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Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>New York Post</i>	<u>Bounties for terror: Another Palestinian payout</u>	EDITORIAL	Palestinian terrorism
<i>New York Daily News</i>	<p><u>Obama's world: The President's not-very-smart foreign policy legacy</u></p> <p>"...Not far away, Obama has made a hash of one of the only constants in the U.S. foreign policy firmament: the relationship with Israel.</p> <p>It didn't begin or end with his insistence on forcing through a disastrously naive nuclear deal with Iran, which will do little to contain the Israel-hating, terrorist-supporting, so-called Islamic Republic, at the cost of empowering the mullahs — but that sure didn't help.</p> <p>Obama found repeated cause to destabilize the no-daylight friendship with the Jewish state, culminating in the terrible choice to abstain from a United Nations vote condemning settlements..."</p>	EDITORIAL	US-Israel relations
<i>The Washington Post</i>	<p><u>Here's what Plan B in the Middle East should look like</u></p> <p>With a two-state solution elusive, we need a new vision for Israel's West Bank settlements.</p>	STUART E. EIZENSTAT AND DENNIS ROSS	Peace process
<i>Huffington Post</i>	<p><u>Don't Mess With Jerusalem</u></p> <p>Moving the Embassy or even pretending to do so would push them over—igniting a spark that would set the region aflame.</p>	JAMES ZOGBY	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<i>The Detroit News</i>	<p><u>Obama was a better talker than a leader</u></p> <p>"...His bungling of the Israel/Palestinian conflict has pushed a solution further away..."</p>	EDITORIAL	US-Israel relations

<i>The Hill</i>	<u>Tillerson can fix Kerry's mistakes on Israel</u>	JACK ROSEN	US-Israel relations
<i>The Hill</i>	<u>Why Israel opposes the UN resolution on the settlements</u>	DAVID WEISBERG	UNSC resolution
<i>The Hill</i>	<u>Obama's Mideast legacy is one of tragic failure</u>	ALAN M. DERSHOWITZ	US-Israel relations
<i>National Post</i>	<u>Israel finds itself on the wrong side of a new, dark global axis</u>	ROBERT FULFORD	UN, BDS
<i>The Independent</i>	<u>This is the one good thing about Obama's legacy in Israel – and John Kerry might be about to destroy it</u> Stating that Israel must be a 'Jewish state' in which the 1.7m Palestinian citizens of Israel 'live as equal citizens' is not grounded in reality: there are already over 50 laws that discriminate against them, and Kerry's principles do nothing to address these	NADIA HIJAB	Israeli Arabs

The Americas

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<i>The New York Times</i>	<u>The Linguistic Labyrinth of Arabic News</u>	BEN HUBBARD	Attitudes toward Israel in the Arab world
<i>The New York Times</i>	<u>For Israel, Energy Boom Could Make Friends Out of Enemies</u>	PETER BAKER	Natural gas
<i>The New York Times</i>	<u>With Electricity in Short Supply, 10,000 Protest in Gaza, Defying Hamas</u>	MAJD AL WAHEIDI	Gaza
<i>The New Yorker</i>	<u>The Corruption Allegations Against Benjamin Netanyahu</u> Corruption scandals are nothing new for Israel's Prime Minister, but the gravity of the latest investigations suggests that this time there is suspicion of a criminal offense.	RUTH MARGALIT	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>New York Post</i>	<u>Obama's Israel policies may not keep him out of golf club after all</u>	DANIEL HALPER	Barack Obama
<i>New York Post</i>	<u>Graham, Cruz set aside feud for bill that would halt UN funding</u>	MARISSA SCHULTZ	Israel in US politics

