

Resolution PA 2105 - 2

Endorsing the Abraham Accords

THE 16th PLENARY ASSEMBLY OF THE WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS,

WELCOMES AND ENDORSES the normalization of diplomatic relations between the State of Israel and several Muslim-majority countries, including the United Arab Emirates, the Kingdom of Bahrain, the Republic of Sudan as well as the important reestablishment of diplomatic relations with the Kingdom of Morocco;

EMPHASIZES the importance of *Avraham/Ibrāhīm* (PBUH), the shared patriarchal figure, who serves as a historic symbol for each of Jewish, Muslim, and Christian religious heritages and who has historically represented the hope for a prosperous and peaceful future;

ENDORSES the Kingdom of Morocco's resumption of diplomatic relations with Israel as a partner towards peace in the region, as demonstrated by domestic proactive efforts to write Moroccan Jews into the national heritage and collective memory of the nation of Morocco, and takes particular note of the WJC-affiliated *Conseil des Communautés Israélites du Maroc* in working to facilitate the contemporary religious life of Moroccan Jewry;

PRAISES King Muhammad VI of Morocco for his steadfast support for the Kingdom's past, present, and future Jewish communities;

COMMENDS the bold and decisive actions of the governments of the United Arab Emirates, the Kingdom of Bahrain, the Kingdom of Morocco, and the Republic of Sudan and the distinguished diplomats involved, including Ambassador Yousef Al Otaiba (UAE) and the important role played by the US Government in bringing the parties together;

EXPRESSES appreciation to successive US administrations for supporting normalization efforts and committing to build on these initiatives;

EMPHASIZES the Accords' broad and positive impact on warming relations between global Jewish and Muslim faith communities;

RECOGNIZES the unique and indispensable roles played by WJC affiliated communities, including the Jewish Council of the Emirates and the Jewish Community of Bahrain, in fostering a warm peace among Israelis, Emiratis, and Bahrainis;

PRAISES the Al Khalifa family of the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Al Nahyan and Al Maktoum families of the United Arab Emirates for their support for Jewish life within their respective borders;

EXPRESSES the hope that the historic contributions and existence of Sudan's Jewish community will become recognized as a small but important piece of the mosaic of diverse peoples that have contributed positively to Sudanese history and heritage;

URGES additional Arab and Muslim countries to normalize their diplomatic relations with the State of Israel and support expatriate and/or indigenous Jewish communal life within their respective borders.

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