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Urgent

Dear Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary

In this unprecedented moment, we write to ask you to revisit your current policy in respect of the Gaza conflict and to prioritise civilian protection *above* all other considerations.

Your Government is in a position to take a leading role at the international level by working with the United Nations and its agencies, to press for civilian protection and to provide immediate humanitarian and medical assistance to the civilian population in Gaza.

We appeal to you to do so.

The targeting of civilians is never justified; nor can any acts justify collective punishment. We urge you to use your position to advocate for the prevention of further civilian suffering.

Yours sincerely

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