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**To:** [Block, Gene](#)  
**Subject:** AJC Advocacy Anywhere Reminder: Israel at War  
**Date:** Monday, October 9, 2023 10:01:28 AM

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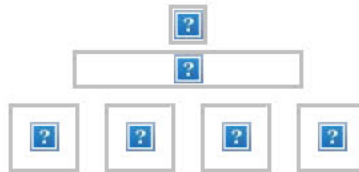
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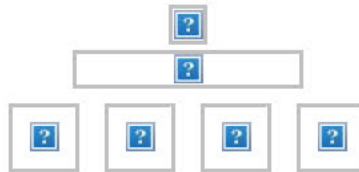
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**Subject:** FW: Brentwood CC - Give Now to Help the People of Israel  
**Date:** Monday, October 9, 2023 2:00:57 PM  
**Attachments:** [image002.png](#)

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Mr. Block,

I hope life is treating you well. My parents and sister both went to UCLA(I went to UCSB) and I am a Bruin for life! Maurice was kind enough to provide me with your email. During this tragic time for Israel, I was wondering if you and UCLA would please consider supporting the only Democracy in The Middle East during this dark time of need. Thank you so much for your consideration.

**Andrew Altshule**

Chief Executive Officer

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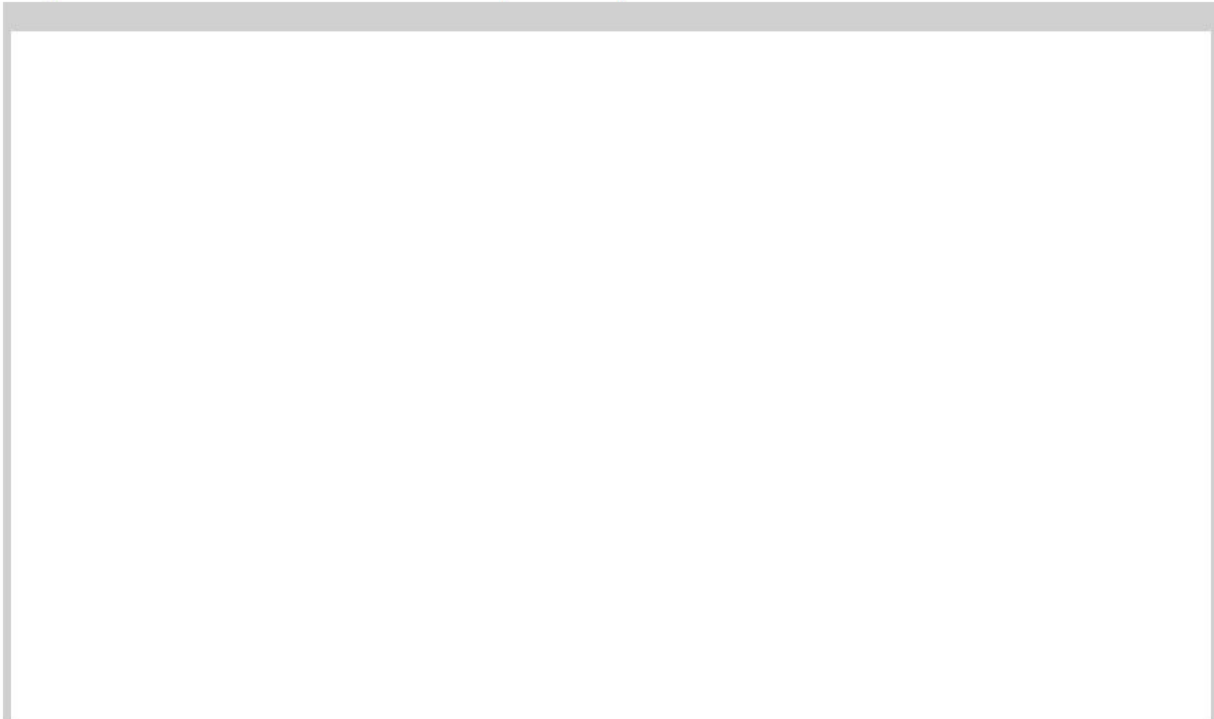
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**Sent:** Sunday, October 8, 2023 9:22 AM

**To:** Andrew Altshule <[andrewa@torgusa.com](mailto:andrewa@torgusa.com)>

**Subject:** Brentwood CC - Give Now to Help the People of Israel



## **GIVE NOW TO HELP THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL**

Dear Member,

Since Brentwood Country Club's founding in 1948, which happens to be the year the Modern State of Israel was founded, BCC has supported the Jewish Federation. During Israel's tragic crisis, we would appreciate you considering immediate aid to Israel by clicking the link below.

