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Israeli Arab/Palestinian Public Opinion Survey

Survey conducted August 2009

Sample size: 600

Margin of error: +/- 4.1%

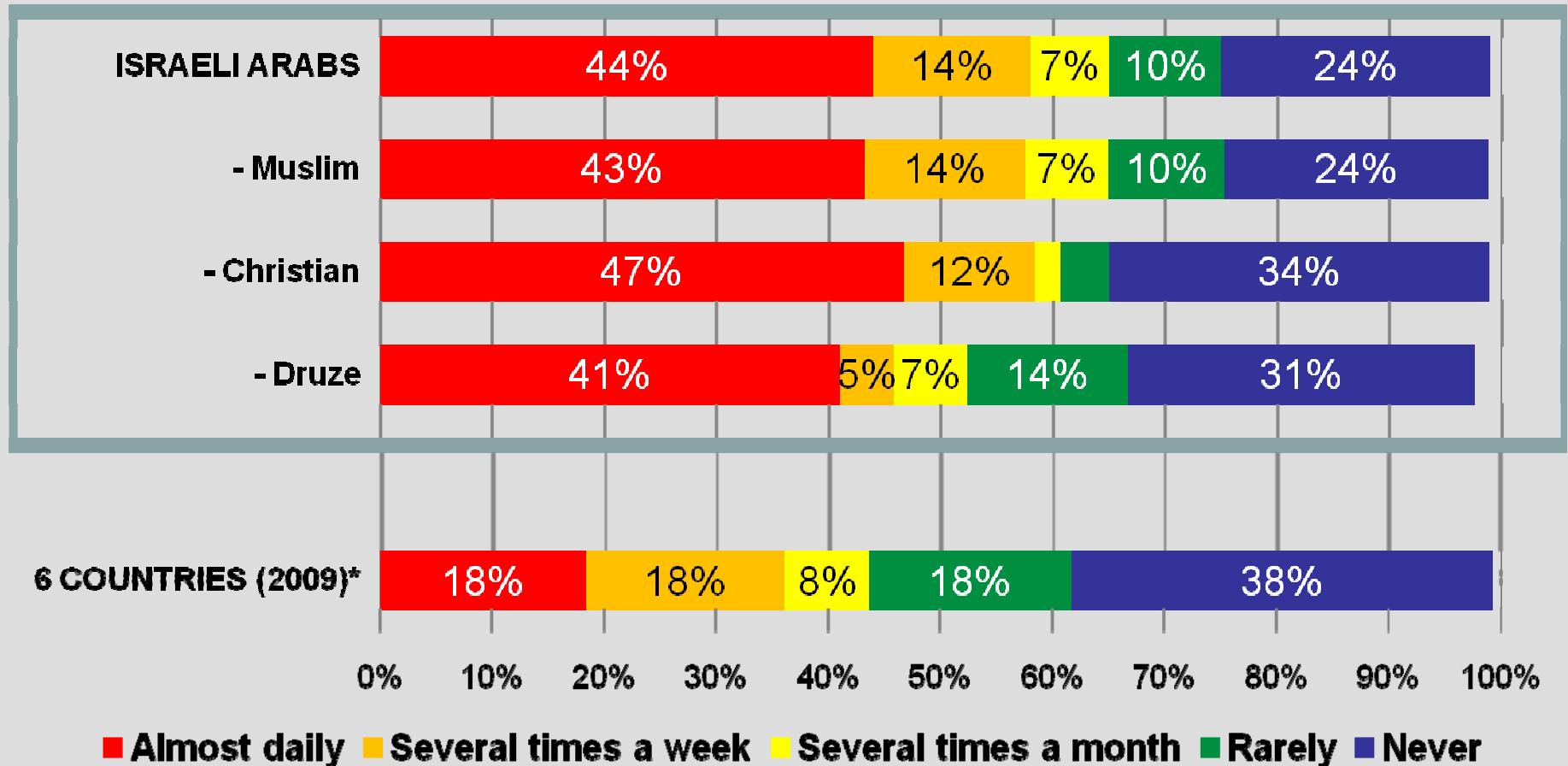
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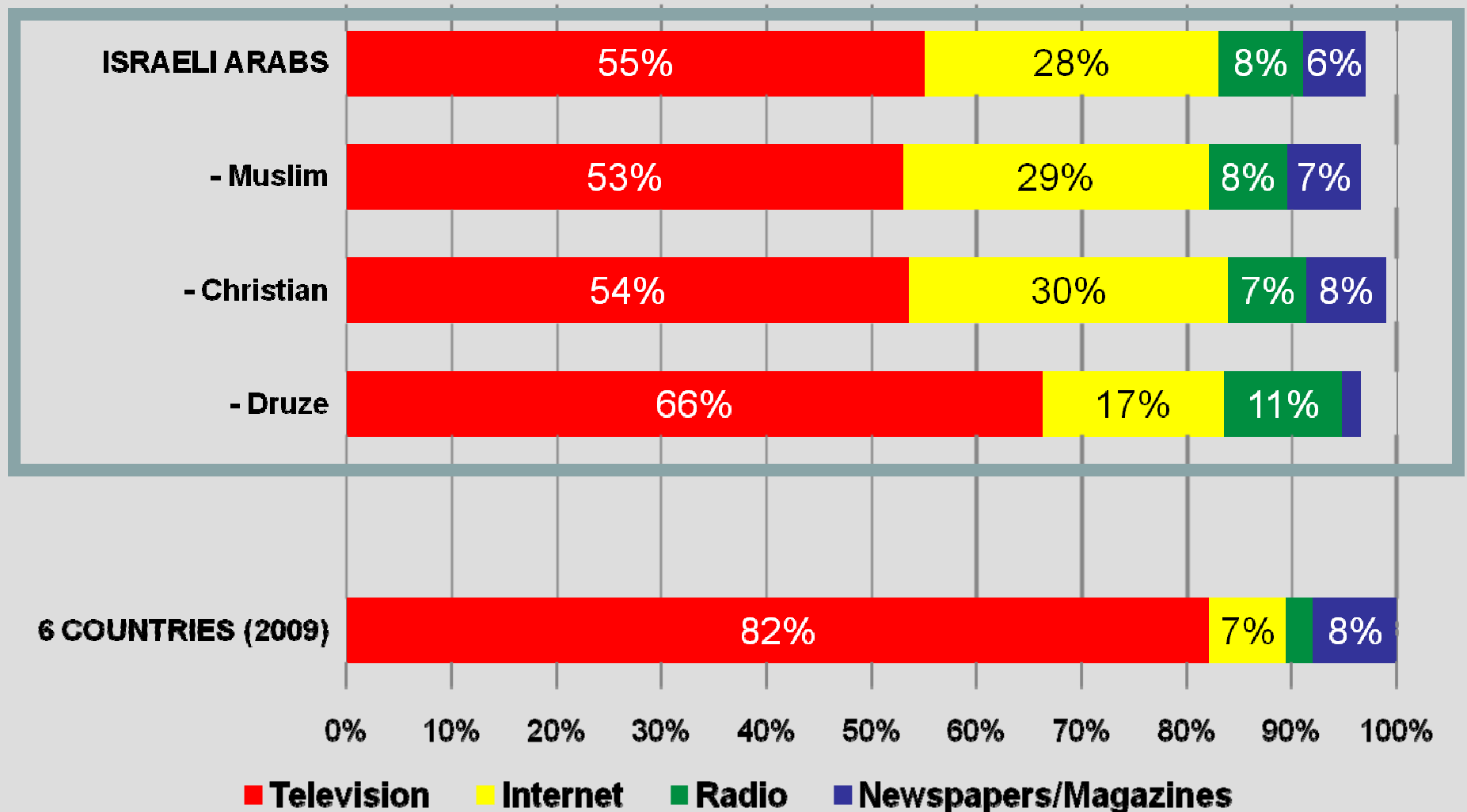
How often do you use the internet, if at all?



* Six Arab countries polled were: Egypt, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Morocco, UAE and Lebanon. Poll was conducted from April-May 2009 with a sample of 4,087 and a margin of error of +/- 1.6%.

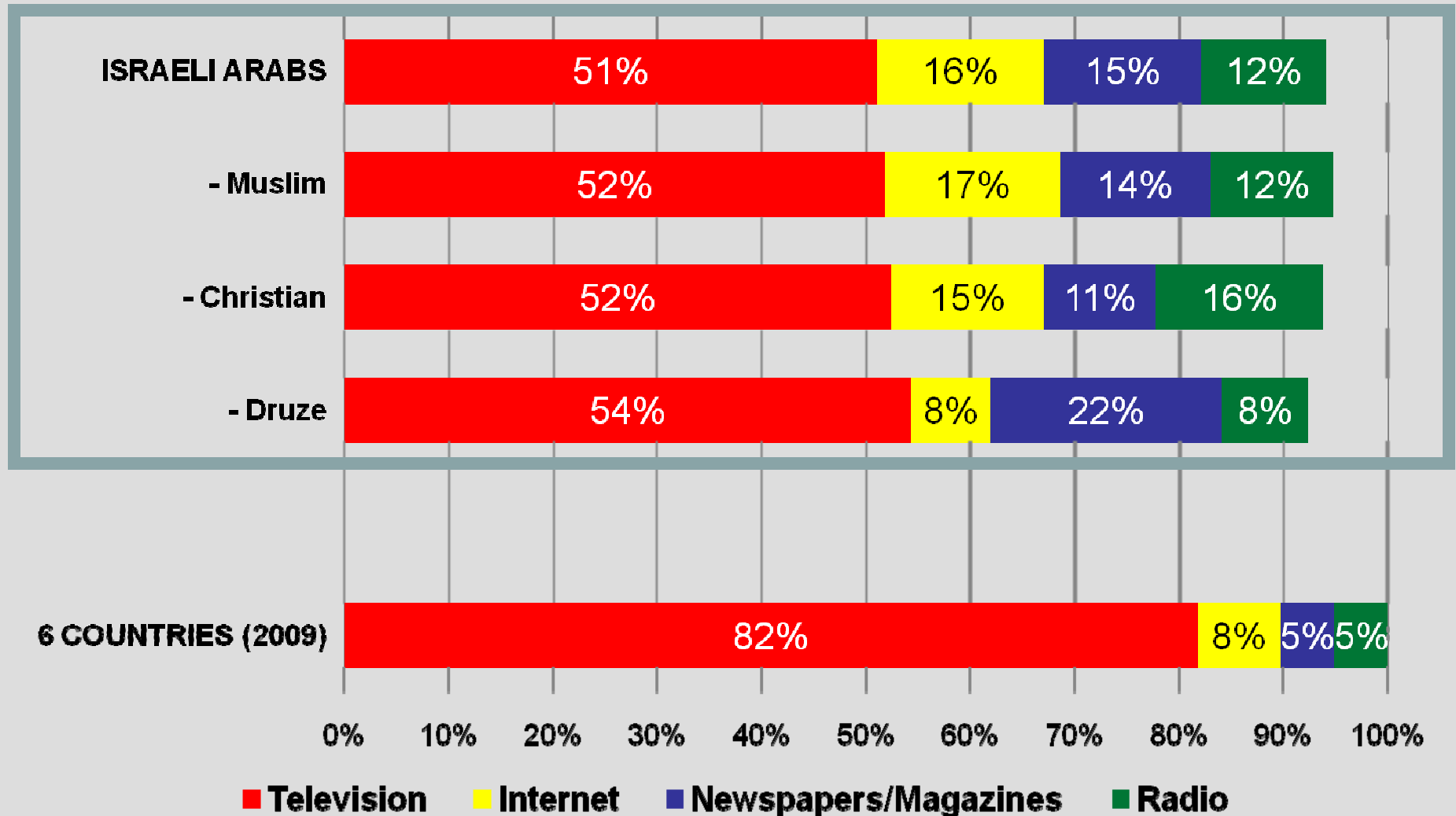
Media

What's your primary source for international news?



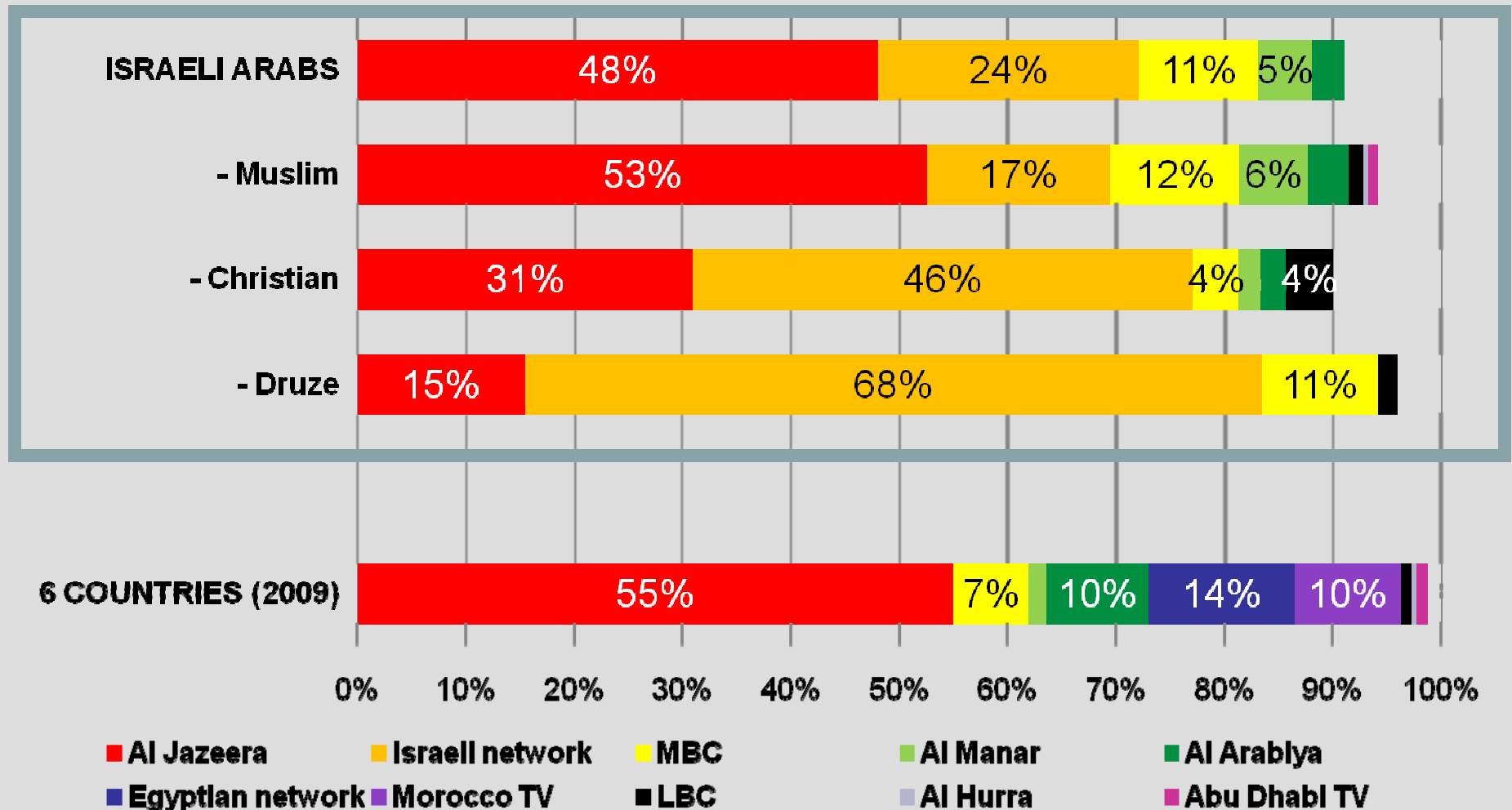
Media

What's your primary source for news on the Arab-Israeli issue?



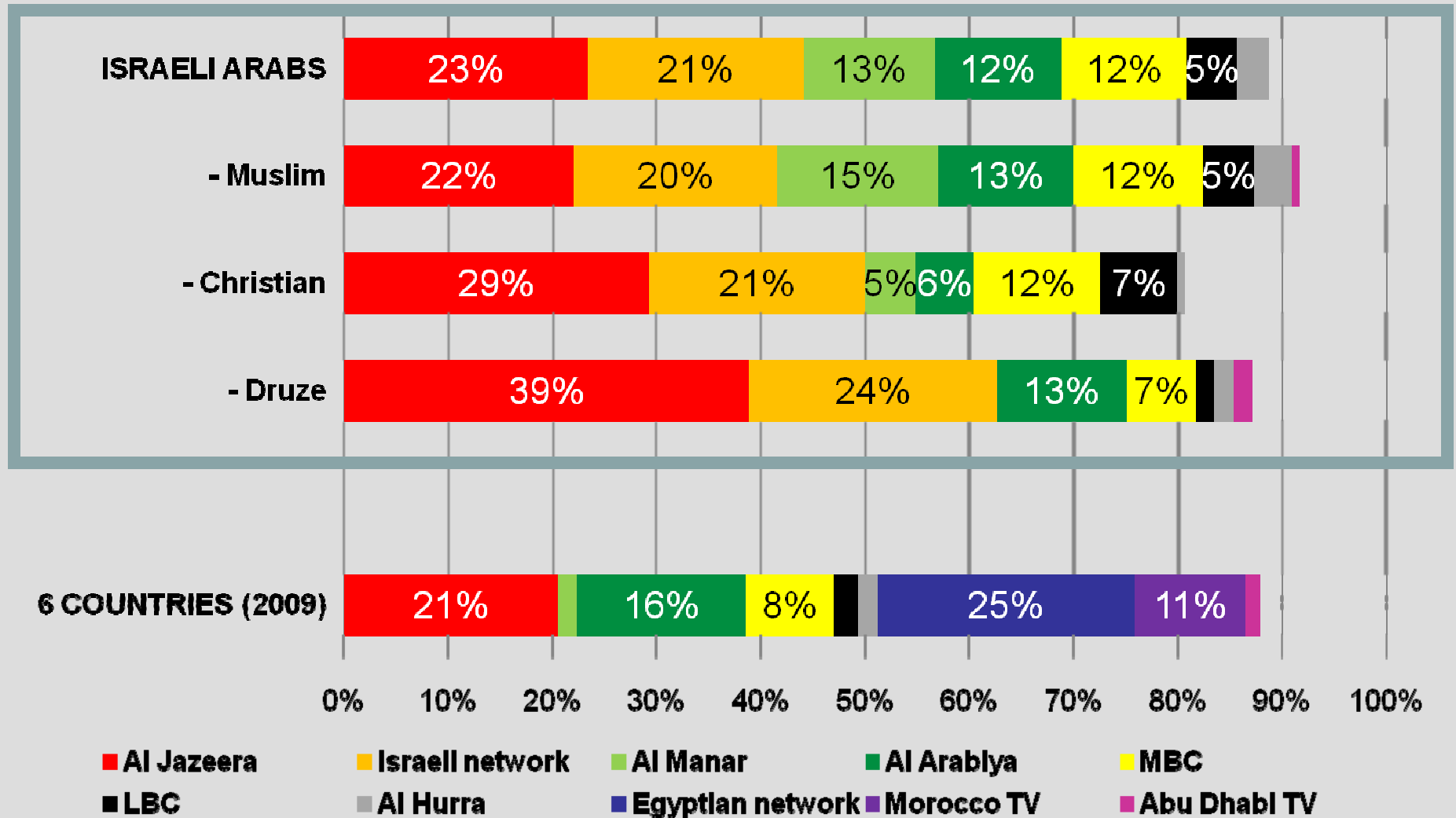
Media

When you watch international news, which of the following network's news broadcasts do you watch most often?



