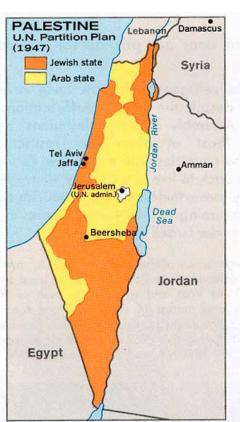


The Yom Kippur War

#### **Background**

- 1948 1<sup>st</sup> **Arab-Israeli War** after ISR independence
- 1956 Suez Crisis
- 1967 Six Day War
  - Israel takes over Sinai, Golan Heights, W. Bank, Gaza









## Why the Arab World is Important

- Trade Routes at Suez & Gibraltar
- Center of the world's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest religion
- A small percentage of Arabs control a large percentage of the world's oil. THE HOLY LAND, BYE AND BYE...



## Why Israel is Important

- ISR has no oil, population, geographic or strategic advantages & is surrounded by enemies
- Driven army w/ high morale (IDF)
- High level of education
- "Moral Claim"
- Supported by US Jews politically & economically



#### A New Start?

- 1970 Nasser dies and **Anwar Sadat** takes over EGY w/ plan to reestablish US relations
  - Thought US could get ISR out of Sinai better than USSR
- 1972 Expels 20K USSR troops → show US he means business →
- 1973 Sends **Ismail** to DC→ After no help, Sadat reluctantly goes back to USSR
  - AMBROSE: US did not care b/c they didn't trust his intentions & were worried about EGY attacking ISR



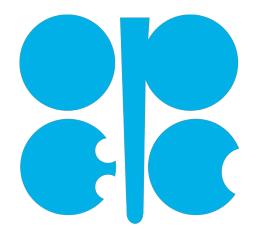
## Yom Kippur

- 10/6/1973 EGY surprise attacks ISR
  - EGY drove deep into Sinai
  - ISR as a nation was threatened→ Needed US help



# **Henry Kissinger**

- Quotes on 261; YKW barely addressed by Kissinger.
- <u>Challenge</u>: Had to save ISR while avoiding **OPEC** oil embargo and bring peace to the Middle East
  - Proposes ceasefire, but neither side would accept because they were losing (ISR) or not winning enough (EGY)
  - US Congress/Public thought ISR the victim
  - Soviets made it worse by shipping arms after promising not to → AMBROSE: Challenge to US



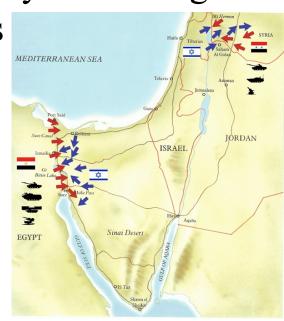


## Kissinger Picks Israel

- <u>AMBROSE</u>: Kissinger gives in to pressure b/c Russian guns should never prevail over US guns.
- Military aid on 10/13 → Encirclement of EGY army
   & SYR to Golan Hts. by 10/15
- Arab Response: Great Oil Embargo of 1973

- AMBROSE: We never thought they'd stick together; We need them more than they need us





#### WWIII? No.

- 10/22 UNSC-338 Kiss. (through UN) & USSR call for ceasefire & implementation of UNSC-242
- Moshe Dayan (IDF) Clashed w/ Kissinger b/c of delicate oil situation → angry
  - Brezhnev suggests US/USSR force to stop Dayan→
  - Kissinger's "Deliberate Overreaction" (264) resulted in Brezhnev agreeing to non-nuclear UN Peacekeepers
  - Brezhnev agreed→ Dayan ended pressure→ War ends.



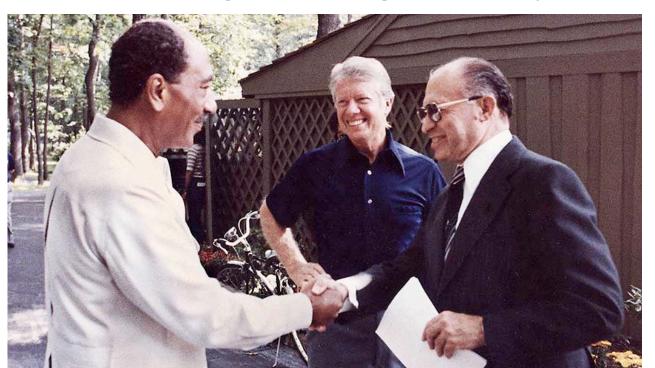


## **Shuttle Diplomacy**

- Kissinger's attempt to bargain w/ heads of state in ME→ Didn't achieve much except calls to compromise for both
- 1/18/74 **Egyptian-Israeli Accord** Mutual disengagement & pullback of forces along Suez + UN protection for buffer zone
- 3/18 Embargo lifted
- May '74 Ceasefire signed → troops leave Golan

#### **Aftermath**

- 1977 Kissinger leaves office
  - ISR still occupies most of Sinai, Palestinian territory
- Fall '78 Carter meets w/ Sadat & Menachem Begin @ Camp David→ no peace treaty
- Early '79 Meet again & sign a treaty...



#### **Camp David Accords**

- Egypt recognizes Israel; Peace
- Israel leaves Sinai
- Future of **PLO** vague
- No mention of Golan Heights or Jerusalem
- Nobel Peace Prizes all around!



Seriously!
What about ME?
- YA



#### In the Arab World...

- Arab states denounced Sadat even though ISR left Sinai by 1982.
- Sadat assassinated by his own troops in 1981
  - VP Hosni Mubarak takes over until 2011

