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A Letter from Haim Saban

Welcome to Jerusalem and the fourth annual Saban Forum. We are honored to welcome back many participants and privileged to have new guests join us. We are also grateful to those who traveled long distances to be here with us.

This year's Saban Forum, "War and Peace in the Middle East," comes on the eve of the planned international peace meeting in Annapolis, Maryland, which may lead to the resumption of Israeli-Palestinian final status negotiations. That would be a silver lining in some of the dark clouds that threaten the Middle East's horizon, from sectarian strife in Iraq, to Iran's nuclear ambitions, and Islamic extremist challenges to the existing order. Our overall purpose in this year's dialogue is to assess the prospects for both war and peace in the Middle East and consider what the United States and Israel can do about both challenges.

We aim to foster a candid exchange of views among people with diverse experience and deep knowledge. As in past years, we are avoiding set-piece speeches in favor of short opening presentations and even shorter interventions. This year, we have also reduced the number of sessions, allowing for more time within each session for the dialogue. Because we want to hear from all of you, please be succinct and to the point.

Please note that the "Chatham House Rule" applies to our discussions, which means that participants are free to use the information discussed, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speakers, nor that of any other participant, may be revealed.

It truly is a privilege for me to sponsor this event. I am indebted to the very capable staff at the Saban Center at Brookings and Debby Communications in Israel for helping to turn this idea into reality.

It is my honor to welcome you to the Saban Forum 2007.

B'ruchim Habaim,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Haim Saban", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Haim Saban

American Participants

GARY ACKERMAN, United States House of Representatives (D-5th Congressional District of New York).

ROLAND ARNALL, Ambassador of the United States to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

ALAN BATKIN, Vice Chairman, Eton Park Capital Management; Trustee, the Brookings Institution.

SAMUEL BERGER, Chairman, Stonebridge International; former National Security Advisor.

HOWARD BERMAN, United States House of Representatives (D-28th Congressional District of California).

J. COFER BLACK, Chairman, Total Intelligence Solutions; Vice Chairman, Blackwater USA; former State Department Coordinator for Counterterrorism.

DAVID BROOKS, Columnist, *The New York Times*.

DANIEL BYMAN, Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy; Director, Center for Peace and Security Studies, Georgetown University.

ADAM CHESNOFF, President and Chief Operating Officer, Saban Capital Group.

ROBERT DANIN, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, U.S. Department of State.

JACKSON DIEHL, Deputy Editorial Page Editor, *The Washington Post*.

MICHAEL DORAN, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Support to Public Diplomacy, U.S. Department of Defense.

DIANNE FEINSTEIN, United States Senate, (D-California).

DAVID FISHER, Chairman of Capital Group International, Inc. and Capital Guardian Trust Company; member, International Advisory Board, Saban Center for Middle East Policy.

BRIAN GREENSPUN, President and Editor, the *Las Vegas Sun* newspaper; member, International Advisory Board, Saban Center for Middle East Policy.

DAVID GREGORY, Chief White House Correspondent, *NBC*.

JANE HARMAN, United States House of Representatives (D-36th Congressional District of California).

DAVID IGNATIUS, Columnist, *The Washington Post*.

MARTIN INDYK, Director, Saban Center for Middle East Policy; former U.S. Ambassador to Israel and Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs.

RICHARD JONES, Ambassador of the United States to Israel.

TOM LANTOS, United States House of Representatives (D-12th Congressional District of California).

SAMUEL LEWIS, Board Member, Institute for the Study of Diplomacy, Georgetown University and Partners for Democratic Change; Executive Committee Member, American Academy of Diplomacy; former U.S. Ambassador to Israel.

NITA LOWEY, United States House of Representatives (D-18th Congressional District of New York).

SUZANNE MALONEY, Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy.

HANI MASRI, Chairman of Capital Investment Management Inc.; former Consul of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan in Washington D.C.

CARLOS PASCUAL, Vice President and Director of the Foreign Policy Studies Program, the Brookings Institution; former U.S. Department of State Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization.

TODD PATKIN, Founder, Todd G. Patkin Companies.

CHARLES PEREZ, Co-Founder, Paul Davril Inc; member, International Advisory Board, Saban Center for Middle East Policy.

KENNETH POLLACK, Director of Research, Saban Center for Middle East Policy; former Director for Persian Gulf Affairs, National Security Council.

CONDOLEEZZA RICE, Secretary of State of the United States.

BRUCE RIEDEL, Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy; former Senior Director for Near East and North African Affairs, National Security Council.

CARLA ANNE ROBBINS, Deputy Editorial Page Editor, *The New York Times*.

CHERYL SABAN, Executive Director, 50 Ways to Save Our Children.

HAIM SABAN, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Saban Capital Group, Inc.; Chairman, International Advisory Board, Saban Center for Middle East Policy.

PUNEET TALWAR, Senior Staff Member, Foreign Relations Committee, United States Senate.

SHIBLEY TELHAMI, Nonresident Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy; Anwar Sadat Professor for Peace and Development, University of Maryland.

GEORGE TENET, Distinguished Professor in the Practice of Diplomacy, Georgetown University; former Director of Central Intelligence.

MARGARET WARNER, Senior Correspondent, *The Newshour with Jim Lehrer*.

HENRY WAXMAN, United States House of Representatives (D-30th Congressional District of California).

C . DAVID WELCH, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, U.S. Department of State.

TAMARA COFMAN WITTES, Director of the Project on Middle East Democracy and Development and Senior Fellow, Saban Center for Middle East Policy.

Israeli Participants

AHARON ABRAMOVICH, Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

SHAI AGASSI, founder and Chief Executive Officer, Better PLC.

SHLOMO BEN AMI, Vice-President, Toledo International Centre for Peace; former Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of Public Security.

UZI ARAD, Director, Institute of Policy and Strategy, the Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya.

SHLOMO AVINERI, Professor of Political Science, Hebrew University of Jerusalem; former Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

EHUD BARAK, Minister of Defense and Deputy Prime Minister; former Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of the Interior.

NAHUM BARNEA, Political Columnist, *Yediot Ahronot*.

AVISHAY BRAVERMAN, Member of the Knesset, Labor-Meimad; former President of the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

EITAN CABEL, Member of the Knesset, Labor-Meimad.

ARYE CARMON, Founder and President, Israel Democracy Institute.

ILANA DAYAN, Anchorperson, *Uvda*, *Channel Two*.

AVRAHAM DICTER, Minister of Public Security; former Director of the Shin Bet (Israel Security Agency).

GIORA EILAND, Fellow, Institute for National Security Studies; former National Security Advisor.

MICHAEL FEDERMANN, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Federmann Enterprises Ltd.

STANLEY FISCHER, Governor, Bank of Israel; former First Deputy Managing Director, the International Monetary Fund.

EIVAL GILADY, Chief Executive Officer of The Portland Trust Israel; former Head of Coordination and Strategy for the Prime Minister's Bureau.

HIRSH GOODMAN, Director, Andrea and Charles Bronfman Program on Information Strategy, Institute for National Security Studies.

EFRAIM HALEVY, Head, Shasha Center for Strategic Studies, the Federmann School of Public Policy and Governance, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem; former Director of the Mossad, former Israeli Ambassador to the European Union, former Director of the National Security Council and National Security Advisor.

ISRAEL HAREL, Chairman, Institute for Zionist Strategies; Columnist, *Ha'aretz*.

ISAAC HERZOG, Minister of Social Affairs and Services and Minister of the Jewish Diaspora, Society and the Fight against Anti-Semitism.

MICHAEL HERZOG, Chief of Staff to the Minister of Defense.

DALIA ITZIK, Speaker of the Knesset; former Acting President of the State of Israel.

YNON KREIZ, General Partner, Balderton Capital.

YOSEF KUPERWASSER, Vice President, Global CST; former Head of Assessments, Directorate of Military Intelligence, Israel Defense Forces.

AVIGDOR LIEBERMAN, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Strategic Affairs.

TZIPI LIVNI, Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs.

DAN MERIDOR, Vice-Chairman, Institute for National Security Studies; Partner, Haim Zadok & Co.; former Minister of Justice and Minister of Finance.

LEORA MERIDOR, Business and Financial Consultant, Meridor Management and Consulting; former Chairwoman, Bezeq International.

ILAN MIZRAHI, Outgoing Director, National Security Council; former Deputy Director of the Mossad.

BENJAMIN NETANYAHU, Member of Knesset and Leader of the Opposition; Chairman of the Likud Party; former Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Minister of Finance.

EHUD OLMERT, Prime Minister; former Vice Prime Minister.

SHIMON PERES, President; former Prime Minister, Minister of Defense and Minister of Foreign Affairs.

DALIA RABIN, Chairperson, Yitzhak Rabin Center for Israel Studies; former Deputy Minister of Defense.

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NATAN SHARANSKY, Chairman, Adelson Institute for Strategic Studies, the Shalem Center; former Deputy Prime Minister and founder, Yisrael B'Aliyah party.

ARI SHAVIT, Senior Correspondent, *Ha'aretz*.

MEIR SHEETRIT, Minister of Housing and Construction and Minister of Internal Affairs.

EPHRAIM SNEH, Member of Knesset, Labor-Meimad; former Deputy Minister of Defense, Minister of Health, and Minister of Transportation.

YULI TAMIR, Minister of Education; Professor, Tel Aviv University.

