

Waging Peace with Justice

Suggested Titles

Abunimah, Ali. **One Country: A Bold Proposal to End the Israeli-Palestinian Impasse.** New York: Henry Holt, 2006. (“Much recent commentary on the stalled Middle East peace process has focused on ways to redirect Israelis and Palestinians toward the “road map for peace,” which aims to end hostilities by gradually establishing an independent Palestinian state that would exist alongside, albeit entwined with, the Israeli state. With this book, an outspoken advocate for the Palestinian cause argues that peace in the region can be better achieved by establishing a single, united, democratic state. Abunimah is not, of course, the first to propose a one-state, or ‘binational’ solution – indeed, interest in a one-state solution has grown as the two-state model has sputtered – and he is well aware of the obstacles to a one-state solution: namely, that socioeconomic inequality, disproportionate birth rates, and a perceived loss of sovereignty would seem to provide meager incentives for Jewish Israelis. But Abunimah’s approach, inspired by ongoing reconciliation processes in South Africa (and, to a lesser extent, Northern Ireland), is fresh, energetic, and ultimately optimistic that those tired of violence will eventually gravitate toward an inclusive, unified Israel.” —*Booklist*)

Barghouti, Omar. **Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions: The Global Struggle for Palestinian Rights.** Chicago: Haymarket Books, 2011. (“I have been to Palestine where I’ve witnessed the racially segregated housing and the humiliation of Palestinians at military roadblocks. I can’t help but remember the conditions we experienced in South Africa under apartheid. We could not have achieved our freedom without the help of people around the world using the nonviolent means of boycotts and divestment to compel governments and institutions to withdraw their support for the apartheid regime. Omar Barghouti’s lucid and morally compelling book is perfectly timed to make a major contribution to this urgently needed global campaign for justice, freedom and peace.” – Archbishop Desmond Tutu “Like the anti-apartheid movement against racist South Africa, BDS is helping to make a tremendous difference in what has been a most difficult struggle for human rights and the rights of a colonized and dispossessed people to national self-determination. This inspiring book is a weapon in a noble struggle in which all right-thinking people can play a part.” – Ronnie Kasrils, author, activist, and former South African government minister / “I commend this excellent book by Omar Barghouti... BDS is a nonviolent way in which each of us and our governments can follow our conscience and rightful moral and legal responsibility and act now to save Palestinian lives by demanding that the Israeli apartheid regime give justice and equality to all.” – Mairead Maguire, 1976 Nobel Peace Laureate)

Loewenstein, Antony and Ahmed Moor, eds. **After Zionism: One State for Israel and Palestine**. Saqi, 2012. (“Nothing will change until we are capable of imagining a radically different future. By bringing together many of the clearest and most ethical thinkers about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, this book gives us the intellectual tools we need to do just that. Courageous and exciting.”—Naomi Klein “After Zionism brings together some of the world’s leading thinkers on the Middle East question to dissect the century-long conflict between Zionism and the Palestinians, and to explore possible forms of a one-state solution. Time is running out for the two-state solution because of the unending and permanent Jewish colonization of Palestinian land. Although deep mistrust exists on both sides of the conflict, growing numbers of Palestinians and Israelis, Jews and Arabs are working together to forge a different future. Whatever the political solution may be, Palestinian and Israeli lives are intertwined, enmeshed, irrevocably. This daring and timely collection includes essays by Omar Barghouti, John Mearsheimer, Ilan Pappé, Sara Roy, and Jonathan Cook.” —Amazon)

Swisher, Clayton. **The Truth about Camp David: The Untold Story of the Middle Eastern Peace Process**. New York: Nation Books, 2004. (“...A fascinating book, an invasive, incisive and merciless probe of the guts of the Clinton administration.” -- Akiva Eldar "A carefully researched account that challenges conventional interpretations of the Camp David summit of 2000." -- William B. Quandt, Professor of Politics, University of Virginia, author of *Peace Process* "Any future mediator will have to read this account before the start of any final-status negotiations." -- Charles Enderlin, author of *Shattered Dreams* and Jerusalem Bureau chief of France 2 television "Challenging the pieties and political correctness of American discourse, Swisher makes a convincing case." -- L. Carl Brown, *Foreign Affairs*, September/October 2005)

