

# Israel in the News



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## Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

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| <i>Huffington Post</i> | <a href="#"><u>Israel's Bad PR: Our Fault – and Theirs...</u></a><br><br>We need Israeli policies that are good, not policies to make Israel look good.   | GIL TROY              | Hasbara                                |
| <i>Daily Beast</i>     | <a href="#"><u>Israel Boycott Backlash: 'This Is Not the DSA I Founded'</u></a><br><br>With Bernie Sanders' loss and Donald Trump's win, the Democratic Socialists of America has tripled in size since 2016—and alienated some of its original members in the process. | RONALD RADOSH         | Attitudes toward Israel in the US, BDS |
| <i>Miami Herald</i>    | <a href="#"><u>In Israel, religious differences don't always lead to ugly conflict</u></a>  | URI DROMI             | Jerusalem                              |
| <i>Newsweek</i>        | <a href="#"><u>Tel Aviv Diary: Did Bibi Netanyahu Take Bribes?</u></a><br><br>The prime minister's chief of staff has given a statement in exchange for a plea deal.  | MARC SCHULMAN         | Benjamin Netanyahu                     |
| <i>Anadolu Agency</i>  | <a href="#"><u>In Israel too, democracy 'has its limits'</u></a><br><br>By threatening to shut down Al Jazeera's offices, Israel appears to be taking page from its professed enemies' playbook   | HUSSAIN ABDUL HUSSAIN | Al Jazeera                             |

## The Americas

| Publication                         | Headline   | Journalist         | Topic  |
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| <i>The New York Times</i>           | <a href="#"><u>Jordan's King, Spurred by Jerusalem Mosque Crisis, Meets With Palestinian Leader</u></a>  | ISABEL KERSHNER    | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>The Washington Times</i>         | <a href="#"><u>Legal pressures threaten to end 11-year rule of Israel's Netanyahu</u></a>  | LAURA KELLY        | Benjamin Netanyahu                                       |
| <i>Huffington Post</i>              | <a href="#"><u>Pressure Mounts On Netanyahu As Israeli Corruption Probes Intensify</u></a><br><br>The prime minister has been ordered to disclose calls with publishers, and a former top aide has turned state's witness. | NICK ROBINS-EARLY  | Benjamin Netanyahu                                       |
| <i>Los Angeles Times</i>            | <a href="#"><u>Jordan's King Abdullah II makes rare visit to West Bank after Jerusalem shrine crisis</u></a>   | NOGA TARNOPOLSKY   | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Los Angeles Times</i>            | <a href="#"><u>No, Banksy isn't the artist behind the West Bank Trump murals</u></a>   | ALEXANDRA ZAVIS    | West Bank security barrier, the arts                     |
| <i>The Hill</i>                     | <a href="#"><u>Israel attorney general likely to indict Sara Netanyahu: report</u></a>   | MALLORY SHELBOURNE | Sara Netanyahu   |
| <i>The Hill</i>                     | <a href="#"><u>Israeli court orders Netanyahu to disclose calls with GOP donor Sheldon Adelson</u></a>   | MALLORY SHELBOURNE | Benjamin Netanyahu                                       |
| <i>International Business Times</i> | <a href="#"><u>Archaeologists Find Ancient City Where Jesus Christ's Apostles Were Born</u></a>  | ELANA GLOWATZ      | Archaeology  |
| <i>International Business Times</i> | <a href="#"><u>Why Israel Wants To Shut Down Al Jazeera In The Country</u></a>   | SHUBHAM KISHORE    | Al Jazeera   |
| <i>Vox</i>                          | <a href="#"><u>Israel wants to close Al Jazeera and ban its journalists because of "incitement"</u></a>  | LINDSAY MAIZLAND   | Al Jazeera   |
| <i>CBN</i>                          | <a href="#"><u>Trump, Netanyahu Hounded by 'Fake News'</u></a>   | TZIPPE BARROW      | Benjamin Netanyahu                                       |
| <i>CBN</i>                          | <a href="#"><u>Jordanian King Pays Rare Visit to P.A. over Temple Mount</u></a>  | JULIE STAHL        | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |

