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# Israel in the News



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## Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>The Wall Street Journal</i>	<a href="#">After Kerry's Speech, Is the Two-State Solution Dead?</a>	AARON DAVID MILLER	Peace process
<i>USA Today</i>	<a href="#">Keep Mideast peace option alive</a>  Two-state solution remains the best hope for Israel and Palestinians	EDITORIAL	Peace process
<i>USA Today</i>	<a href="#">Israel's window of opportunity</a>  We need to find another alternative in between yesterday's two extremes.	YOAV KISCH	Peace process
<i>Los Angeles Times</i>	<a href="#">Obama's last-minute own-goals</a>  "...A similar dynamic is at play with Obama's execrable maneuver at the U.N. Security Council. The decision to clear the path for a resolution holding that the Western Wall is actually a Palestinian possession is a serious blow to our ally (and our honor) and proof that Obama's rhetorical support of Israel was always more about political necessity than personal conviction. Even as the move will please some — though by no means all — leftists on the party circuit, it is nevertheless a political gift to the two politicians Obama (probably) detests most: Bibi Netanyahu and Donald Trump.  For almost eight years, Netanyahu has argued domestically that the deteriorating relationship with the United States isn't his fault, but Obama's. The president just settled that argument for him.  Meanwhile, the resolution helps Trump enormously. Simply by taking office while holding what once were conventionally pro-Israel positions, Trump can play the role of Israel's defender, both domestically and abroad. It is lamentable that Israel is now a partisan issue in America, but Obama ceded the winning side of the issue to his Republican successor..."	JONAH GOLDBERG	US-Israel relations, UNSC resolution

<i>National Review</i>	<a href="#">For Peace in Palestine, Start from Scratch</a>  The U.S. should stop opposing Israeli settlements and start diminishing Iranian power and Arab terrorism.	MARIO LOYOLA	Peace process
<i>Foreign Policy</i>	<a href="#">Netanyahu Questioned on Corruption. What Now for Israeli Politics?</a>	EMILY TAMKIN	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>The Hill</i>	<a href="#">Azerbaijan and Israel—genuine Muslim-Jewish relations</a>	DR. ALEXANDER MURINSON	Azerbaijan-Israel relations
<i>The Hill</i>	<a href="#">President Obama boxed in Trump with U.N. abstention on Israel vote</a>	DAVID WEISBERG	US-Israel relations, UNSC resolution
<i>The National Interest</i>	<a href="#">Can Trump Overcome Obama's Israel Failure?</a>  The new administration must restore intimacy and common purpose to the partnership.	ROBERT SATLOFF	US-Israel relations, UNSC resolution
<i>National Post</i>	<a href="#">It should have been obvious all along that Obama really favoured Arabs over Israel</a>	BARBARA KAY	US-Israel relations, UNSC resolution
<i>CBC News</i>	<a href="#">Let's stop pretending Israel is heading toward a two-state solution</a>  The 'peace process' itself has become a ridiculous term	NEIL MACDONALD	Peace process
<i>Wellington Post</i>	<a href="#">How Israel could wage 'war' on New Zealand</a>	PATRICK SMELLIE	New Zealand-Israel relations, UNSC resolution

## The Americas

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Headline</b>	<b>Journalist</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<i>The New York Times</i>	<a href="#">In Graft Inquiry, Benjamin Netanyahu's Worst Enemy May Be Himself</a>	ISABEL KERSHNER AND PETER BAKER	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>The Wall Street Journal</i>	<a href="#">Israel's Netanyahu Says Misconduct Allegations Are 'Persecution'</a>  Probe into receiving unlawful gifts will come to nothing, says prime minister	RORY JONES	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>Huffington Post</i>	<a href="#">Hollywood Stars Welcome New Year In Jerusalem</a>	ANAV SILVERMAN	The arts