Thrall, Nathan. **The Only Language They Understand: Forcing Compromise in Israel and Palestine**. New York: Henry Holt, 2017. (“Both the book and the title perfectly encapsulate the attitudes of the two sides to the Palestinian-Israeli conflict. The title also illustrates Thrall’s main thesis: that over the entire hundred years of this conflict, only force or the threat of force, whether military, political, economic, diplomatic, or in another form, has obligated the two sides to compromise. This book is essential reading for anyone who wants to understand why this conflict is intractable and remains unresolved.” —Rashid Khalidi, Edward Said Professor of Modern Arab Studies, Columbia University)

Related Titles

Akram, Susan. Edited by Michael Dumper, Michael Lynk, and Iain Scobbie. **International Law and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict: A Rights-based Approach to Middle East Peace**. New York: Routledge, 2011. (“Placing a rights-based approach to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict at the centre of discussions over its peaceful resolution, this book provides detailed consideration of international law and its application to political issues....Contributions from leading scholars in their respective fields give an in-depth analysis of key issues that have been marginalized in most mainstream discussions of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.” --Routledge.)

Beilin, Yossi. **Touching Peace: From the Oslo Acord to a Final Agreement.** London: Weidenfield & Nicholson, 1999. ("A firsthand account of the negotiations that led to the establishment of peace, however tenuous, between Israel and Palestine. "Haunted by the many opportunities for peace that had been missed in the past," journalist and Israeli Labour Party official Beilin took it upon himself in the mid-1980s to bring an end to the decades-long war between his nation and its Arab neighbors. In this memoir, he recounts, with a surfeit of detail, the long conversations with peace activists, diplomats, and friends-of-friends that helped set in motion the Oslo peace process (which brought unusual concessions from all sides-including Israel's agreement to withdraw from the Gaza Strip and to permit the establishment of a Palestinian state). The negotiations, in time, led to a Washington-brokered meeting of Yitzhak Rabin and Yasir Arafat. Their handshake on the White House steps, Beilin wryly notes, "did not cause the pillars of the universe to sway," but it did lead to Arafat's being condemned by members of his Palestine Liberation Organization and Rabin's being assassinated by a right-wing extremist. That murder, Beilin writes, "turned everything upside down" and threatened to undo the provisional accords; Israel's new president, Shimon Peres, was reluctant to accept his predecessor's compromises, but in the end a difficult peace was made-and so far it seems to be holding. Beilin wisely observes that peace is only a partial solution to all the region's woes. "This isn't a state of bliss," he adds. "It's just normal." Normal or not, the peace Beilin helped bring about requires Israel and Palestine alike to come to a new sense of self-identity, one that does not presuppose a constant state of war with someone else. That change in thinking, Beilin insists, may take time and effort, but there is no alternative. "Having embarked on the Oslo process," he concludes, "we have no option but to continue it." A valuable contribution to the literature of conflict resolution and Middle East studies." *-Kirkus Reviews*)

Bentsur, Eytan. **Making Peace: A First-hand Account of the Arab-Israeli Peace Process.** Praeger, 2000. ("A valuable addition to the literature on the Arab-Israeli peace process....Bentsur was in a position to report authoritatively on the Madrid conference and the Washington talks....he conveys a good sense of the nuances behind the negotiating position of both sides and reaches a persuasive conclusion on the significance of the talks, avoiding the trap of over-emphasizing events in which he played a part. The account is very succinct....well written....and should be attractive to general readers beyond specialists in the field....a valuable source for all of us who try to keep abreast to Israeli-Arab affairs."-Alan Dowty Professor of Government and International Studies University of Notre Dame)

Carter, Jimmy. **Palestine: Peace not Apartheid.** New York: Simon and Schuster, 2007. (“Carter feels strongly that what he has to say is absent from public discourse and policy decisions, and he knows that his status and voice provide authority to what might otherwise be rejected out of hand as anti-Israeli propaganda. He explains that Israel has never complied with U.N. Resolution 242 and others; has never lived up to its agreements made over the years in Washington, Oslo and elsewhere; continues to grab land through settlements and placement of a wall well within Palestinian territory; and still imprisons thousands of Palestinian men, women and children. While pointing out many murderous and counterproductive moves of Arafat and various Palestinian groups, he pointedly lays the blame for the current situation at the door of the Israelis and their Washington backers, with special venom for Bush and Rice, who have been mute on the subject for six years—even during the invasion of Lebanon.” —*Publishers Weekly*)

