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## Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>New York Daily News</i>	<a href="#"><u>Laws that penalize for Israel boycotts aren't just short-sighted, they may be illegal</u></a>	SHAUN KING	Attitudes toward Israel in the US
<i>New York Post</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>Trump debunks the 'anti-Semitism' attack</u></a></p> <p>"...The Trump administration, to liberals' consternation, has become impossible to write off as anti-Israel. Trump's UN envoy, Nikki Haley, has emerged as the highest-octane defender of Israel since Daniel Patrick Moynihan...</p> <p>...If Trump does go to Israel it will be important that he avoid positioning himself between Israel and her enemies but, rather, that he shadow Israel to the hawkish side. It's a mission for which few presidents have set themselves up so well."</p>	SETH LIPSKY	US-Israel relations

## The Americas

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<i>The New York Times</i>	<a href="#"><u>Explosions Rock Damascus Airport; Syria Blames Israel</u></a>	IAN FISHER	Syria
<i>The New York Times</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>Bribe Cases, a Jared Kushner Partner and Potential Conflicts</u></a></p> <p>President Trump's son-in-law, a top adviser, had help building a real estate empire from a member of one of Israel's wealthiest families.</p>	JESSE DRUCKER	Jared Kushner, Benny Steinmetz
<i>New York Daily News</i>	<a href="#"><u>Fordham University blocked students from forming pro-Palestinian group: suit</u></a>	STEPHEN REX BROWN	Attitudes toward Israel on US college campuses

<i>New York Post</i>	<a href="#">Pro-Palestinian club sues Fordham</a>	JULIA MARSH	Attitudes toward Israel on US college campuses
<i>The Washington Post</i>	<a href="#">Five myths about the Palestinian hunger strike</a>	JULIE M. NORMAN	Palestinian prisoners
<i>Bloomberg</i>	<a href="#">Hezbollah Warehouse in Damascus Likely Hit by Israeli Strike</a>  Attack suspected to be latest by Israel against group in Syria. Strike caused only material damage, Hezbollah TV says	DONNA ABU NASR AND ALISA ODENHEIMER	Syria
<i>Bloomberg</i>	<a href="#">Key to Mideast Peace May Lurk Within the Economy (audio)</a>  Israel's economy is so innovative that it's forcing otherwise hostile Arab neighbors to look at ways they could also benefit - - and the result could eventually be a gradual normalization of relations, if all continues to go smoothly. One example: trade and collaboration in technology and intelligence are flourishing below the radar between Israel and a host of Arab states. Sure, there are a lot of caveats, and whether this will affect relations with Palestinians or Iran is another question, but just the fact that Israelis and Saudis are quietly getting along in one way is a start. Jonathan Ferziger, a reporter for Bloomberg in Tel Aviv, joins Dan and Scott to tell the story.	N/A	Economy, peace process
<i>Bloomberg</i>	<a href="#">Trump Said to Be in Discussions With Israel About May Visit</a>	JONATHAN FERZIGER AND ALISA ODENHEIMER	US-Israel relations
<i>Bloomberg</i>	<a href="#">Kushners Are Partners With One of Israel's Richest Families</a>	DAVID KOCIENIEWSKI AND CALEB MELBY	Jared Kushner, Benny Steinmetz
<i>BuzzFeed</i>	<a href="#">Israel's Prime Minister Dred His Hair And Boy, Was That A Choice</a>  What even happened to your head, Bibi.	HAYES BROWN	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>CBN</i>	<a href="#">Netanyahu Cancels Meeting with German FM on Principle</a>	TZIPPE BARROW	Germany-Israel relations
<i>Politico</i>	<a href="#">Critics ask Cuomo to bar Palestinian speaker at CUNY public health school</a>	CONOR SKELDING	Attitudes toward Israel on US college campuses
<i>CNN</i>	<a href="#">Syria: Explosion rocks Damascus airport</a>	DEBORAH BLOOM, EYAD KOURDI, HEBA MOUSSA AND MICHAEL SCHWARTZ	Syria
<i>Newsweek</i>	<a href="#">Israeli Strike Hits Iranian Arms Depot Near Damascus Airport</a>	CALLUM PATON	Syria

