

the facts

ABOUT THE PALESTINE PROBLEM

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"FROM THE NILE TO THE EUPHRATES"...

President Johnson to Mr Eshkol, Prime
Ministre of Israel :

« You are asking me to guarantee your
borders. What borders do you want me
to guarantee ? »

(NEWSWEEK, January 22, 1968)



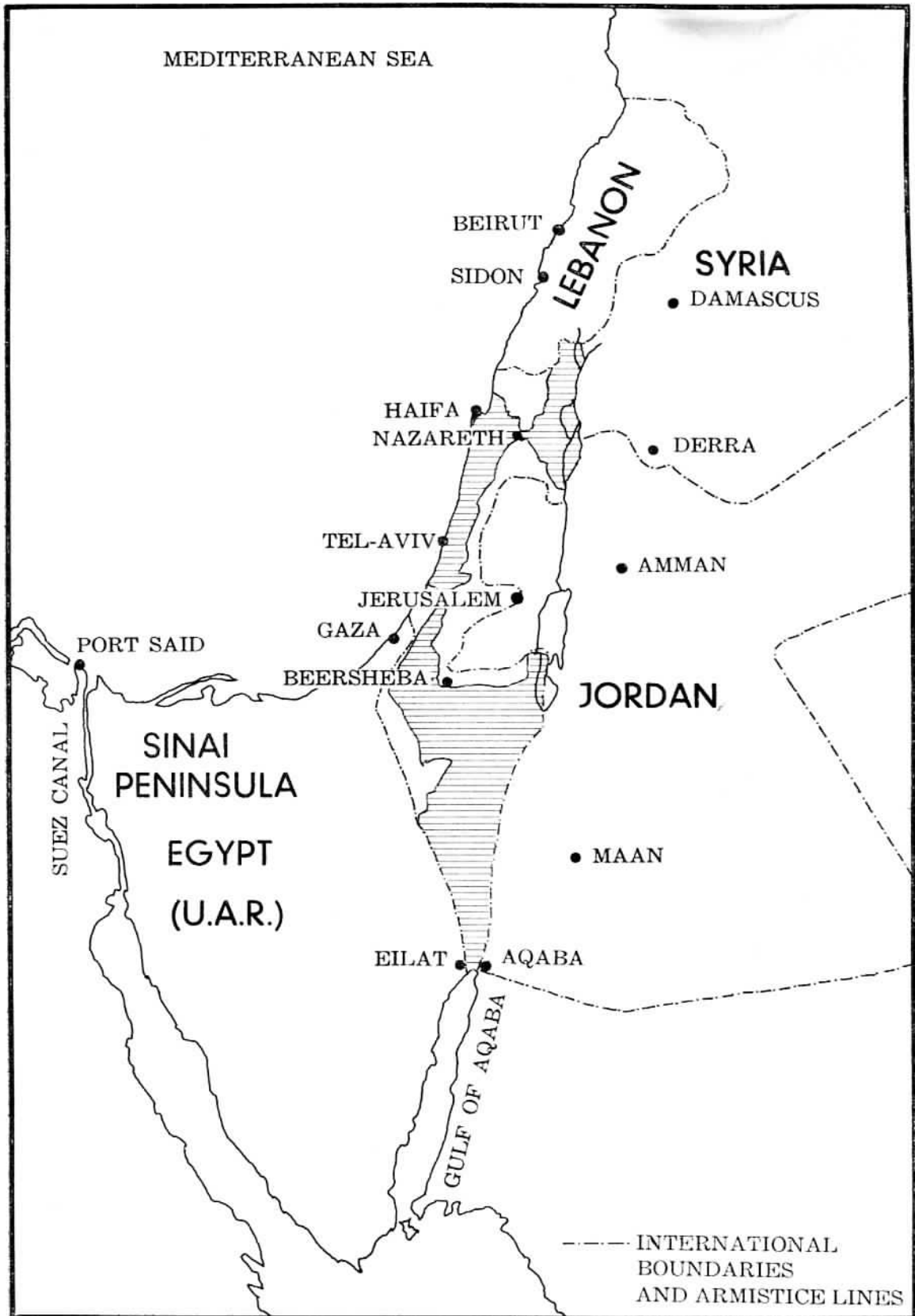
Which Israel ?

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THE PROGRESS

- (1) The Israel of the United Nations 1947
- (2) The Israel of 1948
- (3) The Israel of David Ben Gurion 1956
- (4) The greater Israel of Levi Eshkol and
Itzhak Rabin

