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Ferris State University's Vice President for Academic Affairs is available to comment on the conflict in the Middle East. His contact information is included below.

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Ferris State University's Michael Harris available to comment regarding Middle East conflict

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Dr. Harris is available for comment regarding the conflict in the Middle East.

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