



ISRAEL DEFENSE FORCES  
J3, OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE

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Rear Admiral (\*\*) Samuel J. Paparo

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Dear Admiral Paparo,

On behalf of the men and women of the IDF, I thank you for all your efforts throughout in the assistance of the IDF's 'Short of War' campaign to eliminate the Iranian and Lebanese Hezbollah efforts in the area. Your personal involvement insured the successful outcome of our joint efforts.

I hope we can agree on a way ahead to figure out combined standard operating procedures (CSOP) to enhance our coordination and operational capabilities.

**Papi my friend!!** Thank you for being flexible and answering our phones late night in your weekend, **without you and your fabulous team none of that could be carried out.**

We would like to formally extend our invitation for you to visit Israel in the first quarter of 2020, looking forward to seeing you in Israel in the next couple of months.

Warmest Regards from Tel Aviv,

  
Major General Aharon Haliva  
Head of the Operations Directorate  
Israel Defense Forces

Cc:

General Kenneth F. McKenzie Jr., Commander, US Central Command