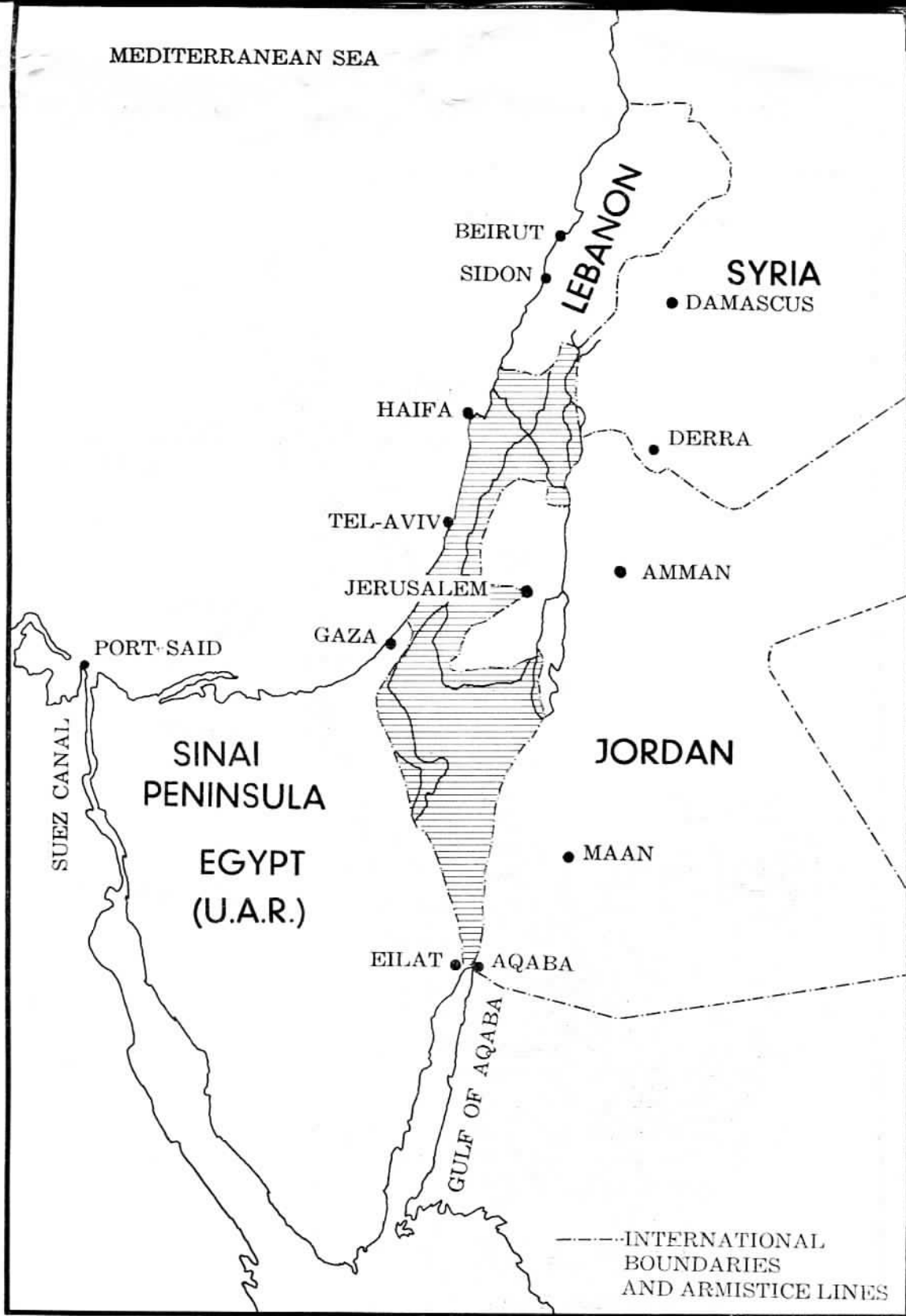
The Israel of the United Nations, 1947



On 29 November 1947, the U. N. General Assembly voted for the partition of Palestine and gave the Jews, who owned only 5.6% of Palestine and constituted only 32% of the population, 55% of the country.

The Arabs who constituted 68% of the population were given only 45% of a country they owned almost entirely.

Jerusalem was to be internationalized.