Hundreds of Israelis were murdered and many more injured and terrorized when Hamas launched a war with Israel yesterday. We unite in our support of Israel and its people, and we mourn the victims of this terror attack.

In response to this horror, we are raising money to:

- 1) Provide direct cash assistance and support services to victims of terror and

their families

- 2) Provide additional caregiving services to cover the expanded needs of frail elderly residents and people with diverse abilities living in the war zone
- 3) Support Israel's newest immigrants who are living in government housing in the southern war zone as they deal with the trauma of their new circumstances

As the situation in Israel evolves, The Jewish Federation's leadership under Rabbi Noah Farkas, will be working closely with their office in Israel and their partners on the ground to ensure that they are strategically funding any new needs that emerge in the coming days and weeks.

**[GIVE NOW](#)**

Thank [you](#) for your support and please help us let the community know about this vital campaign.

Regards,

**Board of Directors**

Thorsten Loth, CCM, CCE

General Manager & CEO



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**Date:** Monday, October 9, 2023 9:43:39 PM  
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[image002.png](#)

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Here's the final message – holler if any concerns.



Dear Bruin Community:

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**Date:** Monday, October 9, 2023 at 9:41 PM

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<b>Preview:</b>	Counseling services are available for Bruins who need support.
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<b>Requested Send Date:</b>	10/9/2023

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**To:** [Rountree, Angela](#)  
**Subject:** [Test]: University Statements on Violent Attacks Abroad  
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**Subject:** Fwd: Flagging: University of California Statement on Mideast Violence  
**Date:** Monday, October 9, 2023 8:24:48 PM  
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**From:** Jorge Silva <Jorge.Silva@ucop.edu>  
**Date:** October 9, 2023 at 8:24:06 PM PDT  
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**Cc:** Shelly Meron <Shelly.Meron@ucop.edu>  
**Subject:** **Flagging: University of California Statement on Mideast Violence**

Hello there team,

I want to share with you the statement that will be posted **shortly online** about the tragic violence in Israel and Gaza. I will share the link of the statement once it's uploaded.

Let me know if you have any questions.

**Jorge Silva**

Associate Vice President for Communications  
University of California Office of the President  
831-521-9993 (c)

*We work flexibly at UCOP. I am sending this email at a time that works well for me; there is no expectation for you to respond outside of your own working hours.*



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**To:** [Block, Gene](#)  
**Subject:** Israel Needs You Now  
**Date:** Sunday, October 8, 2023 6:06:57 AM

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Dear Gene,

The horror we have witnessed coming out of Israel since yesterday morning is unfathomable. We have seen the country we love dragged into war, following a vicious, multi-front attack by Hamas, the Iran-backed terror group ruling Gaza. Today, another Iranian terror proxy, Hezbollah, attacked Israel's northern border and Israeli tourists were killed in Egypt.

The number of Israelis murdered and injured by Hamas terrorists is staggering—600 killed, close to 2,000 wounded, and the numbers are still growing. There are ongoing hostage situations in Israel. Over 100 civilians and military personnel have been taken hostage in Gaza. The stories of Israelis, young and old, being brutally targeted is unspeakable. Terrorists continue to rain down rockets on Israeli cities, aiming to kill indiscriminately. This is nothing short of a pogrom. Let us be unequivocally clear: Hamas is committing war crimes.

Right now, the people of Israel are fighting to stay safe, to protect their fellow citizens, and to defend their country from multiple assaults.

**We have a job to do as well: We must stand with Israel by taking action now.**

American Jewish Committee (AJC) has activated our full global advocacy network to respond to the urgent situation unfolding in Israel. Below is an update on what AJC is doing to support Israel, and—most importantly—some ways you can help.

**1. AJC IS PARTNERING WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS TO KEEP THE**

**COMMUNITY INFORMED:** In light of this unprecedented attack, AJC, JFNA, and partners across the Jewish community are holding a crucial briefing today on the situation in Israel. We urge you to join us. Details below.

