Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.



THE BLOGS

Mark Ginsberg

Israel's AI Ambitions Can Become a Strategic Asse for the United States



AI innovation - image courtesy of Shutterstock

Artificial intelligence is rapidly becoming one of the defining measures of national power. The countries that control advanced computing, AI models, semiconductors, robotics, data infrastructure and the talent required to develop them will enjoy significant economic and military advantages in the decades ahead.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Israel has concluded that it cannot afford to remain merely a successful participant in this transformation. It wants to become one of the countries shaping it.

The scale of that ambition became clearer in 2026. Israel's National Artificial Intelligence Directorate has presented plans that include building infrastructure incorporating as many as **100,000 advanced AI processors**, establishing a National AI Institute, developing an Israeli quantum computer and expanding the country's AI workforce and research capabilities. Israel's parliament is also moving to classify AI server farms as national infrastructure, potentially accelerating the construction of the computing capacity necessary to train and operate advanced AI systems.

For the United States, this ambition should be welcomed.

Israel is unlikely to challenge America's position at the center of the global AI ecosystem. Instead, a technologically stronger Israel could become an important extension of that ecosystem—a trusted center for AI research, cybersecurity, semiconductors, defense technology and advanced computing at precisely the moment Washington is competing to maintain its technological advantage over China.

Israel Is Starting From an Unusually Strong Position

Israel's ambitions are significant because it is not starting from scratch.

According to Israel's national AI program, an analysis by the RISE Institute found approximately **2,300 operational AI companies in Israel**, representing roughly one-quarter of the country's technology industry. More than 60% of Israeli software companies use AI technology in some form. The same national program noted that Israel had previously ranked among the world's leaders in the number of AI startups created over the preceding decade.

The country's generative-AI sector alone included **233 companies** by late 2025, according to Startup Nation Central, with those companies having raised more than **$10 billion in private funding**.

More broadly, Israel's technology economy remains disproportionately large for a country of roughly ten million people.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Israeli technology companies raised approximately **$14.6 billion in 2025**, according to the Israel Innovation Authority, an increase of roughly 30% from the previous year. Israel ranked as the **fourth-largest startup funding hub in the world**, behind only San Francisco, New York and Boston—and ahead of London, Paris and Singapore.

AI is increasingly driving that investment.

In 2025, approximately **35% of all investment in Israeli technology companies went to Core AI companies** developing models, infrastructure, computing technology, chips or other foundational AI capabilities. If Core AI were treated as a standalone industry category, it would have been the largest technology investment segment in Israel that year.

This matters because Israel's AI ecosystem is developing alongside an already formidable deep-tech sector. Roughly **1,500 deep-tech companies** operate in Israel. Since 2019, they have raised approximately **$28.6 billion**, with AI infrastructure accounting for nearly 12% of that investment and semiconductors another 9.8%.

Israel therefore possesses something relatively few American allies can offer: a dense concentration of AI, cybersecurity, semiconductor and deep-tech expertise within a small geographic area.

Israel Is Building the Infrastructure to Compete

Israel nevertheless has an important weakness.

It produces considerable intellectual property but lacks the massive computing infrastructure available to American companies.

The government is attempting to change that.

In January 2026, the Israel Innovation Authority opened access to the country's national AI supercomputer infrastructure. The project includes **1,000 Nvidia B200 accelerators** allocated for use by Israeli companies and researchers over the coming years, with subsidized access intended to make advanced model training more affordable.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

That is only an initial step.

The much larger national strategy envisions eventually reaching **100,000 AI processors** while developing sovereign computing capacity and reducing Israel's vulnerability to interruptions in foreign computing services.

Israel had already committed approximately **NIS 500 million** to the second phase of its national AI program through 2027, including research infrastructure, a national AI institute, human-capital development and integration of AI into government operations.

The strategy represents an important change in Israeli technology policy. Israel historically relied heavily on private entrepreneurship while government provided support for research and development. AI requires something different because frontier computing infrastructure can cost billions of dollars.

Computing power itself is becoming strategic infrastructure.

Why This Matters to Washington

The United States possesses advantages Israel cannot realistically reproduce.

America has the world's deepest technology capital markets, leading hyperscale cloud providers, frontier AI laboratories, enormous data centers and semiconductor companies capable of supporting AI development at extraordinary scale.

Israel offers something different: an unusually concentrated ecosystem connecting academic research, entrepreneurship, military technology, cybersecurity, intelligence and multinational R&D.

The two systems are already deeply interconnected.

More than **500 multinational companies have established operations in Israel since 2000**, with 35 additional multinationals entering during 2025 alone. The United States has also become increasingly important as the operational center for Israeli technology companies expanding abroad.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Capital flows tell a similar story.

Approximately **70% of venture-capital investment in Israel in 2025 came from foreign sources**, while foreign funding accounts for approximately **47% of business R&D financing in Israel**, compared with an OECD average of only about 9%.

This means the American and Israeli technology ecosystems are already intertwined economically.

AI provides an opportunity to make that integration strategically deliberate.

From Military Alliance to Technology Alliance

That evolution has already begun.

In January 2026, the United States and Israel announced a strategic partnership covering artificial intelligence and other critical technologies following Israel's participation in the U.S. led Pax Silica initiative.

The partnership is broader than AI. It encompasses advanced computing, robotics, space, new energy technologies and advanced semiconductor manufacturing. American and Israeli officials described the objective as strengthening the technology value chain from research and development through advanced manufacturing.

That is significant because the geopolitical AI competition will not be determined by algorithms alone.

AI leadership depends upon semiconductors, computing infrastructure, data centers, energy, critical minerals, cybersecurity, communications networks and advanced manufacturing.

China has spent years attempting to strengthen its position across these layers.

The United States therefore needs more than domestic technological strength. It needs a network of trusted countries capable of contributing different pieces of the AI supply chain.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Israel can become one of those countries.

Israel as a Real-World AI Laboratory

Israel offers another advantage that is difficult to measure purely through investment statistics: technologies developed there frequently move rapidly from experimentation to deployment.

That pattern helped create Israel's cybersecurity industry and has increasingly appeared in defense technology, drones, autonomous systems and computer vision.

The country's military requirements create intense demand for technologies capable of processing enormous quantities of information from satellites, drones, sensors and intelligence networks. AI can help identify patterns, prioritize information, improve logistics, detect cyberattacks and accelerate decision-making.

But the opportunity extends well beyond defense.

Israel has sophisticated healthcare systems, medical research institutions, agricultural technology, autonomous-vehicle expertise, water-management technology and one of the world's most developed cybersecurity ecosystems.

Those industries create environments where specialized AI systems can be developed and tested before being commercialized in much larger markets.

America provides scale.

Israel provides concentrated experimentation and specialization.

The Economic Relationship Works Both Ways

There is another reason Washington should view Israeli AI development as an opportunity rather than competition.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Successful Israeli technology companies frequently become deeply integrated into the American economy.

Israeli companies raise American capital, establish American headquarters, hire American employees, list on American stock exchanges and are acquired by American technology companies.

That integration is increasing. By March 2026, only **62% of employees at private Israeli technology companies were located inside Israel**, down from 69% in 2019. The United States has been one of the principal beneficiaries of that expansion, particularly in management, sales, support and increasingly R&D.

