Conflict and tensions in the Middle East have reached their highest point in years. Tensions and the risk of confrontation are growing between the U.S. and Iran, as well as between Iran and U.S. regional allies. An Israeli-Palestinian peace deal in the foreseeable future seems exceedingly unlikely, nor is there a credible process for reaching one. Chronic violence and suffering in Syria have killed more than 250,000 people, fueling radicalization and refugee flight. And the U.S. withdrawal from the region has sent a troubling message to its allies, leaving the future uncertain.

TZIPI LIVNI, former Foreign Minister of Israel, will reflect on whether increased tensions in the region can help create new opportunities for peace and stability. She will explore, in particular, the threats Israel faces that may threaten an already fragile status quo.

This event takes place on Veterans Day and serves as a reminder of our gratitude to the current members and veterans who have served. We honor them by providing the intellectual means to think about, debate and forge the ideas, policy solutions and research insights that help to inform policymakers and implementers.

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