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Ambassador Sameh Shoukry
Embassy of Egypt
3521 International Ct. NW
Washington DC 20008

Dear Sir,

Please open the border to Gaza!

I know that Egypt had an agreement with Israel, the Palestinian Authority and the EU to regulate the border crossing and that the border has been closed because the PA is no longer in control of Gaza. However Israel also has an obligation as the occupying power to maintain the welfare of the population and they have utterly failed to do that. After maintaining a blockade for many months that has left the population in a dire situation with insufficient food, water and power, they now have killed many hundreds in “response” to rockets being fired out of what is effectively the world’s largest prison.

The Israelis have shown by their actions that they are unconcerned for the well-being of Gaza’s population but you are in a unique position to provide enormous help and relieve their suffering. Please don’t fail them.

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