

Yisrael Beiteinu



Ultra-right party

■ **Leader:** Moldovan-born ***Avigdor Lieberman***

■ **1999:** Party founded by former Likud member Lieberman to create platform for Russian immigrants

■ **2006-08:** Party becomes part of Kadima-led coalition government

■ Lieberman's hard line stance against Israeli Arabs – branded as racist by critics – has found support among voters with security fears

■ Will negotiate with Palestinians only on future of West Bank. **Will seal Israel's borders and totally cut off Hamas-ruled Gaza Strip.** Plans to keep major Israeli settlement blocs in West Bank in return for giving Palestinians control of so-called ***triangle*** area. **Jerusalem is Israel's "undivided and eternal capital"**