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**A selection of some of the more challenging and thought-provoking
local and international writings on the Middle East**

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1. Henry Siegman Preventing "Politicide" in the Middle East

The U.S. has in effect been collaborating with Prime Minister Netanyahu's goal of "politicide" - the violent termination of Palestinian national political existence.

2. Samuel Segev The View from the West: Peace treaty in peril

Muslim Brotherhood leaders are repeatedly hinting that Israel should understand that things in Egypt have changed and that Israel should show more understanding of Palestinians' aspirations. This means that in practical terms, the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty is dead. People-to-people contacts are non-existent, commercial ties are minimal and gas supply to Israel is frequently interrupted because of sabotage to the gas pipeline in Sinai.

3. Ambassador Ron Proser addresses UN Security Council on the situation in the Middle East

As we gather in this chamber, an alarm bell is ringing. Never has it been so clear that Iran is seeking to build a nuclear weapon. This is the single greatest threat to the security of the entire world.

4. Zvi Mazel Rocky road to unity for Syria Opposition

The Syrian opposition is far from closing ranks or deciding on a strategy for the day the battle is won.

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