

The Rt Hon Philip Hammond MP, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, King Charles Street, London. SW1A 2AH

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Dear Foreign Secretary,

Re: UK arms sales to Israel

I am writing with regard to the rapidly deteriorating situation in Gaza. As you will be aware, hundreds of Palestinians, including women and children, have lost their lives in recent attacks by Israeli forces. A number of Israeli soldiers have also been killed.

Last week, the European Parliament passed an emergency resolution on the recent escalation of violence, calling for an immediate end to rocket attacks on Israel and to the Israeli military action against Gaza. I urge the UK government to do everything it can to bring about a cessation of violence.

I am also writing to support a campaign by Amnesty International to bring about a comprehensive arms embargo to both sides in this conflict. As such, I ask the UK government to immediately suspend all current sales of arms and related equipment to Israel. This should also include any dual-use technology and equipment that could facilitate further violations of international law.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this matter; I look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,

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