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Benjamin Netanyahu approves of Trump's Gaza hostage, ceasefire plan | The Jerusalem Post

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If Hamas rejects, Israel has full backing to "do what you would," Trump said

US President Donald Trump stated that Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu agreed to his 21-point plan to create peace in Gaza following a meeting in the White House on Monday.

What did Trump say at the White House press conference?

Trump said that the US would be involved in Israel's security after the ceasefire agreement.

The president said that if his deal were accepted by Hamas, all of the hostages, living and dead, would be released almost immediately.

Trump intends to end the war itself, and said that he was "hearing that Hamas wants to get this done."

He also stated that during his meeting with Netanyahu, the Israeli PM clearly stated his opposition to a Palestinian state.

Trump slammed other countries that had "foolishly" recognized a Palestinian state.

He said that if Hamas rejects the deal that Israel has agreed to, he would give Israel the backing to destroy Hamas.

"And if Hamas rejects the deal, which is always possible, they're the only one left. Everyone else has accepted it, but I have a feeling that we're going to have a positive answer," he said. "But if not, as you know, Bibi, you have our full backing to do what you would."

In addition, he said Israel and others were "beyond very close" to reaching an agreement on ending the war in Gaza.

Trump, standing alongside Netanyahu, said the agreement would involve Arab countries and should help to achieve a broader peace in the Middle East.

"At least we're at a minimum, very, very close. And I think we're beyond very close," Trump told reporters. "And I want to thank Bibi for really getting in there and doing a job."

Trump affirmed that Israelis want a return to peace and want the hostages home.

Trump also added that there were "many Palestinians who wish to live in peace," adding that they had a "rough life under Hamas.

Trump said that he believes that Iran will be a member of the Abraham Accords one day during his Monday press conference.

Trump called on Hamas to accept his 21-point plan for peace during a Monday press conference, calling it an "extremely fair proposal."

What did Netanyahu say at the White House press conference?

Netanyahu stated that Trump was Israel's greatest friend in Washington.

"You are the greatest friend that Israel has ever had in the White House," Netanyahu said, adding that "it's not even close."

He also said that Trump's 21-point plan meets Israel's war aims.

Netanyahu outlined his cabinet's "day after" plan for Gaza and the end of the war with Hamas.

The objectives included: the disarmament of Hamas, the demilitarization of Gaza, the return of the hostages, Israel maintaining security parameters, and the establishment of a peaceful civilian administration in Gaza.

The prime minister also said that there would be no role for the Palestinian Authority in Gaza until it underwent major transformations.

Netanyahu said that Trump's plan provides a "realistic path for Gaza."

"I support your proposal; it will achieve all of Israel's war goals," he added.

What is Trump's 21-point plan?

Trump released his plan to end the Israel-Hamas War.

Notably, the statement said that within 72 hours of Israel publicly accepting this agreement, all hostages, alive and deceased, will be returned.

The released statement states that Gaza will be "a deradicalized terror-free zone that does not pose a threat to its neighbors," and that the enclave will be redeveloped for the citizens of Gaza, "who have suffered more than enough."

If both sides agree to this proposal, the war will immediately end. Israeli forces will withdraw to the agreed upon line to prepare for a hostage release. During this time, all military operations, including aerial and artillery bombardment, will be suspended, and battle lines will remain frozen until conditions are met for the complete staged withdrawal.

Once all hostages are released, Israel will release 250 life sentence prisoners plus 1700 Gazans who were detained after October 7th 2023, including all women and children detained in that context. For every Israeli hostage whose remains are released, Israel will release the remains of 15 deceased Gazans.

Once all hostages are returned, Hamas members who commit to peaceful co-existence and to decommission their weapons will be given amnesty. Members of Hamas who wish to leave Gaza will be provided safe passage to receiving countries.

Upon acceptance of this agreement, full aid will be immediately sent into the Gaza Strip. At a minimum, aid quantities will be consistent with what was included in the January 19, 2025, agreement regarding humanitarian aid, including rehabilitation of infrastructure (water, electricity, sewage), rehabilitation of hospitals and bakeries, and entry of necessary equipment to remove rubble and open roads.

Entry of distribution and aid in the Gaza Strip will proceed without interference from the two parties through the United Nations and its agencies, and the Red Crescent, in addition to other international institutions not associated in any manner with either party. Opening the Rafah crossing in both directions will be subject to the same mechanism implemented under the January 19, 2025 agreement.