<i>Newsweek</i>	<a href="#"><u>Not Just the Far Right: Critics Want to Block Women's March Leader Linda Sarsour's Speech</u></a>	CHRIS RIOTTA	Attitudes toward Israel on US college campuses
<i>Newsweek</i>	<a href="#"><u>Israel Appoints First Female Judge to Muslim Court</u></a>	SOFIA LOTTO PERSIO	Women, religion-and-state
<i>Daily Nexus</i> (University of California, Santa Barbara)	<a href="#"><u>26 Student Groups Support BDS Resolution</u></a>	JOSE OCHOA	Attitudes toward Israel on US college campuses

## Europe and Australia

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Headline</b>	<b>Journalist</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<i>International Business Times</i> (UK edition)	<p><a href="#"><u>Massive explosion at Damascus airport blamed on Israeli air raid</u></a></p> <p>The blaze engulfed Damascus International Airport and the Mezzeh army base.</p>	VASUDEVAN SRIDHARAN	Syria
<i>The Spectator</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>Jewish students are turning their backs on British universities. Who can blame them?</u></a></p>	GEOFFREY ALDERMAN	Attitudes toward Israel on UK college campuses
<i>The Spectator</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>Tim Farron sacks David Ward – but the damage is already done</u></a></p> <p>"...The former Lib Dem MP was forced to apologise in 2013 for saying he was 'saddened that the Jews could within a few years of liberation from the death camps, be inflicting atrocities on Palestinians', and previously tweeted: 'If I lived in Gaza, would I fire a rocket? – probably yes'. With this in mind, Ward's return hardly seemed to go with Farron's claim that his party offers a 'warm home' for Jews left alienated by Labour's anti-semitism scandal..."</p>	KATY BALLS	Israel in UK politics
<i>New Statesman</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>Tim Farron sacks former MP David Ward</u></a></p> <p>The Liberal Democrat leader said Ward's remarks made him "unfit" to stand.</p> <p>"...Although Ward has been involved in anti-racism organisations, he has courted controversy with his conflation of Jews with Israel, his questioning of Israel's right to exist, and his tweet in the aftermath of the Charlie Hebdo attack, in which French Jews were targeted, that 'Je suis #Palestinian'.</p> <p>While the anti-Semitism row threatened to knock the Lib Dem's early election campaign off course, Farron's decision may help him avoid the ongoing saga haunting the rival Labour party. In April, Labour decided not to expel Ken Livingstone for his claim that Adolf Hitler supported Zionism 'before he went mad and ended up killing six million Jews'..."</p>	JULI RAMPEN	Israel in UK politics

<i>Daily Mail</i>	<p><a href="#">Tim Farron SACKS David Ward as the Lib Dem candidate for Bradford East after storm of criticism over his anti-Semitic views</a></p> <p>Lib Dem leader had earlier branded the selection 'wrong' when it emerged. Farron fired the Bradford East candidate within hours of it being announced. Ward was re-selected by Lib Dem activists to try and win back the constituency. The former MP has been suspended from the party over anti-Semitism claims</p>	TIM SCULTHORPE	Israel in UK politics
<i>Daily Express</i>	<p><a href="#">Tim Farron SACKS election candidate following Liberal Democrat anti-Semitism row</a></p> <p>TIM FARRON has sacked a Liberal Democrat general election candidate following an anti-Semitism row.</p>	GREG HEFFER	Israel in UK politics
<i>Daily Express</i>	<p><a href="#">Controversial NUS president replaced after labelling university a 'Zionist outpost'</a></p> <p>THE president of the National Union of Students is being replaced after it emerged she co-authored an article describing a UK university as a 'Zionist outpost'.</p>	REBECCA FLOOD	Attitudes toward Israel on UK college campuses
<i>Daily Mirror</i>	<p><a href="#">Lib Dems SACK candidate in anti-Semitism storm saying he is 'unfit to represent the party'</a></p> <p>Lib Dem leader Tim Farron - who took the decision - said David Ward's past comments were "anti-Semitic" and he is "unfit to represent the party"</p>	NICOLA BARTLETT	Israel in UK politics
<i>Herald</i> (Scotland)	<p><a href="#">Tim Farron sacks Lib Dem election candidate in anti-Semitism row after pressure from Theresa May</a></p>	MICHAEL SETTLE	Israel in UK politics
<i>The Guardian</i>	<p><a href="#">Israel suggests it was behind Damascus airport blast</a></p> <p>Intelligence minister appears to confirm that Syria explosion was Israeli strike on Hezbollah arms hub</p>	PETER BEAUMONT	Syria
<i>The Daily Telegraph</i>	<p><a href="#">Damascus airport rocked by huge explosion after suspected Israeli air strike against Hizbollah</a></p>	JOSIE ENSOR	Syria
<i>The Daily Telegraph</i>	<p><a href="#">Charity commission investigates universities over antisemitism worries</a></p> <p>"The Charity Commission is looking into claims of antisemitism in Universities after growing support for BDS has reportedly caused the problem to grow.</p> <p>By supporting the controversial movement, the universities could be breaking the law, because Student Unions are registered charities bound to represent the interests and welfare of their students..."</p>	HELENA HORTON	Attitudes toward Israel on UK college campuses
<i>Telegraph &amp; Argus</i> (Bradford)	<p><a href="#">Bradford East candidate David Ward 'sacked' by Liberal Democrats over antisemitism after Tim Farron grilled at PMQs</a></p>	CLAIRE WILDE	Israel in UK politics

