

Program



The 5th Herzliya Conference

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2004

Strategic Shifts and the Balance of National Security

Opening of the Fifth Herzliya Conference

"Defining the National Agenda"

Dr. **Uzi Arad**, Conference Chair and Head of the Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"From State to Community Council"

Avraham Bigger, Deputy Chairman, Caesarea Edmund Benjamin de Rothschild Foundation

"The Record of the Herzliya Conferences"

Brig. Gen. (Res.) **Amos Gilboa**

The Herzliya Indices and the Balance of National Security

"Assessing Israel's National Security"

Maj. Gen. (res.) **Giora Eiland**, Head of the National Security Council, Prime Minister's Office

"The Herzliya Indices" – A Task Force Report

Prof. **Rafi Melnick**, Dean, The Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"The Social Component of National Security" – A Task Force Report

Prof. **Gabriel Ben-Dor**, Director, National Security Studies Center, University of Haifa
Discussion

Society, Media, and Governance

Ehud Olmert, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Industry, Trade, Employment and Communications

A Media Roundtable Discussion

"Media and State, Media and Wealth: Reciprocal Relations"

Chair: **Dan Shilon**, Television and Radio Newscaster; Editor-in-Charge, *Koteret*

Col. **Avi Benayahu**, Commander, IDF Radio

Ben Caspit, *Ma'ariv* Daily Newspaper

Dr. **Ilana Dayan**, Anchor, *Uvda* Current Affairs Program, Channel 2

Jacob Eilon, Nightly News Anchor, Channel 10 Network News

Yoel Esteron, *Ha'aretz* Daily Newspaper

Sever Plotzker, Chief Economic Editor, *Yedioth Ahronoth* Daily Newspaper

Mordechai Sklar, Director-General, The Second Authority for Television and Radio

Chaim Yavin, Anchor, Israel Television Channel 1

Discussion

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National Intelligence and Decision-Making at the Top

Chair: Adv. **Dalia Rabin-Pelossof**, Chair of the Executive Committee,
The Yitzhak Rabin Center for Israel Studies

"National Intelligence - Lessons Learned and Future Challenges"

Prof. **Phillip Zelikow**, Executive Director, 9/11 Commission, Director of the Miller Center of Public Affairs,
University of Virginia

"National Security Councils – A Comparative Perspective"

Dr. **Uzi Arad**, Conference Chair and Head of the Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"Legislative Proposals for the National Security Council Law"

Dr. **Yehuda Ben-Meir**, Law Offices of Lipa, Meir and Partners

Dr. **Yuval Steinitz**, Member of Knesset, Chairman, Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee

Discussion

Lt. Gen. (res.) **Shaul Mofaz**, Minister of Defense

Lunch

"Future Directions in American Foreign Policy"

Amb. Dr. **Richard N. Haass**, President, Council on Foreign Relations

Afternoon Sessions

Nuclear Proliferation

Chair: Dr. **Uzi Arad**, Conference Chair and Head of the Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"The Second Nuclear Age – A New Look at Arms Control and Counterproliferation"

Prof. **Paul Bracken**, School of Management, Department of Political Science, Yale University

"Iran's Nuclear Posture"

Prof. **Shahram Chubin**, Director of Research, Geneva Center for Security Policy

Dr. **Ariel (Eli) Levite**, Principle Deputy Director General (Policy), Israel Atomic Energy Commission

Discussion

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Global Trends and Strategic Changes

"The Rise of Asia"

Stanley O. Roth, Vice President, Asia International Relations, Boeing Company

"Global Trends – An American Perspective"

Ambassador Dr. **Robert D. Blackwill**, President, Barbour Griffith and Rogers International; Former Deputy National Security Advisor for Strategic Planning and Presidential Envoy to Iraq

Max Boot, Olin Senior Fellow, National Security Studies, Council on Foreign Relations

"India's Strategic Role in the Global Arena"

