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## ISRAEL-HAMAS WAR: A PERSONAL PERSPECTIVE

Dear friends,

In early October, during the Jewish holidays, I found myself in Israel, experiencing the sudden and unprovoked violent attack on Israeli civilians. This incident occurred on the last day of the Jewish fall holiday cycle, Simchat Torah/Shemini Atzeret.



In my recent blog, '[My Journey in Israel from October 7-12](#),' I recounted my experiences, beginning with a celebration at my nephew's synagogue and swiftly transitioning into a period of uncertainty and preparation for the unexpected.



In '[Confronting Antisemitism: Mobilizing Jewish Communities in Canada and Beyond](#),' I aim to convey the diverse efforts and resilience I observed within the Jewish community upon my return to Montreal, directly in response to the attack.

In unity and unwavering faith, may we join hands to overcome adversity and usher in a world where peace, prosperity, and joy reign.

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