<i>The Washington Post</i>	<p>In Paris, the world will try one more time to solve the Israel-Palestinian conflict</p> <p>Kerry's last hours in office will be spent trying to save the "two-state solution."</p>	WILLIAM BOOTH	Peace process
<i>The Washington Post</i>	<p>Palestinian imams preach against Trump's plans to move embassy to Jerusalem</p> <p>A day of scheduled prayers is mostly quiet, though one cleric says relocating the embassy could "engulf the region in the flames."</p>	WILLIAM BOOTH	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<i>The Washington Post</i>	<p>The last gasp of the two-state solution</p>	ISHAAN THAROOR	Peace process
<i>The Washington Post</i>	<p>Could Obama's golfing options depend on his Middle East policy?</p> <p>The mostly Jewish Woodmont Country Club is split over offering membership to Obama — if he wants it — because of his stance on Israeli settlements</p>	BILL TURQUE	Barack Obama
<i>The Washington Post</i>	<p>For the first time, Democrats are about as pro-Palestinian as pro-Israel</p> <p>Republicans and Democrats suddenly feel very differently about not just Russia, but also Israel.</p>	AARON BLAKE	Israel in US politics
<i>The Washington Times</i>	<p>German court rules synagogue torching not anti-Semitism, but act to 'criticize Israel'</p>	DOUGLAS ERNST	Attitudes toward Israel in Germany
<i>The Wall Street Journal</i>	<p>Paris Holds Talks on Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process</p> <p>Meeting isn't attended by Israeli or Palestinian representatives</p>	MATTHEW DALTON AND RORY JONES	Peace process
<i>Los Angeles Times</i>	<p>France's Mideast peace conference is branded a failure before the doors even open</p>	KIM WILLSHER	Peace process
<i>Bloomberg</i>	<p>Israel's Diplomatic 'Bright Future' Runs Into Settlement Anger</p> <p>Netanyahu says French conference is 'rigged' by Palestinians. Israel concerned Paris plan to be rushed to Security Council</p>	DAVID WAINER	Peace process, settlements
<i>Bloomberg</i>	<p>Israeli Technology Helps Giants Like Monsanto Feed the World</p>	GWEN ACKERMAN	High-tech
<i>Bloomberg</i>	<p>Handicapping Peace Talks When Neither Side Shows: QuickTake Q&A</p>	JONATHAN FERZIGER	Peace process

<i>Quartz</i>	The Strategist Who Tries to Make Netanyahu Cuddly	NICK FOURIEZOS	Nir Levy, Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>Vocativ</i>	 Hamas Catfishes Israeli Soldiers To Glean Intel The Israeli army launches a social media campaign to warn soldiers of digital "Trojan horses"	SHIRA RUBIN	Hamas, IDF, cyberwarfare
<i>USA Today</i>	Paris peace conference: 5 reasons meeting is likely to flop	OREN DORELL	Peace process
<i>NPR</i>	Syria Says Israel Attacked Military Airport, Warns Of 'Repercussions' The Syrian government says Israel also attacked the airport, west of Damascus, in December. The Israeli military has declined to comment.	CAMILA DOMONOSKE	Syria
<i>The Hill</i>	Palestinian leader: Moving Israel embassy could jeopardize peace process	MAX GREENWOOD	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<i>The Hill</i>	Cruz, Graham offer bill to cut off funding to UN over Israel vote	JORDAIN CARNEY	Israel in US politics
<i>International Business Times</i>	The Next 'Exodus?' Jews Moving Out of France, Italy, Belgium To Israel At Large Rates	SAMANTHA KARAS	Aliyah from Europe
<i>International Business Times</i>	Israel Palestine Latest Update: Hamas Uses Online Sex Spies To Hack Soldiers' Phones, Report Says	TOM O'CONNOR	Hamas, IDF, cyberwarfare
<i>International Business Times</i>	Jews Against Obama? Jewish Golf Club Discriminating Against President After Security Council Vote. Reports Claim	GREG PRICE	Barack Obama
<i>CBN</i>	Pentagon Pick Gen. Mattis Says Tel Aviv is Israel's Capital	JOHN WAAGE	US-Israel relations, Tel Aviv
<i>CBN</i>	Israel Won't Attend 'Rigged' 70-Nation Conference to Decide Israel's Future	JULIE STAHL	Peace process
<i>CNN</i>	Netanyahu: Paris peace conference is 'useless'	PIERRE BUET, JAMES MASTERS AND OREN LIEBERMANN	Peace process
<i>CNN</i>	Palestinian embassy opens in Vatican City	RALPH ELLIS	Vatican-Palestinian relations

