Ori (The president of the university) announced:

Professor and Messrs.

The Executive Committee of the University, in continuation of a decision of the administration held this morning, presents the following updates regarding the management of the University in the near future:

In accordance with the principle guiding us-

To use all the means at our disposal to ensure the safety of the entire University community. Therefore, work will continue and be performed remotely, including employees according to hours, unless otherwise notified, except for essential or employees required to be present at the University for specific reasons by their managers. The managers and Personnel Department were instructed to act with sensitivity and flexibility and to help find good solutions.

In parallel, we opened and reviewed all the dormitories, spaces and protected areas, both on the Mount Carmel campus and the city campus, including dormitories in the students' offices. The Engineering, Infrastructure and Security Department will soon provide a detailed document to them.

The WCA (Council of University Presidents) decided today that the start of the academic year 2023-2024 will be postponed by a week, and will start on October 22, 2023.

Employees located abroad during these days and continuing their flight arrangements to return to the country are invited to approach the Personnel Department rnehama@univ.haifa.ac.il, and we will do everything in our power to assist everyone to return to Israel as soon as possible.

As stated in the previous letter, we are committed to taking care of all members of the University community who have been called up for service. We return and express hope and expectation to return to Israel and your home as soon as possible.

Given the understanding that the current circumstances do not allow detailed teaching, we decided to postpone the exams planned for the upcoming week and to cancel the seminars and review days. Also, the orientation days for new students and students who had been planned for this week are postponed to a later date, except for the orientation day of the city campus which will be conducted online (Zoom).

In addition, we opened a help line for students and students, and we are prepared to offer emotional support to anyone who needs it. The University's Comprehensive Center stood ready for the Israeli public with a helpline staffed by experienced and dedicated professionals.

The University dormitories will remain open until the beginning of the academic year for Israelis who are not students – they feel the need to move away from the areas of combat.

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For the convenience of our students and staff, as well as anyone needing assistance. You can reach us at:

Hotline for students, housing inquiries: 052-8510004.

Hotline for psychological support, the General Clinical Center: 054-4830731.

We will notify you soon.

Prof. Ron Robin, President
Prof. Guri Alroay, Rector
Sharon Zaid, Deputy President and CEO
October 9th, 2023

Dear members of the University of Haifa community,

Following an assessment conducted by the University administration this morning, here is an update on the university's operations in the near future:

To ensure the safety of our entire university community, our staff will work from home until at least the end of this week. Essential employees or those whose presence is specifically required by their managers will report to work as usual.

In addition, we have opened and updated all shelters, spaces, and protected areas, both on Mount Carmel Campus and in the City Campus, including those in the student dormitories. The Engineering and Infrastructure Division will soon distribute a detailed document regarding these areas.

The Committee of University Presidents (VERA) has decided to postpone the start of the 2023–2024 academic year by one week - to October 22, 2023.

Faculty members who are currently abroad and having difficulty scheduling flights back to Israel should contact the Human Resources Division ([rehama@univ.haifa.ac.il](mailto:rehama@univ.haifa.ac.il)). We will attempt to assist those seeking assistance as soon as possible.

As stated in our previous email, we are committed to supporting all members of the university community who have been called up for reserve duty. We look forward to your safe return.

Due to the current circumstances, we have postponed exams and canceled conferences and seminars scheduled for the coming week. The orientation days for new students have also been postponed to a later date, except for the online orientation day for the City Campus (via Zoom).

In addition, we have opened a helpline for students and will provide emotional support to those of you who may need it. The University's Interdisciplinary Clinical Center has established a hot line for mental and psychological assistance available to the general public in Israel. The line is staffed by experienced and dedicated professionals.
The university dormitories have been opened to residents of the South, students and non-students.

The following are useful phone numbers for assistance:

- Hotline for students; Inquiries regarding accommodation in the University dormitories: 0528-510004.
- Hotline for mental health for the general public: Interdisciplinary Clinical Center, 0544-830731

We will provide further updates in the coming days.

Prof. Ron Robin
President

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Rector

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Vice President and CEO