

Press Releases: On the Opening of U.S. Embassy Jerusalem

Press Statement
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Today I am proud to celebrate the opening of the United States Embassy to Israel in Jerusalem. This significant event fulfills a promise made by President Trump. As he proclaimed on December 6, 2017, "Seventy years ago, the United States, under President Truman, recognized the State of Israel. Since then, the State of Israel has made its capital in Jerusalem – the capital the Jewish people established in ancient times. It is therefore appropriate for the United States to recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital."

We remain committed to advancing a lasting and comprehensive peace between Israel and the Palestinians.

I am delighted to have visited Israel on my first trip overseas as Secretary of State. I look forward to returning soon to visit our new U.S. embassy and Ambassador Friedman in Jerusalem.

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