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Dear Colleagues:

Our society is deeply shaken by the unfolding situation in Israel and Palestine. We condemn all senseless violence, and we express our concern for the wellbeing of our colleagues and their families on all sides who suffer the devastating realities of intractable social conflict. ISPP believes international peace, stability, and security are possible through dialogue. We urge mutual steps to de-escalate this conflict and to prevent suffering and loss of life, and we condemn in the strongest possible terms deliberate attacks against noncombatants and any and all actions that fail to respect international law and human rights. At ISPP our priority is to engage political psychologists around the globe in times of peace, but also offer support when they are in need. We promote the goals of diversity, equity, and inclusion, not only within the Society and its governance and operations, but in the world at large. We denounce any and all harassment, discrimination, and bigotry on the basis of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, class (including first-generation higher-education status), religious identification, country of origin, or country of current residence. We stand beside our colleagues in Israel, and Palestine, and elsewhere whose lives have been shaken by this crisis, and we have in place mechanisms and resources to assist our members under threat. If you are a member who needs support, you can get in touch with us directly HERE.

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