The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on Friday (7/7/17) designated the old city of Hebron, including the Cave of the Patriarchs, as a Palestinian world heritage site. Twelve of the World Heritage Committee's 21 member states voted in favor of the resolution, three opposed it and six abstained. ... names the tomb as the third cultural site on UNESCO's List of World Heritage in Danger that is located in the "State of Palestine." The other two are the birthplace of Jesus in Bethlehem and the "cultural landscape of southern Jerusalem, Battir"

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Israel said the Hebron resolution, which refers to the city as "Islamic," denies thousands of years of Jewish history as well as Christian ties to the site, where the biblical patriarchs Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, as well as the matriarchs Sarah, Rebecca, and Leah are said to be buried.

So Ephron's field in Machpelah near Mamre both the field and the cave in it, and all the trees within the borders of the field — was deeded to Abraham as his property in the presence of all the Hittites who had come to the gate of the city. Afterward Abraham buried his wife Sarah in the cave in the field of Machpelah near Mamre (which is at Hebron) in the land of Canaan. So the field and the cave in it were deeded to Abraham by the Hittites as a burial site.

Genesis 23: 17-20

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