Aim #9: How Did Israel Gain Its Independence?

I. Pre IndependenceA. Jewish Fighting Groups

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TO THE HEBREW NATION IN ZION!

We are in the last stage of the world war. Each and every nation is now conducting its national reckoning. What are its triumphs and what were its losses? What road must it take in order to achieve its goal and fulfill its mission? Who are its friends and who its enemies? Who is the true ally and who the traitor? And who is proceeding towards the decisive battle?

Sons of Israel, Hebrew youth!

We stand at the final stage of the war, we face an historic decision on our future destiny. The truce proclaimed when war broke out has been violated by the British authorities. The rulers of the country have taken into account neither loyalty nor concessions nor sacrifice; they have continued to implement their aim: the liquidation of sovereign Zionism.

We must draw the necessary conclusions without wavering. There can no longer be a truce between the Hebrew nation and youth and the British administration of Eretz Israel, which is betraying our brethren to Hitler. Our nation will fight this regime, fight to the end.

The Hebrew government of Eretz Israel, the sole legal representative of the Jewish people, must, immediately after its establishment, begin the implementation of the following principles:

- a. establish a national Hebrew army.
- b. conduct negotiations with all authorized bodies on the organization of the mass evacuation of European Jewry to Eretz Israel.

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B. The War Against the British

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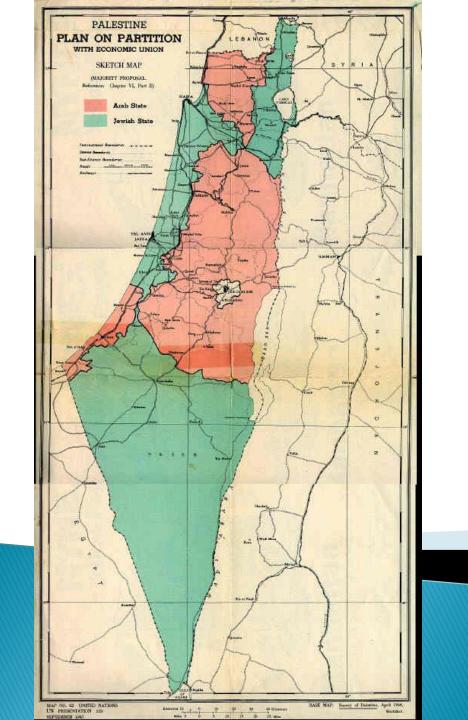
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C. King David Hotel British Headquarters, June 1947





D. November 1947



E. Reaction to the Partition Plan

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II. Post Independence A. Phase I of the War

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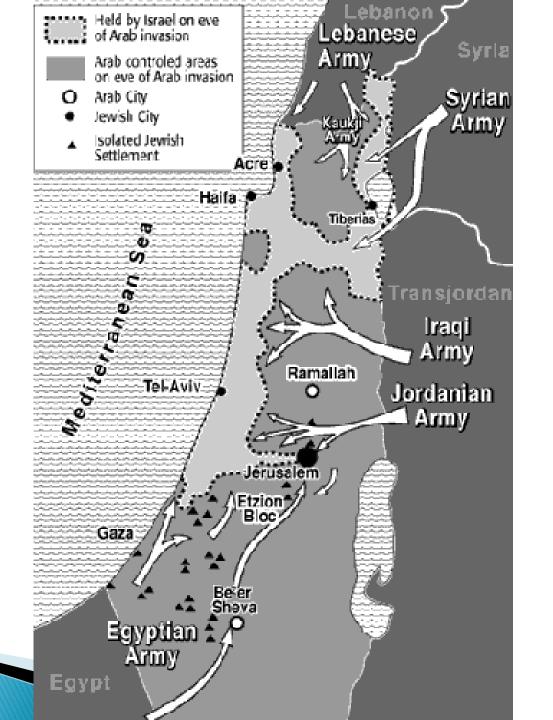
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B. Phase II of the War

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"This will be a war of extermination and a momentous massacre which will be spoken of like the Mongolian massacres and the Crusades."

-- Spokesman for the Arab League

B. Fighting during Phase II of the War

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