

WAR AGAIN

*THE MIDDLE EAST &
THE CONFLICT IN CONTEXT*

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<https://www.teepublic.com/t-shirt/40747235-palestinian-right-of-return-is-sacred-arabic-calli>

<https://www.amazon.com/Hurriyyate-e-Palestine-Always-Inside-Customized/dp/B08ZDTK3DD?th=1>

Iran?



It is the mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to erase Israel from the map of the region.

— *Ali Khamenei* —

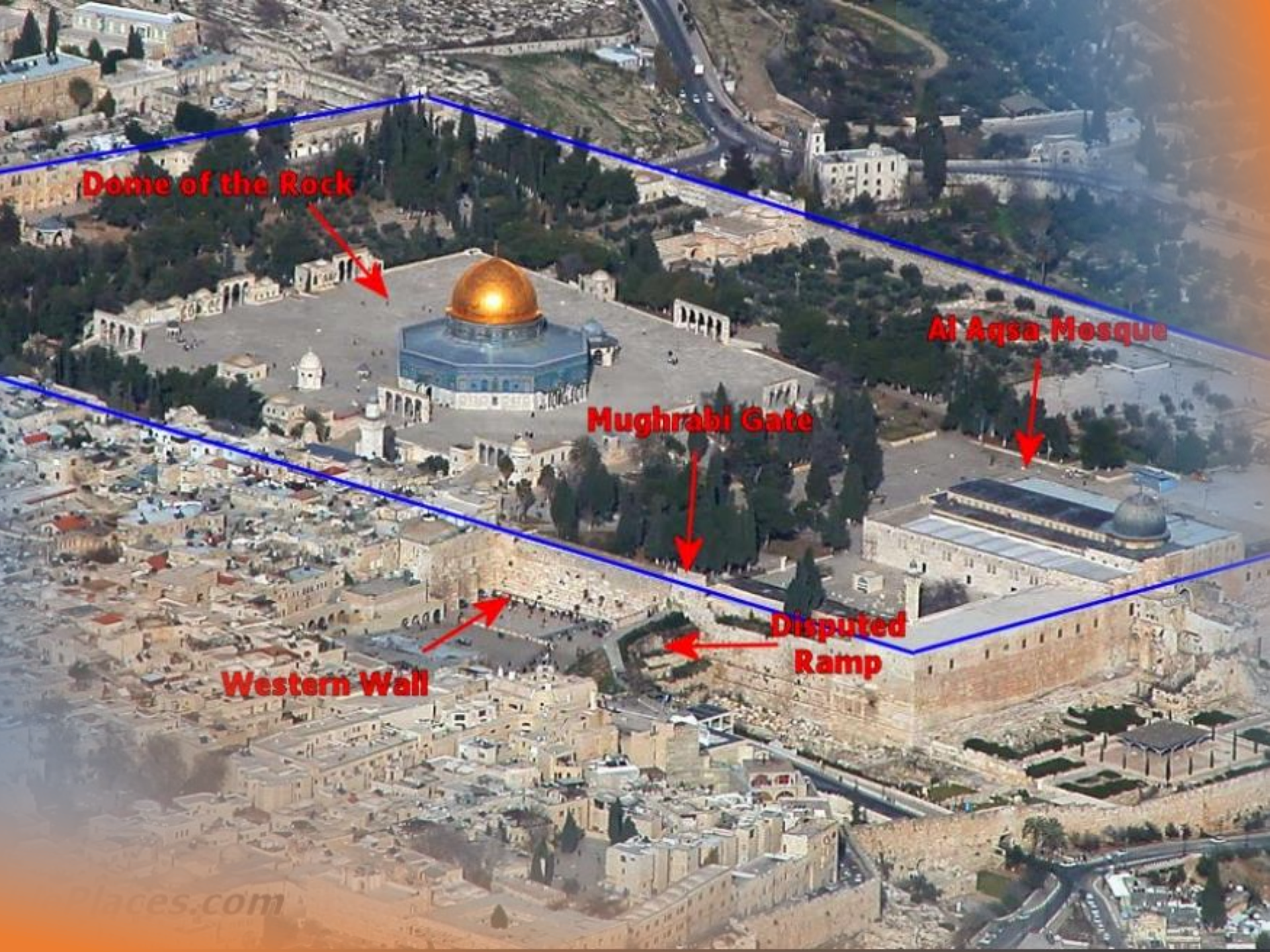
AZ QUOTES



Iran's stance has always been clear on this ugly phenomenon (Israel). We have repeatedly said that this cancerous tumor of a state should be removed from the region. No one will allow a bunch of thugs, lechers and outcasts from London, America and Moscow to rule over the Palestinians.