General (Retd.) **Ved Prakash Malik**, President, ORF Institute of Security Studies, India

"Global Trends – A European Perspective"

Prof. **François Heisbourg**, Directeur, Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique, France

Discussion

Lt. Gen. **Moshe Ya'alon**, Chief of General Staff, IDF

Dinner

Opening Ceremony

Lighting of the 7th Hanukah Candle

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

Yael German, Mayor of Herzliya

H.E. **Moshe Katzav**, President of the State of Israel

Awarding of The Friendship Prizes by Rabbi **Yechezkel Eckstein**, President,
The International Fellowship of Christian and Jews (Hakeren L'yedidut, Israel)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2004

Harnessing Social and Economic Resources – National Strategies

Morning Sessions

Human and Social Resources – Comparative Indices

Chair: Prof. **Rafi Melnick**, Dean, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"Measuring Scientific-Technological Progress in Israel"

Prof. **Baruch Raz**, Director, MTN Technology Ltd.

Mr. **Daniel Doron**, Director, The Israel Center for Social and Economic Progress

"Improving Social Indices"

Dr. **Daniel Gottlieb**, Senior Advisor to the Governor, Bank of Israel

"Defining and Quantifying Poverty"

Prof. **Jack Habib**, Director, Myers JDC Brookdale Institute

Government and Civic Society: Allocating Responsibilities

Chair: Prof. **Yuli Tamir**, Member of Knesset

"Who is Responsible? The State and Civic Society" – A Task Force Report

"The National Friendship Foundation as a Model for Enlarging State Funding Through the Influence of NGOs"

Rabbi **Yechezkel Eckstein**, President, International Fellowship of Christians and Jews, U.S.A.

"Philanthropy Cannot Replace the State"

Elie Elalouf, Director, Sacta-Rashi Foundation

"Sderot – A Case Study"

Eli Moyal, Mayor of Sderot

"Distribution of Responsibility – An Industrialist's Point of View"

Elisha Yanay, Chairman and General Manager, Motorola Israel

"National Partnership or Communal Paternalism – The Demise of the Welfare State?"

Dr. **Yigal Ben-Shalom**, Director-General, National Insurance Institute of Israel

Discussion

Mr. **Steve Malanga**, Senior Fellow, Manhattan Institute for Policy Research

Tuesday, December 14, 2004

Social Security: A New Paradigm

Chair: Dr. **Yigal Ben-Shalom**, Director-General, National Insurance Institute of Israel

"Social Security in Israel – A Proposal for Reform"

"A New Deal in Israel?"

Dr. **Neri Horowitz**, Head, Programs for Senior Civil Servants; Mandel Leadership Institute; Ben Gurion University of the Negev

"Social Security in Israel – From Past to Future"

Yael Andorn, Deputy Director, Budget Department, Ministry of Finance

Discussion

Sources for Future Economic Growth

Chair: **Yossi Hollander**, Chairman of the Board, Jacada

"The Economic Model"

Dr. **Yacov Sheinin**, President, Economic Models

"The High-Tech Industries"

Elisha Yanay, Chairman and General Manager, Motorola Israel

"Biotechnology"

Mr. **Eli Hurvitz**, Founder, Chairman of the Board, Teva Pharmaceuticals Industries Ltd.

"Global Services"

Shlomi Fogel, CEO, Ampa Ltd.

Discussion

Lunch

Benjamin Netanyahu, Minister of Finance

Afternoon Sessions

The Defense Industries

Chair: Maj. Gen. (res.) **Amos Yaron**, Director General, Ministry of Defense

"Future Structuring of Israel's Defense Industries"

Maj. Gen. (res.) **Herzle Bodinger**, President and Chairman of the Board of Directors, RADA Electronic Industries

"Israeli Defense Industries in the Global Arena"

Joseph Ackerman, President and Director, Elbit Systems Ltd.

