Israel's "new" freinds

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Old Enemy-New Friend

Saudi Arabia

Visit to Israel

Media campaign in SA

UAE

Academic and policy forums (open channels)

Egypt

Visit in 9 years

Side-Benefits

With Egypt and S.A. talk of reviving 2002 peace initiative

PMO has discussed interest in improved Arab-Israeli relations first.

Robust trade in Israeli security tech.

Increased/Improved Cyber warfare, border security, critical infrastructure

Shared Interests

Combating Terrorism

Regional stability

Regular meetings with high-level security officials S.A.-Israel (F.P.)

Stopping spread of Islamic State

Security

Preventing a nuclear weapons program in Iran

Hegemonic aspirations

Going forward

"Coalition of the willing"

Backdoor channels

Threat perceptions

Hezbollah = Gulf states declared them terror group

Missiles and missile defense (S.A. in Yemen)

Resources and Capabilities create a common strategy to counter, defend, defeat shared enemies.

Synchronize efforts