YOSEF VARDI, Principal, International Technologies Ventures.

DOV WEISSGLAS, Senior Partner, Weissglas-Almagor and International Senior Consultant, Patton Boggs; former Chief of the Prime Minister's Bureau and Special Advisor to Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.

EHUD YAARI, Middle East Commentator, *Channel 2 News*; Associate Editor, *The Jerusalem Report*.

AMOS YADLIN, Chief of Defense Intelligence, Israel Defense Forces.

SHLOMO YANAI, President and Chief Executive Officer, Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd.; former Director, Israel Defense Forces Strategic Planning Division.

International Participants

TONY BLAIR (UNITED KINGDOM), Envoy of the Quartet on the Middle East; former prime minister of the United Kingdom.

SIR RONALD COHEN (UNITED KINGDOM), Chairman, Portland Capital, The Portland Trust, and Bridges Community Ventures; founding partner and former Chairman, Apax Partners.

MICHAEL IGNATIEFF (CANADA), Member of Parliament, House of Commons, Canada; Deputy Leader, the Liberal Party.

MICHAEL ZAOUÏ (FRANCE), Vice Chairman, Institutional Securities Group, Morgan Stanley.

Biographies

AARON ABRAMOVICH

Aaron Abramovich is the Director General of Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He was the Director General of the Ministry of Justice from 2001-5. He served as the Chairman of the Israel CPA (Certified Public Accountants) Council (2002-5) and Director General of the Jewish Agency for Israel (1999-2001). From 1995-9, he was the Legal Advisor to the Jewish Agency for Israel, the World Zionist Organization, the World Jewish Restitution Organization and Keren HaYesod (the United Israel Appeal). Before this he held various posts in the Jewish Agency for Israel, including Vice-Legal Advisor and Deputy to the Legal Advisor as well as Emissary in Toronto, Canada. He has served as a member of the Board of Directors of El-Al, the Finance and Audit Committees of the Israel Museum and the Israel Lands Administration. He holds a B.A. from the Faculty of Law of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

GARY ACKERMAN

Congressman Gary L. Ackerman represents the Fifth Congressional District of New York, encompassing northeastern parts of Queens in New York City as well as northwestern parts of Nassau County. Ackerman is the Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, and is presently serving his thirteenth term in the United States House of Representatives. He was first elected to public office in 1978 when he joined the New York State Senate. He was elected to Congress in 1983 in a special election. In addition to serving on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Ackerman serves on the House Financial Services Committee. Ackerman graduated from Queens College of the City University of New York.

SHAI AGASSI

Shai Agassi is the founder and Chief Executive Officer of Better PLC, a new infrastructure creator and operator for the management of country-wide electric vehicle fleets. Better PLC works with governments, carmakers, and financial institutions to create a large scale framework for rapid transformation of transport systems away from fossil based energy into non-polluting oil free solutions. Agassi is the former President of the Products and Technology Group of SAP AG. He was a member of the Executive Board of SAP AG, from April 2002

through March 2007. In his last position at SAP AG, he held responsibilities for the global development of the entire SAP product line and SAP's portfolio of industry-specific solutions. Agassi is a serial entrepreneur who has started several successful businesses. He founded TopTier Software, a leading enterprise portal vendor that was acquired by SAP in April 2001. In addition, he co-founded Quicksoft Ltd., a leading multimedia software localization and distribution company in the Israeli market; TopManage, a developer of small-business software that was acquired by SAP in April 2002 and later renamed SAP Business One, the small-business offering by SAP; and Quicksoft Media, a multimedia production company that ceased operations in 1995. He is an active member of the Young Global Leaders organization within the World Economic Forum where he focuses his work on topics relating to climate change. Agassi holds a bachelor's degree from the Israel Institute of Technology, the Technion.

SHLOMO BEN AMI

Shlomo Ben Ami is a Vice-President of the Toledo International Center for Peace, an organization he co-founded in 2004. He became Minister of Foreign Affairs in 2000 after serving as Minister of Public Security in 1999. As Minister of Foreign Affairs, he led the secret negotiations with the Speaker of the Palestinian Legislative Council Ahmed Qurei in Stockholm. He participated with Prime Minister Ehud Barak in the Camp David Summit in 2000, after which he led the Israeli team in the different phases of the negotiations with the Palestinians, including at Taba. Ben Ami was a member of Israel's delegation to the Madrid Peace Conference. In 1993, he headed the Israeli delegation at the Multilateral Talks on Refugees in the Middle East held in Ottawa, Canada. Ben Ami was elected to the Knesset in 1996, where he served as a member of the Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee. Ben Ami created the Curiel Center for International Studies at Tel Aviv University in 1993 and headed the Center until 1996. He was Israel's first Ambassador to Spain, a post he held from 1987-91. Before this, he taught at Tel Aviv University and chaired its Graduate School of History. From 1980-2, Ben Ami was a Visiting Fellow at St. Antony's College, Oxford and he had a similar fellowship at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

in 1992. He has authored several books in English, Spanish and Hebrew. Ben Ami holds a B.A. and an M.A. from Tel Aviv University and a doctorate from Oxford University.

ROLAND ARNALL

Roland E. Arnall is the U.S. Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands. Before his diplomatic service he built a diversified investment portfolio in companies that operate in a range of industries including financial services, technology, real estate, oil and gas exploration and insurance. These business interests complement a career that is distinguished by years of dedication to philanthropic and community service pursuits. Arnall served sixteen years as Trustee of the California State University System, the world's largest university system, and was a member of California's Education Task Force Committee. He is founding Co-Chairman and Trustee of the Simon Wiesenthal Center and the Museum of Tolerance. Arnall is a member of the International Advisory Board of the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution.

UZI ARAD

Uzi Arad is the Founding Director of the Institute for Policy and Strategy of the Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya. He established and chairs the institute's Annual Herzliya Conference Series on the Balance of Israel's National Strength and Security. Arad also founded and chairs the Atlantic Forum of Israel and serves as Advisor to the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee. Recently, Arad was empowered to assemble, and nominated to chair, the Presidential World Jewish Forum. He served in Israel's foreign intelligence service, the Mossad, for twenty-five years, including senior positions in Israel and abroad. His last position was as Director of Intelligence, after which he was appointed Foreign Policy Advisor to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. After retiring from the civil service, Arad was appointed by the Council of the European Union to establish and direct the E.U.-Israel Forum. Before joining the Mossad, he was a Professional Staff Member of the Hudson Institute in New York and a Research Fellow at Tel Aviv University's Center for Strategic Studies. Arad received

his bachelor's degree from Tel Aviv University and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Princeton University, which he attended as a Fulbright Scholar.

SHLOMO AVINERI

Shlomo Avineri is a Professor of Political Science and former Director of the Institute for European Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Avineri served as Director General of Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 1975-7. He also headed the Israeli delegation to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization General Assembly, and in 1979 was a member of the joint Egyptian-Israeli commission that drafted the Cultural and Scientific Agreement between the two countries. Avineri has been a visiting scholar at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, the Brookings Institution, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and the Institute of World Economy and International Relations in Moscow. He is the author of many works, including *The Making of Modern Zionism: The Intellectual Origins of the Jewish State* (1981). His most recent book is an intellectual biography of Theodor Herzl in Hebrew. Avineri studied at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and at the London School of Economics and Political Science and has held visiting appointments at Yale University, Cornell University, the University of California and Oxford University. Avineri has a B.A. and an M.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and a Ph.D. from the London School of Economics and Political Science.

EHUD BARAK

Ehud Barak is the Minister of Defense and Deputy Prime Minister of Israel as well as the Head of the Israeli Labor Party. Before his current tenure, he spent seven years out of politics working in the business sector. Barak was Prime Minister and Minister of Defense from 1999-2001. While Prime Minister, he led the government in efforts to make Arab-Israeli peace, including ordering the Israel Defense Forces to leave southern Lebanon in May 2000. Barak previously served as Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of the Interior and was Head of the Opposition from 1996-9. Before his political career, Barak had a distinguished military career. He was the most decorated soldier in the history of the Israel Defense

Forces. He served as Chief of the General Staff of the Israel Defense Forces from 1991-5, having previously led elite Special Forces units and the Research and Development and Planning Branches. Barak was also the Chief of Defense Intelligence of the Israel Defense Forces (1983-5), playing a leading role in the Israeli intelligence community from 1983-9. He received his B.Sc. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, and his M.Sc. from Stanford University.

NAHUM BARNEA

Nahum Barnea is the leading Political Columnist with *Yediot Ahronot*, Israel's largest circulation daily newspaper. Before joining *Yediot Ahronot*, he was Editor-in-Chief of the weekly *Koteret Rashit*. From 1973-82, Barnea worked at the *Davar* daily newspaper, where he served as a Columnist and Washington Bureau Chief. Before beginning his career in journalism, he served as Deputy Spokesman for the Israeli Ministry of Communications. Barnea is a recipient of the coveted Sokolov Award for journalism and he received the Israel Award for Journalism in 2007. In 2006 he was the first Kreiz Visiting Fellow at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution. Barnea has a B.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

ALAN BATKIN

Alan R. Batkin has been Vice Chairman of Eton Park Capital Management, a multi-disciplinary investment firm since March 2007. For the sixteen years before joining Eton Park, he was Vice Chairman of Kissinger Associates, a geopolitical consulting firm that advises multi-national companies. From 1972-90, he was an investment banker at Lehman Brothers, where he was a Managing Director from 1976-90. Batkin serves on a number of prominent boards in the business, cultural, and medical fields. He is a director of four companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange and is Co-Chairman of the Board of the International Rescue Committee. Batkin is a Trustee and member of the Executive Committee of the Brookings Institution and Chairman of its Budget and Finance Committee. He is Chairman of the Board of Continuum Hospice Care, the largest hospice in New York and is Co-Chairman of the International Council of the Joint Distribution Committee. Batkin is a member of the Trilateral

Commission, the Council on Foreign Relations and the Inter-American Dialogue. He received a B.S. from the University of Rochester and an M.B.A. from New York University.

