The city of Tel-Aviv, Israel, was founded 100 years ago on the sand dunes of the Mediterranean shore. Many of the German Jewish architects trained at the Bauhaus, the Modernist school of architecture closed by the Nazis in 1933, fled Germany and came to Tel Aviv. Tel Aviv offers the largest concentration in any one city in the world of Bauhaus style buildings. In 2003, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), proclaimed “The White City” of Tel Aviv as a World Cultural Heritage site, for being “an outstanding example of new town planning and architecture in the early 20th century.” Contemporary Tel Aviv is a major commercial center of the Mediterranean area.

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