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To Whom It May Concern:

On October 25, 2010 I had the privilege of hearing a lecture from Dr. Ehud Eilam. As the programming coordinator of Harvard Students for Israel, it is my responsibility to organize Israel-related events for the Harvard community. Dr. Eilam's lecture proved to be an absolute success.

His extensive knowledge of Israeli military history was both fascinating and insightful. He answered every question with relevant facts, details, and honest analysis. His presentation was engaging, and his style was relaxed.

The lecture covered Israeli military history from 1948-1982. Dr. Eilam shared information that was compelling both for people who were entirely new to the history of the Arab-Israeli conflict, and those who had been learning about it for many years. He effectively tied the relevant historical details to current events explaining the extent to which the situation in the Middle East has changed in such a short time.

Dr. Eilam clearly has an extraordinary body of knowledge from which to share. I imagine that he could have spent many hours on each of the slides that he presented, instead of only 10-20 minutes. Many participants in the audience were so interested by the presentation that the program required an extended question and answer period.

Dr. Eilam demonstrated both passion and poise. I would highly recommend his lecture to anyone with an interest in Israel's unique history.

Sincerely,

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