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Dear Mr. President,

Please permit me to take the liberty to bring to your attention a human problem which I was unable to raise during our meeting. I refer to the problem of our soldiers, still missing as a result of the conflict in Lebanon. To our great sorrow, we have failed in all our efforts to find them, or even to learn what has happened to them. The despair and anguish of the families involved is indescribable. Your emissaries in our region have tried earnestly to be of help, but thus far have met with no results.

Knowing your deep concern for human life, I beseech you, Mr. President, to add your personal interest to the existing efforts and help solve this grievous problem.

I shall ask the Ambassador of Israel in Washington, Mr. Moshe Arens, to furnish your office with all relevant information.

On behalf of the people of Israel, the missing soldiers, and their families, I thank you.

With deep respect,

Yitzhak Navon

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