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The Rt. Hon Amber Rudd MP
Secretary of State for the Home Department
Home Office
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Dear Secretary of State,

As you are aware, the Home Secretary has the power to deny entry to Britain to any non-UK national who seeks to foment, justify or glorify terrorist violence or seeks to provoke others to terrorist acts.

I wish to draw your attention to the statements of Jibril Rajoub, a member of Fatah's Central Committee and head of the Palestinian Olympic Committee.

In January 2016, for instance, Rajoub said of Muhannad Halabi, who stabbed to death two Israeli men and injured a woman and baby in Jerusalem the previous October: "I say that whoever carried out individual acts of heroism, we in the Fatah movement bless and encourage them. We consider them heroes and a crown on the head of every Palestinian... beginning with our brother Muhannad Halabi."

Last autumn, he urged Palestinians to murder Israelis in a manner which, he believed, might be acceptable to the international community:

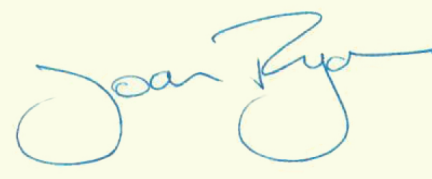
"The international community does not agree to a bus exploding in Tel Aviv. But the international community does not ask what happens to a settler or soldier in the occupied territories at the wrong time and in the wrong place. No one asks about him! Therefore, we want to fight in such a way that the world and the international community will remain by our side."

I attach a dossier of information compiled by Palestinian Media Watch about Jibril Rajoub. As you will see, he has a long and consistent history of making statements which seek to incite terrorism and glorify its perpetrators.

I believe that a statement from your department making clear that Jibril Rajoub will be prohibited from entering the UK will send an unequivocal message that Britain does not and will not tolerate the promotion of terrorism.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Joan Ryan', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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