

DAILY FOREIGN MEDIA SURVEY



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The Americas

Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

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| <i>National Interest</i> | <p><u>Peace, War or Chaos?: The 5 Big National Security Challenges of 2018</u></p> <p>Will North Korea conduct an atmospheric test? Will the frozen conflict in Ukraine turn hot? Daniel DePetris makes his predictions for 2018</p> <p>“...The Two-State Solution Is Buried</p> <p>Whether one agrees or disagrees with President Trump’s decision to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, the announcement seems to have killed the prospects of the United States as a mediator to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Even if Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas expected deep down in his psyche that Trump would begin the process of moving the U.S. embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, he appears genuinely upset. Washington’s traditional role as the broker of the Mideast peace process is gone in Abbas’s mind, as is any peace formula the Trump administration finally publishes. In case the White House thought Abbas was just cooling off, he reiterated yet again that ‘[t]he United States has proven to be a dishonest mediator in the peace process and we will no longer accept any plan from the United States.’</p> <p>In 2018, senior adviser Jared Kushner will release the administration’s Mideast peace parameters to the world. President Trump himself will attempt to market it as the product of a year’s worth of listening to all parties and debate among the inter-agency. Abbas will criticize the plan as too biased towards Israel’s position, and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu will applaud the president’s effort while putting the responsibility of resuming of the peace process in Ramallah’s court. If Washington is lucky, the Palestinians will drop their refusal to participate in a U.S.-led process and go through the motions—only for the entire thing to break down over prisoner releases, Israeli settlement building and the municipal boundaries of who controls what in Jerusalem...” If the two-state solution doesn’t die completely, Washington’s role in its foundation will be surpassed by France, the European Union and Russia.</p> | DANIEL R. DEPETRIS | Peace process |

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| <i>Huffington Post</i> | Iran and Obama's Folly | JOSEF OLMERT | US-Iran relations |
| <i>Pittsburgh Tribune-Review</i> | U.N. watch — the Jerusalem vote in perspective | EDITORIAL | UN, Jerusalem |

General Articles

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| <i>The New York Times</i> | Coming Out in Lebanon Correction: December 31, 2017 An earlier version of this article misstated the exceptionality of Lebanon in the Middle East. While Lebanon is an exception in the Arab world, it is not an exception in the Middle East; in Israel, gay, bisexual and transgender people have widespread rights and freedoms. | LAURA BOUSHNAK & MONA BOSHNAQ | Lebanon, LGBT |
| <i>New York Post</i> | Rabbi calls Lorde a bigot in full-page WaPo ad | TODD VENEZIA | BDS |
| <i>The Washington Post</i> | NBA apologizes for calling Palestinian territories 'Palestine — occupied' | AMANDA ERICKSON | Sports, West Bank |
| <i>Los Angeles Times</i> | Palestinian Authority recalls its envoy to the United States | NOGA TARNOPOLSKY | Palestinian Authority, peace process, Jerusalem |
| <i>Newsweek</i> | Israel Will Spend \$72 Million Against BDS Movement The Israeli government will set up a non-profit to combat the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions movement in the court of public opinion. | CARLOS BALLESTEROS | BDS |

Europe, Australia and New Zealand

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| <i>BBC News</i> | Palestinians recall envoy to US | N/A | Palestinian Authority, peace process, Jerusalem |
| <i>The Guardian</i> | Lorde called a bigot over Israel stance in full-page Washington Post ad | N/A | BDS |

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| <i>The Guardian</i> | Iran's enemies would be wise not to wish for regime change Israel's prime minister, who has built a career demonising Iran as an existential threat, urged them [Israeli politicians] to pipe down – presumably concerned that Iran's leaders could turn their wrath on Israel. If Netanyahu fears a backlash, he is probably wise to do so. Unlike Trump and Pence, Israel is in the firing line if matters get out of hand. | SIMON TISDALL | Iran |
| <i>The Independent</i> | Palestinians recall US envoy 'for consultations' after Donald Trump's recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital | JON SHARMAN | Palestinian Authority, peace process, Jerusalem |
| <i>Daily Mail</i> | Oh Lorde! Kiwi singer is called a 'bigot' in controversial The Washington Post ad... after cancelling her Tel Aviv show | CHLOE_LEE LONGHETTI | BDS |
| <i>London Evening Standard</i> | Palestinians recall US envoy over Donald Trump's Jerusalem decision | MARTIN COULTER | Palestinian Authority-US relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Anadolu Agency</i> | Likud Party approves annexation of W. Bank settlements Ruling party calls for making Israeli sovereignty and laws dominant in Jewish settlements of Palestine's West Bank | TURGUT ALP BOYRAZ | Politics |
| <i>Anadolu Agency</i> | Israel seized 2,500 acres of Palestinian land in 2017 Jewish settlements in West Bank and East Jerusalem increase by three times in 2017: Israeli, Palestinian institutions | ESHAT FIRAT | West Bank |
| <i>Anadolu Agency</i> | Israel arrested more than 6,000 Palestinians in 2017 Palestine Liberation Organization-linked organizations issue joint statement on New Year's Eve | MAHMUT GELDI | Palestinian prisoners |
| <i>The Sydney Morning Herald</i> | Pro-Israel group calls Lorde a 'bigot' in full-page ad in Washington Post | AAP | BDS |
| <i>TV New Zealand</i> | Lorde accused of anti-semitism in full page Washington Post ad as fallout from cancelled Israel concert continues A full-page advertisement has been taken out in the Washington Post calling Kiwi musician Lorde a bigot and accusing New Zealand of prejudice against Israel. | N/A | BDS |

