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## EFA Group - Visit to Israel and Palestine

### Press release from the EFA Group in the European Parliament

MEPs from the EFA Group in the European Parliament are visiting Israel and Palestine this week as part of a fact finding mission to the region.

The MEPs include **Josep-Maria Terricabras** (President of the EFA Group), **Jill Evans** (Vice-President), **Ernest Maragall**, **Jordi Sebastià** and **Alyn Smith**.



They are also joined by **Lorena Lopez de Lacalle**, Vice President of the EFA European Political Party.

The group will visit Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Hebron and Ramallah. They will meet a range of politicians, NGOs and representatives of civil society, both Israeli and Palestinian.

The visit comes at a crucial time in Israeli/Palestinian relations, with the peace process deadlocked.

The EU is part of the so-called 'quartet' mediating the peace process and is also a major aid donor in the region.



The EFA (European Free Alliance) Group in the European Parliament sits in a joint European parliamentary group with the Greens, making up the sixth largest group in parliament.

The European Free Alliance (EFA) draws together political parties fighting for democracy and self-determination for the stateless nations and regions of Europe. EFA is committed to democratic, constitutional and peaceful means based around the core principles of social justice and equality.

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