Eisenberg, Laura Zittrain, and Neil Caplan. **Negotiating Arab-Israeli Peace: Patterns, Problems Possibilities.** Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2010. (“In a direct and diplomatic analysis, this book dissects the past decades of U.S. inadequacies and outlines the requirements for an effective U.S. policy in the Middle East. It is the ‘1975 Brookings Report of the next election, and it points sternly and creatively to the lessons and opportunities that we will be criminal to ignore. The United States Institute of Peace has done the nation a service in sponsoring the project, and the authors and their team have done the world a favor in looking so clearly into the past and the future.” ---I. William Zartman, Jacob Blaustein Professor of International Organization and Conflict Resolution, Johns Hopkins University—SAIS)

Faruqi, Dannish, ed. **From Camp David to Cast Lead.** London: Lexington Books, 2011. (“Choose any ten years in the history of Washington's Middle East 'peace process,' and you will find way more 'process' than anything resembling peace. Framing the most recent decade by two of its biggest disasters, Faruqi brings together a wide-ranging team of analysts to sort out why the failures continue—most importantly because of the longstanding U.S.-Israeli rejection of international law and human rights as the crucial basis for any serious solution. The assembly of Palestinian and other writers demonstrate how the 'two-state' model is, or soon will be, a hopeless anachronism—and crucially, the urgent need to consider new, not-so-new, different and creative alternatives for a just peace.”--Phyllis Bennis, Institute for Policy Studies and author of *Understanding the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict*)

Giacaman, George, and Dag Lonning, eds. **After Oslo: New Realities, Old Problems.** London: Pluto Press, 1998. (“[An] excellent collection ... Its analytical lucidity makes it essential reading to understand the new configurations and implications of the Middle East problem.” --*International Affairs* “Ten authors, by focusing on various aspects of the peace agreements from geography to the media, compellingly conclude that while the agreements offer limited benefits and hope for peaceful solutions, the reality is far from it.” --*Ethnic Conflict Research Digest*)

Halper, Jeff. **Obstacles to Peace: a Reframing of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict.** 4th ed. Jerusalem: ICAHD, 2009. (“Newly revised with updated materials, this book remains the best reference guide to the Israeli Occupation of the West Bank and East Jerusalem. It provides detailed maps and a sharp, grounded analysis of the Israeli Occupation of Palestine and places that conflict within the context of Israel's policies and practices that have created a "matrix of control" limiting the ability of the Palestinian people to survive on their land.” –Amazon)

Heikal, Mohamed. **Secret Channels: The Inside Story of Arab-Israeli Peace Negotiations.** New York: HarperCollins, 1996. (“Drawing on his years of experience as a journalist, editor, and advisor to Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser, Mohammed Heikal gives an insider's view of 100 years of secret peace negotiations between Arabs and Israelis in his book *Secret Channels*; the picture he paints is not especially flattering for either side. But Heikal reserves his greatest indignation for the Arab leaders whose bungling, cowardice, and outright betrayals brought about a peace that Heikal claims sacrificed Palestinian interests in exchange for meaningless Israeli concessions. Sadat in particular receives the brunt of Heikal's ire, coming off as a vain, narcissistic, and easily manipulated "showman." Offering a passionate critique of the recent peace process without demonizing Israel or Israelis, Heikal's impressively detailed account fills an important gap in the existing literature of Arab-Israeli conflict.” —Amazon “Heikal ... calmly explores, in often painstaking detail, the political and moral failings of key players on both sides.... *Secret Channels* is ... a fascinating account of how decades of secret peacemaking eventually prevailed over Arab and Israeli rejectionism. His story is all the more engaging because of his personal involvement.... --*The New York Times Book Review*, Judith Miller)

Honig-Parnass, Tikva, **The False Prophets of Peace: Liberal Zionism and the Struggle for Palestine.** Chicago: Haymarket Books, 2011. (“The Zionist Left, formerly hegemonic, has declined since 1977 and is now marginalized, while the differences between it and the center and Right have almost disappeared. But the myth of its ‘progressive’ nature persists among Western liberals. Based on her knowledge as a former insider [she fought in the 1948 war and served as the secretary of the then Radical Left Zionist Party of Mapam (The Unified Workers Party) in the Knesset (1951-1954)], and on her familiarity with the relevant material, Tikva Honig-Parnass performs an invaluable service in forensically deconstructing the myth.” —Moshé Machover)

