

# Israel is Re- Established

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## Wikipedia Page

Here is the authoritative Wikipedia page that describes the Balfour Declaration:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Balfour\\_Declaration](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Balfour_Declaration)

## Einat Wilf's Perspective

The gist of Einat's perspective is as follows:

- The Balfour Declaration was a tentative promise / declaration of intent
- It was the follow up by Zionists that made the difference, and the declaration itself was almost meaningless on its own
- The British Empire actually started renegeing on promises, and they did so at the worst timing possible for Jews

[https://www.youtube.com/embed/TjxoJUZHu0o?ab\\_channel=EinatWilf](https://www.youtube.com/embed/TjxoJUZHu0o?ab_channel=EinatWilf)

# 1947 - The 1947 Partition Plan

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## In perspective

When you look at the plan, one thing becomes abundantly clear: The Arab world made a grave mistake by rejecting the 1947 partition. Their rejection and subsequent wars against Israel created a complicated situation because:

- Israel was victorious in all wars waged against it (except for the recent October 7th war which in our opinion is the first war where Israel actually lost a war before it even began).
- Israel lost many lives, and conquered lands beyond what was originally planned by the UN
- Israel assumed those lands (as often happens when you win a war), and those lands have been developed both agriculturally and with many Israeli cities and towns.