



Israel

THE FACTS

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1. JERUSALEM

POPULATION

300,000

260,000

220,000

180,000

140,000

100,000

60,000

20,000

1840

1860

1880

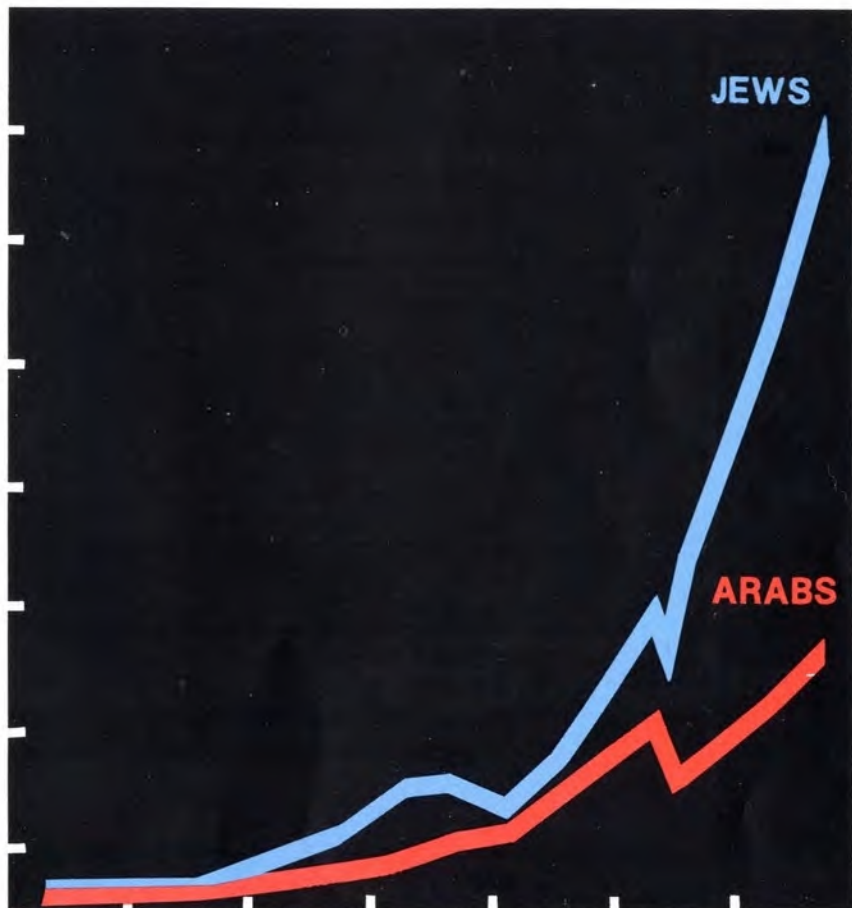
1900

1920

1940

1960

1980



JERUSALEM has had a Jewish Majority since 1896.

JERUSALEM is the Capital of Israel.

2. ISRAEL-ARAB CHRONOLOGY

PEACE?

| | | | |
|--------------|--------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| 1980 | 1978 | Israel-Egyptian peace talks begin | |
| | 1977 | Pres. Sadat visits Jerusalem | |
| | 1975 - Pres. | Lebanese Civil War, Syria occupies Lebanon | |
| | 1973 | Yom Kippur War, Egypt & Syria attack Israel | |
| | 1970 - Pres. | PLO terrorist attacks | |
| 1970 | 1970 | Egyptian war of attrition against Israel fails | |
| | 1967 | Six Day War sparked by Egyptian blockade Jerusalem reunited, Territories occupied | |
| 1960 | 1956 | Sinai Campaign, Israel retaliates against Egypt | |
| | 1949-56 | Fedayeen terrorist attacks from Egypt into Israel | |
| 1950 | 1948-49 | Israel attacked by 5 Arab armies | |
| | 1948 | Israel declares Independence | |
| | 1947 | Israel accepts UN Partition Plan which Arabs reject | |
| | 1939-45 | Six Million Jews massacred in Holocaust Jews support Allies, Arabs favor Axis | |
| WORLD WAR II | 1940 | 1939 | British Policy capitulates to Arabs |
| 1930 | 1936-39 | Arab Riots | |
| | 1929 | Arab anti-Jewish riots, massacre in Hebron | |
| | 1922 | British Government creates Trans-Jordan out of Mandate League of Nations awards Palestine Mandate to Britain | |
| 1920 | 1920-21 | Arab attacks against Jews begin | |
| | 1919 | Emir Faisal leader of Arabs welcomes Zionism | |
| WORLD WAR I | 1917 | Balfour Declaration of British Govt. to establish Jewish state | |
| 1910 | 1914-18 | Turkish occupation of Middle East ends with World War I | |
| | 1909 | Tel Aviv and first Kibbutz Degania founded | |
| 1900 | 1897 | Zionism, Jewish national liberation movement founded | |