"The Role of the Mid-Size Defense Company"

Mark S. Newman, Chairman, President and CEO, DRS Technologies, Inc.

"The Development and Acquisitions Factor in the Domestic Defense Budget"

Col. (res.) **Jacob Toren**, Chairman, Rafael

Discussants: **Moshe Keret**, President and CEO, Israel Aircraft Industries

Brig. Gen. (res.) **Arie Mizrachi**, Chairman of the Board, Israel Military Industries

Developments in the Energy Sector

"The Oil and Refineries Market"

Ohad Marani, Director-General, Oil Refineries Ltd.

"Israel as a Two-Way Strategic Bridge for Oil Movement" – A Task Force Report

Maj. Gen. (res.) **Oren Shachor**, President, Eilat-Ashkelon Pipeline Company

Discussant: **Amir Makov**, Chairman, Israel Institute of Petroleum & Energy

Removing the Barriers in the Financial Markets

Chair: Prof. **Amir Barnea**, Founding Dean, Arison School of Business, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

Dr. **Meir Sokoler**, Deputy Governor, Bank of Israel

Shaul Bronfeld, Managing Director, Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Nir Gilad, Former Accountant General, Ministry of Finance; Deputy to Director General, Migdal

Moshe Tery, Chairman, Israel Securities Authority

Mr. **Yuval Bronstein**, Senior Deputy to Accountant General, Ministry of Finance

Discussion

Tuesday, December 14, 2004

National Policy Towards Israel's Arab Community

Chair: **Ami Nahshon**, President and CEO, The Abraham Fund Initiatives

"Barriers in the Implementation of the Government's Policy Towards the Arab Citizens of Israel"

Dr. **Elie Rekhess**, Senior Research Fellow, Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies,
Tel Aviv University

"Socio-Economic Shifts Within Israeli Arab Society"

Dr. **Ramzi Halabi**, Director-General, Arab Businessmen Club

Dr. **Hanna Swaid**, Head, The Arab Center for Alternative Planning

Yosef (Tommy) Lapid, Member of Knesset, Chairman of the Shinui Party

Discussion

Dinner

Lighting of the 8th Hanukah Candle

Sir **Ronald Cohen**, Founding Partner and Chairman, Apax Partners Worldwide LLP

Shimon Peres, Member of Knesset, former Prime Minister

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2004

Upgrading Israel's International Status and Strengthening its Strategic Partnerships

Morning Sessions

Upgrading the Strategic Partnership with the U.S.

"Re-Energizing U.S.-Israeli Special Relations"

Col.(res.) Dr. **Eran Lerman**, Director General, Israel and Middle East Office, American Jewish Committee

"A Defense Treaty with the United States?"

Prof. **Amnon Rubinstein**, Dean, Radzyner School of Law, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"American Jewry and Israeli-American Relations"

Malcolm Honlein, Executive Director, Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations

Countering the Anti-Israel Campaign

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

"Reconstructing the Myth of Zionist Racism"

Prof. **Robert Wistrich**, Head, Vidal Sassoon International Center for the Study of Anti-Semitism, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

"Israel and the World: Getting the Message Right"

Dr. **Frank I. Luntz**, President, Luntz Research Companies

Dr. **Herbert London**, Hudson Institute

"Coping with the United Nations"

Prof. **Anne Bayefsky**, Senior Fellow, Hudson Institute

Discussion

"National Security Policy from a Foreign Policy Perspective"

Ambassador **Ron Prosor**, Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Wednesday, December 15, 2004

Deepening Israel-EU Relations

Chair: Ambassador **Ran Curiel**, Deputy Director-General for Western Europe, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

"Israel's European Option"

Ambassador **Marc Otte**, European Union Special Representative to the Middle East Peace Process, Council of the European Union

"Israel and the European Union – New Members' Perspective"

Ambassador **Dr. Janusz Reiter**, President, Center for International Relations, Warsaw, Poland