The relationship is therefore not a simple competition over which country captures technological growth.

Israeli innovation often becomes American economic activity.

The reverse is also true. American investment, computing infrastructure and technology platforms allow Israeli companies to develop and scale far faster than Israel's domestic market would permit.

AI could deepen that symbiotic relationship.

Building an Allied AI Ecosystem

The larger strategic opportunity is to think beyond bilateral cooperation.

The geopolitical competition surrounding artificial intelligence increasingly involves technological ecosystems rather than individual countries.

One is forming around China and countries willing to depend heavily on Chinese telecommunications equipment, infrastructure, semiconductors and technology platforms.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

The United States has an opportunity to build an alternative network centered on trusted technology partners.

Israel can occupy an important position within that network alongside countries with complementary strengths in semiconductor manufacturing, critical minerals, energy, advanced manufacturing and research.

That could eventually include shared computing infrastructure, joint AI research programs, semiconductor development, cybersecurity cooperation, defense AI projects and coordinated protection of critical technologies and intellectual property.

Israel does not need to duplicate America's AI infrastructure.

Instead, it can specialize in areas where it possesses comparative advantages while remaining deeply connected to an American-led technology ecosystem.

A New Strategic Pillar of the U.S.-Israel Relationship

For decades, discussions about the strategic relationship between the United States and Israel have largely centered on military cooperation, intelligence sharing and American security assistance.

Artificial intelligence creates an opportunity to broaden that framework.

The numbers already demonstrate the potential.

Israel has approximately **2,300 AI companies**, roughly **1,500 deep-tech companies**, more than **500 multinational technology companies operating in the country**, and a technology industry that generated approximately **$85 billion in exports in 2025**. Core AI companies captured **35% of Israeli technology investment** that year. Israel is now planning computing infrastructure incorporating as many as **100,000 AI processors**.

For a country of Israel's size, those figures are remarkable.

For Washington, they represent an opportunity.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

The United States does not need every major technological breakthrough of the 21st century t originate within its borders. It needs as many of those breakthroughs as possible to emerge within an ecosystem of countries aligned with American economic and security interests.

Israel's AI ambitions can help accomplish that.

America brings capital, computing power, semiconductor leadership, enormous markets and global scale. Israel brings a concentrated pool of engineers, entrepreneurs, cybersecurity specialists, defense technologists and researchers accustomed to transforming difficult problems into commercially viable technologies.

The next phase of the U.S.-Israel relationship therefore could be defined not only by weapons systems and intelligence cooperation, but by algorithms, chips, data centers, robotics, quantur computing and joint technological development.

If Washington and Jerusalem build the right framework around that opportunity, Israel's attempt to become a global AI power will not simply strengthen Israel.

It could strengthen America's position in the technological competition that will shape the 21st century.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Mark Ginsberg is an Israel-based digital marketer and commentator on technology and artificial intelligence, with over two decades of firsthand perspective on the country's innovation economy. Originally from South Florida and now based in Efrat, he analyzes the growth of Israel's tech ecosystem and the broader implications of AI on business, policy, and society.

Conversation 1 Comment

Discussions are moderated for civility. Read the guidelines here.

Log in

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

What do you think?

Sort by **Best**

williamkeenan
15 August, 2026

Israel unquestionably has a lot to offer. However, the AI industry is becoming an increasingly politicized issue and Israel is currently politically toxic with American voters. That would be especially true in the area of AI military technology cooperation.

Reply · Share

Powered by OpenWeb Terms | Privacy | Feedback

AdChoices Sponsored

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:57 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel. Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC. The Tyranny of Anonymous Sources - Mark Ginsberg - The Times of Israel



THE BLOGS

Mark Ginsberg

The Tyranny of Anonymous Sources



New York Times offices - Image from Shutterstock

There was a time when anonymous sources were journalism's last resort.

They were used sparingly, reserved for whistleblowers exposing corruption, officials revealing matters of overwhelming public interest, or individuals who genuinely faced serious repercussions if their identities became known. Editors treated such material with extreme

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.
The Price of Anonymous Sources - Mark Glanville, The Times of Israel

caution. Multiple independent confirmations were required. Extraordinary claims demanded extraordinary evidence.

Today, something has changed.

Some of the world's most respected news organizations increasingly rely on anonymous sources to construct and reinforce narratives about Israel that quickly harden into accepted truth, regardless of whether the underlying allegations withstand scrutiny.

The result is not merely flawed reporting. It is the creation of a permanent digital record in which accusation becomes fact, suspicion becomes history, and correction, if it comes at all, arrives too late to matter.

The consequences extend far beyond a single news cycle.

Take the controversy surrounding a report by New York Times columnist and reporter Nicholas Kristof concerning allegations involving Israeli soldiers and Palestinian detainees.

The article amplified claims that Israeli soldiers had used dogs to sexually assault Palestinian prisoners, allegations so explosive that they immediately spread across social media, activist networks, and international commentary.

The reporting relied heavily on unverified testimony and lacked the evidentiary standards that would ordinarily accompany accusations of such gravity. The resulting backlash was significant enough to prompt legal threats and widespread protests from readers who believed the newspaper had abandoned its own standards.

Regardless of whether in the future there are ever edits, corrections or retraction, the allegation itself has already escaped into the information ecosystem.

For millions of readers, the impression was fixed. They would never see the subsequent debate over sourcing, the questions surrounding verification, or the responses challenging the claims. They would remember only that "The New York Times reported" that Israeli soldiers committed these atrocities.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel. Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC. The Tyranny of Anonymous Sources - Mark Ginsburg - The Times of Israel

That phrase carries enormous power.

It is the modern equivalent of an official seal of authenticity.

The same pattern can be seen elsewhere. Reports built around unnamed intelligence officials, anonymous humanitarian workers, unidentified diplomats, or undisclosed insiders increasingly shape coverage of Israel.

Often, these stories align neatly with a pre-existing narrative: Israel acts recklessly, Israel deceives, Israel targets civilians, Israel conceals wrongdoing.

Sometimes the allegations are later qualified. Sometimes they are contradicted by emerging evidence. Occasionally they quietly disappear from subsequent reporting altogether.

However, by then, the damage has already been done.

Recent reporting examined by Honest Reporting illustrates how weak sourcing can rapidly fue global narratives. Claims based substantially on anonymous assertions have circulated widely before independent verification could take place, influencing public opinion and generating headlines across the world. The original caveats disappear as the story travels. Nuance is stripped away. What began as an allegation from unnamed individuals becomes repeated as established fact.

The internet rewards certainty, not caution.

A headline based on anonymous sources is quoted by activists on social media, it is incorporated into Wikipedia entries, and appears in NGO reports.

Academics cite the media coverage. Bloggers reference the academics. Artificial intelligence models trained on publicly available information absorb the claims as part of the historical record.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel. Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC. The Tyranny of Anonymous Sources - Mark Glanzberg - The Times of Israel

Months later, even if the original publication issues clarifications, updates, or partial corrections, the narrative has already calcified.

The accusation lives forever.

The correction dies in obscurity.

