

US May Not Veto Palestinian Security Council Resolution

Debka is [reporting](#) that the United States may not veto the Palestinian-Arab Security Council Resolution declaring Israeli settlements illegal.

Israel and the US are set for a collision if President Barack Obama stands by his refusal to veto a Palestinian-Arab motion due to be tabled at the UN Security Council condemning Israel for its settlement policy in the West Bank and Jerusalem, Debkafile's Washington sources report. If he did, he would be the first US president to let an anti-Israel motion go through the Security Council; building on the West Bank and even in the forty-year old suburbs of East Jerusalem would become illegal, as would also municipal, police and military actions in these places.

This situation would throw Israel's relations with the US, the UN and the European Union into deep crisis. By failing to block such a motion, Obama would encourage the Palestinians and hostile Arab states to continue to use the UN Security Council to undermine Israel's legitimacy and even recognize a unilateral Palestinian state within the pre-1967 borders without negotiations.

Please read the entire article for more important information.

Analysis. Debka is well known as the "official" Israeli crier of wolf. This article may well be a preemptive strike to cause Jewish groups in the United States and their friends in the Congress to put pressure on Obama to have this resolution vetoed. It also shows the level of paranoia in the Israeli government that they would provide this kind of information to an organization that will immediately publish it. This paranoia is driven in part, I believe, by the inability of Israel's friends to use stronger measures than diplomacy and sanctions to cause Iran to stop its aggressive pursuit of nuclear weapons and regional hegemony. My previous article details the current state of the 5+1 talks in Istanbul and former Prime Minister Tony Blair's comment about exactly who is causing the majority of problems in the Middle East.

This is also the paranoia that puts pressure on Israel to strike Iran independent of the United States. There is no way that Israel and the Palestinians will come to an agreement that has any chance of working as long as the Palestinians know that all they must do is stonewall and let the intefada in Gaza and political pressure from the neighboring Arab states take its toll.