"A Transatlantic Perspective of EU-Israel Relations"

Karsten D. Voigt, Coordinator for German-American Cooperation, Federal Foreign Office, Germany

Israel and the Euro-Atlantic Community - Upgrading Relations with NATO

Chair: Ambassador **Dr. Oded Eran**, Israeli Ambassador to the European Union

Dr. Ronald D. Asmus, Senior Transatlantic Fellow, German Marshall Fund of the United States

Ambassador **Sir Peter Ricketts** KCMG, NATO Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom

Bruce P. Jackson, President, Project on Transitional Democracies

Dietmar Nietan, Member of Bundestag, Germany

Maj. Gen. (res.) **Matan Vilnai**, Member of Knesset

Discussion

Lunch

Silvan Shalom, Minister of Foreign Affairs

Afternoon Sessions

Trends and Continuity in the Jewish World

Chair: **Sallai Meridor**, Chairman of the Executive, Jewish Agency for Israel and the World Zionist Organization

"The Future of the Jewish People"

Avi Pazner, World Chairman, Keren Hayesod

"Bringing Judaism Closer"

Rabbi **Chaim Druckman**, Director, Conversion Administration, Prime Minister's Office

"A Turning Point in the Identity of European Jewry"

Prof. **Shmuel Trigano**, Université de Paris, France

Discussion

Soft Power Within the Jewish People

"The Soft Power of the Jewish People"

Adv. **Isaac Molho**, Jewish People Policy Planning Institute

"Strategies to Augment the Soft Power of the Jewish People"

Prof. **Yehezkel Dror**, Founding President, Jewish People Policy Planning Institute

"Science as a Source of Jewish Strength"

Prof. **Moshe Kaveh**, President, Bar-Ilan University

"The American Jewish Communities as a Strategic Network"

Brig. Gen. (res.) **Nachman Shai**, Senior Vice President and Director General, United Jewish Communities Israel

"A Council for Dialogue – the Jews and Israel"

Ambassador **Gad Yaacobi**

Discussion

Solidifying Israel-Diaspora Connections

Chair: **Natan Sharansky**, Minister for Diaspora and Jerusalem Affairs

"Israel-Diaspora Relations: Taglit birthright israel as a Model"

Dr. **Shimshon Shoshani**, Director, Taglit birthright israel

"Ten Days to Launch a Life-long Connection to Israel: The Impact of Taglit birthright israel"

Prof. **Leonard Saxe**, Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University

Brig. Gen. **Ilan Harari**, Chief Education Officer, IDF

Discussion

Culture and Education in the Jewish World

Chair: **Tzipi Livni**, Minister of Justice, Minister of Absorption, and Minister of Housing and Construction

"The People of Israel or the Israeli People"

"Jewish Heritage Education"

Prof. **Aliza Shenhar**, President, Emek Yezreel College

"Sea Change in the Jewish Consciousness of Secular Youth in Recent Years"

Ehud Praver, Deputy Head of the National Security Council for Domestic Policy

"New Direction in American Universities – Teaching Judaism as Culture"

Daniel Posen, Managing Director, Posen Foundation

"The Dovrat Report and the Future of the Jewish People"

Dr. **Zvi Zameret**, Director General, Yad Ben Zvi

"A Cultural, Qualitative Dimension"

Yitzchak Livni, Chairman, Channel 2 News Company

"The Coalition Committee on Civil Marriages"

Ronnie Bar-On, Member of Knesset, Chairman, Knesset House Committee

Dinner

"Domestic Policy and Foreign Policy in a Changing World"

Ambassador **Zalman Shoval**, Chairman, Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"A New World Order: Global Government Networks"

Prof. **Anne-Marie Slaughter**, Dean, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University

Awarding of a Scholarship Award in memory of the late **Ehud Sprinzak** ז"ל, by **Eti Livni**, Member of Knesset