<b>Bloomberg</b>	<a href="#"><u>How the Death of Israel's Richest Man Left His Two Sons a Winner and a Loser</u></a>  Israel's Ofer family drew from a hat to split father's fortune. Eyal's net worth is up 34 percent; Idan's has fallen by half	DAVID PENDLETON AND YAACOV BENMELEH	Economy
<b>Bloomberg</b>	<a href="#"><u>Israeli Government Said to Oppose China Purchase of Insurers</u></a>  Concern centers on lack of track record in managing savings. Government favors Chinese investment in industrial assets	DAVID WAINER	Israel-China relations, economy
<b>International Business Times</b>	<a href="#"><u>Are Israel And Palestine At War? Israeli Soldiers Urged To 'Shoot To Kill' Palestinians, Human Rights Watch Says</u></a>	SAMANTHA KARAS	Human Rights Watch
<b>Ozy</b>	<a href="#"><u>A Zionist Weighs in on Trump's Israel Stance</u></a>	MATTHEW STEIN	Morton Klein, US-Israel relations
<b>The Hill</b>	<a href="#"><u>GOP senators offer bill to move US Embassy to Jerusalem</u></a>	MAX GREENWOOD	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<b>CBN</b>	<a href="#"><u>Is it Safe to Visit Israel? First-Time Tourists Speak Out</u></a>	CHRIS MITCHELL	Tourism
<b>CBN</b>	<a href="#"><u>Do Palestinians See UN Resolution as License to Kill Jews?</u></a>	JULIE STAHL	UNSC resolution
<b>CBN</b>	<a href="#"><u>Israeli Hikers Discover Rare Engravings</u></a>	JULIE STAHL	Archaeology
<b>CBN</b>	<a href="#"><u>Israel Braces for More 'Surprises' from Obama Admin.</u></a>	JULIE STAHL AND CHRIS MITCHELL	US-Israel relations, UNSC resolution
<b>CNN</b>	<a href="#"><u>Huckabee visits West Bank: 'Build Israel Great Again'</u></a>	OREN LIEBERMANN	Mike Huckabee, Israel in US politics
<b>CNN</b>	<a href="#"><u>Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu calls corruption probe 'nothing'</u></a>	OREN LIEBERMANN	Benjamin Netanyahu
<b>Fox News</b>	<a href="#"><u>UN follows up settlement vote with 'blacklist' plan for Israeli companies</u></a>	BROOKE SINGMAN	UNSC resolution
<b>NBC News</b>	<a href="#"><u>Israel Braces for Verdict in Manslaughter Trial of Soldier Elor Azaria</u></a>	ALASTAIR JAMIESON AND PAUL GOLDMAN	Hebron incident, IDF

## Europe, Australia and New Zealand

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<i>Financial Times</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>Corruption probe poses risk to Netanyahu's political standing</u></a></p> <p>Israel PM expected to react with claim of conspiracy and appeal to political base</p>	JOEL GREENBERG	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>International Business Times</i> (UK edition)	<p><a href="#"><u>Israeli military court to deliver verdict on soldier Elor Azaria who shot dead wounded Palestinian</u></a></p> <p>The military put Azaria on trial even as right wing politicians voiced sharp opposition against the charges.</p>	PAVITRA DWIBHASHYAM	Hebron incident, IDF
<i>Daily Mail</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>Verdict due in manslaughter trial of Israeli soldier who shot dead a wounded Palestinian assailant in case that has divided the country and set off political tensions</u></a></p> <p>Elor Azaria is accused of manslaughter over the killing of Abdul Fatah al-Sharif. He shot al-Sharif in the head as the Palestinian lay wounded on the floor. The case has proved deeply divisive, with army top brass condemning the killing. Right-wing politicians have defended the soldier, who was 19 at the time</p>	DAVE BURKE	Hebron incident, IDF
<i>Daily Mail</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>GOP senators launch effort to move America's embassy in Israel to 'eternal capital' Jerusalem</u></a></p> <p>Republican Sens. Marco Rubio of Florida, Ted Cruz of Texas and Dean Heller of Nevada introduced the Jerusalem Embassy and Recognition Act on Tuesday. New law would force the U.S. to recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital city – and move the American embassy there from Tel Aviv. Current law allows the president to opt out every six months for 'national security' reasons. New bill would erase that loophole and force the White House's hand. President-elect Donald Trump has already signaled that he agrees with the move, and his designated ambassador David Friedman agrees</p>	DAVID MARTOSKO	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<i>Daily Mail</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>Israel is urged to apologise for the disappearance of hundreds of newborn Jewish babies</u></a></p> <p>About 1,000 children disappeared in Israel's early years in the 1940s and 1950s. Families were mostly Jewish immigrants from Yemen and other Arab countries. They believe hundreds of babies declared dead by doctors were actually stolen. Families believe they were abducted for adoption by European Jewish couples</p>	HANNAH AL-OTHMAN	Yemenite children
<i>The Guardian</i>	<p><a href="#"><u>Republican senators introduce bill to move US embassy in Israel to Jerusalem</u></a></p> <p>Ted Cruz, Dean Heller and Marco Rubio unveiled the Jerusalem Embassy and Recognition Act, a plan backed by Donald Trump but likely to ignite protests</p>	DAVID SMITH	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem

