

# ISRAEL WANTS PEACE



Since the founding of the State, Israeli leaders have reached out to their neighbors in hopes of peace  
*“We extend our hand to all neighboring states and their peoples in an offer of peace and good neighborliness, and appeal to them to establish bonds of cooperation and mutual help with the sovereign Jewish people settled in its own land. The State of Israel is prepared to do its share in a common effort for the advancement of the entire Middle East.”*

- Declaration of Independence of the State of Israel, 1948