Gaza will be governed under the temporary transitional governance of a technocratic, apolitical Palestinian committee, responsible for delivering the day-to-day running of public services and municipalities for the people in Gaza. This committee will be made up of qualified Palestinians and international experts, with oversight and supervision by a new international transitional body, the "Board of Peace," which will be headed and chaired by President Donald J. Trump, with other members and heads of State to be announced, including Former Prime Minister Tony Blair. This body will set the framework and handle the funding for the redevelopment of Gaza until such time as the Palestinian Authority has completed its reform program, as outlined in various proposals, including President Trump's peace plan in 2020 and the Saudi-French proposal, and can securely and effectively take back control of Gaza. This body will call on best international standards to create modern and efficient governance that serves the people of Gaza and is conducive to attracting investment.

A Trump economic development plan to rebuild and energize Gaza will be created by convening a panel of experts who have helped birth some of the thriving modern miracle cities in the Middle East. Many thoughtful investment proposals and exciting development ideas have been crafted by well-meaning international groups, and will be considered to synthesize the security and governance frameworks to attract and facilitate these investments that will create jobs, opportunity, and hope for future Gaza.

A special economic zone will be established with preferred tariff and access rates to be negotiated with participating countries.

No one will be forced to leave Gaza, and those who wish to leave will be free to do so and free to return. We will encourage people to stay and offer them the opportunity to build a better Gaza."

[After two years of war, US public backs Palestinians over Israel for first time -- poll | The Times of Israel](#)

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Support for Jewish state has plummeted after nearly two years of war against Hamas in Gaza, with younger voters and Democrats most hostile, survey says

Support for Israel has plummeted in the US after nearly two years of war in Gaza, according to a poll released on Monday.

The [poll](#), by The New York Times and Siena University, said that more respondents backed the Palestinians over Israel for the first time since the survey began asking the question in 1998.

The poll was in line with other recent surveys showing Israel's support dropping among swathes of the American public.

Immediately after the October 7, 2023, Hamas invasion of Israel, 47% of respondents backed Israel, compared to 20% who backed Palestinians, The New York Times reported.

In Monday's survey, 35% supported the Palestinians, and 34% Israel, while the remainder said they didn't know or didn't favor either side.

Questions about ending the war and military support for Israel also showed the harsh view many Americans have of the Jewish state.

A slight majority of 51% opposed the US providing economic and military support to Israel, while 39% were in favor.

Nearly six in ten respondents said Israel should halt its military campaign "to protect against civilian casualties," even if the hostages were not released, or Hamas was not eliminated — Israel's chief goals.

Most respondents, or 62%, said Israel was not taking enough precautions to avoid civilian casualties, and 40% said they believed Israel was intentionally killing civilians. In December 2023, 22% said that Israel was intentionally killing civilians.

Antagonism toward Israel was highest among younger respondents and Democrats.

Among 18-29 year olds, 61% backed the Palestinians over Israel, and among Democrats, 54% sided with the Palestinians and 13% with Israel.

Republicans favored Israel by a margin of 64% to 9%, although that support has also seen a modest decline.

Around the start of the war, Democrats were nearly evenly divided between their support for Israel and the Palestinians. The biggest shift against Israel has been among white Democrats with college degrees, the report said.

Eighty-one percent of Democrats said Israel should stop the war, even if the hostages are not freed or Hamas not eliminated, compared to 30% of Republicans.

Close to seven out of 10 respondents under the age of 30 opposed providing economic or military aid to Israel.

The poll queried 1,313 registered US voters between September 22 and September 27. The margin of error was 3.2 percentage points.

Jewish resilience fading amid antisemitism rise | The Jerusalem Post

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An annual report on international antisemitism presented on Thursday warned that the phenomenon has reached levels unseen in decades and is eroding Jewish resilience.

“This is a troubling and alarming report with many challenges, definitely following [October 7](#) and the impact on Jewish communities all over the world,” said Israeli [President Isaac Herzog](#) as the Jewish People Policy Institute’s report was presented to him in Jerusalem.

“What’s most important for us is Jewish resilience, the ability of all communities to function and flourish amidst these challenges, and of course, keep the centrality of Israel in their heart and in their deeds, and most importantly, to see our hostages back home and an end to the war.”