This phenomenon is especially dangerous when reporting on Israel because it intersects with one of humanity's oldest prejudices: the willingness to believe the worst about Jews.

History should make journalists particularly cautious.

Medieval Europe embraced blood libels accusing Jews of murdering Christian children for ritual purposes. These fabrications spread because they confirmed existing biases. The Dreyfus Affair succeeded because large sections of French society were predisposed to believe a Jewish officer capable of treachery. Soviet anti-Zionist propaganda portrayed Israel as uniquely malevolent and conspiratorial.

The language changes across generations, but the mechanism does not.

Stories that would demand overwhelming evidence if directed at almost any other democratic society are too often published about Israel based on anonymous testimony and limited corroboration because they fit an established framework. Israel becomes uniquely suspect. The burden of proof shifts and skepticism diminishes.

None of this means Israel should be immune from scrutiny.

It should not.

Israel is a democracy engaged in a prolonged and brutal conflict. Democracies require rigorous journalism. Governments must be investigated. Military conduct must be examined. Mistakes and wrongdoing should be exposed and addressed.

Nevertheless, scrutiny is not the same as credulity.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel. Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC. The Tyranny of Anonymous Sources - Mark Gingsburg - The Times of Israel

The standards applied to allegations against Israel should be identical to those applied elsewhere. Anonymous sourcing should remain exceptional rather than routine. Editors should ask harder questions before publishing claims likely to inflame global opinion. Reporters should distinguish clearly between verified fact and unproven allegation.

Most importantly, readers deserve transparency.

How many anonymous sources support the claim? What are their possible interests? Were documentary records reviewed? Was independent corroboration obtained? What evidence contradicts the allegation? Why was anonymity granted?

These questions were once considered basic journalism.

Today, they are too often treated as obstacles to a compelling narrative.

The stakes could not be higher.

In the digital age, journalism does not simply describe reality. It creates the archive from which future generations understand reality. Search engines retrieve it. Students study it. Courts reference it. Artificial intelligence systems learn from it.

When serious institutions elevate poorly substantiated allegations into global headlines, they are not merely reporting the news.

They are manufacturing historical memory.

Long after the fighting ends, long after the clarifications are forgotten and the caveats buried, those allegations will remain online as permanent evidence of what the world believes happened.

That is why anonymous sourcing demands greater restraint, not less.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.
The Blog - The Tyranny of Anonymous Sources - Mark Ginsberg - The Times of Israel

Because when journalism abandons its traditional safeguards, it does not merely risk getting a story wrong.

It risks turning accusation into history.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Mark Ginsberg is an Israel-based digital marketer and commentator on technology and artificial intelligence, with over two decades of firsthand perspective on the country's innovation economy. Originally from South Florida and now based in Efrat, he analyzes the growth of Israel's tech ecosystem and the broader implications of AI on business, policy, and society.

Conversation

Discussions are moderated for civility. Read the guidelines here.

Log in

Be the first to comment...

No one seems to have shared their thoughts on this topic yet

Leave a comment so your voice will be heard first.

Powered by OpenWeb

Terms | Privacy | Feedback

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

AdChoices Sponsored

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:00:59 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.



THE BLOGS

Mark Ginsberg

At the UN, Iran Won the Image. Israel Must Fight for the Truth



United Nations General Assembly - courtesy of Shutterstock

The most revealing moment at this year's United Nations General Assembly did not come from the podium. It came from the delegates who rose from their seats and walked out as Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu began to speak. The cameras captured the spectacle perfectly: a procession of diplomats leaving the hall, delivering their verdict on Israel without having to listen to a word of its defense.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

The previous day, Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian had addressed the same assembly. He portrayed Iran as a victim of aggression, held up photographs of Iranian children killed in the war and accused Israel and the United States of terrorism. The American delegation walked ou and Israel boycotted his speech. Yet there was no comparable procession of diplomats determined to show the world that Iran's leader was unworthy of their presence.

The contrast was impossible to miss. Israel's elected prime minister was met with a carefully staged act of rejection. The representative of a regime that crushes dissent at home was given the space to present himself as the voice of a wounded nation. In a chamber supposedly devoted to human rights, the Iranian people who oppose that regime barely entered the picture.

Only days earlier, a UN fact-finding mission had reported on Iran's extraordinarily brutal suppression of protests that began in December 2025. Its investigators described security forces killing protesters and bystanders, including children; mass arrests; torture; and violations amounting to crimes against humanity. Iran's own authorities published a list of 3,038 people killed, while the mission warned that the true number could be significantly higher. The government also imposed an internet shutdown lasting more than five months, obstructing families searching for loved ones and making its actions harder for the world to see.

Tens of thousands of deaths are well known, but the regime's restrictions have made a complete accounting extraordinarily difficult. The same authorities that demand the world see the photographs they display at the UN have worked to prevent the world from seeing what they have done to their own citizens.

Pezeshkian's tears for dead children were of the crocodile variety because he did not hold up the photographs of the Iranian children killed during his government's murderous crackdown. Where was the international outrage for their parents, or for the women and men imprisoned because they demanded a different future? The Iranian regime seeks the world's sympathy for suffering it can attribute to its enemies while demanding silence about suffering for which it bears responsibility.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

That is why the difference in treatment at the UN matters. It exposes a struggle over narratives, in which an image can travel further than a fact and a diplomatic gesture can substitute for a moral argument.

The walkout told millions of viewers that Israel was beyond the pale. It did nothing to establis whether Netanyahu's claims were true or false. Its purpose was to ensure that, for many watching, they would never need to be heard.

Israel is a democracy whose leaders can be challenged in public, attacked in its press and removed by voters. Iran's rulers respond to public challenge with prisons, executions and gunfire. This does not mean Israel is above criticism or that every Israeli decision is beyond dispute. It means that any moral comparison which overlooks the nature and conduct of the Iranian regime has abandoned the facts before it begins.

Anti-Israel activists have become extraordinarily effective at creating a fog around those facts They offer a simple story in which Israel is always the aggressor, its enemies are always the victims, and any evidence that complicates the picture is waved away as propaganda. Iran benefits enormously from that story.

A regime that represses its own population can wrap itself in the language of justice and present its confrontation with Israel as proof of its moral standing.

Israel cannot afford to assume that the truth will speak for itself. It must fight the war of narratives with the same seriousness it brings to defending its borders: patiently, relentlessly and with evidence that people can examine.

That means bringing the testimony of Iranian protesters into the conversation, documenting the threats posed by Tehran and its proxies, and explaining Israel's actions in terms that reach beyond those already inclined to agree. It also means recognizing civilian suffering honestly. A credible case for Israel is stronger when it refuses to hide from difficult facts.

The delegates were free to leave during Netanyahu's speech, but walking out is easy. Facing th full record is harder. Anyone who claims to stand for human rights must find room to hear the

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

people Iran's leaders have tried to silence, even when doing so disrupts the preferred story about Israel.

At the UN, the cameras showed the empty seats. They should also have shown the absence tha mattered most: the voices of Iranians murdered, imprisoned and cut off from the world by their own government. Israel's answer to the spectacle must be to clear the fog, again and again. Truth and light remain the greatest disinfectants.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Mark Ginsberg is an Israel-based digital marketer and commentator on technology and artificial intelligence, with over two decades of firsthand perspective on the country's innovation economy. Originally from South Florida and now based in Efrat, he analyzes the growth of Israel's tech ecosystem and the broader implications of AI on business, policy, and society.

