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Joint Israeli-Palestinian Proposal to Resume Israeli-Palestinian-Regional Talks

The proposal presented below was developed between Israeli members of the IPI Group together with Palestinian representatives (related to the PLO's liaison committee to the Israeli public), in an attempt to offer a new paradigm to resume peace talks between the parties. Talks began during operation "Protective Edge" and were concluded in March 2015 with the following memo of understanding, as a joint proposal. This proposal was brought to the attention of the Palestinian leadership which endorsed it late in October 2015.

"We, a group of Palestinians and Israelis, encourage Israel and Palestine to resume peace talks immediately, with the active involvement of the key Arab States and the full backing of the international community, based on the following principles and actions:

- 1. Israel will accept the Arab Peace Initiative (API) of March 2002 as reaffirmed by the Arab League (and with certain additions in April 2013 regarding 1967 borders with minimal and agreed upon land-swaps), as a key component of the negotiation framework toward peace between Israel and Palestine, and the end of the Israeli-Arab conflict. Should Israel have any reservation regarding certain elements of the API, it can raise them at the negotiations table*
- 2. All relevant parties will agree to a regional negotiation mechanism, focusing on three parallel tracks: (1) a bilateral track between Israel and Palestine, dedicated to the core issues of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict; (2) a regional track between Israel and the key Arab States, dedicated to the implementation of the API, tightly and mutually linked to progress made in the bilateral track; and (3) an implementation track, focusing on changing reality on the ground, whereby everything agreed upon at the negotiation table is implemented, while negotiations continue – thus gradually building trust amongst both Palestinians and Israelis.*
- 3. Both regional and bilateral negotiation frameworks will be governed by a time frame that will be part and parcel thereof, to be agreed upon by the parties.*
- 4. Both parties will honor and implement all previous agreements between them, including the Oslo Accord, the Roadmap and others. The parties will work tirelessly to eliminate all types of terrorist activities, will avoid unilateral steps (such as Israeli settlement expansion and Palestinian approach to UN organizations), and will adhere to international law and to all relevant UN resolutions.*
- 5. The key Arab States and the Arab League will play a proactive and productive role in supporting the tough decisions required by both Israeli and Palestinian leaders, and will continuously reassure the Palestinian and Israeli publics about the rich potential in turning the API vision into a new reality resulting from the end of the Israeli-Arab conflict, and the positive impact it will have on the security and prosperity of the entire region.*
- 6. Israel and Palestine will enforce a full stop of any form of incitement and hate crimes, and start preparing their respective publics to recognize the painful concessions required, which will be rewarded by the great benefits of the regional vision outlined in the API.*
- 7. The quintessential element of this approach is that it leads to a win-win settlement, where both parties have their most essential needs met in full: Palestinians gain end of occupation and freedom in their independent state; and Israelis gain the peace and security they have aspired to for decades.*

All relevant parties, their governments and coalition partners, are encouraged to demonstrate courageous leadership for the sake of current and future generations, and to resume peace talks based on the regional mechanism and the principles outlined above." [End of Memorandum]