The Jerusalem-based JPPI’s findings point to worsening trends in nearly every measure of Jewish well-being, from cohesion to identity.

Jewish resilience being tested like never before

At the core of the report are six “gauges” that track the future of the Jewish people: demography, cohesion, geopolitics, Israel–US relations, resilience, and identity. While population growth in Israel remains robust, the report highlights declining unity, strained ties with younger Diaspora Jews, and growing international isolation. Most worrying, the report said, is a sharp deterioration in Jewish resilience. “Resilience is more than the ability to withstand adversity. It is the enduring capacity of the Jewish people in Israel and throughout the Diaspora, to secure physical safety, ensure material prosperity, and uphold a shared sense of collective destiny. That resilience is being tested today as never before,” the report said.

The report described “a resurgence of antisemitism that is deeper, ideologically driven, and more socially acceptable than at any time since the Holocaust.” According to the authors, antisemitic attitudes have moved “from the margins of society into its mainstream institutions,” leaving Jews increasingly vulnerable.

The Jew as an obstacle to redemption

It noted that after Hamas’s October 7 attack on Israel, “the deadliest day for Jews since the Holocaust,” many Jews did not receive solidarity. Instead, the event “triggered a wave of moral inversion,” with Jewish students told they could not grieve unless they

condemned Israel. The report warned that “today’s trope replaces the ‘Christ killer’ with the ‘Palestinian child killer.’ In both cases, the Jew is seen as the obstacle to redemption.”

The personal consequences are stark. “Jewish students [are] harassed or excluded on campuses; synagogues vandalized; individuals assaulted or even killed in ideologically motivated attacks,” JPPI documents.

In Europe and North America, many Jews are hiding outward symbols of identity or even considering emigration.

Alongside physical threats, Israel faces an unprecedented campaign of international delegitimization. The report pointed to the International Criminal Court’s arrest warrants for Israeli leaders and genocide charges filed against Israel at the International Court of Justice.

These measures, it argues, “erode Israel’s legitimacy as a sovereign state with the right to self-defense” and embolden its adversaries.

JPPI President Prof. Yedidia Stern cautioned that Israel stands “at a crossroads: massive security achievements have opened a regional window of opportunity, but without a political horizon and without addressing the internal crisis, the country risks sliding into prolonged strategic isolation.”

To confront the challenges, the institute recommends steps such as formulating a clear postwar strategy for [Gaza](#), halting extremist rhetoric, strengthening ties with the Diaspora, reforming Israel’s governance, and launching a comprehensive global campaign against [antisemitism](#).

Underlying these prescriptions was an urgent warning. “What connects the assault on Diaspora Jews and the legal assault on Israel is not only their ideological content, but their ultimate objective: to sever the link between Jewish peoplehood and legitimacy,” the report said.

For Jewish communities worldwide, the JPPI concluded, resilience must be defended not only against physical violence but also “in the moral and legal imagination of the world.”

X is among most effective tools for spreading antisemitism | The Jerusalem Post

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[X/Twitter](#) has become one of the most effective tools for spreading [antisemitism](#) in history, a report from the Center for Countering Digital Hate (CCDH) and the Jewish Council for Public Affairs (JCPA) has revealed.

The two organizations conducted a year-long investigation into antisemitic content on X using AI tools, specifically OpenAI's GPT-4. They unveiled systemic failures in content moderation, as well as platform amplification of antisemitic conspiracy theories, and the rise of influential, often monetized, accounts spreading anti-Jewish hate to a large audience.

[Antisemitism is at a record high. We're keeping our eyes on it >>](#)

The research identified 679,584 [antisemitic posts](#) between February 1, 2024, and January 31, 2025, which combined were viewed 193 million times.

Of the total antisemitic posts, 59% related to conspiracy theories, which the CCDH and the JCPA split into three categories: Jewish control or power conspiracies, Jewish satanic conspiracies, and Holocaust denial. These posts also accounted for 73% of all likes.

The research report noted that online conspiracy theories should not be taken in isolation, as they can have a tangible impact in the real world. The FBI has, for example, warned that antisemitism is a “persistent driver” of violent extremism, with many attackers referencing the tropes in manifestos or online interactions.

