BINATIONALISM? (a feasibility study)
One-state solutions

- 1. Two versions
- 2. No feasibility studies
- 3. How does one study counterfactuals?
- 4. Binationalism & consociationalism (Lijphart)
- 5. Who supported/s binationalism?
- 6. How does binationalism differ from other Zionist positions?
Overview: Bi-Nationalism

• 1. Zionist approaches to conflict with Palestinians (LSM, demographic emphasis, gradual expansion & Revisionists, territorial emphasis, lack of compromise).

• 2. Bi-nationalism equal rights that do not depend on demography (i.e. on being majority) & share political sovereignty and autonomous management of internal affairs.
Binationalist movements & blueprints I

• 2. League for Jewish-Arab Rapprochement and Cooperation (1939-1945) mass-based movement led by socialist parties.
• 3. Sought political parity & use of education.
Binationalist movements & blueprints II

• 5. Parameters of Jewish concessions.
• 7. Palestinian support (post-1967 war)?
• 8. Palestinian support in 21st c.
Binationalism’s Achilles heels

- 1. Cannot be based on separatism.
- 2. Leila Farsakh: This is internal Palestinian debate without Jewish counterparts.
- 3. Farsakh: Those in favor of secular democratic state “are either silent or expect the Jews to become de facto Palestinians” (70).
- 4. How to build trust?
- 5. Why would Palestinians who rejected binationalism before 1948 support it today? And why did Jews who supported it before 1948 are now opposed to binationalism?
- Credo of the minority.