

Israel and the US

MVZ248 Week10

Basic-Israel

Economy

Socialism and market capitalism hybrid

Shared democratic values

Democracy, press, judiciary

Cold War

'West' against 'East'

Proxy for USA in region against USSR's satellite Arab states (containment)

Expanded

Since 1980s foreign investment in Africa and Asia

Since 1990s significant domestic economic growth (middle class)

Technology

Since mid-2000s influence expansion (soft power)

FDI

EU cultural cooperation

Sport

Eurovision

Separate

Israel is 'part' yet 'separate'

Hard power and soft power projection

Military operations

Iraq (1981), Lebanon (1982;2006), Territories (since 1967)

Foreign Policy since 1990s towards Russia

Foreign Policy since 2010 divergent than USA regarding key allies-enemies-allies

Egypt (2011;2013), Turkey, Russia

Future

Continuation of hard and soft power projection

Regional power (status/recognition)

Continuation of strategic and special relations with the USA

Military

Technology

Basic-USA

Shared values

Regional democracy

Military

Hard power projection

Proxy (Cold War)

Proxy (since 2010 GWOT/IS/Iran)

Expanded

Sibling context

“All Grown Up”

Since 1980s economy

Since 1990s GDP growth

Since 2000s technology/intelligence-sharing

Future

Strategic

Israel proxy role continues as US disengages from region

Special

Ideological strength regardless of administration