— *Ali Khamenei* —

AZ QUOTES



Dome of the Rock

Al Aqsa Mosque

Mughrabi Gate

Disputed Ramp

Western Wall

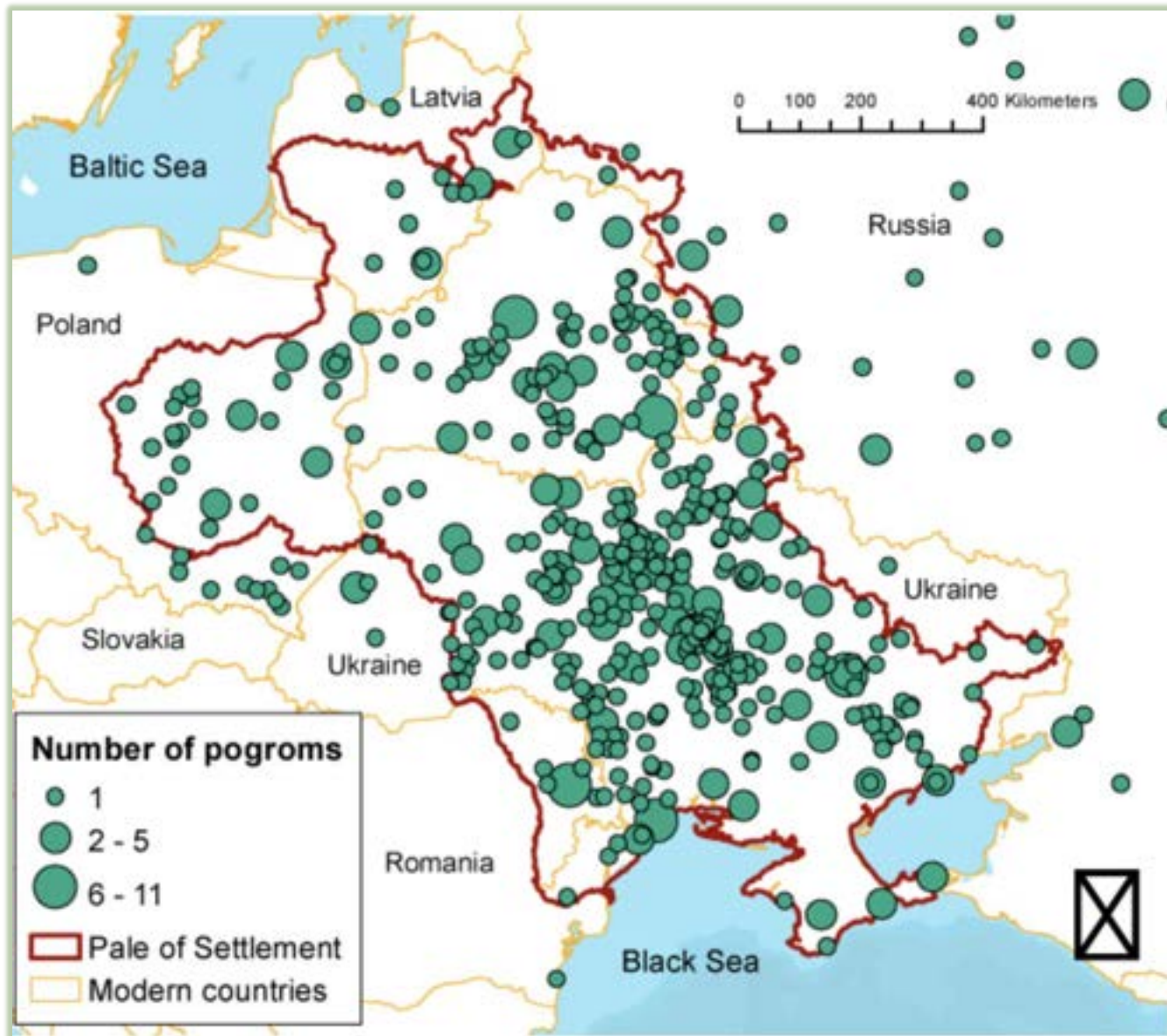
Historic Context





MAP OF WESTERN RUSSIA SHOWING THE JEWISH PALE OF SETTLEMENT.
 [The Jewish Encyclopedia, ed. Singer, Funk and Wagnor, New York & London, 1901]









L'AGITATION ANTISÉMITES À PARIS
À Montmartre, Mathieu Dreyfus est brûlé en effigie par des jeunes gens.



DER
JUDENSTAAT.

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VERSUCH
EINER
MODERNEN LÖSUNG DER JUDENFRAGE

VON
THEODOR HERZL
DOCTOR DES RECHTS.



LEIPZIG und WIEN 1894.
M. BREITENSTEIN'S VERLAGS-BUCHHANDLUNG
WIEN, IX., WÄHRINGERSTRASSE 1.



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כךלמסנסע
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Palestine as claimed in 1919 by the World Zionist Organisation

