Subject: Gaza Freedom March.

Dec. 22, 2009

His Excellency,

Egypt't Ambassador,

Ottawa.

Your Excellency:

I am writing to express our full support for the December 31, 2009 Gaza Freedom March.

I respectfully urge the Egyptian government to allow the 1,360 international delegates to enter the Gaza Strip through Egypt. It has always been our hope that Egypt, the leader of the Arab World, will stand in support of the Palestinian people against the oppressive Israeli practices against the innocent people of Palestine, who have been subjected to this continuing brutal illegal occupation, denying them all basic elemental human needs.

The aim of the march is to call on Israel to lift the siege. It is also humanitarian: the delegates will also take in badly needed medical aid, as well as school supplies for the children of Gaza.

Please let this historic March proceed. Doing so will do much to endear Egypt to both the marchers and all those who care for the promotion of the principles of international humanitarian values and basic rights. The brutalised people of Gaza deserve this humanitarian support.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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