SAMUEL BERGER

Samuel R. ("Sandy") Berger is Chairman and co-founder of Stonebridge International, LLC, an international strategic advisory firm based in Washington, D.C. He is involved across nearly all of the firm's engagements and regions, with a particularly strong focus on Asia, Russia and Central Asia and the Middle East. He is also Chairman of DB Zwirn International and its International Advisory Board—an international investment fund and merchant capital provider with more than \$4 billion under management and fifteen offices throughout North America, Europe and Asia. Berger has had a distinguished career in both the public and private sectors. As National Security Advisor to President William J. Clinton (1997-2001), Berger was pivotal in shaping the United States' role in the post-Cold War era. Among other initiatives, he oversaw efforts to build relations with China, drive critical peace efforts in the Balkans and the Middle East, manage financial crises in Asia and Latin America, and expand foreign trade. His extensive relationships and knowledge of global issues are further strengthened by his corporate background as a trade lawyer. He spent sixteen years with the Washington law firm of Hogan & Hartson, where he headed the firm's international group. Earlier Berger served as special assistant to the late New York City Mayor John Lindsay, as legislative assistant to the late U.S. Senator Harold Hughes (D-IA) and to the late U.S. Congressman Joseph Resnick (D-NY). Berger was also Deputy Director of the U.S. Department of State's Policy Planning Staff. Berger is the author of *Dollar Harvest* (1971), a book on American rural politics, and numerous articles on international affairs. Berger received his B.A. degree from Cornell University and his J.D. from Harvard Law School.

HOWARD BERMAN

Howard Berman represents the 28th Congressional District of California and during the 110th Congress he is serving as a senior member of the Foreign Affairs Committee and the Judiciary Committee. He is the

Chairman of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property. Berman entered Congress in 1982. During the current Congress Berman has authored the Patent Reform Act of 2007, two bills on immigration, the Iraq Benchmarks Act, and bills regarding the prosecution of genocide, and the treatment of Israel at the United Nations. Before his election to Congress, Berman served in the California State Assembly from 1973-82, where he was the youngest ever Assembly Majority Leader. From 1967-73, he practiced law in Los Angeles, specializing in labor relations. Berman received his B.A. and LL.B from the University of California, Los Angeles.

J. COFER BLACK

J. Cofer Black is Chairman of Total Intelligence Solutions and Vice Chairman of Blackwater USA, Inc., where he leads strategic direction and business development for a group of five companies that provide training and tactical solutions for the Twenty-First century. An internationally acknowledged expert in counterterrorism, Black also serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the Black Group, LLC, a company providing security services for corporate executives, their employees, and facilities throughout the world. Before his current position, Black was the U.S. Department of State's Coordinator for Counterterrorism with the rank of Ambassador at Large from December 2002 to February 2005. His office at the U.S. Department of State had primary responsibility for developing, coordinating, and implementing U.S. counterterrorism policy. Black represented the U.S. Department of State on the Counterterrorism Security Group on behalf of the Secretary of State. Black had a distinguished twenty-eight year career in the Directorate of Operations of the Central Intelligence Agency before joining the U.S. Department of State. Black was the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency's Counterterrorist Center, in which capacity he served as the agency's Special Assistant for Counterterrorism as well as the National Intelligence Officer for Counterterrorism. During his Central Intelligence Agency career Black served six foreign tours in field management positions. Black received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Southern California.

TONY BLAIR

Tony Blair is the Representative of the Middle East Diplomatic Quartet (which is composed of the European Union, Russia, the United Nations, and the United States). The Quartet has tasked Blair with bringing "continuity and intensity of focus to the work of the Quartet in support of the Palestinians, within the broader framework of the Quartet's efforts to promote an end to the conflict in conformity with the Roadmap." In this role, Blair is mobilizing international assistance for the Palestinians and working closely with donors and others, as well as helping to identify and secure support in addressing the Palestinians' institutional governance needs. One of Britain's longest serving prime ministers, Blair was the first Labour prime minister, and only the second prime minister in British history, to win three consecutive general elections. Blair first entered the House of Commons as Member of Parliament for Sedgefield, in North East England, in 1983. He became assistant Treasury spokesman in 1984, moving up to Shadow Secretary of State for Energy in 1988. Blair was made Shadow Employment Secretary in 1989 and Shadow Home Secretary in 1992. After being elected Leader of the Labour Party in 1994 he initiated reforms that led to the party's return to power after eighteen years in opposition. Blair was elected prime minister of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in a landslide victory in May 1997 with the largest majority achieved in any election in close to two centuries. Blair transformed Britain's public services through a program of investment and reform in schools and hospitals during his ten years as prime minister. As a result, more children achieved better school results, there was faster access to healthcare and improved survival rates for cancer and coronary heart disease. Blair has always been a strong advocate of a values-based, activist and multilateralist foreign policy. This agenda combined tackling terrorism and intervention in Iraq, Afghanistan, Kosovo and Sierra Leone along with action on issues such as climate change, global poverty, Africa and the Middle East Peace Process. Blair is widely recognized for his contribution towards assisting the Northern Ireland Peace Process, helping to deliver the Good Friday Agreement that led to an end to violence and devolved, power sharing government for the people of Northern Ireland. Blair stepped down

from his post as prime minister and left the House of Commons in June 2007. Blair graduated from St. John's College, Oxford and after training as a barrister became a member of Lincoln's Inn.

AVISHAY BRAVERMAN

Avishay Braverman was elected to the Knesset from the Labor party in 2005 and is a member of the Finance and Economic Affairs Committees. He previously served as President of the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev. A Senior Economist and Division Chief for the World Bank, Braverman received the Ben-Gurion Prize for 1999 and an honorary degree from the Jewish Theological Seminary. He is a member of many international economic and educational associations as well as a member of the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences, the Israeli-American High-Tech Commission and the European Academy of Sciences and Arts. The author of several books and numerous articles, he holds a B.A. from Tel Aviv University and a Ph.D. from Stanford University.

DAVID BROOKS

David Brooks's column on the Op-Ed page of *The New York Times* started in September 2003. He has been a Senior Editor at *The Weekly Standard*, a Contributing Editor at *Newsweek* and *The Atlantic Monthly*, and he is currently a commentator on *The Newshour with Jim Lehrer*. He is the author of *Bobos In Paradise: The New Upper Class and How They Got There* and *On Paradise Drive: How We Live Now (And Always Have) in the Future Tense*, both published by Simon & Schuster. Brooks joined *The Weekly Standard* at its inception in September 1995, having worked at *The Wall Street Journal* for the previous nine years. His last post at *The Wall Street Journal* was as Op-Ed Editor. Before that he was posted in Brussels, covering Russia, the Middle East, South Africa and European affairs. His first post at *The Wall Street Journal* was as Editor of the Book Review Section, and he filled in for five months as the newspaper's movie critic. He is also a frequent analyst on *All Things Considered*, a program on *National Public Radio*. Among other venues, his articles have appeared in *The New Yorker*, *The New York Times Magazine*, *Forbes*, *The Washington Post*, *The Times Literary Supplement*, *Commentary*, *The Public Interest*. Brooks graduated with a B.A. from the University of Chicago.

DANIEL BYMAN

Daniel L. Byman is a Senior Fellow at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution. He is also an Associate Professor and Director of the Security Studies Program and the Center for Peace and Security Studies at Georgetown University's Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service. Byman has served as a Professional Staff Member with both the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks on the United States ("The 9-11 Commission") and the Joint 9/11 Inquiry Staff of the House and Senate Intelligence Committees. He has also worked as the Research Director of the Center for Middle East Public Policy at the RAND Corporation and as an analyst of the Middle East for the U.S. intelligence community. Byman has written widely on a range of topics related to terrorism, international security, and the Middle East. His latest books are *The Five Front War: A Better Way to Fight Global Jihad* (Wiley, 2007); *Things Fall Apart: Containing the Spillover from an Iraqi Civil War* (Saban Center and Brookings, 2007; co-authored with Kenneth M. Pollack); and *Deadly Connections: States that Sponsor Terrorism* (Cambridge University Press, 2005). He received a B.A. from Amherst and a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

EITAN CABEL

Eitan Cabel is a member of the Knesset from Labor-Meimad. He served as Minister without Portfolio, responsible for the Israel Broadcasting Authority, from May 2006 until his resignation in May 2007. A member of Knesset since 1996, he has also served as a member of the Economic Affairs, Education and Culture, Public Petitions, State Control, Finance, and Internal Affairs and Environment Committees in addition to the Joint Committee on the Defence Budget. He served as the Chair of the Lobby for Reserve Soldiers and the Lobby for Voluntary Evacuation from Settlements. Cabel was a former aide to Agriculture Minister Avraham Katz-Oz, Opposition Leader Shimon Peres, and Housing Minister Benjamin Ben-Eliezer. He studied at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

ARYE CARMON

Arye Carmon has been the President of the Israel Democracy Institute since he founded it with

American businessman Bernard Marcus. The Israel Democracy Institute is an independent think tank dedicated to promoting and strengthening democracy and democratic values in Israel. Carmon has been a professor at the Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Tel Aviv University and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. He has written extensively on the subjects of education, Israel-Diaspora relations, and the Holocaust. Carmon received a B.A. and an M.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, as well as a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin.

