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Dear Rabbi Leffler:

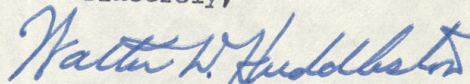
Thank you very much for your recent correspondence regarding the Middle East crisis.

I share your concern over the seriousness of this situation. Accordingly, I cosponsored Senate Resolution 179, which was introduced and adopted on October 8, deploring the outbreak of hostilities in the Middle East. Furthermore, on October 18, I joined with 66 other Senators in introducing Senate Resolution 189 which urges the continued transfer to Israel of Phantom aircraft and other equipment in an effort to maintain the military balance in that area.

President Nixon, on October 19, requested \$2.2 billion for emergency security assistance to Israel. This matter was referred to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee for consideration. It is my hope, and that of us all, I am sure, that the current ceasefire among Israel, Egypt, Syria and Jordan will not only bring an end to the hostilities in the Middle East but also a negotiated peace which will be just and lasting. You can be assured that I shall continue to follow the development on this matter most closely and will work toward that end.

Again, I appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Walter D. Huddleston