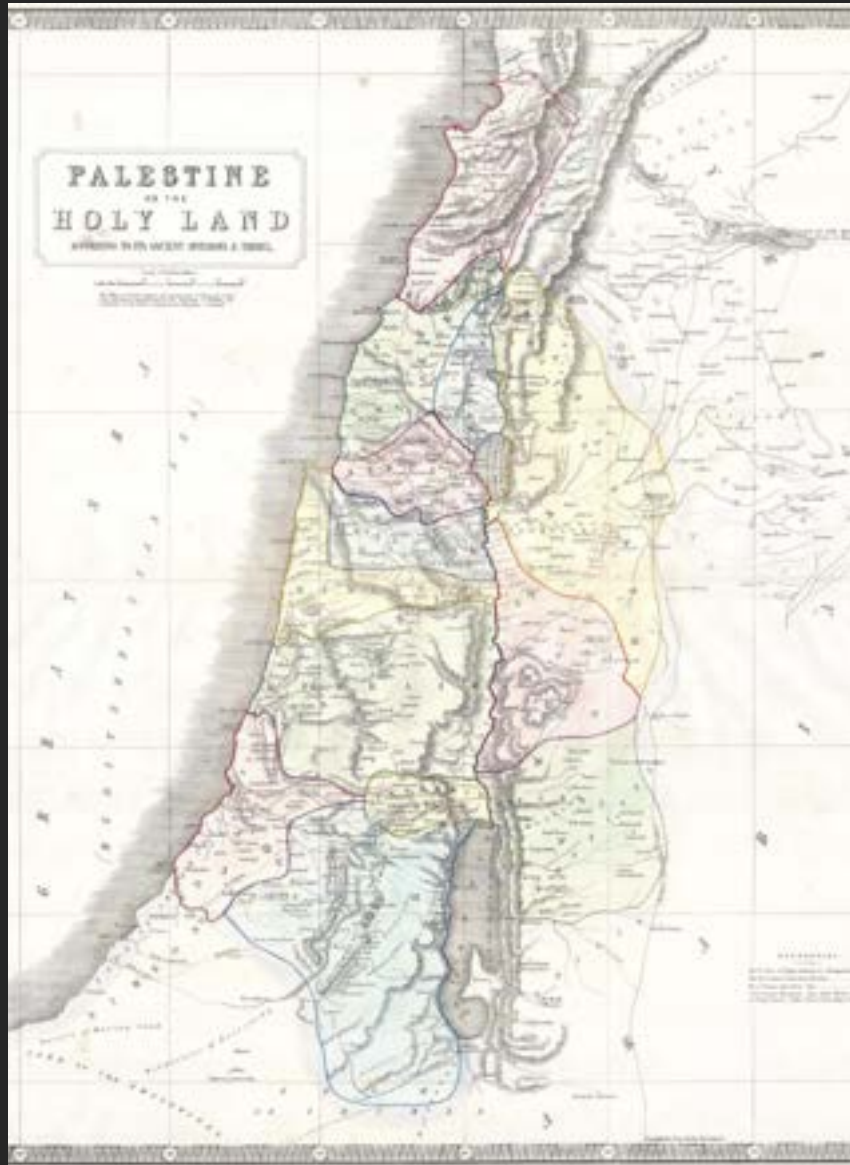


Ottoman Empire

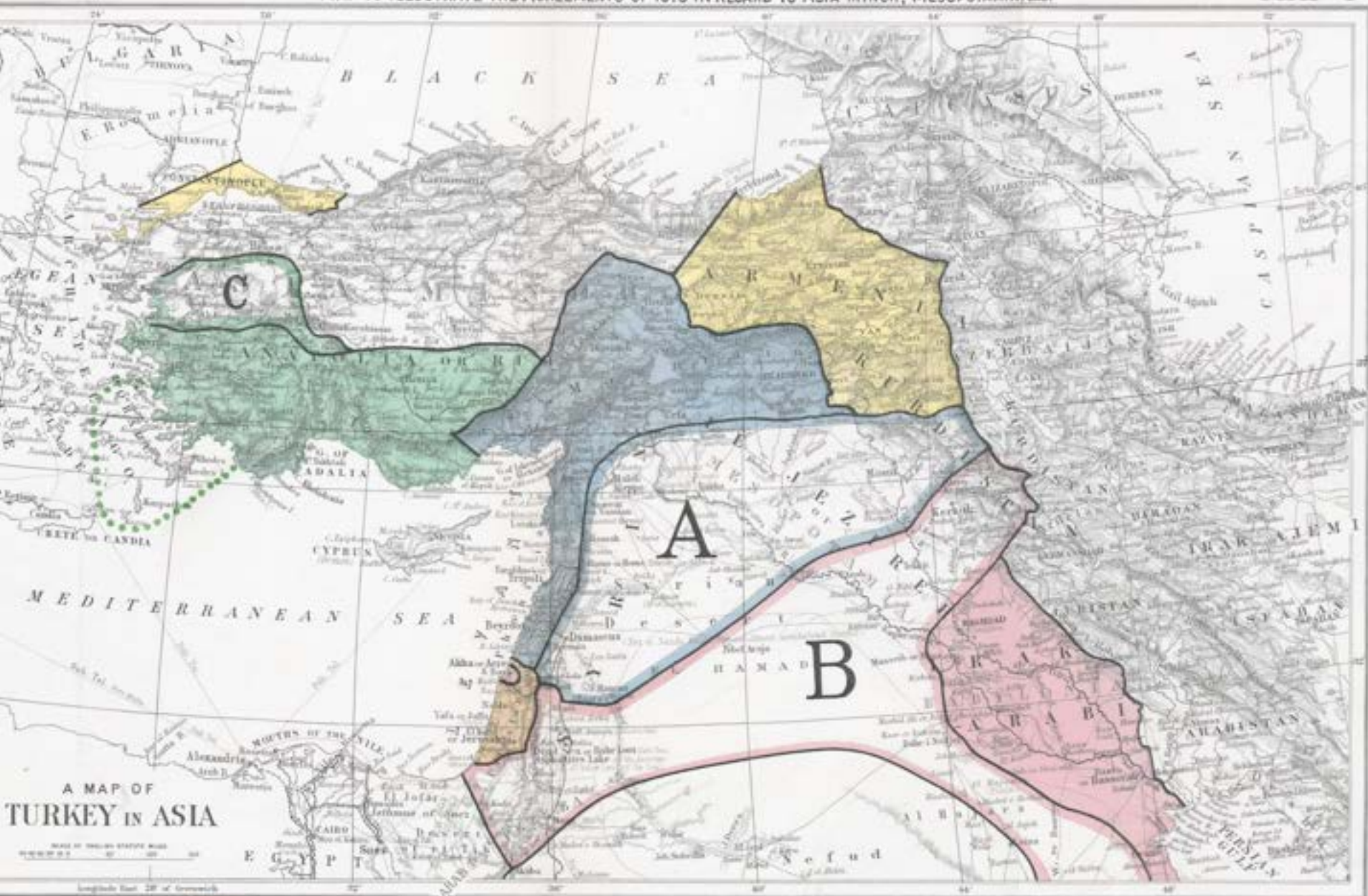