ADAM CHESNOFF

Adam Chesnoff is the President and Chief Operating Officer of Saban Capital Group, Inc, a private investment management firm specializing in the media and entertainment industries. In this position, Chesnoff is responsible for overseeing overall strategy and daily business activities of the three primary areas of the company's activity: public investments, private equity investments, and a music publishing company. Chesnoff directed and formed the investment group that acquired a controlling stake in ProSiebenSat.1 Media, Germany's largest television broadcasting group. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Univision Communications Inc., as well as that of Bezeq, Israel's leading telecommunications group. Before joining the Saban Capital Group, Chesnoff spent five years at Fox Family Worldwide where he oversaw business development across all global divisions. From 1994-5, Chesnoff worked in the Business Affairs and Corporate Development groups at Sony Pictures Entertainment and Columbia Pictures, focusing on strategic planning, financial analysis, deal structuring and new business development in the Motion Picture and Television divisions. He has a B.A. from Tel Aviv University and an M.B.A. from the Anderson Business School of the University of California, Los Angeles.

SIR RONALD COHEN

Sir Ronald Cohen is Chairman of Portland Capital LLP, the Portland Trust and Bridges Community Ventures. He was the founding partner and former chairman of Apax Partners. Founded in 1972, Apax Partners is one of the world's leading private equity investment groups, operating in nine countries

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ILANA DAYAN

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AVRAHAM DICTER

Avraham ("Avi") Dicter is Israel's Minister of Public Security and was elected to the Knesset in 2006. Dicter was previously Director of the Shin Bet (Israel Security Agency) from May 2000-May 2005. A former member of the Israel Defense Forces' elite Sayeret Matkal unit, Dicter had a three-decade long career in intelligence and security. He served as Deputy Director, Head of the Security and Protection Division, and Head of the Southern Division of the Shin Bet. In 2005, Dicter was the first Charles and Andrea Bronfman Visiting Fellow at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution. He holds a B.A. from Bar-Ilan University and an M.B.A. from Tel Aviv University.

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MICHAEL DORAN

Michael Doran was appointed Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Support to Public Diplomacy in April 2007. He is responsible for advising the Department's senior leadership on policy to support public diplomacy and strategic communication, and for advocating key themes and messages to promote U.S. national security interests. Before joining the U.S. Department of Defense, Doran served as Senior

Director for Near East and North African Affairs at the National Security Council. Doran was previously a professor in the Department of Near Eastern Studies at Princeton University. From 2002-4 he was also an Adjunct Senior Fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations. Before arriving at Princeton, Doran taught in the History Department at the University of Central Florida. Following the attacks of September 11, 2001, Doran conducted extensive research on terrorist use of the internet. This research informed an influential *Foreign Affairs* article he authored on Osama bin Laden entitled "Somebody Else's Civil War" as well as a *Foreign Affairs* article on Saudi Arabia entitled "The Saudi Paradox." Doran received a B.A. from Stanford University and a Ph.D. from Princeton University.

GIORA EILAND

Giora Eiland is a Fellow at the Institute for National Security Studies and is the former Director of Israel's National Security Council and National Security Advisor to the Prime Minister. As Director of the National Security Council, Eiland led the National Steering Committee in charge of the implementation of the Gaza Strip and northern West Bank Disengagement plan. Before taking up his post at the National Security Council and retiring from the army in January 2004, Eiland had served in the Israel Defense Forces for thirty-four years. He rose from Platoon Commander in the Paratroop Brigade in the early 1970s to the rank of Major General in 1999 when he was appointed Director of the Israel Defense Forces Operations Directorate. In January 2001, he became Head of the Israel Defense Forces Planning and Policy Directorate. Eiland has a B.A. and an M.A. from Bar-Ilan University.

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Michael Federmann is Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Federmann Enterprises Ltd., a major holding company which includes Dan Hotels Corporation, Ltd., Israel's first and largest luxury hotel chain, and Elbit Systems Ltd., Israel's largest private defense company. He also serves as the Chairman of Eurofund, a venture capital fund. Federmann is the Deputy Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and of its Executive Committee, and is a member of the

Board of Governors and the Executive Council of the Weizmann Institute of Science. He is President of the Federation of Israeli Tourism Organization, President of the Israel-German Chamber of Industry and Commerce and an Honorary Consul of Côte d'Ivoire. He has a B.A. and an honorary doctorate from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

DIANNE FEINSTEIN

Dianne Feinstein is the senior Senator from California. In the 110th Congress, Feinstein assumed the Chairmanship of the Rules and Administration Committee, where she oversees ethics, campaign and election reform. Feinstein also serves on the Judiciary Committee, where she is the Chairman of the Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security Subcommittee. She is also a member of the Select Committee on Intelligence as well as a member of the Appropriations Committee where she serves as the Chairman of the Subcommittee on the Interior Department and Related Agencies. Since her election to the Senate in 1992, Feinstein has worked in a bipartisan manner to build a significant record of legislative accomplishments helping strengthen U.S. national security both domestically and abroad, combat crime and violence, battle cancer, and protect natural resources in California and across the country. A native of San Francisco, she was elected to the San Francisco County Board of Supervisors in 1969 and served two and a half terms as President of the Board. She became Mayor of San Francisco in November 1978 following the assassination of Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk. The following year she was elected to the first of two terms as mayor. Feinstein has served as a member of the Aspen Strategy Group since 1997 and holds a bachelor's degree from Stanford University.

DAVID FISHER

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STANLEY FISCHER

Stanley Fischer has been Governor of the Bank of Israel since May 2005. Before joining the Bank of Israel, he was Vice Chairman of Citigroup from February 2002 through April 2005, where he was also Head of the Public Sector Group from February 2004 to April 2005, Chairman of the Country Risk Committee, and President of Citigroup International. Fischer was the First Deputy Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, from 1994-2001. Before that post, Fischer was the Killian Professor and Head of the Department of Economics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was Vice President for Development Economics and Chief Economist at the World Bank. He has held visiting positions at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the Hoover Institution at Stanford University and served as Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago. From 1986-94 he was editor of the National Bureau of Economic Research's *Macroeconomics Annual*, where he also served as Research Associate. He has published extensively in professional journals and also served as Associate Editor of other economics journals. Fischer is a Fellow of the Econometric Society and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences; a member of the G-30 group of leading financial officials, and the Trilateral Commission; and a Guggenheim Fellow. He has served on the boards of the Institute for International Economics, Women's World Banking and the International Crisis Group, as well as the International Advisory Board of the New Economic School, Moscow. He is the author of several books and the editor of others, including *Securing Peace in the Middle East* (1994). He holds a B.Sc and an M.Sc. from the London School of Economics and Political Science as well as a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

EIVAL GILADY

Eival Gilady is the Chief Executive Officer of the Portland Trust in Israel, a foundation established to

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HIRSH GOODMAN

Hirsh Goodman is the Director of the Andrea and Charles Bronfman Program on Information Strategy at the Institute for National Security Studies. He was Vice President of *The Jerusalem Post* until January 2000. Goodman founded *The Jerusalem Report* in 1990 and was its Editor-in-Chief for eight years. He served as Defense Correspondent for *The Jerusalem Post*, Contributing Editor to *U.S. News & World Report*, contributor to *The New Republic*, special correspondent for *The Sunday Times* (London), and news analyst for *CBS News*. He was a Strategic Fellow at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, where he co-authored *The Future Battlefield and the Arab-Israeli Conflict* (1990). His most recent book, *Let Me Create A Paradise, God Said to Himself: A Journey of Conscience from Johannesburg to Jerusalem*, was published in 2005. Goodman has a B.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

BRIAN GREENSPUN

Brian Lee Greenspun is President and Editor of the *Las Vegas Sun* newspaper as well as President of the

Greenspun Corporation. Greenspun has overall responsibility for the American Nevada Corporation, COX Communications of Las Vegas, and the Greenspun Media Group, which, together with the *Las Vegas Sun*, publishes *Showbiz* magazine, *Las Vegas Weekly*, *Las Vegas Life*, *Vegas Golfer*, and *Vegas.com*. He also serves on the President's Community Advisory Board of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. In 1993, Greenspun was appointed by President William J. Clinton to the White House Conference on Small Business Commission. He is a Trustee of the Brookings Institution and a member of the International Advisory Board of the Saban Center for Middle East Policy. Greenspun received a B.A. and J.D. from Georgetown University.

