# **ISRAEL NATIONAL INSURANCE INSTITUTE POVERTY REPORT: NOVEMBER** 2009 1,651,300 PEOPLE LIVE BELOW THE POVERTY LINE 783,600 ARE YOUNG CHILDREN! 420,100 FAMILIES ARE IMPOVERISHED 22.7% OF THE ELDERLY ARE DESTITUTE...

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Letter from the former Chief Rabbi of the State of Israel, Rabbi Israel Meir Lau

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Letter from the Executive Vice Chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations,

#### Malcolm Hoenlein

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