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Even though Israel has halted all construction work on the Mugrabi walkway, the excavation work at the Dung Gate of Solomon's Temple is continuing at best to prove a difficult issue for the Muslim world. The king of the Ammonites, Abdullah II, expressed his concern early last week that the work could derail the sensitive peace process. Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak also called an Israeli envoy to Egypt to explain why Israel was proceeding with the dig and inflaming the Muslim world. But both these men's reaction to the excavations seem reasonable when compared to one Egyptian MP of the President's party, who has stated only an atomic bomb will solve the situation with Israel.

Quote: *""That cursed Israel is trying to destroy al-Aqsa mosque...Nothing will work with Israel except for a nuclear bomb that wipes it out of existence." Mohamed el-Katatny of President Hosni Mubarak's National Democratic Party (NDP) told the Egyptian Parliament. During the special parliamentary meeting, which was convened to discuss controversial renovations near the Mugrabi Gate in East Jerusalem, other members of el-Katatny's party called to revoke Egypt's 1979 peace treaty with Israel. "The war with Israel is still ongoing whether we like it or not," NDP legislator Khalifa Radwan said.*

Egypt signed a peace accord with Israel over 20 years ago, but tensions still exist between the two nations. During the Six Day War, Egyptian President Nasser boldly stated he intended to wipe Israel off the face of the map. But the only thing that was wiped off was his smile, as God miraculously protected Israel and their enemies suffered an incredible defeat. During the conflict between Israel and Hizbullah, tensions increased again, and there were calls for Egypt to sever ties with Israel and come to the aid of Lebanon. The Bible states that someday Egyptian patience will wear thin, and Egypt will attack Israel again. During the tribulation period there may be some sort of nuclear conflict. According to the Scriptures, one city of Egypt will be destroyed, and several others will speak the language of Israel.

Isaiah 19:17-18

And the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself,

because of the counsel of the LORD of hosts, which he hath determined against it. In that day shall five cities in the land of Egypt speak the language of Canaan, and swear to the LORD of hosts; one shall be called, The city of destruction.

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