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| <i>Fox News</i>                                 | <a href="#"><u>Lost Roman city that was home to Jesus' apostles found, say archaeologists</u></a>   | JAMES ROGERS    | Archaeology         |
| <i>The Journal Gazette</i> (Fort Wayne IN, USA) | <a href="#"><u>Banks part of visit to Israel</u></a><br>Congressional GOP delegation's trip this week   | BRIAN FRANCISCO | US-Israel relations |
| <i>Newsweek</i>                                 | <a href="#"><u>Everyone Seems to Hate Al Jazeera So It's Fighting Back</u></a><br>The closure of Al Jazeera in Jerusalem followed criticism by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. | CALLUM PATON    | Al Jazeera          |
| <i>Variety</i>                                  | <a href="#"><u>Al Jazeera Under Fire in Israel, Calls Closure Attempt 'Undemocratic'</u></a>  | NICK VIVARELLI  | Al Jazeera          |

## Europe and Australia

| <b>Publication</b>                               | <b>Headline</b>  | <b>Journalist</b> | <b>Topic</b>           |
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| <i>Financial Times</i>                           | <a href="#"><u>Mexichem to buy Israeli irrigation specialist Netafim</u></a><br>Chemicals group to spend \$1.5bn for majority stake as farming embraces new technology   | JOHN REED         | Economy                |
| <i>International Business Times</i> (UK edition) | <a href="#"><u>Why is Israel banning the Qatar-based Al Jazeera media network?</u></a><br>Israel latest country in the Middle East to block Qatar-funded network amid ongoing Gulf crisis.   | LUDOVICA IACCINO  | Al Jazeera             |
| <i>Daily Mail</i>                                | <a href="#"><u>'It is the main tool of ISIS': Israel closes Al-Jazeera's Jerusalem office and accuses news network of working for terrorist organisations</u></a><br>Israeli government to close offices of news network Al-Jazeera. Government will also move to ban the network from broadcasting in Israel. Communications Minister called Al-Jazeera 'the main tool of Daesh [ISIS]'. Al-Jazeera has denounced the decision, calling it undemocratic | SARA MALM         | Al Jazeera             |
| <i>The Independent</i>                           | <a href="#"><u>The lost home of Jesus' Apostles may have been found, archaeologists reveal</u></a><br>Roman city of Julias existed on the northern shore of the Sea of Galilee, experts believe  | NARJAS ZATAT      | Archaeology            |
| <i>BBC</i>                                       | <a href="#"><u>Israel decision to revoke attacker's citizenship condemned</u></a>  | N/A               | Israeli Arab terrorism |

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| <i>Sky News</i>                 | <a href="#">Al Jazeera attacks Israel bureau shutdown as 'undemocratic'</a><br><br>Israel plans to block Al Jazeera broadcasts and close its local bureau over claims the channel is "supporting terrorism". | N/A             | Al Jazeera   |
| <i>Cycling News</i>             | <a href="#">2018 Giro d'Italia to start with time trial in Old Jerusalem</a><br><br>Three stages planned in Israel, official announcement expected September 18  | N/A             | Sports   |
| <i>Hurriyet</i>                 | <a href="#">Israel claims transfer of funds to Hamas through Turkey</a>  | N/A             | Turkey, Hamas  |
| <i>Anadolu Agency</i>           | <a href="#">Jordanian king in Ramallah after Al-Aqsa crisis</a><br><br>Jordan retains custody of the Al-Aqsa mosque through an Islamic endowment, known as the Waqf  | KAAMIL AHMED    | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Anadolu Agency</i>           | <a href="#">Al Jazeera slams Israeli move to ban network</a><br><br>Al Jazeera said it will take all necessary legal measures toward any Israeli ban   | MAHMOUD BARAKAT | Al Jazeera   |
| <i>9news.com.au</i> (Australia) | <a href="#">Alleged gifts from James Packer to Israeli PM's family under scrutiny</a>  | RICHARD WOOD    | Benjamin Netanyahu                                       |

