

# Israel, the Palestinians, and the Administration's Peace Plan

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**A former PA advisor discusses the concrete steps Washington can take to preserve security cooperation and build public trust between the two sides, at least until deeper negotiations are possible again.**

In recent weeks, the Middle East peace process has witnessed a number of rapid developments. Yet in the absence of a framework and sense of direction, much of this energy has been wasted or even negative. Current political realities in the Palestinian Authority and Israel make it difficult to envisage a peace plan that will meet the minimum needed by both parties to reengage in negotiations, and presenting a plan with a high likelihood of failure could trigger sharp deterioration. Instead, the United States should develop more modest objectives for the immediate term and engage Arab and European partners to build a wide U.S.-led coalition capable of navigating the current crisis. Most important, the United States can support security, economic, and governance improvements on the ground...

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