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GOLAN HEIGHTS: MAPPING GUIDANCE

On March 25, 2019, President Trump signed a Presidential Proclamation recognizing Israeli sovereignty over the Golan Heights. In accordance with the Proclamation, U.S. Government maps should henceforth adopt the following cartographic guidelines (see maps on next page):

- Do not depict the 1949 Armistice Line that divided the Golan Heights between its intersection with the former Lebanon-Syria boundary and the Yarmuk River. ①
- Do not depict the four demilitarized zones (DMZs) established by the 1949 Armistice Agreement. ②
- When context requires a label for the Golan Heights, remove “Israeli-occupied” from the label. ③
- Show Line A (1974 Israeli Disengagement Line) as a full international boundary between Israel and Syria. ④
- Continue to show the former Syria/Lebanon and Syria/Jordan international boundaries that formed the northern and southern limits of the Golan Heights as full international boundaries with Israel. ⑤
- When context requires or scale permits, show the limits of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF) Zone as follows:
 - The western limit formed by Line A, which is now the Israel-Syria international boundary.
 - The eastern limit formed by Line B (1974 Syrian Disengagement Line), using a line less prominent than the line symbology used to show an international boundary or those showing other lines of international separation.
 - Show Line A-1 with the same line symbology as that used for Line B. The area between Line A-1 and Line A is sovereign Israeli territory.
- When using separate color tones for countries:
 - Show the Golan Heights, west of the new international boundary between Israel and Syria (Line A), in the color for Israel.
 - Show the UNDOF Zone (between the international boundary and Line B) in the same color as Syria, unless context requires otherwise.

Please contact internationalboundaries@state.gov with questions.

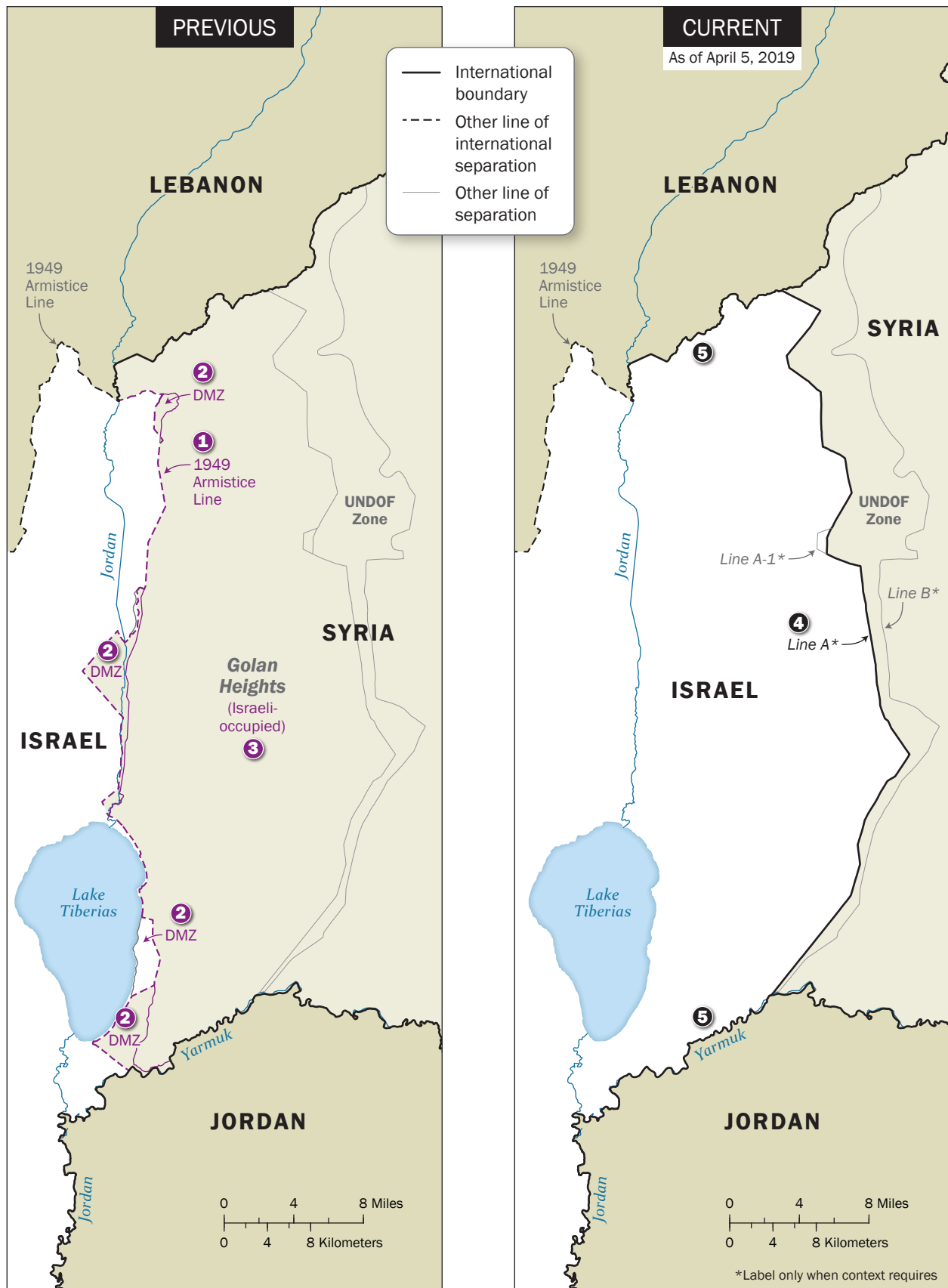


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