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Wanted to speak for a moment about Israel's announcement of changes to its Gaza policy.

As you know, Israel will be spelling out a new policy in the next few hours.

They have come a long way, and gone well beyond where we expected them to go. Clearly, they can go further. For example, there is no direct reference to increasing commerce between Gaza and the West Bank - something that the PA would like to see. We should keep pressing the Israelis to take additional steps such as this.

I know that our Quartet envoys are discussing a statement in response. I believe a statement is important, because this is such a central issue and exactly the sort of moment where the Quartet's voice should be heard. It can also add momentum to the process of reform of this policy.

I believe the statement should **acknowledge and encourage** the progress the Israelis have made through this announcement. They have announced some important steps and those should be welcomed.

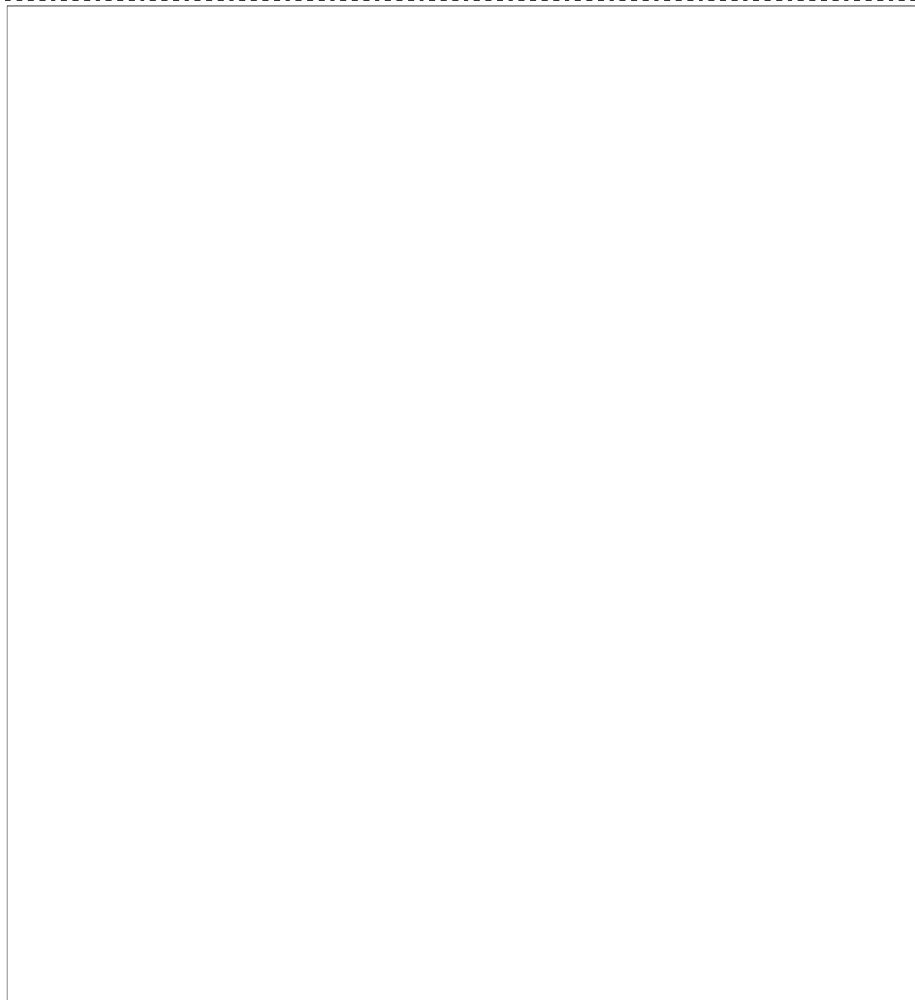
The statement should also *challenge* them to (1) implement these steps swiftly and comprehensively, and (2) pursue additional steps.

Through a properly balanced statement that responds positively to the specific steps Israel has announced and challenges them to implement swiftly and to go further, the Quartet will be doing its job, and can serve as an oversight mechanism to make sure there is follow-through.

We should be acting together to promote progress - and we should be asking Israel to have a continuing conversation with the Quartet as representatives of the international community on how to keep improving the situation in Gaza.

I hope you will instruct your Quartet envoy to work with our team on text, and perhaps we can follow up with a principals call tomorrow.

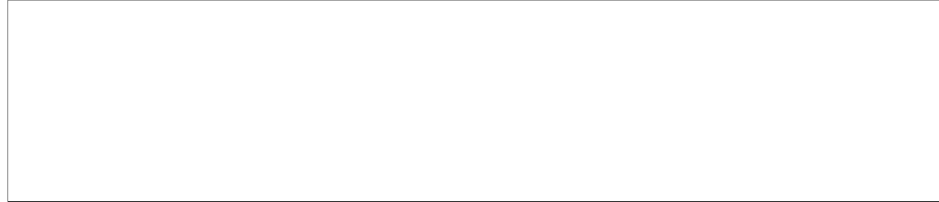
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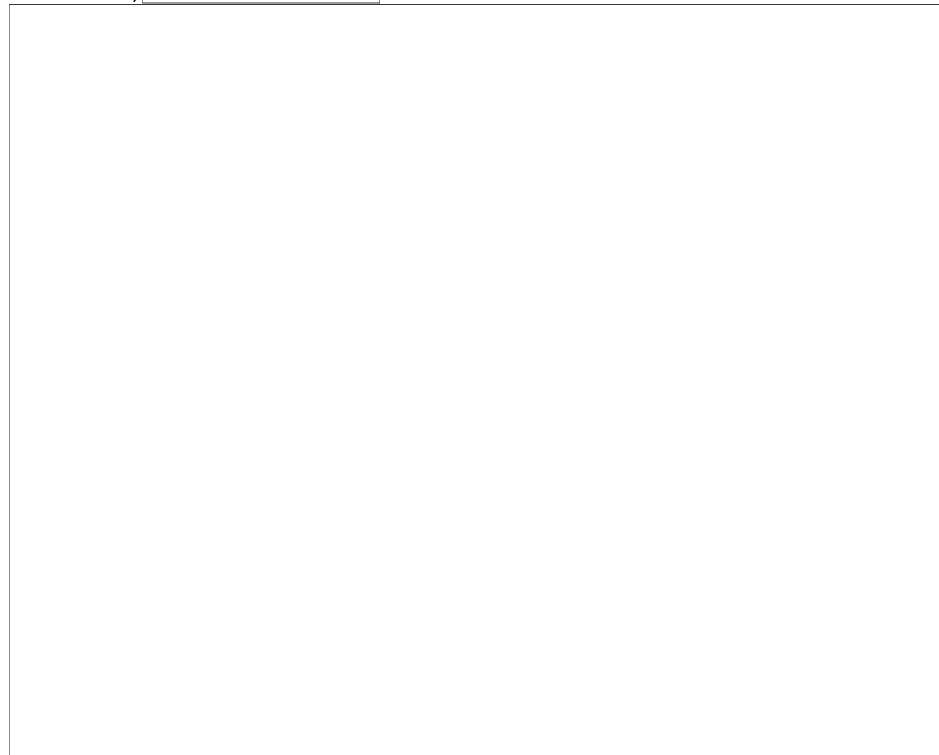


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