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Please return your letter to us and we will compile them and send them to the President Elect!  
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## YES WE CAN -- End the War in Iraq and Heal America

Dear President-elect Obama,

I am writing to join with participants in "Jews Uniting to End the War and Heal America," a gathering of hundreds of Jewish community activists, community leaders, academics, and individuals in New York City on Sunday, November 23, 2008, called together by The Shalom Center, the Workmen's Circle/Arbeter Ring, and Jewish Currents magazine, with support from Am Kolel, Brooklyn for Peace, Central Conference of American Rabbis, Camp Kinderland, Jewish Council on Urban Affairs, Jews Against the War, Jews for Racial and Economic Justice, Jvoices, Meretz USA, United for Peace and Justice, Veterans for Peace Chapter 21, Veterans for Peace Chapter 34 and Zeek.

We honor you for the hope you have brought and helped to create, and the visions for change you have articulated, and send you our best wishes and blessings for a successful Administration.

In particular, we ask you to move forward in these areas:

1. To move as quickly as physically possible to bring safely home all American troops and contractors in Iraq, and to redirect the huge amounts of resources being squandered there to meet the urgent and critical needs of American society for schools, health care, green jobs, and excellent care for veterans.
2. To end all uses of torture and violations of other human rights and civil liberties by the US government, including warrant-less wiretapping and surveillance of peaceful advocacy organizations, and to secure the immediate end of "extraordinary rendition" and the return of all US prisoners turned over to other governments for detention.
3. To move forward as quickly as possible to prevent looming global climate disaster by taxing and radically reducing carbon-dioxide emissions, creating green jobs by building swift and energy-efficient railroads and a national clean-energy distribution network, by strongly assisting the development of solar and wind energy technology, and by ending subsidies for Big Oil and Big Coal.
4. To shift emergency economic recovery aid to preventing home foreclosures, protect and expand jobs, and insist that all money made available to banks be used at once to restore credit fluidity; if necessary to ensure these results, taking voting directorships for the government in the corporations receiving aid.
5. To move quickly for a comprehensive peace settlement in the broader Middle East that includes full peace agreements and security for Israel

In peace / B'sholem.

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