Conversation

Discussions are moderated for civility. Read the guidelines here.

Log in

Be the first to comment...

No one seems to have shared their thoughts on this topic yet

Leave a comment so your voice will be heard first.

Powered by OpenWeb

Terms | Privacy | Feedback

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

AdChoices Sponsored

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:01 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM
10/22/26, 9:15 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel. Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC. The Blogs: Why the US Israel Alliance Is Irreplaceable | Mark Ginsberg | The Times of Israel



THE BLOGS

Mark Ginsberg

Why the US Israel Alliance Is Irreplaceable



Israel cybersecurity capabilities

In the aftermath of Operation Roaring Lion/Epic Fury, one truth has become impossible to ignore: when the United States needed a dependable ally in the Middle East against a dangerous and expansionist regime, Israel did not hesitate.

While other allies issued carefully worded statements, hedged their bets, or sat on the sideline waiting to see which way the wind would blow, the Jewish state stood shoulder to shoulder

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM
10/22/26, 9:15 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

with America.

Together, the United States and Israel confronted a regime that openly seeks regional and global domination, sponsors terror on multiple continents, seeks control of vital global shipping routes, and continues its relentless pursuit of nuclear weapons capability. The operation was not simply about military coordination. It was a reminder of the strategic, moral, technological, and civilizational alliance that binds the two nations together.

At a time when some voices in Washington increasingly question the US-Israel relationship, Operation Roaring Lion/Epic Fury demonstrated something many Americans already instinctively understand: there is no substitute for Israel.

The US-Israel Alliance Is Not a One-Way Relationship

For decades, critics have framed the alliance as though it were a one-way transaction, with America giving and Israel merely receiving. However, this fundamentally misunderstands the relationship. In reality, the alliance pays for itself many times over, strategically, economically technologically, militarily, and morally.

Former US Secretary of State Alexander Haig famously described Israel as "the largest American aircraft carrier in the world that cannot be sunk." It was a striking phrase because it captured a basic strategic reality: Israel is America's most reliable ally in the Middle East.

Nevertheless, today, that description no longer goes far enough.

Israel is not merely a strategic outpost. It is a global incubator of innovation and one of the world's foremost laboratories for the technologies shaping the future of warfare, medicine, intelligence, cybersecurity, agriculture, water security, and artificial intelligence.

Israeli Innovation Strengthens American Security and Technology

In cybersecurity alone, Israeli firms and researchers help protect major American corporations financial institutions, infrastructure systems, and government agencies from increasingly sophisticated cyber threats originating from hostile states and criminal networks.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Many of the tools and defensive systems safeguarding American digital infrastructure today were developed in Israel or through US-Israeli cooperation.

The same applies to medicine and biotechnology. Israeli hospitals, universities, and startups have pioneered breakthroughs in trauma care, rehabilitation, diagnostics, AI-assisted medicine, and emergency response systems.

These innovations do not stay within Israel's borders. They save American lives every day.

From missile defense cooperation to battlefield medicine, from drone technology to intelligence gathering, the benefits flow directly into American national security.

Operation Roaring Lion/Epic Fury again highlighted how deeply intertwined the two countries security establishments have become.

Israeli intelligence, operational experience, technological innovation, and regional expertise remain indispensable assets to the United States in a region where American influence has often been challenged and where many supposed allies remain deeply unreliable.

Iran and the Shared Strategic Threat

This is particularly important when confronting Iran. Unlike many Western nations that still speak about Tehran as though it were a misunderstood regional actor, Israel has long understood the true nature of the Iranian regime.

It is not merely a local threat. It is a revolutionary ideological power with global ambitions.

Iran arms proxies across the Middle East, destabilizes governments, targets civilians, threatens Europe with advanced ballistic missile capabilities, and openly seeks to undermine the Western-led international order. Its leaders routinely speak not just about destroying Israel, but about confronting American power itself.

In this struggle, Israel has consistently acted as the forward line of defense for the broader Western alliance.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

That reality became unmistakable during Operation Roaring Lion/Epic Fury.

At enormous cost and risk, Israeli forces and intelligence capabilities helped degrade threats that endangered not only Israelis, but American interests and global stability.

Israel did not ask whether acting was politically fashionable. It did not retreat into isolationism or ambiguity. It understood that the threat posed by Iran was civilizational in nature and demanded action.

Alliances Are Proven in Moments of Crisis

This matters because alliances are ultimately tested not in conferences or press releases, but in moments of danger.

In those moments, Israel has repeatedly proven itself.

Contrast this with the behavior of many international actors who routinely lecture the United States and Israel on morality and restraint, yet contribute little when genuine threats emerge.

Some nations enjoy American protection while simultaneously undermining American interests diplomatically. Others seek commercial advantage from both Washington and Tehran while avoiding meaningful responsibility.

Israel is different.

It shares intelligence. It develops joint technologies. It fights common enemies. It strengthens American deterrence. It helps stabilize regional partners. It provides real-world military innovation based on constant operational experience, and unlike many alliances maintained through convenience, the US-Israel relationship is anchored in shared democratic values and a common understanding of freedom.

Shared Democratic Values and Moral Foundations

That moral dimension matters profoundly. Both nations were founded on the revolutionary belief that liberty is not granted by rulers but belongs inherently to individuals. Both societies

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM
10/22/26, 9:15 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel. Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC. The Blogs: Why the US-Israel Alliance Is Irreplaceable | Mark Ginsberg | The Times of Israel

remain deeply shaped by the Judeo-Christian tradition and by the conviction that human dignity, democracy, and freedom must be defended against tyranny.

That is why the alliance endures.

Operation Roaring Lion/Epic Fury did not create the US-Israel partnership, but it reaffirmed its necessity in a dangerous new era increasingly defined by authoritarian aggression, technological warfare, ideological extremism, and nuclear proliferation.

There Is No Serious Alternative to Israel

Those calling to weaken the alliance should ask a simple question: if not Israel, then who?

Which other country in the region combines military capability, technological leadership, democratic resilience, intelligence excellence, and unwavering alignment with American interests?

There is no serious alternative.

The truth revealed once again after Operation Roaring Lion/Epic Fury is simple: America does not support Israel out of charity. America supports Israel because the alliance makes America stronger, safer, more innovative, and more secure.

In an increasingly unstable world, that partnership is not a burden for the United States.

It is one of its **greatest strategic assets**.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Mark Ginsberg is an Israel-based digital marketer and commentator on technology and artificial intelligence, with over two decades of firsthand perspective on the country's innovation economy. Originally from South Florida and now based in Efrat, he analyzes the growth of Israel's tech ecosystem and the broader implications of AI on business, policy, and society.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Conversation

Discussions are moderated for civility. Read the guidelines here.

Log in

Be the first to comment...

No one seems to have shared their thoughts on this topic yet

Leave a comment so your voice will be heard first.

Powered by OpenWeb

Terms | Privacy | Feedback

AdChoices Sponsored

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:03 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.



