

Elliott Abrams

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There isn't any way for the people of Nicaragua to find out what's going on in Nicaragua.

~Elliott Abrams

Like all forms of collective security, multilateral sanctions require a unanimity rarely achieved in international politics.

~Elliott Abrams

Honduras was the original 'banana republic,' and its poverty remains extreme.

~Elliott Abrams

When freedom of the press is threatened, the United States should be leading efforts to protect it.

~Elliott Abrams

First impressions matter. Experts say we size up new people in somewhere between 30 seconds and two minutes.

~Elliott Abrams

The ransoming of captives has been practiced by Jews for many centuries and has been regarded as a greater obligation than charity for the poor.

~Elliott Abrams

Iran exports about 2.2 million barrels a day.

~Elliott Abrams

Elections matter, but how much they matter depends entirely on how free, open and fair they are.

~Elliott Abrams

While Argentina, Brazil, and Chile - what in textbooks used to be called the ABC countries - seem settled into democratic politics and free

market economics, the Andean countries are in disarray.

~Elliott Abrams

While all Alawites fear vengeance against their entire community should Assad fall, there are varying degrees of loyalty to the Assads.

~Elliott Abrams

At the United Nations, a lynch mob for Israel is always just a moment away.

~Elliott Abrams

Dubai must crack down on rampant smuggling, and the U.A.E. federal government has significantly stepped up pressure.

~Elliott Abrams

The intersection of religion and world politics has often been a bloody crossroads.

~Elliott Abrams

The anchors of the Arab consensus have long been Egypt and Saudi Arabia, and both are now weakened forces in Arab politics and diplomacy.

~Elliott Abrams

Those who cannot remember the past are condemned, it seems, to direct the Middle East policy of the Obama administration.

~Elliott Abrams

Israel's flexibility is dependent on its sense of security.

~Elliott Abrams

During most of the Bush administration, human rights and democracy in Egypt were on the front burner.

~Elliott Abrams

The United States should help strengthen nongovernmental humanitarian agencies working in Sudan so that they can handle an increased flow of aid.

~Elliott Abrams

Pessimism is rife in Israel.

~Elliott Abrams

Mass killing has very clearly not been eliminated, nor has the 'international community' developed a response that will avert it or bring it to a quick end.

~Elliott Abrams

As the Palestinian leadership never seems to pay any penalty for its words, America's seriousness about the peace process is in doubt.

~Elliott Abrams

There are examples of fraternal dictatorships, or one, anyway: the passing of power from Fidel to Raul Castro.

~Elliott Abrams

Libya as a country is a relatively new concept. The period of Libya as a modern nation really starts after World War II.

~Elliott Abrams

After 9/11, we did see Palestinian terrorism in the context of all terrorism.

~Elliott Abrams

A great nation like the United States has many and varied interests, and we need both to do business with tyrants and to engage constantly in multilateral diplomacy.

~Elliott Abrams

Syria's population is 74% Sunni Muslim.

~Elliott Abrams

There are no Muslim ghettos in the U.S.

~Elliott Abrams

Persecution of Christians is growing around the world, and Congress needs to pay more attention to it.

~Elliott Abrams

America was not founded to improve health care or housing; it was founded for freedom.

~Elliott Abrams

The way for the Palestinians to get a state is to go ahead and build it.

~Elliott Abrams

Pundits are used to analyzing the gap between what our ideals suggest and what our security interests require.

~Elliott Abrams

The story of the Jews in the Bible is replete with incidents of their ingratitude to God for His gifts to them: incidents that just as repeatedly merit and receive punishment.

~Elliott Abrams

I want to be the first guy to reverse a communist revolution.

~Elliott Abrams

I never said I had no idea about most of the things you said I said I had no idea about.

~Elliott Abrams

I grew up in Queens, in New York City, in a middle class Jewish family.

My mother was a public school teacher, my father was a lawyer. They were Democrats - kind of middle-of-the-road democrats.

~Elliott Abrams

On taking office in 2009, U.S. President Barack Obama put Israeli settlements at the center of U.S. policy in the Middle East.

~Elliott Abrams

There is no way around the contradictions and dangers inherent in Israel's decision to free over 1,000 prisoners in order to liberate Gilad Shalit.

~Elliott Abrams

Reformist kings can save their dynasties now by helping their countries move smoothly into democracy, or they will end their years in exile like the Russian aristocrats of a century earlier.

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