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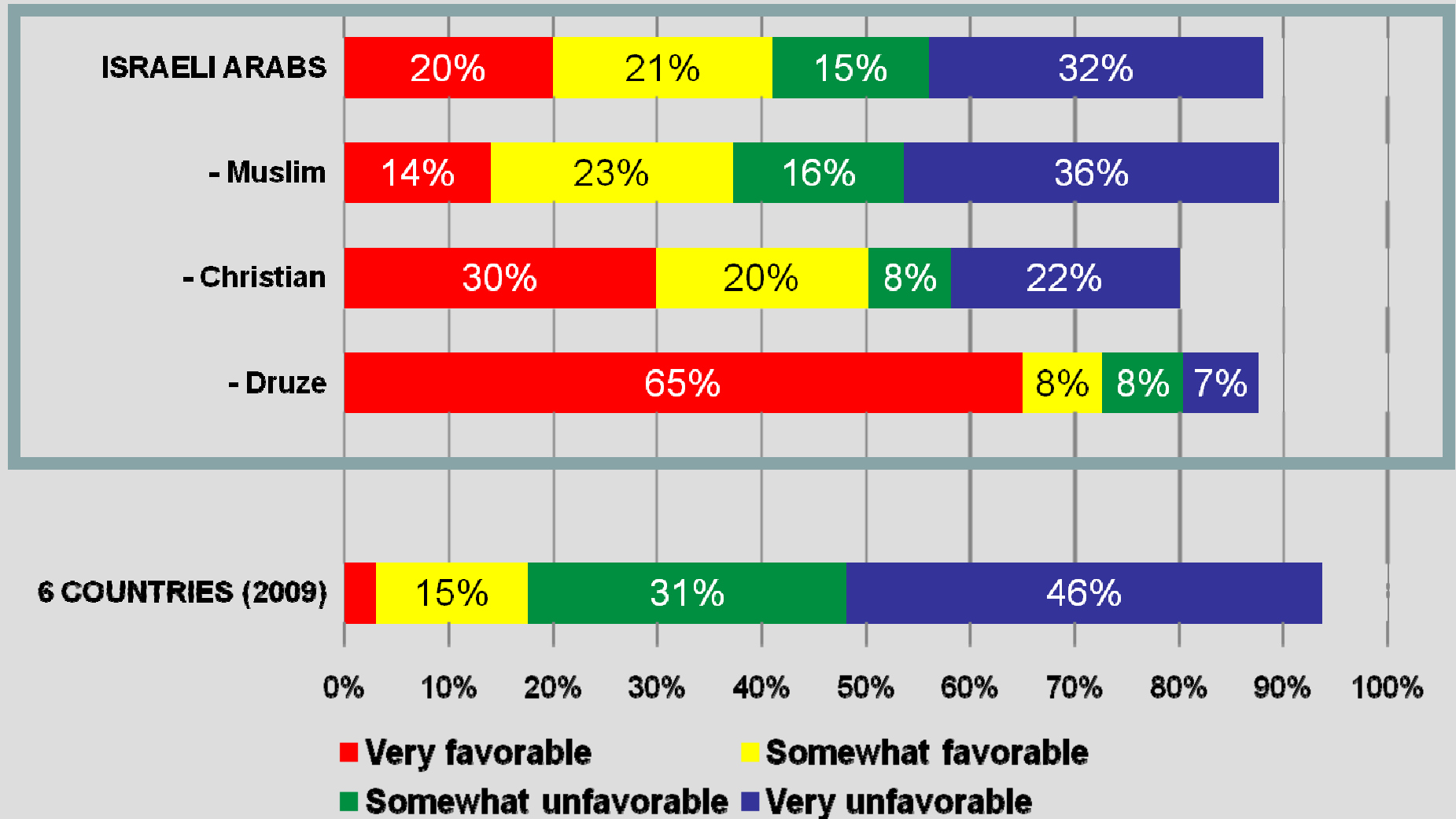
Which network's news broadcast is your second choice?



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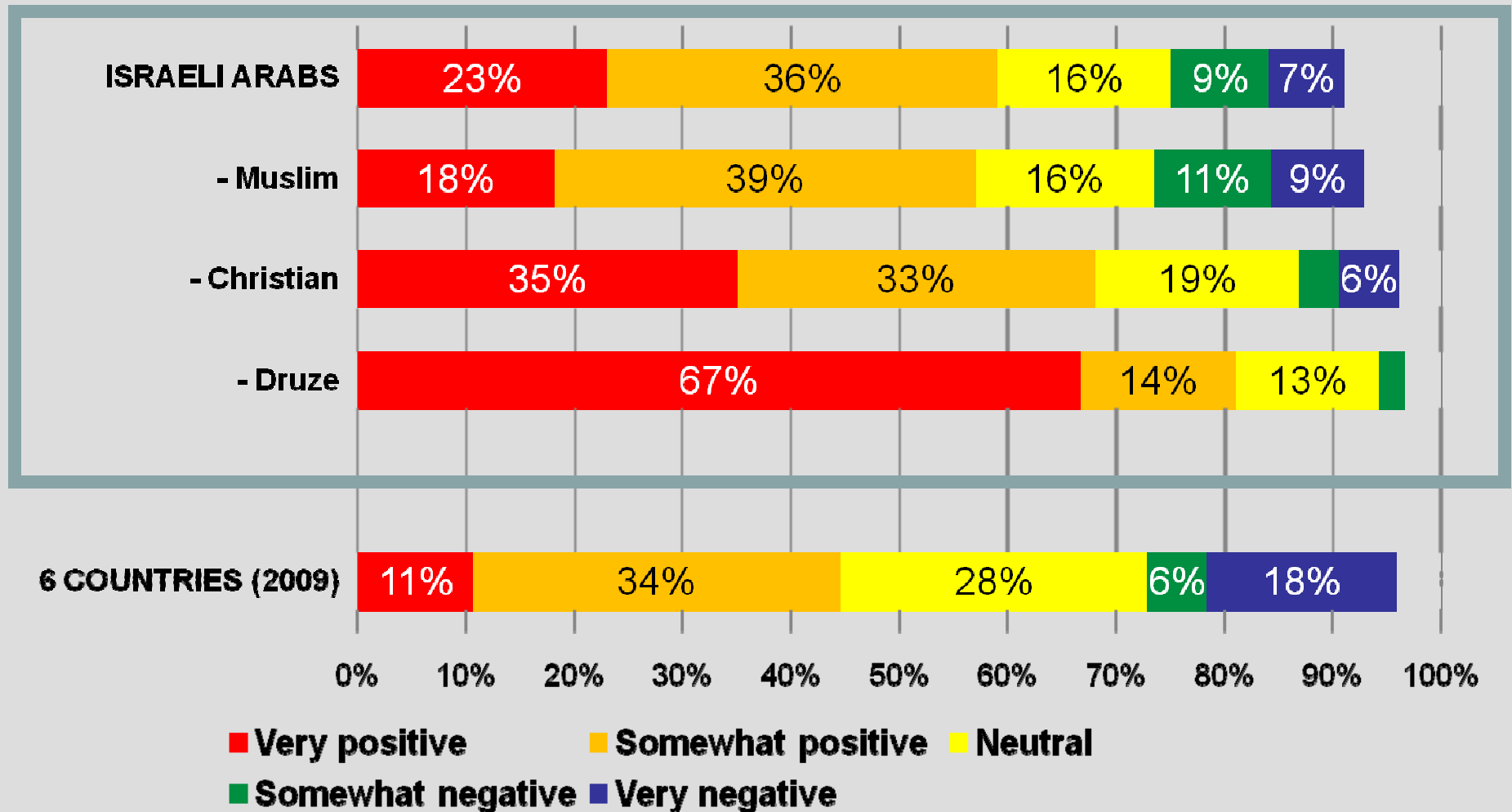
United States & the Middle East

Generally speaking, is your attitude toward the United States...



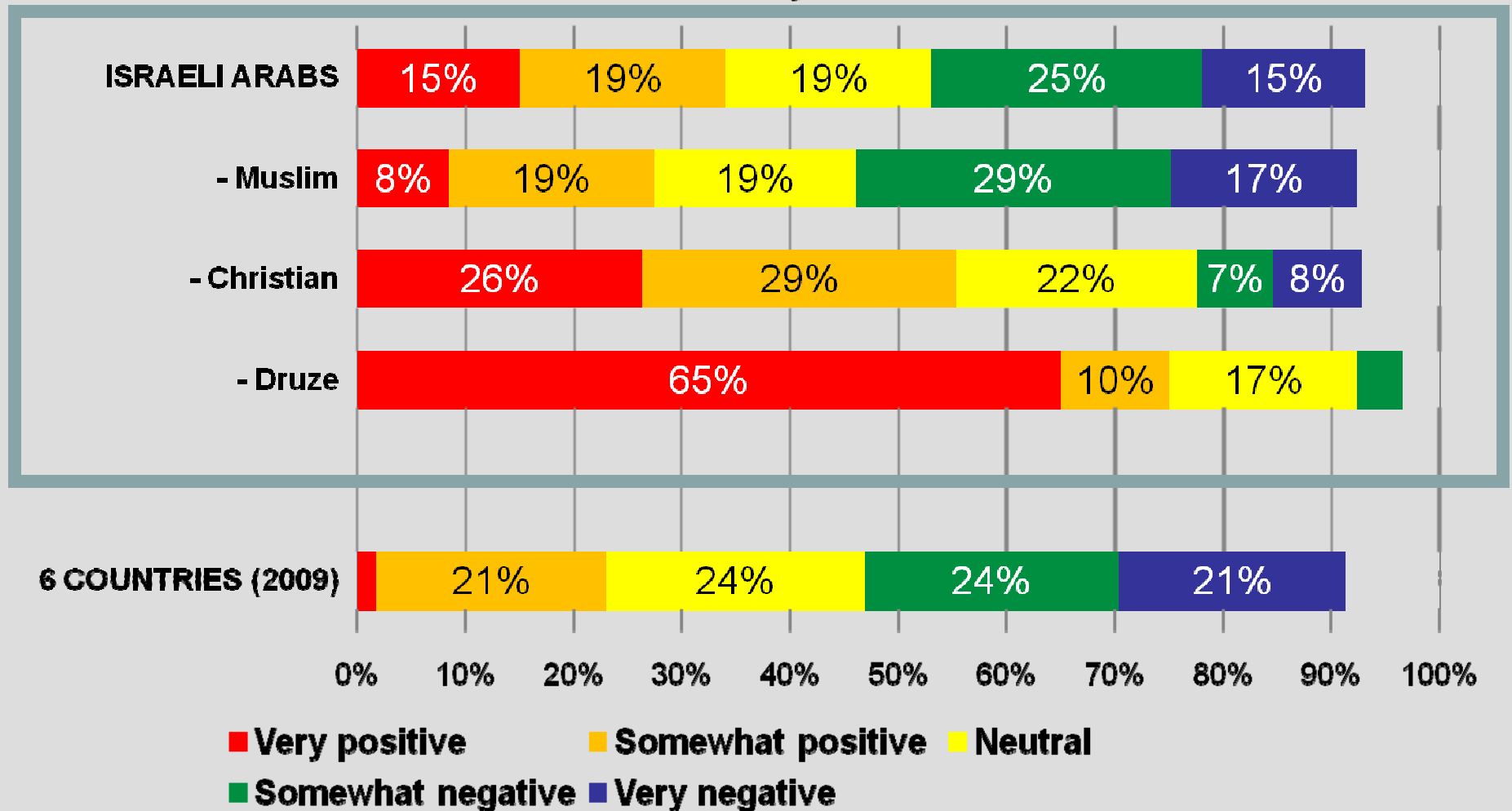
United States & the Middle East

How would you describe your views of President Barack Obama of the United States?



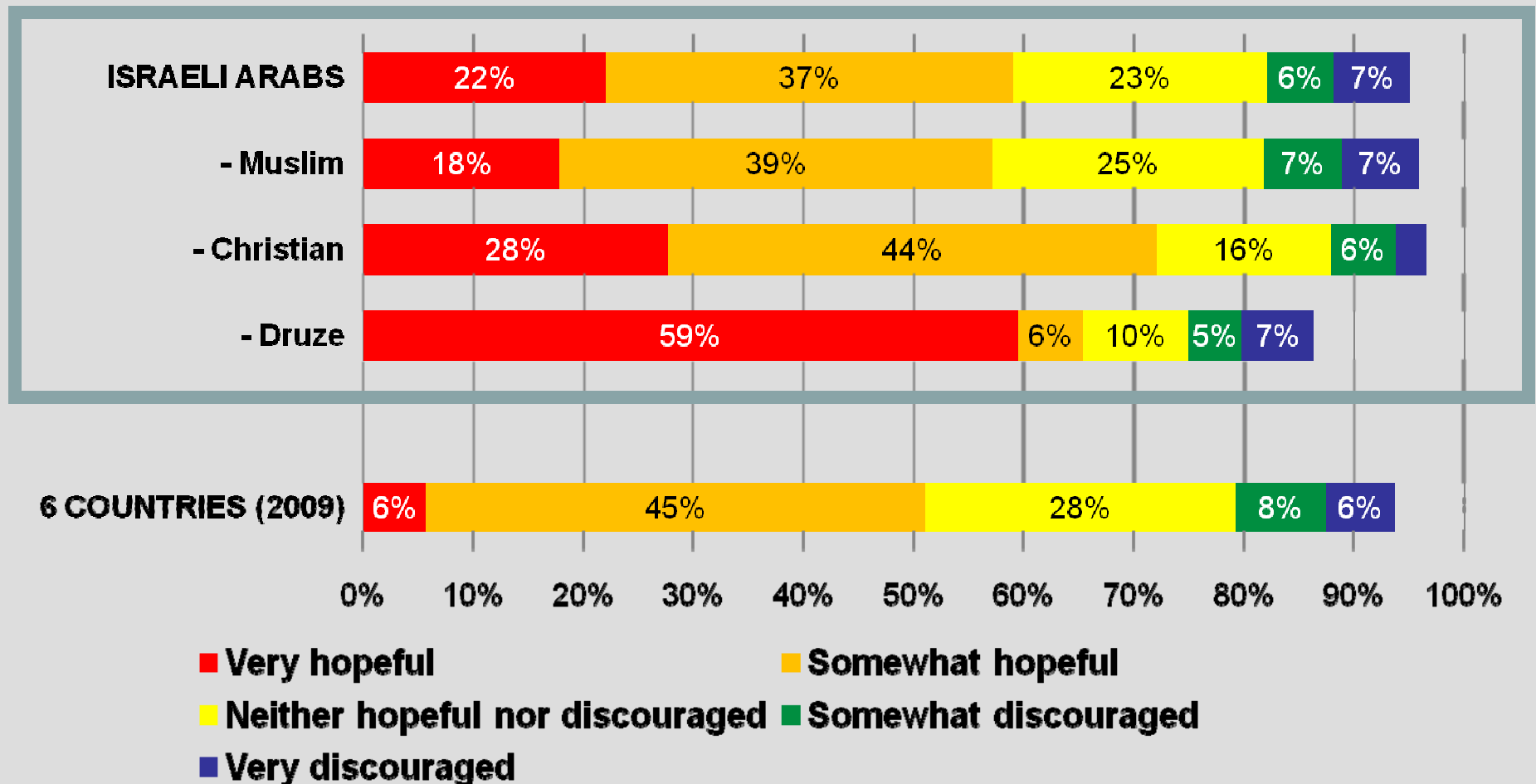
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How would you describe your views of the American Secretary of State Hillary Clinton?



