

DEFENDING ISRAEL

The FY25 NDAA provides unprecedented levels of support for the security of Israel.

Military Programs

- Declares that it is the policy of the United States to ensure Israel has adequate stocks of air defense interceptors to defend itself against Iran and its proxies, including Hamas, Hezbollah, the Houthis, and the Palestinian Islamic Jihad.
- Requires DoD to continue to provide battlefield intelligence to Israel for the defeat of Hamas.
- Authorizes full funding for joint U.S.-Israel cooperative missile defense programs (Iron Dome, Arrow, David's Sling).
- Reverses the Biden administration's decision to cease production of the Standard Missile 3 Block IB interceptor for the Navy's Aegis missile defense system, which has played a key role in defending Israel from Iranian ballistic missile attacks.
- Authorizes \$47.5 million more than requested by the Biden administration for emerging technology R&D with Israel.
- Authorizes \$30 million more than requested and expands the U.S.-Israel Anti-Tunnel Cooperation Program.
- Requires DoD to improve cooperation on space and satellite capabilities with Israel and other Middle East security partners.
- Requires the Defense Innovation Unit to establish a partnership with Israel to expedite acquisition and deployment of emerging technologies.
- Requires assessment on how DoD can improve cooperation with Israel and other Middle Eastern allies and partners to improve partner sharing network capabilities.

Joint Military Training

- Requires U.S. Central Command to engage in joint anti-tunneling exercises with Israel Defense Forces.
- Establishes a new joint U.S.-Israel program to improve training and education on trauma and amputee care and rehabilitation.
- Establishes an exchange program between U.S. military forces, Israel, and other partner forces in the Middle East to advance regional military integration.

Countering Antisemitism

- Prohibits the sale of goods at DoD commissaries and exchanges from any entities that have or are engaged in a boycott of Israel.
- Prohibits DoD from using or citing casualty data from Hamas and other terrorist organizations.