1862









A MAP OF TURKEY IN ASIA

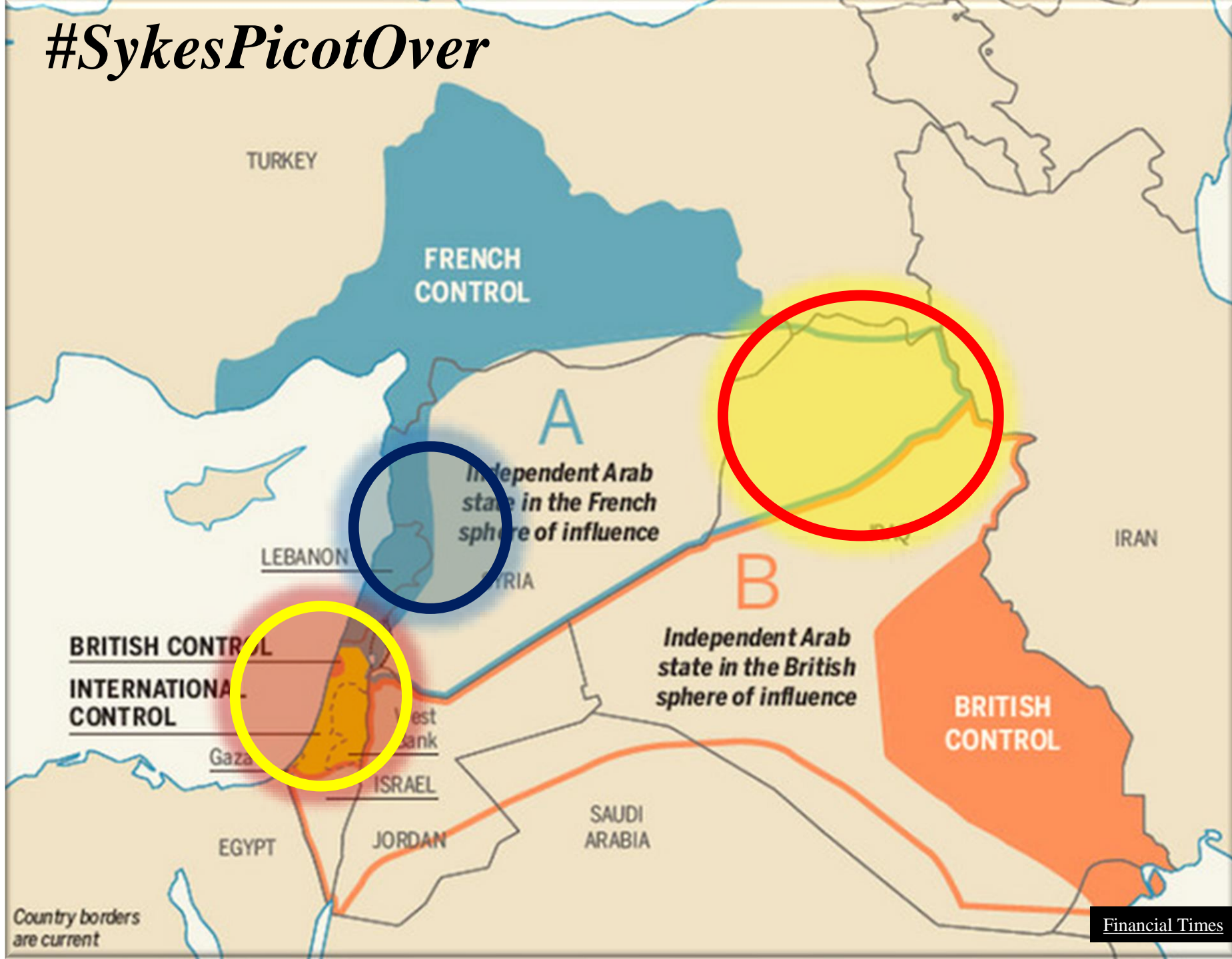
- FRENCH SPHERE.
 - BRITISH SPHERE.
 - ITALIAN SPHERE.
 - INTERNATIONAL SPHERE.
 - RUSSIAN SPHERE.
- C** - Italian sphere of influence.

