

UN General Assembly Rejects Trump's Jerusalem Declaration

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The vote should have been near-unanimous – every nation except rogue states America and Israel, complicit in Trump's Jerusalem declaration.

UN member states overwhelmingly rejected it - symbolically rendering it null and void only.

The non-binding vote was adopted by a 128 member state majority, nine weak-kneed nations voting "no," another 35 intimidated or bribed ones abstaining – 21 nations not voting, 65 countries in total failing to do the right thing.

Key "yes" votes came from Britain, China, France, Germany and Russia – the P5+1 countries excluding America voting "no."

Other nations against the resolution included Guatemala, Honduras, Israel, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Pauau and Togo.

Countries abstaining included Argentina, Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Colombia, and Mexico, among others.

In November 2012, 138 nations voted in favor of giving UN nonmember state status to the "State of Palestine."

Nine countries opposed the motion, 41 abstaining. On November 30, 151 nations supported a General Assembly resolution, condemning Israeli actions in Syria's Golan and East Jerusalem, calling them "null and void."

Six nations voted "no," including America, Canada, Israel, and three Pacific island states. Nine nations abstained.

UN member states supporting the resolution called actions by Israel to impose its laws, jurisdiction and administration on Jerusalem illegal and therefore null and void.

The same goes for "the Syrian Golan."

On Thursday, there was no doubt about UN member states voting overwhelmingly to reject Trump's Jerusalem declaration.

It was just a matter of how overwhelming. It should have been near-unanimous, but every blow to US and Israeli interests is a step in the right direction – even symbolic ones like Thursday's.

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