<i>The Guardian</i>	<p><a href="#">Far-right Israeli minister plans bill to annex one of biggest settlements</a></p> <p>Naftali Bennett vows to introduce a bill this month to formally annex Maale Adumim in the occupied Palestinian territories</p>	PETER BEAUMONT	Settlements
<i>The Daily Telegraph</i>	<p><a href="#">Israel waits to learn fate of young soldier accused of executing Palestinian in Hebron</a></p>	RAF SANCHEZ	Hebron incident, IDF
<i>The Independent</i>	<p><a href="#">Israeli education minister preparing to submit bill to annex one of its biggest illegal settlements</a></p> <p>Israeli housing over the 1967 Green Line is viewed as illegal by international community</p>	SAMUEL OSBORNE	Settlements
<i>The Independent</i>	<p><a href="#">Israeli justice minister considers bill to grant Benjamin Netanyahu immunity in case he faces corruption charges</a></p> <p>Prime Minister questioned by police for three hours over 'inappropriate gifts' amid huge anti-corruption probe</p>	BETHAN MCKERNAN	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>BBC</i>	<p><a href="#">Israel soldier Elor Azaria faces verdict over Hebron death</a></p>	N/A	Hebron incident, IDF
<i>The Irish Times</i>	<p><a href="#">Emboldened by Trump, right-wing Israelis look to annex city</a></p> <p>'Time for sovereignty has come. It's either sovereignty or Palestine' declares minister</p>	MARK WEISS	Settlements
<i>Sputnik</i>	<p><a href="#">Fatah, Hamas Members to Visit Moscow in January for Reconciliation Talks</a></p> <p>Palestinian political parties Hamas and Fatah will meet in Moscow in January to discuss divisions between them and work the ways of overcoming the current situation.</p>	N/A	Palestinian politics, Russia
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<p><a href="#">Israel army arrests dozens of Palestinians in West Bank</a></p> <p>There are more than 7,000 Palestinians in Israeli jails</p>	ANEES BARGOUTH	West Bank
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<p><a href="#">Israel demolishes Palestinian structures in West Bank</a></p> <p>13 buildings, including school, are razed in Bedouin village near West Bank city Nablus</p>	KAAMIL AHMED	West Bank
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<p><a href="#">Israeli spy agency targets women in recruitment drive</a></p> <p>Women reportedly account for some 40 percent of Mossad spy agency's current workforce</p>	KAAMIL AHMED	Mossad

<i>The Sydney Morning Herald</i>	<p><a href="#">'Appalled' One Nation senator Malcolm Roberts seeks punitive stance against Kiwi 'settlements' in Australia</a></p> <p>"One Nation has picked a fight with one of Australia's closest allies, calling for tighter immigration controls for those across the ditch, after New Zealand co-sponsored a United Nation's resolution censuring Israel.</p> <p>Queensland senator Malcolm Roberts said he was 'appalled' by the Security Council resolution, which called for an immediate end to any and all settlement activities in disputed zones, including East Jerusalem, which he said 'have contained Jewish settlements since biblical times'..."</p>	AMY REMEIKIS	Australia-New Zealand-Israel relations, UNSC resolution
<i>Huffington Post Australia</i>	<p><a href="#">One Nation's Malcolm Roberts Wants To Stop Kiwis 'Establishing Settlements' In Australia Following UN Vote</a></p> <p>'This is why New Zealanders can't have nice things.'</p>	LUKE COOPER	Australia-New Zealand-Israel relations, UNSC resolution
<i>New Zealand Herald</i>	<p><a href="#">Aussie political party calls for Kiwi's to be punished over UN resolution</a></p>	N/A	Australia-New Zealand-Israel relations, UNSC resolution

