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Dear Ms. Haim,

We are writing to express our sincere thanks to the Fondation France-Israel for the generous gift to Rambam Healthcare Campus in Haifa, Israel. Your gift will be used to acquire a portable x-ray machine, an essential device, especially in treating wartime injuries.

During these challenging days, hundreds of Hezbollah missiles are fired at Haifa and the surrounding area almost every day. Rambam has been forced to move hundreds of its own patients, as well as patients from other hospitals in the region which lack fortified facilities, to our Sammy Ofer Fortified Underground Emergency Hospital. This massive facility, the largest of its kind in the world, is protected against missiles and other deadly threats, and has the capacity to treat over 2,000 patients.

Because of the intensifying missile attacks on Northern Israel, Rambam is caring for hundreds of injured soldiers and civilians. As the region's exclusive tertiary care center and Level 1 trauma center, the patients admitted to Rambam are generally those who have sustained the most severe injuries. Many of these patients are soldiers injured in the intense battles in southern Lebanon, who often require surgeries and treatments for injuries to multiple organs and bodily systems.

Thank you for helping Rambam fulfill its mission to save the lives of Israeli soldiers and civilians. As we begin the Jewish New Year, we would like to take this opportunity to convey our blessings and best wishes to you and all at the Fondation France-Israel, for a year of good health and peace. May we soon see the safe return home of all the hostages, and our brave soldiers.

With warmest personal regards,

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