DAVID GREGORY

David Gregory is Chief White House Correspondent for *NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams*, for *Today* on *NBC News'* twenty-four hour cable network *MSNBC*, and for *MSNBC.com*. In addition, Gregory often appears on *Hardball with Chris Matthews*. In the fall of 2005, Gregory began substituting regularly for Matt Lauer on *Today*. He has served as substitute moderator on *Meet the Press*, and has been a substitute anchor for the weekend editions of *Nightly News* and *Today*. He has circled the globe, traveling with President George W. Bush on every major foreign trip and to nearly every state in the nation during the presidential campaigns of 2000 and 2004. From the White House, Gregory has also covered every aspect of the war on terror and the war in Iraq since 9/11. He was the only network correspondent to tour ground zero with President Bush, and he reported exclusively from Afghanistan while traveling with Vice President Dick Cheney to the inauguration of Afghan President Hamid Karzai. During the summer of 2004 he landed an exclusive and rare interview in Jerusalem with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon ahead of his summit with President George W. Bush in Texas. Naming him one of Washington's fifty best and most influential journalists, *Washingtonian* magazine labeled Gregory the "firebrand in the front row." On the campaign trail in 2004, Gregory was the most heavily utilized network correspondent on television, according to the *Tyndall Report*. In 2005, Gregory shared an Emmy with his colleagues for the network's coverage

of President Ronald Reagan's death and funeral the previous summer. Before joining *NBC News* in 1995 Gregory worked as an *NBC News* correspondent based in Los Angeles and Chicago, and in 1998 he anchored for *MSNBC*, the *NBC* cable network. Gregory began his journalism career at eighteen years old as a summer reporter for *KGUN-TV* in Tucson, Arizona. He also worked for the *NBC* flagship West Coast affiliate *KCRA-TV* in Sacramento. Gregory graduated from the American University in Washington, D.C. with a bachelor's degree. In 2005, he was named the American University's School of International Service's alumnus of the year and now sits on the Dean's advisory council.

EFRAIM HALEVY

Efraim Halevy is the Head of the Shasha Center for Strategic Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Federmann School of Public Policy and Governance. He was Director of the National Security Council and National Security Advisor to Prime Minister Ariel Sharon from 2002-3. He had a career in the Mossad, Israel's foreign intelligence service that spanned almost forty years, serving in a variety of capacities and ultimately as Director from 1998-2002. He has served as a personal and secret envoy of five Israel Prime Ministers and other key political figures. Halevy has also served as the Israeli Ambassador to the European Union and the Political Counselor of the Israeli Embassies in Paris and Washington, D.C. Since retiring from the government, Halevy has published articles in the Israeli and international press. He most recently authored *Man in the Shadows: Inside the Middle East Crisis with a Man Who Led the Mossad* (2006). He graduated from the Faculty of Law at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

ISRAEL HAREL

Israel Harel is the Founding Chairman of the Institute for Zionist Strategies. Harel founded the Council of Jewish Communities in Judea, Samaria and Gaza which he headed, first as Secretary General and later as Chairman. He was the founder and first editor of the Israeli monthly journal *Nekuda*. Harel was also the initiator and founder of the Forum for National Responsibility, which created the Kinneret Covenant, a document of basic understandings between the

major sectors in Israeli Jewish society. He served as Director of the Leadership Forum at the Shalom Hartman Institute and initiated the Gavison-Meiden Project, which formulated a comprehensive covenant to regulate the joint existence of secular and religious populations in Israel. He chairs the Association of the Paratroopers Who Liberated Jerusalem. Harel writes a weekly column for *Ha'aretz* and is author of several books, including *The Lion's Gate*. Harel graduated from the Kfar HaRoeh Yeshiva and continued his studies at Bar-Ilan University. His book *Religious Zionism: An Era of Changes* was published by Bialik Institute in 2004.

JANE HARMAN

Jane Harman is the member of the U.S. House of Representatives for the 36th Congressional District of California. A leading Congressional expert on terrorism, homeland security and foreign affairs, Harman was first elected to Congress in 1992. In 2006, Harman completed eight years of service on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, the final four as Ranking Member. In the 110th Congress, Harman's seventh term, she remains a senior member of the Homeland Security Committee, as well as Chair of its Intelligence, Information-Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment Subcommittee, and has returned to the powerful Energy and Commerce Committee, where she serves on the Telecommunications and the Internet, and Energy and Air Quality Subcommittees. In addition to her focus on security issues, Harman is a leader in the House and the California congressional delegation on environmental policy. While out of Congress from 1999-2000, following a bid for the Governorship of California, Harman was named Regent's Professor at the University of California, Los Angeles, teaching public policy and international relations, and she served on the National Commission on Terrorism. Before entering Congress, Harman worked as an attorney, served as Special Counsel to the Department of Defense, and as Deputy Secretary to the Cabinet in the White House of President Jimmy Carter. Harman began her career on Capitol Hill as Chief Counsel and Staff Director for the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights. A graduate of Los Angeles public schools, Harman has a B.A. from Smith College and a J.D. from Harvard Law School.

ISAAC HERZOG

Isaac Herzog is the Minister of Social Affairs and Services as well as the Minister of the Jewish Diaspora, Society and the Fight against Anti-Semitism of Israel. Before taking this post, he had in turn been Minister of Tourism and Minister of Housing and Construction. Elected to the Knesset in 2003, Herzog has served as a member of the Knesset Finance, Internal Affairs and Environment, and Anti-Drug Abuse Committees, as well as the Whip of the Parliamentary Group of Israel's Labor Party. Before his election to the Knesset, Herzog was Chairman of the Anti-Drug Authority from 2000-3 and Secretary of the Economic-Social Council from 1988-90. He also served as Government Secretary from 1999-2001. He has chaired the War against Drugs Lobby in Israel, the Israel Tourism Lobby, the Lobby for Youth in Israel, and the Municipal Lobby. Herzog holds an LL.B. from Tel Aviv University and is an attorney by profession.

MICHAEL HERZOG

Michael Herzog is currently the Chief of Staff to Israel's Minister of Defense and a Brigadier General in the Israel Defense Forces. From August 2004 to August 2006 he was a Visiting Military Fellow at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy. He served as military secretary to the Minister of Defense from 2001-4. In that capacity, he acted as the liaison between the Minister and the Israel Defense Forces, the Prime Minister's office, the intelligence community and the Israeli defense establishment. Herzog has served in the Israel Defense Forces in a variety of capacities including as Head of the Strategic Planning Division (1998-2001) and as member of the Intelligence Corps (1974-94). Between 1993 and 2001, Herzog participated in most of Israel's peace talks with the Palestinians, the Jordanians and the Syrians, including the Wye Plantation Summit, Camp David Summit, and Taba negotiations. He holds a B.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and an M.A. from Haifa University. He also is an alumnus of Israel's National Defense College.

MICHAEL IGNATIEFF

Michael Ignatieff was elected to represent the Liberal Party, Canada's official opposition, in the Etobicoke-Lakeshore riding (district) of the House of Commons

in January 2006. He now serves as Deputy Leader of the Liberal Party. Previously, Ignatieff was Carr Professor of Human Rights and Director of the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. He was also a contributing writer for *The New York Times Magazine* and a contributor to *The New Yorker*. He is the author of *Isaiah Berlin: A Life*, *The Warrior's Honor: Ethnic War and the Modern Conscience*, *The Lesser Evil: Political Ethics in an Age of Terror*, and twelve other books. His books have been translated into ten languages, and he has received seven honorary degrees. Ignatieff studied at the University of Toronto and at Oxford University, before completing a Ph.D. at Harvard University.

DAVID IGNATIUS

David Ignatius began writing his column on global politics, economics, and international affairs for *The Washington Post* in January 1999. With Fareed Zakaria, Ignatius co-moderates *PostGlobal*, a recently launched online forum on international affairs. Ignatius has served as Executive Editor of the *International Herald Tribune*, based in Paris from 2000-2. Ignatius was previously *The Washington Post's* Assistant Managing Editor in charge of business news, a position he assumed in 1993. Ignatius served as *The Washington Post's* Foreign Editor from 1990-2, after having been the editor of the Outlook section from 1986-90. Before joining *The Washington Post* in 1986, Ignatius spent ten years as a reporter for *The Wall Street Journal*. He covered the steel industry, the Justice Department, the Central Intelligence Agency and the U.S. Senate, as well as wars in Lebanon and Iraq as Middle East correspondent for *The Wall Street Journal* from 1980-3. The chief diplomatic correspondent for *The Wall Street Journal* from 1984-6, he won the Edward Weintal Prize for Diplomatic Reporting in 1985 and again in 2004. Ignatius has written six novels. He has a B.A. from Harvard and received a diploma from Cambridge University.

MARTIN INDYK

Martin S. Indyk is the Director of the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution and a Brookings Senior Fellow. He served as U.S. Ambassador to Israel from 1995-7 and 2000-1.

Before his first posting to Israel, Indyk was Special Assistant to President William J. Clinton and Senior Director for Near East and South Asian Affairs at the National Security Council. He also served as Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs in the U.S. Department of State (1997-2000). Before entering the U.S. government, Indyk was Founding Executive Director of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy for eight years. He currently serves as Vice President of the American Friends of the Yitzhak Rabin Center and as Chairman of the International Council of the New Israel Fund. Indyk received a B.Econ. from Sydney University and a Ph.D. from the Australian National University. His memoir of President William J. Clinton's Middle East diplomacy will be published by Random House in 2008.