The Blind Spot in the Machine: What Israel's War Revealed About AI Monitoring Failures

11/07/2026 OPINIONS 6 Mins Read

By Mark Ginsberg

00:00 00:00

When the Missiles Stopped

When the missiles stopped falling in June 2025, Israel realized its toughest battle hadn't been waged in the skies.



A deepfake depicting an F-35 being shot down circulated within hours of Iran's actual strike. It wasn't hard to spot if you knew what to look for, but most viewers didn't. By the time Israel's military confirmed the aircraft was safe, the clip had already been shared millions of times on Telegram, X, and TikTok. No correction could keep pace. The lie outran the truth, and

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Mark Ginsberg

the defenses designed to catch it were built for a different kind of war.

This was new.

The Detection Gap Nobody Planned For

Israel entered the June 2025 conflict with one of the strongest air defense systems in the world. Arrow, David's Sling, and Iron Dome intercepted ballistic missiles and drones at rates analysts at CSIS called historic. What Israel lacked was a comparable defense for information itself. The country's intelligence agencies were geared to track launch sites, troop movements, and weapons shipments, not to identify a synthetic video of an attack on the Dimona nuclear facility before it reached 2 million views.

The Israeli Internet Association documented over 400 distinct disinformation events during the 12-day conflict. These ranged from fabricated casualty numbers to manipulated satellite imagery showing nonexistent destruction in Tel Aviv. Their study found that Hebrew-language detection tools effectively did not exist. Facebook's third-party fact-checking partners lacked sufficient Hebrew capacity, and Google's AI content labels, rolled out months earlier for English and Portuguese markets, had not been extended to Hebrew or Arabic content from the region.

Israel was fighting an information war in languages its allies' tools couldn't understand. The same gap that FactSignal has been documenting in its coverage of Iranian disinformation campaigns, where state actors exploit platforms with the weakest detection infrastructure.

What the IDF Actually Changed

In August 2025, the IDF restructured its C4i Directorate.

The restructuring merged three previously separate units. Spectrum operations handled electronic warfare and signals. Lotem managed information technology. The strategic communications branch ran messaging. Each had historically operated in

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

silos. For the first time, the military brought electronic warfare, cybersecurity, and information operations under a single command.

The reasoning was clear. During the war, fabricated content could originate from coordinated networks of accounts, travel through a compromised server overseas, and land on an Israeli citizen's phone within minutes. Separate IDF units were responsible for different pieces of that puzzle, but none could connect them quickly enough to make a difference.

The restructuring addressed an organizational problem, not a technological one.

Israel possesses formidable signal intelligence and cybersecurity capabilities. What it lacked was a doctrine that treated information as a domain of warfare equal to air, sea, or land. The June 2025 conflict proved that a fabricated video could incite the same civilian panic as an air raid siren, yet the military had no equivalent of Iron Dome for content.

The Cost of Going It Alone

Israel's experience isn't unique in its essence. What sets it apart is the timing. The June 2025 war was the first major conflict to see generative AI tools readily available to both state actors and loosely organized influence networks from the outset. Iran didn't require an elaborate propaganda machine. It needed a laptop, internet access, and open-source image generation models accessible to anyone.

The cost of producing convincing fabricated content dropped to near zero.

The cost of detecting it remained high and centralized. NATO's StratCom Centre of Excellence estimated that verifying a single piece of AI-generated content during an active conflict takes an average of 72 hours for a trained analyst. Producing that same content takes minutes. This asymmetry represents the core challenge. No country has solved it.

Israel's wartime adaptations, from the C4i merger to investments in Hebrew-language detection to partnerships with the Technion and Reichman University on automated

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

content verification, all came after significant damage was done. The monitoring gap was identified in hindsight, the way most security failures are. PaxPoint has argued in its analysis of regional security trends that this adaptation gap is now a structural vulnerability for any allied nation operating in a contested information environment.

What Other Countries Should Learn

Countries observing Israel's experience fall into two categories.

The first views the C4i restructuring as a model to study. Several Eastern European nations bordering Russia have launched similar internal reviews of their own information defense capabilities. Estonia, Latvia, and Poland each ran assessments in late 2025 examining whether their existing institutions could detect and respond to AI-generated content during an active military engagement.

The second camp considers Israel's experience an outlier. These are countries that have not faced a recent conflict where information operations played a central role. They assume their existing media literacy programs and content moderation by tech companies will be sufficient. Israel shared that assumption until June 2025.

The key difference between Israel and most other democracies is that Israel got tested. The war forced a reckoning many governments haven't faced.

This monitoring gap is not an Israeli problem. It is a timing issue. Every country will eventually encounter a conflict where AI-generated content is part of the weapons mix. The question is whether they invest in detection capabilities before or after the first fabricated video reaches their citizens. Allyvia has covered this dynamic extensively, particularly how democracies that assume their institutions will hold often discover the cracks only under pressure.

Israel built it after. The cost of that delay was measurable in panicked evacuations, diplomatic fallout from fabricated statements attributed to Israeli officials, and a temporary but real erosion of public trust in online information during a war when accurate information meant life and death.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

No country should want to learn that lesson the hard way.

Author: Mark Ginsberg – Israel-based writer and commentator on technology and artificial intelligence, with over two decades of firsthand perspective on the country's innovation economy. Originally from South Florida and now based in Efrat, he analyzes the growth of Israel's tech ecosystem and the broader implications of AI on business, policy, and society. His work has appeared in Small Wars Journal and Breaking Defense.

(The opinions expressed in this article belong only to the author and do not necessarily reflect the views of World Geostrategic Insights).

Image Source: IDF (Officers in the new "Alumot" unit in the C4I and Cyber Defense Directorate).

Editor Picks Mark Ginsberg Military Strategy

KEEP READING

ANALYSIS — 21/10/2026

Confucian Roots and Legacy of Traditional Chinese Stratagem: The Art of Tao

OPINIONS — 20/10/2026

Hormuz-Proofing the Gulf: Why Saudi Arabia's Energy Pacts Are a Reply to the Americas

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

INTERVIEWS — 17/10/2026

Military AI and the Future of Warfare: Prepare Like Jomini, Fight Like Clausewitz

OPINIONS — 10/10/2026

Pakistan's Digital Battlefield: Populism, Resistance, Power and Perception Management

AMERICAS — 08/10/2026

Latin America's Political Synchronism: From the Pink Tide to the MAGA Wave

BOOK REVIEWS — 07/10/2026

Whose Nuclear Age? South Asia and the Limits of a Global Typology

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

WGI.WORLD

Geopolitical platform, analysis of political, military, security, economic, social events with international and geopolitics relevance.

