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US officials have revealed that the Saudi initiative, a peace agreement offering Israel widespread recognition in the Arab world in return for certain concessions by the Jewish state, will become part of President Obama's foreign policy. The plan, which was formulated by the Arab League in 2002, was recently reaffirmed by Saudi Arabia following Israel's disengagement from the Gaza Strip. The Arab League has promised to normalize relations with the Jewish state on the condition that Israel withdraws from all territory captured during the Six Day War, including the Golan Heights, Judea, Samaria and east Jerusalem. Israel would also be required to find a 'just solution' to the Palestinian issue, by accepting the influx of millions of Arab descendents from those who fled during the Six Day War, or compensating those who have settled in other lands. Past Israeli premiers have objected to the plan on the grounds that Israel could be demographically destroyed and the state could be voted out of existence should large numbers of Arabs be allowed to return to the land. Many of the Arabs who fled during the War of Independence and the Six Day War were encouraged to do so by Arab governments who were predicting the imminent destruction of the tiny Jewish state. But God miraculously preserved Israel and those Arab nations suffered a humiliating defeat at the hands of a massively outnumbered army. The Saudi initiative seeks to redress that defeat by offering Israel Arab recognition in return for giving back 'their' land. As some Israeli leaders point out, the plan itself is far from just. Even if Israel withdrew from all territory captured during the Six Day War, there is no guarantee that relations with the Arab world would improve. Israel has signed a peace agreement with Egypt and Jordan, but the only peace Israel enjoys with these two nations is the absence of war. There is no UN Security Council resolution that stipulates that Israel must give up Judea and Samaria, nor is there any resolution that calls for the division of Jerusalem, or that it must become the capital of a Palestinian state. Israel is only required to find and maintain defensible borders. Yet Israel is routinely criticized by the international community for occupying Palestinian land. There is no Palestinian state, so how do you define where the Palestinian borders are? The British government decries the Judaization of east Jerusalem, yet nobody is calling for the fifty synagogues that were burned down during the War of Independence to be rebuilt. And the idea of a sovereign state having to negotiate with its enemies for a right to exist should be abhorrent to any rational thinker. The whole plan is hypocrisy. Yet it seems the
European Union
, and now the
United States
, are determined to force Israel into accepting it. Obama met with the Saudi king on Thursday. The White House reported that Obama expressed his support for the Arab Initiative.

Quote: *"Senior Palestinian sources told Haaretz that the U.S. State Department is preparing a plan to market the Arab initiative to Israelis, and will release a document highlighting the gestures that Arab nations have agreed to take under the initiative. The idea behind the initiative, they said, was to "break down the Arab Peace Initiative into its details and not leave it as a purely theoretical framework," adding, "The Americans promised they will handle the negotiations and the peace process. This will not only be pressure regarding the general framework of the agreement as under George Bush, but taking care of issues at hand."*

Obama has been criticized in the media for his meeting with the Saudi king, grovelling before him as if he was one of his subjects. During his visit to the Queen this week, who happens to be the monarch of 53 democratic nations, he barely flinched, while his wife put her arm around her as if she was the granny from the across the street. If it weren't for Obama's policies I wouldn't read too much into this, but unfortunately it does seem to reveal where his true loyalty lies.



There is no doubt that the state of Israel is in for a difficult time ahead, as they are pressurised into conceding yet more territory to their enemies, in a desperate bid to achieve a peace which is unattainable in this present world. Praise God that the Jewish people have not been forsaken, despite the eagerness of Britain and the United States to wash their hands of them. For God has promised in His Word that though He make a full end of the nations to which He has scattered Israel, He will not make a full end of His people (Jeremiah 46:28). Do you know the Redeemer of Israel? His name is Jesus Christ. Although He is the Jewish Messiah, the Bible also says that "in His name shall the Gentiles trust", Matthew 12:21. Why don't you turn away from your sins, and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation today.

Isaiah 42:6-8
I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house. I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.

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