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Dear Father Mostowik,

I would like to extend my sincere thanks for your letter of 2 June 2010 in which you expressed your concerns over the illegal use of force by the Israeli Defence Forces against the civilians from various countries who want to transport humanitarian assistance to the people in Gaza, resulting, unfortunately, in death and injury of civilians on 31 May 2010.

We welcome strong condemnation by international community of these inhuman acts of Israel. This grave incident which took place on high seas is a gross violation of international law. Whatever the motives may be, such actions against civilians who are involved only in peaceful activities cannot be accepted.

As a responsible member of the international community, Turkey will continue her tireless efforts to bring peace, stability and prosperity for all the people in her region.

Yours sincerely,


Oguz ÖZGE