

Israeli leader says Jewish state to set borders by 2010

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel expects to draw its permanent borders by 2010 and build a controversial settlement outside Jerusalem as part of the effort, acting Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said in an interview published Thursday.

Olmert, whose Kadima Party is the clear front-runner in March 28 elections, told The Jerusalem Post daily that within four years he intended to “get to Israel’s permanent borders, whereby we will completely separate from the majority of the Palestinian population and preserve a large and stable Jewish majority in Israel.”

Olmert’s chief security adviser, Avi Dichter, had disclosed the time frame earlier this week, but it was the first time the acting Israeli leader publicly discussed it.

Olmert said Israel would act unilaterally to set its borders if Hamas militants — poised to take control of the Palestinian Authority — don’t renounce their violent campaign against Israel and accept the guidelines of an internationally backed peace plan within a “reasonable time.”

Olmert said his broad guidelines for Israel’s borders included its three major settlement blocs — Maaleh Adumim and Gush Etzion outside Jerusalem, and Ariel, deep inside the West Bank. Borders would also include Jerusalem and its immediate environs, and the Jordan River Valley, which Olmert characterized as a “security border.”

Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat urged Olmert to return to talks with the Palestinians. “Unilateralism and dictation will only add to the complexities and will not solve problems,” Erekat said.

Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas, a political moderate, has stated his interest in resuming long-stalled negotiations. But Olmert told The Jerusalem Post he had no intention of meeting Abbas after Israel’s elections because he sees him as part of a Palestinian Authority dominated by Hamas.

The militant group, which won Palestinian parliamentary elections in January, expects to install a Cabinet within the next few weeks. A Hamas spokesman in Gaza, Mushir al-Masri, said the group would take over the key ministries — finance, foreign affairs and the interior, which oversees some of the security forces.

Last year, Olmert confirmed Israel had frozen plans to build 3,650 housing units on land between Jerusalem and Maaleh Adumim, Israel’s largest West Bank settlement, because of pressure from Washington, which sees the construction as an impediment to peacemaking efforts.

But in the interview Olmert said the project would go ahead as part of Israel’s border-setting.

Declaring plans to build the settlement could help Olmert rebuff attacks from his main political rival, Likud Party leader Benjamin Netanyahu, ahead of the elections. Netanyahu has repeatedly said the construction freeze calls into question the government’s resolve to strengthen Jerusalem and major settlement blocs.

A senior government official said Israel had never given up plans to build in the so-called E1 area between Jerusalem and Maaleh Adumim, even though construction could take years, in part because of permitting issues.

“It is inconceivable that Israel would relinquish control of the ... area and drive a wedge between Maaleh Adumim and Jerusalem,” the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity because construction hasn’t begun.

Palestinians say the satellite settlement would cut off Jerusalem from the West Bank and kill their dreams to set up a capital there.

Construction “absolutely undermines any prospects for a future peace between the Palestinians and the Israelis,” Erekat said.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman had no immediate comment on Olmert’s remarks.

Archbishop forbids priest from Web, radio

ST. PAUL (AP) — The archbishop of Minneapolis and St. Paul ordered a prominent conservative priest to stop posting his sermons on the Web and broadcasting them on Roman Catholic radio.

The Rev. Robert Altier of St. Agnes Church has spoken against a

sex-abuse prevention program taught throughout the archdiocese, including to schoolchildren.

Such programs were required by U.S. bishops in response to cases of sex abuse by clergy, but some critics say they are too explicit and infringe on parents’ role in teaching

their children about sex, the St. Paul Pioneer Press reported.

Altier posted a message on his “A Voice in the Desert” Web site saying he would no longer post his homilies and presentations or broadcast them, in response to a

written request from Archbishop Harry Flynn.

Archdiocesan spokesman Dennis McGrath said he could not state a reason for Flynn’s directive because communications between a priest and bishop are confidential.

Falwell denies report

LYNCHBURG, Va. (AP) — The Rev. Jerry Falwell has issued a statement saying he still believes that all people, including Jews, “must believe in the Lord Jesus Christ in order to enter heaven.”

Falwell’s comment came in response to a Jerusalem Post report that said Falwell now believes Jews have a separate covenant and don’t need to go through Jesus or believe in his sacrifice on the cross.

Falwell said he doesn’t follow this “dual covenant” theology: “The traditional evangelical belief that salvation is available only

through faith in the death, burial and resurrection of Christ is often portrayed as closed-minded and bigoted. But if one is to believe in Jesus Christ, he must believe in His words: ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man comes unto the Father but by Me.’”

The Baptist pastor said, however, that “I am a strong supporter of the state of Israel and dearly love the Jewish people and believe them to be the chosen people of God.” He called himself “a Zionist in terms of Israel’s entitlement to its homeland.”

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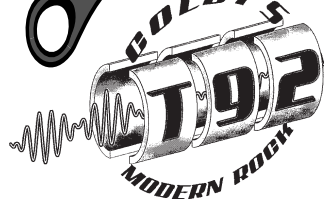
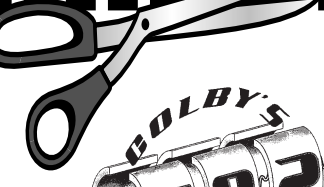
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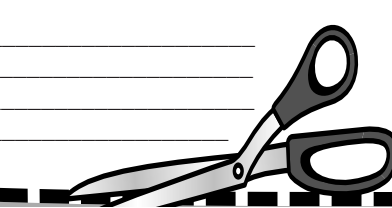
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