

REPORT OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
ON THE
MILITARY ASPECTS OF THE
SITUATION IN THE
MIDDLE EAST

On 15 May 1967, the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) met to discuss the military aspects of the situation in the Middle East. The meeting was attended by the Chairman, JCS, and the four Joint Chiefs. The discussion was based on a report prepared by the Joint Staff, dated 10 May 1967, and a report prepared by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), dated 12 May 1967. The JCS concluded that the military situation in the Middle East was highly volatile and that the risk of a major conflict was high. The JCS recommended that the United States should maintain a strong military presence in the region and should be prepared to intervene if necessary.

The JCS also recommended that the United States should provide military aid to Israel and should support Israel's efforts to maintain its security. The JCS further recommended that the United States should continue to work for a peaceful resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict, but that it should not allow its policy to be dictated by the Arab states.

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2. SUMMARY

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