Karmi, Ghada. **Married to Another Man: Israel's Dilemma in Palestine.** London: Pluto Press, 2007. (“The demise of the two-state solution makes Ghada Karmi's work a compelling read. . .Her bold vision of a single egalitarian state for Palestinians and Israelis is the only way to break the current log jam and bring an end to Apartheid Israel.” — Dr. Nur Masalha, Reader in Religion and Politics, Director of the Centre for Religion and History and of the Holy Land Research Project, St Mary's University College, University of Surrey)

Khatinb, Ghassan. **Palestinian Politics and the Middle East Peace Process**. New York: Routledge, 2011. ("Eight years after the second Palestinian uprising, the Oslo accords signed in 1993 seem to have failed. The reasons for the failure continue to fascinate students, politicians, researchers and policymakers alike. This book explores one of the major aspects of the bilateral peace process – the composition and behaviour of the Palestinian negotiating team, which deeply impacted the outcome of the negotiations between 1991 and 1997. It focuses on the dynamics between the PLO leadership outside the occupied Palestinian territories and the grassroots leadership within the areas under Israeli control that led to conflicts of interest at the time of the final agreement. As the author was a part of the Palestinian leadership in the occupied territories and was present during the negotiations process in Madrid and Washington DC, the book contains original, unpublished accounts, including those of the Washington bilateral negotiations and crucial internal Palestinian meetings. It is an excellent resource to gain an understanding of Palestinian behavior during peace talks, deterioration in peace-making efforts, the resulting radicalization, and the growing tendency towards violence." –Amazon)

Indyk, Martin. **Innocent Abroad: An Intimate Account of American Peace Diplomacy in the Middle East**. New York: Simon and Schuster, 2009. ("The ultimate inside account of the machinations of the modern Middle East. Indyk has lived this story now for several decades, and he provides the most vivid cameos and snapshots of the personalities of the region since Henry Kissinger's memoir of his 'shuttle diplomacy' years. Indyk is honest and self-critical about his own mistakes and those of his former bosses. That's the most hopeful aspect of this remarkable memoir - that we can learn from our errors. I devoured this book. As with a good novel, the story grabs hold of you and doesn't let go." -- David Ignatius, columnist for *The Washington Post* and author of *Body of Lies*)

Kurtzer, Daniel and Scott Lasensky. **Negotiating Arab-Israeli Peace: American Leadership in the Middle East**. United States Institute of Peace, 2008. ("Negotiating Arab-Israeli Peace is a tour de force that deserves wide readership not only in the official, journalistic, and think tank worlds but also in academia. This book should be widely utilized as a teaching tool by professors who want to add real life practices to the plethora of academic theory about conflict resolution and peacemaking." --The Honorable Samuel W. Lewis, former United States ambassador to Israel and former director of the Policy Planning Staff, U.S. Department of State "In a direct and diplomatic analysis, this book dissects the past decades of U.S. inadequacies and outlines the requirements for an effective U.S. policy in the Middle East. It is the '1975 Brookings Report' of the next election, and it points sternly and creatively to the lessons and opportunities that we will be criminal to ignore. The United States Institute of Peace has done the nation a service in sponsoring the project, and the authors and their team have done the world a favor in looking so clearly into the past and the future." ---I. William Zartman, Jacob Blaustein Professor of International Organization and Conflict Resolution, Johns Hopkins University)

Lim, Audrea, ed. **The Case for Sanctions Against Israel**. New York: Verso, 2012. (“Leading international voices [including Audrea Lim (Editor), Omar Barghouti (Contributor), Naomi Klein (Contributor), Ilan Pappé (Contributor), Slavoj Žižek (Contributor), Ra’anan Alexandrowicz (Contributor), Merav Amir (Contributor), Hind Awwad (Contributor), Mustafa Barghouti (Contributor), Dalit Baum (Contributor), Joel Beinin (Contributor), John Berger (Contributor), Angela Davis (Contributor), Nada Elia (Contributor), Marc H. Ellis (Contributor), Noura Erakat (Contributor), Neve Gordon (Contributor), Ran Greenstein (Contributor), Ronald Kasrils (Contributor), Jamal Khader (Contributor), Paul Laverty (Contributor)] argue for boycott, divestment and sanctions against Israel...and contains contributions from both sides of the separation wall, along with a stellar list of international commentators.” — Verso. Ilan Pappé’s chapter, “The boycott will work, an Israeli perspective,” is available online; Hind Awwad’s chapter, “Six years of BDS: Success!” is available online.)

