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Establishment of the State of Israel  
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2. The footnotes in this book reference Hebrew-language sources.





# Recommendations



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My dear Doron,

I extend my heartiest congratulations on the occasion of the publication of your book, *The Commitment: A Study of the Impact of American Jews on the Establishment of the State of Israel 1945-1949*, which fascinatingly chronicles this highly significant period in the relationship between the old Yishuv settlement in the land of Israel and the Jews in America, during the years following WWII and up until the establishment of the State of Israel.

In the wake of the devastating Holocaust, which decimated one third of our people, there arose an urgent need to strengthen the emerging nascent nation, especially as the date drew near for the ruling on the establishment of the state and the future of our country. The USA government, siding on principle with the governing British Mandate, chose not to throw its weight in support of the Zionist claim for an independent homeland and for the desire of its people to enter the land freely.