

2000s

2001

- But then the question came up of just who would define what Defined Military Sites were. I received a letter – to my and to Arafat, at the same time – which said that Israel, and only Israel, would be the one to define what those are, the location of those military sites and their size. Now, they did not want to give me that letter, so I did not give the Hebron Agreement. I stopped the government meeting, I said: “I’m not signing.” Only when the letter came, in the course of the meeting, to my and to Arafat, only then did I sign the Hebron Agreement. Or rather, ratify it, it had already been signed. Why does this matter? Because at that moment I actually stopped the Oslo Accord.
 - At the Israeli settlement of Ofra, 2001 (speaking to a family of West Bank settlers whose 10 year old son had just returned from the hospital after being injured in a Palestinian attack) per 14 July 2010 article (http://www.richardsilverstein.com/tikun_olam/2010/07/14/bibi-the-bamboozler-to-settlers-america-wont-get-in-our-way-its-easily-moved/) with accompanying 10 July 2010 YouTube video (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qBFihtGYFSg>). There was a Hebrew video source archived 19 July 2010 (<https://web.archive.org/web/20100719090714/http://news.nana10.co.il/Article/?ArticleID=731034>).
- [Asked about the effect of 9/11 on Israeli-American relations] It’s very good. [...] Well, not very good, but it will generate immediate sympathy. [It will] strengthen the bond between our two peoples, because we’ve experienced terror over so many decades, but the United States has now experienced a massive hemorrhaging of terror.
 - "A Day of Terror: The Israelis: Spilled Blood Is Seen as Bond That Draws Two Nations Closer" (<https://www.nytimes.com/2001/09/12/us/day-terror-israelis-spilled-blood-seen-bond-that-draws-2-nations-closer.html>), *The New York Times* (12 September 2001), p. A22
- I am certain that I speak on behalf of my entire nation when I say: Today we are all Americans — in grief, as in defiance.
 - Statement on the September 11th terrorist attacks (20 September 2001), as quoted at the official site of Israeli embassy (http://www.israelemb.org/US-Israel-Relations/US-Israel-Relations_famous.htm)



The difference between us is that we're using missile defense to protect our civilians and they're using their civilians to protect their missiles.

2006

- The truth is that if Israel were to put down its arms there would be no more Israel. If the Arabs were to put down their arms there would be no more war.
 - Speech at the Knesset at the end of the 2006 Israel-Lebanon conflict, as quoted in "Olmert: We will continue to pursue Hizbullah leaders" in *The Globes* (14 August 2006) (<http://www.globes.co.il/serveen/globes/docview.asp?did=1000122795&fid=942>)

2008

- We are benefiting from one thing, and that is the attack on the Twin Towers and Pentagon, and the American struggle in Iraq. [... The events] swung American public opinion in our favor.
- "Report: Netanyahu says 9/11 terror attacks good for Israel" (<http://www.haaretz.com/news/report-netanyahu-says-9-11-terror-attacks-good-for-israel-1.244044>), *Haaretz* (16 April 2008)

2009

- "I came here tonight to talk about the agreement and security that are broad consensus within Israeli society. This is what guides our policy. This policy must take into account the international situation. We have to recognize international agreements but also principles important to the State of Israel. I spoke tonight about the first principle - recognition. Palestinians must truly recognize Israel as the state of the Jewish people. The second principle is demilitarization. Any area in Palestinian hands has to be demilitarization, with solid security measures. Without this condition, there is a real fear that there will be an armed Palestinian state which will become a terrorist base against Israel, as happened in Gaza. We do not want missiles on Petah Tikva, or Grads on the Ben-Gurion international airport. We want peace."
- Speech at Bar-Ilan University, as quoted in "Full text of Netanyahu's foreign policy speech at Bar Ilan" in *Haaretz* (14 June 2009) (<http://www.haaretz.com/news/full-text-of-netanyahu-s-foreign-policy-speech-at-bar-ilan-1.277922>)
- We cannot accept the fact that Jews wouldn't be entitled to live and buy anywhere in Jerusalem. I can only imagine what would happen if someone suggested Jews could not live in certain neighborhoods in New York, London, Paris or Rome. There would certainly be a major international outcry.
- "Israel rejects U.S. call to halt Jerusalem project" in *USA Today* (19 July 2009) (http://www.usatoday.com/news/world/2009-07-19-israel-jerusalem_N.htm)
- Every time an Arab leader truly wanted peace, they got it. If the Palestinians truly want peace, we will make peace.
- Speech to the United Nations General Assembly (<http://www.c-span.org/video/?289123-1/israeli-prime-minister-address-general-assembly>), as quoted in "Netanyahu speech / PM slams Gaza probe, challenges UN to confront Iran" in *Haaretz* (24 September 2009) (<http://www.haaretz.com/news/netanyahu-speech-pm-slams-gaza-probe-challenges-un-to-confront-iran-1.7301>)



I will plant them upon their soil never to be uprooted again. Ladies and gentlemen, the people of Israel have come home never to be uprooted again.