

- 1996** January Bilateral peace talks suspended between Israel and Syria.
- March Summit of Peacemakers, held at Sharm el-Sheikh, is attended by leaders of Israel, key Arab countries and G-7 (group of seven industrialized countries). They demonstrate support for peace process and for Peres government following series of terrorist bombings in Israel. Canada's Prime Minister attends.
- April Israel launches "Grapes of Wrath" operation against Lebanon.
- 1997** January Israel and Palestinians reach agreement on Israeli redeployment in Hebron.
- 1998** October The Wye River Memorandum, brokered by United States, is intended to facilitate implementation of 1995 interim agreement. Implementation of the Agreement subsequently frozen.
- 1999** July Newly elected Prime Minister Ehud Barak declares he will work to restart peace process and that Israel will withdraw its forces from Lebanon by July 2000.
- September The Sharm el-Sheikh Memorandum provides time line for implementation of outstanding agreements between Israelis and Palestinians. It establishes Sept. 13, 2000, as target for reaching final settlement.
- December Israel-Syria bilateral negotiations resume in Washington.
- 2000** February Multilateral Steering Group meets in Moscow at ministerial level in order to inject momentum into stalled multilateral process.
- March Israeli cabinet confirms Israel will withdraw from South Lebanon by July 8, 2000.
- March Peace talks between Israel and Palestinians restart in Washington.