***Urgent Update on the Situation in Israel: Partners and Community Briefing***

**TODAY, Sunday, October 8**

2:00 p.m. Eastern, 1:00 p.m. Central, 12:00 p.m. Mountain, 11:00 a.m. Pacific

**[Register here.](#)**

**2. AJC IS ENCOURAGING U.S. AND WORLD LEADERS TO SPEAK OUT:**

AJC offices across the U.S. and around the world are in contact with elected officials, government leaders, and other prominent voices, mobilizing them to publicly and powerfully denounce this attack. We are grateful to AJC's many allies who have raised their voices in support of Israel, including:

- [Many world leaders, some of which are highlighted here](#)
- [Our longtime partners at The U.S. Conference of Mayors](#)
- Our partners from AJC's Transatlantic Friends of Israel, a network of 190 cross-party parliamentarians, who rallied [lawmakers across the European Union to back Israel](#)
- [The leadership of the Congressional Black Caucus](#)
- [New York Archbishop Timothy Cardinal Dolan](#)

**[Help us amplify the voices of leaders who have spoken out by sharing their posts on social media.](#)**

**3. AJC IS CALLING ON CONGRESS TO ACT:** We are leveraging our longstanding relationships with members of Congress to ensure that the U.S. stands with its ally Israel and holds Hamas to account. Join us by urging your members of Congress to condemn these atrocities, cut off funds for Hamas, and support Israel's right to defend itself. **[Take action now.](#)**

**4. AJC IS AMPLIFYING THE REALITIES ON THE GROUND AND**

**PROMOTING ISRAEL'S RIGHT TO DEFEND ITSELF:** As misinformation flourishes and people look to draw a moral equivalence, AJC is using our global media presence to get the truth out to millions of people through social media, op-eds, and TV interviews. **Stay informed and help educate**

others by reading, watching, and sharing the [AJC content here](#) and by following us on social media at [X/Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#).

5. **AJC IS RALLYING PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL:** AJC is calling on all people of good conscience to make clear that they proudly stand with the Jewish state by updating their social media profile picture. [Download the “Stand with Israel” profile image now.](#)

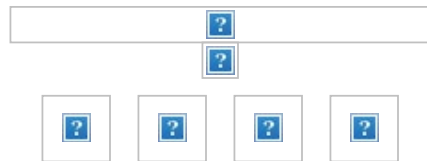
Our global network is also in touch with officials worldwide regarding [the safety of Jewish communities](#) during this time. We will keep you updated. Visit [AJC.org/AttackOnIsrael](#) for more helpful resources, including the following articles:

- [What You Need to Know About the Iran-backed Terror Group Hamas and its Attack on Israel](#)
- [Hezbollah, Hamas, and More: Iran’s Terror Network Around the Globe](#)
- [What Hamas Is Hiding](#)

Our hearts are with the Israeli people. They need us now. Don’t stay silent. Show that you stand with Israel and that you are willing to take action to support the Jewish state.

Thank you,

Belle Etra Yoeli  
AJC Chief Advocacy Officer



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**To:** [Block, Gene](#)  
**Cc:** [Osako, Mary](#)  
**Subject:** Latest version of Statement on Israel-Palestine / violence abroad  
**Date:** Monday, October 9, 2023 7:09:09 PM  
**Attachments:** [Statement on Violence Abroad - 23-10-09.docx](#)

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Gene, following up on our discussion, here is a version of the message referencing Artsakh. We can modify the section on Israel/Palestine depending on what UCOP says. Welcome your additions or edits, or feel free to call.

The language referencing discrimination and harassment aims to get in front of what the Hillel student group noted in a recent message to Mick Deluca - that conflict in Israel/Gaza often maps to increased antisemitism domestically.

Mike

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**From:** [American Middle East Institute](#)  
**To:** [Block, Gene](#)  
**Subject:** MENA News & Upcoming Events  
**Date:** Monday, October 9, 2023 2:59:56 AM

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Dear Friends:

We lament the attacks of Hamas on Israel and the terrible loss of life of innocent Israeli and Palestinian civilians. We would like to share an insightful opinion article by Thomas Friedman of the New York Times, [Israel's Worst Day at War](#).

Sincerely,

Simin Yazdgerdi Curtis  
President & CEO  
American Middle East Institute  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania USA

& Honorary Consul of Oman in Pittsburgh  
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The [U.S.-Saudi Business Council](#) invites you to join their Supply Chain and Automotive Delegation to Saudi Arabia, taking place in **Riyadh, Jeddah, and King Abdullah Economic City, from November 5th - November 9th, 2023**. To register for this event, or to view more information, please follow [this link](#).

