



May 30, 2023  
Chief Commissioner Katy Perry  
Israel Prison Service

Subject: Meeting Regarding the Solitary Confinement of Minors

I am writing to you at the recommendation of Dr. Liav Goldstein, Chief Medical Officer of the Israel Prison Service and a member of the Israeli Medical Association's Ethics Committee, to coordinate a joint meeting following an inquiry we received from the British Medical Association concerning the solitary confinement of minor prisoners.

The placement of minors in isolation, especially for extended periods, is inconsistent with international ethical standards and with the Israeli Medical Association's own ethical guidelines. We recognize that in exceptional cases, isolation may be necessary to protect the prisoner or others; however, even in such circumstances, it must be used only as a last resort and for the shortest possible duration.

For this reason, it is very important that we meet with you so that we can formulate a clear position after hearing from you and understanding the existing procedures, challenges, and perspectives on this issue.

To coordinate the meeting, please contact Seya Ashuri, Director of the Director-General's Office, at 03-6100403.

Sincerely,

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