Schedule of Herzliya Conference 2000

Tuesday, December 19, 2000

**Opening Session: The Essence of National Strength**

**Chair: Dr. Uzi Arad**, Director, Institute of Policy and Strategy, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, and Conference Chair
“Conference Guidelines and Approaches”

**Prof. Uriel Reichman**, President, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya
Greetings

Greetings by the President of Israel, **Moshe Katsav**

**Prof. Yehezkel Dror**, Department of Political Science, Hebrew University
“Domestic Bases of Israel’s National Security”

**Prof. Gabriel Ben-Dor**, Chairman of the National Security Center, Haifa University, *Task Force Chair*
“Israeli Attitudes on National Strength”

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**Dinner**

Greetings: **Maj. Gen. (Res.) Meir Amit**, Chair, Center for Special Studies

**Maj.Gen. Uzi Dayan**, National Security Advisor and Head of the National Security Council, Prime Minister’s Office
“The Essence of National Security”

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Wednesday, December 20, 2000

**Second Session: The Balance and Stability of the Peace Process**

**Chair: Dr. Alon Liel**, Director-General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**MK Uri Savir**
“The Balance Sheet of the Peace Process”

**Brig. Gen. Amos Gilead**, Head of Research Section, Intelligence Division, IDF
“Arab Positions Towards the Peace Process”

**Ambassador Dr. Dore Gold**, President, The Jerusalem Center for Public Affairs
“An Alternative Policy in the Peace Process”
Prof. Arnon Soffer, Vice Chairman of the National Security Center, Haifa University, Task Force Chair
“Geo-demographic Aspects in the Peace Accords”

Discussion
Prof. Sammy Smooha, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Haifa University

Coffee Break

Third Session: United States – New Administration, New Directions

Chair: Shula Bahat, Associate Executive Director, The American Jewish Committee

Dr. Robert Satloff, Executive Director, The Washington Institute for Near East Policy
“The Incoming Administration’s Middle Eastern Policy”

Ambassador Zalman Shoval
“Israeli Expectations of the New Administration”

David Harris, Executive Director, The American Jewish Committee
“The Status of the Jewish Community in America”

Discussion
Dan Halperin, CEO, Iptich
Dr. David Wurmser, Research Fellow, The American Institute for Public Policy Research

Lunch

Greetings: Prof. Uriel Reichman, President, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

Former Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu
“Strength, Power and Policy”

Fourth Session: The Economy and National Strength

Chair: Prof. Yaakov Neeman, Senior Partner, Herzog, Fox, and Neeman

Daniel Doron, Director, The Israel Center for Social and Economic Progress
“Gaining Economic Power – How?”

Pinchas Landau, Co-Director, I-Biz – Israel Business Information Services Ltd., Task Force Chair
“Measures Enhancing the Economic Product”

David Boas, CEO, Business Promotion and Consultation Ltd.
“Resource Allocation in the Defense Budget”

Yaakov Lifshitz, Chairman of the Board, Israeli Military Industries Ltd.
“The Defense Industry’s Contribution to National Strength”

Discussion
Dr. Leora Meridor
Prof. Amir Barnea, Dean, Arison School of Business, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

Coffee Break
Fifth Session: Technological Power and National Strength

Chair: Maj. Gen. (Res.) Amos Yaron, Director-General, Ministry of Defense

Dr. Shlomo Kalish, CEO, Jerusalem Global Group, Task Force Chair
“Advanced Technology as a Foundation of National Strength”

Maj. Gen. Dr. Isaac Ben-Israel, Director, Defense R&D Directorate, Ministry of Defense
“The Link Between Defense and Civilian Research and Development”

Avi Berger, Managing Partner, Kesselman & Kesselman PWC
“A Favorable Environment for Advanced Technology”

Dan Vilenski, Chairman, Applied Materials
“Development of Human Resources”

MK Moshe Arens
“Technological Independence for Israel”

Discussion
Dr. Orna Berry, Gemini Capital Fund Management Ltd.
Yossie Hollander, Chairman of the Board, Jacada

Dinner

Greetings: Prof. Galia Golan, Lauder school of Government, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

MK Shimon Peres, Minister of Regional Development
“Grand Strategy for Israel”

Thursday, December 21, 2000

Sixth Session: The Future Strategic Environment

Chair: Maj. Gen. (Res.) Yitzhak Hoffi

Maj. Gen. Amos Malka, Head of Intelligence Division, IDF
“Strategic Threats - An Assessment”

Maj. Gen. (Res.) Eitan Ben-Eliahu, President and CEO, East West Ventures Ltd., Task Force Chair
“From Low Intensity Confrontations to Comprehensive Deterrence”

Col. (Res.) Dr. Shmuel Gordon
“Low Intensity Warfare”

Discussion
Prof. Eliot Cohen, School for Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University

Coffee Break
Seventh Session: The Balance of Defense and Deterrence

Chair: Shabtai Shavit, CEO, Maccabi Health Services

Lt. Gen. Shaul Mofaz, Chief of General Staff, IDF
“Challenges Facing the IDF”

MK Dan Meridor, Foreign and Defense Committee Chair
”Elements in the Deterrence Concept”

Discussion
Brig. Gen. (Res.) Amos Gilboa

Lunch

Greetings: Maj. Gen. (Res.) Aviezer Yaari

MK Maj. Gen. (Res.) Ariel Sharon
“Israel’s Security – Past and Future”

Eighth Session: Society, Education and National Strength

Chair: Prof. Haim Harari, President, Weizman Institute

Prof. Yadin Dudai, Brain Research Department, Weizman Institute
“The Social Dimension of National Security”

Prof. Avishay Braverman, President, Ben-Gurion University
“Social Disparities and National Strength”

Dr. Shimshon Shoshani, CEO, Birthright Israel, Task Force Chair
“Maximum Utilization of Education Systems”

Maj. Gen. (Res.) Matan Vilnai, Minister of Science, Culture and Sports
“Science and National Security”

Discussion
MK Yoseph Lapid, Head of Shinui Party
Prof. Nechamia Levzion, Chair, The Planning and Budget Committee, The Council for Higher Education

Coffee Break

Ninth Session: The Zionist Enterprise and the Jewish People

Sallai Meridor, Chair, The Jewish Agency and the World Zionist Organization
“The Jewish People Component in Israel’s Strength”

Ephraim Halevy, Head of the Mossad
“The Zionist Ethos and the Security of Israel”
Closing Session of the Conference and the Inauguration Ceremony of the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy

Ambassador Ronald S. Lauder, Chairman, The Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations

Prof. Ehud Sprinzak, Dean, The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy

Dr. Uzi Arad, Director, The Institute of Policy and Strategy, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, and Conference Chair

Conference Conclusions

Prof. Uriel Reichman, President, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

Prime Minister and Defense Minister Lt. Gen. (Res.) Ehud Barak*
“The Balance of National Strength and Security”

Lighting of the First Candle of Hanuka

* Prime Minister Barak canceled his participation due to unexpected developments.