

## Strengthening the Partnership:

# How to Deepen U.S.-Israel Cooperation on the Iranian Nuclear Challenge

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**T**he Presidential Task Force on the Future of U.S.-Israel Relations is composed of a distinguished, bipartisan group of current and former diplomats, legislators, strategists, scholars, and experts. Its "policy statement" was endorsed by more than a dozen respected policy practitioners, including former Bush administration deputy national security advisor Robert Blackwill; former National Security Council official Richard Clarke; former Clinton administration assistant secretary of state for public affairs Thomas Donilon; former Bush administration assistant secretary of state for political-military affairs John Hillen; former ambassador and arms-control negotiator Max Kampelman; former senator Robert Kerrey; former Clinton administration national security advisor Anthony Lake; former ambassador to Israel Samuel Lewis; former ambassador to Turkey and senior director of the National Security Council Mark Parris; former Clinton administration assistant secretary of state for African affairs Susan Rice; former Bush administration secretary of the Air Force James Roche; former Clinton administration State Department counselor Wendy Sherman; former Clinton administration undersecretary of defense for policy Walter Slocombe; former congressman Vin Weber; and former Clinton administration director of central intelligence R. James Woolsey.

Ambassador Dennis Ross -- former Middle East peace envoy and Ziegler distinguished fellow at The Washington Institute -- and Institute executive director [Robert Satloff \(templateC10.php?CID=11\)](#) convened this task force.



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