DALIA ITZIK

Dalia Itzik is the Speaker of the Knesset. She served as Acting President of the State of Israel from January to July 2007. Elected to the Knesset in 1992, she has previously served as Minister of Communications, Minister of Industry and Trade, and Minister of the Environment as well as the Chair of the Labor-Meimad Parliamentary Group and the Special Committee on Science and Technology. She has been a member of the Finance, Education and Culture, Internal Affairs and Environment, Science and Technology, and House Committees, in addition to the Committee on the Status of Women. A former Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem, Itzik was a member of the Labor Party Central Committee and the Board of Governors of the Israel Broadcasting Authority, as well as the boards of the Jerusalem Theater and Gerard Behar Centre. She was a former member of the Jerusalem City Council, Chair of the Jerusalem Teachers Union, and Vice Principal of the Katzenelson School in Jerusalem. She holds a B.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, a diploma from the Efrata Teachers Seminary, and an LL.B. from the Interdisciplinary Center, Herzliya.

RICHARD JONES

Richard H. Jones, a career member of the U.S. Foreign Service, was sworn in as U.S. Ambassador to Israel on September 6, 2005. Jones had been serving as the Secretary of State's Senior Advisor and Coordinator for

Iraq Policy (S/I) since February 2005, where he was the highest ranking U.S. Department of State official focused entirely on Iraq policy. In that capacity, Jones chaired an Under-Secretary level interagency steering group charged with reviewing and developing Iraq policy. He also led U.S. diplomatic efforts on Iraq with the international community. Before assuming his duties as Senior Advisor and Coordinator for Iraq Policy, Jones served as U.S. Ambassador to Kuwait (2001-4). From November 2003 until June 2004 he served concurrently as Chief Policy Officer and Deputy Administrator for the Coalition Provisional Authority in Baghdad, working directly with Ambassador L. Paul Bremer to implement the November 15, 2003 Agreement with the Iraqi Governing Council. Jones has also served as U.S. Ambassador to Kazakhstan (1998-2001) and as U.S. Ambassador to Lebanon (1996-8). Previous postings include Director of the U.S. Department of State's Office of Egyptian Affairs (1993-5) and Director of its Division of Developed Country Trade (1987-9). He was twice posted to the U.S. Embassy in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, and has served in Paris and Tunis. Jones has a B.S. with distinction from Harvey Mudd College in Claremont, California and a Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

YNON KREIZ

Ynon Kreiz is a General Partner at Balderton Capital, formerly Benchmark Capital Europe, the leading early stage investor in Europe. With \$1.5 billion under management, Balderton Capital has investments in over 70 companies in media and technology. He generously funds the Kreiz Fellowship at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution. The Kreiz Fellowship brings leading Israelis to Washington, D.C. Kreiz was previously Chairman of the Board of Management, President, and Chief Executive Officer of Fox Kids Europe NV, which he co-founded with Haim Saban in 1996. Under his management, the company became a leading pan-European integrated children's entertainment company broadcasting via cable and satellite in seventeen languages to thirty-two million households in fifty-six countries. Before the creation of Fox Kids Europe, Kreiz was Director of Business Development and Vice President of Business

Development at Fox Family Worldwide. Kreiz has a B.A. from Tel Aviv University and an M.B.A. from the Anderson School of Management, University of California, Los Angeles.

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Yosef Kuperwasser is Vice President of Global CST, a security consulting company. He was previously the Charles and Andrea Bronfman Visiting Fellow at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution during the fall of 2006 and winter of 2007. From 2001-6, Kuperwasser was head of the Research Department of the Israel Defense Forces' Directorate of Military Intelligence. In this capacity he was responsible for preparing Israel's national intelligence assessment. He was the Assistant Defense Attaché for Intelligence at the Israeli embassy in Washington, D.C. (1992-4) and the Intelligence Officer of the Israel Defense Forces' Central Command (1998-2001). During his military service he was involved in shaping Israel's understanding of regional developments and in sharing that understanding with U.S. officials. Kuperwasser has a B.A. from Haifa University and an M.A. from Tel Aviv University.

TOM LANTOS

Congressman Tom Lantos represents California's 12th Congressional district, a seat that he has held continuously since 1981. He is the chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. In 1983, Lantos founded the Congressional Human Rights Caucus and continues to serve as its Co-Chairman. Before starting his congressional career, he was an economics professor, an international relations analyst for public television, and a private business consultant. As a teenager during World War II, he participated in the anti-Nazi resistance in Budapest, Hungary. Lantos received a B.A. and M.A. from the University of Washington and a Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley.

SAMUEL LEWIS

Samuel W. Lewis is on the boards of the Institute for the Study of Diplomacy at Georgetown University and Partners for Democratic Change, and serves as a Senior Policy Advisor to the Israel Policy Forum. Lewis's diplomatic career spanned thirty-three years,

during which he was the U.S. Ambassador to Israel for eight years under Presidents Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan, and participated in the historic 1978 Camp David Summit. Lewis was also Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs under President Gerald Ford, Senior Staff Member for Latin America at the National Security Council, Special Assistant to the Under Secretary of State, Chargé d'affaires in Kabul, and Deputy Director of the Policy Planning Staff under Secretary of State Henry Kissinger. His most recent government posts were as President and Chief Executive Officer of the newly created U.S. Institute of Peace, and subsequently as Director of the U.S. Department of State's Policy Planning Staff for the Clinton Administration (1993-4). Lewis received a B.A. from Yale University and an M.A. from the School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University.

AVIGDOR LIEBERMAN

Avigdor Lieberman joined the current Israeli government as Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Strategic Affairs at the end of October 2006. During the March 2006 Israeli general elections Lieberman's Yisrael Beiteinu (Israel is Our Home) Party, which he founded in 1999, won close to 10 percent of the vote, becoming the fifth largest party in the Knesset and winning 11 seats. Lieberman was previously Minister of Transportation from February 2003 until June 2004 and Minister of National Infrastructures from March 2001 to March 2002. One of the founders of the Zionist Forum for Soviet Jewry, Lieberman was a member of the Board of the Jerusalem Economic Corporation and the Secretary of the Jerusalem branch of the Histadrut (Israel's labor union). He served as Director General of the Prime Minister's Office (1996-7) and as Director General of the Likud Movement (1993-6). Elected to the Knesset in 1999, Lieberman served as Chairman of the Israel-Moldova Parliamentary Friendship League. He immigrated to Israel from the Moldovan Soviet Socialist Republic in 1978. Lieberman has a B.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

TZIPI LIVNI

Tzipi Livni currently serves as Israeli Vice Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs following the

elections of March 2006 in which she was returned to the Knesset for the Kadima Party. She served as Minister of Justice from November 2006 until February 2007. First elected to the Knesset in 1999 for the Likud Party, Livni served in previous governments as Minister of Housing and Construction, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister of Immigrant Absorption, Minister of Justice, Minister of Regional Cooperation, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, and Minister without Portfolio. She has also served on the Knesset Constitution, Law, and Justice Committee as well as the Knesset Committee on the Status of Women. An attorney by profession, Livni was also an employee of the Mossad, Israel's foreign intelligence service, and Director General of the Government Companies Authority. She served as a Lieutenant in the Israel Defense Forces. Livni has an LL.B. from Bar-Ilan University and practiced law in a private firm for ten years before entering public life.

NITA LOWEY

Nita M. Lowey is currently serving her tenth term as the member of the United States House of Representatives for the 18th Congressional District of New York, which encompasses parts of Westchester and Rockland Counties. She was first elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1988 and served in the Democratic Leadership in 2001 and 2002 as the first woman and the first New Yorker to chair the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. Lowey is as an extremely effective, committed legislator with a substantial record. In the 110th Congress, she is a member of the powerful House Appropriations Committee and is the Chairwoman of the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Subcommittee. She served as Assistant Secretary of State for the State of New York before being elected to Congress. Lowey received a bachelor's degree from Mount Holyoke College.

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Hani Masri is Chairman of Capital Investment Management Inc., a corporation based in McLean, Virginia that specializes in fund and investment real estate management. Masri served in the diplomatic service of Jordan as Director of its Foreign Ministry's United Nations Department and as Consul at the Jordanian Embassy in Washington, D.C. A long time advocate for Middle East peace and children's issues, Masri recently established a non-profit organization, *Tomorrow's Youth*, which will open its first children's center in Nablus in January 2008. This center will provide programs in technology, arts, sports and health for children between the ages of five and eight. Because of his many years of promoting peace in the Middle East and his interest in children in areas of conflict, Masri also serves on the boards of directors of the Peres Center for Peace and Seeds of Peace and, together with the music impresario Quincy Jones, founded *We Are the Future 2004*. Masri has also served on the boards of Meridian House, the Washington Opera and the William Jefferson Clinton Foundation. He holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Florida, Gainesville and a graduate degree from the University of Colorado at Boulder.

DAN MERIDOR

Dan Meridor is Vice Chairman of the Institute for National Security Studies and a partner in the law firm of Haim Zadok & Co. In 2004 he was appointed by Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz to be chairman of the committee that wrote the first official and comprehensive report on Israel's defense policy, serving in that role until 2006.

