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**Brigadier General Derek France**

**Deputy Director for Operations - U.S Central Command**

Dear General France,

Please accept my warmest congratulations and best wishes upon your promotion, and upcoming transition to your new role in the EUCOM AOR.

Your promotion is no surprise to us here in the IDF and is well deserved.

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank you for your friendship, professionalism. Your personal role, assistance and around the clock availability played a great deal in our joint effort - promoting regional stability and defending the State of Israel.

On behalf of MG Haliva, and the entire OPT – Thank You!

In these challenging times of a global pandemic, I wish you and your family all the best and health. Please remember you are always welcome here, and have an open invitation to visit Israel.

Sincerely,

**Brigadier      General      Yaniv      Asor**  
Head,            Operations            Division  
Israel            Defense            Forces