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HOW ISRAEL BENEFITS THE NATION STATE WORLD



Jews and Israel have contributed mightily to the world community in the fields of medicine, science, technology economics and the arts. It is astonishing that a population of less than 0.2% of the world's population has produced 22% of all Nobel laureates.¹ This massive contribution allows for the advancement of all other things to everyone's benefit. People around the world eat better, live longer, and have a higher quality of life because of Jews and Israel. The concept of a monotheistic God, modern western ethics, culture, right and wrong and fair dealing all flow in no small measure from Jews. Clearly, a permanent Jewish seat at the table of Nations is in the world interest.

Israel has the highest ratio of university degrees to population in the world, it produces more scientific papers per capita than any other country, and it has one of the highest per capita rates of filed patents.² Israel also has more engineers per capita than any other country.³

It has the largest concentration of hi-tech companies outside of Silicon Valley. In fact, as a percentage of its population size, Israel has by far the largest number of high-tech startup companies in the world. The following is the tip of the iceberg of what has been developed in Israel or by Israeli companies: the cell phone, voice mail technology, the technology behind AOL's Instant Messenger, the first large-scale solar-powered fully functional electricity generating plant, and a revolutionary drip irrigation system that minimizes the amount of water needed to grow crops.⁴

Israeli medical contributions include the creation of a computerized system that helps ensure that the right medicine gets to the right patient so less people die from treatment mistakes, an ingestible pill that contains an actual video camera inside to help doctors diagnose cancer and digestive problems, a new device that helps the heart pump blood, and a new acne treatment that doesn't damage the surrounding skin tissue.⁵

More Israeli companies are listed on the NASDAQ stock exchange than any other non-US country, recently surpassing even Canada.⁶ As Microsoft Chairman, Bill Gates says: "It's no exaggeration to say that the kind of innovation going on in Israel is critical to the future of the technology business. So many great companies have been started here... There is a greater concentration of talented hi-tech manpower here in comparison to other countries, almost to the extent of Silicon Valley."⁷

Amazingly, this has been accomplished in the face of covert and overt anti-Semitism, and despite the unproductive use of capital and labor that is required to keep hostile neighbors at bay. And lest one think anti-Semitism is not widespread, one need only ask why Jewish presence in large numbers occurs only in Israel and in the United States where freedom of religion is honored in the bill of rights.