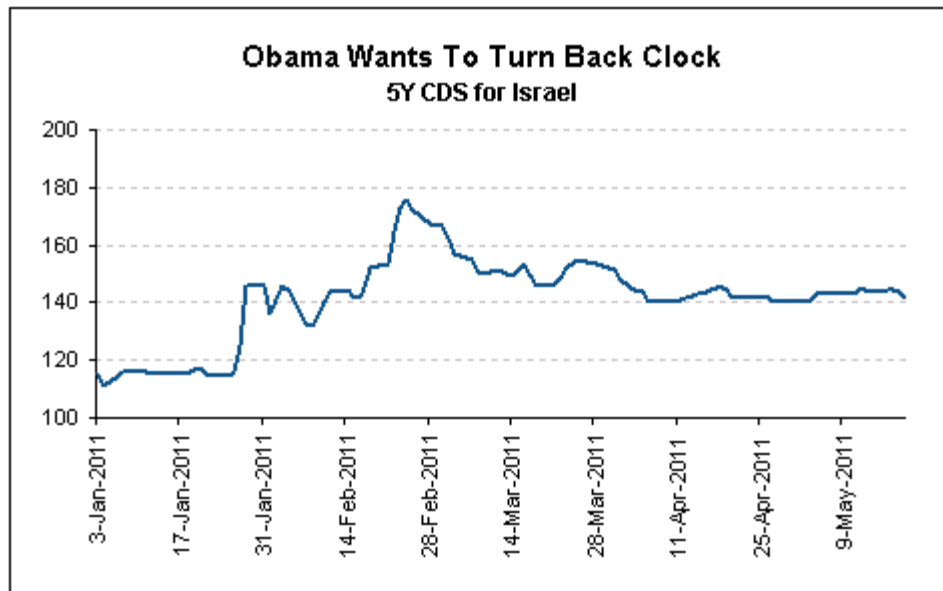


Chart of the Day



- 5Y CDS for Israel was 2bp tighter today to 142bp as many sovereign CEEMEA credits saw tightening early
- President Obama's apparent endorsement of a plan for a two-state Palestine to pre-1967 borders came after London trading desks headed home. It would be a significant shift in US policy for the region.
- It will be interesting to see if there is a significant reaction in London trading hours tomorrow. While this is a significant change in tone, without a similar policy shift from Israel the issue is likely a non-starter. In any case, the timing of this is interesting against the backdrop of political instability in the Middle East, George Mitchell's resignation and the killing of Osama bin Laden

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