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Dr. Weinberg holds a Ph.D. in Political Science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was affiliated for five years with the Institute's Security Studies Program. His doctoral dissertation was recognized for excellence in U.S. diplomatic history and is the subject of a forthcoming book entitled *Meddling for Peace*. The book provides a behind-the-scenes history of how American presidents and secretaries of state have repeatedly intervened in internal Israeli and Palestinian leadership contests such as elections.

Before coming to the Foundation, Dr. Weinberg was a Visiting Fellow at UCLA's Center for Middle East Development. He speaks advanced Arabic and also has language skills in Hebrew and Turkish.



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