<i>CNN</i>	Israel releases last of suspects held in November fires	OREN LIEBERMANN AND ABEER SALMAN	Fires
<i>CNN</i>	Mattis sticks with US policy: the capital of Israel is Tel Aviv	TAL KOPAN	US-Israel relations, Tel Aviv
<i>Defense News</i>	Israel Eyes Resumed Turkish Relations, More Training With US, NATO Navies	BARBARA OPALL-ROME	Turkey-NATO-Israel relations
<i>CBS News</i>	Sophisticated defense system found in Biblical-era mining camp	MEGAN GANNON / LIVESCIENCE.COM	Archaeology
<i>NBC News</i>	Pope Francis Meets Mahmoud Abbas, Head of Palestinian Authority, Ahead of Talks	CLAUDIO LAVANGA AND DON MELVIN	Vatican-Palestinian relations
<i>NBC News</i>	 Hamas Used Fake Social Media Accounts to Hack Israeli Soldiers' Phones: IDF	PAUL GOLDMAN AND ALASTAIR JAMIESON	Hamas, IDF, cyberwarfare
<i>Newsweek</i>	Experts Say ISIS Ramming Attacks Were Inspired by Palestinians, Not Vice-Versa Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu had tied a ramming attack in Jerusalem to a pattern inspired by ISIS in Europe.	JACK MOORE	Palestinian terrorism, Daesh
<i>Newsweek</i>	10,000 Gazans Defy Hamas In Rare Protest Against Electricity Shortages Anger has been rising in Gaza over the electricity shortages, which have seen a halving in power for many residents.	JACKMOORE	Gaza
<i>Jamaica Observer</i>	Holness invites Israeli prime minister to visit Jamaica	N/A	Jamaica-Israel relations
<i>The Gleaner</i> (Jamaica)	Holness and Israel's Netanyahu vow cooperation	N/A	Jamaica-Israel relations

Europe and Australia

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>Financial Times</i>	<p>Syria accuses Israel of firing rockets at Damascus air base</p> <p>Army warns of 'repercussions' for the strike, a few miles from the presidential palace</p>	ERIKA SOLOMON AND JOHN REED	Syria
<i>The Economist</i>	<p>The Netanyahu tapes: A new scandal rocks Israel's prime minister</p> <p>But he insists there is nothing to explain</p>	N/A	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>International Business Times</i> (UK edition)	<p>France hosting international conference to revive Israel-Palestine peace talks</p> <p>At least 70 countries, including European and Arab states are likely to attend the conference.</p>	PAVITRA DWIBHASHYAM	Peace process
<i>International Business Times</i> (UK edition)	<p>Isis ramming attacks like Nice and Berlin inspired by Palestinians, claim experts</p> <p>A Palestinian named as Fadi Qunbar killed 4 Israeli soldiers in Jerusalem last Sunday.</p>	WILLIAM WATKINSON	Palestinian terrorism, Daesh
<i>International Business Times</i> (UK edition)	<p>Syria blames Israel for bombing key military airport near Damascus</p> <p>At least eight missiles were fired at the al-Mazzeah military airport close to the Syrian capital.</p>	VASUDEVAN SRIDHARAN	Syria
<i>International Business Times</i> (UK edition)	<p>Benjamin Netanyahu declines to attend 'rigged' Israel-Palestine peace conference in Paris</p> <p>The Israeli PM will only accept bilateral talks, while Palestine welcomes the 70-strong delegation.</p>	TAREQ HADDAD	Peace process
<i>International Business Times</i> (UK edition)	<p>Cellebrite hack: 900GB leaks from phone-cracking firm used by police and military</p> <p>Leak contains customer information and 'vast' swathes of technical data.</p>	JASON MURDOCK	High-tech, cyberwarfare
<i>International Business Times</i> (UK edition)	<p>US intel officials reportedly warn Israel about sharing secrets with Trump administration</p> <p>Kremlin has 'leverages of pressure' over Trump, report claims.</p>	JASON MURDOCK	US-Israel relations
<i>Daily Mail</i>	<p>BLACK DOG: Israeli agent exposed for plotting to 'take down' Alan Duncan gets the bullet after embassy fires him following secretly taped meeting</p>	BLACK DOG	UK-Israel relations