The report is currently under discussion. From August 2001 to February 2003, Meridor served as Minister without Portfolio and was responsible for national defense and diplomatic strategy in Prime Minister Sharon's Bureau. From 1999-2001, Meridor served as Chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee. Meridor was Minister of Finance in 1996-7. From 1988-92, he was Minister of Justice and a member of the Inner Cabinet. He entered the Knesset in 1984, elected as a member for the Likud Party, and soon chaired the Subcommittee for Security Perception and the Subcommittee for Security Legislation. Before running for the Knesset, Meridor was Cabinet Secretary under Prime Ministers Yitzhak Shamir (1983-4) and Menachem Begin (1982-3). He holds an LL.B. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

LEORA MERIDOR

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ILAN MIZRAHI

Ilan Mizrahi is the outgoing Director of the Israeli National Security Council, a position he has held since June 2006. He joined the Mossad, Israel's foreign intelligence service, in 1972 and served there for over thirty years in various operational, field and staff positions, including Head of the Human Intelligence Division and Head of the Intelligence Division. He

was Deputy Director of the Mossad from 2001-3. He received a B.A from Tel Aviv University and an M.A from the University of Haifa.

BENJAMIN NETANYAHU

Benjamin Netanyahu is Chairman of the Likud Party and Head of the Opposition. In 1988, he was elected to the Knesset and was appointed Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs. In 1993, Netanyahu was elected Likud Party Chairman and led the opposition until his election to Prime Minister in 1996. After returning to public life in 2002, Netanyahu served first as Minister of Foreign Affairs and from 2003-5 as Minister of Finance. Before entering the Knesset, Netanyahu served as Deputy Chief of Mission at the Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C. and then as Israel's ambassador to the United Nations for four years. Before that, he worked in the private sector from 1976-82. A soldier in the elite Sayeret Matkal commando unit of the Israel Defense Forces, he participated in the rescue of hostages from the hijacked Sabena airliner in 1972 and the Yom Kippur War. Netanyahu received a B.S. and an M.S. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has additionally studied at Harvard University.

EHUD OLMERT

Ehud Olmert is Israel's Prime Minister. He took office in May 2006 after having served as Acting and Interim Prime Minister following Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's hospitalization. He had previously served as Minister of Welfare and Social Services. Olmert joined the Kadima party upon its establishment. During the sixteenth Knesset, he also served as Vice Prime Minister; Minister of Industry, Trade, and Labor; Minister of Communications; Minister Responsible for the Israel Lands Authority, the Israel Broadcasting Authority and the Bedouin Administration in the Negev; and Acting Minister of Finance. Earlier in his career he served as Minister of Health and Minister of Minority Affairs. Olmert was first elected to the Knesset in 1973. Before entering politics, Olmert served in the Israel Defense Forces, beginning his service in the Golani Brigade. Olmert was also elected to be the Mayor of Jerusalem, a position he held from 1993-2003. He received a B.A. and LL.B. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

CARLOS PASCUAL

Carlos Pascual is Vice President at the Brookings Institution and the Director of its Foreign Policy Studies Program, the institution's largest research program. The Foreign Policy Studies Program is based on four strategic priorities: relations with world powers, war and peace, countering transnational threats, and reshaping global and U.S. institutions. The Foreign Policy Studies Program has centers on China, Northeast Asia, the Middle East (the Saban Center for Middle East Policy), and Europe. Pascual also serves on the board of directors for the National Endowment for Democracy, Freedom House, and the *Internews Network*. He is also on the Advisory Group for the United Nations Peacebuilding Fund. Before joining Brookings, Pascual was the Coordinator for Reconstruction and Stabilization at the U.S. Department of State where he led planning to help stabilize and reconstruct societies in transition from conflict or civil strife. Before taking this post, Pascual had been Coordinator for U.S. Assistance to Europe and Eurasia in 2003 and U.S. Ambassador to Ukraine (2000-3). Pascual served as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Russia, Ukraine, and Eurasia at the National Security Council (1998-2000), a position to which he was promoted from his previous service as Director for the same region (1995-8). Pascual was Deputy Assistant Administrator for Europe and the New Independent States (1994-5) and Director of the Office of Program Analysis and Coordination for the New Independent States Task Force (1992-4) at the United States Agency for International Development, which he joined in 1983 and under whose aegis he served tours of duty overseas in Sudan, South Africa, Mozambique. Pascual has a B.A. from Stanford University and an M.P.P. from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

TODD PATKIN

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fellowships in the Saban Center for Middle East Policy's Project on Middle East Democracy and Development that bring scholars and activists from the Arab world to Washington, D.C. The 2004 Million Calorie March, which increased awareness of the obesity epidemic in the United States, was one of his most successful ventures, while the Todd G. Patkin Opera-tunity Performing Arts Center brings the arts to many communities surrounding Easton, Massachusetts, and to inner city children. Patkin serves on the New England Board of the Anti Defamation League. He is the Major Gifts Chair for the Jewish National Fund for Eastern Massachusetts and sits on the Board of Trustees for the New England B'nai B'rith Sports Lodge.

SHIMON PERES

Shimon Peres currently serves as the ninth President of the State of Israel. Previously he served as Vice Prime Minister in Prime Minister Ehud Olmert's government, a position that he had held in the government of Prime Minister Ariel Sharon from January to November 2005. Peres's Israeli government service has extended over fifty years. He has been Prime Minister three times and has served as Minister of Defense, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister of Regional Cooperation Minister of Immigrant Absorption, Minister of Transport and Communications, Minister of Information, and Minister of Finance. He was first elected to Knesset in 1959. As Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Rabin government, Peres initiated negotiations with Jordan and conducted the negotiations that led to the signing of the "Declaration of Principles" with the PLO in September 1993, which won him the 1994 Nobel Peace Prize. Peres has been Chairman of Israel's Labor Party and he created the Peres Center for Peace with the aim of advancing Arab-Israeli joint ventures in 1997. He studied at the New School for Social Research and at Harvard University and has published books in Hebrew, French and English on numerous subjects.

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leading producers of fashion apparel in the United States. The company supplies apparel to every major U.S. retailer and has designed, manufactured, and sold products under leading private labels, such as Bugle Boy, Ecco, Guess, and Kenneth Cole. Born in Morocco, Perez immigrated to Canada and eventually to the United States. In addition to his numerous business ventures, he is active in a host of philanthropic projects in the community including the Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and is a member of the Board of Trustees for the Buckley School.

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Dalia Rabin currently serves as the Chairperson of the Yitzhak Rabin Center for Israel Studies, a national institute dedicated to ensuring that the legacy of former Prime Minister and Minister of Defense Yitzhak Rabin continues to impact Israeli society through experiential educational programming, a national archive and a museum. Rabin was elected to the Knesset on the Center Party ticket in 1999 and served as Chairperson of the Ethics Committee. She also served on the Constitution, Law and Justice Committee; the Committee for the Advancement of the Status of Women; the State Control Committee; and the Committee for the Advancement of the Status

of the Child. In 2001, Rabin was appointed Deputy Minister of Defense. She resigned in 2002 to head the Rabin Center. Before her election to the Knesset, Rabin, an attorney by profession, served as the legal advisor of the professional associations of the Histadrut (Israel's labor union). She also served for fourteen years in the Tel Aviv District Attorney's Office in the Civil Division, specializing in labor law. Rabin holds an LL.B. from Tel Aviv University.

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CONDOLEEZZA RICE

Condoleezza Rice became the 66th Secretary of State of the United States on January 26, 2005. Before becoming Secretary of State, Rice served as the National Security Advisor during the first administration of President George W. Bush. She served from 1989-91 as Director, and then Senior Director, of Soviet and East European Affairs in the National Security Council, and as Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs. Rice had a distinguished career at Stanford University, serving as the University's Provost from 1993-9, as Professor from 1993-9, as Associate Professor from 1987-93, and as Assistant Professor from 1981-7. Additionally, during her time at Stanford, Rice was a member of the Center for International Security and Arms Control,

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HAIM SABAN

Haim Saban is an entertainment industry pioneer and leader. He founded Saban Capital Group, Inc. in 2001 and currently serves as its Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. In 2007, Saban teamed up with other investors to acquire Univision Communications, Inc., the leading Spanish-language media company in the United States, and he currently serves as Chairman of the company's Board of Directors. In 2002, Saban led a group that acquired ProSiebenSat1, Germany's

largest and most successful television corporation, and then sold his stake in the company in 2007 to private equity groups KKR and Permira. A native of Alexandria, Egypt, Saban immigrated to Israel at twelve years old, where he attended agricultural school and served in the Israel Defense Forces. He relocated to France in 1975 and established an independent record company. He subsequently moved to Los Angeles, where he launched a chain of recording studios that rapidly became the top supplier of music for the television industry. In 1988, Saban formed Saban Entertainment, an international television, production, distribution and merchandising company. He merged Saban Entertainment with Rupert Murdoch's Fox Kids Network in 1995 to form Fox Family Worldwide, which was later sold to the Walt Disney Company. In 2002, Saban founded the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution and currently chairs its International Advisory Board. A major philanthropist, Saban and his wife started the Saban Family Foundation, which supports medical, children's and education programs, including the Children's Hospital of Los Angeles, Soroka Children's Hospital in Israel, the John Wayne Cancer Institute, the Motion Picture and Television Fund, the Friends of the Israel Defense Forces, the American Israel Education Foundation, the William Jefferson Clinton Foundation, and the United Friends of the Children.