Wire Services

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| <i>AFP</i> | Complaints over 'intimidating' Arabic signs for hit Israeli TV show | N/A | The arts |

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| <i>AFP</i> | Palestinians recall envoy to US to consult over Jerusalem move | N/A | Peace process, Jerusalem |
| <i>AFP</i> | Israel ruling party votes for push to annex West Bank | N/A | Politics, West Bank |
| <i>AP</i> | Palestinians call back envoy to US for talks on future ties | N/A | Peace process, Jerusalem |
| <i>AP</i> | Israeli minister wishes Iranian protesters 'success' | N/A | Iran |
| <i>Reuters</i> | Israeli pipeline, once a link to Iran, will remain a mystery | N/A | EAPC, Iran |
| <i>Reuters</i> | Likud party calls for de-facto annexation of Israeli settlements | RAMI AMICHAY | Politics, West Bank |
| <i>Reuters</i> | Israeli minister encourages Iran protests, says Israel is not involved | DAN WILLIAMS | Iran, Politics |
| <i>Reuters</i> | Israel's Rami Levi to buy 20 percent of Cofix coffee chain | TOVA COHEN | Business |
| <i>Xinhua</i> | Blockade makes 2017 "worst" year for Gaza Strip: report | ZHOU XIN | Gaza, Economy |
| <i>Xinhua</i> | Israel posts annual GDP growth of 3 percent in 2017 | N/A | Economy, Statistics |
| <i>Xinhua</i> | PNA recalls its ambassador to U.S. over Jerusalem crisis | N/A | Palestinian Authority |
| <i>Xinhua</i> | In pics: construction site of underground burial tunnels in Jerusalem | N/A | Jerusalem, Construction |

Middle East, Africa and Asia

Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

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| <i>Independent Online</i> (South Africa) | SA embassy downgrade hurtful to Jews, SA citizens | CHARISSE ZEIFERT | South Africa-Israel relations |

General Articles

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| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | PA recalls envoy from Pakistan over Jerusalem rally row | ASAD HASHIM | Palestinian Authority, Pakistan, India, Diplomacy |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | Likud calls for annexation of parts of West Bank | N/A | Politics |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | Palestine recalls US envoy after Trump's Jerusalem move | N/A | Palestinian Authority |
| <i>The Hindu</i> | Israel-Palestine issue: We can count on India for support to two-state solution, says Jordanian Foreign Minister | SUHASINI HAIDAR | Peace process, Jordan, India |

The World Jewish Press

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| <i>JNS</i> | Saving 'thank you' to our Christian friends | RABBI YECHIEL ECKSTEIN | Int'l Fellowship of Christians and Jews |
| <i>JNS</i> | A special benediction for President Trump | ABRAHAM H. MILLER | US-Israel relations |

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| <i>JNS</i> | Will mass protests divert Iran's attention inward and away from fighting Israel? Jerusalem, the PLO recalls envoy to the US for consultations | ADAM ABRAMS | Iran |

European and Arabic Press

Italian

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| <i>Rai News</i> | Gerusalemme, l'Olp richiama l'inviato negli Usa per consultazioni Jerusalem, the PLO recalls envoy to the US for consultations | N/A | Palestinian Authority, peace process, Jerusalem |
| <i>ANSA</i> | Palestina richiama inviato negli Usa Palestine recalls envoy to the US | N/A | Palestinian Authority, peace process, Jerusalem |

Russian

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| <i>Russian Information Agency</i> | Палестина вызвала представителя ООН в Вашингтоне для консультации Palestine recalls the PLO representative in Washington for consultations | N/A | Palestinian Authority |
| <i>Russian Information Agency</i> | Партия Нетаньяху проголосовала за расширение поселений на Западном берегу Netanyahu's party voted for expansion of settlements in the West Bank | N/A | Politics, Settlements |
| <i>Russian Information Agency</i> | В Израиле за ночь задержали 26 человек, подозреваемых в терроризме 26 people suspected of terrorism detained in Israel overnight | N/A | West Bank |
| <i>TASS</i> | Проживающие в Израиле участники ВОВ начнут получать ежемесячную матпомощь WW2 veterans living in Israel will begin to receive monthly financial aid | N/A | Society, Russia-Israel relations |