<i>Daily Mail</i>	<p>‘Israeli warplanes’ strike military airport used by Assad’s forces in Syrian capital Damascus leading to threats of ‘repercussions’ from regime army chiefs</p> <p>Syrian army officials claimed that several rockets were fired from northern Israel. Military chief warned of consequences following what it called a 'flagrant' attack. Airport allegedly bombed described as a major strategic base for Syria's forces. Images and videos purporting to show explosions are uploaded to social media</p>	ALEXANDEER ROBERTSON	Syria
<i>Daily Express</i>	<p>Syrian army accuses Israel of FIRING ROCKETS at military airport in Damascus</p> <p>ISRAEL has reportedly launched a "flagrant" attack on Syria after rockets landed at a military airport in Damascus, the Syrian army has claimed.</p>	CHARLIE BAYLISS	Syria
<i>London Evening Standard</i>	<p>Syria warns Israel after ‘rocket strike on airport near Damascus’</p>	MICHAEL HOWIE	Syria
<i>The Guardian</i>	<p>Paris conference to send Trump warning over Israel and Palestinians</p> <p>Meeting to say two-state solution is under threat, as Palestinians voice concern about support for settlements in Trump camp</p>	PATRICK WINTOUR	Peace process
<i>The Guardian</i>	<p>Israeli official who plotted to ‘take down’ British MPs resigns</p> <p>London embassy officer Shai Masot leaves service as UK Labour calls for investigation into ‘improper interference by foreign state’</p>	IAN COBAIN AND EWEN MACASKILL	UK-Israel relations
<i>The Guardian</i>	<p>Rise in numbers of Jews leaving for Israel from some European countries</p> <p>Institute of Jewish Policy Research says Jews are leaving some European countries in large numbers but says no parallels with 1930s can be drawn</p>	HARRIET SHERWOOD	Aliyah from Europe
<i>The Guardian</i>	<p>Netanyahu: Middle East peace talks are a rigged move against Israel</p> <p>Condemnation of Paris gathering suggests Israeli PM is betting future diplomacy on Trump presidency being fiercely pro-Israel</p>	PETER BEAUMONT	Peace process
<i>The Daily Telegraph</i>	<p>US spies ‘warned Israel not to share intelligence with Trump’</p>	RAF SANCHEZ	US-Israel relations
<i>The Daily Telegraph</i>	<p>Syrian army says Israel fires rockets at military airport west of Damascus</p>	OUR FOREIGN STAFF	Syria

<i>The Independent</i>	<p>Israeli officials fear their classified information could be leaked to Russia by Donald Trump's administration</p> <p>American intelligence allegedly warned Israeli counterparts secret information passed to White House could be sent to Putin and Iran</p>	CHLOE FARAND	US-Israel relations
<i>The Independent</i>	<p>Jewish settler group 'invited to Donald Trump's inauguration' amid concerns over President-elect's stance on Israel</p> <p>Yesha Council says it has received invite to ceremony after UN condemns illegal settlements</p>	LIZZIE DEARDEN	US-Israel relations
<i>The Independent</i>	<p>Israeli rocket hits major air base in Damascus, says Syrian army</p> <p>Armed command warns of repercussions of 'flagrant attack'</p>	HARRIET AGERHOLM	Syria
<i>The Independent</i>	<p>Lawyers explain just how much trouble Benjamin Netanyahu is in</p> <p>Investigation surrounding corruption allegations levelled at Israeli prime minister widens as his wife and newspaper publisher questioned by police</p>	BETHAN MCKERNAN	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>The Independent</i>	<p>Israel embassy scandal: Shai Masot resigns after discussing 'take down' of pro-Palestinian British politicians</p> <p>NUS investigating claims student movements were 'influenced', as Labour calls for inquiry into alleged political interference</p>	LIZZIE DEARDEN	UK-Israel relations
<i>The Independent</i>	<p>Benjamin Netanyahu labels Middle East peace process 'rigged' and refuses to take part in Paris talks</p> <p>Israeli prime minister condemns conference scheduled for later this week as 'last gasp of the past before the future sets in'</p>	BETHAN MCKERNAN	Peace process
<i>The Independent</i>	<p>Labour calls for parliamentary investigation into Israeli official's threat to 'take down' critical British minister</p> <p>Shadow Foreign Secretary calls for the Foreign Affairs Select Committee to probe the 'extremely disturbing' comments about a 'pro-Arab' government minister</p>	ROB MERRICK	UK-Israel relations
<i>The Independent</i>	<p>Half a million Arab Israeli workers strike over demolition of illegal Palestinian homes</p> <p>Thousands of people left work on Wednesday in protest over the demolition of 11 Palestinian homes declared illegal by the Israeli authorities</p>	BETHAN MCKERNAN	Israeli Arabs
<i>BBC</i>	<p>Israel-Palestinian conflict: France holds world summit</p>	N/A	US-Israel relations