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2004

National Challenges and Alternative Strategies for the Arab-Israeli Process

Morning Sessions

The National Challenge of Developing the Negev

Chair: Ambassador **Ronald S. Lauder**

"Blueprint Negev' – The Vision and the Reality"

"The Negev Facing a Major Breakthrough"

Prof. **Avishay Braverman**, President, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

"Israel Railways Moving South"

Moshe Leon, Chairman of the Board, Israel Railways

"Developing the Negev: From Stagnation to Action"

Shmuel Rifman, Chairman, Regional Councils of the Negev

"Incorporating the Bedouins and Closing the Gaps: The Key to Realizing Ben Gurion's Vision"

Talal Alkrinawi, Mayor of Rahat

"KKL - A Base for Joining Forces to Develop the Negev"

Yehiel Leket, World Chairman, Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael, Jewish National Fund

"Developing the Negev: Why We Will Succeed Today"

Haim Blumenblat, CEO, Daroma Eidan HaNegev

Discussion

The Road Map and the Disengagement Plan

Chair: Dr. **Israel Elad-Altman**, Director of Studies, Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"The Road Map"

Adv. **Dov Weissglas**, Special Advisor, Prime Minister's Office

"The Disengagement Plan as a Molding Force on the National Level"

Col. (res.) **Itamar Ya'ar**, Deputy Head of the National Security Council for Defense Policy

Discussion

"The Disengagement: A Road to Peace"

Ambassador **Terje Rød-Larsen**, United Nations Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process

Thursday, December 16, 2004

Jordanian Alternatives

Chair: Dr. **Shmuel Bar**, Senior Research Fellow, Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"Jordan as a Palestinian National State – A Base for a Regional Settlement"

Binyamin Elon, Member of Knesset

"The Comeback of the Jordanian Option – An Historical Perspective"

Dr. **Dan Schueftan**, Center for National Security Studies, Haifa University

Frank J. Gaffney Jr., President and CEO, Center for Security Policy, Washington DC

Discussion

"International Security Involvement – The Conceptual Framework"

Pinhas Meidan-Shani, Expert on negotiation and conflict resolution

Hanni El-Hassan, Member of the Central Committee of Fatah

Lunch

Nicolas Sarkozy, President, Union pour le Mouvement Populaire, France

Afternoon Sessions

Lt. Gen. (res.) **Ehud Barak**, former Prime Minister

Bilateral Final Status Plans

Chair: Dr. **Israel Elad-Altman**, Director of Studies, Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"Territorial and Population Swaps Between Israel and the Palestinians"

Avigdor Liberman, Chairman, Israel Beteinu Party

"The Geneva Initiative"

Dr. **Yossi Beilin**, Chairman, Yachad Party

Yasser Abed Rabbo, Head of the Palestinian Peace Coalition, Member of the PLO Executive Committee

"The People's Voice"

Maj. Gen. (res.) **Ami Ayalon**, Chairman of the Board, Netafim

Dr. **Sari Nusseibeh**, President, Al-Quds University

Discussion

Thursday, December 16, 2004

Final Status Plans: Multilateral Arrangements and Territorial Swaps

Chair: **Israel Elad-Altman**, Director of Studies, Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

"Multilateral Territorial Swaps – Geographic, Demographic and Economic Perspectives"

Prof. **Gideon Biger**, Department of Geography, Tel Aviv University

Israel Harel, Columnist, *Ha'aretz* Daily Newspaper

Discussion

Lord **George Weidenfeld** of Chelsea

Summing Up

Dr. **Uzi Arad**, Conference Chair, Head of the Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

Prof. **Jerry (Yoram) Wind**, Lauder Professor and Director, SEI Center for Advanced Studies in Management, Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania

Dinner

Festive Closing Ceremony

Prof. **Uriel Reichman**, President of The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

Ambassador **Ronald S. Lauder**

"The Herzliya Address"

