

Poll: By 2-to-1, Americans Oppose Moving U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem

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<u>A reliable scientific poll of 2,000 Americans taken during 1-6 November 2017</u> — just a month before US **President Donald Trump** announced that America's Embassy will move to Jerusalem from Tel Aviv — showed that 63% of Americans were opposed to the move, and 31% supported it. Here was the question, as asked:

Q61. Having thought about it, do you support or oppose the United States immediately moving its embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem?

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
Support	31%	49%	15%	28%
Oppose	63%	44%	81%	60%

This was the latest "Critical Issues Poll" by the University of Maryland and the Nielsen Scarborough polling organization, and it showed that US President Trump didn't actually represent the American people when he issued this historic order. He may have represented Israelis, and he may have represented American billionaires, but he represented less than a third of Americans who expressed an opinion about the matter.

As of the morning of December 11th (when this is being written), no poll yet has been published about this question subsequent to Trump's diktat concerning it.

After such polls are published, one can identify to what extent (if any), Trump's decision has affected American public opinion on the issue. But, as noted, American public opinion wasn't reflected in it at the time he made this decision. Only the collective opinion of America's 569 billionaires shaped it (as the evidence to be shown here will indicate); the collective opinion of the American public didn't matter, and this is normal for decisions and legislation by the US federal Government. This decision by Trump is just another example of that broader phenomenon: only the very richest are actually represented by America's federal Government; the desires (or even needs) of America's public are ignored, unless the billionaires happen to want the same governmental policy that the public do. But, regarding the move of America's embassy to Jerusalem, they didn't.

Furthermore, <u>no poll has ever been taken</u> (or at least none that is currently on the Web) regarding the two options "should move the US embassy to Jerusalem" and "should not move the US embassy to Jerusalem"; and, so, it's unknown whether the majority of

Americans ever did actually support ultimately moving the Embassy to Jerusalem in advance of a peace-agreement being signed between the Israelis and the Palestinians — such as <u>previous American Presidents promised</u>, and Trump delivered.

Another interesting finding from this "Critical Issues Poll" was the following:

Q50. Do you view Russia as an ally or foe?

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind
Ally	11%	14%	7%	15%
Foe	42%	29%	55%	33%
Neither	47%	56%	37%	50%

Despite all of the intense propaganda that the mainstream US media (owned and controlled by billionaires) publish alleging that Russia is a 'foe' or 'enemy' of the American people, only Democrats generally believe it. Perhaps America's mass of seculars (Democrats being by far the less religious Party) are adopting this belief (associated, as it is, with a belief that Hillary Clinton possibly lost the 2016 election on account of 'Russia throwing the US election to Trump', instead of her being a lousy candidate, chosen by her corrupt Party, which she then actually controlled on behalf of her billionaire-backers), as being a canon of secular faith, unchallengeable by the facts — such as by the fact that the US Government's case for the Democratic Party's theory is loaded with lies and cover-ups, regardless of whether or not any particular aspect of the Democrats' case against Russia is true. And, moreover, the US did far worse to Russia, and to other nations, than is even claimed by the Democrats to have been perpetrated by Russia against 'American democracy'.

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