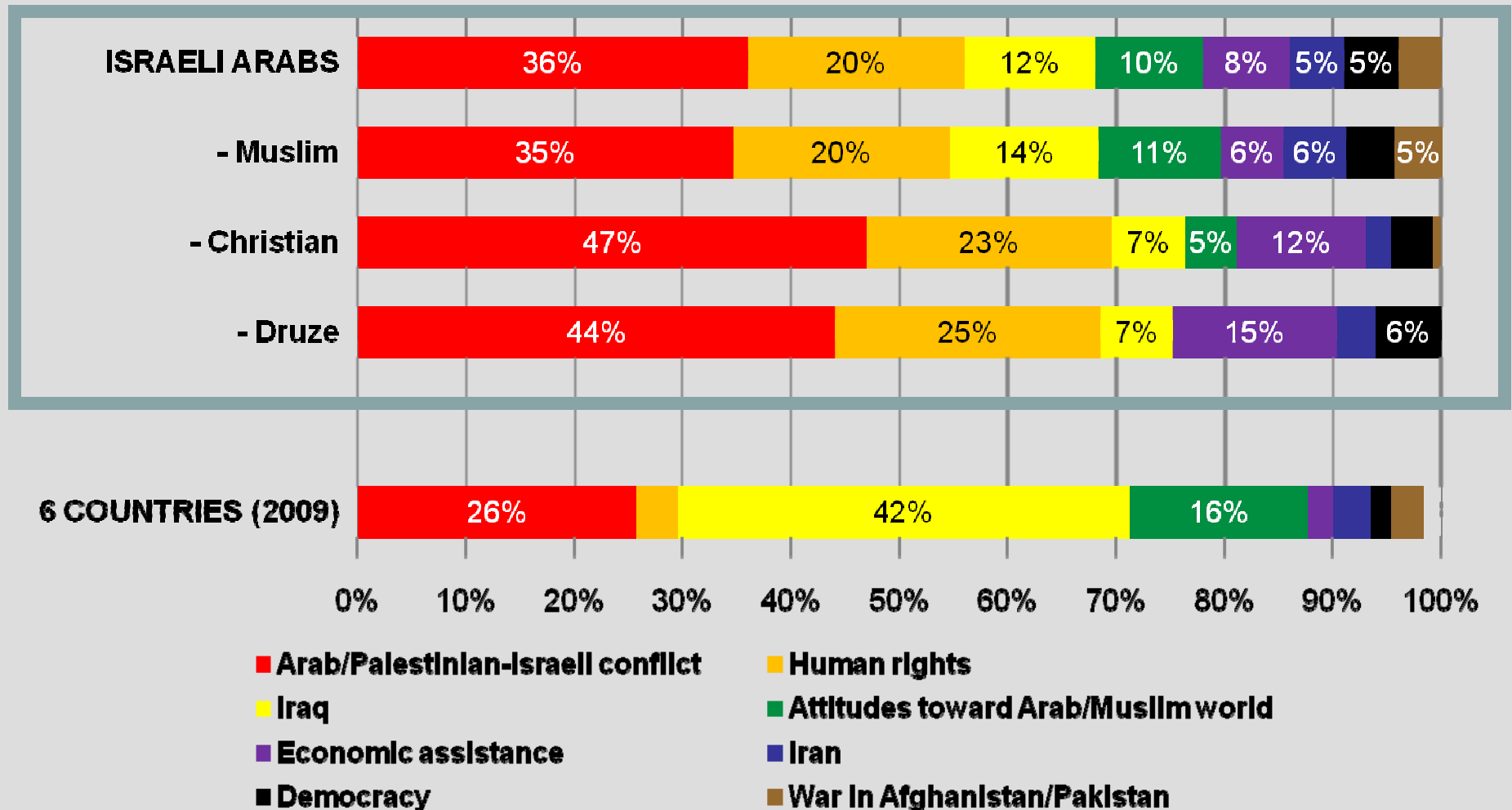
United States & the Middle East

After six months of the Obama Administration, how would you describe your attitudes toward the administration's policy in the Middle East?



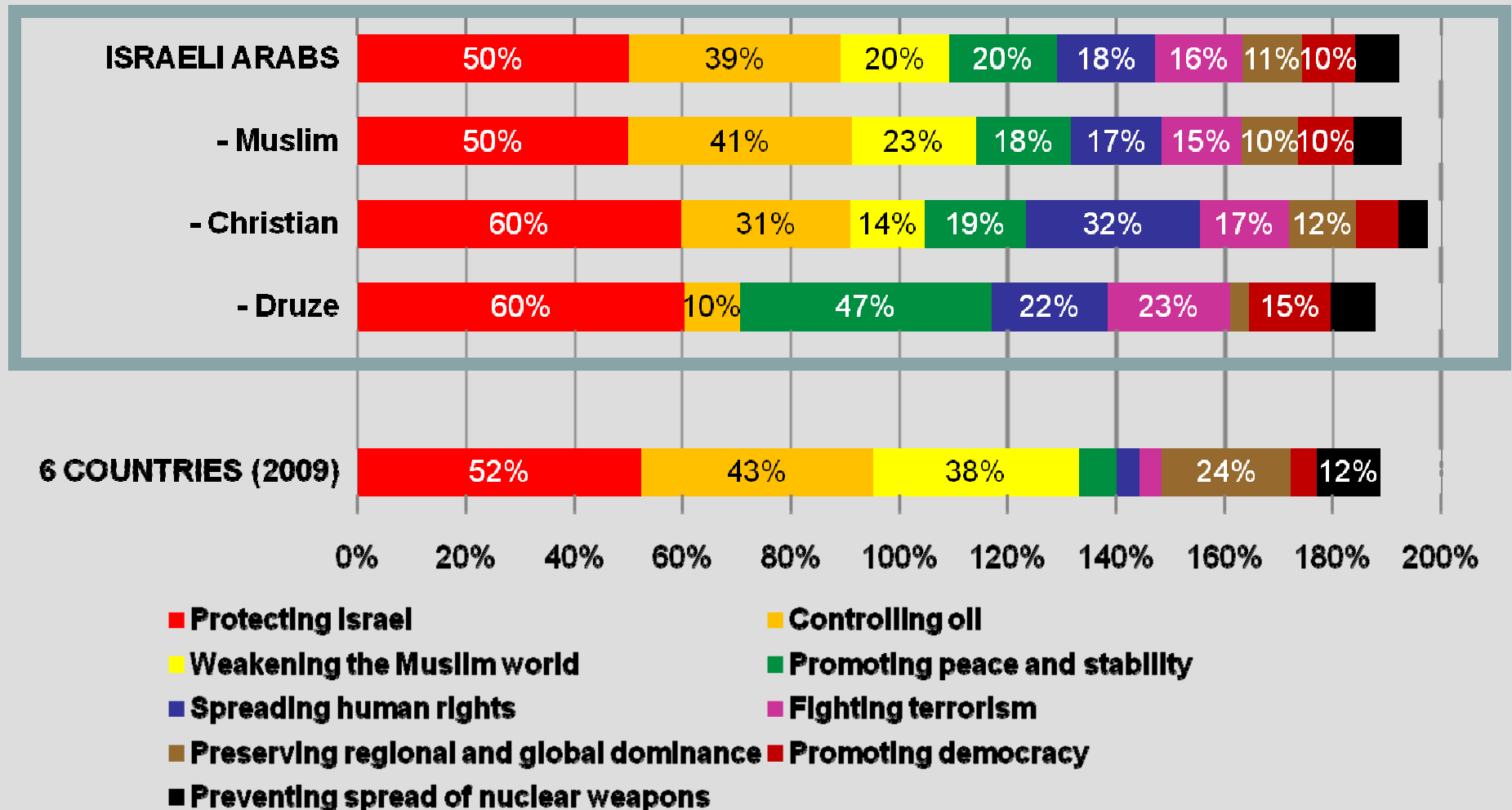
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As you are looking to assess the Obama Administration policy in the region, what issue is most central to your assessment?



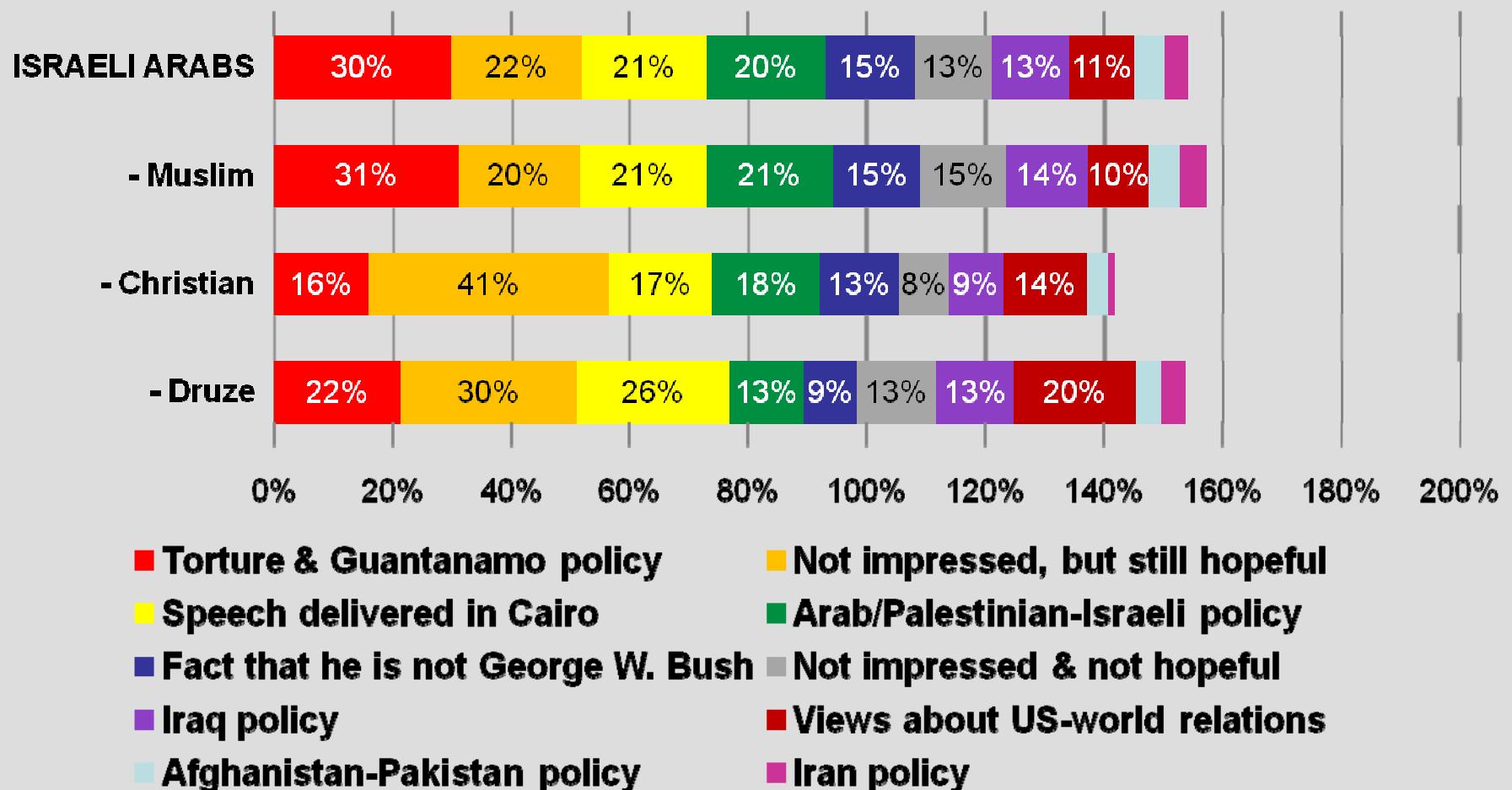
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Which TWO of the following factors do you believe are most important in driving American policy in the Middle East?



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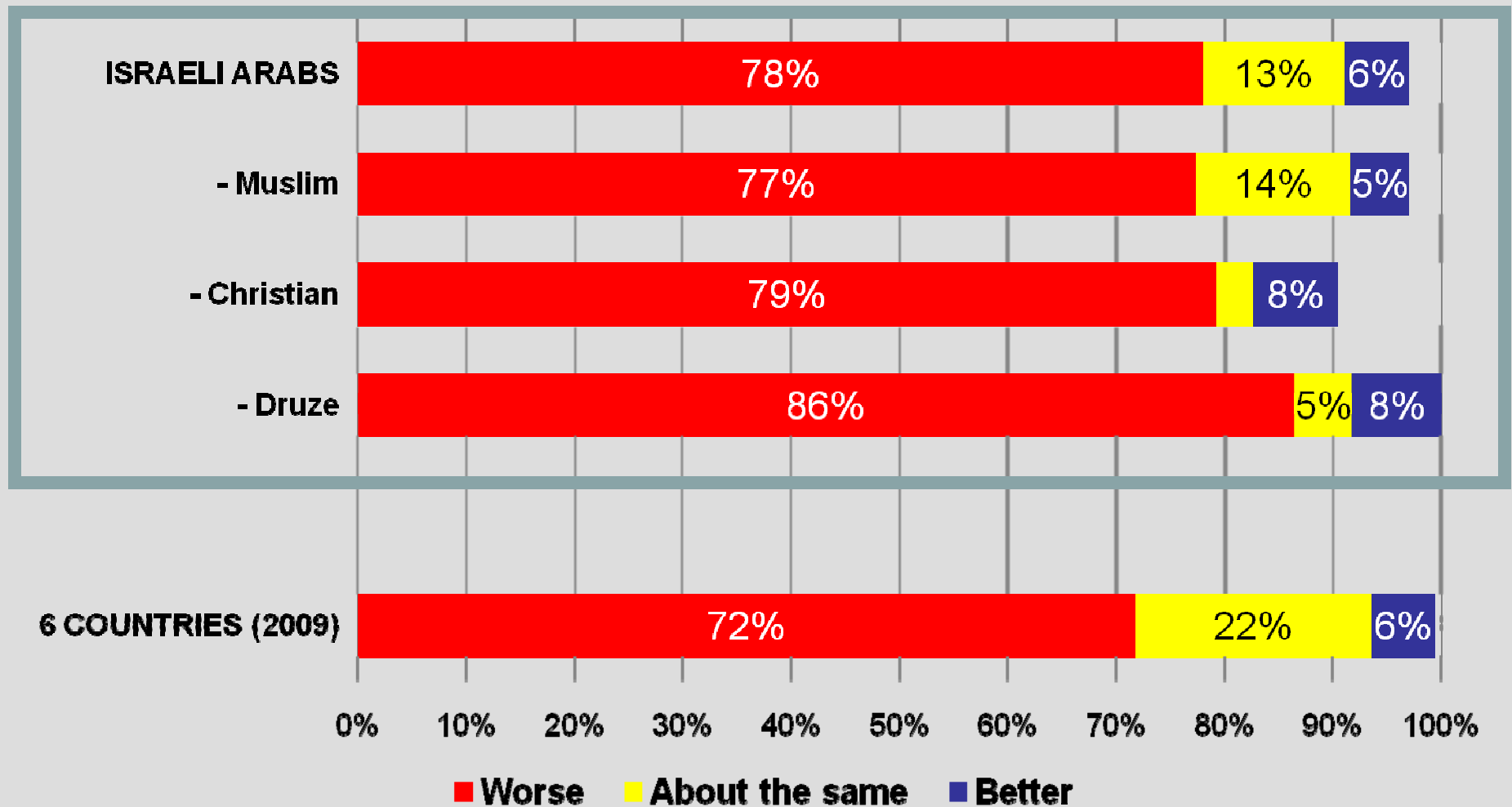
When you observe American President Obama's foreign policy in the past six months, which of the following have favorably impressed you the most?



Iraq

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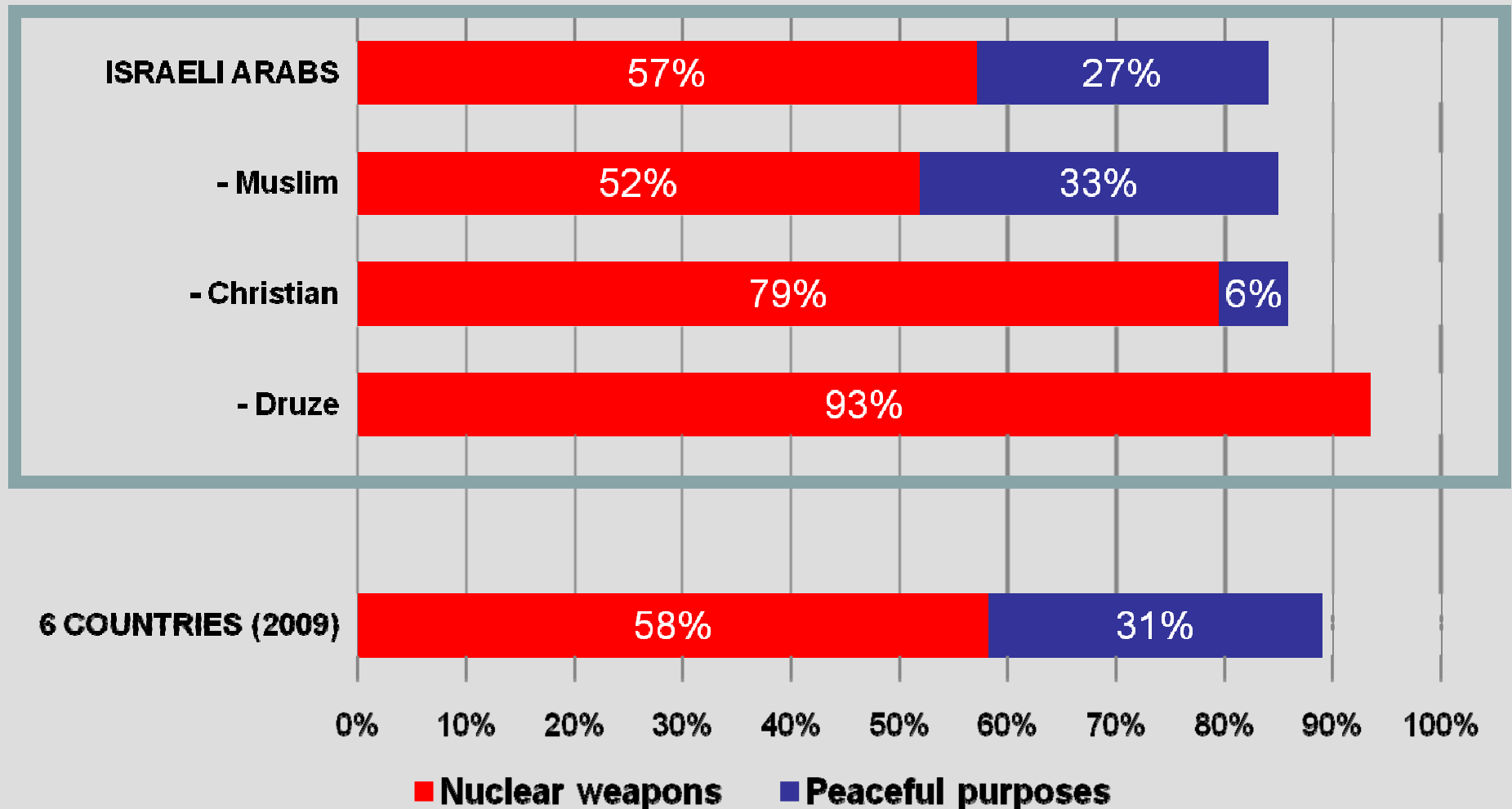
Do you feel most of the Iraqi people are now better off or worse off after the war?



