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STENY H. HOYER
DEMOCRATIC WHIP

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Ms. Chen Abrahams
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Dear Chen:

Just a short note to thank you for meeting with our delegation of Democratic Members of Congress during our visit to Israel. I share your frustration that the schedule did not allow us to visit with you in your beautiful kibbutz – but we certainly plan to do so next time we come.

Our conversation with you was a highlight of the trip for me, and for many Members. While it is impossible for us to understand what daily life must be like for you, your family, and your neighbors, it is not hard to see that you embody all that is great and just about Israel – its resilience, its strength, its courage. Despite all that you have been through, we marvel at your continued commitment to peace – and appreciate it very much.

Thank you for all that you are doing to tell your story and to push your leaders towards a just and lasting peace. Again, I am grateful for the time you spent with us. I look forward to visiting with you again.

With warmest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steny Hoyer", written over the typed name.

STENY H. HOYER