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The Voice of the Universities

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– via e-mail –

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Dear colleague Zaban, dear colleague Azhari, dear rectors and presidents of the universities and academic colleges in Israel,

We are deeply shocked and appalled by the terrorist attack of Hamas on Israel, the terrible massacres, and the kidnappings.

On behalf of all German universities, I would like to express our sincerest condolences and heartfelt sympathy. We are deeply saddened by the senseless loss of life. Our thoughts are with those killed and injured, those still in danger, and their families and friends.

As the German Rectors' Conference, the voice of German universities, we stand in solidarity with the Israeli universities and academic colleges and all their members. We would be grateful if you could share this message of sympathy and solidarity with your member institutions.

Sincerely yours

Professor Dr Walter Rosenthal