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**Congress of the United States**  
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The Honorable Hillary Clinton  
Secretary of State  
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Dear Madam Secretary:

I am writing to express my strong concern with your recent statements regarding the relationship between the United States and Israel. Rhetoric condemning Israel and threatening the U.S.-Israel relationship is not only irresponsible, it is an affront to the shared democratic principles, strategic interests, and commitment to peace in the region.

As you know, the U.S.-Israel alliance is of tremendous importance. Israel is a strong ally and a democracy in an unstable region with many countries that are hostile toward our nation. Our national security depends on a strong foreign policy that does not isolate our allies or embolden the enemies of the United States.

I strongly urge President Obama's administration to continue America's strong relationship with Israel by working closely to correct any issues between the two countries.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
  
Patrick J. Tiberi  
Representative to Congress

