



### Jerusalem in Judaism

- Adam believed to be created in Jerusalem
- Adam, Noah & Abraham built altars on Temple Mount
- King David purchased Temple Mount to build an altar
- Jerusalem established as sole Religious, Political & Judicial capital for generations (All other locations forbidden)
- Jerusalem subject of Jewish prayer and yearning for past 2000 years



## **Brief History**

**1000 BCE** 

- King David Captures Jerusalem
- King David Purchases Temple Mount (Samuel II 24)

**70 CE** 

• 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple Destroyed – Beginning of 2000 year exile

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Muslims Conquer Jerusalem

1917

 British Conquer Palestine – Supreme Allied Powers Receive Title from Ottomans









- Recognition ... to the Historical Connection of the Jewish People with Palestine. (Preamble to the Mandate)
- Redemption of Palestine (Report of the High Commissioner 1920-1925)
- Reconstituting their National Home in that Country [Palestine]
   (Preamble to the Mandate)
- "Recreation of Palestine as the National Home of the Jewish race. (U.S. Congress 1922)
- "Rebuilding of their ancient homeland" (U.S. Congress 1922)





51 member countries unanimously declared

"Recognition has thereby been given to the historical connection of the Jewish people with Palestine, and to the grounds for reconstituting their national home in that Country.



"In order that this [Jewish] community should have the best prospect of free development, and provide a full opportunity for the Jewish people to display its capacity, it is essential that it should know that it is in Palestine as of right ..." Winston Churchill, June, 1922





Professor, Judge Stephen M. Schwebel, former President of the International Court of Justice in the Hague:

"State [Israel] acting in lawful exercise of its right of self-defense may seize and occupy foreign territory as long as such seizure and occupation are necessary to its self-defense... Where the prior holder [Jordan] of territory had seized that territory unlawfully, the state which subsequently takes that territory in the lawful exercise of self-defense, [Israel] has, against that prior holder, better title... including the whole of Jerusalem, than do Jordan and Egypt."



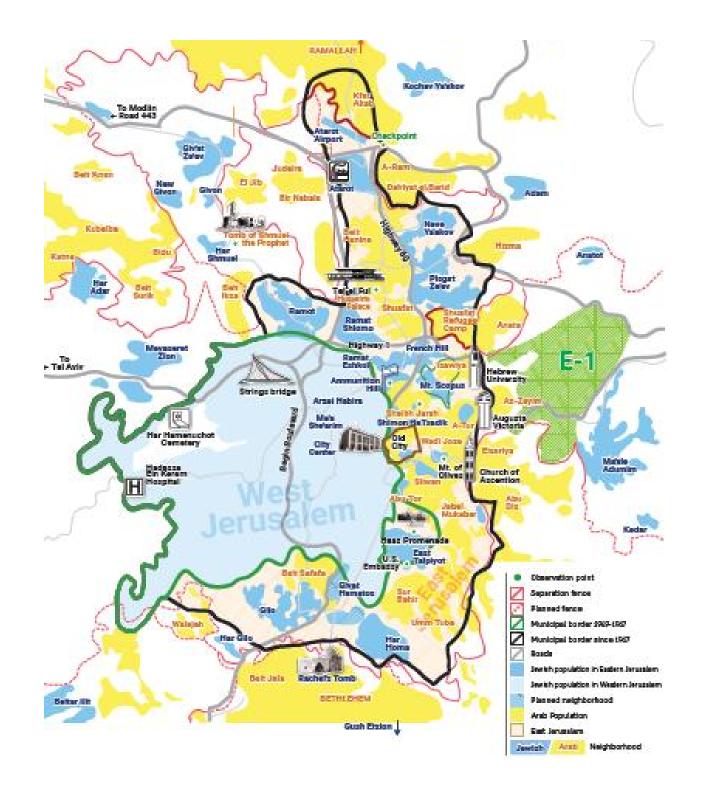
**Eugene Rostow**Former Undersecretary of
State USA, Dean of Yale Law
School:

"The Jewish right of settlement

in the West Bank is conferred by the same provisions of the Mandate under which Jews settled in Haifa, Tel Aviv, and Jerusalem before the State of Israel was created.

