DOES AMERICA HAVE A MIDDLE EAST STRATEGY?

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Since 2001, the United States has been waging war in the greater Middle East. More than seventeen years after the attacks of 9/11, it is impossible to give authoritative answers to very basic questions. Who are we fighting? What are we fighting about? What constitutes victory? How will we plausibly achieve it? This lecture will explain why these questions are hard and offer a few suggestions to make them easier.

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