

ISRAEL: END THE BLOCKADE OF GAZA NOW

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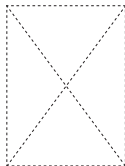
Dear Prime Minister

More than 1.4 million Palestinian men, women, and children have been trapped in the Gaza Strip for over three years by the Israeli blockade. More than 80 per cent of the population depend on aid provided by international agencies. The blockade also often prevents people from receiving necessary, urgent medical care, and from pursuing their livelihoods. Though Israel says the blockade's purpose is to stop attacks on Israel, in reality it hits the vulnerable people of Gaza. The blockade constitutes collective punishment of the population and as such is illegal under international law. Israel as the occupying power must lift the blockade immediately.

Yours sincerely,

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Image: The ruins of a Palestinian home, destroyed during "Operation Cast Lead". Johir al-Dik, November 2009. © Amnesty International

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