Antisemitic abuse made up the remaining 41% of the sample. This included anti-Jewish character attacks such as “Jews are traitors”; the dehumanization of Jews, such as comparisons to rats or snakes; and anti-Jewish violent speech, such as “Jews must be eradicated.”

Community notes

Another issue presented with Community Notes for X, a decentralized method for combating false information. Community Notes allow contributors to leave notes on any post. If enough contributors, considered to come from different points of view, rate that note as helpful, it will be publicly displayed on the post.

For example, suppose a post disseminates an antisemitic conspiracy theory. In that case, a Community Note may appear below to indicate that the information in the post is false, thereby countering the spread of misinformation.

By identifying the top 100 most-viewed posts from each antisemitic conspiracy theory category, totaling 300 posts, the CCDH and the JCPA found that only four were given a publicly visible Community Note, representing just over 1%. Additionally, even when Community Notes were applied, they remained invisible for over three-quarters of the views.

Moreover, the report stated that X has become the go-to platform for antisemitic posters. According to the research, X makes it easy to monetize on antisemitic content and reach millions of viewers.

Strikingly, of all the posts identified as antisemitic, 10 individual “antisemitism influencers” accounted for 32% of the total likes on posts in the sample, while the other 68% of likes were from 159,055 users, displaying the disproportionate levels of influence that those top 10 antisemitism influencers had.

For nine of these 10 antisemitism influencers, X serves as their biggest platform in terms of the number of followers they have compared to other platforms. Six of the 10 are also verified users, including Dan Bilzerian and Stew Peters. Jake Shields is not verified on X, but has the second-largest follower count among the top 10 antisemitism influencers after Bilzerian.

Furthermore, five in 10 antisemitism influencers have had ads displayed near their content, and three out of 10 antisemitism influencers profit from paid subscriptions on X.

“At a time when polarization, extremism, and violence are rising at home and abroad, the unchecked spread of antisemitism online is a direct threat to public safety,” said CCDH CEO Imran Ahmed and JCPA CEO Amy Spitalnick.

“The platforms turn a blind eye to harmful content being spread on their sites, and they leave society to suffer the consequences,” they said.

“Unless platforms change course, live up to their terms of service, and stop the spread of antisemitism and broader hate and extremism. [Otherwise this] will likely, and sadly, lead to further violent incidents targeting our communities and our democracy.”

[The Hate Monitor is here to track antisemitism worldwide. Learn more >>](#)

[Scores of People Dead After 6.9-Magnitude Earthquake in Philippines | Breitbart.com](#)

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At least 72 people have been killed and more than 200 others were injured after a 6.9-magnitude earthquake struck the central Philippines on Tuesday night.

The powerful earthquake transpired at around 10:00 p.m., trapping an unspecified number of residents in collapsed houses, nightclubs, and other businesses in the coastal city of Bogu, as well as rural towns in the nation's Cebu province, according to a [report](#) by Associated Press.

On Wednesday, Army troops, police, civilian volunteers, and sniffer dogs went house-to-house to search for survivors. Half of the deaths were reported to have been in Bogu, a city home to around 90,000 residents, officials said.

The death toll, however, is reportedly expected to rise, with officials saying that sporadic rain, as well as damaged bridges and roads have been obstructing their effort to quickly save lives.

"We're still in the golden hour of our search and rescue," Office of Civil Defense Deputy Administrator Bernardo Rafaelito Alejandro IV said. "There are still many reports of people who were pinned or hit by debris."

Alejandro added that the Philippine government is considering asking foreign governments for help.

Emergency personnel tried to transport a backhoe in order to speed up search and rescue efforts in a collection of small shacks nestled in a mountain village that was hit by a landslide and boulders, Bogu disaster-mitigation officer Rex Ygot told Associated Press.

"It's hard to move in the area because there are hazards," Glenn Ursal, another disaster mitigation officer, said.

Deaths also were reported from the remote towns of Medellin and San Remigio, where three coast guard personnel, a firefighter, and a child were killed by collapsing walls and falling debris as they tried to flee to safety from a basketball game in a building that was shaken by the quake, town officials told the outlet.

The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology, meanwhile, had briefly issued a tsunami warning advising the public to steer clear of the Cebu coastlines and the

nearby provinces of Leyte and Biliran, anticipating waves of up to three feet — but the warning was lifted hours later, as no waves were reported.