Meital, Yoram. **Peace in Tatters: Israel, Palestine, and the Middle East**. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2006. (“Peace in Tatters was born in a set of questions with which the author, an Israeli scholar, has struggled for some years: What went wrong in the Israeli-Palestinian peace process before the July 2000 Camp David summit and during the crucial negotiations? How have the dominant narratives about the collapse of the peace process been crafted? Does the ongoing crisis mark the end of the road for the idea that the conflict can be settled based on a two-state solution, with Palestinians and Israelis living as peaceful neighbors? Yoram Meital offers a powerful explanation of how and why the peace process developed, evolved, and ultimately fell apart. Though rich in historical context, Peace in Tatters focuses primarily on the critical years of 2000-2004. Meital examines the major developments in the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, the evolving public-political discourse in Israeli and Palestinian societies, and, unflinchingly, U.S. policy in the Middle East.” — Amazon)

Miller, Aaron David. **The Much Too Promised Land: America’s Elusive Search for Arab-Israeli Peace**. New York: Bantam Books, 2009. (“Aaron David Miller presents a candid insight into the Middle East peace process. His storytelling gifts make the pages difficult to resist as he moves from anecdote to analysis and offers an intimate portrayal of the minds and personalities of the major players. This is an unpredictable and challenging book.” —George J. Mitchell “Aaron David Miller shines a floodlight on the workings of America's Middle East policy. He has written the rarest kind of diplomatic history—both knowing and accessible. This is a book peopled by large, historic figures—Arabs, Israelis, and Americans, and Aaron Miller renders them with artistry. He was there as this diplomatic history was made, and he distills it for his readers with honesty and wisdom and no small measure of irreverence. A superb and exquisitely rendered book.”—Fouad Ajami, Majid Khadduri Professor of Middle East Studies, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies “In this absorbing volume, as one who participated in numerous high level negotiations on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, Aaron Miller offers both information and insight to interested and concerned readers.”—Elie Wiesel “Illuminating... the value of the book is its rich and colorful history of past negotiations, and Miller's sharp-edged analysis of what went wrong and right. Memo to the secretary of state: The next time you head off to Jerusalem, throw out some of those briefing papers to make room for this book in your briefcase.”—*Washington Post*)

Morris, Benny. **One State, Two States: Resolving the Israel/Palestine Conflict.** New Haven: Yale University Press, 2010. (““What is so striking about Morris’s work as a historian is that it does not flatter anyone’s prejudices, least of all his own,” David Remnick remarked in a New Yorker article that coincided with the publication of Benny Morris’s 1948: A History of the First Arab-Israeli War. With the same commitment to objectivity that has consistently characterized his approach, Morris now turns his attention to the present-day legacy of the events of 1948 and the concrete options for the future of Palestine and Israel. The book scrutinizes the history of the goals of the Palestinian national movement and the Zionist movement, then considers the various one- and two-state proposals made by different streams within the two movements. It also looks at the willingness or unwillingness of each movement to find an accommodation based on compromise. Morris assesses the viability and practicality of proposed solutions in the light of complicated and acrimonious realities. Throughout his groundbreaking career, Morris has reshaped understanding of the Israeli-Arab conflict. Here, once again, he arrives at a new way of thinking about the discord, injecting a ray of hope in a region where it is most sorely needed.” –Amazon)

O’Malley, Pdraig. **The Two-State Delusion: Israel and Palestine—A Tale of Two Narratives.** New York: Viking, 2015. (“Impressive . . . [O’Malley] has done a tremendous amount of research about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. He’s not only delved deeply into the literature; he’s also interviewed dozens of participants on both sides. The result is a book so packed with information that it will reward even the reader so dedicated that she consumes the Israel-Palestine stories buried on Page A17 of *The Times*. . . . O’Malley is not only knowledgeable; he’s also honest.” —*New York Times Book Review*)