Contact us: **editor@wgi.world**

Follow us on **Twitter** **Linkedin**

Cookie Policy

Confucian Roots and Legacy of Traditional Chinese Stratagem: The Art of Tao

ANALYSIS — 21/10/2026

Pakistan's Satellite Internet Moment: Digital Sovereignty and the Future of Connectivity

21/10/2026

Hormuz-Proofing the Gulf: Why Saudi Arabia's Energy Pacts Are a Reply to the Americas

20/10/2026

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Military AI and the Future of Warfare: Prepare Like Jomini, Fight Like Clausewitz

17/10/2026

The Strategy of the Second Door: Infrastructure, Secularism, and the Geopolitics of Interdependence in Greater Eurasia

16/10/2026

MOST-READED

Inside the Mind of a CIA Operative: How to Work Effectively in Espionage

Western Culture: Perception and Role of Women

Ukraine: the Irresponsible Obstinacy of the West – An Interview with Eric Denécé

Somalia amid Progress and Challenges: an interview with Abdisaid Muse Ali

Purpose and Power: American Grand Strategy – An Interview With Donald Stoker

Political Polarization in Pakistan

SEARCH

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Search ... SEARCH

© 2026 World Geostratregic Insights. Designed by WGI.WORLD.

Privacy Policy

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:05 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.



THE BLOGS

Mark Ginsberg

The Remarkable Story of Israel's Christian Citizen



Church in Nazareth - courtesy of Shutterstock

For decades, Christians in the United States have been among Israel's most steadfast friends. They have visited the country, supported Israeli communities and charities, defended the Jewish state in public life, challenged antisemitism and understood the Jewish return to the ancestral homeland as an event of profound historical and religious significance.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM

This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Israel has long recognized and valued this friendship, building important relationships with churches, pastors, Christian organizations and faith leaders across the United States. Today, Israel's public diplomacy is increasingly highlighting another powerful dimension of that relationship: the remarkable success story of Christians in Israel itself.

This is both timely and necessary, because Israel's enemies understand the strategic importance of Christian support. Anti-Israel activists are making a concerted effort to penetrate churches, Christian universities, religious conferences and younger Christian audiences. Their aim is to turn a natural constituency of support for Israel into one that is divided, uncertain or even hostile.

They frequently employ the language of human rights, liberation theology and social justice tc present Israel as an enemy of Christianity. Some attempt to separate Christianity from its Jewish roots, portray Jesus as a "Palestinian," erase the Jewish history of the biblical landscape and suggest that Israel is responsible for the struggles of Christians throughout the region.

This is not merely a distortion of history and theology. It is a deliberate political strategy. Israel's opponents know that American Christians represent one of the strongest and most consistent sources of support for the Jewish state. Weakening that bond would be a significant victory for the international campaign to isolate and delegitimize Israel.

One of the most effective responses is to tell the truth about Christian life in Israel.

Israel is the only country in the Middle East in which Christians enjoy full civil, political and religious rights within a robust democratic system. Christian citizens vote, organize politically criticize the government, petition the courts, practice their religion openly and participate in every area of national life.

Christians serve as judges, diplomats, doctors, academics, business leaders, journalists, members of parliament and senior public officials. Christian schools are among the country's strongest educational institutions, while Christian communities make contributions to Israeli medicine, education, commerce, culture and public service far beyond their numerical size.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM
10/22/26, 9:11 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel. Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC. The Remarkable Story of Israel's Christian Citizens | Mark Wein and The Times of Israel

Their educational achievements are particularly impressive. According to Israel's Central Bureau of Statistics, 87.7 percent of Christian 12th-grade students were eligible for a matriculation certificate in the 2023–24 school year. Arab Christian graduates continued to first-degree studies at a higher rate than graduates in both the wider Arab and even Jewish education systems.

Christian women are also especially prominent in higher education, accounting for more than 60 percent of Christian students.

On several important educational and social measures, Christians in Israel do not merely participate successfully. They outperform the Jewish majority.

This is a tremendous Israeli success story, and it deserves to be far better known.

This reality stands in sharp contrast with much of the surrounding region. Across the Middle East, ancient Christian communities have been devastated by war, political instability, Islamist extremism and religious persecution. In some countries, communities that survived for nearly 2,000 years have been reduced to a fraction of their former size.

In Israel, Christians can worship freely, receive an excellent education, build successful careers and participate fully in public life. Their achievements demonstrate not only their own determination and talent, but also what becomes possible when a religious minority is granted freedom, citizenship and democratic rights.

This story is starting to be at the center of official Israel's outreach to the Christian world. It is not being told merely by government spokespeople, but by Christian Israelis themselves. Christian educators, doctors, entrepreneurs, judges, students and community leaders are the most credible witnesses to their own experiences.

American Christian visitors should have opportunities to meet these communities directly. Christian universities and churches should hear from Israeli Christian speakers. Social media campaigns should introduce younger Christians to the people behind the statistics. Israel's

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM
10/22/26, 9:11 PM This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel. Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC. The Remarkable Story of Israel's Christian Citizens | Mark Ginsberg | The Times of Israel

Christian citizens should be presented not as symbols in a public relations campaign, but as proud and accomplished Israelis with their own voices, identities and stories.

This engagement is especially important for younger Christians, many of whom encounter Israel primarily through social media. They are frequently shown emotional images without context and slogans without history. They need more than political talking points. They need direct encounters, credible testimony and a deeper understanding of the realities of the Middl East.

The effort must also extend beyond the United States. Christian communities across Latin America, Africa, Europe and Asia represent an enormous and diverse audience. In many of these regions, affection for Israel remains profound, but anti-Israel movements are working aggressively to undermine it.

Israel's expanding effort to highlight the success of its Christian citizens therefore comes at ar important moment. It strengthens the relationship between Israel and the Christian world while countering one of the most persistent falsehoods promoted by Israel's opponents.

The truth is powerful: in the Jewish state, Christians are free, fully enfranchised and increasingly successful. That is not a slogan or a public relations invention. It is a measurable reality and one of Israel's most compelling stories.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Mark Ginsberg is an Israel-based digital marketer and commentator on technology and artificial intelligence, with over two decades of firsthand perspective on the country's innovation economy. Originally from South Florida and now based in Efrat, he analyzes the growth of Israel's tech ecosystem and the broader implications of AI on business, policy, and society.

Conversation 9 Comments

Discussions are moderated for civility. Read the guidelines here.

Log in

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

What do you think?

Sort by **Best**

GardenFleur
30 July, 2026

Perhaps American support is fading because we don't like our churches bombed, our clergy spat upon or our Christian women harassed and called cruel and foul names.

Reply · 1 · Share

1 reply

zoglmannnicole
30 July, 2026

The social media platform "X" is responsible for very effective antisemitic content. It is responsible for some of the baseless comments made right here. These people take "X" as gospel truth. Perhaps they should lean on the Bible, if they are actually Christians. Instead, they lean on propaganda, ...

See more

Reply · 1 · Share

1 reply

Powered by OpenWeb

Terms | Privacy | Feedback

AdChoices Sponsored

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:07 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

OPINION & ANALYSIS

OPINION

The AI disinformation gap the Pentagon may be missing

"The Pentagon is building a better mousetrap while the mice are rewriting the blueprint for the house," argues this analyst.

By Mark Ginsberg on July 09, 2026 2:26 pm

Share

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.



US soldiers from the 10th Mountain Division study screens in an operations center during an exercise. (Photo by Jason Hollandsworth)

The Pentagon is getting better at catching deepfakes. DARPA's Semantic Forensics program, the Defense Innovation Unit's prototype contract with Hive, and a growing stack of detection tools all point the same way. The Department of Defense has decided that the disinformation fight is a detection problem.

