

THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT – AN EXAMPLE OF A RETRIBUTIVE CONFLICT

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ABSTRACT

A retributive conflict is a conflict in which the parties decide on courses of action not just because of the benefits they accrue but also because of the costs they exert on the other party. The AHP has been used to study this conflict and to provide potential solutions that could lead to a peace agreement. We show how the AHP is used to assess the concessions/tradeoffs of the parties and how an agreement in principles has resulted pointing to a possible solution of the conflict.

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