

Planned new IPP Briefing on Israeli-Palestinian conflict deferred (19 November 2010)

One of the powerful results from IPP work was a prediction, in one of the chapters of Briefing No. 1, of periodic war between Israel and the Palestinians. Ironically the attempt to publish a follow-up Briefing, based on a tripartite Independent Commission to monitor and evaluate the earlier Annapolis peace process in 2007/08, had to be deferred because of the war between Israel and Hamas in late 2008/early 2009. This had been preceded by the armed conflict in mid-2006 only six months after publication of Briefing No. 1.

However, IPP remains convinced that this is a conflict region it must return to and that the role of *religious faith* remains pivotal to an understanding of the dynamics of the conflict and what is required for a peaceful resolution.