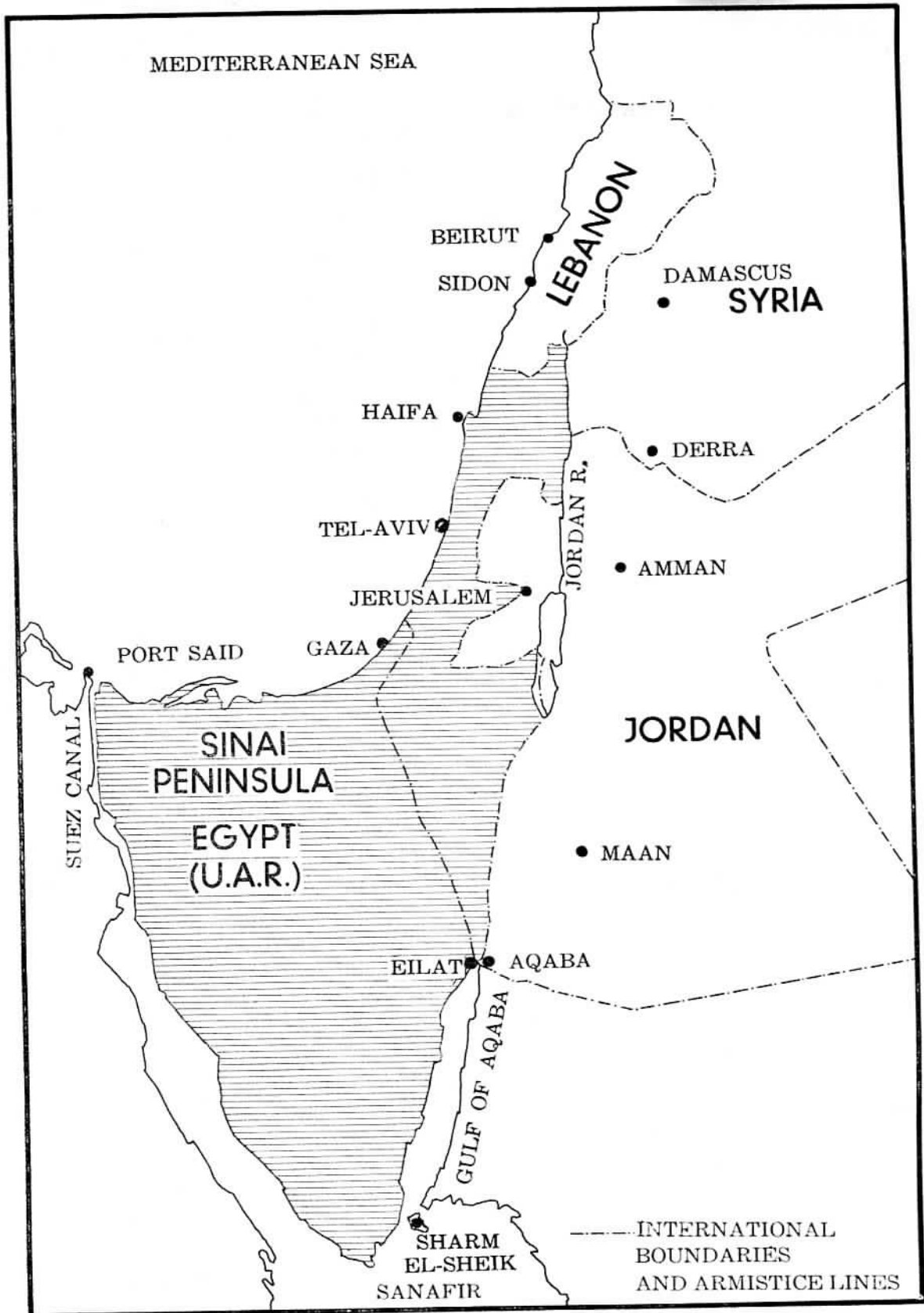
The Israel of 1948

By attacking and occupying parts of Palestine assigned to the Arab State by the 1947 U.N. Partition Plan, the Zionists incorporated another 22% of the land of Palestine into the Jewish State. By the end of 1948, they were in control of 77% of the area of Palestine.

The shaded area in the two side maps show 77% of the United States and 77% of Great Britain



The Israel of David Ben-Gurion (1956)



David Ben-Gurion, Prime Minister of Israel, in a speech to the Knesset on 7 November 1956, after the Israeli occupation of the Sinai Peninsula :

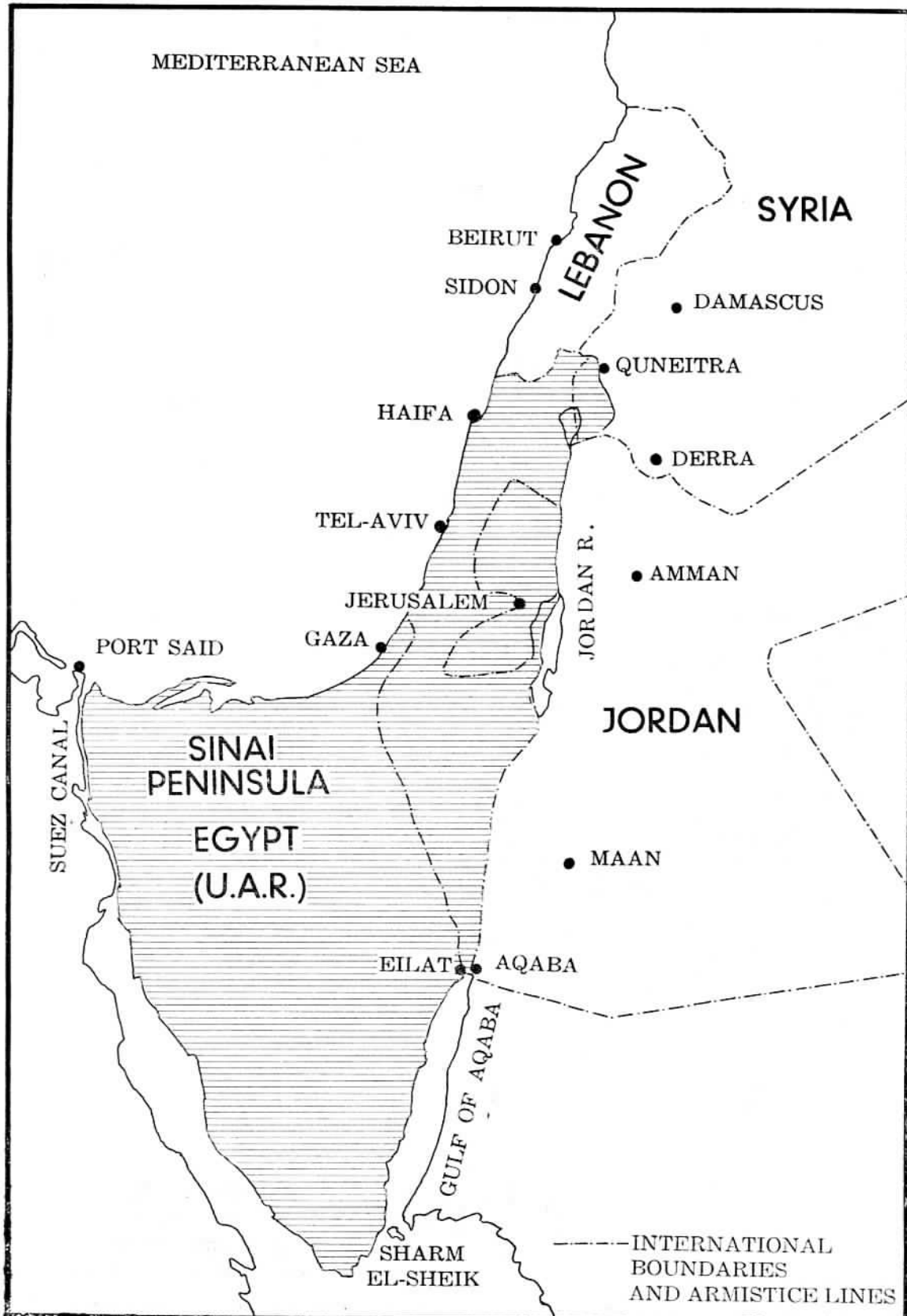
« The island of Sanafir (at the entrance of the Gulf of Aqaba) is now called the island of Yotvat. It was liberated by the defence forces. »