Iran

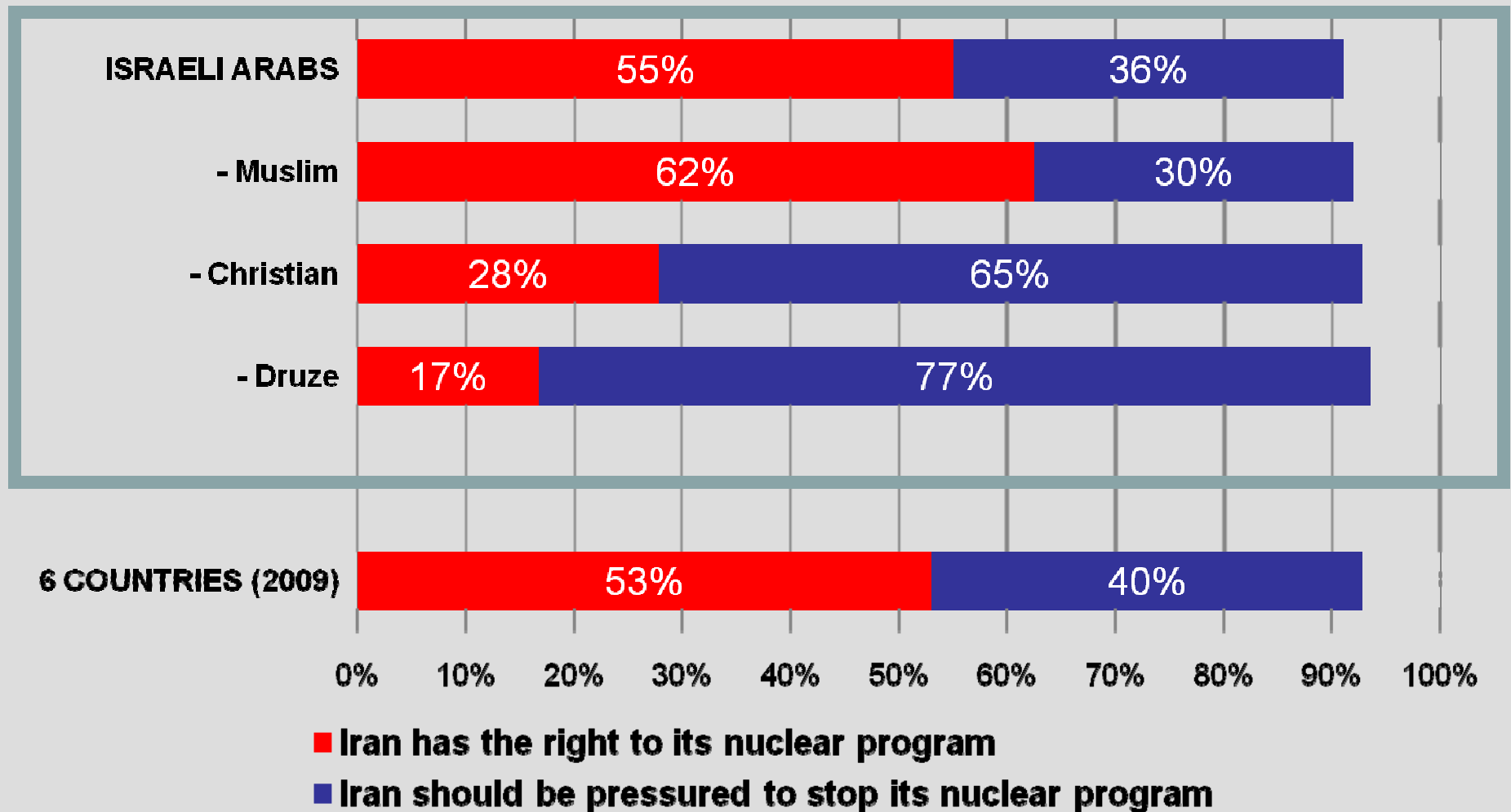
Iran

Do you believe that Iran is merely conducting research for peaceful purposes, or trying to develop nuclear weapons?



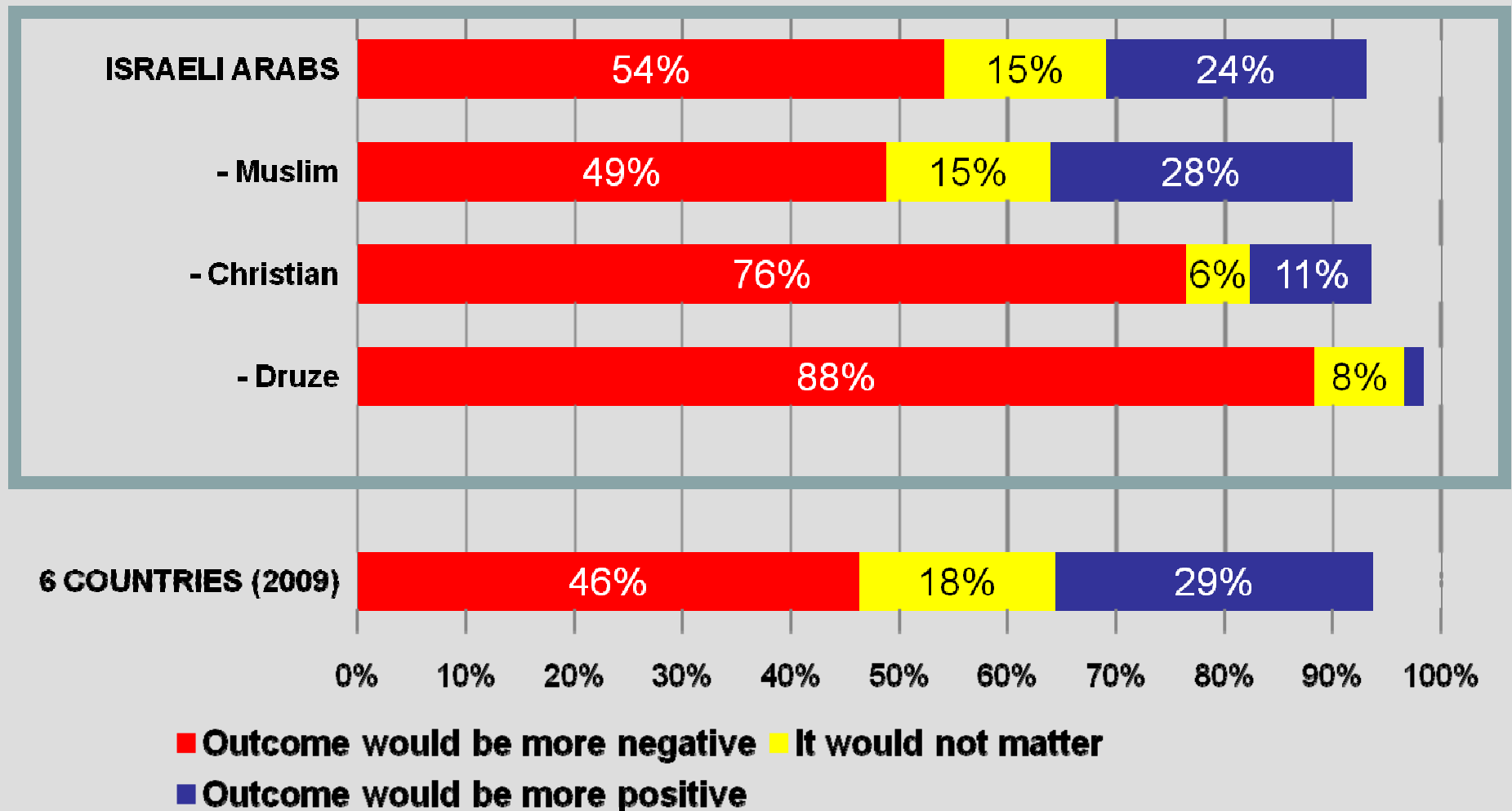
Iran

**There is international pressure on Iran to curtail its nuclear program.
What is your opinion?**



Iran

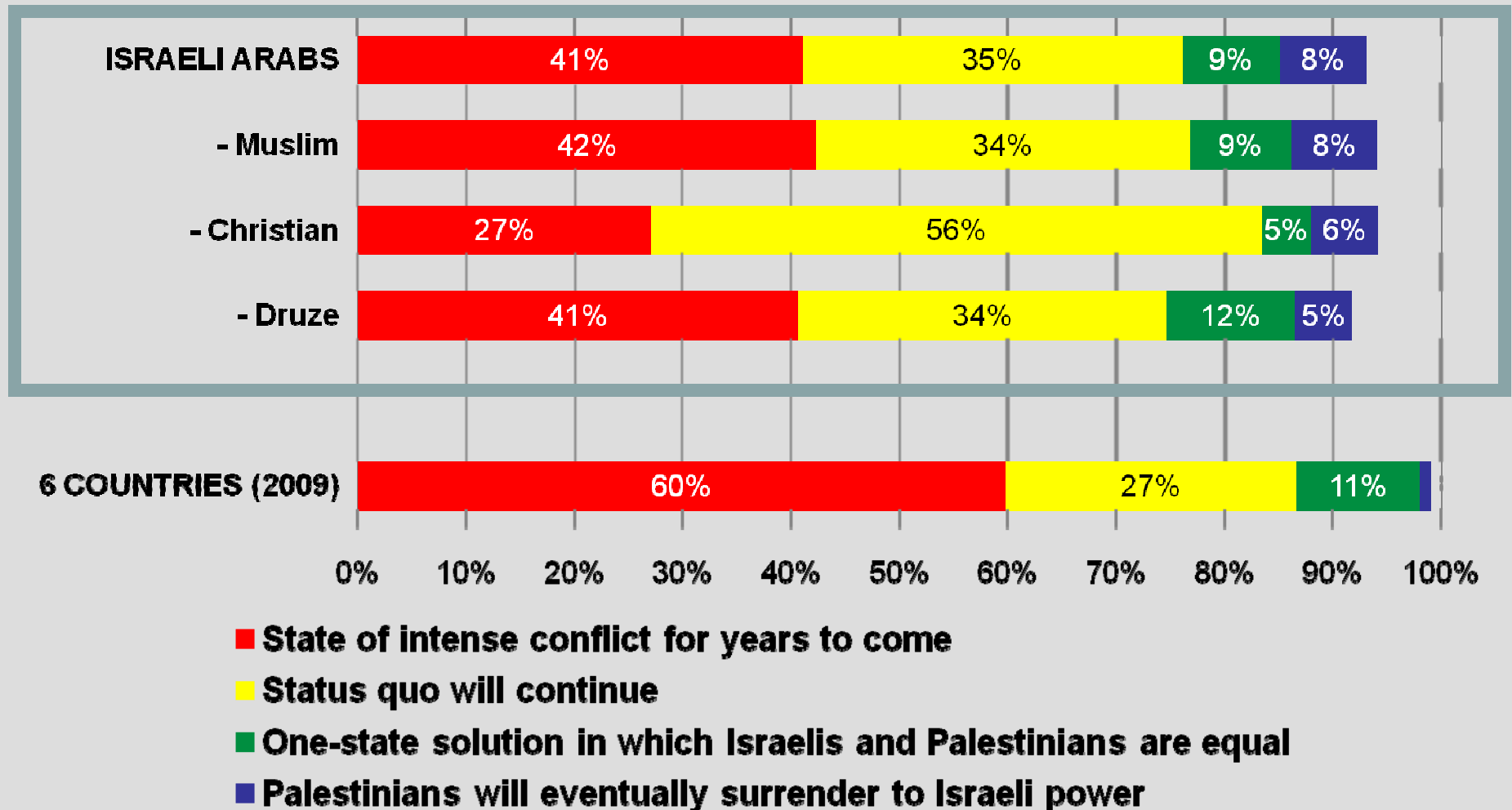
If Iran acquires nuclear weapons, which of the following is the likely outcome for the Middle East region?



Arab-Israeli Conflict

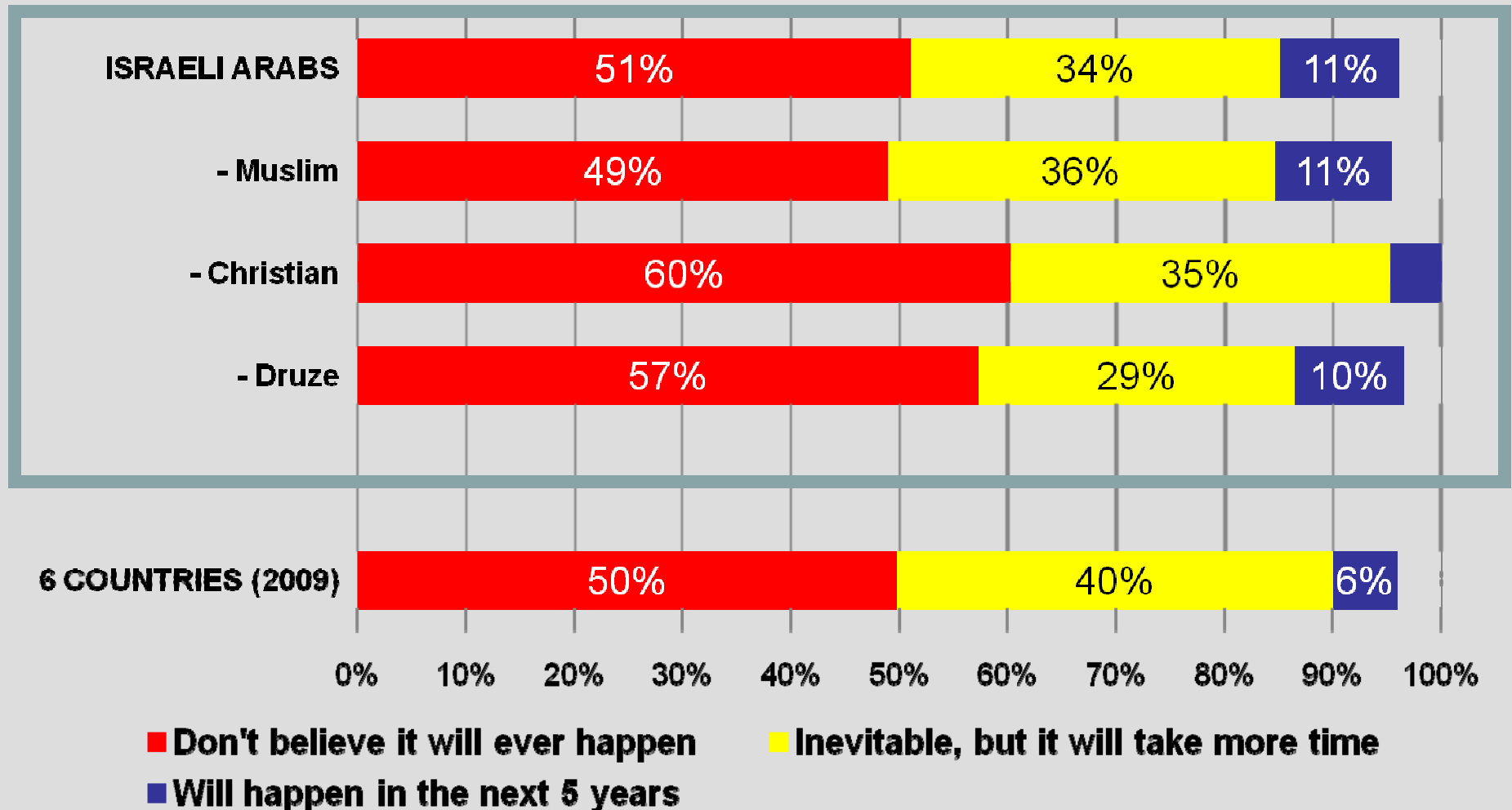
Arab-Israeli Conflict

What do you believe is the likely outcome if the prospects of a two-state solution of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict collapse?



