



# ***BLAKE MASTERS***

**FOR U.S. SENATE**

Israel Position Paper

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## **Our Unique Relationship**

Israel and the United States share a powerful and strategic relationship that must be championed and safeguarded, for the good of all freedom-loving peoples across the globe. A key partner in diplomacy, intelligence, and technological innovation, Israel deserves continued and expanded American support. Blake Masters will be an ardent proponent and defender of this unique relationship in the U.S. Senate.

Our fates are interwoven: a strong Israel means a strong United States, and vice versa.

The United States benefits directly from countless Israeli efforts. But our nations share a philosophical and moral vision as well: one of peace, of freedom, and of religious tolerance. Israelis and Americans share the fundamental belief that you have a right to defend yourself, to fight for your family, to defend your nation, and to practice your faith free of persecution.

It used to be that support for Israel was bipartisan. Unfortunately, in recent years, we have seen that change. Zealots like “The Squad” in the House of Representatives are heralded as rising stars, and Democrats who are willing to stand up for Israel are increasingly few and far between. It is a shame to say, but support for Israel has become a partisan issue.

That means that Israel’s future is tied to our elections — to making sure that our representatives are true friends and supporters of Israel. In this race, that is Blake Masters.

## **Key issues**

**We must secure military assistance and our invaluable trade relationship with Israel.** Israel faces unimaginable threats, and military assistance plays a key role in protecting our ally. We must uphold our 10-year financial commitments and to build on them in the future.

It is unfortunate but the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) campaign has gained traction in various industries and academic hubs throughout our country. Blake Masters opposes BDS and other efforts to financially harm Israel in the U.S. Senate.

**With indefensible attacks on Israel, the United Nations and similar organizations have disgraced and de-legitimized themselves.** The willingness of certain international organizations to attack Israel is disturbing, to say the least. We in the United States must stand against the insidious anti-Israel agenda pushed by many members of these organizations. Nations are sovereign; the United Nations does not dictate American foreign policy.

**The Abraham Accords were a serious and under-appreciated victory.** We must recognize the incredible success of the Abraham Accords. Under President Trump, the United States brokered peace treaties between Israel and major Middle Eastern nations, including UAE, Bahrain, Sudan, and Morocco. These treaties have set a powerful precedent: in the past two years, we have seen the formation of strong new trade relationships, joint security efforts, and working groups to discuss the regional threat posed by Iran.

**Re-litigating the JCPOA / Iran Deal is a non-starter.** The Iranian regime cannot be allowed to acquire nuclear capabilities. President Trump was right to withdraw from the Iran Deal. (It was lunacy to believe that Iran would be honest and self-report!) Now, President Joe Biden is trying to get the United States back into the Iran Deal — on even worse terms than President Obama! Blake Masters opposes these misguided efforts.

**Accompanying the rise of “wokeness” throughout our institutions, we have seen a recent surge in Anti-Semitism.** It’s incredible that you hear constantly about “structural racism” from the mainstream media, but never a peep about the rising threat of anti-Semitism here in the United States and throughout the Western world. Blake Masters will wield the cultural power of the U.S. Senate seat to oppose the creep of anti-Semitism. America cannot be allowed to become France.

**The United States recognizes Jerusalem as the capital of Israel — and must continue to do so.** Moving the U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem was one of the most significant wins of the Trump administration. Blake Masters supported that move and believes it is where the Embassy must remain.