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This was on the Friends of the ARC blog. Brzezinski is pushing this idea hard as well. I will have more of an update on what is going on re a Palestine Pledge Fund and the ARC later this week. AM

## **Bernard Avishai urges the Obama Administration to support the Arc on talkingpointsmemo.com**

Friday, October 8, 2010 at 8:27PM

Yesterday Bernard Avishai, adjunct professor at Hebrew University, author of *The Hebrew Republic*, and a former editor of the Harvard Business Review, argued in [Taking Points Memo](#):

*"If President Obama is looking for a way to excite us with an American vision for a Palestinian state--one that can be started on even before core issues are (entirely) resolved, and which implies what is plausible about peaceful integration with Israel and Jordan--he could do worse than publicly get behind the [RAND Corporation's ARC project](#)."*

Avishai acknowledges that the Arc leaves some contentious issues unresolved. "But," he challenges his readers, "I defy you to watch [this short video](#) and think about the state the same way again."

We offer the same challenge to you. Watch [the video](#), and see if it changes the way you think about the possibility for a viable two-state solution. If it does, [join FOTA](#), follow us on [Facebook](#), [spread the word](#) to friends, and help the [video](#) go viral!

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