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The Honourable [First name Last name], P.C., M.P.
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Ms./Mr. [Last name],

I am writing to you as a concerned constituent and a member of Development and Peace ― Caritas Canada, the official international development organization of the Canadian Catholic Church and a long-trusted partner of Global Affairs Canada.

I appreciate Canada’s support for peace in the Middle East, as evinced by our government’s denunciation of violence against innocent civilians in Israel and Palestine; its call for humanitarian pauses in the conflict; and its decision to [match donations](https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2023/10/canada-to-match-donations-for-humanitarian-response-in-gaza-and-west-bank.html) for humanitarian aid in Palestine.

However, I believe that Canada can and should do more.

Like [Development and Peace ― Caritas Canada](https://devp.org/en/gaza-call-for-a-ceasefire-and-give-generously); multiple [Canadian church groups](https://www.kairoscanada.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Ecumenical-statement-on-violence-between-Hamas-and-Israel.pdf.pdf); several [UN agencies](https://www.who.int/news/item/21-10-2023-joint-statement-by-undp--unfpa--unicef--wfp-and-who-on-humanitarian-supplies-crossing-into-gaza); and notable moral leaders, including [Pope Francis](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2023/documents/20231029-angelus.html), I consider a ceasefire necessary. I therefore request you **urge the Government of Canada to call for and promote by all possible means**:

* An immediate ceasefire in Gaza to protect the lives of innocent civilians
* The establishment of a secure corridor to enable the safe, unrestricted delivery of food, water, medical supplies, fuel and essential goods and the free movement of aid workers

I am convinced that Canada’s voice is respected and listened to in the world. It is therefore important that Canada makes these calls to protect and promote peace and human dignity.

Thank you for giving this request the urgent attention it merits. I would greatly appreciate a response from you about it.

Yours sincerely,

[Full name]
[Email address]
[Optionally, phone number]