

This link from my friend Marc...

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert has stated his desire for greater [Russian involvement](#) in the Middle East. His comments come shortly before Olmert is due to travel to Moscow to celebrate 15 years of diplomatic with the Russian Federation. Olmert, it seems, desperately needs positive Russian influence in the Islamic world in order to help achieve peace in the region.

Quote: "In an interview with the Russian news agency ITAR-TASS, Olmert noted that as a global superpower and a dominant player in Middle East politics, Russia "could apply all of its considerable influence" to helping resolve the decades-old Israeli-Arab conflict. Olmert said he intends to "appeal to President [Vladimir] Putin for Russia to more actively pursue such a policy in the region." The interview will be broadcast on Russian state television prior to Olmert's visit.

But Olmert may not have to do too much persuading during his visit. Earlier in the year Russian Foreign Minister Lavrov floated the idea of holding a new international [peace summit](#) to help solve the situation in the Middle East. President Putin also made a similar suggestion [last year](#). Ariel Sharon received a promise from Putin that Russia would never do anything to [harm Israel](#), and Putin says that promise also applies to him. But I wonder how long Russian patience would bear up under an Israeli strike on Iran's nuclear facilities. According to retired US Lieutenant General Thomas McInerney, such an attack could be on the cards for no later than the Autumn of [2007](#).

Ezekiel 38:14-16

Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it? And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army: And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O

Gog, before their eyes.

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