

Psychologists Against Antisemitism Statement on Recent Events in Israel

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Psychologists Against Antisemitism unequivocally condemns the willful and brutal assault on Israel by Hamas commencing on October 7, 2023. The torture, killing, and kidnapping of civilians hostages, including children and the elderly, is inhumane and barbaric.

We send our condolences and shared sense of solidarity to survivors of the attacks, to relatives and friends of those who are dead, wounded, and kidnapped, and to all Israelis during this terrible time.

The trauma resulting from the recent violence, including feelings of fear, anxiety, outrage, and hopelessness, as well as long-term effects on both physical and emotional well-being, is real. *Psychologists Against Antisemitism* condemns any and all justifications for this terror, which create a secondary trauma to those suffering.

Psychologists Against Antisemitism appreciates the sympathy and support that many in America and elsewhere have extended to Israel and to the Jewish community during this time. Israel will prevail, as it always has. To Israel, we say “Anachnu v’ atem”, *all of us are with all of you*.