaginable horrors.

We can't start healing as the Jewish people in Israel and the global diaspora until our brothers and sisters are home: We are compelled by the mitzvah of Pidyon Shevuyim to take decisive action and ensure the safe return of all 115 hostages.

Time is running out, and we must seize this opportunity to restore hope to the region.

We, the Jewish community in the United States, remain steadfast in our commitment to Israel's prosperity and the safety of its citizens. Israel has always been a beacon of hope for Jews around the world. Every day that the hostages are held in Gaza is a day that hope is diminished. It's time to restore that hope to its full glory, reunite the hostages with their families and the entire Jewish people by sealing this deal.

עברו יותר מ-10 חודשים מאז שחמאס תקף את ישראל בצורה ברוטאלית. כמנהיגי הקהילה היהודית, אנו מודאגים עמוקות עבור החטופים המוחזקים בעזה יותר מ-300 ימים, בהם 8 אמריקאים. אנו קוראים בדחיפות לראש ממשלת ישראל ולכל הגורמים הרלוונטיים להשלים את העסקה שעל השולחן – שגובש ע"י הנשיא ביידן ואושרה על ידי קטאר, מצרים ומועצת הביטחון של האו"ם - ולהביא סיוע נחוץ למשפחות החטופים.

הדרך קדימה היא ללא ספק מורכבת, אבל עלינו למצוא דרך לסיים את הזוועות הבלתי נתפסות הללו.

לא נוכל להתחיל להחלים כעם היהודי בישראל ובפזורה העולמית עד שאחינו ואחיותינו יהיו בבית: אנו נאלצים על פי מצוות פידיון שבויים לנקוט בפעולה נחרצת ולהבטיח את החזרתם בשלום של כל 115 בני הערובה.

הזמן אוזל, ועלינו לנצל את ההזדמנות כדי להחזיר את התקווה לאזור.

אנחנו, הקהילה היהודית בארצות הברית, נשארים איתנים במחויבותנו לשגשוגה של ישראל ולביטחון אזרחיה. ישראל תמיד הייתה מגדלור של תקווה עבור יהודים ברחבי העולם. כל יום שבו החטופים מוחזקים בעזה הוא יום שהתקווה פוחתת. הגיע הזמן להחזיר את התקווה הזו לתפארתה, לאחד מחדש את בני הערובה עם משפחותיהם ועם כל העם היהודי על ידי חתימת העסקה הזו.

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