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| <i>TASS</i> | Al Jazeera: король Иордании подвергся давлению США за свою позицию по Иерусалиму Al Jazeera: King of Jordan came under US pressure for his stance on Jerusalem | N/A | Jordan, Diplomacy, Jerusalem |
| <i>TASS</i> | Нетаньяху: Израиль считает ХАМАС ответственным за все обстрелы из сектора Газа Netanyahu: Israel considers Hamas responsible for any barrages from the Gaza Strip | N/A | Gaza, Hamas, IDF |
| <i>Izvestia</i> | Нетаньяху поздравил Путина с Новым годом Netanyahu sent New Year greetings to Putin | N/A | Russia-Israel relations |

Arabic

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| <i>Al Arabiya</i> | فلسطين تستدعي ممثلها في واشنطن Palestine recalls its ambassador in Washington | N/A | Palestinian Authority-US relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | فلسطين تستدعي سفيرها بواشنطن للتشاور Palestine recalls its ambassador in Washington for consultation | N/A | Peace process, US |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | رفض فلسطيني لقرار الليكود ضم الضفة والقدس Palestinian rejection of Likud decision to annex West Bank and Jerusalem | N/A | Peace process, Jerusalem, Politics |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | الاحتلال اعتقل سبعة آلاف فلسطيني في 2017 The occupation arrested seven thousand Palestinians in 2017 | N/A | Palestinian prisoners |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | مؤسسات فلسطينية ترفض المساعدات الأميركية Palestinian institutions reject US aid | | Palestinian Authority-US relations, Jerusalem |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | عباس: القدس ستبقى عاصمة فلسطين الأبدية Abbas: Jerusalem will remain the eternal capital of Palestine | N/A | Palestinian Authority, Jerusalem |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | الليكود يوافق على ضم مستوطنات الضفة لاسرائيل Likud approves annexation of West Bank settlements to Israel | N/A | Politics, West Bank, Jerusalem |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | أردوغان: القدس امتحان للمسلمين والمظلومين Erdogan: Jerusalem is an exam for Muslims and oppressed | N/A | Turkey, Jerusalem |

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| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | مستوطنون يقتحمون الأقصى واعتقالات واسعة بالقدس Settlers break into al-Aqsa and large-scale arrests in Jerusalem | N/A | Jerusalem |
| <i>Al Jazeera</i> | فلسطين والبحث عن حلول غير مجدية Palestine and the search for useless solutions | N/A | Jerusalem |
| <i>BBC Arabic</i> | "السلطة الفلسطينية تستدعي ممثلها لدى واشنطن للتشاور" Palestinian Authority calls back its ambassador in Washington to "consult" | N/A | Peace process, US |
| <i>France 24 Arabic</i> | إسرائيل: اللجنة المركزية لحزب الليكود تصوت لصالح المطالبة بضم أراضي الضفة الغربية Israel: Central Committee of the Likud Party votes in favor of the demand to annex the West Bank | N/A | Jerusalem, Politics |
| <i>France 24 Arabic</i> | السلطة الفلسطينية تستدعي ممثلها لدى واشنطن للتشاور The Palestinian Authority recalls its ambassador to Washington for consultations | N/A | Peace process, Jerusalem, US |
| <i>France 24 Arabic</i> | مراسلة فرانس 24 في القدس: إسرائيل تسعى لإعادة فرض احتلالها على الأراضي الفلسطينية Correspondent to France 24 in Jerusalem: Israel is seeking to re-impose its occupation of the Palestinian territories | N/A | Peace process, Jerusalem, Politics |
| <i>Sky News Arabic</i> | السلطة الفلسطينية تستدعي سفيرها لدى واشنطن The Palestinian Authority calls back its ambassador to Washington | N/A | Peace process, Jerusalem, US |
| <i>Sky News Arabic</i> | الليكود يصوت لضم مستوطنات الضفة الغربية وغور الأردن Likud votes to annex West Bank and Jordan Valley settlements | N/A | Politics, West Bank, Jordan Valley |
| <i>Sky News Arabic</i> | شركة نفط "إسرائيلية إيرانية" تواصل عملها An Israeli-Iranian oil company continues its work | N/A | Iran, Oil |

- The Israel Foreign Media Survey scours the internet (Sunday thru Thursday) for pertinent news articles and editorials affecting Israel appearing in the world's major newspapers and websites for the particular day(s) stated.
- The survey attempts to present only original source articles, occasionally resorting to reprints in special cases.
 - Stories by wire agencies and major newspapers (ex: AP, Reuters, NY Times etc.) often are licensed or sold to smaller market media agencies, and appear in the survey in their original with other publications in parentheses.