



## Canadian-Israeli Bilateral Relations

Over the past 60 years, Israel and Canada have developed a long list of formal and informal arrangements to advance our mutual interests. Frequent political contact has become a key element of Canadian-Israeli relations and has led to regular consultations on global issues, including the Middle East. These exchanges have benefited from a shared desire for a comprehensive peace in the region based on Israel's right to live in peace and security.

Canada has worked with Israel on a number of military and peacekeeping missions, including the UN Emergency Force in 1956, the UN Truce Supervision Organization, the UN Disengagement Observer Force on the Golan Heights, the Multinational Force and Observers in the Sinai and, most recently, Canada's participation in the United States Security Coordinator Mission, which has a mandate to improve the capacity of Palestinian security forces.



*"The close relationship of our two democracies is multi-faceted, and includes political, economic, social, cultural, legal and academic relations. These relations are based on mutual support of the values of freedom, democracy, human rights and rule of law."*

— Avigdor Liberman, Israeli Foreign Minister