BBC	<u>Mahmoud Abbas: US embassy move to Jerusalem would hurt peace</u>	N/A	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
BBC	<u>Syria accuses Israel of bombardment</u>	N/A	Syria
Sky News	<u>Will Trump spell the end of two-state solution in the Middle East?</u> Just days before Donald Trump is sworn in, a high-level conference in Paris will urge the establishment of a Palestinian state.	ALEX ROSSI	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem, peace process
Sky News	<u>Syria accuses Israel of military airport rocket attack</u> Syrian army command warns Tel Aviv of repercussions of what it calls a "flagrant" attack on a military airport near Damascus.	N/A	Syria
The Irish Times	<u>France to host symbolic event on Israeli-Palestinian conflict</u> Meeting aims to portray international consensus on necessity of two-state solution	LARA MARLOWE	Peace process
TASS	<u>Abbas wants Russia's help in preventing relocation of US embassy in Israel</u> Donald Trump said during his election campaign that if he was elected president, he would take steps to recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital	N/A	Russia, US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
TASS	<u>Palestine confirms Abbas ready to meet with Israeli PM in Moscow</u> Russia's top diplomat stresses the need for direct talks between Israel and Palestine for achieving peaceful settlement	N/A	Russia, peace process
TASS	<u>Syria accuses Israeli Air Force of rocketing military airdrome near Damascus</u> Syria's state television said that Israel was furnishing diversified support for terrorist groups led by Jabhat al-Nusra	N/A	Syria
Sputnik	<u>Palestine Hopes Russia to Play Bigger Role in Settling MidEast Conflict</u> Palestine hopes that Russia will play greater role in settling the Israeli-Palestinian problem, Maher Taher, a member of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), told Sputnik on Sunday	N/A	Russia, peace process

<i>Sputnik</i>	<p><u>Israel Bombs Syria to Boost Terrorists' Morale - Syrian Minister Adviser</u></p> <p>On Thursday night, Israel conducted heavy bombing of Mezzeh military Airport near Damascus.</p>	N/A	Syria
<i>Sputnik</i>	<p><u>Palestinian Political Parties to Meet in Moscow Next Week - Russian FM</u></p> <p>Palestinian political parties will meet in Moscow next week to agree on a single platform and facilitate effective negotiations, Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov said Friday.</p>	N/A	Palestinian politics, Russia
<i>Sputnik</i>	<p><u>Abbas Pens Letter to Putin Urging to Talk US Out of Moving Embassy to Jerusalem</u></p> <p>Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas has penned a letter to Russian President Vladimir Putin asking him to talk the United States out of moving its embassy in Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, the head of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) told Sputnik on Thursday.</p>	N/A	Russia, US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<p><u>Last-ditch Mideast peace conference to start Sunday</u></p> <p>Paris conference could be last chance for two-state solution, says Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas</p>	OMER AYDIN AND HANDAN KAZANCI	Peace process
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<p><u>Palestine opens embassy to the Vatican</u></p> <p>After talks with Pope Francis, Palestinian leader hopes others will follow Vatican's example in recognizing Palestine</p>	BARIS SECKIN AND ESRA KAYMAK	Vatican-Palestinian relations
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<p><u>Lebanese PM Hariri receives Hamas delegation</u></p> <p>Two sides discuss Palestinian-Lebanese ties and situation in Lebanon's 12 Palestinian refugee camps</p>	NOUR ABU AISHA	Lebanon, Hamas
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<p><u>Russia ready to host Israel-Palestine talks: Lavrov</u></p> <p>Negotiations to reach a peaceful settlement long overdue, Russian foreign minister says</p>	ELENA TESLOVA	Russia, peace talks
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<p><u>Israel targets military airport west of Damascus: Syria</u></p> <p>Regime forces, opposition groups have fought over strategic airport, now held by former</p>	HALIT SULEYMAN	Syria
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	<p><u>Outrage as S. African opposition leader visits Israel</u></p> <p>On Sunday President Jacob Zuma discouraged South Africans from visiting Israel</p>	HASSAN ISILOW AND BURCU ARIK	South Africa-Israel relations

<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	Israel aims to 'Judaize' historical Bethlehem village Jewish state seeks to build park for settlers in West Bank village of Al-Walaja, Palestinian officials, residents warn	QAIS ABU SAMRA	West Bank
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	Jailed Palestine resistance icon to be freed next week Raed Salah was imprisoned last May by Israeli authorities for 'inciting violence'	KAAMIL AHMED	Raed Salah
<i>Anadolu Agency</i>	Israeli PM's wife questioned over graft allegations Sara Netanyahu grilled by police over charges family received lavish gifts from businessmen	KAAMIL AHMED	Benjamin Netanyahu

