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Israel's Rejection of the French Peace Initiative Proves it Does Not Want Peace

The President of [France](#) is trying to fill the vacuum left by the failures of the [Obama administration](#) to advance the peace process. Unfortunately, he seems intent on repeating the mistakes of past leaders who believed that an international gathering can substitute for direct negotiations between the leaders of Israel and the [Palestinian Authority](#). While Francois Hollande's initiative is well-meaning, and he would like France to be a player in the peace process, he knows that only the United States can play the role of mediator because [Israel](#) will only feel safe to make the difficult compromises necessary for peace if Israelis believe America has their back. Israel also has a well-founded distrust of the Europeans whose policy toward the Arab-Israeli conflict has historically tilted disproportionately in support of Palestinian demands.

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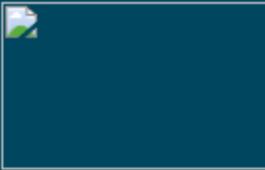
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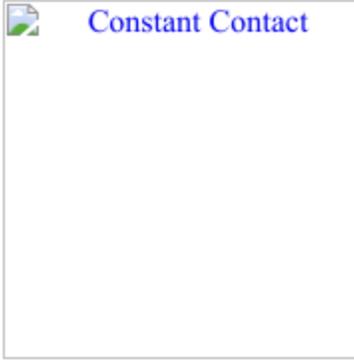


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