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Dear Mr President:

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I am concerned about war.

The attacks by Israel on Gaza and Iran are rapidly escalating into a regional war. Your 'yes and' approach to dealing with Prime Minister Netanyahu is not helping. He has good reason to guess that US military hardware and perhaps even personel will help kill anyone he finds threatening. When ICJ judges threatened him you levied severe sanctions. You provided weapons for his slaughter in Gaza. You jumped up with 'me too, me too' when he threatened ethnic cleansing and death through both restriction and now limited dispersal of food as well as bombing Tehran. You have been willing to deploy troops even to LA and continue to threaten Greenland. Your encouragement of President Putin in Ukraine has been similarly ineffective.

Please assure me that you will hire less bigoted experts to take over your diplomacy.

My pride in the US derives in part from our expert negotiations.

Sincerely, Eric Babson