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Dear Secretary of State

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Why is there no response from the "international community"? Israel is acting with impunity. We need real pressure to call this violence to account. It appears now that Netanyahu had no intention of keeping to the ceasefire agreement signed in January.

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We anticipate a reply outlining urgent action from HM government.

Yours in peace

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