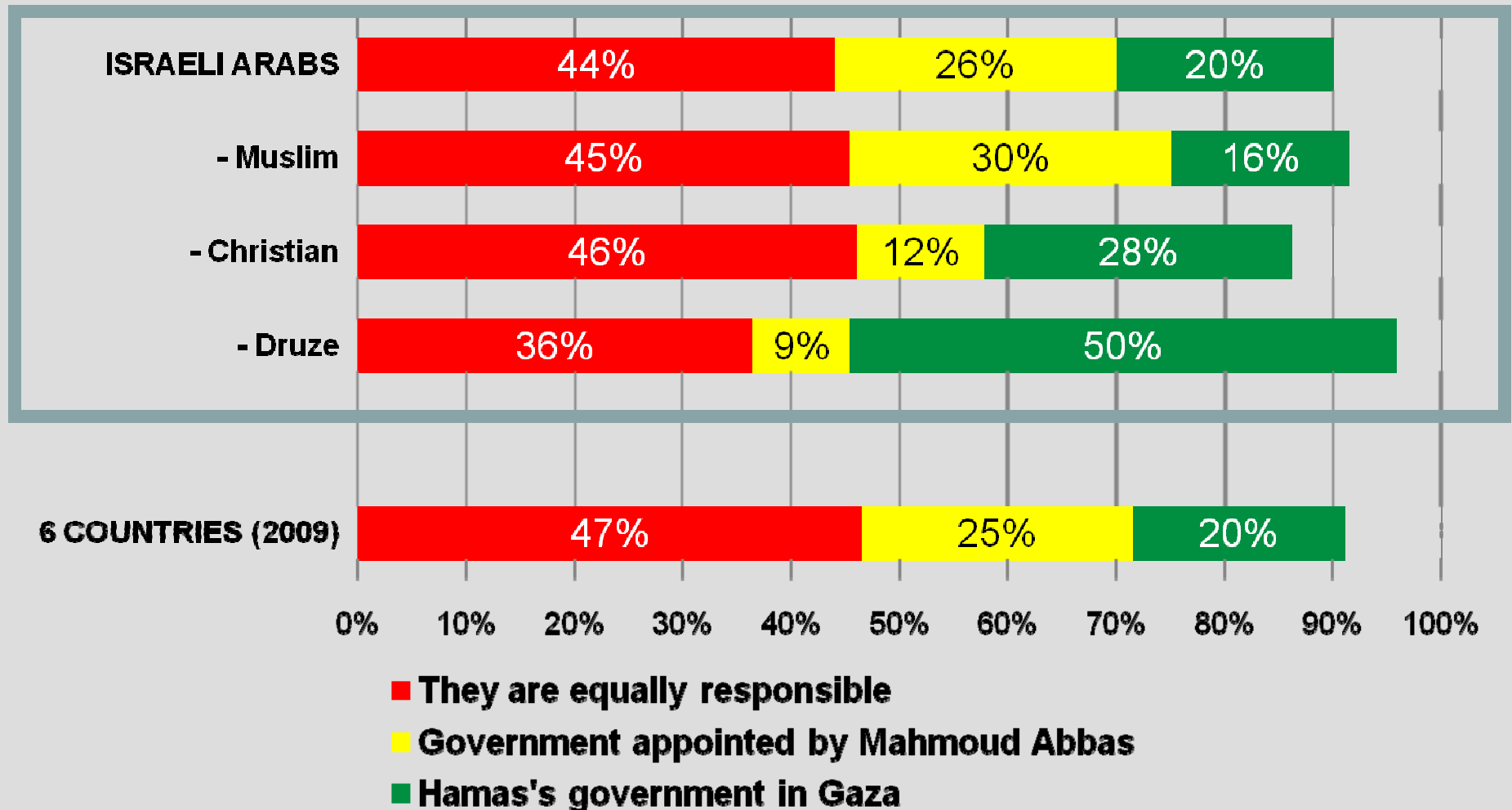
Arab-Israeli Conflict

Which of the following statements is closest to your view about the prospects of lasting peace between Israel and the Palestinians?



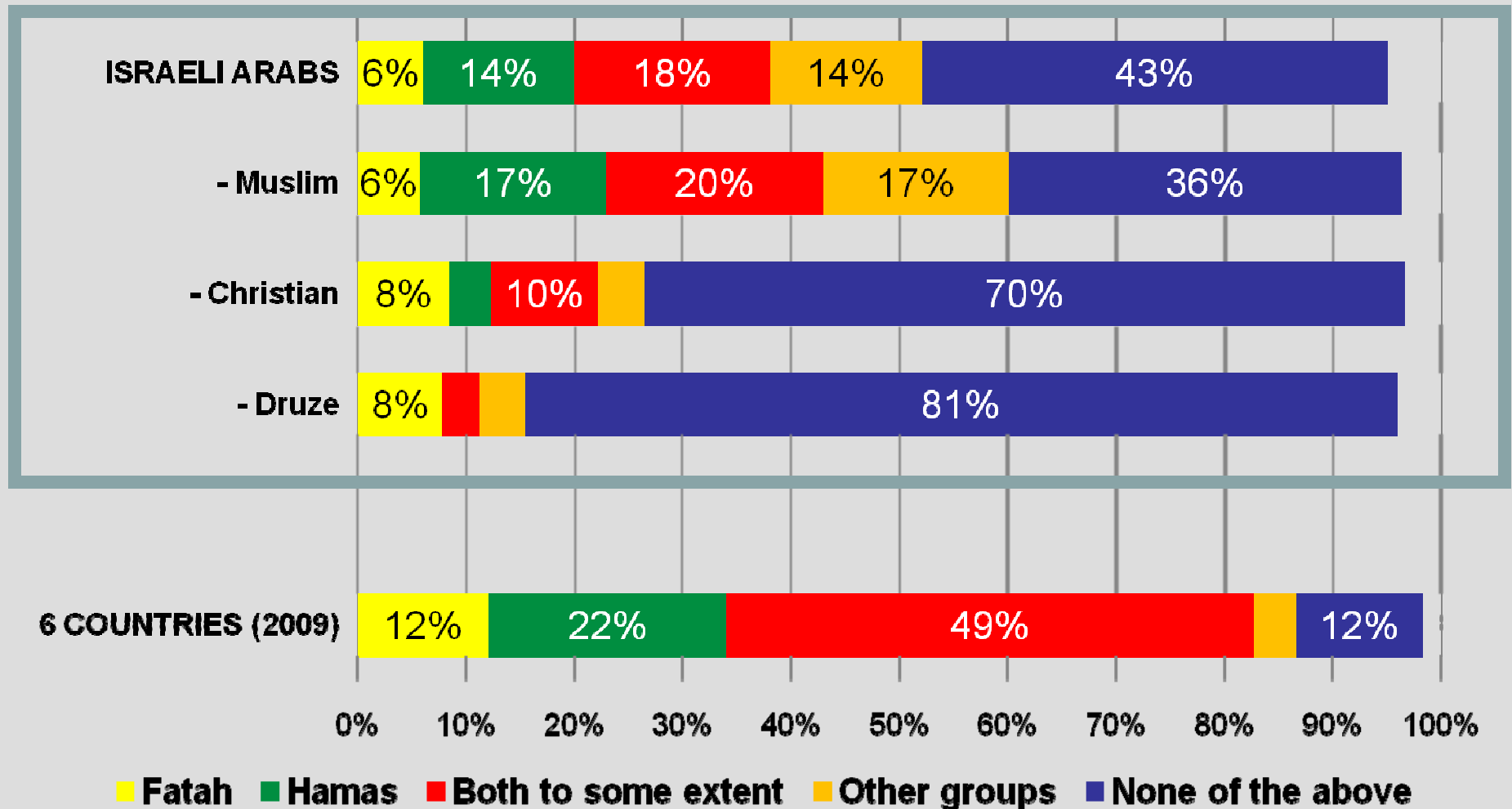
Arab-Israeli Conflict

When you observe the state of affairs in Gaza, which of the Palestinian parties do you believe is most responsible for it?



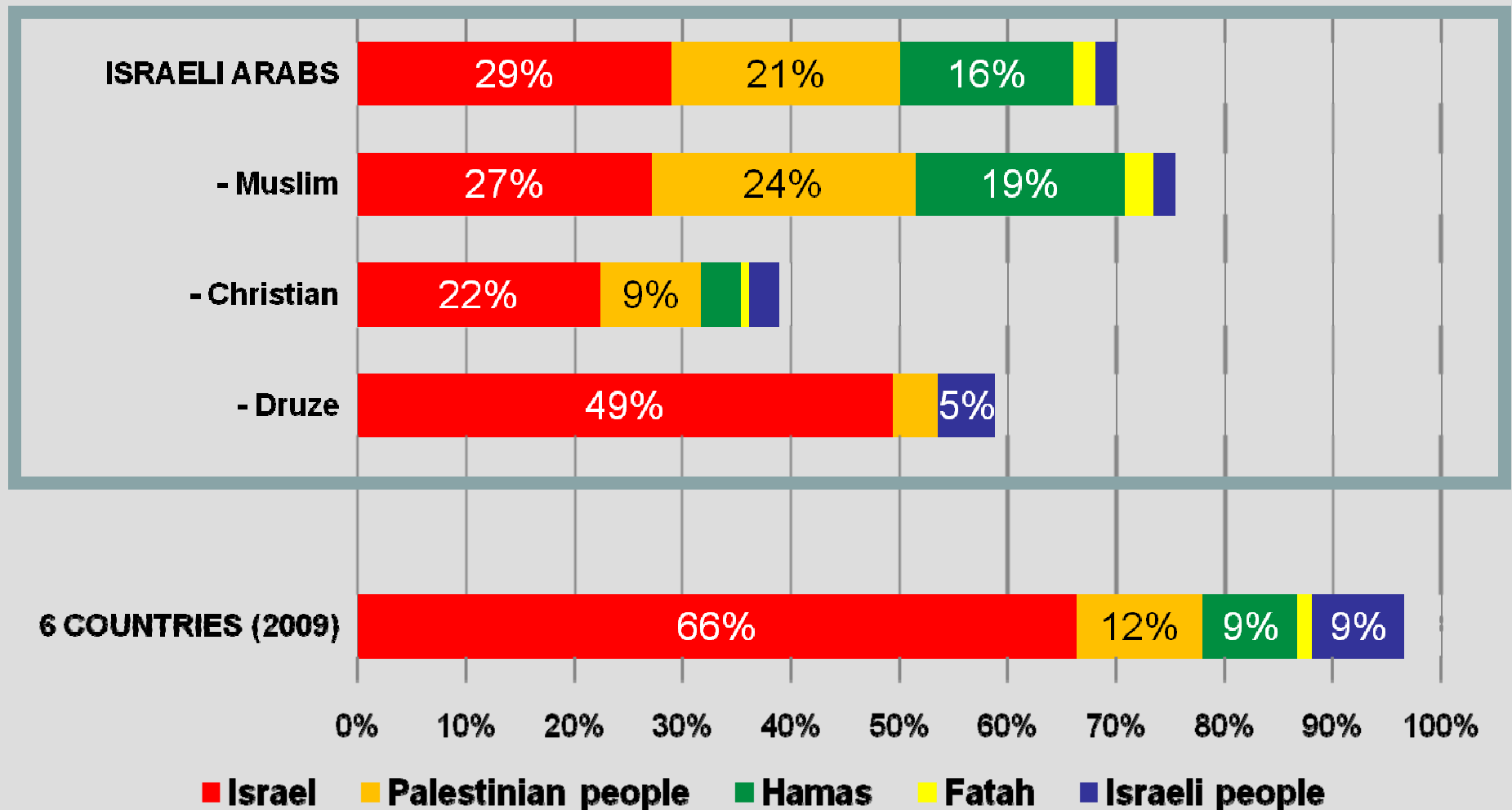
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In the current conflict among the Palestinians, with whom do you sympathize most?



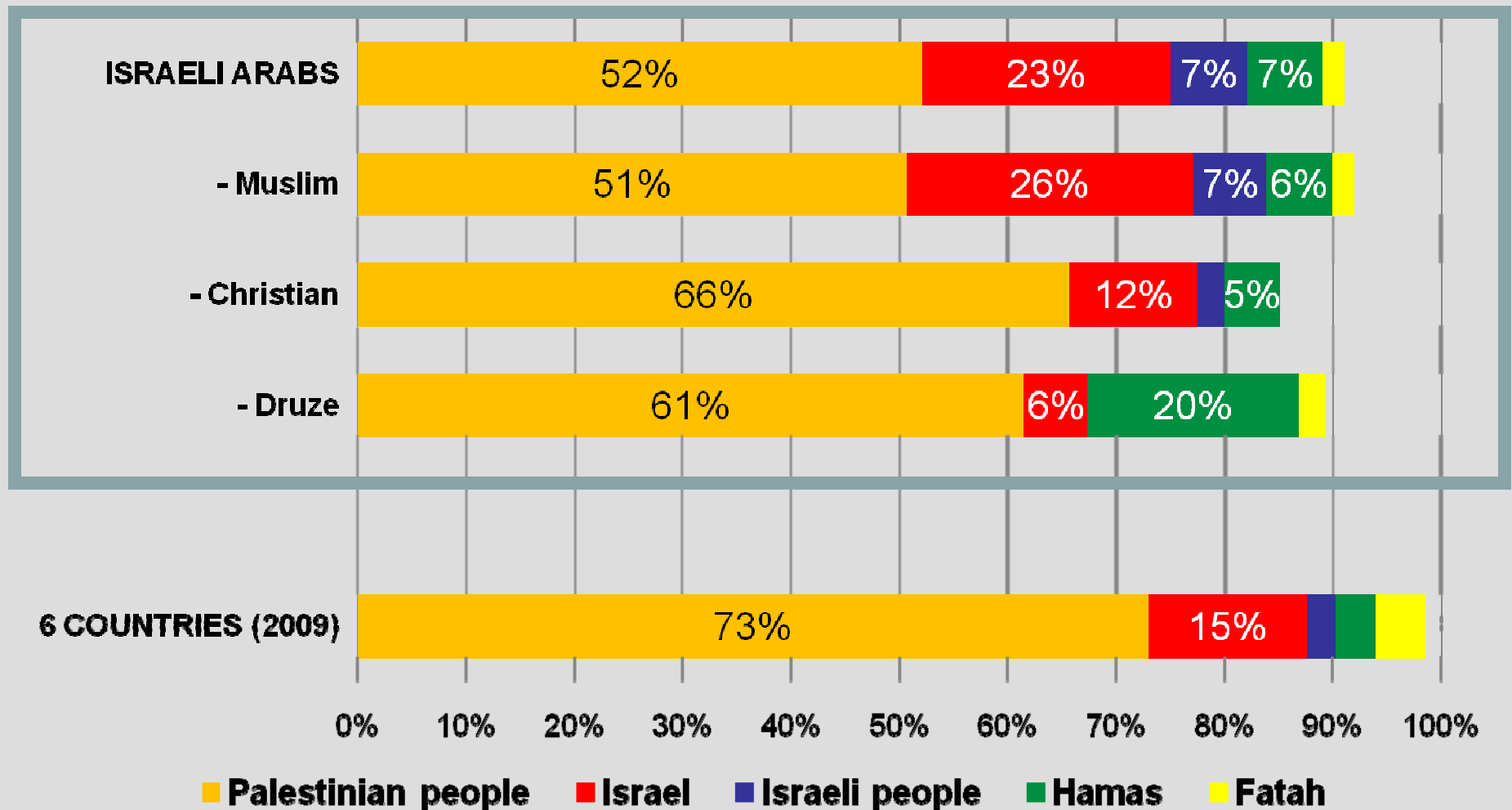
Arab-Israeli Conflict

When you look at the recent war in Gaza and its outcome, who do you believe was the biggest winner?



