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Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

In light of your November decision to fund UNRWA schools accompanied by a pledge to exercise “enhanced due diligence,” I hereby submit the report released today by UN Watch in the Parliament of Canada, which exposes 60 cases where UNRWA schools, teachers, principals or other employees publicly endorsed terrorism targeting Israelis or expressed classical antisemitism, including praise of Adolph Hitler and calls to murder Jews.

UN Watch is extremely troubled that Canada would fund schools that knowingly employ exponents of racism and terrorism. For its own students, Canada removes teachers of hate from the classroom, prosecuting some for promoting hatred; Palestinian children deserve no less protection.

We trust that you will stand by your commitment to exercise stringent oversight of Canada’s UNRWA funding, and to uphold universal values of tolerance and respect. We wish to emphasize that the issue is not about “social media training”; it is about UNRWA implementing a zero-tolerance policy toward teachers who hate.

Accordingly, we request that you demand that UNRWA immediately terminate all personnel found to be preaching antisemitism or incitement to murder and genocide, and that Commissioner-General Pierre Krähenbühl publicly condemn them. Other recommendations are in the enclosed report. I will be happy to discuss with your staff.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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