## Wire Services

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Headline</b>	<b>Journalist</b>	<b>Topic</b>
<i>AFP</i>	<a href="#">Graft probe tests Netanyahu's years-long hold on power</a>	MIKE SMITH	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>AFP</i>	<a href="#">Israel PM slams Paris conference as 'futile</a>	N/A	France, peace process
<i>AP</i>	<a href="#">Verdict expected in manslaughter trial of Israeli soldier</a>	ARON HELLER	Hebron incident, IDF
<i>AP</i>	<a href="#">Thousands attend funeral of Israeli Istanbul attack victim</a>	N/A	Istanbul terrorist attack
<i>AP</i>	<a href="#">Israeli leader denies wrongdoing after police grilling</a>	N/A	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>Reuters</i>	<a href="#">Israel awaits verdict in divisive soldier shooting case</a>	LUKE BAKER	Hebron incident, IDF
<i>Reuters</i>	<a href="#">Israel's 'flying car' passenger drone moves closer to delivery</a>	ELANA RINGLER	High-tech, economy
<i>Xinhua</i>	<a href="#">Paris int'l conference an opportunity for making peace: Palestinian official</a>	N/A	France, peace process

# Asia and Africa

## General Articles

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>The Economic Times</i> (India)	<a href="#"><u>In a first, India to attend international conference on Israel and Palestine</u></a>	DIPANJAN ROY CHAUDHURY	India-Israel relations

# Middle East

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<i>Al Jazeera</i>	<a href="#"><u>'2016' deadliest year' for West Bank children in decade</u></a>  Israeli forces killed 32 Palestinian children in West Bank and East Jerusalem in 2016, the highest number in 10 years	ZENA TAHHAN	West Bank
<i>Al Jazeera</i>	<a href="#"><u>Archbishop was 'an icon to Palestinians'</u></a>  Tributes pour in after the death of Greek Melkite archbishop Hilarion Capucci, 94, who fought for Palestinian rights.	JONATHAN COOK	Palestinian terrorism

# The World Jewish Press

## Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>Tablet</i>	<a href="#"><u>No One Is Afraid of AIPAC</u></a>  The flagship pro-Israel lobbying organization failed to stop Obama's Iran Deal. It may lose even more influence under Trump.	ARMIN ROSEN	AIPAC, Israel in US politics
<i>Forward</i> (NYC)	<a href="#"><u>Congrats on Burying the Two-State Solution, President Trump. Now What?</u></a>	JANE EISNER	US-Israel relations, peace process

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<i>JTA</i>	<a href="#">UN security council's recent resolution: victory or defeat?</a>	RON KAMPEAS	UNSC resolution
<i>JTA</i>	<a href="#">Hundreds of Jews respond to John Kerry's speech with West Bank solidarity tour</a> (+ video)	ANDREW TOBIN	US-Israel relations
<i>JTA</i>	<a href="#">Israel's top security experts redraw West Bank map for the Trump era</a>	ANDREW TOBIN	US-Israel relations
<i>JNS</i>	<a href="#">Israeli Arabs living the good life, but some are still working to undermine the state</a>	ARIEL BEN-SOLOMON	Israeli Arabs, Knesset
<i>JNS</i>	<a href="#">Palestinian rep says she rejects Islamic states—but she's funded by them</a>	RAFAEL MEDOFF	Palestinian society
<i>JNS</i>	<a href="#">Five potential major developments in US-Israel relations in 2017</a>	JACOB KAMARAS	US-Israel relations
<i>Forward</i> (NYC)	<a href="#">Hanukkah Hikers Stumble Onto 2,500-Year-Old Menorah Etchings</a>	NAOMI ZEVELOFF	Archaeology
<i>Forward</i> (NYC)	<a href="#">Orthodox Jews in Israel Say 'No Thanks' to Free Books From America</a>	NAOMI ZEVELOFF	Herzliya, education
<i>Jewish News</i> (UK)	<a href="#">Cancelled anti-Israel conference moves to Ireland</a>  University College Cork agrees to host event discussing Israel's legal legitimacy after Southampton pulls it	JEWISH NEWS REPORTER	Attitudes toward Israel on UK and Irish college campuses
<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	<a href="#">Cork University to host 'anti-Israel hate-fest'</a>	LEE HARPIN	Attitudes toward Israel on UK and Irish college campuses

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