<i>The Independent</i>	<a href="#">UK refuses to apologise to Palestinians for Balfour Declaration and says it is 'proud of role in creating Israel'</a>  British Government says it is 'proud of our role in creating the State of Israel'	LIZZIE DEARDEN	Balfour Declaration
<i>The Independent</i>	<a href="#">Lib Dems sack candidate and former MP David Ward after 'antisemitism' accusations</a>  The sacking comes after the PM questioned the candidate's record	JON STONE	Israel in UK politics
<i>BBC</i>	<a href="#">Syria conflict: 'Huge explosion' rocks Damascus airport</a>	N/A	Syria
<i>BBC</i>	<a href="#">Concerns raised over students' unions' anti-Israel stance</a>	JON IRONMONGER	Attitudes toward Israel on UK college campuses
<i>Sky News</i>	<a href="#">Lib Dems drop 'anti-Semitic' candidate David Ward</a>  Tim Farron sacks an "anti-Semitic" Lib Dem candidate after being attacked over the issue by the PM in the House of Commons.	JON CRAIG	Israel in UK politics
<i>The Cambridge Student</i>	<a href="#">NUS faces fresh charges of anti-Semitism</a>	NOELLA CHYE	Attitudes toward Israel on UK college campuses
<i>TASS</i>	<a href="#">Russia and Israel agree to bolster cooperation in fighting terrorism</a>  Shoigu noted that Israel, just like Russia, has first-hand knowledge of the terrorism issue	N/A	Russia-Israel relations
<i>Sputnik</i>	<a href="#">Russia's Shoigu Hopes Russia, Israel Can Cooperate on Boosting Anti-Terror Fight</a>  Russian Defense Minister said that cooperation between Russia and Israel will be aimed at strengthening the fight against terrorism and furthering coordination of actions in Syria.	N/A	Russia-Israel relations
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<a href="#">Palestinian urges MPs worldwide to back hunger strike</a>  Jailed lawmaker calls on counterparts across globe to support mass hunger strike by Palestinian prisoners	N/A	Palestinian prisoners
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<a href="#"> Hamas to unveil landmark 'political document' on May 1</a>  It remains unclear whether promised document will replace group's 1988 founding charter	YASSER AL-BANNA AND ALI ABO REZEG	Hamas
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<a href="#">Israel forgives Daesh for attack following 'apology'</a>  Tel Aviv 'absorbs' accidental attack by Daesh after terrorist group issues 'apology' for it, ex-defense minister says	KAAMIL AHMED	Daesh

<i>The Sydney Morning Herald</i>	<a href="#">Israeli-American teen arrested over Australian school bomb hoax calls</a>	RACHEL OLDING	Crime
<i>ABC</i>	<a href="#">Syrian war: Israel hints it was responsible for Damascus airport explosion</a>	SOPHIE MCNEILL	Syria

