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Dear Mr Corbyn,

We are Rethink Rebuild Society, a Manchester-based Syrian advocacy and community organisation. We would like to extend our warmest congratulations to you on your re-election as leader of the Labour Party. We look forward to your continued leadership in pressing forward important social issues such as anti-racism and supporting refugees.

We would also like to take this opportunity to make a heartfelt plea for you to renew your dedication to civilian protection in Syria during these desperate times. As you are surely aware, the recent breakdown of the ceasefire in Syria saw a renewed onslaught by Russian and Syrian regime forces, notably on eastern Aleppo. Hundreds of civilians have been killed in what the UN recognises as the most intense bombing in years. This is due in part to the fact that Russian forces are using bunker-busting bombs designed to destroy fortified underground military bunkers, the result being that civilian buildings (including shelters and makeshift medical clinics) have fallen prey to these attacks. Important infrastructure has also been targeted including water facilities.

In light of these developments, we ask that you use your renewed leadership position to campaign to keep civilian protection in Syria at the heart of the Government's foreign policy agenda. The Syrian people are in dire need for the solidarity and action of our leaders. We urge you to do everything in your power on this matter.

Best regards,
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