Employing policies that improve the standard of living in the West Bank and Gaza benefit Israel and its security by lowering tensions and improving stability. IPF and its partners have proposed several Israeli steps that would improve the standard of living in the West Bank and Gaza:

**Transferring 10% of Area C to Area B for Greater Contiguity**

This re-designation would reduce the amount of Palestinian “islands” - areas under Palestinian control surrounded by Israeli-controlled Area C - from 169 to 43. This bolstering of territorial contiguity would promote greater economic opportunity and reduce crime in the West Bank by allowing greater Palestinian police access.

**Transferring 4% of Area C to Area B for Greater Natural Growth**

This additional re-designation would reduce the number of Palestinian homes under threat of demolition due to natural growth, protecting the livelihoods of over 200,000 Palestinians.

**Addressing the Humanitarian Crisis in Gaza**

Through engaging the PA and Arab partners in addressing the crisis, a set of socio-economic plans - including the rebuilding of vital electricity infrastructure and increasing employment opportunities - would provide better living conditions and increased hope for Gazans.