They are wrong — not about deepfakes being a threat, but about where the real threat lives.

The detection tools the DoD is funding were built for a world where adversaries generate fake images, fake video and fake audio and then try to pass it off as real. That world exists. But it is the easy version of the problem. The harder version, the one showing up in research but not in budgets, is upstream. Adversaries are poisoning the AI models that defense analysts, intelligence platforms, and policymakers rely on to sort real from fake in the first place.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM The AI disinformation gap the Pentagon may be missing | Breaking Defense
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

It is unclear whether the DoD has already encountered this problem in its own systems. But civilian researchers have documented it repeatedly. The Atlantic Council's Digital Forensic Research Lab and the UK AI Security Institute have both published evidence of adversarial content embedded in the training data that feeds widely used AI models.

We have been tracking this from Israel since January, when Iran shut down its internet during domestic unrest. The shutdown was designed to silence protesters, but it also revealed how state-controlled information flows end up shaping what AI models learn about the region. Tehran has been running its own disinformation campaigns using AI-generated content for years. This is not speculation. It is documented.

But the problem goes well beyond Iran. US allies in the region have their own information controls. Israel restricts reporter access to Gaza and limits what journalists working inside the country can cover. Gulf states have tightly controlled reporting on Iranian missile strikes within their borders. Even the US government has pressed satellite imagery companies to limit what they publish, and several have complied. These restrictions shape what AI models learn about the region just as surely as Iranian censorship does.

The problem also includes US adversaries outside the Middle East.

In an Atlantic Council DFRLab audit of Common Crawl, the public web archive that feeds much of the world's AI training pipeline, researchers found content from the Pravda network, a pro-Kremlin operation that has flooded the internet with millions of pieces of propaganda, baked directly into training data. Material from Glassbridge, a Chinese-government-adjacent influence operation, and Russia's RT was in there too. Common Crawl did not respond to the findings. A major open-weights model reproduced this content nearly verbatim when prompted.

How fragile are these systems? An October study by Anthropic, the UK AI Security Institute, and the Alan Turing Institute found it takes as few as 250 malicious documents to compromise a large model. Once that content is baked into the weights, the only fix is a full retrain. Expensive. Impractical. Usually not done.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.
The AI disinformation gap the Pentagon may be missing | Breaking Defense

This is the gap. The Pentagon is building a better mousetrap while the mice are rewriting the blueprint for the house.

Detection tools flag synthetic media, meaning AI-generated images, video or audio, after it has been created. They do nothing about a model that has been quietly trained to favor certain narratives, minimize certain conflicts, or omit facts a state actor would rather the world forget. When a defense analyst asks an AI assistant to summarize South China Sea developments or analyze satellite imagery from the Middle East, the answer may already be shaped by an adversary's influence operation. No deepfake detector catches that.

So what does closing this gap look like?

Data provenance standards for any AI model used in a defense or intelligence context: If we cannot verify what a model was trained on, we should not trust its outputs where accuracy matters. The Pentagon's March announcement about exploring classified-data training is a step, but it only covers government-specific models. The broader ecosystem that defense analysts actually use remains unaddressed. Israel's AI infrastructure buildout, including joint projects with US defense firms, shows what a provenance-first approach could look like in practice.

Red-teaming that goes beyond safety and bias checks: Current exercises test whether models produce harmful content when prompted. They do not test whether models have already been influenced by adversarial training data. That needs to change.

And most immediately, awareness: Most defense professionals I speak with have no idea training data poisoning is even possible, let alone that it has already been documented. That knowledge gap is itself a vulnerability.

The disinformation fight is not just about what is fake. It is about what the machines we trust to tell the difference are quietly being taught to believe.

Mark Ginsberg is a writer and analyst covering technology, security and geopolitical affairs. His work has appeared in the Times of Israel, where he writes on AI-driven propaganda, information operations, and the intersection of emerging technology with regional conflict.

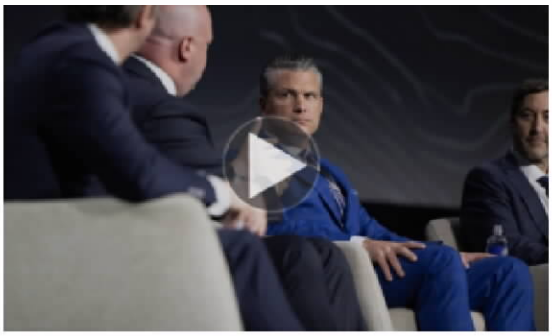
Topics: AI & Autonomy, artificial intelligence AI, cyber security, darpa ai, disinformation, networks, Op-Ed Commentary, Opinion, Pentagon, technology

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM

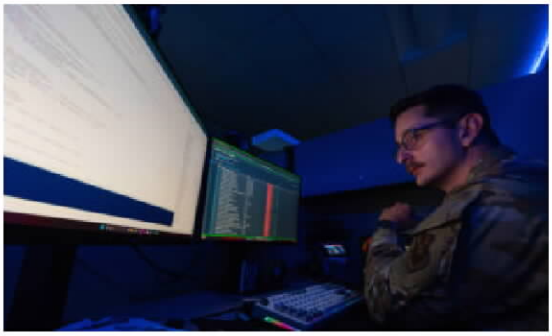
Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.
The AI disinformation gap the Pentagon may be missing | Breaking Defense

More from Breaking Defense

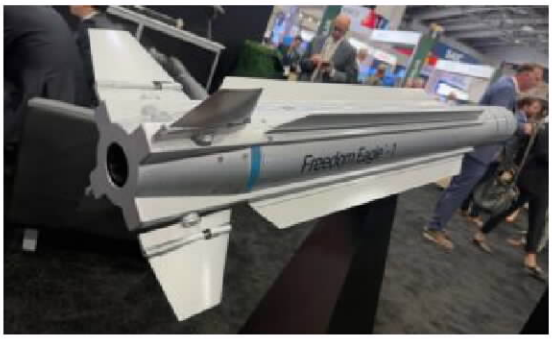
Hegseth talks autonomy at AUSA, a key show focus



NORTHCOM's Joint Task Force-Gold to coordinate cyber warfare for Golden Dome



Missiles, drones and air-defense weapons galore: Images from AUSA's final day



Hegseth uses AUSA spotlight to push autonomy, 'generational' defense investment



Recommended

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM
10/22/26, 9:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

We need to make industry crash 100,000 drones next year

Army's Project Gatekeeper aims to cut software approval times from months to 'minutes'

From requirement-driven to market-ready: Rethinking how defense technology reaches the warfighter

© 2026 Breaking Media, Inc. All rights reserved. Registration or use of this site constitutes acceptance of our Terms of Service and Privacy Policy.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:10 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.



THE BLOGS

Mark Ginsberg

The Myth of Israel's Isolation: The World's Moving Closer, Not Further Away



Israel Day parade - courtesy of Shutterstock

One of the most frequently repeated claims since October 7 has been that Israel is becoming increasingly isolated on the international stage. Headlines often focus on diplomatic disputes, hostile demonstrations, critical UN resolutions, and disagreements with some Western governments, creating the impression that Israel is steadily losing friends around the world.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

The reality, however, is considerably more complex.