3. FORM OF GOVERNMENT

ISRAEL Democratic Republic

Jewish and Arab citizens are represented in the Parliament (Knesset) by many parties.

EGYPT Republic

Party system in transition

JORDAN Constitutional Monarchy

The King appoints Governments.

LEBANON Republic(occupied by Syria)

SYRIA One-Party Republic

Ba'ath Party-Military Dictatorship

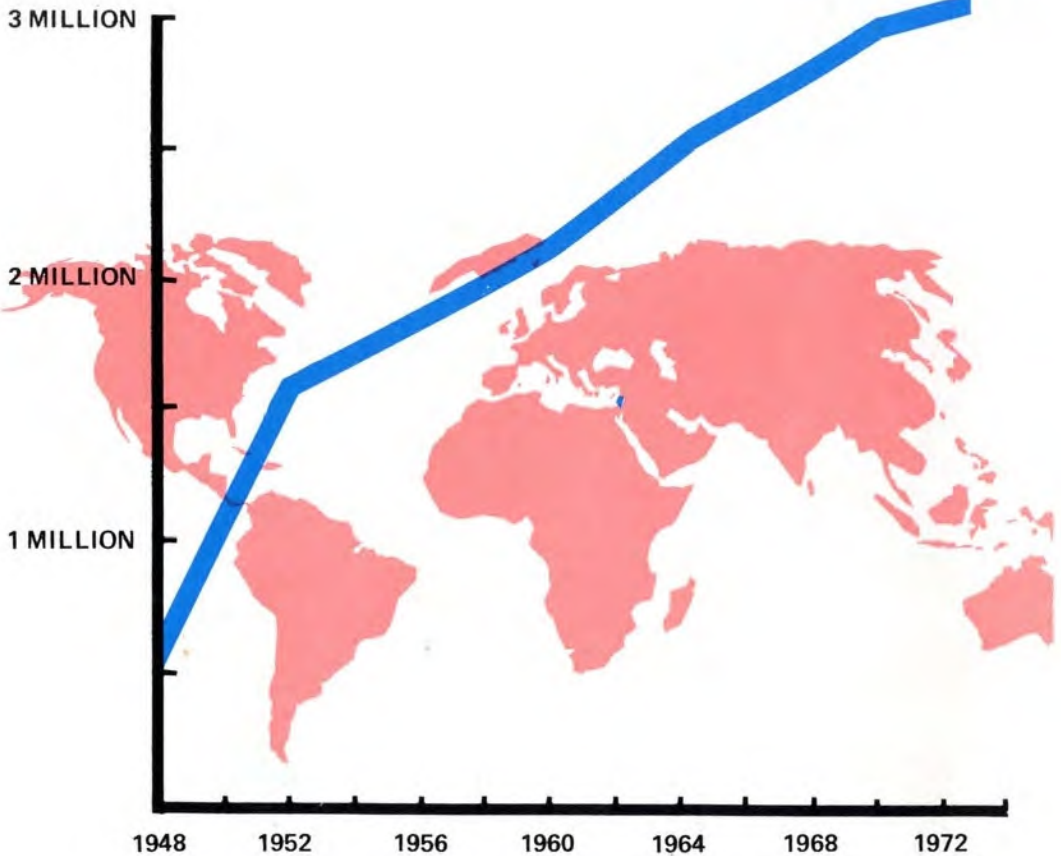
SAUDI ARABIA Absolute Monarchy

Of the 20 sovereign Arab states, NOT ONE is a Functioning Democracy.