« Sharm-el Sheikh is now called Mifratz Sholomo. »

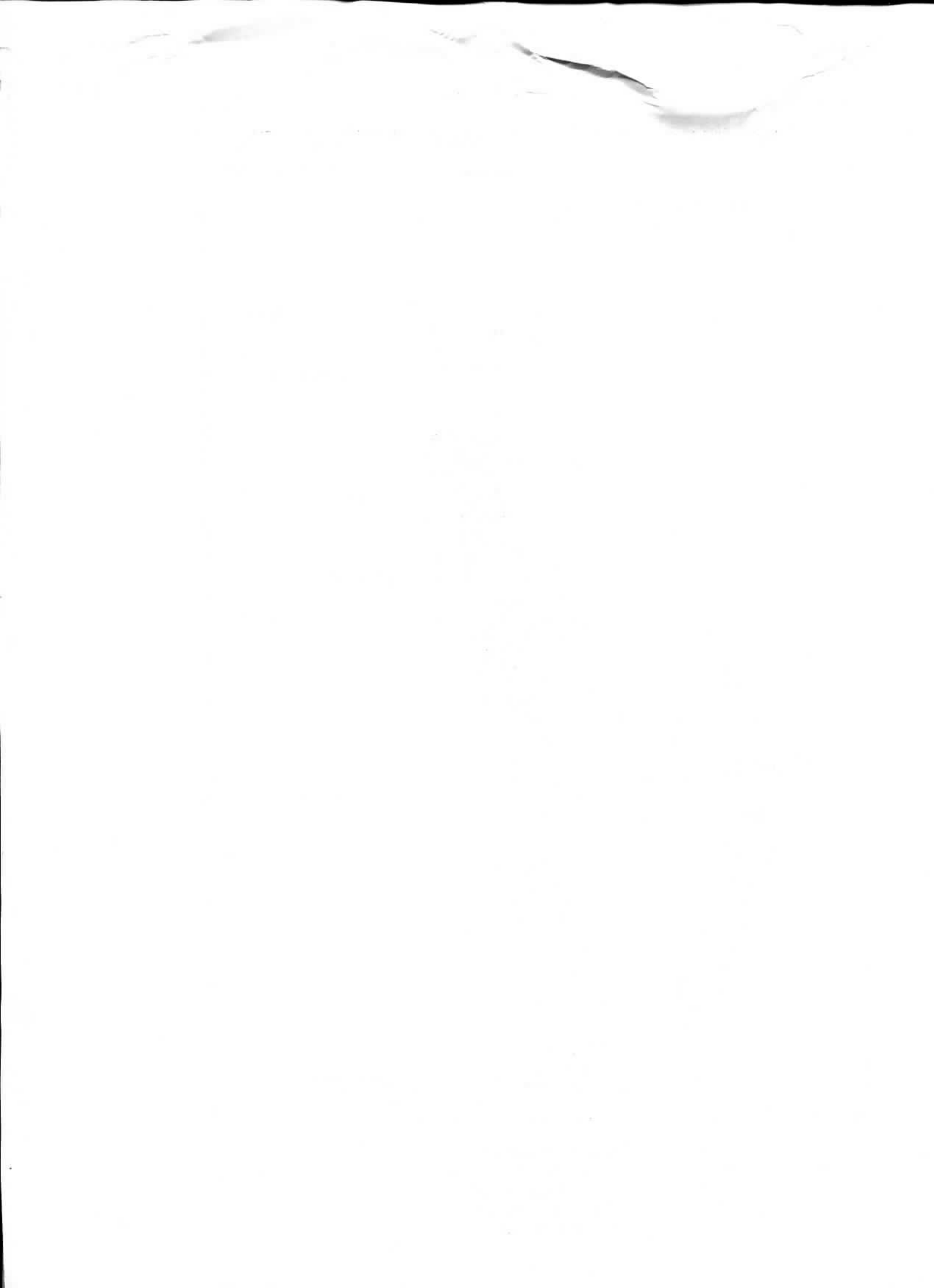
« Our forces did not infringe upon the territories of the land of Egypt : our operations were restricted to the area of the Sinai Peninsula. »

