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OF HOLOCAUST
SURVIVORS IN ISRAEL

Press Release

The Center Organization of Holocaust Survivors : Release all abducted person NOW “

We, the Holocaust survivors in Israel demand from the Government of Israel to make the fate of our abducted people its first priority. Every passing day increases the dangers they are exposed to and causes untold suffering to their families and loved ones. The price for their release is already known and is no different from that paid in similar such circumstances in the past. There is no justification for prolonging their agony. Release them NOW before it is too late.

We the community of Holocaust survivors in Israel who have been through death camps, killing fields, and death trains, deeply feel their pain. We who have staggered through the valley of death, only to see our relatives and communities being brutally destroyed, came to Israel, the State of the Jewish people. We fought for its independence and struggled to ensure a better and safer future for our children. We contributed to its creation and its prosperity. This is our lesson from the Shoah as well as our legacy.

On the morning of the 7th of October we were horrified to witness our fellow Jews, this time Israeli Jews, being brutally slaughtered, young and old alike being dragged against their will to an unknown destiny.

We witnessed our fellow citizens, those who chose to live on the front lines and guard our borders on a daily basis, being abandoned and left to an unspeakable brutal and inhumane fate.

These is a fate we never thought we would live again in our lifetime.

The criminal slaughter that took place on October 7, 2023 and the images we are exposed to since, bring back memories of our own experiences, memories we have been trying to forget and bury for 80 years. We are anxious and frightened for the fate and the future of our State and people.

We, Holocaust survivors, have not sunk into despondency and despair, we have chosen life.

We hope that at the end of this awful battle that has been forced upon us, and once we are victorious, the State of Israel will rebuild and restore as fast as possible the communities that went through unbelievable suffering so that they can regain the necessary confidence and security to be able to go on with their lives. Lives that will be peaceful and secure, human beings to whom our Government will ensure human rights and dignity

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