People of ALL FAITHS can become Citizens of Israel. 15% of Israel's Citizens are Muslim and Christian Arabs.

The State Religion of the Arab countries is Islam. Minorities (e.g. Christians, Kurds, and Jews) are either PERSECUTED or BARRED.

4. POPULATION OF ISRAEL



- Israel is the only Jewish country in the world.
- Jews have come to Israel from 101 countries.
- Israel is a refuge for Jews fleeing persecution.

5. INCOME & POPULATION

**ANNUAL INCOME
PER PERSON, 1976
(U.S.\$) ***



* U.S. (7,400)

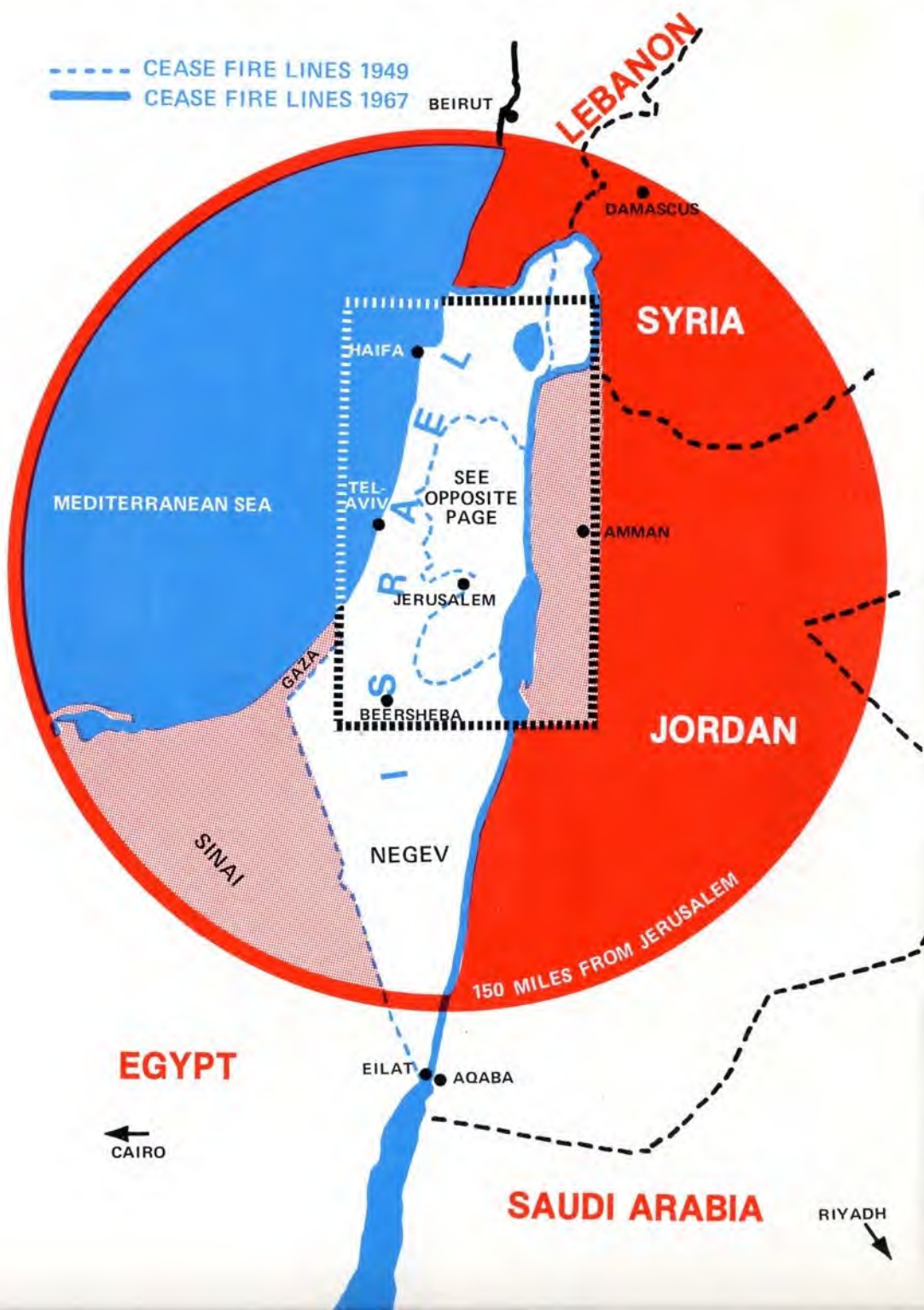
**POPULATION
(million)
1977**



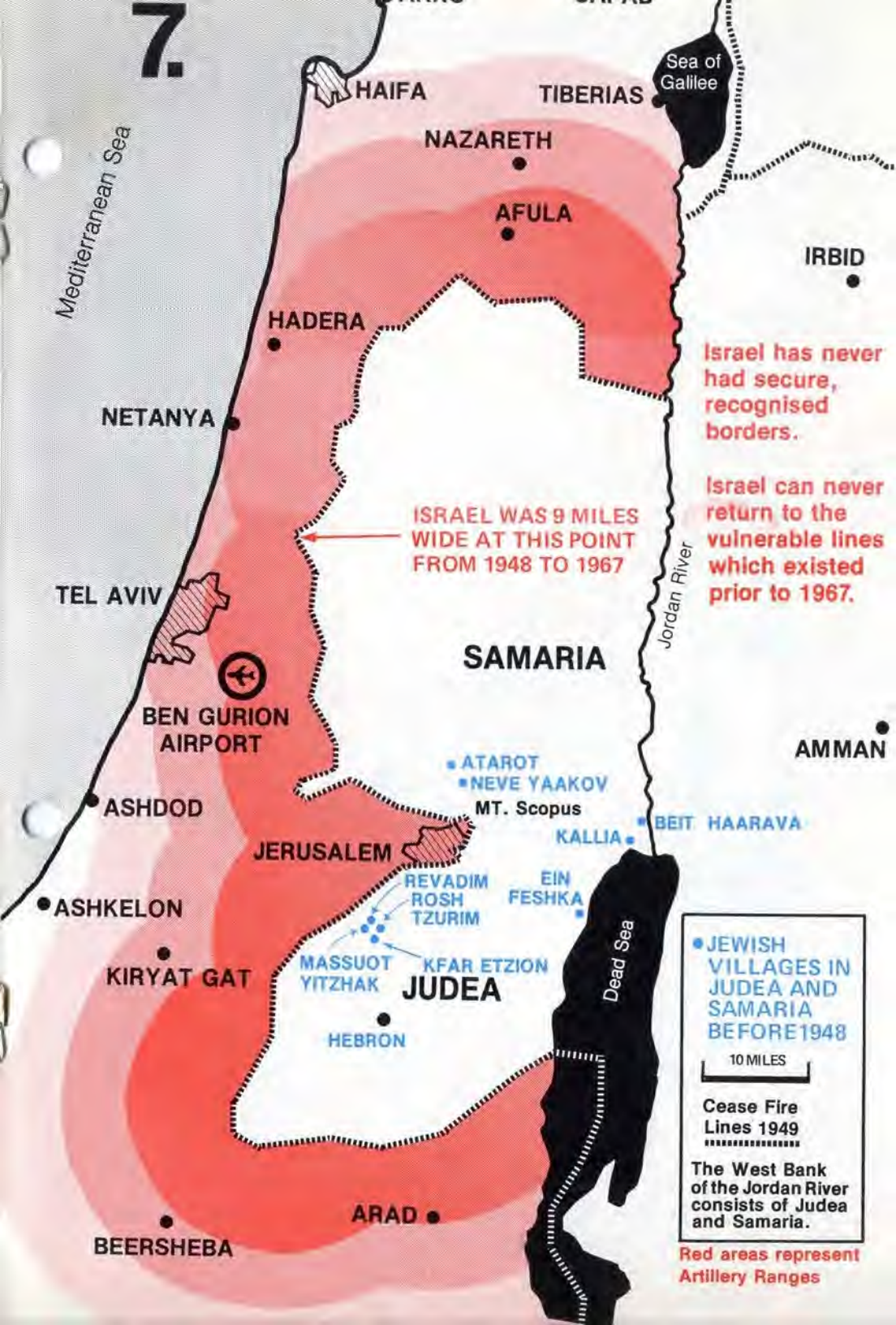
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6. SECURE BORDERS

----- CEASE FIRE LINES 1949
———— CEASE FIRE LINES 1967



7.