A & B - INDEPENDENT ARAB STATE,
A being in the French, and B in the British, sphere of influence.

London: Edward Stanford, 22, 23 & 24, Long Acre, W.C.

Revised by G. H. G. G. G.

#SykesPicotOver



1948

Israel is formed



After the Six Day War

Occupied by Israel
in 1967

100 miles



PALESTINIAN LOSS OF LAND 1946 TO PRESENT

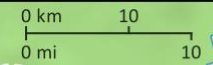
www.auphr.org/mapcard.html



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Israel/Palestine

West Bank



All areas of Israel are temporarily subject to military orders deciding what civilian activities are allowed.

All Israeli/Palestinian airspace and waters are administered by Israel.

Palestinian Authority power in the West Bank is limited even in Fatah control areas, which exist under Israeli supervision. Israeli forces enter these areas at will, and such "incursions" have grown larger and much more frequent since October 7.

On-the-Ground Governing Authority

As known on Dec. 8, 2023

Israel - Exclusive Control

- Civilian jurisdiction
- ▲ Military jurisdiction

Palestinian Authority

- Fatah-led faction
- Hamas-led faction

Complex Situations

- Contested/uncertain
- Israel-Fatah shared governance
- Foreign govt. & UN peacekeepers

Sources: B'Tselem, UN, news media, consensus of online conflict-trackers, citypopulation.de, etc.

CAUSES
&
CONSTRAINTS





Right of Return

*From the
River to the
Sea*



Palestinian refugees

In September 1949



Source: First Interim Report of UN Survey Mission for Middle East UN Document A/1106, 17 Nov. 1949, p.18.

In 1949 and 2010

Incl. not-registered
6.4 million

774,000

In 1949

4.7 million
UNRWA-registered

In 2010

Source: UNRWA

Destroyed Palestinian villages in 1949





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The key of return

Farrah Akbik learned the story of Palestine from a friend's family who lived it firsthand when they were forced out of Safed in 1948, and still had the key to their house hanging on the wall of their small apartment in Damascus.

BY **FARRAH AKBIK** · MAY 23, 2021 · 4



A PALESTINIAN REFUGEE HOLDS THE KEYS TO THE HOUSE HE WAS FORCED FROM IN 1948, IN THE AL JALAZOUN REFUGEE CAMP IN THE WEST BANK CITY OF RAMALLAH ON MAY 14 2012. (PHOTO: ISSAM RIMAWI/APA IMAGES)