## Wire Services

| <b>Publication</b> | <b>Headline</b>   | <b>Journalist</b>                | <b>Topic</b>   |
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| <i>AFP</i>         | <a href="#">Israel's Al-Jazeera move sends 'chilling message': Amnesty</a>  | N/A                              | Al Jazeera   |
| <i>AFP</i>         | <a href="#">'Anti-Arab' Israeli team wins anti-racism award</a>             | N/A                              | Sports   |
| <i>AFP</i>         | <a href="#">Jordanian king backs Palestinian leader in rare visit</a>       | SHATHA YAISH AND HOSSAM EZZEDINE | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>AFP</i>         | <a href="#">Birthplace of Apostle Peter found in Israel: archaeologist</a>  | N/A                              | Archaeology  |
| <i>AFP</i>         | <a href="#">Israel to strip Arab attacker of citizenship for first time</a> | N/A                              | Israeli Arab terrorism                                   |
| <i>AP</i>          | <a href="#">Israel military says helicopter crashes, killing 1 pilot</a>    | N/A                              | IDF  |

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| <i>AP</i>      | <a href="#">US urges UN force in Lebanon to prevent Hezbollah weapons</a>                  | EDITH M. LEDERER             | UN, Lebanon, Hezbollah                                   |
| <i>AP</i>      | <a href="#">Israeli court: Netanyahu must show call logs with US backer</a>                | N/A                          | Benjamin Netanyahu                                       |
| <i>AP</i>      | <a href="#">Jordan king in rare West Bank trip seen as message to Israel</a>               | KARIN LAUB AND IYAD MOGHRABI | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Reuters</i> | <a href="#">Jordan's King Abdullah discusses holy site tensions in Ramallah</a>            | ALI SAWAFTA                  | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Reuters</i> | <a href="#">Israeli "binary options" ban set for final parliamentary vote</a>              | ARI RABINOVITCH              | Crime  |
| <i>Reuters</i> | <a href="#">Reign of sewage in biblical valley may be coming to an end</a>                 | ARI RABINOVITCH              | Environment, peace process                               |
| <i>Xinhua</i>  | <a href="#">Arab League slams repeated Israeli incursions into Al-Aqsa Mosque compound</a> | N/A                          | Jerusalem, Arab League                                   |
| <i>Xinhua</i>  | <a href="#">Jordan king reaffirms support to Palestinians in talks with Abbas</a>          | N/A                          | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Xinhua</i>  | <a href="#">Israel strips Arab Israeli attacker of citizenship in first such ruling</a>    | N/A                          | Israeli Arab terrorism                                   |
| <i>Xinhua</i>  | <a href="#">Israeli settlers storm Joseph's tomb in Napes</a>                              | N/A                          | West Bank  |
| <i>Xinhua</i>  | <a href="#">Israeli forces arrest 10 Palestinians in West Bank</a>                         | N/A                          | West Bank  |

## Asia and Africa

### General Articles

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| <i>Deccan Herald</i> (India) | <a href="#">Valley, look at Israel to count blessings</a> | LALIT MOHAN       | India-Israel relations |

# Middle East

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| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | <a href="#"><u>What is behind Israel's attempt to ban Al Jazeera?</u></a><br><br>Does Netanyahu need a smoke screen for his corruption scandal or is there a more sinister reason for banning Al Jazeera? | MARK LEVINE | Al Jazeera |