Nonetheless, thousands of worried residents reportedly refused to return to their homes, choosing to stay in open fields and parks overnight, despite being hit by rain.

Moreover, by the time the earthquake hit, residents from Cebu and other provinces were still recovering from a tropical storm that had struck on Friday, knocking out power in entire cities and towns, and leaving at least 27 people dead — mostly due to drownings and falling trees.

More than 600 aftershocks were also detected after Tuesday's earthquake, according to Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology director Teresito Bacolcol.

“This was really traumatic to people,” Bacolcol said. “They’ve been lashed by a storm then jolted by an earthquake. I don’t want to experience what they’ve gone through.”

Notably, the Philippines is one of the world's most disaster-prone countries, experiencing about 20 typhoons and storms each year, and often struck by earthquakes and volcanic eruptions.

'Charlie Kirk Effect' drives religious revival, including Mass attendance and Bible reading | Fox News

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Faith leaders report 15% increase in church attendance as 'Charlie Kirk Effect' draws young people to Christianity

Calvary Chapel Chino Hills Pastor Jack Hibbs of California told "Fox and Friends First" this week that [Charlie Kirk](#), the founder of Turning Point USA, helped many young Americans find their purpose — and the pastor is seeing the tangible results today.

"People are coming to us, and they are saying, 'I want to know the meaning of life, the purpose. Why am I here?'" Hibbs recounted.

Many across the country agree Kirk's tragic assassination in Utah on Sept. 10 — after his years of outreach to young people about faith, family, values and country — has sparked a religious revival, with scores of non-believers picking up a Bible for the first time. It's been dubbed the "Charlie Kirk Effect."

CHARLIE KIRK'S BELIEF IN GOD AND THE WAY HE 'DEFENDED FAITH' IMPACTS SCORES OF YOUNG PEOPLE

Matt Zerrusen, co-founder of Newman Ministry, a Catholic nonprofit organization that supports over 200 campus ministries nationwide, said he's seen an increase in student faith engagement.

"I have not talked to anyone who has not seen an increase in Mass attendance," he recently told [Catholic News Agency](#). "Some schools are reporting increases of 15%."

Social media platforms have also seen a crush of posts from people saying they plan to attend church for the first time or [return to church](#) thanks to Kirk's influence, the same source noted.

Bible sales through August 2025 reached 10 million copies, marking an increase of more than one million compared to the same period last year, according to BookScan.

Kirk himself shared a message on X just weeks before his death: "There is revival in the Christian church. Churches are growing. Young people are flocking to faith in God."

YOUNG FATHER CREDITS CHARLIE KIRK FOR LIFE-CHANGING FAMILY VALUES, CITING 'HUGE' LEGACY

William Wolfe, Center for Baptist Leadership executive director, told Fox News Digital he echoes comments by Department of War Secretary Pete Hegseth — comments shared in a prepared statement shortly before Hegseth himself spoke at last Sunday's memorial for Kirk in Glendale, Arizona.

"Charlie Kirk started a political movement, but he ended it as a Christian movement," said Wolfe. "That's been so evident here today with the worship that we've seen."

Wolfe said Kirk's legacy will go beyond bringing young people into conservative politics; it will be bringing them back to Jesus Christ.

"I think Charlie Kirk made it cool to be Christian again," said Wolfe.

He added, "That's not our goal, but Charlie Kirk made it reasonable. He [defended the faith](#)."

Last year, Kirk sat down with actor Russel Brand to discuss Brand's transition to Christianity.

During that interview, Kirk shared, "I'm nothing without Jesus. I'm a sinner. I fall incredibly short of the glory of God. We all do."

He added, "I gave my life to the Lord in fifth grade, and it's the most important decision I've ever made, and everything I do incorporates Jesus Christ."

Kirk was also outspoken about the importance of family — and shared his fervent support of it whenever he had the opportunity.

"Get married. Have children. Build a legacy. Pass down your values. Pursue the eternal. Seek true joy," Kirk often said.

In an Instagram post on his daughter's third birthday, he wrote, "[Having a family](#) will change your life in the best ways, so get married and have kids. You won't regret it."

He also said, "I want to be remembered for courage for my faith. That would be the most important thing. The most important thing is my faith."