Greater Israel

The Israel of Levi Eshkol and Itzhak Rabin.



As a result of the June War, 1968, Israel occupies a territory three times its own size. Levi Eshkol, Prime Minister of Israel now talks of a «Greater Israel» (*Le Monde*, 11 July 1967 and the *New York Herald Tribune*, 30 October 1967.) And General Itzhak Rabin Chief-of-Staff of the Israeli Army, 1967, says : «The Suez Canal, the Jordan River and the Syrian Heights form the **natural frontiers** of Israel.» (*L'ORIENT*, 22 Septembre 1967, AFP.)



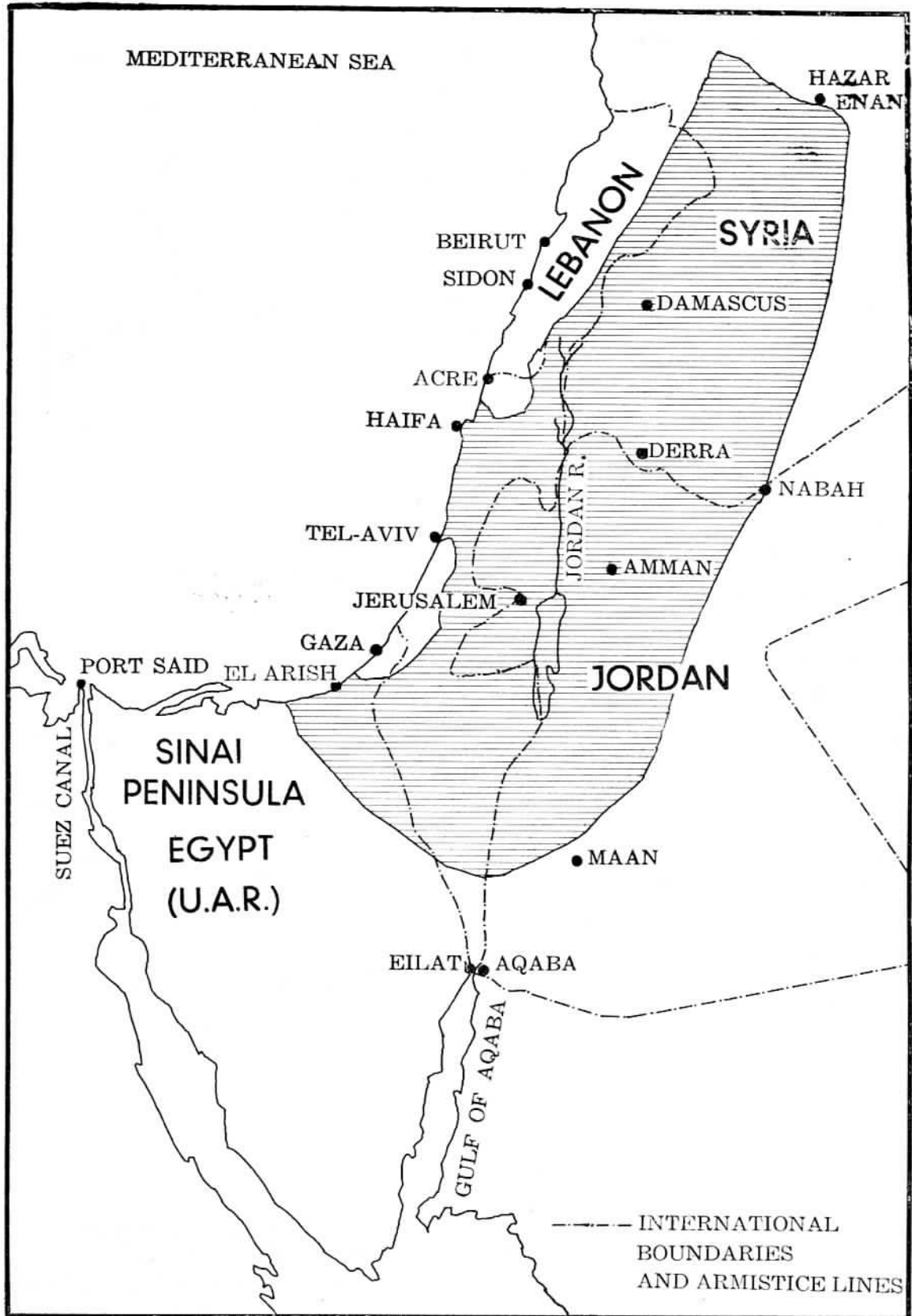
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The Claims

- I The Israel of Solomon & David
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- IV The Israel of the World Zionist Organization 1919.
- V The Israel of the Keren Hayesod (1921) and of Menachim Begin (1952).