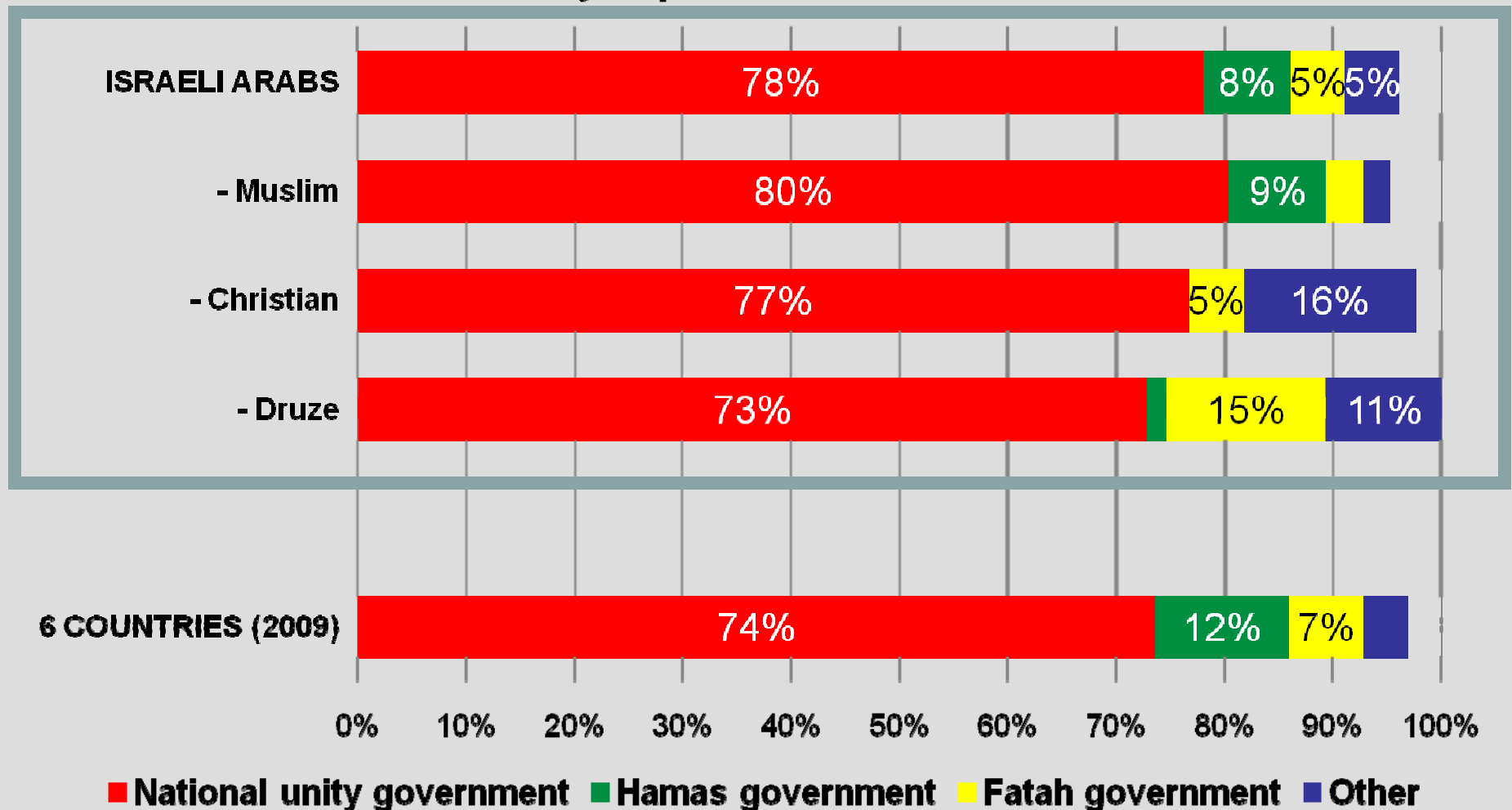
Arab-Israeli Conflict

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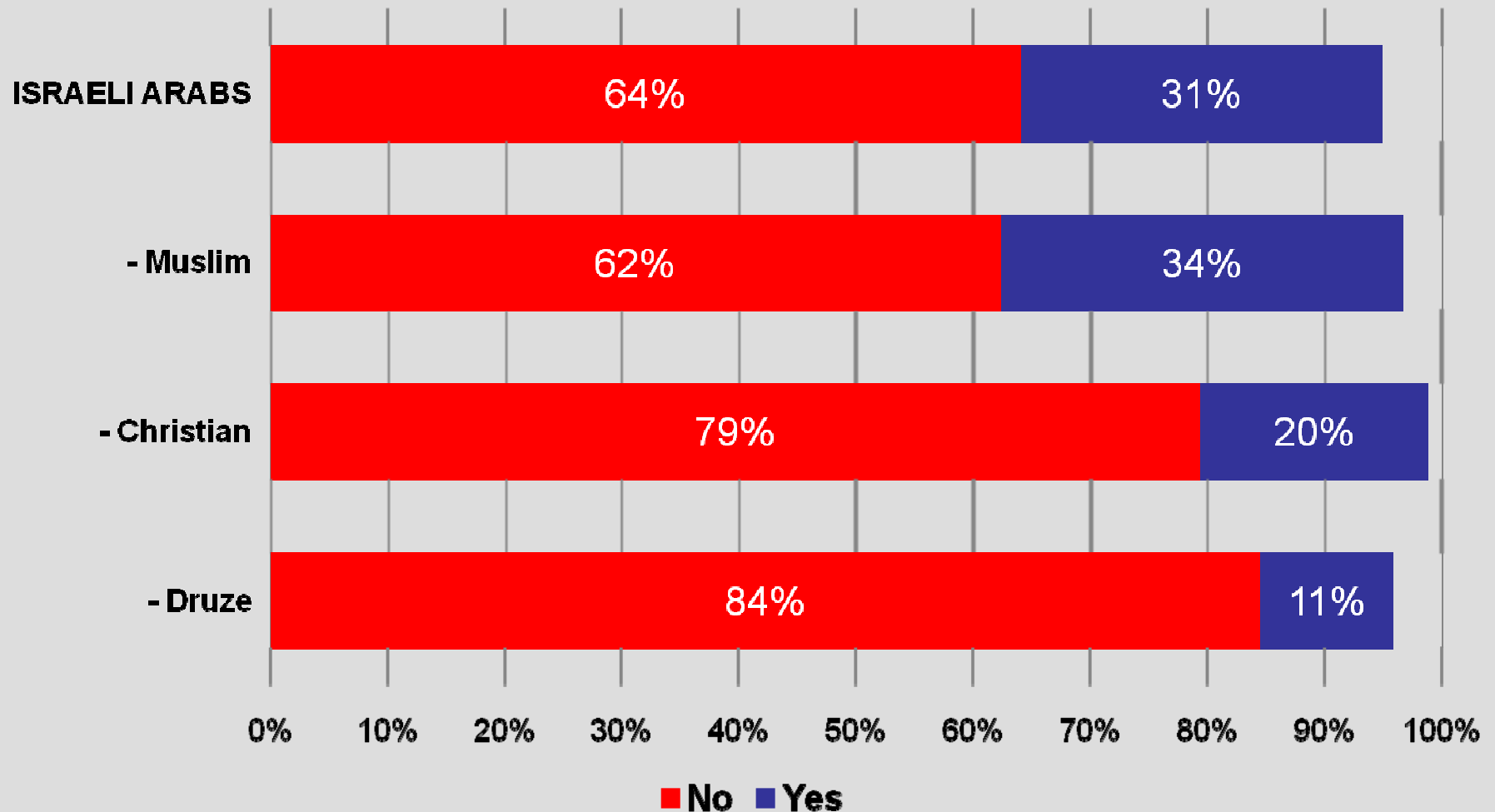
Arab-Israeli Conflict

As you look at the internal Palestinian political divisions, do you prefer to see a:



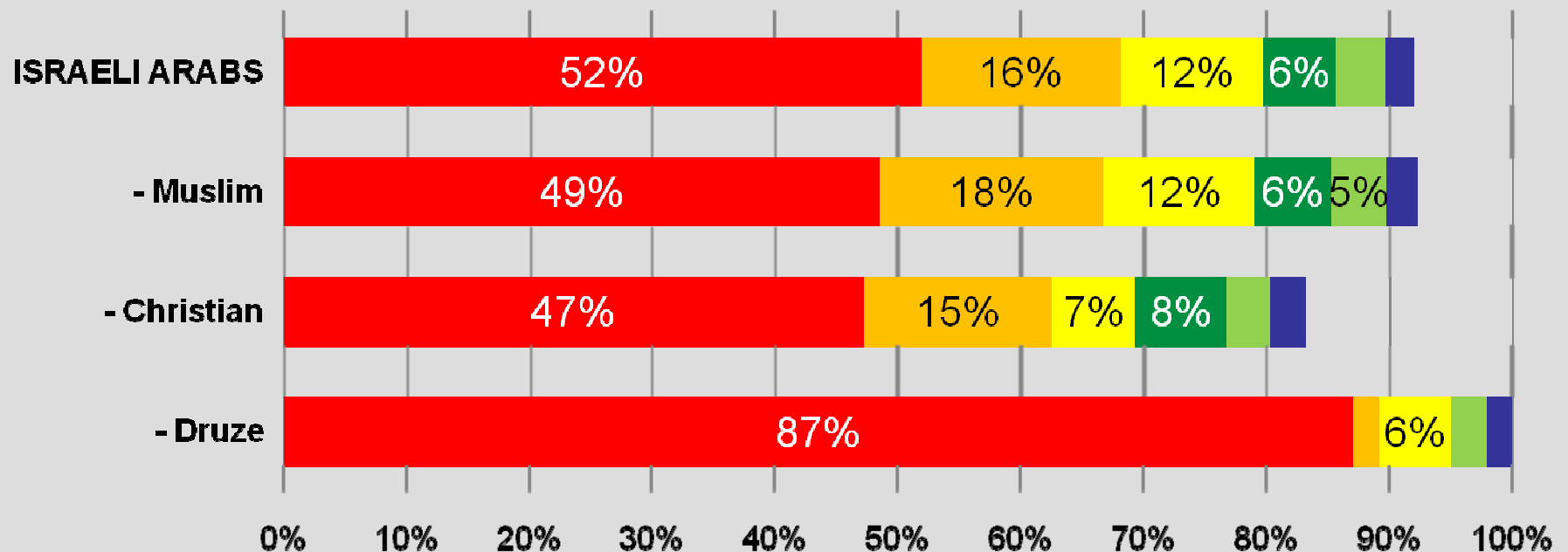
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Would you accept the transfer of some Arab/Palestinian towns that are currently in Israel to a new Palestinian state, when established?



Arab-Israeli Conflict

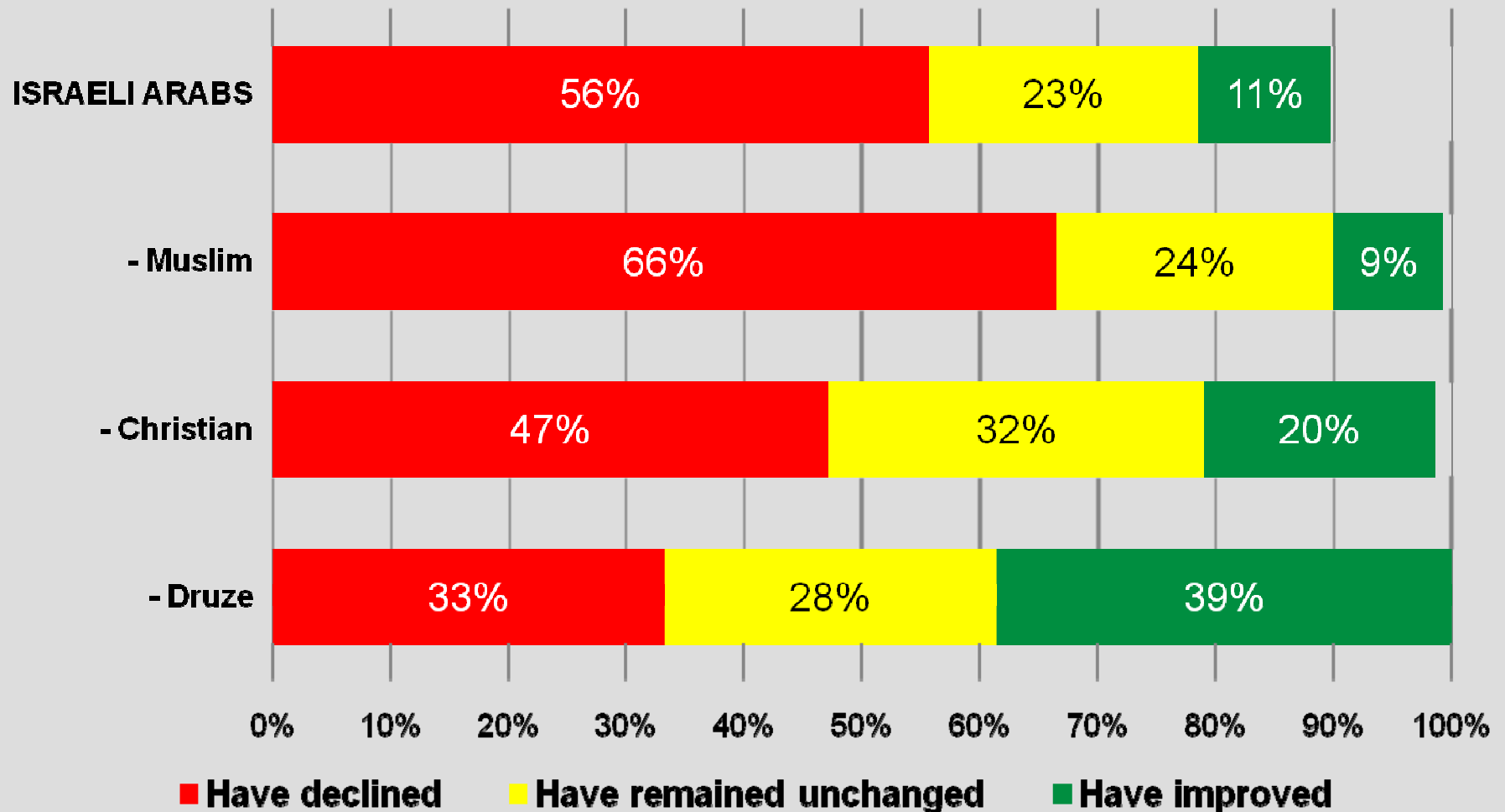
Which of the following reasons is most important to you?



- Jobs and living standards are better in Israel
- Don't want to be separated from other Israeli-Palestinians/Arabs
- Israel is likely to be more democratic
- Have affinity with Palestinians in the WB & G but I have a separate identity
- Fear the prospect of a religious state in Palestine more than in Israel
- Don't have much affinity with Palestinians in the WB & G

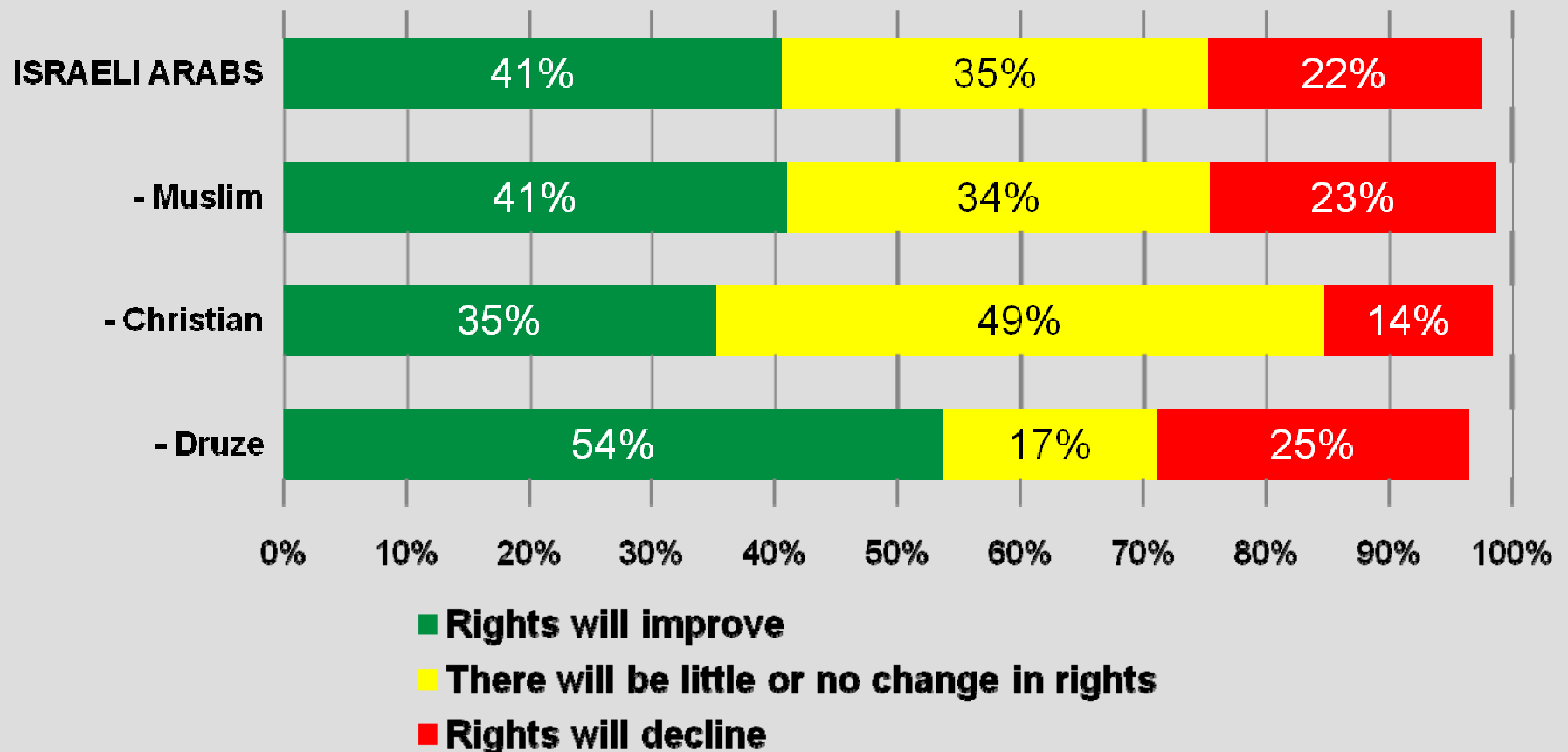
Arab-Israeli Conflict

In comparison to five years ago how do you feel about Arab/Palestinian rights in Israel?



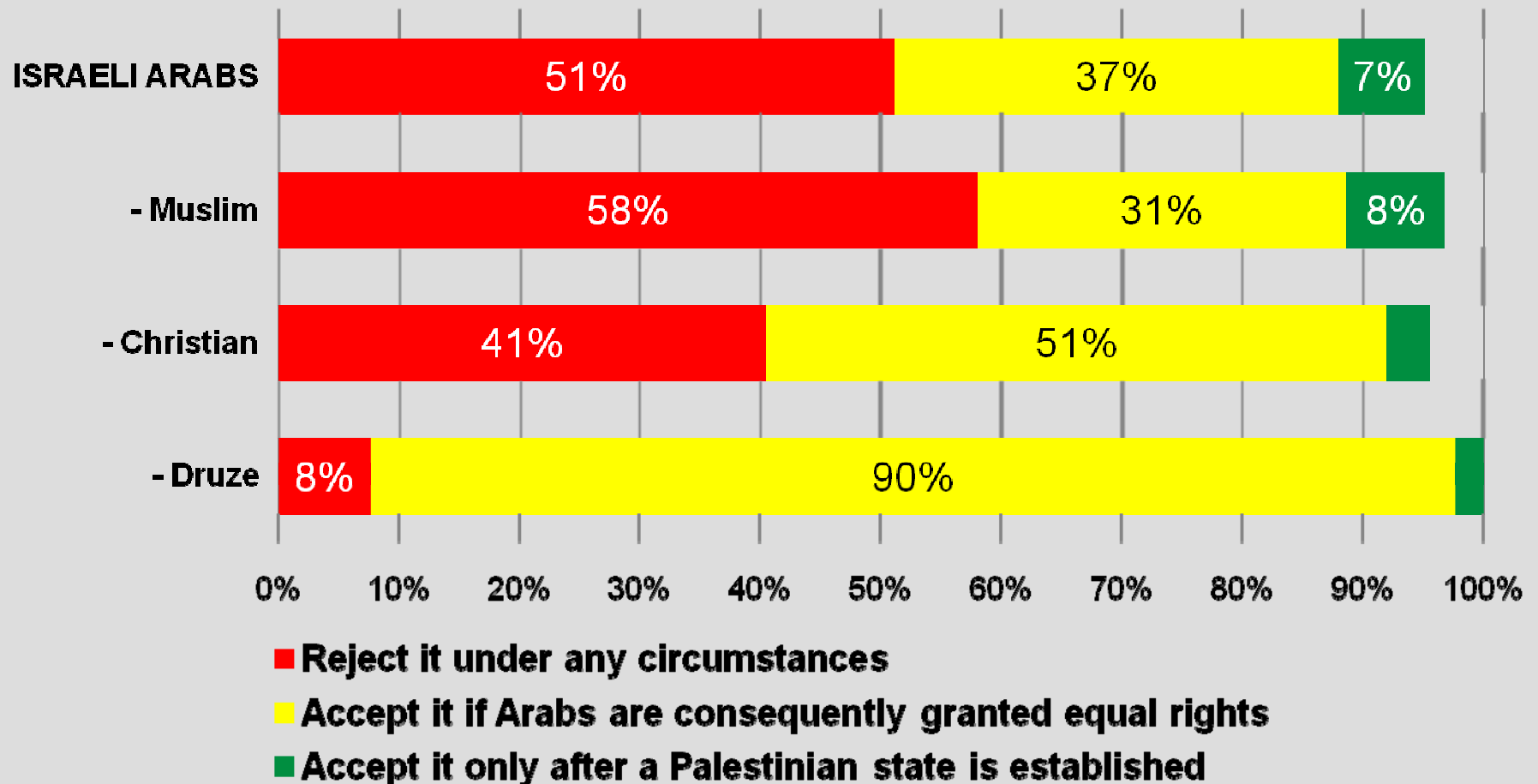
Arab-Israeli Conflict

If peace prevails between Israel and the Palestinians through an establishment of a Palestinian state which is at peace with Israel, which of the following do you believe is more likely about the status of Arab citizens in Israel?



