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**Dear Congressman Brian Mast,**

On behalf of the Israel National Defense College, I would like to thank you for delivering an insightful brief to our participants, as part of their educational tour of the United States in June of this year.

An integral part of our defense and strategy studies program at the INDC is studying how maintaining positive foreign relations can influence the security of the nation. As our participants generally come from a military background, it is greatly beneficial for them to think about relevant "critical issues" from a diplomatic perspective.

We greatly appreciate you taking time out of your busy schedule to participate in our tour of Washington, D.C. We appreciate your continued and proven support and greatly benefited from learning about such support.

Best wishes,

**Major General Itai Veruv**  
Commandant of the Military Colleges  
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