Quandt, William. **Peace Process: American Diplomacy and the Arab-Israeli Conflict Since 1967.** Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2005. (“This classic work has now been updated to reflect recently declassified US government documents and other published materials relating to the Johnson, Nixon, and Clinton presidencies, and to carry the story through George W. Bush's first term. A comprehensive account of the Middle East peace process, the book places the current situation in historical context and points to possible negotiations out of the impasse between Israelis and Palestinians.” -- Fred Rhodes, *Middle East Policy* "Quandt's work on this subject, including this third edition, is probably the most readable, comprehensive, thoroughly researched, dispassionate, honest, fair, and yet critical, account we have."--- Thomas R. Mattair, *Middle East Policy*)

Quandt, William. **Camp David: Peacemaking and Politics.** Washington D.C.: Brookings Institution, 2016. ("The most authoritative account of a major historic event, written with scrupulous scholarship by a key behind-the-scenes participant."—Zbigniew Brzezinski, Adviser to the President for National Security Affairs, 1977-81 ". . . an excellent piece of work . . . will represent a major contribution to the academic literature on American Middle East policy during the Carter administration. No one but Bill Quandt could, in my view, write so knowledgeable, yet so judiciously balanced, and account."—Hermann Frederick Eilts, Director Boston University Center for International Relations, and Ambassador to Egypt, 1973-79 "In his detailed, carefully balanced and meticulously researched history of the Carter administration's goal in helping Israel and Egypt achieve peace, Bill Quandt has produced an admirable model of contemporary historical writing . . . a major contribution to the literature on the Middle East."—Samuel W. Lewis, Diplomat-in-Residence, The Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, and Ambassador to Israel, 1977-85)

Qumsiyeh, Mazin. **Sharing the Land of Canaan: Human Rights and the Israeli-Palestinian Struggle.** London: Pluto Press, 2004. ("Sharing the Land of Canaan is a critical documentation of these events and the core issues of the conflict, with the view that human rights are key to any plans for a lasting peace. There is a growing interest in a vision and a roadmap for peace based on human rights among Israelis, Palestinians, and human rights activists around the world. A shared future is increasingly recognized as far more realistic than separation and continued injustice. This book examines facts on the ground and articulates future directions based on the logic of equality and human rights, rather than apartheid. The advocated solutions are not only moral, ethical, and humane but can actually achieve a lasting and just peace. People who now live in this land of Canaan and those dispossessed from it will find the roadmap presented here compelling." —Pluto Press)

Qurie, Ahmed. **Peace Negotiations in Palestine: from the Second Intifada to the Road Map.** London: I.B. Tauris, 2015. The start of the twenty-first century in Palestine saw the breakdown of the Oslo Accords (which, signed in 1993 was an attempt to begin the resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict) give way to a turbulent period of dashed hope, escalating violence and internal division. Tracking developments from the Second Intifada of 2000 to Hamas' 2006 electoral victory, former Palestinian Prime Minister Ahmed Qurie provides revealing and first-hand detail of the monumental changes that have rocked the peace process and the region as a whole. New proposals, such as the Arab Peace Initiative and the Road Map, and historic events, including the death of iconic leader Yasser Arafat and Ariel Sharon's withdrawal from Gaza, are recognised to be of immense significance. However, it is Qurie's unique position that reveals a new perspective of how they played out on the stages of Palestinian internal governance, regional politics and international diplomacy." —Amazon)

