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## **Rep. Klein Statement on Israel's Self-Defense Operation in Gaza**

Boca Raton, FL – Rep. Ron Klein (D-FL), vice-chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee's Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, has released the following statement concerning the security situation in Israel:

“Once again, Israelis have endured a bombardment of hundreds of rockets on their homes and communities. Israel is doing what any sovereign government in the world would do and should do: defend its citizens and secure its borders. Hamas’ unprovoked actions, which broke the six month ceasefire agreement, clearly demonstrate that Hamas is solely responsible for the death and injuries on both sides. With the incitement and assistance of radical elements in the region, Hamas is destabilizing any chance for peace and security. Israel’s actions are justified, and I join all Americans who believe in democracy and freedom in standing by Israel in her time of need.”