Wire Services

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
	Trump warned off unilateral Mideast moves at Paris peace talks	CÉCILE FEUILLATRE AND CLARE BYRNE	Peace process
<i>AFP</i>	US headlines Mideast peace conference ahead of Trump inauguration	CLARE BYRNE AND LAURENT LOZANO	Peace process, US-Israel relations
<i>AFP</i>	Abbas warns over Trump US Israel embassy move	N/A	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<i>AFP</i>	Abbas may 'reverse' Israel recognition if Trump moves embassy	N/A	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<i>AFP</i>	Israel fears fresh UN initiative after Paris conference	N/A	Peace process, UN
<i>AFP</i>	Five questions on the Paris Mideast peace conference	JOE DYKE	Peace process
<i>AFP</i>	Cold and angry, Gazans challenge Hamas over electricity	SAKHER ABOU EL OUN	Gaza
<i>AFP</i>	Palestinians turn to God, Putin to prevent US embassy move	MAJEDA EL-BATSH	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<i>AFP</i>	US embassy Jerusalem move 'assault' on Muslims: mufti	N/A	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem

AFP	Attempts at peace in the Middle East	N/A	Peace process
AFP	Damascus says Israel missiles caused airbase explosions	N/A	Syria
AFP	 Hamas forces break up Gaza electricity crisis protest	N/A	Gaza
AFP	Abbas to hold bilateral talks in Paris 'in coming weeks'	N/A	Peace process
AFP	Israel court backs women over Western Wall prayer curbs	N/A	Western Wall
AFP	Israel frees Palestinian UN worker jailed for aiding Hamas	N/A	UN, Hamas
AP	Israel says Nazi camp excavations unearth link to Anne Frank	N/A	Holocaust
AP	World diplomats in Paris to urge renewed Mideast peace talks	N/A	Peace process
AP	Israel responds to shooting attack with strike on Hamas post	N/A	Hamas, Gaza, IDF
AP	Pope meets Palestinian leader; Vatican calls Jerusalem holy	NICOLE WINFIELD	Vatican-Palestinian relations
AP	In long-shot Mideast peace bid, France sees nothing to lose	ANGELA CHARLTON	France, peace process
AP	Paris meeting marks end to Obama's failed Mideast diplomacy	MATTHEW LEE	Peace process, US-Israel relations

AP	<p>US envoy urges Trump not to cut UN funding and lose clout</p> <p>"...Supporters of Israel in the U.S. Congress have introduced a number of bills to cut off U.N. funding to protest Obama's decision to allow the adoption of a Security Council resolution in December condemning Israel's construction..."</p> <p>Power also stressed the importance of preserving the nuclear deal with Iran which Trump has repeatedly criticized though he has not said what he plans to do about it once in office.</p> <p>She said it's extremely important to the United States that a country that threatens Israel and the U.S., supports 'terrorist groups' like Hezbollah, and continues to destabilize Syria, Yemen and other countries 'does not have nuclear weapons'..."</p>	EDITH M. LEDERER	US-Israel relations, UN
AP	<p>Syria says Israeli missiles struck near military airport</p>	SARAH EL DEEB	Syria
AP	<p>Paris draft: 2-state solution best for Israel, Palestinians</p>	JOSEF FEDERMAN	Peace process
AP	<p>Jerusalem Post says former chief editor Ari Rath dead at 92</p>	N/A	Ari Rath
AP	<p>Phone hacking company falls victim to hackers</p> <p>"...Cellebrite, a digital forensics firm known for helping law enforcement crack into locked smartphones, has itself fallen victim to hackers.</p> <p>Technology news website Motherboard said Thursday that it had obtained 900 gigabytes of data related to the Israel-based company..."</p>	N/A	High-tech, cyberwarfare
AP	<p>In rare demonstration, thousands protest power cuts in Gaza</p>	FARES AKRAM	Gaza
Reuters	<p>At Paris meeting, major powers to warn Trump over Middle East peace</p>	JOHN IRISH AND LESLEY WROUGHTON	Peace process, US-Israel relations
Reuters	<p>Palestinian President Abbas says U.S. Embassy move would hurt peace</p>	PHILIP PULLELLA	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
Reuters	<p>Syrian army says Israel fires rockets at airbase near Damascus</p>	SULEIMAN AL-KHALIDI	Syria