HAIFA

TIBERIAS

Sea of Galilee

NAZARETH

AFULA

IRBID

HADERA

Israel has never had secure, recognised borders.

NETANYA

Israel can never return to the vulnerable lines which existed prior to 1967.

ISRAEL WAS 9 MILES WIDE AT THIS POINT FROM 1948 TO 1967

TEL AVIV

Jordan River

SAMARIA

BEN GURION AIRPORT

AMMAN

ASHDOD

• ATAROT
• NEVE YAAKOV

MT. Scopus

• BEIT HAARAVA

ASHKELON

JERUSALEM

KALLIA

• REVADIM
• ROSH TZURIM

• EIN FESHKA

KIRYAT GAT

• MASSUOT
• YITZHAK

• K FAR ETZION

• HEBRON

JUDEA

Dead Sea

• JEWISH VILLAGES IN JUDEA AND SAMARIA BEFORE 1948

10 MILES

Cease Fire Lines 1949

The West Bank of the Jordan River consists of Judea and Samaria.

BEERSHEBA

ARAD

Red areas represent Artillery Ranges

8. LAND OWNERSHIP IN ISRAEL 1949

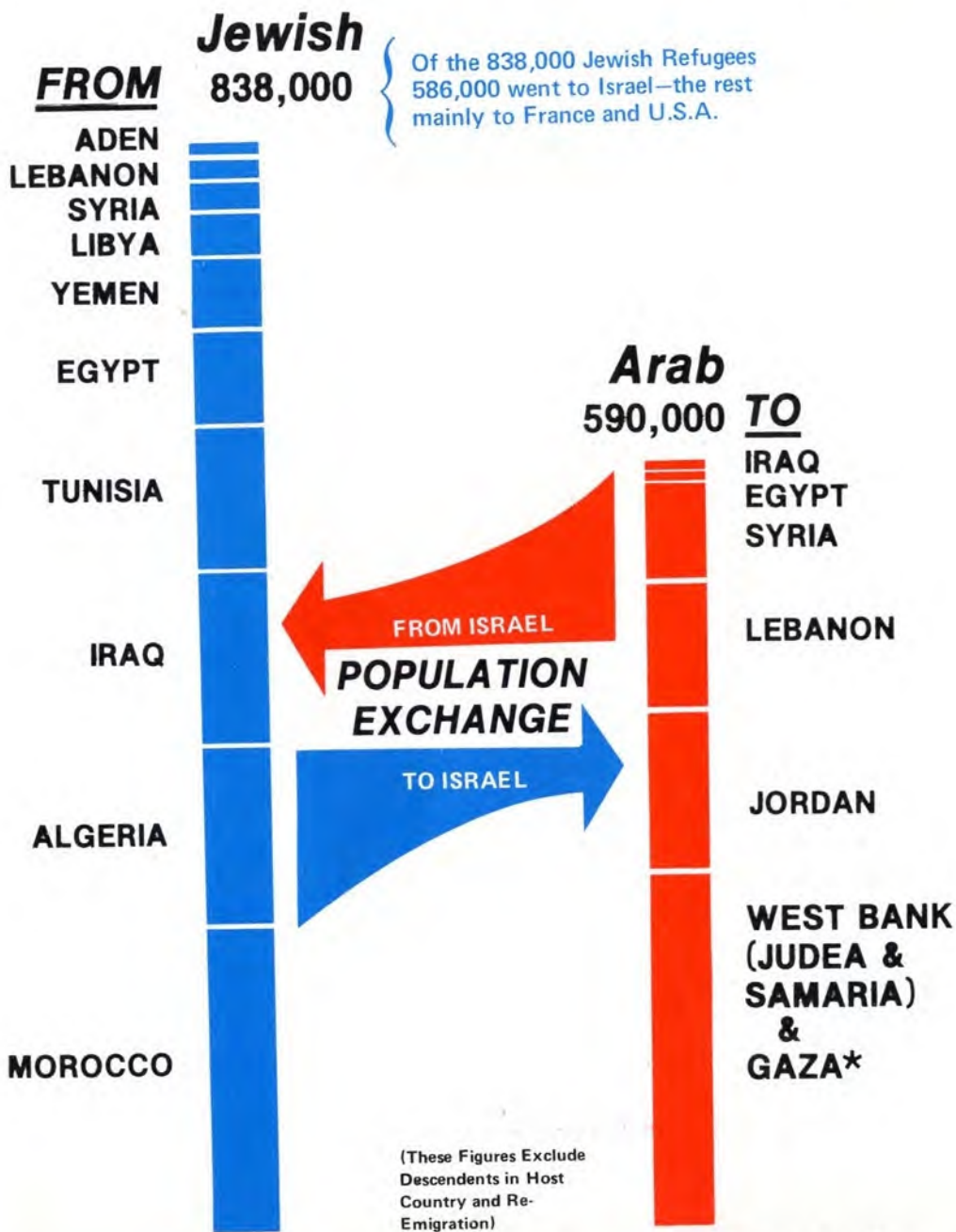
JEWISH OWNED



About 90% of Jewish-owned lands were large tracts purchased at exorbitant prices (up to \$1,000 per acre in 1944) from absentee landlords (e.g. The Jezreel Valley, 56 thousand acres, from the Sursuk family of Beirut).

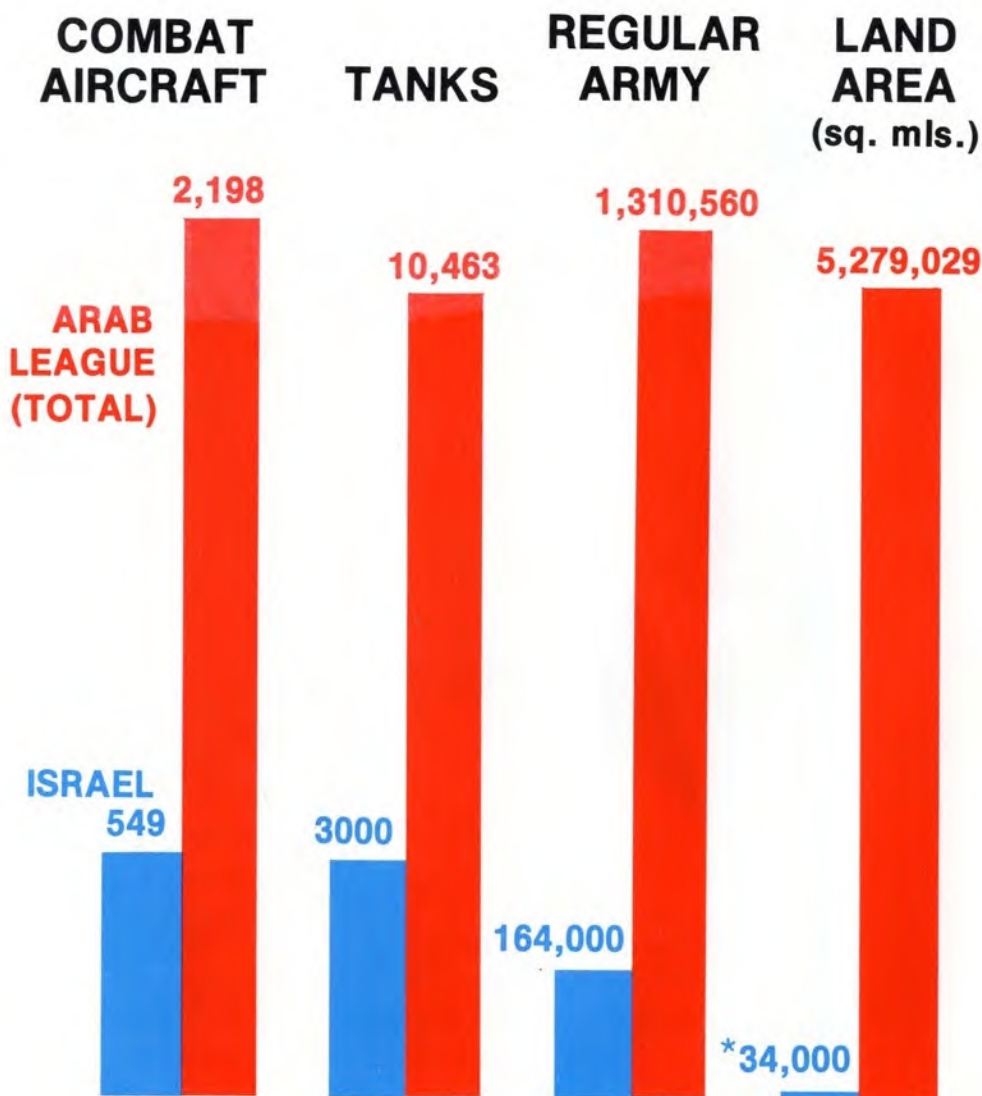
The amount of land and property expropriated by Arab governments (e.g. Iraq, Egypt) from Jews was much greater than that abandoned by Arabs in Israel.

