

EU-Israel-Palestinian meeting ends upbeat

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The two-day round of talks ended today between the [European Union](#) and Middle East nations over the recent ceasefire between Israel and the Palestinians. Many nations gathered in Tampere, Finland for the meeting, which was hailed a success by all who attended, despite disagreements between Israel and the Palestinian Authority over details on security and terrorism. The meeting was reported to have ended in an upbeat mood, with a common agreement that they work towards a "just, comprehensive and lasting solution" to the Middle East conflict, and the establishment of the state of Palestine alongside Israel.

Quote: *"The meeting brought together the EU foreign ministers and their counterparts from Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, the Palestinian Authority, Syria, Turkey and Tunisia. The upbeat mood this time became evident over an unusually long dinner on Monday at the old city hall of Tampere, Finland's second largest city. "There were no accusations, and everyone explicitly committed themselves" to the goal of a Palestinian state, said Finnish Foreign Minister Erkki Tuomioja, whose country holds the EU presidency.*

Prime Minister Olmert has promised to give up much of the West Bank, while exiled Hamas leader Khaled Mashaal reportedly told French Foreign Minister Doust-Blazy that the establishment of a state on land captured by Israel in the Six Day War was in fact implicit recognition of Israel. Although until I hear Mashaal's words for myself, I personally doubt Doust-Blazy's interpretation. Palestinian Information Minister Nabil Shaath stated that a Palestinian unity government could be up and running in two weeks.

Friends, the events we are seeing unfold before us today were prophesied in the Old Testament over 2500 years ago. I have been commenting on prophetic events for nearly two years, and we have come a long way since then. When I started, there was the EuroMed and the seven year European Neighbour hood Policy, but the EU wasn't really involved in the Middle East in a big way. Now that has changed. Many nations today met with the European Union to work on a framework for a peace agreement in the Middle East.

Daniel 9:27

And he (Antichrist) shall confirm the covenant **with many** (nations) for one week (seven years): and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

All we are waiting for now is an agreement to be ratified, and a European leader to confirm it. Many nations have been working towards a peace agreement in the Middle East by the end

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of this year, if possible. The Man who foretold that all this would happen is the Lord Jesus Christ. If He has been 100% correct on future events, what else does He want us to know? Unless we have a relationship with Him, we will not go with Him to heaven, but will be left behind to endure the wrath of God. The Bible says that in order to have a relationship with God, we need to repent of our sins and believe the Gospel. The "good news" or the "Gospel" is that Jesus Christ bore our punishment we deserved for our sins on the cross. He took our place. Now everyone that trusts in Him for salvation receive forgiveness of sins through His shed blood, and when Christ returns those who have trusted in Him will be with Him in heaven.

John 11:25-26

Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

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