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Dear Senator Padilla:

I am concerned about Gaza.

Monday 28 western countries condemned the genocide occurring in Gaza and the sinister role played by GHF in particular. The US was not among them - US Ambasador Huckabee called the letter 'disgusting'. The US and Israel alone have supported this system in which a trickle of food is put out for the starving population where Israeli forces wait. More than a thousand have been shot and killed seeking food while others starve and legitimate aid organizations are shut down or even (like WHO this week) directly attacked. When GHF was proposed USAID, the UN and more than one hundred aid organizations loudly objected but the US pressed on. President Netanyahu's government continues to rely on ours for financial, military and diplomatic support. This gives the US Senate substantial leverage and responsibility.

Please assure me that you will act to stop this genocide.. My pride in the US derives in part from our moral diplomacy.

Sincerely, Eric Babson