Ariel Sharon, Prime Minister of the State of Israel

Farewell: Dr. **Uzi Arad**, Conference Chair, Head of the Institute for Policy and Strategy, The Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya

Task Forces

The Herzliya Indices

Prof. **Rafi Melnick**, Head of Task Force
Ms. **Leah Achdut**
Dr. **Michel Strawczynski**
Mr. **Tommy Steiner**
Dr. **Zalman Shiffer**

The Haifa Indices

Prof. **Gabriel Ben-Dor**, Head of Task Force
Dr. **Ami Pedahzur**
Dr. **Daphna Canetti-Nisim**

Israel as a Strategic Bridge for Oil Movement

Maj. Gen. (res.) **Oren Shachor**, Head of Task Force
Mr. **Yossi Gilben**
Dr. **Shmuel Even**

Israeli-Palestinian Peace Plans

Dr. **Shmuel Bar**
Dr. **Israel Elad Altman**
Dr. **Uzi Arad**
Prof. **Gideon Biger**
Ms. **Orly Lotan**
Ms. **Rachel Machtiger**

Seminar on the Development of the Negev

Mr. **Russell F. Robinson**,
CEO, Jewish National Fund, Head of Task Force

The Development of the Negev as a National Challenge

Ms. **Nili Shchori**
Mr. **Haim Blumenblat**
Mr. **Be'eri Holtzman**
Mr. **Nehemia Hassid**
Amb. **Daniel Mokady**

Ensuring Jewish Continuity

Brig.Gen. **Ephraim Lapid**, Head of Task Force
Dr. **Misha Galperin**
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Mr. **Daniel Soloducho**
Ms. **Carole Solomon**
Mr. **Jacob Solomon**
Dr. **Yehuda Weinraub**

Government and Civic Society

Prof. **Yuli Tamir**, Head of Task Force
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Ms. **Dvora Ganani-Elad**
Dr. **Neri Horowitz**
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Ms. **Michal Maor**
Mr. **Nissim Matalon**
Mr. **Ran Melamed**
Ms. **Lili Weinstein-Yaffe**
Mr. **David Zilbershlag**

Territorial Swaps Between Israel, Syria and Jordan

Dr. **Uzi Arad**, Head of Task Force
Prof. **Gideon Biger**
Dr. **Shmuel Bar**

The Institute for Policy and Strategy

The Institute for Policy & Strategy (IPS) was established in 2000 as part of the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy at the Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya (IDC). Its primary objective is to engage in research activities which contribute to Israel's national policy and to the upgrading of its strategic decision-making process. The range of IPS projects encompasses a variety of issues crucial to Israel: diplomacy and foreign policy; defense and strategy; intelligence and national policy; infrastructure and natural resources; the Jewish people; economics, science and technology; welfare, social policy and education.

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The Interdisciplinary Center seeks to train Israel's leaders of the future, to nurture a business, political, technological and judicial leadership of the highest caliber. In order to achieve these goals the IDC provides a unique and innovative interdisciplinary education, which combines academic study with practical training. Since its inception in 1994, world-class faculty from leading universities in Israel and the world contributed their rich experience in order to research, develop, enhance, and teach the curriculum of the IDC.

Three thousand students are currently enrolled at the IDC. Bachelor's and master's degrees are awarded by the IDC's five internationally recognized schools: the Radzyner School of Law, the Arison School of Business, the Efi Arazi School of Computer Science, the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy and the Raphael Recanati International School.

The IDC's renowned research centers include the International Policy Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), the Institute for Policy and Strategy (IPS), the Caesarea Edmond Benjamin de Rothschild Center for Capital Markets and Risk Management, The Center for European Studies, the Global Research in International Affairs Center (GLORIA) and the Rich Center for the Study of Trading and Financial Markets. On its ten year anniversary the IDC inaugurated a series of policy papers on "Re-inventing Israeli Government", suggesting a reform in Israeli public administration.

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