

MINUTES**Permanent Status Negotiations  
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Security Session**

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[OD arrived mid-session.]

SY: [Discussing airspace issues.] There's a narrow overlap between Palestinian sovereignty needs and Israeli security needs. But both sides maintain their positions, and there is no agreement regarding air control. We agree to establish a technical committee to look for and offer a solution acceptable to both sides.

Next we'd like to discuss the issue of Palestine being demilitarized or non-militarized. As we see it, the difference between these two concepts is as follows: a demilitarized State had an army once but then was forced to remove it; a non-militarized State commits not to develop an army. But these titles do not give us much to go on. The details here will be more important than labels.

[Break. MD leaves the session and returns 10 minutes later.]

SY: There are two ways to limit your weapons: a positive list, in which you list what you can have, or a negative list in which you list what you cannot have. I do not know what will happen tomorrow, but I want to know what types of weapons you'll have and what roles your security forces will play. Two possible roles are internal security and police. If we start by defining the roles, it will make it easier to discuss what kinds of weapons are needed to carry out each role.

MD: I'm still not sure what you want. I think it is better to define what I will have, not what I will do. Why don't you tell me which weapons you want me to have – or that you don't want me to have.

SY: OK. Here is our list: [reads]

- Tanks and other military armored vehicles
- Military aircraft, military helicopters, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs)
- Artillery, mortars, and other high trajectory weapons (our concern here is indirect fire)
- Any missiles or rockets, including launch systems
- Air defense weapons systems
- Anti-tank weapons systems

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- Electronic warfare and military-oriented intelligence capabilities
- Military naval vessels
- All kinds of mines, land and naval
- Underwater weapons systems
- Any equipment, systems, materiel, and capabilities – or dual use equipment, systems, materiel, and capabilities – designed, adapted, or used primarily for military use