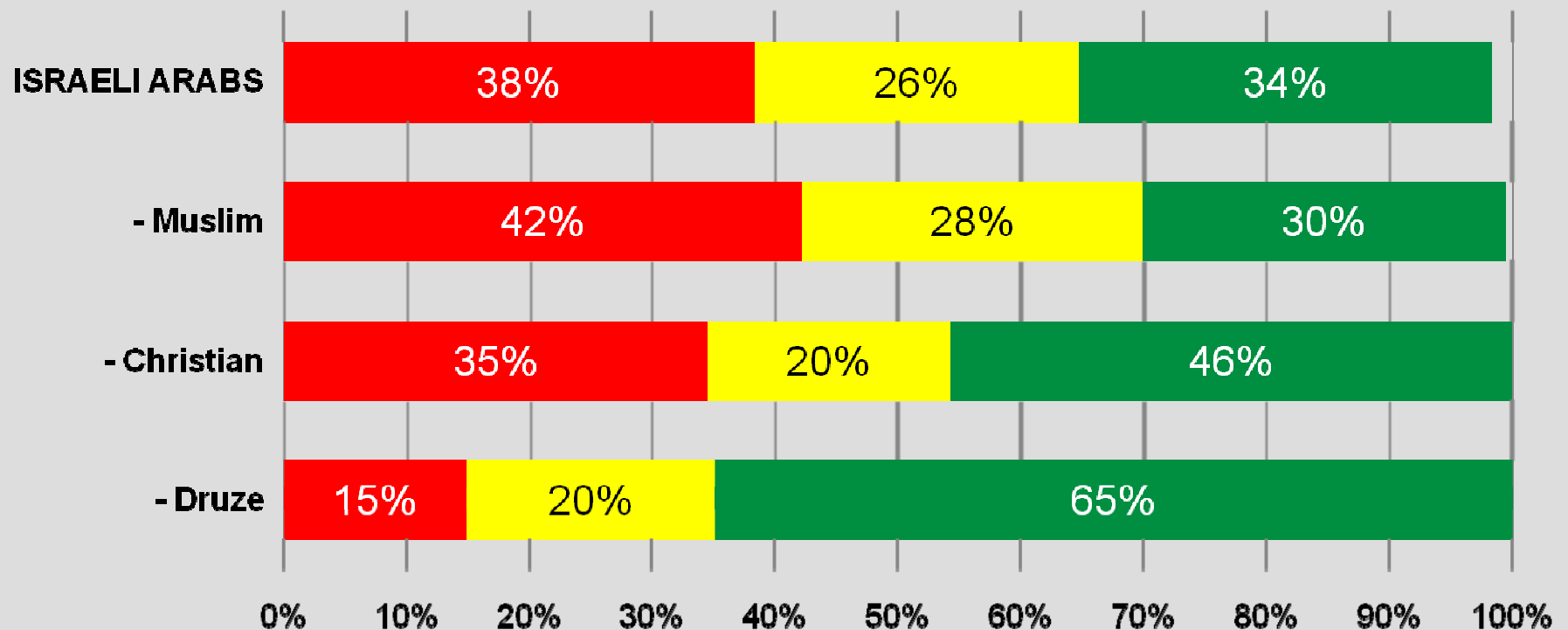
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What is your opinion of the possible recruitment of Israeli Arab/Palestinian citizens into a non-military national service program?



Arab-Israeli Conflict

Which of the following most accurately describes you?



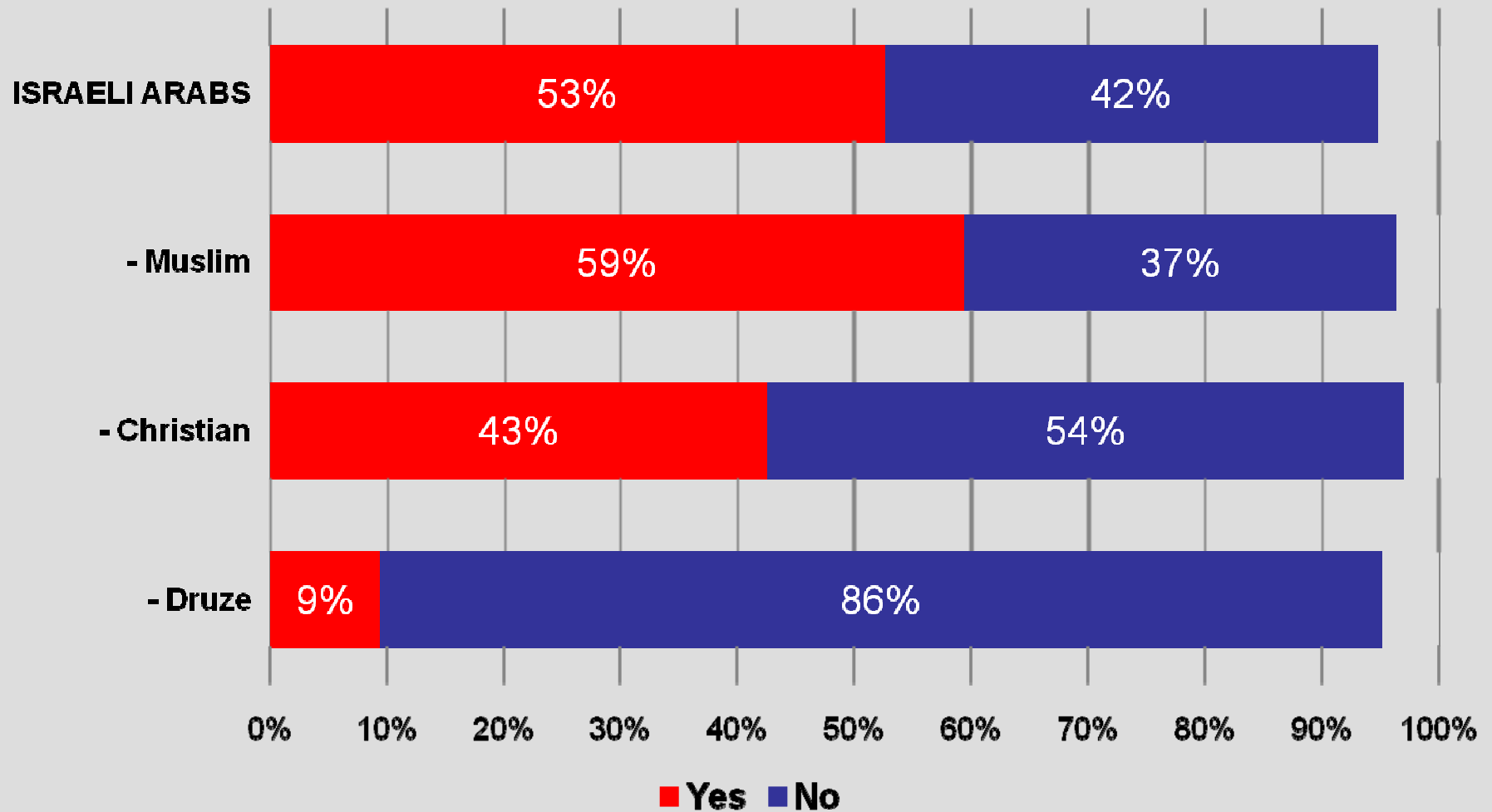
■ I don't have Jewish friends

■ I have Jewish friends but in the past 2 years I have not visited them in their homes nor have they visited me

■ I have Jewish friends and in the past 2 years they have visited me or I have visited them

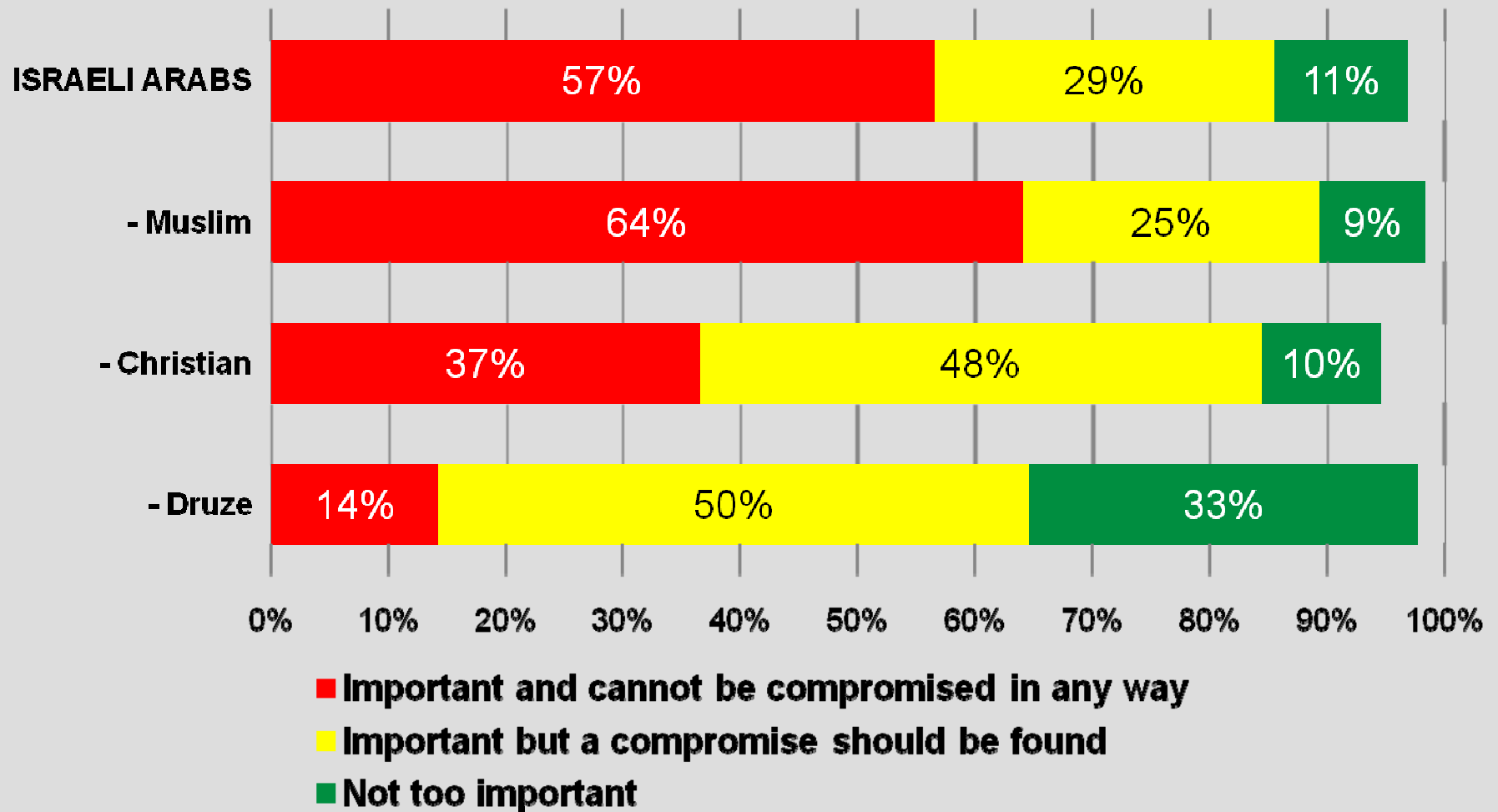
Arab-Israeli Conflict

Do you have any relatives who are refugees as a consequence of the 1948 war?



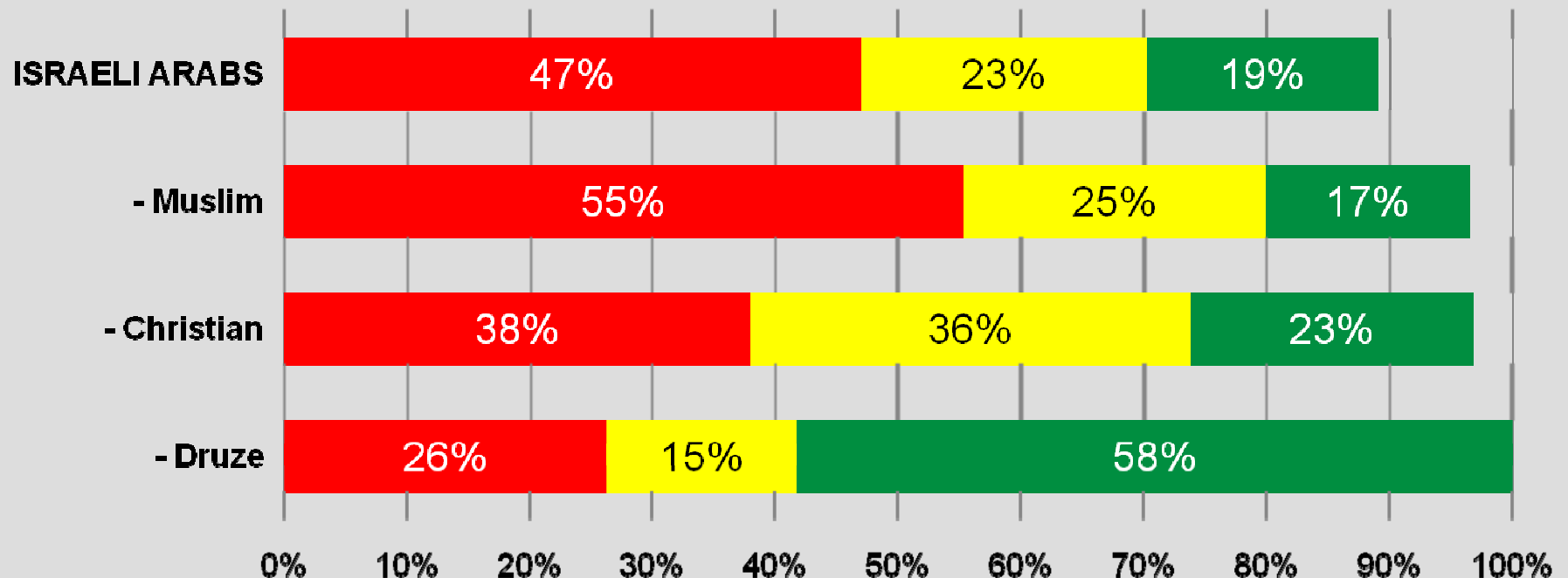
Arab-Israeli Conflict

How do you feel about the Palestinian refugees' right to return to their homes?



Arab-Israeli Conflict

Which of the following best describes your opinion towards defining Israel as a Jewish state?



