

The Saban Forum 2006

America and Israel Confronting a Middle East in Turmoil

Washington DC, December 8-10, 2006

Program Schedule

Friday, December 8, 2006

5:15 PM Coaches leave from the Ritz-Carlton for the U.S. Department of State

6:00 PM **Opening Reception:**
U.S. Department of State

7:00 PM GREETINGS: Haim Saban,
Chairman, The Saban Forum

OPENING REMARKS: David Welch,
*Assistant Secretary of State for
Near Eastern Affairs*

Dinner

8:00 PM INTRODUCTION: Strobe Talbott,
President, The Brookings Institution

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Tzipi Livni,
*Minister of Foreign Affairs,
Government of Israel*

Saturday, December 9, 2006

8:00 AM **Registration**

8:30 AM **Session One: *The New American
Political Landscape***
Ritz-Carlton Ballroom Salon One

CHAIR: E.J. Dionne, Jr.,
*Senior Fellow, Governance Studies,
The Brookings Institution*
Howard Berman,
U.S. Congressman (D-CA)
William Kristol,
Editor, The Weekly Standard

9:45 AM **Coffee Break**

10:15 AM **Session Two: *The Problem
of Failing Governments:
Lebanon, the Palestinian
Authority, and Iraq***
Ritz-Carlton Ballroom Salon One

CHAIR: Tom Lantos,
U.S. Congressman (D-CA)
Major General Amos Yadlin,
*Director of Military Intelligence,
Israel Defense Forces*
David Satterfield,
*Senior Advisor on Iraq to
the Secretary of State*
Yuli Tamir,
*Minister of Education,
Government of Israel*

12:00 PM **Session Three, Luncheon:
*The Threat from Iran:
What are the options?***
Ritz Carlton Ballroom Salon Two

CHAIR: Jane Harman,
U.S. Congresswoman (D-CA)
Giora Eiland,
*Senior Fellow, Institute for
National Security Studies*
Kenneth M. Pollack,
*Director of Research, Saban Center
for Middle East Policy*

2:00 PM **Session Four: *Democracies and
the Media in Wartime***
Ritz Carlton Ballroom Salon One

CHAIR: Amnon Lipkin-Shahak,
Chairman, Tahal Group
Ted Koppel,
Managing Editor, The Discovery Channel
Ehud Ya'ari,
*Arab Affairs Commentator,
Israel Channel Two News*

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3:30 PM Break

5:30 PM Coaches leave from the Ritz-Carlton for the Evermay Estate, Georgetown

**6:00 PM Reception and Dinner:
Evermay Estate, Georgetown**

8:00 PM *Is a New Middle East Still Possible?*

INTRODUCTION: Haim Saban,
Chairman, The Saban Forum

William J. Clinton,
*42nd President
of the United States*

Shimon Peres,
*Vice Prime Minister,
Government of Israel*

MODERATOR: Ted Koppel,
Managing Editor, The Discovery Channel

Sunday, December 10, 2006

8:30 AM Session Five: *How Should Israel Deal with its Neighbors?*
Ritz-Carlton Ballroom Salon One

CHAIR: James Wolfensohn,
former President, The World Bank
Avigdor Lieberman,
*Minister for Strategic Affairs,
Government of Israel*

Ami Ayalon,
*Member of Knesset (Labor);
Co-Chairman, The People's Voice*

RESPONDENT: Joseph Lieberman,
U.S. Senator (D-CT)

10:00 AM Coffee Break

10:30 AM Session Six: *Energy Independence or Security?*
Ritz-Carlton Ballroom Salon One

CHAIR: Yosef Vardi,
*Principal, International
Technologies Ventures*
Daniel Yergin,
*Chairman, Cambridge
Energy Research Associates*
Shai Agassi,
*President of Product and
Technology, SAP*

**12:00 PM Concluding Luncheon:
*U.S. Strategy in the Middle East:
What Works, What Doesn't?***
Ritz-Carlton Ballroom Salon Two

INTRODUCTION: Haim Saban,
Chairman, The Saban Forum

A DISCUSSION WITH:
Hillary Rodham Clinton,
U.S. Senator (D-NY)
Thomas L. Friedman,
The New York Times

MODERATOR: Martin S. Indyk,
*Director, Saban Center for
Middle East Policy*

**2:00 PM The Saban Forum 2006
formally ends.**