CATCH-67

THE LEFT, THE RIGHT,
AND THE LEGACY OF
THE SIX-DAY WAR



MICAH GOODMAN



1. END OCCUPATION

2. END APARTHEID

3. REFUGEES' RIGHT OF RETURN

BDS
MOVEMENT
FREEDOM JUSTICE EQUALITY





729 = MADE IN ISRAEL



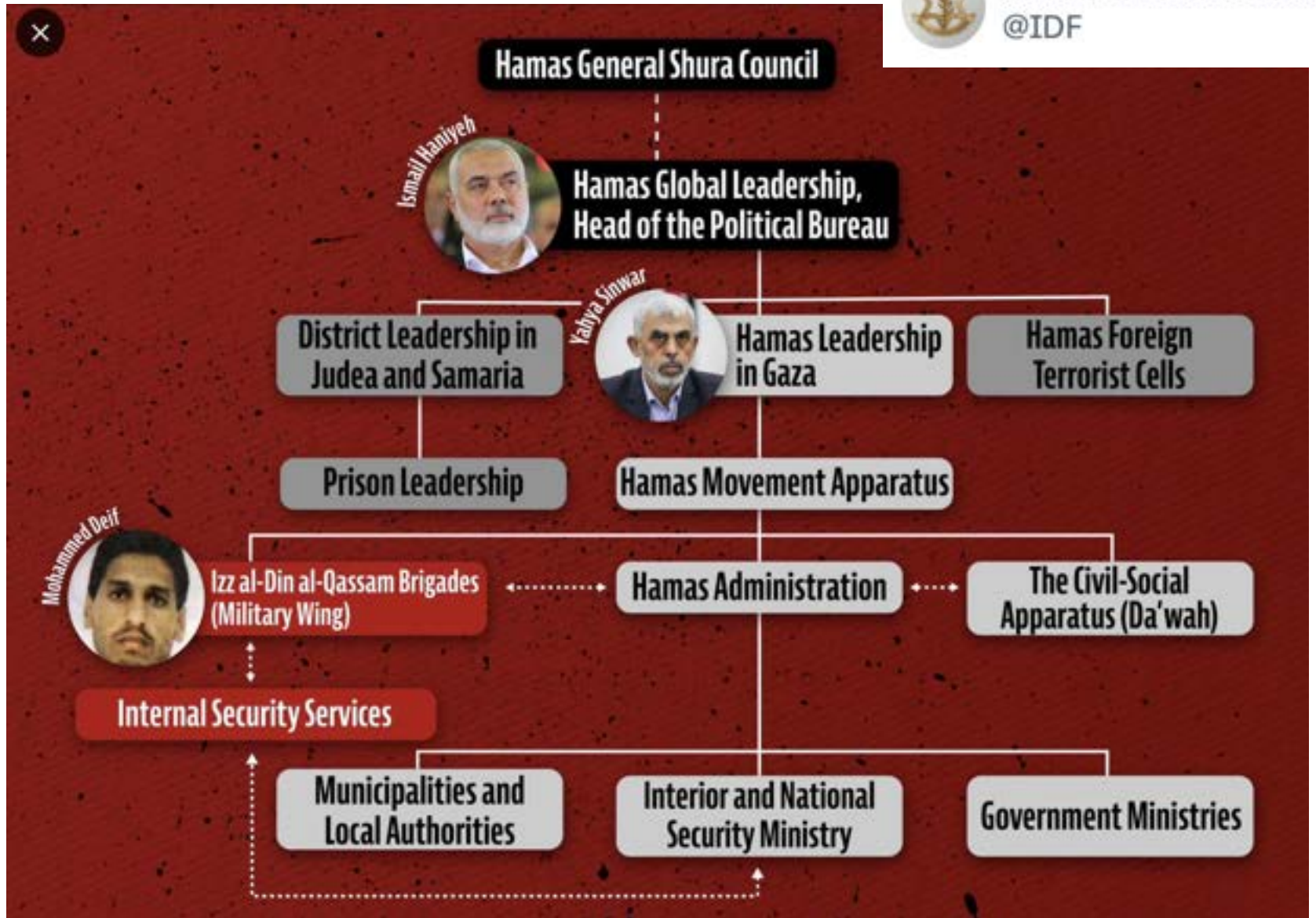


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Understanding Hamas's Genocidal Ideology

A close read of Hamas's founding documents clearly shows its intentions.

By Bruce Hoffman



Mohamad Hameed / AP / Getty

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SHARE & GIFT  SAVED STORIES  SAVE 



AP / The Atlantic

GLOBAL

WHAT ISIS REALLY WANTS

The Islamic State is no mere collection of psychopaths. It is a religious group with carefully considered beliefs, among them that it is a key agent of the coming apocalypse. Here's what that means for its strategy—and for how to stop it.

By Graeme Wood

“The most relevant of the document’s 36 articles can be summarized as falling within four main themes:

1. The complete destruction of Israel as an essential condition for the liberation of Palestine and the establishment of a theocratic state based on Islamic law (Sharia),

2. The need for both unrestrained and unceasing holy war (jihad) to attain the above objective,

3. The deliberate disdain for, and dismissal of, any negotiated resolution or political settlement of Jewish and Muslim claims to the Holy Land, and

4. The reinforcement of historical anti-Semitic tropes and calumnies married to sinister conspiracy theories.”



Adolf Hitler talking to Grand Mufti Haj Amin el Husseini Keystone / Getty Images

<https://time.com/4084301/hitler-grand-mufi-1941/>

https://isgap.org/flashpoint/from-hitler-to-hamas-a-genealogy-of-evil/#_ednref19