AMNON LIPKIN-SHAHAK

Amnon Lipkin-Shahak is Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Tahal Group, Israel's largest engineering consultancy firm. Lipkin-Shahak is also Chairman of the Executive Board of the Peres Center for Peace. As a member of the Center Party, Lipkin-Shahak was elected to the Knesset in 1999 and served as Minister of Tourism and Minister of Transportation. He was a senior member of Prime Minister Ehud Barak's peace team, participating in the Camp David negotiations in 2000. Lipkin-Shahak served in the Israel Defense Forces with distinction, twice being awarded the Medal of Valor. Before entering politics, Lipkin-Shahak was the Israel Defense Forces' Chief of the General Staff (1995-8), Deputy Chief of the General Staff (1991-5), Chief of Defense Intelligence (1986-91), and Head of the Central Command (1983-6). He has a B.A. from Tel Aviv University.

TALLIE LIPKIN-SHAHAK

Tallie Lipkin-Shahak writes for the weekend supplement, the art supplement, and the editorial page of the daily newspaper *Ma'ariv*. A prominent radio and television personality in Israel, she currently hosts a morning radio news talk-show and a weekly radio news program for *Galei Tzahal* (Israel Defense Forces Radio). She also sits as a regular participant on various television shows. For three years she wrote the weekly political column *On Target* for the Friday edition of *The Jerusalem Post*. Lipkin-Shahak was involved in the founding and maintaining of a forum of influential media women as friends of rape crisis centers, and in the launching of a nationwide awareness campaign on these issues. She served as Honorary President of AKIM, the National Association for the Mentally Handicapped, and is a member of the public board of the Issie Shapiro House. Lipkin-Shahak graduated from Tel Aviv University.

NATAN SHARANSKY

Natan Sharansky is the Chairman of the Adelson Institute for Strategic Studies of the Shalem Center in Jerusalem. First elected to the Knesset in 1996, Sharansky served as Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Jerusalem Affairs, Minister of Housing and Construction, Minister of Internal Affairs, and Minister of Industry and Trade. He founded the political party Israel B'Aliya (Israel on the Rise) in 1996 to accelerate the absorption of the massive numbers of Russian immigrants into Israeli society and to maximize their contribution. Sharansky served as Associate Editor of *The Jerusalem Report* (1990-6) and in early 1994 he co-founded Peace Watch, an independent non-partisan group committed to monitoring compliance with agreements signed by Israel and the PLO. In 1986, after nine years of imprisonment in the Soviet Union, Sharansky was released and immigrated to Israel. He was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal by the U.S. Congress and has continued to lead human rights efforts since his release. Upon his arrival to Israel he became active in the integration of Soviet Jews and formed the Zionist Forum, an umbrella organization of former Soviet activist groups dedicated to helping new Israelis and educating the public about absorption issues. Sharansky is the author of *Fear No Evil* (1988) and *The Case for Democracy: The Power of Freedom to*

Overcome Freedom and Terror (2004). He graduated from the Physical Technical Institute in Moscow with a degree in computer science.

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Ari Shavit is a senior feature writer for *Ha'aretz*, specializing in writing in-depth interviews with leading Israeli and foreign personalities. He is also a regular interviewer on several Israeli television programs. Shavit has been with *Ha'aretz* since 1994. He began his career in journalism with *Koteret Rashit* in 1984 and worked there until 1988. He then joined the Association of Civil Rights in Israel, first as a member and later as its Chairman. He wrote a major piece for *The New Yorker* about Prime Minister Ariel Sharon in February 2006, and he is currently writing a book for Doubleday that is a personal journey dealing with Israel's past, present and future.

MEIR SHEETRIT

Meir Sheerit is the Israeli Minister of Housing and Construction and the Minister of Internal Affairs. He served as the Acting Minister of Justice from August until November 2006. First elected to Knesset in 1981, he served as Minister of Education, Culture and Sport; Minister and Acting Minister of Transportation; Minister of Justice; and Minister of Finance. In the Knesset he has also served as Deputy Speaker, Chairman of the Likud Parliamentary Group, and Chairman of the Subcommittee for Higher Education. Sheerit was the Mayor of Yavneh (1974-87) and the Treasurer of the Jewish Agency for Israel (1988-92). He holds a B.A. and an M.A. from Bar-Ilan University where he studied for a Ph.D.

EPHRAIM SNEH

Ephraim Sneh is a member of Knesset who served as Deputy Minister of Defense until June 2007. First elected to Knesset in 1992, Sneh served as Minister of Transportation; as Deputy Defense Minister under Prime Minister and Minister of Defense Ehud Barak; as Chairman of the Labor Parliamentary Faction; Minister of Health (the first physician to ever hold this position); as Chairman of the Control Subcommittee on Israel Defense Forces and Defense Industries; as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Defense Planning and Policy; and on the Defense and Foreign Affairs

Committee and the Intelligence Subcommittee. In 2003, in an effort to jump-start the peace process and pave the way back to the Road Map, Sneh co-authored "the Gaza Pilot" plan with Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas that encouraged the transfer of control in the Gaza Strip to the Palestinians, the development of economic infrastructure, and a crackdown on terrorism in the area. He also conducted the first secret negotiations between Israel and the PLO as a special emissary of Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin in 1988. From 1985-7, Sneh served as head of the Israel Defense Forces Civil Administration in the West Bank that oversaw all government services for more than one million Palestinians. Sneh had a long and distinguished career in the Israel Defense Forces, beginning in 1962 and ending with his achieving the rank of Brigadier General. He is the author of *An Israeli Strategy for Peace and Security: Navigating Perilous Waters* (2002 and 2005). Sneh attended medical school at Tel Aviv University. He has also completed a prestigious research fellowship at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

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Committees: Finance; Constitution, Law and Justice; Education, Culture and Sport; Public Petitions and the Parliamentary Inquiry Committee for Uncovering Corruption in the Government System of Israel. A founding member of Peace Now, Tamir has served as a scholar-in-residence at Princeton University, Harvard University, the European University in Florence, the Central European University in Budapest, and the Shalom Hartman Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies in Jerusalem. Tamir served in the Israel Defense Forces as a Lieutenant in the Intelligence Corps. She served as Chairperson of the Association of Civil Rights in Israel and on the Board of Directors of the Israel Democracy Institute and the Jerusalem Foundation. She serves on the advisory board to the Ministry of Education, the board of Yadid, the association for community empowerment, as well as the boards of many other NGOs. Tamir is the author of *Liberal Nationalism* (1993), as well as numerous articles in fields such as the moral and political philosophy of education, feminism, and the theory of rights. She has a B.A. and an M.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and a doctorate from Oxford University.

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GEORGE TENET

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HENRY WAXMAN

Henry A. Waxman is the member of the U.S. House of Representatives from California's 30th Congressional District. In 2007, Waxman became Chairman of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, the principal investigative committee in the House. From 1997-2006, Waxman served as Ranking Member of the Committee, conducting investigations into a wide range of topics from the high cost of prescription drugs to waste, fraud, and abuse in government contracting. He formed a Special Investigations Division that prepared hundreds of investigative reports on local and national topics for Members of Congress. He also sits on the

Committee on Energy and Commerce. Since coming to Congress, Waxman has earned the reputation of being an expert on Middle East policy and an effective proponent of U.S. aid to guarantee Israel's security and survival. Before his election to Congress, Waxman served three terms in the California State Assembly, where he was Chairman of the Health Committee, the Committee on Elections and Reapportionment, and the Select Committee on Medical Malpractice. Waxman received a bachelor's degree and a J.D. from the University of California, Los Angeles.

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C. DAVID WELCH

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The Saban Center for Middle East Policy

THE SABAN CENTER FOR MIDDLE EAST POLICY WAS ESTABLISHED on May 13, 2002 with an inaugural address by His Majesty King Abdullah II of Jordan. The creation of the Saban Center reflects the Brookings Institution's commitment to expand dramatically its research and analysis of Middle East policy issues at a time when the region has come to dominate the U.S. foreign policy agenda.

The Saban Center provides Washington policymakers with balanced, objective, in-depth and timely research and policy analysis from experienced and knowledgeable scholars who can bring fresh perspectives to bear on the critical problems of the Middle East. The center upholds the Brookings tradition of being open to a broad range of views. The Saban Center's central objective is to advance understanding of developments in the Middle East through policy-relevant scholarship and debate.

The center's foundation was made possible by a generous grant from Haim and Cheryl Saban of Los Angeles. Ambassador Martin S. Indyk, Senior Fellow in Foreign Policy Studies, is the Director of the Saban Center. Kenneth M. Pollack is the center's Director of Research. Joining them is a core group of Middle East experts who conduct original research and develop innovative programs to promote a better understanding of the policy choices facing American decision makers in the Middle East. They include Tamara Cofman Wittes, a specialist on political reform in the Arab world who directs the Project on Middle East Democracy and Development; Bruce Riedel, who served as a senior advisor to three Presidents on the Middle East and South Asia at the National Security Council during a twenty-nine year career in the CIA, a specialist on counterterrorism; Suzanne Maloney, a former senior State Department official who focuses on Iran and economic development; Shibley Telhami, who holds the Sadat Chair at the University of Maryland; and Daniel Byman, a Middle East terrorism expert from Georgetown University. The center is located in the Foreign Policy Studies Program at Brookings, led by Brookings Vice President Carlos Pascual.

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