

The UK's longstanding position on the Middle East Peace Process is clear: we support a two state solution – a negotiated settlement leading to a safe and secure Israel living alongside a viable and sovereign Palestinian state; based on 1967 borders with agreed land swaps, Jerusalem as the shared capital of both states, and a just, fair, agreed and realistic settlement for refugees.

When the Prime Minister met Prime Minister Netanyahu on 6 February 2017 she reiterated the UK's firm commitment to a two-state solution as the best way to bring about stability and peace to the region, and our continued opposition to settlement activity. But the conflict between Israelis and Palestinians is deeply complex. Settlements are not the only obstacle to peace. The people of Israel deserve to live free from the scourge of terrorism and anti-Semitic incitement, which gravely undermine the prospects for a two-state solution.

The British Government is committed to making progress towards a two-state solution and believes that negotiations will only succeed when they are conducted between Israelis and Palestinians, supported by the international community.

I am sorry if this response is disappointing but hope serves to clarify the situation.