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Dear Friends,

Today we do not wait for the future; we build it. And we can build it by investing in Israel bonds. Purchasing Israel bonds is not a donation, but rather it is an investment. It is an investment with excellent returns and with the additional benefit that you are visibly supporting the State of Israel. Israel's economy is thriving. In looking at Israel today, we must recognize that Israel bonds have helped to generate such a vibrant economy.

Israel has also contributed much to the nations of the world in many areas, especially in the field of medicine. This year, I would like to draw you attention to two significant contributions based on Israeli ingenuity.

- Scientists at the Tel Aviv University have developed a novel nano-vaccine against melanoma that has proven effective in laboratory tests. It will continue trials and will hopefully be available for humans in 5-10 years.
- This summer, the Hadassah Medical Center in Ein Kerem, Jerusalem, announced distribution of its radioactive agent "Vizamyl" which is used to diagnose Alzheimer's disease.

Im tirtsu ain zo agada -- if you will it, it is no dream, spoke Theodore Herzl one of the founders of Zionism. Today we have the power, the ability and above all, the opportunity to support the State of Israel by investing in Israel bonds. Israel at 71 is proud, dynamic and strong. Israel is prospering economically and our investment in Israel bonds helped and will continue to make it that way.

In the coming year, let us commit to continue to invest and support Israel economically with our investment in Israel bonds.

I wish you a Shana Tova Umetukah, a good and sweet new year,

Paul Antell
Chair, Israel Action Committee