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| <i>Al Jazeera</i>       | <a href="#"><u>Amnesty: Israel's ban on Al Jazeera a 'brazen attack'</u></a><br><br>Rights group says move to shut network's Jerusalem operation demonstrates Israel's intolerance over criticism.                         | N/A          | Al Jazeera   |
| <i>Ashraq Alawsat</i>   | <a href="#"><u>Abbas to Gradually Cut Gaza's Annual Budget</u></a>   | KIFAH ZIBOUN | Palestinian politics                                     |
| <i>The Jordan Times</i> | <a href="#"><u>King meets Abbas in Ramallah, pledges constant support</u></a><br><br>President gives credit to Jordan for defusing Al Aqsa crisis  | JORDAN TIMES | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Gulf News</i>        | <a href="#"><u>Jordan's King Abdullah in rare visit to Palestine</u></a><br><br>Abdullah's visit comes two weeks after sizzling tensions surrounding Al Haram Al Sharif  | GULF NEWS    | Jordan-Palestinian Authority-Israel relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Gulf News</i>        | <a href="#"><u>Warning after Jews buy up strategic real estate in Jerusalem's Old City</u></a><br><br>Colonist group seeking to boost Jewish numbers uses trickery and fraud to purchase buildings near Al Haram Al Sharif | GULF NEWS    | Jerusalem  |

# The World Jewish Press

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| <i>Tablet</i>                    | <a href="#"><u>Disgrace and the Democratic Socialists of America</u></a><br><br>With a vote for BDS, one part of the left heads for oblivion   | PAUL BERMAN                              | Attitudes toward Israel in the US, BDS              |
| <i>Forward</i> (NYC)             | <a href="#"><u>We Asked Two College Kids to Debate BDS. Here's What Happened</u></a>   | RAVIL ASHIROV AND SAMI RAHAMIM           | Attitudes toward Israel on US college campuses, BDS |
| <i>Forward</i> (NYC)             | <a href="#"><u>The Azaria Affair: How Israel's Leadership Betrayed Democracy</u></a>   | AMICHAH COHEN AND IDIT SHAFRAN-GITTLEMAN | Hebron incident, IDF                                |
| <i>Forward</i> (NYC)             | <a href="#"><u>Why JNF's Split from KKL Is Actually Good for Everyone</u></a>  | ALON TAL                                 | JNF-KKL   |
| <i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK) | <a href="#"><u>Netanyahu hurt by Al Aqsa backtrack</u></a><br><br>The Israeli PM feels the need to shore up his hard-right political base  | ANSHEL PFEFFER                           | Politics, Benjamin Netanyahu                        |
| <i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK) | <a href="#"><u>The Israeli government can be seen as radically anti-Zionist</u></a><br><br>The aim of Zionism aim is the establishment, development, and growth of a state in which Jews are a solid majority and the non-Jewish minority has equal rights | YEHUDA BAUER                             | Zionism, peace process                              |

## General Articles

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| <i>Tablet</i> | <a href="#"><u>Israeli MKs Grapple with Life's Great Mystery: Can Electricity Be Kosher?</u></a><br><br>How to avoid using power that comes from stations that work on Shabbat? Invent a new kind of strictly kosher grid, some haredi lawmakers say. | SOPHIE AROESTY | Religion-and-state, economy             |
| <i>Tablet</i> | <a href="#"><u>How Netanyahu Helped Putin Hack the U.S. Election in 2016</u></a><br><br>It might seem like a conspiracy theory on the surface, but a closer look reveals some troubling connections   | YAIR ROSENBERG | Benjamin Netanyahu, conspiracy theories |

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| <i>Forward</i> (NYC)             | <a href="#"><u>Evangelicals, Right Wingers, Prove Dominance Over AIPAC In Senate Vote</u></a>   | NATHAN GUTTMAN | Attitudes toward Israel in the US, Israel in US politics, US-Israel relations, Palestinian terrorism |
| <i>Forward</i> (NYC)             | <a href="#"><u>Times Review of Mossad-Organized Eichmann Exhibit Sparks Right-Wing Backlash</u></a>   | DANIEL WITKIN  | Attitudes toward Israel in the US  |
| <i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK) | <a href="#"><u>Leaders back Israeli culture at Edinburgh</u></a><br><br>Nicola Sturgeon, Ruth Davidson and Kezia Dugdale all pledged to support the International Shalom Festival, ahead of the start of the three-day celebration this week. | LEE HARPIN     | Attitudes toward Israel in the UK, the arts  |

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