The Israel of Solomon and David

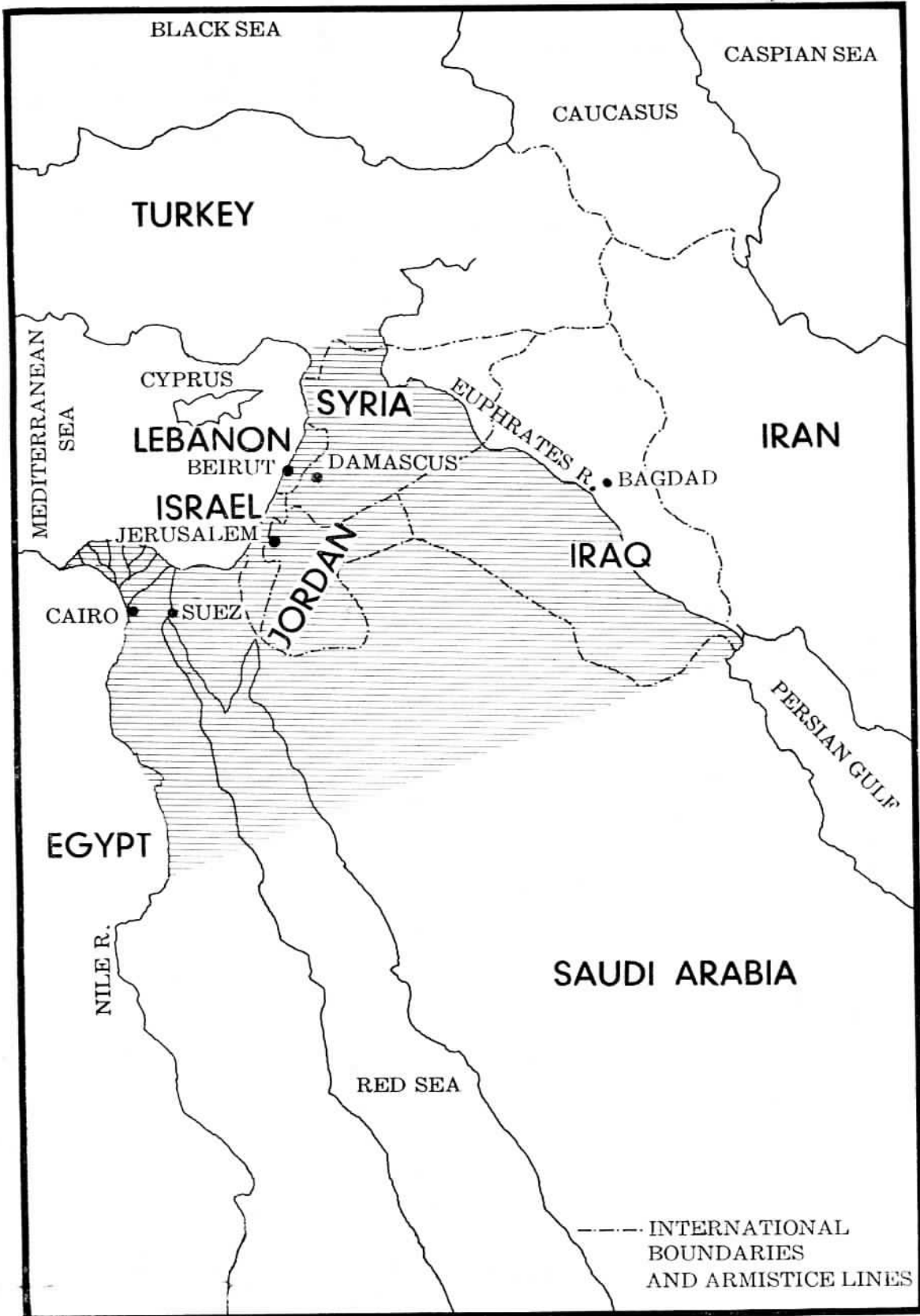
(According to the Westminster Atlas of the Bible)



In 1902, Theodore Herzl, the founder of Zionism said : « The slogan to be circulated : the Palestine of Solomon and David. »

(Complete Diaries. Vol. I, p. 342).

The Israel of Theodore Herzl (1904) and of Rabbi Fischmann (1947)



In his **Complete Diaries**, Vol. II, p. 711, Theodore Herzl, the founder of Zionism, says that the area of the Jewish State stretches : «From the Brook of Egypt to the Euphrates.»