■ Do not accept this statement under any circumstances

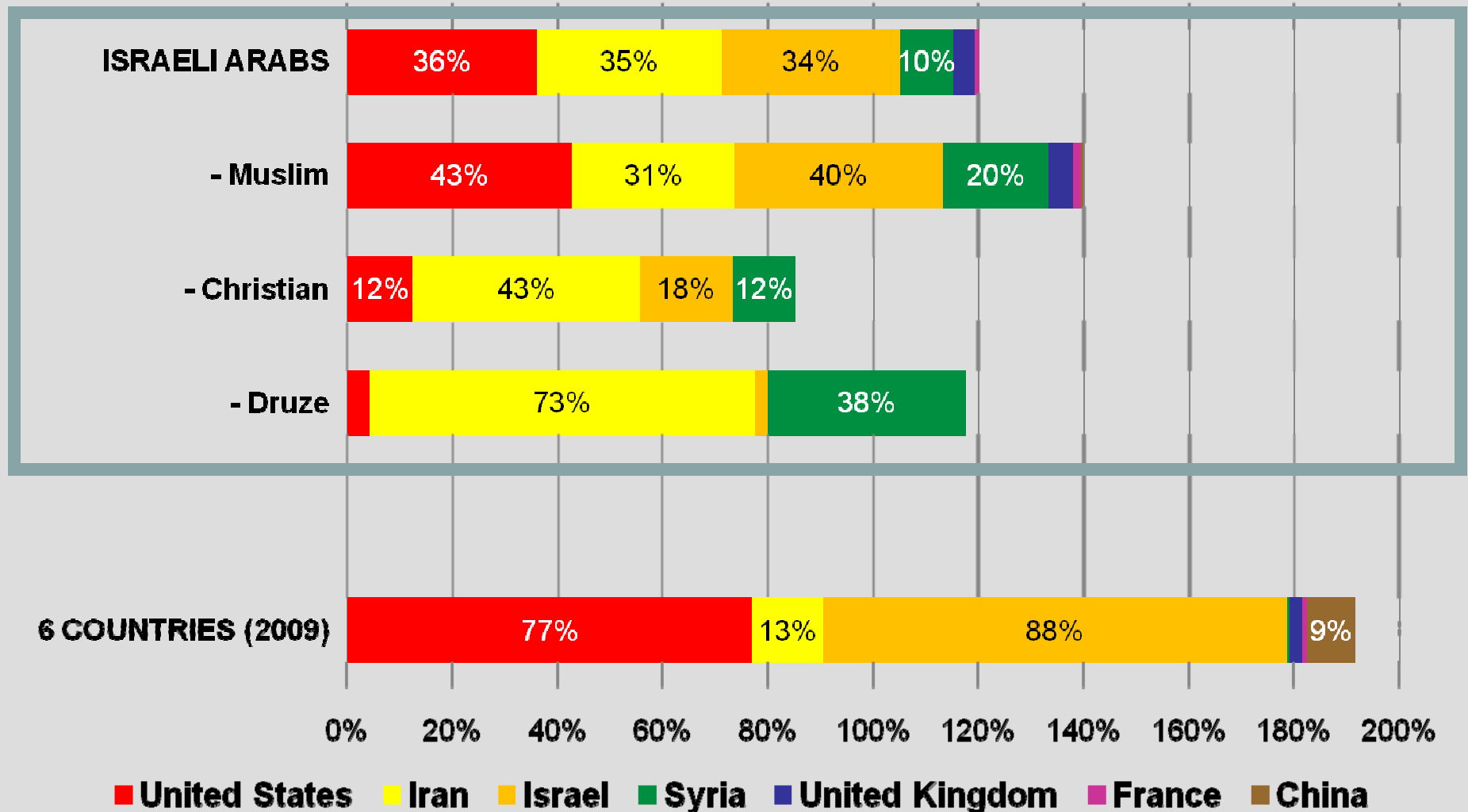
■ Only if a Palestinian state is established, and Arab/Palestinian citizens of Israel are given full rights

■ Accept this statement without conditions

International Dynamics

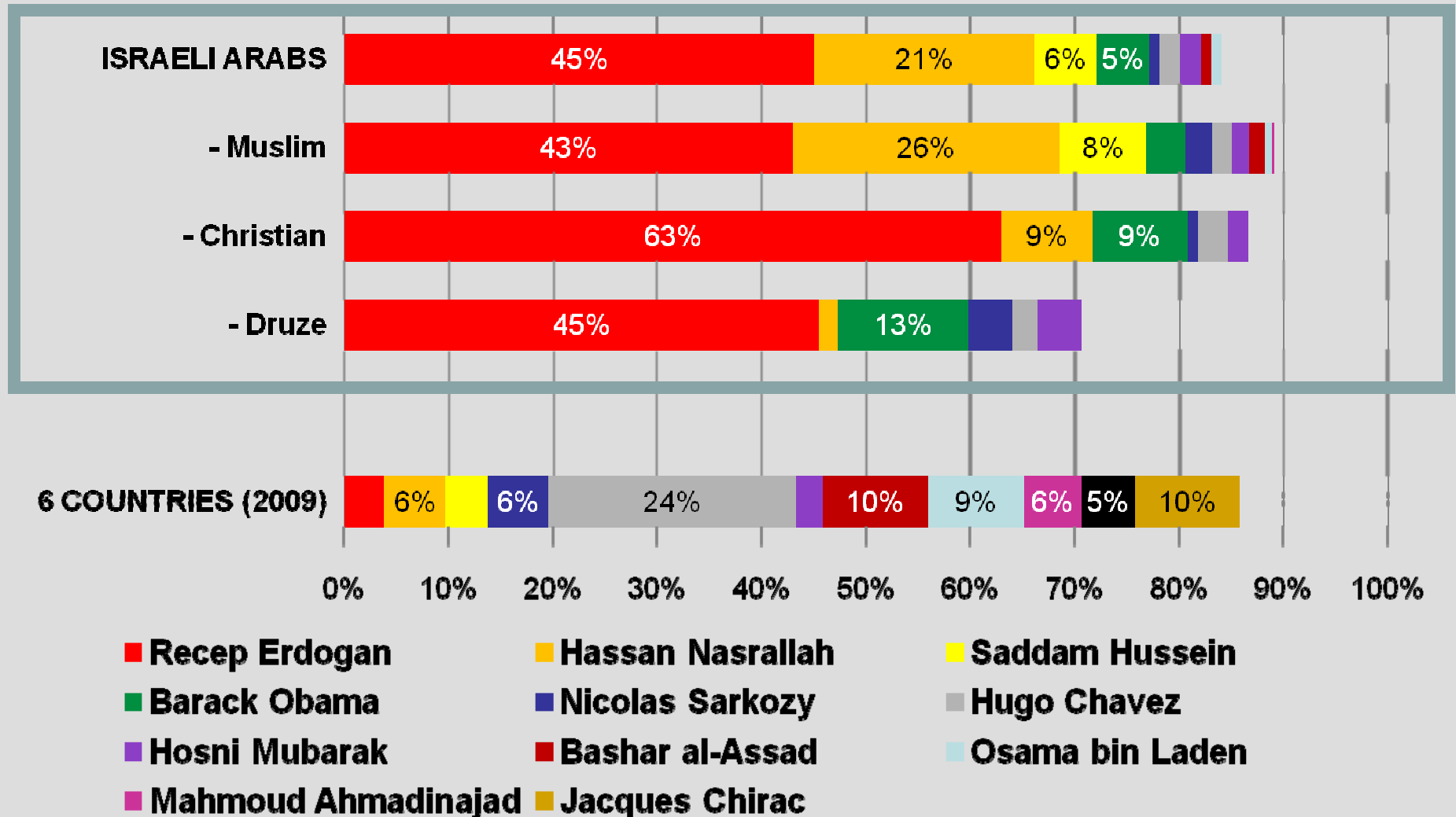
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Name TWO countries that you think pose the biggest threat to you.



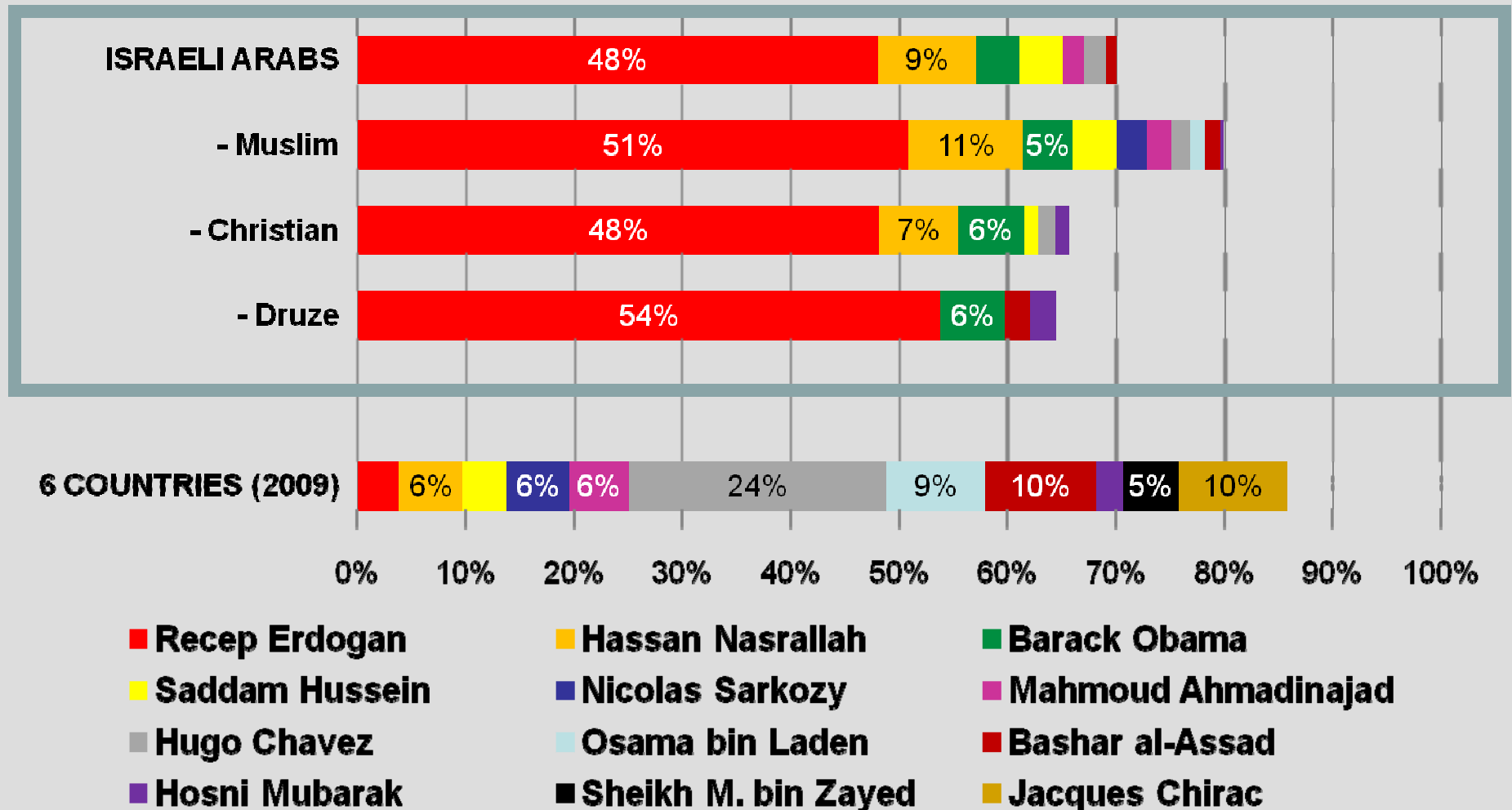
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Which world leader (outside your own country) do you admire most?



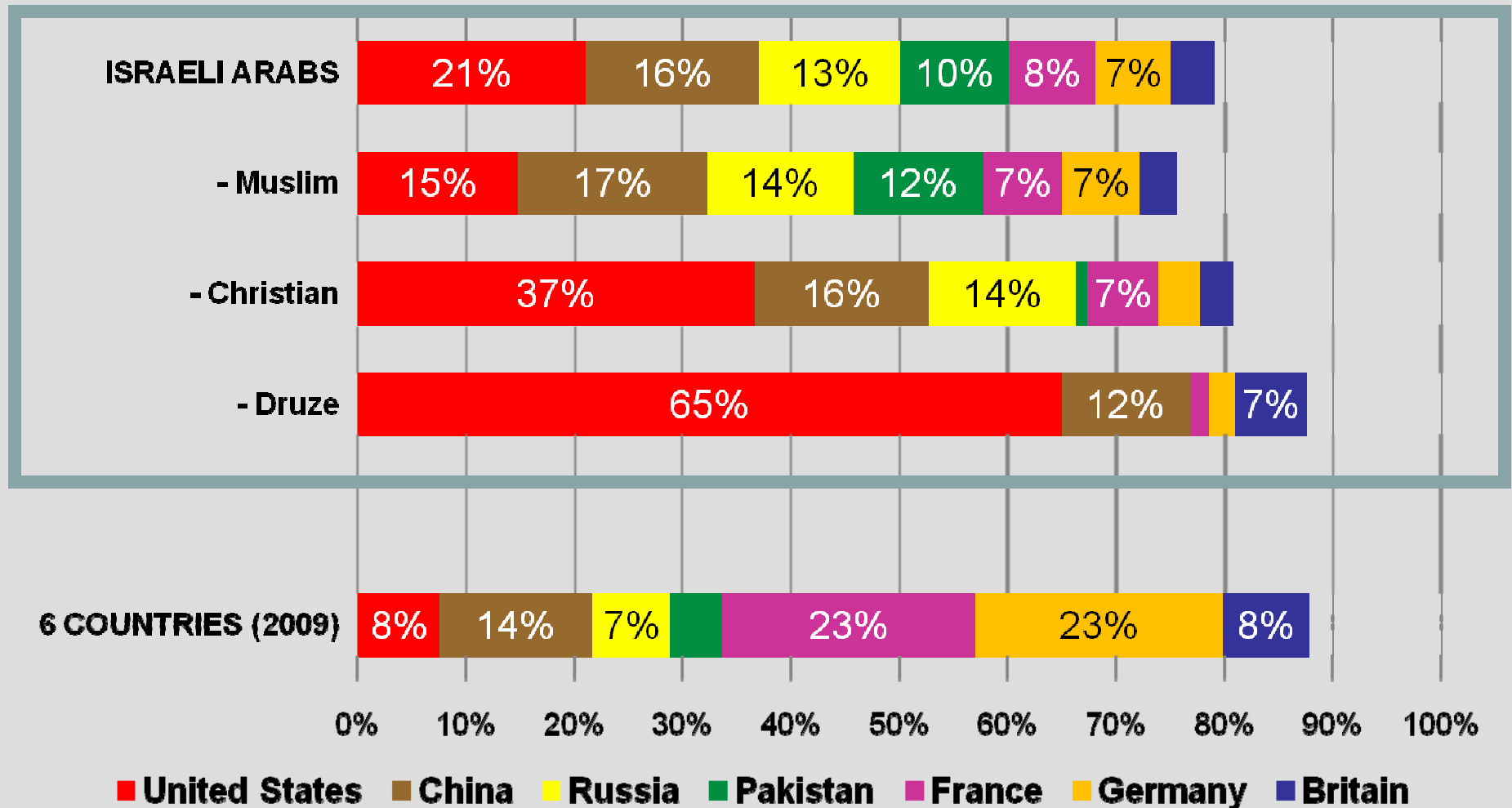
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Which world leader (outside your own country) do you admire second most?



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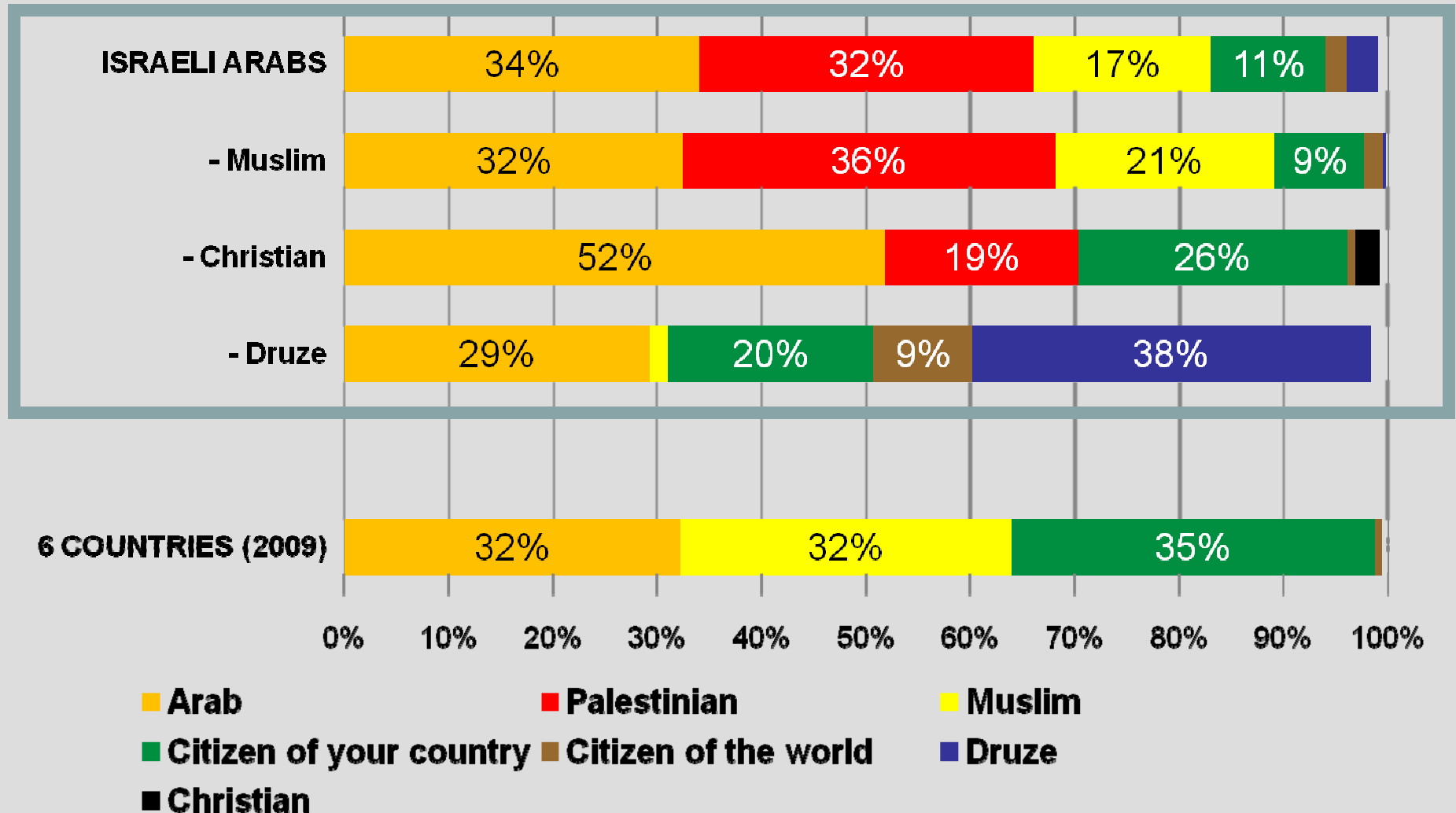
In a world where there is only one superpower, which of the following countries would you prefer to be that superpower?



Identity

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Which of the following is your most important identity?



Identity

Which of the following is your second most important identity?