Netanyahu, Benjamin. **A Durable Peace: Israel and Its Place Among the Nations**. New York: Grand Central Publishing, 2000. ("Benjamin Netanyahu's primer on pro-Israel politics is an updated version of an earlier book, *A Place Among the Nations*. There's a good reason for the revision, of course: in the years since the first book was published, Netanyahu has served as the prime minister of Israel. Yet *A Durable Peace* is not a stale politician's memoir. It's a resounding plea for Israel's acceptance as a full member of the world community, as well as a call for understanding its unique security needs. Netanyahu displays his knack--perfect for the television era but also helpful on these pages--for channeling complex ideas into pithy statements. Here's Netanyahu on the importance of Israel to the Jewish people: "If there had been a Jewish state in the first half of the [20th] century, there would have been no Holocaust. And if there had not been a Jewish state after the Holocaust, there would have been no Jewish future." On the need for Arab concessions in the peace process: "For the sake of peace, [the Arab states] must renounce their claims to part of the four ten-thousandths--0.004--of the lands they desire, which constitute the very heart of the Jewish homeland and the protective wall of the Jewish state." These are the statements of a skilled debater, and they represent a one-sided view of Middle Eastern politics. Yet Netanyahu also provides an excellent introduction to Zionism and the need to protect a small country against neighbors who have waged war against it." --John J. Miller)

Rabie, Mohamed. **U.S.-PLO Dialogue: Secret Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution**. Gainesville: University of Florida Press, 1995 ("I know of few people as dedicated and able as Mohamed Rabie. Some will see his account as pro-Palestinian, but the fact is that Palestinians, like Israelis, have a point in the long-standing Arab-Israeli dispute and it too needs to be understood."--Hermann F. Eilts, former U.S. ambassador to Egypt and Saudi Arabia "Tells in gripping detail what went on behind the scenes... [Rabie] explains how the PLO works, as well as how he and other individuals anxious for peace were able to break through a blocked door and eventually bring about a dialogue between the U.S. and the PLO."---Charles Butterworth, Woodrow Wilson International Center)

Rabinovich, Itamar. **Waging Peace: Israel and the Arabs, 1948-2003**. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2004. ("A keen strategic mind is at work in *Waging Peace*--dovish but tough, focused on the big picture yet ever attentive to particulars. This eloquent book is essential reading for anyone following the Arab-Israeli peace process. ---Mitchell Cohen, *New York Time Book Review* [*Waging Peace*] is calm, dispassionate, impersonal, unusually well-informed. . . . Rabinovich is not a polemicist given to flourishes of rhetoric. . . . [He possesses a] keen strategic mind.---Amos Elon, *New York Review of Books* "In *Waging Peace*, Itamar Rabinovich offers a good diplomatic history of how the Israeli-Palestinian peace process unraveled. Ultimately, the former ambassador believes not only that Arafat 'failed the test of leadership' but that the broader Arab world's rejection of normal ties with Israel keeps the door of war perpetually open." ---*Jerusalem Post*)

Rød-Larsen, Terje, Fabrice Aidan, and Nur Laiq, eds. **The Search for Peace in the Arab-Israeli Conflict: A Compendium of Documents and Analysis 1st Edition.** Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2014. (“Finding the way to peace in the Middle East continues to be one of the great challenges of international diplomacy. This volume provides an authoritative annotated overview of attempts to make peace in the region, including all relevant documents related to the Arab-Israeli conflict over the past century since the Sykes-Picot Agreement of 1916, and a full set of accompanying maps specially made for this edition. It collects both formal peace agreements and informal peace proposals. It provides both regional and domestic documents. The papers compiled here show that many brave attempts have been made over the decades to bring an end to the conflicts in the Middle East. They serve as not only comprehensive records and reference materials for students and scholars, but also as tools for new policymakers to learn from the past to improve the chance of success, step by step on the path to peace.” —Amazon)

Ross, Dennis. **The Missing Peace: The Inside Story of the Fight for Middle East Peace.** New York: Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2004. (“Important, voluminous and keenly balanced . . . Ross's analysis of the peace process is astute, but the real service he performs in this book is less in explaining the meaning of events than in setting the record straight.” —Ethan Bronner, *The New York Times Book Review* “*The Missing Peace* is the definitive and gripping account of the sometimes exhilarating, often tortured twists and turns in the Middle East peace process, viewed from the front row by one of its major players, Dennis Ross. No one worked harder for peace than Dennis. He gave it everything he had and served our nation very well. Now he has provided us with a rich account of what happened that is essential to understanding both the past and the possible paths to the future.” —President William J. Clinton “*The Missing Peace* is a brilliant behind-the-scenes account of history in the making. Only Dennis Ross could have written such a lively, provocative and insightful book. This definitive telling of a fascinating and tragic tale will be indispensable to any serious student of the Arab-Israeli dispute.” —Madeleine Albright, former U.S. Secretary of State)

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