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Dear Attorney General Garland and Secretary Cardona,

Antisemitic vandalism, harassment, and violence have spiked all across the United States—particularly on college campuses. In one horrific case, an elderly Jewish American man was murdered in an altercation with an anti-Israel protester.

Since the Department of Justice and Department of Education have expansive jurisdiction over matters related to anti-Semitism on college campuses and around the country, please let us know what specific steps your respective department is taking—and plans to take in the near future—to affirmatively combat anti-Semitism and protect the lives of Jewish Americans. This is no time to sit idly by.

For your convenience, please send a detailed reply to the following address, and we will ensure that it is distributed to all of the letter’s signers:

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