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SECURITY ISSUES

In Permanent Status
Negotiations

Introduction

- NSU Role
- Distinction between *interim arrangements* and negotiated *permanent status* agreement
- PS issues:
 - *Borders*
 - *Jerusalem*
 - *Refugees*
 - *Water*
 - *Security*
 - *Settlements*
 - *Generic/State to State Issues*

Introduction: Security PS Issues

- I. History and Context
- II. Key security issues for negotiation
 - *Limitations on military capacity / alliances*
 - *Israeli military presence and control*
 - *International presence*
 - *Security cooperation*

Requirements for Palestinian State

- Sovereignty and independence
- Control over territory and borders
- 67 borders – Jerusalem / contiguity
- Ability to make and implement policy

On security this requires:

- *Full Israeli military withdrawal and end to control*
- *Any exception must be limited, temporary, and based on legitimate concerns*

Key Negotiation Issues I

➤ **Limitations on arms and structures**

- *“Limited and appropriate arms” based on agreed functions*
- *Functions: internal security; law and order; protection of territory*
- *Structure and organisation of forces: models*
- *Precursors, components, other dual use materials /equipment*

➤ **Alliances and cooperation**

- *Will not enter hostile alliances*
- *Bilateral / regional security regime*
- *Neutrality*

➤ **Airspace**

- *Civil aviation: Chicago Convention / ICAO rules.*
- *No overriding Israeli air traffic / management control*
- *Possibility of air corridor (WB – GS)*
- *Military: training / operational needs*

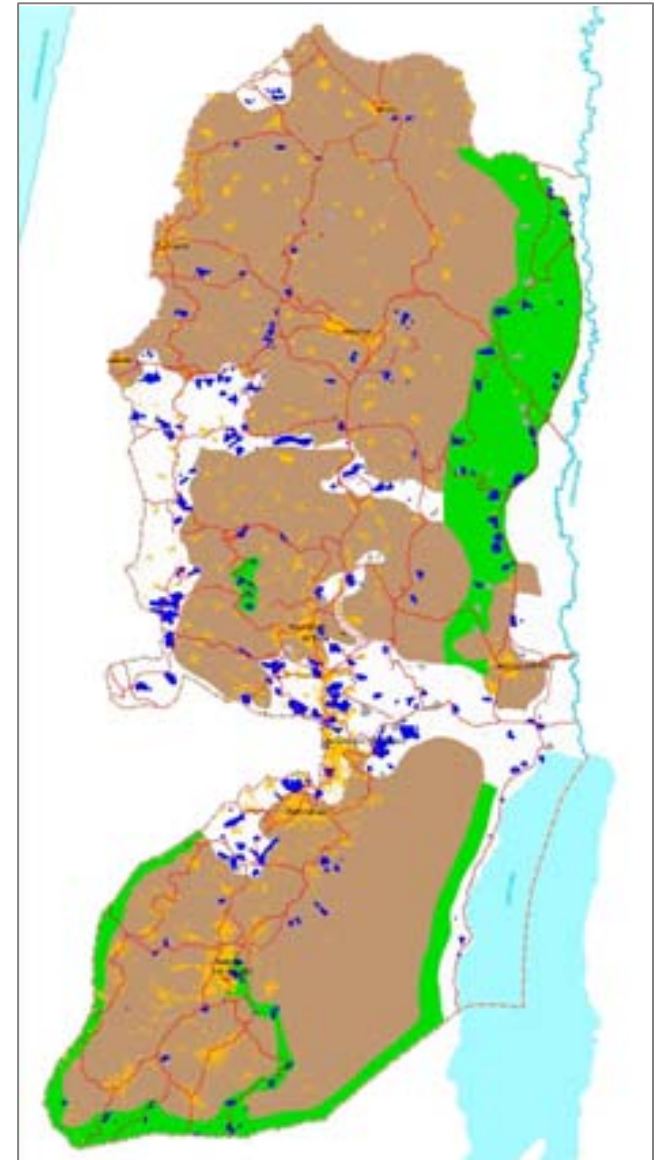
Key Negotiation Issues II

➤ Israeli military presence

- *Early Warning Stations (EWS)*
 - *to detect “threat from the East”*
 - *Intrusive and of questionable value (NB satellite detection)*
- *JV Bases & access routes / “emergency deployment”*
- *Unspecified control over borders*
- *Control over electromagnetic sphere*

➤ International role

- *UN/EU/ NATO mandate and leadership*
- *Range of functions:*
 - *Assist with crossings and ports*
 - *Build capacity*
 - *Monitor and assist implementation of agreement*
 - *Perform other tasks as agreed*



Conclusion

- Agreed security relations should be based on
 - legitimate interests and concerns of both sides
 - International standards and best practice
- Must ensure basic requirements for statehood, otherwise will not work and conflict will not end
- Should target legitimate threats and concerns, not economic and political viability of the state
- Need economic prosperity for peace, which will ensure durable security