## Wire Services

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Headline</b>	<b>Journalist</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<i>AFP</i>	<a href="#">Syria accuses Israel of strike near Damascus airport</a>	MAHER AL MOUNES WITH RANA MOUSSAOUI	Syria
<i>AFP</i>	<a href="#">Israel uncovers ancient Roman history at Mediterranean port</a>	N/A	Archaeology
<i>AP</i>	<a href="#">Syrian media: Israel attacked installation near Damascus</a>	PHILIP ISSA	Syria
<i>AP</i>	<a href="#">Abbas to stop funding electricity in Hamas-run Gaza: Israel</a>	N/A	Palestinian politics
<i>AP</i>	<a href="#">Hamas in Gaza says it won't be cowed by Abbas' threats</a>	MOHAMMED DARAGHMEH	Palestinian politics
<i>AP</i>	<a href="#">Israel says it repelled a wide-ranging cyberattack</a>	N/A	Cyberwarfare
<i>AP</i>	<a href="#">Merkel spokesman backs German minister in Israel visit spat</a>	N/A	Germany-Israel relations
<i>Reuters</i>	<a href="#">Archaeologists restore ancient Roman temple in Israeli port</a>	ARI RABINOVITCH AND RINAT HARASH	Archaeology
<i>Reuters</i>	<a href="#">Israel strikes Iran-supplied arms depot near Damascus airport</a>	SULEIMAN AL-KHALIDI AND ANGUS MCDOWALL	Syria
<i>Reuters</i>	<a href="#">Palestinian Authority halts its payments for Israeli electricity for Gaza: Israel</a>	JEFFREY HELLER	Palestinian politics
<i>Reuters</i>	<a href="#">Israel seeks U.S. backing to avert permanent Iran foothold in Syria</a>	MATT SPETALNICK AND MATT HOSENBALL	Syria, Iran, US-Israel relations

<i>Reuters</i>	<a href="#">Israel's "Checkpoint O": a daily hurdle for Palestinians</a>	MIRIAM BERGER	West Bank
<i>Reuters</i>	<a href="#">Israel, White House discussing Trump visit: Israeli official</a>	ORI LEWIS	US-Israel relations
<i>Reuters</i>	<a href="#">Finance chief quits drugmaker Teva, leaving another gap at top</a>	STEVEN SCHEER	Economy
<i>Xinhua</i>	<a href="#">Israel shells Hamas post in retaliation for gunshots from Gaza</a>	N/A	Hamas, Gaza
<i>Xinhua</i>	<a href="#">Palestinians strike in solidarity with protesting prisoners</a>	N/A	Palestinian prisoners
<i>Xinhua</i>	<a href="#">Syria confirms Israeli attack near Damascus int'l airport</a>	N/A	Syria
<i>Xinhua</i>	<a href="#">Israel, Washington discuss potential Trump visit: Israeli official</a>	N/A	US-Israel relations

## Middle East

### Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Headline</b>	<b>Journalist</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<i>Al Ahram</i>	<a href="#">All of us are siding with the Palestinian captives</a>  The ongoing hunger strike of over 1,000 Palestinian captives is one of the strongest weapons they hold in the face of Israeli oppression	MUSTAFA BARGHOUTI	Palestinian prisoners
<i>The National</i>	<a href="#">Germany's robust Israel relations</a>  The controversy over Germany support of Israeli leftist groups belies Berlin's actual role	EDITORIAL	Germany-Israel relations
<i>The Jordan Times</i>	<a href="#">Whose bias?</a>	EDITORIAL	UN

## General Articles

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>Al Jazeera</i>	<a href="#"><u>Critics blast US shipment of fighter jets to Israel</u></a>  Israel is the first country outside the US to get access to the F-35 warplane, the most expensive ever developed.	JONATHAN COOK	US-Israel relations
<i>The Jordan Times</i>	<a href="#"><u>Palestinian cause was highlight of US visit, King says</u></a>	JORDAN TIMES	Jordan
<i>The Jordan Times</i>	<a href="#"><u>Jordan, Palestine discuss transport sector</u></a>	JORDAN TIMES	Jordan-Palestinian relations

## The World Jewish Press

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<i>JNS</i>	<a href="#"><u>J Street embraces an Israeli settlement</u></a>	STEPHEN M. FLATOW	J Street
<i>The Jewish Press</i> (NYC)	<a href="#"><u>Trump/Abbas Meeting: The Possibilities</u></a>	EDITORIAL	US-Palestinian relations
<i>The Jewish Press</i> (NYC)	<a href="#"><u>The Unacceptable Behavior of the German Foreign Minister</u></a>	ISI LEIBLER	Germany-Israel relations
<i>The Jewish Press</i> (NYC)	<a href="#"><u>How New is the New Hamas Charter?</u></a>	DENIS MACEOIN	Hamas
<i>The Jewish Press</i> (NYC)	<a href="#"><u>Hamas: The New Charter That Isn't</u></a>	BASSAM TAWIL	Hamas
<i>The Jewish Exponent</i> (Philadelphia)	<a href="#"><u>A New Dawn at the U.N.?</u></a>	EDITORIAL	UN
<i>The Jewish Journal of Greater Los Angeles</i>	<a href="#"><u>Even the experts are turning on the West Bank occupation</u></a>	ROB ESHMAN	West Bank, settlements
<i>Jewish News</i> (UK)	<a href="#"><u>Why I sacked David Ward</u></a>	TIM FARRON, MP	Israel in UK politics



