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From the desk of
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My Dear Friends,

We are living through difficult times. We are mourning for each of the precious souls whose lives were so brutally cut short; we are praying for our brothers and sisters who are sitting in captivity; and we are sending our sons and daughters to active duty to defend our future.

I have never previously sent my son off to war but like all of his friends in combat units, this past Shabbat he was called up to service.

At this time, we are all called to serve, each in our own way.

Knowing the character of our student body, I am sure they will be spearheading efforts over the next number of days to support and strengthen our people and homeland. In addition, a number of our students are former soldiers who are returning to Israel to active army duty, and we currently have over a thousand students who are studying in our partner seminaries and yeshivot as well as in our RIETS kollel on the Gruss campus. To all of our students, thousands of alumni and their families, and the entire nation of Israel, I add my prayers filled with tears and a steadfast belief in our ultimate success.



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May Hashem protect us, provide us with the strength to persevere and triumph,
and bless our people and our times with peace.

My warmest wishes,

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