

Why Moscow Is Quiet on the Israel-UAE Peace Deal

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For weeks, analysts and policymakers have been discussing many issues surrounding the landmark developments in Arab-Israeli peacemaking. But one country has largely sulked—Russia. In response to last month's White House announcement about the UAE deal, the Russian Foreign Ministry issued a fairly cool statement that focused on Moscow's importance in regional affairs and the continued centrality of the Palestinian issue. This reaction does not surprise...

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