<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	<a href="#">The Israel trade bonanza we could enjoy</a>  UK-Israel trade could be worth billions more, if we build on the potential	HENRY NEWMAN	UK-Israel relations
<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	<a href="#">Ward sacked – but why did it take the Liberal Democrats so long?</a>  Farron's desire to tackle antisemitism has been there all along, but his party's complex disciplinary rules caused an embarrassing delay	MARCUS DYSCH	Israel in UK politics

## General Articles

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Headline</b>	<b>Journalist</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<i>JTA</i>	<a href="#">Former NBA star Amar'e Stoudemire is studying Hebrew</a>	JOSEFIN DOLSTEN	Sports
<i>JNS</i>	<a href="#">Are Israel's tax reforms a precursor to early elections?</a>	ALEX TRAIMAN	Economy, politics
<i>The New York Jewish Week</i>	<a href="#">Sharp Debate Over CUNY Graduation Speaker</a>  Choice of Linda Sarsour touches off anger, reveals divisions.	STEWART AIN	Attitudes toward Israel on US college campuses
<i>The New York Jewish Week</i>	<a href="#">Face-To-Face In The Desert With Ben-Gurion</a>  In 'Epilogue,' six hours of film interviews with David Ben-Gurion create a soulful portrait of Israel's first prime minister.	SANDEE BRAWARSKY	David Ben-Gurion
<i>Forward</i> (NYC)	<a href="#">Israeli Minister Fudges European History In Auschwitz Speech</a>	NATHAN GUTTMAN	Naftali Bennett
<i>Forward</i> (NYC)	<a href="#">Universal Studios Says Gaza War Wasn't A War In Bizarre Insurance Fight</a>	AIDEN PINK	Attitudes toward Israel in the US
<i>The Wisconsin Jewish Chronicle</i>	<a href="#">Students: Ethics aside, Madison Student Council criticizes Israel</a>	RON GOLUB	Attitudes toward Israel on US college campuses
<i>The Wisconsin Jewish Chronicle</i>	<a href="#">Second vote held after Madison divestment fails</a>	WJC STAFF	Attitudes toward Israel on US college campuses
<i>The Canadian Jewish News</i>	<a href="#">Daringness of Israeli cinema reflects society's vibrancy</a>	SARA HAROWITZ	The arts

<i>Jewish News</i> (UK)	<a href="#">David Ward removed as a candidate by Lib Dems</a>  Tim Farron says the former MP is ‘unfit to represent the party and I have sacked him’, amid widespread criticism following his selection as a candidate	N/A	Israel in UK politics
<i>Jewish News</i> (UK)	<a href="#">Good riddance! Malia ‘Zionist outpost’ Bouattia loses NUS bid</a>  Jewish students welcome the ousting of anti-Israel president, as she loses to new leader Shakira Martin	JEWISH NEWS REPORTER	Attitudes toward Israel on UK college campuses
<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	<a href="#">Soas director urged to call off campus visit by Israeli ambassador</a>  It has been more than a decade since an Israeli diplomat has visited the university.	LIANNE KOLLRIN	Attitudes toward Israel on UK college campuses
<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	<a href="#">Bath students reject Israel boycott</a>  Hundreds vote against the controversial motion.	LIANNE KOLLRIN	Attitudes toward Israel on UK college campuses
<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	<a href="#">David Ward sacked by Lib Dems</a>  Mr Ward had intended to stand as a Lib Dem candidate in Bradford East, where he lost his seat at the 2015 election	ROSA DOHERTY	Israel in UK politics
<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	<a href="#">Malia Bouattia loses NUS presidential election</a>  NUS Vice President Shakira Martin wins, taking 56 percent of the vote in the first round.	DANIEL SUGARMAN	Attitudes toward Israel on UK college campuses
<i>The Australian Jewish News</i>	<a href="#">Frydenberg in Israel</a>	NATHAN JEFFAY	Australia-Israel relations

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