THE AGENDA

- Lay of the land: maps
- Some more maps
- More maps
- Annexation: origins (East Jerusalem and Golan Heights)
- The good annexation: Annexation as part of agreed land swaps
- Yes. More maps. :)
- Enter Trump. And his plan :/
- Another map
- 50 Shades of Annexation
- That’s right. More maps!
- Ramifications of West Bank Annexation
- No maps
- But there’s a chart
West Bank: 430,000 settlers; 2.8 million Palestinians

Gaza Strip: 2 million Palestinians

East Jerusalem: 220,000 Jews; 350,000 Palestinians
Israeli barrier
Interim Agreement Areas:

Area A (18%): Palestinian security and civilian control

Area B (22%): Israeli security control and Palestinian civilian control

Area C (60%): Israeli security and civilian control
Six-Day war (June 1967)

Israel extended Israeli law to east Jerusalem (in expanded municipal border) and the Golan Heights (captured from Syria, we’re NOT going into THAT).

By governmental decision

1980 – Knesset Law
Two-State Solution:
1967 lines as basis
Land swaps
Olmert:

Israeli Annexation: 6.5%

Palestinian Annexation: 5.8%
Abbas:

Israeli Annexation: 1.9%

Palestinian Annexation: 1.9%
Trump:

Israeli Annexation: 30%

Palestinian Annexation: 14% (including areas with Arab-Palestinian citizens of Israel)
50 SHADES OF UNILATERAL ANNEXATION

- Jordan Valley
- Jordan Valley and certain settlement blocs
- Jordan Valley and all Jewish settlements
  - Built up areas, blue line, municipal boundary
- Trump plan
- Area C
Annexation: Jordan Valley (15%)
Annexation: Jordan Valley and settlements built-up area (17%)
Annexation: Jordan Valley and settlements municipal area (21%)
Annexation: Jordan Valley and settlement blocs/barrier route (23%)
Annexation: Trump Plan (30%)
RAMIFICATIONS OF UNILATERAL ANNEXATION

- Symbolize Israel’s disinterest in a negotiated two-state solution.; Israel acts unilaterally to determine the fate of Palestinians.
- Undermine relations with Jordan, Egypt, and regional countries
- Domino Effect:
  - Trigger a likely chain reaction that, at best, significantly worsen situation on the ground and, at worst, ends with the reoccupation of the West Bank and Gaza by Israel.
  - Security deterioration: end of security coordination with the PA and potential for popular violence.
  - Potential for PA collapse and the end of the Oslo architecture.
  - Need for Israeli takeover of the West Bank and later Gaza.
THE DOMINO EFFECT OF UNILATERAL ANNEXATION

- Creeping and legislated annexation initiatives
- Significant annexation of Area C
- Ignition point
- Breaking point
- Reoccupation of Areas A & B
- Turning point
- Collapsing of the Palestinian authority
- Pressure to dissolve the military administration
- Point of no return
- Full annexation and granting permanent residency to West Bank Palestinians
- Pressure to end apartheid regime
- Granting citizenship to 2.9 million Palestinians living in the West Bank and East Jerusalem
- Wave of West Bank violence
RAMIFICATIONS OF UNILATERAL ANNEXATION

- Implications:
  - Strategic, geo-political stress test.
  - Israeli need to directly administer Palestinian lives and livelihood
  - $15 billion per year
  - International legal ramifications
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