

Country/entity	Israel Palestine
Region	Middle East and North Africa
Agreement name	Note for the Record
Date	15 Jan 1997
Agreement status	Multiparty signed/agreed
Interim arrangement	Yes
Agreement/conflict level	Intrastate/intrastate conflict

Arab-Israeli Conflicts (1948 -)

This conflict involves Israelis and Palestinians over territory and belonging and has long historical antecedents. The agreements post-1990 are between the Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO) and Israel, with some supporting inter-state agreements (i.e. between Israel and Jordan). More recently the importance of the once dominating Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO) has diminished not in the least due to the effective disappearance of its left-wing members and the loss of the popularity of their political wing, Fatah. Hamas and other Islamic groups have attained significant relevance in Fatah's stead, with Hamas controlling the Gaza strip (from which Israel ultimately unilaterally withdrew (not coded as a peace agreement).

Geo-political implications of the conflict have been considerable across the MENA region. Close Arab-Israeli Conflicts (1948 -)

Stage	Implementation/renegotiation
Conflict nature	Government/territory
Peace process	Israel-Palestine peace process
Parties	Israel, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu; Palestinian Liberation Organisation, Ra'ees [President/head] Yasser Arafat.
Third parties	U.S. Special Middle East Coordinator
Description	This short agreement reaffirms the signatories commitment to the Oslo Process and highlights the responsibilities of both sides as well as outstanding issues for discussion.

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Groups

Children/youth No specific mention.

Disabled persons No specific mention.

Elderly/age No specific mention.

Migrant workers No specific mention.

**Racial/ethnic/
national group** No specific mention.

Religious groups No specific mention.

Indigenous people No specific mention.

Other groups No specific mention.

**Refugees/displaced
persons** No specific mention.

Social class No specific mention.

Gender

**Women, girls and
gender** No specific mention.

Men and boys No specific mention.

LGBTI No specific mention.

Family No specific mention.

State definition

**Nature of state
(general)** No specific mention.

State configuration No specific mention.

Self determination No specific mention.

Referendum No specific mention.

State symbols No specific mention.

**Independence/
secession** No specific mention.

**Accession/
unification** No specific mention.

Border delimitation No specific mention.

**Cross-border
provision** No specific mention.

Governance

**Political
institutions (new or
reformed)** No specific mention.

Elections No specific mention.

**Electoral
commission** No specific mention.

**Political parties
reform** No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

**Traditional/
religious leaders** No specific mention.

**Public
administration** No specific mention.

Constitution Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making
Page 2, Palestinian Responsibilities
The Palestinian side reaffirms its commitments to the following measures and principles
in accordance with the Interim Agreement:
1. Complete the process of revising the Palestinian National Charter

Power sharing

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

Rights related issues

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.

Media and communication Rights related issues→Media and communication→Media roles
Page 2, Palestinian Responsibilities
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...b. Preventing incitement and hostile propaganda, as specified in Article XXII of the Interim Agreement

Mobility/access	<p>Israeli Responsibilities</p> <p>The Israeli side reaffirms its commitments to the following measures and principles in accordance with the Interim Agreement:</p> <p>3. Outstanding Interim Agreement Issues</p> <p>Negotiations on the following outstanding issues from the Interim Agreement will be immediately resumed. Negotiations on these issues will be conducted in parallel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Safe Passage b. Gaza Airport c. Gaza port d. Passages ... f. People-to-people
Protection measures	No specific mention.
Other	No specific mention.

Rights institutions

NHRI No specific mention.

Regional or international human rights institutions No specific mention.

Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law Justice sector reform→Criminal justice and emergency law→Delimitation of powers in Criminal Justice System
Page 2, Palestinian Responsibilities
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e. Requests for transfer of suspects and defendants will be acted upon in accordance with Article II(7)(f) of Annex IV to the Interim Agreement

State of emergency provisions No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development
Page 1-2, Israeli Responsibilities
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e. Economic, financial, civilian and security issues

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/nomadism rights No specific mention.

Cultural heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or riparian rights or access Israeli Responsibilities
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...c. Gaza port

Security sector

Security Guarantees

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2. Fighting terror and preventing violence

a. Strengthening security cooperation

c. Combat systematically and effectively terrorist organizations and infrastructure

d. Apprehension, prosecution and punishment of terrorists

e. Requests for transfer of suspects and defendants will be acted upon in accordance with Article II(7)(f) of Annex IV to the Interim Agreement

f. Confiscation of illegal firearms

Ceasefire

No specific mention.

Police

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...3. Size of Palestinian Police will be pursuant to the Interim Agreement.

Armed forces

No specific mention.

DDR

No specific mention.

Intelligence services

No specific mention.

Parastatal/rebel and opposition group forces

No specific mention.

Withdrawal of foreign forces

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Issues for Implementation

1. Further Redeployment Phases

The first phase of further redeployments will be carried out during the first week of March.

Corruption

No specific mention.

Crime/organised crime	No specific mention.
Drugs	No specific mention.
Terrorism	Page 2, Palestinian Responsibilities The Palestinian side reaffirms its commitments to the following measures and principles in accordance with the Interim Agreement: 2. Fighting terror and preventing violence ...c. Combat systematically and effectively terrorist organizations and infrastructure d. Apprehension, prosecution and punishment of terrorists

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general	No specific mention.
Amnesty/pardon	No specific mention.
Courts	No specific mention.
Mechanism	No specific mention.
Prisoner release	Page 1, Israeli Responsibilities The Israeli side reaffirms its commitments to the following measures and principles in accordance with the Interim Agreement: Issues for Implementation ... 2. Prisoner Release Issues Prisoner release issues will be dealt with in accordance with the Interim Agreement's provisions and procedures, including Annex VII.
Vetting	No specific mention.
Victims	No specific mention.
Missing persons	No specific mention.
Reparations	No specific mention.
Reconciliation	No specific mention.

Implementation

UN signatory No specific mention.

Other international signatory No specific mention.

Referendum for agreement No specific mention.

International mission/force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement mechanism Page 2, Other Issues
Either party is free to raise other issues not specified above related to implementation of the Interim Agreement and obligations of both sides arising from the Interim Agreement.

Related cases No specific mention.

Source Israeli Embassy in US Website; http://israel.usembassy.gov/publish/peace/note_record.htm