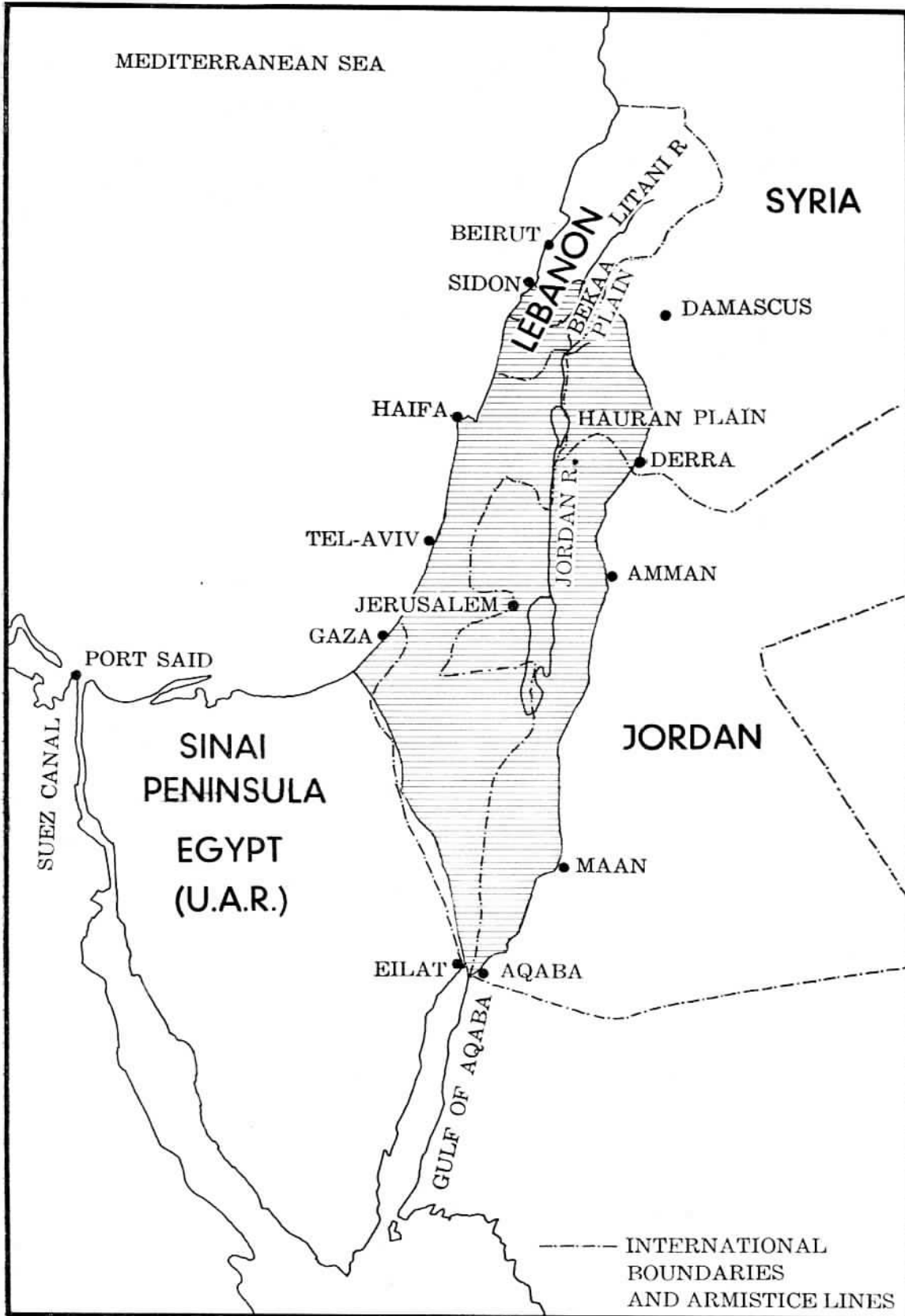
Rabbi Fischmann, member of the Jewish Agency for Palestine declared in his testimony to the U. N. Special Committee of Enquiry on 9 July 1947. «The Promised Land extends from the River of Egypt up to the Euphrates, it includes parts of Syria and Lebanon

The Israel of Rabbi Isaacs (1917)



In 1917, Rabbi J. Isaacs wrote a book called **The True Boundaries of the Jewish State** which he submitted to the post-war Peace Conference. In this book he asks that the boundaries of Israel should extend from the Taurus Mountains in the north to the Sinai Desert in the south.

The Israel of the World Zionist Organization (1919)