<i>Reuters</i>	China's CreditEase launches 2nd fund focused on Israel technology	TOVA COHEN	China, economy
<i>Reuters</i>	France plays down Paris Middle East peace talks prospects	JOHN IRIS	France, peace process
<i>Reuters</i>	Energy crisis leaves Gaza with barely four hours of power a day	NIDAL AL-MUGHRABI	Gaza
<i>Reuters</i>	Netanyahu says Paris peace conference 'rigged' against Israel	MAAYAN LUBELL	France, peace process
<i>Xinhua</i>	Palestinian government deplors Israeli "confiscation" of thousands of acres in West Bank	N/A	West Bank
<i>Xinhua</i>	Syrian army accuses Israel of targeting key airbase in Damascus, warning of consequences	N/A	Syria
<i>Xinhua</i>	 Hamas police forcibly disperse protests against power crisis in Gaza	N/A	Gaza
<i>Xinhua</i>	Abbas delays Paris trip citing agenda full	N/A	Peace process
<i>Xinhua</i>	Paris conference reaffirms two state solution: Palestinian spokesperson	N/A	Peace process

Asia and Africa

Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>Independent Online</i> (South Africa)	DA's foreign policy position is proving unpopular	SHANNON EBRAHIM	South Africa-Israel relations

General Articles

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>Eyewitness News</i> (South Africa)	<u>BDS 'strongly condemns' Mmusi Maimane's Israel trip</u> DA leader Mmusi Maimane has come under heavy criticism from various parties for his visit to the state.	KATLEHO SEKHOTHO	South Africa-Israel relations
<i>Eyewitness News</i> (South Africa)	<u>[LISTEN] DA: ANC criticism of Maimane's Israel trip is hypocrisy</u>	N/A	South Africa-Israel relations
<i>The Citizen News</i> (South Africa)	<u>Expert defends Maimane's Israel trip</u>	SIMNIKIWE HLATSHANENI	South Africa-Israel relations
<i>The Citizen News</i> (South Africa)	<u>DA 'trying to bring back apartheid by forging ties with Israel'</u>	CITIZEN REPORTER	South Africa-Israel relations
<i>Huffington Post</i> (South Africa)	<u>DA Defends Maimane's Israel Visit, Explains He Also Visited Palestine</u> The South African government maintains a relationship with the Jewish state, and supports a two-state solution between Israel and Palestine.	STAFF REPORTER	South Africa-Israel relations
<i>The Indian Express</i>	<u>Indo-Israel ties did not start two and a half years ago, there has been a change in policy: Daniel Carmon</u> Israel's Ambassador to India Daniel Carmon speaks about the change in India's policy on Israel, what it means for his country to be India's technological partner, how the two countries have been "suffering from terrorism" more than anyone else, and why he has no "diplomatic immunity" from demonetisation	EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE	India-Israel relations
<i>The Economic Times</i> (India)	<u>India can play role in mending Israel-Palestine ties: Alexandre Ziegler, French Ambassador</u>	DIPANJAN ROY CHAUDHURY	India-Israel relations, peace process

Middle East

Editorials, Op. Eds. and Analysis

Publication	Headline	Journalist	Topic
<i>Al Jazeera</i>	<p><u>Opposition to a Jewish state is a legitimate position</u></p> <p>Jewish Labour activist who was suspended after being accused of anti-Semitism for criticising Israel tells her story.</p>	JACKIE WALKER	Attitudes toward Israel in the UK
<i>Al Jazeera</i>	<p><u>Israel Lobby: Insidious threats should be feared</u></p> <p>As Al Jazeera exposes a brazen influence campaign in the UK, a retired CIA official explores the boundaries of lobbying.</p>	ROBERT GRENIER	UK-Israel relations, attitudes toward Israel in the UK
<i>Al Arabiya</i>	<p><u>How soon will Trump violate international law against Palestinians?</u></p>	YARA AL-WAZIR	US-Israel relations, Jerusalem
<i>Gulf News</i>	<p><u>Israel wrong not to attend Paris conference</u></p> <p>French doing well to keep the Palestinian issue at the top of the international agenda</p>	EDITORIAL	Peace process
<i>Saudi Gazette</i>	<p><u>Peace meeting in Paris</u></p>	EDITORIAL	Peace process
<i>The National</i>	<p><u>What is the next phase in Palestine?</u></p> <p>Western efforts to kick-start failed peace talks won't change the facts on the ground</p>	EDITORIAL	Peace process

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<i>Al Jazeera</i>	<p><u>Netanyahu's media scandal: Who bribed whom?</u></p> <p>The latest revelations throw a glimmer of light on the systemic corruption in Israel, analysts say.</p>	JONATHAN COOK	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>Al Jazeera</i>	<p><u>Paris peace conference: A damp squib</u></p> <p>A half-century of Israeli occupation is not going to be meaningfully addressed by international meetings.</p>	MOUIN RABBANI	Peace process

