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Natan Sharansky Chairman of the Executive

To: Y2I (Youth to Israel) committee

I wanted to take this opportunity to commend the NSW Jewish community for its extraordinary efforts in setting up an endowment fund for the Y2I Youth to Israel initiative. This initiative, which will provide a gift for every Jewish Grade 10 teen who participates in an organized peer experience in Israel, is an impressive way to strengthen the Jewish identity of teens in Australia and to help guarantee the continued close and passionate connection to the Land, State and People of Israel.

In particular, I strongly support the priority your community is placing on enabling every youth the opportunity to participate in a transformative experience in Israel in the critical teen identity building years.

I wish the Y2I committee the best of success in your efforts. I am proud that the Jewish Agency for Israel played a significant role in starting this initiative together with you and look forward to our continued partnership in strengthening Jewish identity and the connection to Israel in general.

B'vracha,

Natan Sharansky