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Israeli, Raphael. *The Oslo Idea: The Euphoria of Failure*. New Brunswick, NJ: Transaction Publishers, 2012. 244 pp. \$34.95. (9781412846110).

Entering into the Oslo Accords was certainly one of the most fateful diplomatic decisions made by the State of Israel. Dr. Israeli of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem argues that it was a stupendous blunder. This is not a dry scholarly tome but a mixture of polemics and insight with an almost stream of consciousness style that is certainly lively, despite some repetitiveness and a number of typographical errors. Though I do not doubt the accuracy of his facts, one could wish for more endnotes. Dr. Israeli considers various aspects of the Oslo Accords and their consequences, including some not commonly dealt with such as the possible environmental dangers posed by an Arab state west of the Jordan, the change in tactics Israel has had to undergo to deal with asymmetrical warfare, and the fact that the Palestinian charter completely negating Zionism has not been amended as has often been claimed. This vigorous critique is not without flaws, but it would make a good addition to collections dealing with the modern State of Israel.

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