Israel was the first nation in the world to adopt the Kimberly process, an international standard that certifies

Nine Israelis have won a Nobel Prize.

In 1984 and 1991, Israel airlifted a total of 22,000 Ethiopian Jews to safety in Israel.

In many Israeli bus stops, you can find a box for tzedakah – charitable giving.

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Moroccans and Russians are the two countries from which the largest number of new immigrants to Israel have come.

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There are more than 40 kosher McDonald's in Israel.

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