<i>Asharq Alawsat</i>	Israel Attacks Hezbollah Missiles in Mezzeh	CAROLINE AKOUM	Syria
<i>Asharq Alawsat</i>	Israeli Defense Minister Supports Regional Alliance Replacing Washington	NAZIR MAJLI	Avigdor Liberman
<i>The Jordan Times</i>	Father of youngest Jordanian in Israeli jails threatens hunger strike	MERZA NOGHAI	Jordanian prisoners
<i>Gulf News</i>	Israel set to approve bill to deport Palestinians in 1948 areas Under the proposed bill families of Palestinian assailants could be sent to the Occupied West Bank	NASOUH NAZZAL	West Bank

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<i>JNS</i>	Why the Palestinian question won't disappear	BEN COHEN	Peace process
<i>JNS</i>	Can Israel move toward the 'one-state solution' in the Trump era?	ARIEL BEN-SOLOMON	US-Israel relations, peace process
<i>Tablet</i>	The Anthropological Case of Bibi Netanyahu Is there anything behind repeated criminal allegations against the prime minister? Depends on your definition of 'anything.'	LIEL LEIBOVITZ	Benjamin Netanyahu
<i>Forward</i> (NYC)	Killer Israeli Soldier Deserves Prison Not Pardon — Democracy Depends on It	ASA KASHER	Hebron incident, IDF
<i>Jewish News</i> (UK)	Six months and no smoking gun Voice of the Jewish News: What's so surprising about an adviser in the Israeli embassy working with pro-Israel groups?	EDITORIAL	UK-Israel relations
<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	Alan Duncan, the thorn in Israel's side at the Foreign Office	MARCUS DYSCH	UK-Israel relations

<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	Europeans now seeing link between terror in Jerusalem and Berlin The point Netanyahu has been making for years may finally be hitting home	ANSHEL PFEFFER	Palestinian terrorism, attitudes toward Israel in Europe
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<i>JTA</i>	In Israel, NBA star Amar'e Stoudemire says he's 'never felt more at home'	JOSEFIN DOLSTEN	Sports
<i>JTA</i>	In Israel, religious single moms gain greater acceptance	JENNIFER RICHLER	Women
<i>JTA</i>	Israel's chief rabbis embrace friendlier approach to marriage, but is it enough?	ANDREW TOBIN	Religion-and-state
<i>JNS</i>	Terror victims applaud Tillerson's criticism of Palestinian leaders, urge concrete steps	RAFAEL MEDOFF	US-Israel relations, terrorism
<i>JNS</i>	10 things you should know about Israel's tourism sector	JACOB KAMARAS	Tourism
<i>JNS</i>	In Beit Shemesh, American-Israeli baseball fans will get their field of dreams	YO CHEVED T. KOLCHIN	Sports
<i>Forward</i> (NYC)	German Court: Synagogue Torching Was Israel Criticism, Not Anti-Semitism	LILLY MAIER	Attitudes toward Israel in Germany
<i>Forward</i> (NYC)	Inside the Jewish Settlement Beloved by Trump Israel Envoy David Friedman	NAOMI ZEVELOFF	US-Israel relations, Beit El
<i>Tablet</i>	How Musician Meir Banai Reflected Israeli Culture's Recent Return to Jewish Tradition Banai, who died yesterday at 55, was part of a wave of Israeli artists who derived meaning and inspiration from religious texts their secular Zionist forebears had spurned	DANIEL GORDIS	Meir Banai, z"l
<i>Jewish News</i> (UK)	Corbyn calls for probe into Israeli 'interference' in UK politics Labour leader writes to Theresa May urging an investigation into 'attempts to undermine the integrity of our democracy'	JUSTIN COHEN	UK-Israel relations

<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	<u>The Board of Deputies president “unequivocally condemns” Yachad for backing a UN resolution against Israeli settlements</u>	ROSA DOHERTY	Attitudes toward Israel among UK Jews
<i>The Jewish Chronicle</i> (UK)	<u>Al Jazeera’s documentary is intended to “deny and belittle the serious problems with antisemitism experienced by the Labour Party”</u> Labour Friends of Israel chair, Joan Ryan criticises the four part documentary after her row with pro Palestinian campaigner is filmed.	ROSA DOHERTY	UK-Israel relations

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