In Palestine the British Mandate ceased to be operative as to the territories of Israel and Jordan when those states were created and recognized by the international community. But its rules apply still to the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, which have not yet been allocated either to Israel or to Jordan or become an independent state."







# Demogrphy

Year	Jews	Muslims	Christians	Total	Population
1844	7,120	5,000	3,390	15,510	54%
1876	12,000	7,560	5,470	25,030	<b>52%</b>
1922	33,971	13.411	4.699	52,081	35%
1948	100,000	Majority of to Jerusalem	Arabs came after 1967	165,000	39%
1967	195,700	54,963	12,646	263,309	26%
1987	340,000	121,000	14,000	475,000	28%
2009	476,000	247,800	15,200	739,000	36%
2015	546,560	307,140	12,000	865,700	38%
2030	If Curren	t Demograr	ohic Trends	Continue	50%

2030 If Current Demographic Trends Continue

**50**%



## Challenges

#### Demographic

- Today 40% of population is Arab and increasing
- Mass illegal construction in Arab neighborhoods
- Jewish population rapidly decreasing
  - Unaffordable housing
  - Lack of employment opportunities

#### **Security**

- Over 4,000 terror attacks or attempted attacks since 2014
- 40% emanating from Jerusalem neighborhoods on other side of security barrier

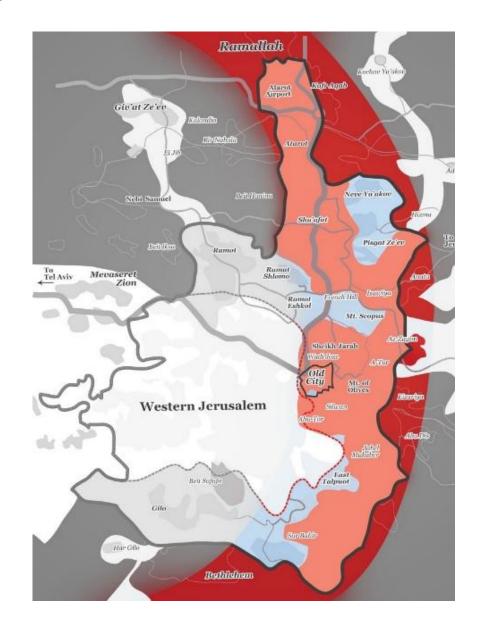
#### Urban

• Urban expansion severely restricted under current municipal borders and due to mass illegal Arab construction



#### **Geography**

An Israeli withdrawal would strangle the city and stifle urban development. It would create a Gaza strip like reality in the areas vacate, giving them a territorial continuum from Ramallah to Bethlehem through the heart of Jerusalem





#### **Demography**

- Jewish Negative immigration would increase as it had when the city was divided in 1949.
- Arabs would move to Jewish neighborhoods to stay in Israel





**Security** 

A Withdrawal would create a void which would be quickly filled by Islamic terror forces, putting them at extreme proximity to Jewish neighborhoods — while Israel's ability to respond would be limited.





**Holy Sites** 

Division would also leave the holy sites at the mercy of Islamic extremists, jeopordizing freedom of access and emboldening Jihadists worldwide









#### Jerusalem Shield Program

# **Demographic Security**

- Increase Jewish majority from 60/40 to 85/15
- Block Palestinian territorial continuum in eastern Jerusalem
- Law & Order in dense hostile neighborhoods
- Expansion of municipal borders and creation of Greater Jerusalem umbrella municipality.
- Current Arab neighborhoods outside security barrier would become independent Israeli municipalities

#### Urban





#### Jerusalem Shield Program





#### Videos



Jerusalem:
Unite? or divided?
What the residents think

Ramadan Dabash (Mukhtar) on Arabs preference to Israeli sovereignty over Palestinian





#### Thank You

#### Pray for the peace of Jerusalem

(Psalms 122:6)

Let us hope that a united democratic Jerusalem, secure and prosperous will continue moving us towards the peace we all pray for.

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