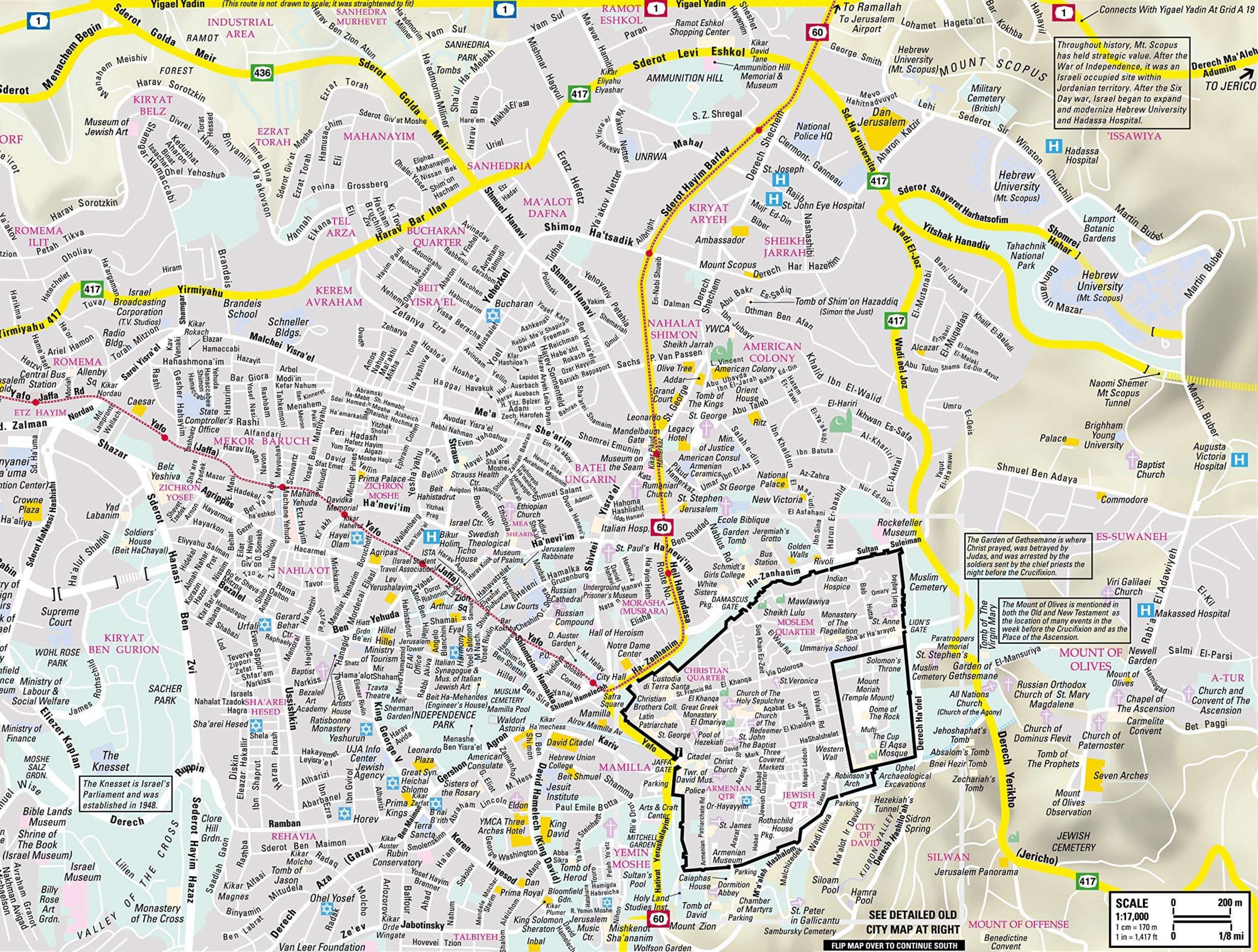




Throughout history, Mt. Scopus has held strategic value. After the War of Independence, it was an Israeli occupied site within Jordanian territory. After the Six Day war, Israel began to expand and modernize Hebrew University and Hadassa Hospital.

The Garden of Gethsemane is where Christ prayed, was betrayed by Judas, and was arrested by the soldiers sent by the chief priests the night before the Crucifixion.

The Mount of Olives is mentioned in both the Old and New Testament as the location of many events in the week before the Crucifixion and as the Place of the Ascension.

The Knesset is Israel's Parliament and was established in 1948.

