

Title:

- The title of the paper is straight to the point and effective. You know exactly what the paper is going to be about from the get go.

Intro:

- I think that the introduction paragraph is really strong, and it gives a solid background about what the essay is going to be about.

Thesis:

- The thesis sentence at the end of the intro is great, however I think it can be rephrased so that it doesn't start off with "This report will examine..."
- Maybe try "US foreign policy has contributed to a power imbalance that undermines efforts toward peace and stability in the region in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict" or something like that.
- The author maintains an object stance

Historical Background

- I think it is absolutely crucial that you include a brief background/summary of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Because your paper is focusing on the role of the US in it, you should probably start off with what exactly this conflict is right off the bat.

Body Paragraphs:

- Your first in-text citation is in bold
- Your first quote is 4 lines and is not a block quote, however, your quote in *Veto Power Support* is a block quote and is the same amount of lines. I'm not completely sure how block quotes work, but I don't think 4 lines constitute a block quote so double check.
- Your body paragraphs are really great, but you have a lot of information (some that contain numbers/money value) that don't have citations and aren't typically common knowledge so I'd say to be careful with this.

Body Paragraph 1 (Foreign Aid Support):

- The topic sentence introduces the paragraph well, and establishes the role of the U.S. in this conflict right away.
- The sources are introduced smoothly, and contribute to the main idea of the paragraph without being unnecessary
- The use and analysis of evidence is done very well to a point where it is easy to understand this topic without having known anything about it.
- While I do like the point made at the end of this paragraph, I feel as though an additional sentence as a summary of this information would help the paragraph transition to the next idea smoothly.

Body Paragraph 2 (Veto Power Support):

- The topic sentence defines the role of the U.S. in using veto power in a way that sets the tone for the paragraph. Overall, the author does a really nice job introducing the role of the U.S. in each issue relating to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict
- The sources definitely add meaningful info to the paragraph, however I commented on the structure of the block quote on the previous page
- The author consistently uses excellent analysis skills to dive deeper into the evidence provided.
- The transition sentence into the next paragraph is smooth and does not hinder any meaning between the ideas.

Body Paragraph 3 (Diplomatic and Political Support):

- The topic sentence is effective in introducing the idea.
- While the sources are introduced nicely and analyzed well, there is a lot of information that isn't cited that is not common knowledge to most people
- The transition from this paragraph to Current Events is good because it uses previous information to relate to events taking place as of now.

Body Paragraph 4:

- Topic sentence is effective, sources are well used and analyzed, and transitions are smooth
- One thing that I particularly admired was how the author managed to write a paper which places straight blame on our government, however continues to take an objective stance. I think that this is what makes the author's paper most effective because it feels very informative rather than opinionated.

Conclusion:

- The thesis was restated and the paper was summarized well
- The conclusion also reveals a bigger picture and hopes for future peace on both sides
- Overall, excellent work :)

Works Cited:

- When originally reviewed, there wasn't a works cited page but now that there is one, some of the sources are not in alphabetical order, some names are capitalized, the font is not consistent throughout, and all the hyperlinks are attached.