

Report: Obama's Master Plan for the Middle East

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Note from Pastor Kevin Lea follows this article.

U.S. President Barack Obama told Jordan's King Abdullah two weeks ago to meet with leading Muslim Arab countries and persuade them to accept changes in the Saudi 2002 Initiative, according to the London-based Arabic language *Al-Quds Al-Arabi* newspaper.

The report reflects the president's swift action on the Middle East since he was elected last November.

President Obama's major proposed alteration in the Saudi peace plan is for Arab countries to grant citizenship to approximately five million Arabs who are descendants of former Israelis while allowing them the right to move to a new Palestinian Authority country.

The Saudi plan calls for them to be allowed to immigrate to Israel, a suggestion that virtually every Israeli leader categorically rejects. President Obama also reportedly told the king that he wants the United Nations flag raised over holy sites in eastern Jerusalem, where the PA would have total sovereignty under the Saudi plan.

Al Quds did not specify any other "concessions" to Israel but said that Arab countries should consider "other changes," none of which were specified.

The president's master plan calls for Arab countries to set a timetable for raising the Israeli flag in their capitals, a sign of recognition of the Jewish State. Simultaneously, the PA flag would be raised in Jerusalem neighborhoods, a move that would virtually make the Fatah-led government the de facto government in a significant portion of the Jewish capital.

The Obama administration includes several prominent Jews who have eagerly backed the president's actions, most of them having experience as advisors to former President Bill Clinton during the Oslo Accord talks that led to the Second Intifada, also known as the Oslo War, in 2000.

Obama's team has moved ahead at high speed on all tracks, including proposals for direct negotiations with Syria and diplomatic initiatives towards Iran, and it has put the ball in the court of Israel and the Arabs to accept his proposals and show that they want to reach an agreement.

White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel, whose father was an underground fighter in pre-state Israel during the British Mandate, has said he is anxious to arrange an Arab-

Israel peace ceremony, as he did during the Clinton administration. It was Rahm Emanuel who staged the handshake between former Israeli Prime Minister Yitzchak Rabin and Yasser Arafat, then-head of the Palestine Liberation Organization that he founded as a terrorist group.

Note from Pastor Kevin Lea:

I must admit that Obama has certainly put together a diplomatic team with commendable earthly wisdom. If there were no God or Satan, I would say the above plan is a masterfully crafted solution to a very complex problem. It is the Middle East equivalent of the Rodney King, "Can't we all just get along" plea.

However, there is a God and there is a Satan. In the historic and prophetic books of the Old Testament, God has proclaimed (in places too numerous to list) that the Land of Israel and the City of Jerusalem are His, and that He has given it to the Jews as a homeland and capitol.

The reason this part of the world has been such a hotbed of strife for thousands-of-years is because there is also a Satan who is at war with God. If Satan can once-and-for-all force the Jews out of the Land of Israel, or succeed in annihilating the Jewish people as he inspired Hitler to try and do, then he shows that God was incapable of keeping His promises to the Jewish people, and was therefore not God. The scriptures teach that Satan's rebellion started with this desire to take the throne of God as his own.

Isa 14:12-14 "How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.' (NKJ)

It is the reality of this spiritual war that is the root cause of the Middle East conflict and it will not be solved by the wishful human efforts of the Obama team. In fact, Obama's ignorance of this root cause will only set the stage for the wars which will lead to the deaths of millions of people - as prophesied (and yet to be fulfilled) in the Holy Scriptures (Isaiah 17, Psalm 83, Ezekiel 38-39, Zechariah 12-14, Revelation 6, 19, etc.).

Trusting in his powers of persuasion, Obama is promising a rapid peace agreement. Those who have studied the prophetic scriptures realize that instead of bringing peace, Obama's actions will only quicken the pace on the road to Armageddon.

1Thes 5:3 For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. (NKJ)