While criticism of Israeli policies has undoubtedly intensified in some international forums, many governments have simultaneously chosen to deepen their practical relationships with Israel. Defence cooperation has expanded, trade agreements have grown, diplomatic ties have strengthened, and new strategic partnerships have emerged across Europe, Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Far from being abandoned, Israel is increasingly viewed by many countries as an indispensable partner in areas ranging from defence and cybersecurity to agriculture, artificial intelligence, water technology and energy security.

The contrast between the political narrative and the diplomatic reality has rarely been more striking.

Key Takeaways

- Claims that Israel is becoming internationally isolated overlook significant diplomatic developments occurring around the world.
- Several governments that adopted strongly anti-Israel positions have recently lost elections while others are falling behind in opinion polls.
- European countries continue expanding defense cooperation with Israel.
- The Abraham Accords countries continue strengthening relations despite the Gaza war.
- India, Nigeria and several African nations are deepening strategic cooperation with Israel.
- Latin America has witnessed important political shifts favourable to stronger ties with Israel.
- Increasingly, governments are separating disagreements over the Gaza conflict from long-term national interests.

Politics Changes—National Interests Endure

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

One of the biggest mistakes in analyzing international relations is assuming that today's political headlines represent permanent diplomatic realities.

Governments change. Elections alter foreign policy. Public opinion evolves.

In recent months, several governments that adopted some of the world's strongest anti-Israel positions have either lost power or suffered significant political setbacks. Slovenia, Colombia, Bolivia and Ecuador have all experienced electoral changes that weaken governments whose foreign policies were among the most hostile towards Israel.

Meanwhile, governments in Spain and Norway—two of Israel's sharpest European critics—are currently trailing in opinion polls.

These developments do not guarantee dramatic policy reversals.

They do illustrate that diplomatic trends are rarely static.

Europe Is Buying Israeli Security

Perhaps the clearest evidence against the narrative of isolation lies in defense cooperation.

Countries do not entrust their national security to partners they consider internationally isolated.

Germany, Slovakia and Romania have all signed major defense agreements with Israel, reflecting growing confidence in Israeli military technology and operational expertise. Greece and Cyprus have continued strengthening their strategic defense partnership with Jerusalem, recognizing Israel as an increasingly important pillar of Eastern Mediterranean security.

These agreements involve more than commercial transactions.

They represent long-term strategic partnerships that often extend over decades and require extraordinary levels of political trust.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Governments purchasing advanced defense systems are making decisions based upon national security rather than temporary political debates.

The Abraham Accords Continue to Grow

One prediction made repeatedly after October 7 was that the Abraham Accords would collapse

The opposite has largely occurred.

The United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Morocco have continued expanding economic, technological and security cooperation with Israel despite enormous regional pressure. Investment, tourism, business partnerships and strategic dialogue have continued because all parties recognize that the long-term benefits of cooperation outweigh short-term political tensions.

This represents an important transformation in Middle Eastern politics.

For decades, the Palestinian issue effectively determined Arab-Israeli relations.

Today, many regional governments increasingly pursue foreign policies based upon their own national interests rather than ideological expectations.

That shift appears increasingly durable.

New Partnerships Across the Global South

Israel's expanding diplomatic footprint is not limited to Europe or the Middle East.

Across Africa and the developing world, numerous countries continue strengthening bilateral relations. Estonia, Fiji, Guatemala, Uganda and El Salvador have all upgraded various aspects of their relationships with Israel, recognizing the country's expertise in agriculture, healthcare cybersecurity, water management and technological innovation.

At the same time, India and Nigeria have implemented highly significant new cooperation agreements covering strategic sectors important to both countries' long-term development.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

These partnerships reflect a broader trend.

Many governments increasingly evaluate Israel through the practical lens of technology, innovation and economic cooperation rather than exclusively through the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Latin America Is Changing

Political developments across Latin America also challenge the narrative of growing isolation.

Argentina has emerged as one of Israel's closest partners in the region, with President Javier Milei continuing to deepen bilateral relations and promoting what has become known as the "Isaac Accords" as a framework for expanded cooperation.

At the same time, electoral changes elsewhere in the region have weakened several governments that previously positioned themselves among Israel's harshest critics.

Foreign policy throughout Latin America remains dynamic.

What appears today as diplomatic confrontation can rapidly evolve following democratic elections.

Recognition Through Partnership

Perhaps the most important development is qualitative rather than quantitative.

Countries are increasingly choosing to deepen relationships with Israel not despite its challenges but because of its capabilities.

Whether the issue is missile defense, cyber resilience, artificial intelligence, water scarcity, precision agriculture, emergency medicine or intelligence cooperation, Israel has become an increasingly valuable strategic partner for governments confronting complex twenty-first century security challenges.

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Even Somaliland's celebration of closer ties and recognition by Israel illustrates a broader point.

Many emerging governments increasingly view relations with Israel as an asset rather than a liability.

The Difference Between Headlines and Reality

None of this means Israel faces no diplomatic challenges.

It plainly does.

International criticism remains intense. Several governments continue adopting highly critica positions. United Nations forums remain deeply contentious, and public opinion in parts of Europe and North America has shifted significantly.

These realities should not be ignored.

Neither should the equally important reality that beneath the headlines, governments continue signing defense agreements, expanding trade, investing in technology partnerships and strengthening diplomatic ties with Israel.

International relations are ultimately driven less by slogans than by national interests.

On that measure, Israel's position remains remarkably strong.

Conclusion

Predictions of Israel's growing international isolation have become a recurring feature of commentary throughout the Gaza war.

The evidence suggests a far more nuanced picture.

While political criticism has undoubtedly intensified in some quarters, many governments have simultaneously chosen to strengthen practical cooperation with Israel across defense,

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

technology, intelligence, trade, agriculture and regional security. Electoral changes in several countries, expanding strategic partnerships in Europe and the Middle East, deepening ties across Africa and Asia, and the continued growth of the Abraham Accords all point toward a more complicated diplomatic reality than the narrative of isolation suggests.

Israel is not universally embraced. No country is. But neither is it isolated.

Increasingly, governments around the world appear to be distinguishing between political disagreements over specific policies and their long-term national interests. In doing so, many have concluded that Israel remains one of the world's most valuable strategic, technological and security partners.

Diplomatic headlines may suggest isolation.

Diplomatic actions increasingly tell a different story.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Mark Ginsberg is an Israel-based digital marketer and commentator on technology and artificial intelligence, with over two decades of firsthand perspective on the country's innovation economy. Originally from South Florida and now based in Efrat, he analyzes the growth of Israel's tech ecosystem and the broader implications of AI on business, policy, and society.

Conversation

Discussions are moderated for civility. Read the guidelines here.

Log in

Be the first to comment...

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM
This material is distributed by Clock Tower X LLC on behalf of the State of Israel.
Additional information is available at the Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

No one seems to have shared their thoughts on this topic yet

Leave a comment so your voice will be heard first.

Powered by OpenWeb

Terms | Privacy | Feedback

AdChoices

Sponsored

Received by NSD/FARA Registration Unit 10/26/2026 4:01:12 PM