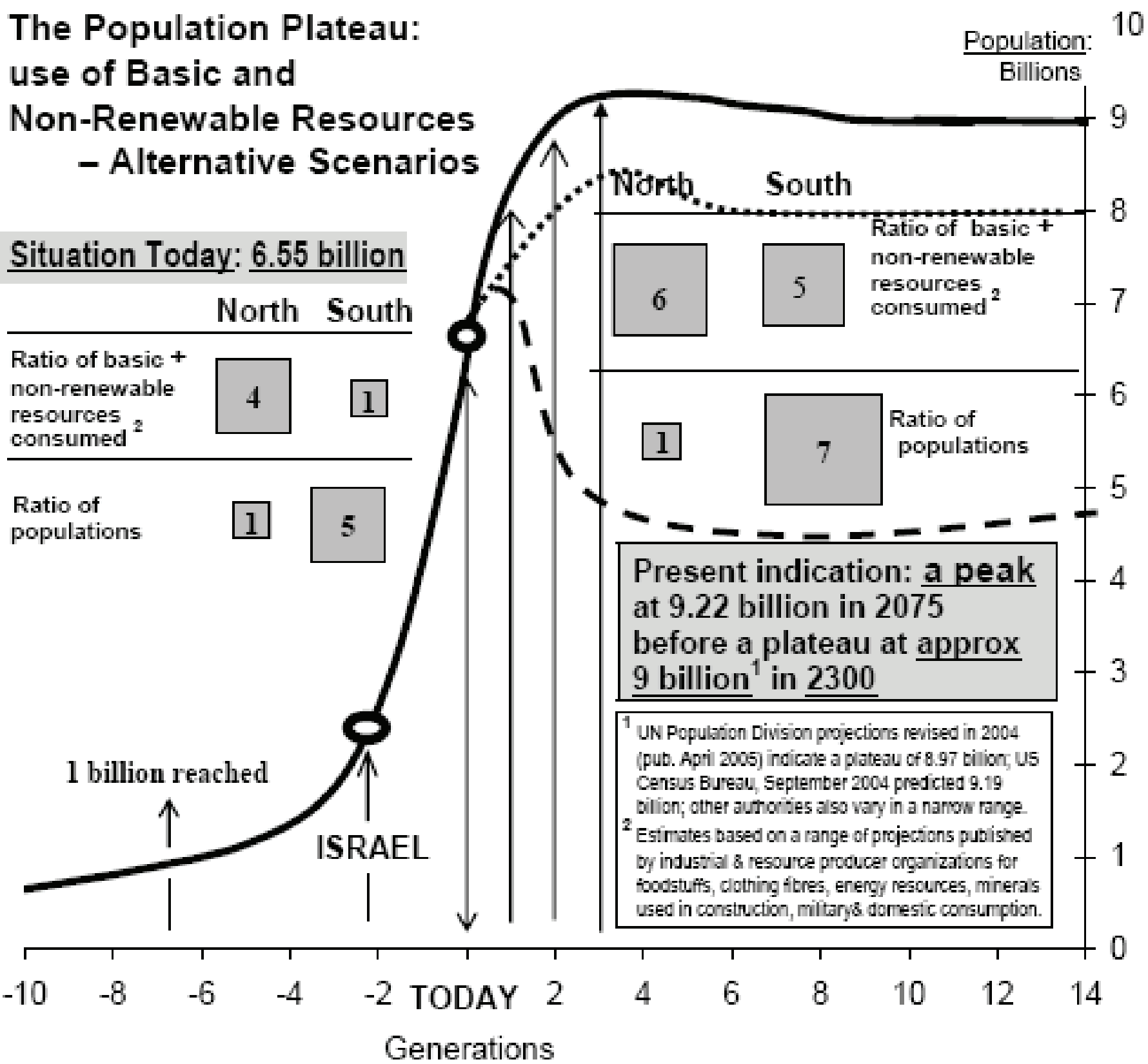


Chart 6
The Population Plateau:
use of Basic and
Non-Renewable Resources
- Alternative Scenarios

Situation Today: 6.55 billion

	North	South
Ratio of basic + non-renewable resources consumed ²	4	1
Ratio of populations	1	5



A ... Based on UN projections without any major changes in projection criteria or international circumstances.

B ... Indicating the likely trend line if funds currently allocated for military purposes were re-allocated to provide contraceptives, education, health services and poverty alleviation through planned employment in developing countries. This crudely takes account of UN Population Division estimates of the impact on world population and food requirements if these services are provided. Funds required fall well short of the current US defence budget.

Per capita consumption of energy in the United States is 13 times that of India (and even proportionately higher than in developing countries without a strong industrial sector). The gap is due to transportation, heating and cooling of buildings, and production of consumer goods. Figures are not readily available to assess the proportion of total energy and mineral resources currently consumed by armaments industries world wide; their proportionate adverse impact on global warming, or the debilitating impact of the diversion of those resources from alternative uses.

C ... In the event of a substantial nuclear war or catastrophe leading to extensive urban and industrial devastation and economic disruption, and/or a partial nuclear winter. The course of the trend line would be dependent upon the intensity of the war, the extent of disruption to infrastructure and services, and the severity of the nuclear winter.