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BREAKING NEWS

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Humanitarian Aid Delegation Departs for Turkey

On the heels of the deadly 7.8 earthquake that struck Turkey and Syria this morning killing more than 3,600 and injuring thousands more, the Israel Defense Forces is sending a humanitarian aid delegation to Turkey to assist in the disaster relief effort. The death toll continues to rise, and thousands remain trapped beneath rubble. "Olive Branches" is a joint mission together with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Defense to lend their expertise in searching for survivors and treating wounded victims.

A delegation of 150 active-duty and reservist personnel led by the IDF Home Front Command and in cooperation with its Turkish and international counterparts, will depart from the Nevatim Air Force Base on an Israeli Air Force aircraft this evening. The Israeli delegation is expected to begin its search and rescue mission immediately upon arrival, while providing life-saving medical assistance to the injured. The IDF Medical Corps is preparing to send out a delegation to assemble a field hospital if it is deemed necessary.

The Home Front Command's Search and Rescue Brigade is one of FIDF's adopted units. We provide its soldiers with a full range of care, financial support, and opportunities.

We pray for the people of the devastated region, as well as the courageous soldiers who are lending aid during this time of unimaginable crisis. May their rescue mission be successful and safe.

Am Yisrael Chai.

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IDF preparing packages of aid for victims of the earthquake in Turkey. Photo credit: IDF



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