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Dear [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] -

I'm here for you. I just heard from my [REDACTED] in Israel and they are [REDACTED]. Let's talk tomorrow.

Thinking of you -

Mike

Sent from my iPhone

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We'll get it out imminently – thank you!  
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Mike, I think this is good to go.  
Thanks,  
Gene

**Gene D. Block**  
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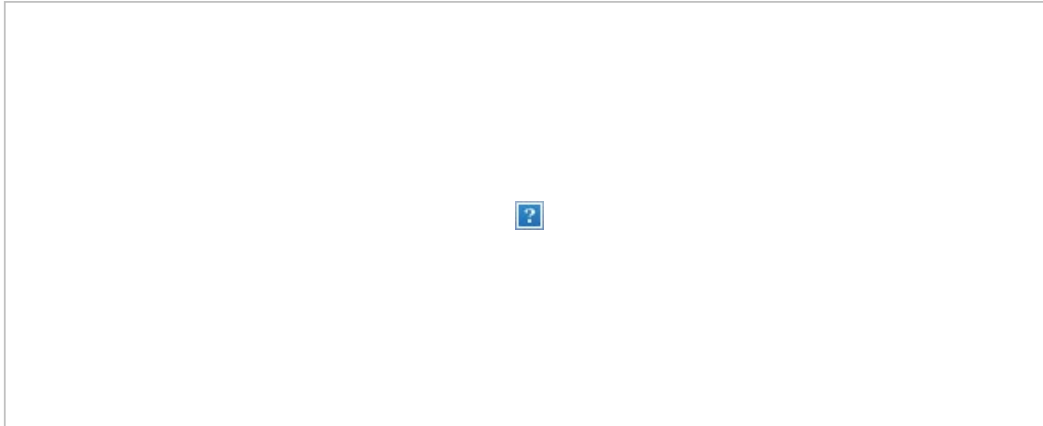
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Dear Gene,

Together, we stand resolutely with Israel at this dark hour.

Since the outbreak of Hamas' barbaric assault on Israel, much of the world has expressed support for the one and only Jewish state. Today, as Israel's defense operation progresses, will that still be the case?

We've seen it before. A shift in narrative. Moral equivalence. Double standards. Calls for restraint. Misinformation. Outright lies. We're already seeing this from certain media outlets and prominent voices.

**American Jewish Committee (AJC) will not let them alter the truth of this story.**

On Saturday, hundreds of Hamas terrorists—funded by Iran and fueled by hatred for Jews—attacked Israel with one goal: to butcher and kidnap as many Israelis as possible.

The numbers now stand at more than 800 murdered; over 2,500 injured; and more than 100 held hostage in Gaza, their fate unknown.

Behind each number is a person. A name, a face, a whole life ended or forever changed. We have seen some of their faces and heard some of their stories.

Babies murdered. Grandparents, including a Holocaust survivor, kidnapped. Entire families erased. Many desperately search for answers regarding their missing loved ones.

We cannot let them be forgotten.

As the global advocacy organization for the Jewish people, AJC is working non-stop to ensure that support for Israel remains strong now and in the coming days, weeks, and months. Through our network of 75+ offices, institutes, and partnerships worldwide, AJC is sending a blunt message to government officials and leaders across all sectors of society: **condemn Hamas and its vicious war crimes and unequivocally support Israel's right to self-defense.**

Both Israelis and innocent Palestinians in Gaza are suffering because of Hamas, which has now displayed its evil nature to the entire world. Hamas must be stopped.

**In this moment of anguish, we urge you to take action. AJC has already shared multiple ways you can stand with the people of Israel right now, and here are a few more.**

1. **CALL ON ALL ELECTED OFFICIALS IN AMERICA TO ACT:** At this moment, Israel needs the unwavering support of the American people. Join AJC in pushing for all federal, state, and local leaders to unequivocally condemn Hamas and stand with Israel against terror. **Take action now. It only takes 30 seconds.**
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***AJC Advocacy Anywhere: Israel at War***

**TODAY, Monday, October 9**

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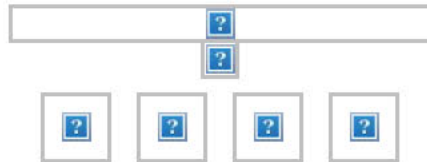
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5. **PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL:** At this time of great sadness, AJC has created a special prayer for the well-being and safety of our Israeli brothers and sisters. [Access the prayer here.](#)

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Thank you,

Belle Etra Yoeli

AJC Chief Advocacy Officer



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