



Oslo Peace Accords

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Palestine has threatened to withdraw from key provisions of the **Oslo Accords** if the US announces its **Middle East Peace Plan**.

It is being said that the plan will turn Israel's temporary occupation of Palestinian territory into a permanent occupation.

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- Oslo Accords are a **series of agreements between Israel and the Palestinians** signed in the **1990s**.
- **Oslo I (1993)** is formally known as the **Declaration of Principles (DOP)**. The pact established a timetable for the Middle East peace process. It planned for an interim Palestinian government in Gaza and Jericho in the West Bank.
- **Oslo II** is officially called the **Israeli-Palestinian Interim Agreement on the West Bank and Gaza (1995)**, expanded on Oslo I.
 - It included provisions for the **complete withdrawal of Israeli troops** from six West Bank cities and about 450 towns.
 - Additionally, the pact set a timetable for elections for the Palestinian Legislative Council.
 - The interim pact was only supposed **to last five years** while a permanent agreement was finalised but it has tacitly been rolled over for more than two decades.
- The question of Jerusalem was left undecided under the Oslo Accords.

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