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Israeli President Isaac Herzog shakes hands with U.S. Vice President Kamala Harris as he addresses a joint meeting of the U.S. Congress at the U.S. Capitol on July 19, 2023 in Washington, DC. Herzog's speech on the floor of the House of Representatives stirred controversy as some liberal Democrats planned to boycott of the Israeli presidentÃ¢(EURO)(TM)s speech, underscoring tensions between the two countries.

Israeli President Isaac Herzog shakes hands with Vice President Kamala Harris at the U.S. Capitol on Wednesday.

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Rep. Pramila Jayapal, D-Wash., chair of the nearly 100-member Congressional Progressive Caucus, talks to The Associated Press about her goals as a champion of human rights issues, and President Joe Biden's domestic agenda, at the Capitol in Washington, Thursday, Oct. 7, 2021. Now in her third term, Jayapal represents Washington's 7th District and is the first South Asian-American woman elected to the House of Representatives.

Rep. Pramila Jayapal, D-Wash., at the Capitol in 2021.

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Majdi Mohammed

The withdrawal of troops from the camp ended an intense two-day operation that killed at least 13 Palestinians, drove thousands of people from their homes and left a wide swath of damage in its wake. One Israeli soldier was also killed.

A Palestinian woman walks on a damaged road in the Jenin refugee camp in the West Bank on July 5 after the Israeli army withdrew its forces.

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