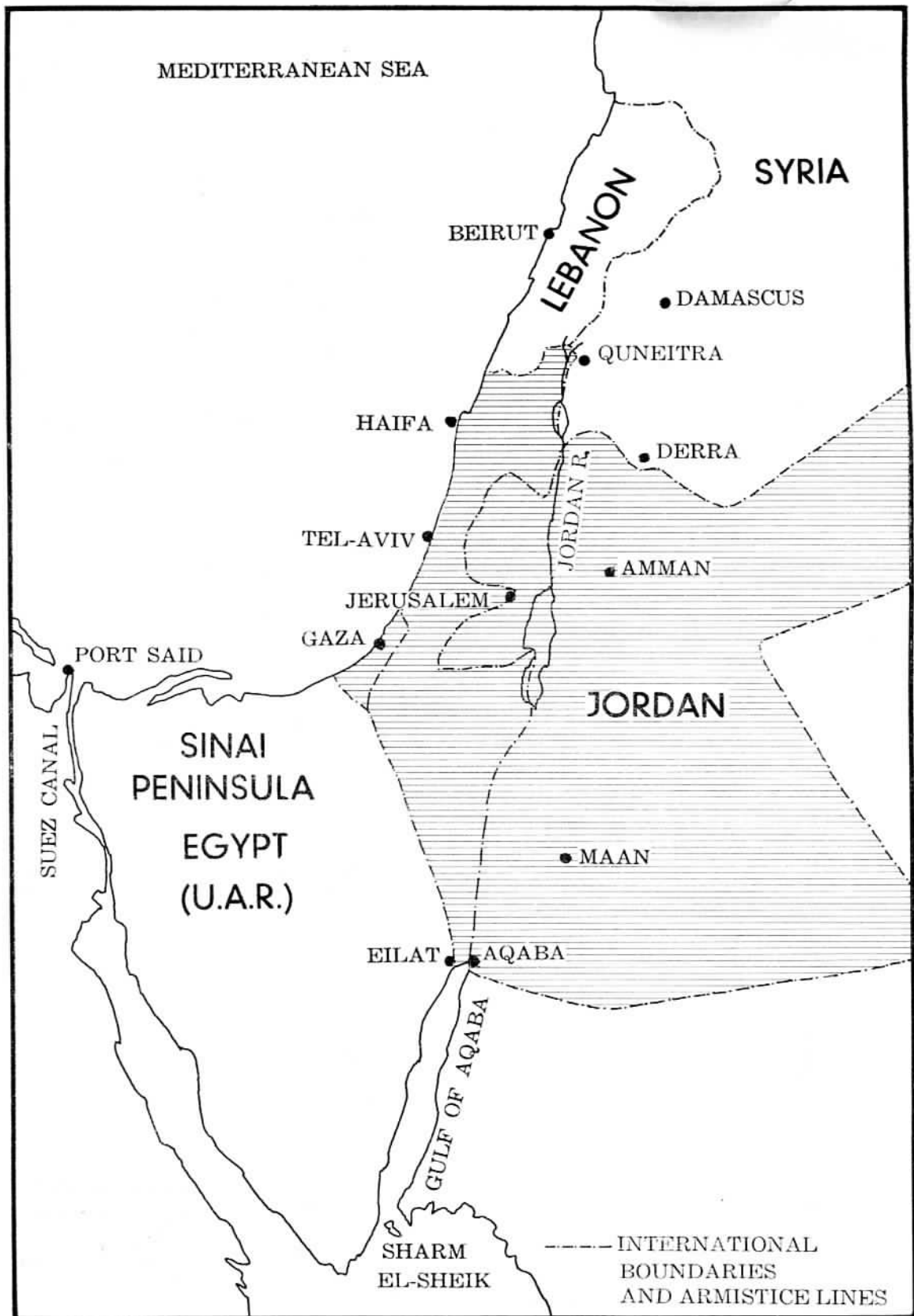


The World Zionist Organization submitted its official plan for the creation of a Jewish State in Palestine to the Peace Conference in 1919.

The minimum that the Organization could accept for a viable Jewish State in Palestine included the following :

- (1) The head waters of the Jordan River in Syria & Lebanon.
- (2) The South of Lebanon, up to the town of Sidon.
- (3) The Southern Bekaa Valley in Lebanon,
- (4) The Hauran Plain in Syria.
- (5) Control over the Hijaz Railway from Deraa to Amman to Maan in Jordan.
- (6) Control over the Gulf of Aqaba.

The Israel of the Keren Hayesod (1921) and Menachim Begin (1952)



Menachim Begin, present Minister without portfolio in the Israeli Government and leader of the terrorist Irgun group, says in his book **The Revolt**, p. 3 ; «Both sides of the Jordan form an historical and a geographical unit.»

The Keren Hayesod (**Foundation Fund**), the principal financial institution of the world Zionist Organisation, in a manifesto published in 1921 and signed by such eminent Zionist leaders as Rothschild, Weizmann, Jabotinsky, Mond ann Sokolov, states ; « There is no legal obstacle to the liquidation of the special regime in Transjordan and to the establishment here of a system similar to that of Cis-Jordania, as soon as Jewish colonisation beyond the river (Jordan) begins to change the character of the country.»

(The Keren Hayesod Manifesto P. 26)

Publications of the Committee

Other publications include :

A monthly bulletin «Facts» of which the following issues have so far appeared :

- Facts No I
- Facts No II
- Facts No III
- Facts No IV
- Facts No V
- Facts No VI

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- «The Big Lie of the Boots»
- «Israeli Peaceful Intentions»
- «Israel's Record at the U. N.
- «Israel and the Demilitarized Zones»

As well as the following supplements :

- «Occupation and the Law»
- «When the Soldiers Cried»
- «The Arabs Under Israeli Rule
 - Part I : A- «The Treatment of Military Personnel»
 B- «The Treatment of Resistance Fighters»
 - Part II : «The Treatment of Civilians»
 - A «The Gaza Strip»

