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JERUSALEM (AP) -Israel's prime minister is defending new construction in east Jerusalem that has drawn international condemnation. PM Netanyahu said the building of a new Israeli enclave in the Palestinian neighborhood of Sheikh Jarrah is a private project "in accordance with Israeli law." In a statement, he said Israel will not "impose a ban on Jews purchasing private property in Jerusalem" and that Arabs can buy or rent property in Jewish neighborhoods.

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