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FROM: The Mellman Group
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RE: New Survey of Democrats Shows Support For Peace Plan

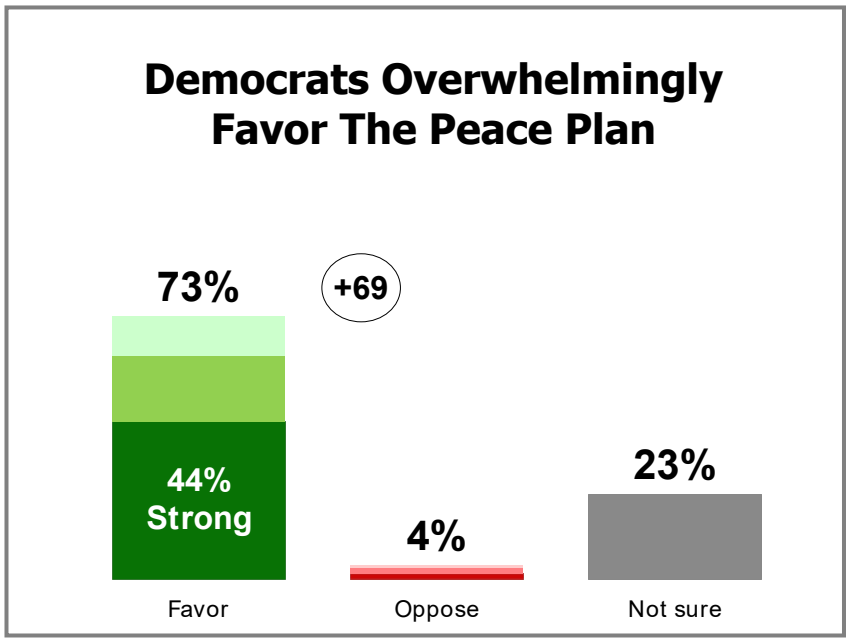
This analysis is based on a national survey of 800 Democrats. Interviews were conducted October 15-26, 2025 with live interviewers calling landlines and cell phones, as well as text-to-online interviews. The margin of error is +/-4.9% overall at a 95% level of confidence, and higher for subgroups.

Our new survey of Democrats shows broad support for the ceasefire and peace plan between Israel and Hamas; and for the U.S.-Israel relationship. Almost all see the plan as an important achievement, and credit the U.S. relationship with Israel as playing an important role in getting it done. A majority say the relationship with Israel played a *very* important role, underscoring the appreciation for the relationship within the Democratic party. Indeed, a majority support keeping the alliance with Israel, and three-quarters believe in Israel's right to exist as a Jewish homeland.

The Peace Plan Gets Broad Support From Democrats

Nearly everyone (89%) had heard at least something about the plan, which was announced days before this survey started. Nearly a fifth (19%) said they had heard a great deal.

Just under three-quarters (73%) favored the plan, with most of them (44%) strongly in favor. This support holds across demographics with over 66% in favor across ideology, age, education, gender, and race. Among those who heard a great deal, support was even higher, with 89% in favor.



After a short description of the deal[1] so everyone was aware of all phases -- starting with the ceasefire, hostage release, and disarming Hamas -- support is essentially the same with 72% favor, 4% opposed.

Most Democrats See The Plan As An Important Achievement And Credit The U.S. Relationship With Israel (More Than They Credit Trump).

Almost all Democrats (83%) say this is an important achievement. A 56% majority say it is a "very important" achievement with majorities across ideology, age, gender and race.

Not surprisingly, Trump is extremely unpopular with Democrats (92% unfavorable, including 80% very unfavorable). Still, 61% said he played at least a somewhat important role in getting the deal done, though only 31% said he played a very important role.

On the other hand, well over three-quarters (81%) of Democrats credit the U.S. Israel relationship with playing an important role in getting the deal done, including 52% saying it was a *very* important role.

A Majority Want To Keep The Alliance Between The U.S. And Israel And Even More Believe In Israel's Right To Exist As A Jewish Homeland

A 56% majority of Democrats believe the U.S. should keep its alliance with Israel, with 32% feeling strongly. This majority support holds across race, education and ideology.

There is even more support for Israel's right to exist as Jewish homeland (75%), including 55% feeling strongly; and only 12% say they don't believe Israel has a right to exist.

All this shows that Democrats are supportive of both the peace plan and the U.S. relationship with Israel. While it is still early, the plan looks to be an important step forward for Israel, and its standing among Democratic voters.

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[i] *As you may know, leaders of the United States, Israel and Hamas have agreed on a plan to end the war in Gaza, with Egypt, Turkey and Qatar signing as guarantors.*

Last week, Israel and Hamas signed the first phase of the plan which includes: Hamas releasing all hostages in Gaza, living and dead; Israel releasing Palestinian prisoners; Israel pulling back from Gaza; and the influx of humanitarian aid into Gaza.

This first phase is already being implemented. While there have been flare-ups of violence, spokesmen from both sides have said they are still trying to make the agreement work.

The next phases of the plan include: Hamas disarming and stepping down from governing Gaza; Economic redevelopment in Gaza; and setting the conditions for a pathway to Palestinian statehood.