9. REFUGEES



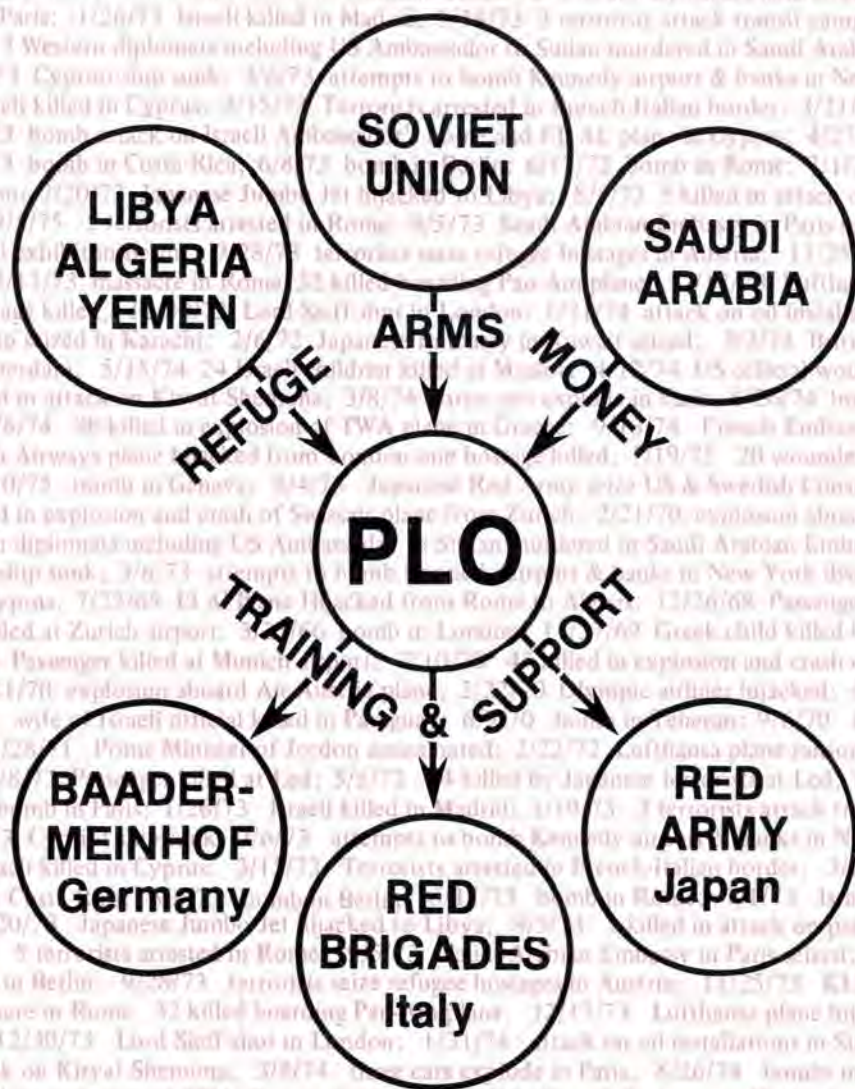
* now under Israeli control

10. THE STRATEGIC BALANCE 1978



* 1978 BOUNDARIES

11. INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM



The Palestine Liberation Organization has played a KEY ROLE in International Terrorism. Total number KILLED in International Terrorist incidents from 1970-1977 was 1,259 (excluding casualties in U.S.A., Israel and Northern Ireland).

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